President's Message

When the United States was a very young country, many new leaders recognized the need for institutions of higher learning. None were open to women. It took many years before women were admitted to universities. Many colleges restricted the admissions of Jewish students. Brandeis was formed so that many Jewish students could have the opportunity to earn a college degree.

Today the university is open to all, regardless of religious affiliation or gender. Since its beginning in 1948, it has grown and become a very prestigious university.

Our mission is to support the growth of Brandeis. Through our contributions, scientific research and library facilities have expanded.

We welcome new members and new ideas. Our group is made up of women with inquiring minds who enjoy our study groups and open discussions. Invite a friend or acquaintance to join you for one of our events. They will not be disappointed.

---Doris Gittleman

Open Meetings

All Open Meetings are held at the SHELTER ROCK PUBLIC LIBRARY located at 165 Searingtown Road, Albertson, NY.

1:30-3:30 PM

Open to all—Husbands and friends are welcome

Tuesday, September 20, 2016

Professor James Kolb of Hofstra University will present Jerome Robbins On Broadway. Jerome Robbins wore his passions on both of his sleeves, alternating between the worlds of ballet and musical theatre, in each of which he made extraordinary contributions. This program will examine his work on the Broadway stage from his initial creation, On the Town (1944), through his later remarkable work on The King and I (1951), West Side Story (1957), Gypsy (1959), and Fiddler on the Roof (1964), among many others.

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Vivian Gordon, art historian and long time lecturer at the Metropolitan Museum of Art will present

Unfinished: Thoughts Left Visible, the inaugural show on view now until September 4, 2016 at the Metropolitan Museum of Art’s new space, the Met Breuer. This show is an intriguing exploration of the different reasons that works are left incomplete or just look that way. Combining examples from
the museum’s own collection plus many extraordinary loans this is an opportunity to view in a new way masterpieces from the Renaissance to the present-day – from Leonardo and Titian, to Turner and Cezanne, to Picasso and Warhol. Whether you get a chance to see the exhibition or not, Vivian Gordon’s presentation is not to be missed.

**SUNSET DINNER**

**WEDNESDAY, September 28, 2016**

This is a wonderful social event!

Come meet new members and long time members. Enjoy an elegant sit down dinner and good conversation.

**Win a Prize!**

**Fee:** $38.00 including gratuities

**Time:** 6pm

**Place:**

Village Club at Lake Success
318 Lakeville Road
Great Neck, NY 11020

Send checks payable to BNC to:

Ms. Renee Sommers
26910 Grand Central Pkwy., Apt. 18K
Floral Park, NY 11005

**** SAVE THE DATE ****

**GAME PARTY**

**Tuesday, November 15**

**Jolly Fisherman**

**$40**

Elaine Kaner (516) 374-363

**Community Service**

Donate your old clothes, small appliances and cell phones. For information and assistance call Rachel Hecht (516) 627-0043.

**STUDY GROUPS**

**News and Views**

Whether it's "Just breaking news" or long-term issues and trends, we discuss it all, respecting everyone’s point of view. It makes for a stimulating discussion. We never lose our sense of humor, so it's fun, too. This study group is coordinated by Melba Tarakan (516-922-4013).

**Drama Discussion**

Each month this group selects a play to be analyzed at our next session. Often we will concentrate on a particular playwright. We are so lucky to have the professional experience of Selma Ostriker to guide us! (516-487-7052.)

News & Views meets at 10:30 and the Drama Study Group at 1:30, both at Great Neck House located on Arrandale Avenue. There is plenty of time for a lunch break. Deli on the Green is a favorite spot.

**Informational Law**

This group meets the last Monday of every month at The Great Neck Social Center from 10:30am to 12 Noon. An informal layman exchange of opinions and information on topics related directly or indirectly to a legal issue is discussed. The coordinator of this group is Harriet Aliperta (347- 236-484).
**Cinema Club**

This popular group led by Iris Finkelstein (516-487-6182) meets on the 3rd or 4th Monday of the month at the Great Neck Social Center from 1:30-3pm.

The members choose a film (to be seen on their own) for discussion and critique at the next meeting.

**Literature Study Group**

Our goal is “to read new authors as well as literary giants of the past; to raise our horizons while we enjoy losing ourselves in the lives and times of fascinating characters in fiction and non-fiction alike ... one of the most pleasurable activities known to human beings.” This study group meets at the Shelter Rock Library from 1 to 3pm one Thursday each month.

**Literature usually meets on Thursdays and members will be notified of the specific dates and times by email.**

The group is chaired by Jessie Hirschberger (347-235-4220).

**The schedule is as follows:**

**October 2016**

*The Nightingale* by Kristen Hannah

**November 2016**

*A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman

**December 2016**

*Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruff

**January 2017**

*La Rose* by Louise Erdrich

**February 2017**

*My Name is Lucy Barton* by Elizabeth Strout

**Opera**

The Opera Study Group is for opera learners and opera lovers. We meet the first Monday of every month from 10:15 to 12 noon at the Great Neck Senior Center.

It doesn’t matter if you have a great knowledge of opera, or none at all. Come and hear the stories of the opera and listen to really great music. The group is led by Ada Frischer (516-922-5909), Madelon Avallone (515-623-3692) and Janet Goodman (718-224-6248).

**Ladies Who Lunch**

The Ladies Who Lunch program has been a huge success. We try to meet every month in different restaurants in the area. Come for a delicious meal and good company. Check your email for dates, times and places.

**Radio Days**

This group will meet the last Monday of every month at The Great Neck Social Center from 1-3pm. Here is your chance to act, script in hand! Our first play in September will be *Waiting in the Wings* by Noel Coward. Please read the play before attending and bring the script with you.

Any questions, call Marilyn/Madelon 516-623-369.

**VENUES FOR STUDY GROUPS AND OPEN MEETINGS**

**Great Neck House:** 14 Arrandale Ave., Great Neck (516) 482-0355  *News and Views, Drama*

**Great Neck Social Center:** 80 Grace Ave., Great Neck (516) 487-0025  *Cinema, Opera, Informational law, Board meetings, Radio Days*

**Shelter Rock Library:** 165 Searingtown Road, Albertson (516) 248-7977  *Literature and Open meetings*
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A Gift to Brandeis

Use the Brandeis Book Fund to honor a special occasion such as a birthday or anniversary, to honor a special achievement such as an award or graduation, or to honor a special person in your life. Special tribute cards are also sent in memory of a loved one who has passed away, or to wish a speedy recovery to someone who is ill.

Every year BNC does an audit to determine what materials best support the needs of our members and Brandeis University. Brandeis has designed a new all-purpose tribute card for $10, which can be used for all occasions.

Call Harriet Aliperta (347) 235-4484.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO ADD $1.00 FOR POSTAGE**

MISSION STATEMENT

The Brandeis National Committee is dedicated to providing philanthropic support to Brandeis University, a distinguished liberal arts and research university founded by the American Jewish community. Its membership is connected to the University through fundraising and through activities that reflect the values on which the University was founded: academic excellence, social justice, non-sectarianism and service to the community.

Notice from the Brandeis National Committee

The BNC National Center is strongly recommending that chapters do not charge associate membership fees to visiting BNC members, unless there is a direct cost involved in having the members be part of the chapter. We hope that our BNC members would feel welcome at any BNC chapter across the country and they would be invited to participate in your local activities or events.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

WE WISH ALL OUR MEMBERS WHOSE BIRTHDAYS FALL BETWEEN SEPTEMBER AND FEBRUARY A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY.
NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

New members: please call our membership chairperson for payment information.

Doris Brill
18 Bluebird Drive
Roslyn Heights 11577

(516) 621-5713

Annual Dues are $60.00 and the Activity Fee for all Study Groups is $35.00. You must send separate checks, each made out to the BNC. Annual dues get sent to National and the check for the Study Groups is sent to Doris Brill.

Please include the following with your payments:
(Please print)

Name_________________________________________
Address_____________________________________
Town_________________________________________
Telephone____________________________________
Email________________________________________

**Established members will be billed directly by National for annual dues. Please send your Activity Fee to Doris Brill, when you receive the bill.

DO NOT SEND THE ACTIVITY FEE TO NATIONAL

Please note: Doris Brill should be notified (in writing) if there are any changes in your telephone number, address or email address.

We are always interested to hear from our members. Do you have a hobby, special interest, or idea that could become a new Study Group? Any suggestions are appreciated. Come to a meeting and share your ideas.
BOARD MEMBERS  SPRING 2016

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Please note: Doris Gittleman will be in Florida from mid-December to the end of March.

She can be reached at (561) 451-4061.

Joan Easton will be in Florida from December to April. Her phone number is (561)374-9088.

No Board Meetings are on the schedule for January, February and March. Board members will be notified by email if and when meetings are required. Janet Goodman graciously agreed to chair a meeting if one becomes necessary.
LET'S REMEMBER TO BRING A FRIEND TO OUR OPEN MEETINGS
AND TO OUR STUDY GROUPS TO SHARE OUR ORGANIZATION'S
FRIENDSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO THE BNC MISSION.

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