Fall Showcase and Membership Luncheon

Featuring

The Mystery Celebrity Performers

This mystery will make history!

Shh, somebody’s got a secret! Brandeis is buzzing about the Fall Showcase mystery celebrity event. Get ready to be entertained by famous performers for a morning of marvelous music and outrageous comedy. You will meet these fabulous stars and may even pose with them for a photo op. When the surprise guests come out, you are sure to shout for more!

Please join our celebrity guests, along with old friends and new, for a delicious lunch catered by Michael’s Catering.

Wednesday, September 30, 2015
Temple Judea
US1 and Granada Boulevard
Coffee & Conversation at 10:15 a.m

All proceeds go to the BNC Scholarship Campaign at Brandeis University

NOTE: Please complete and return the reservation card inserted in this Bulletin. Your reservation and payment must be received by Wednesday, September 23, 2015.
Shirley Press, M.D.

Pressing My Luck

Wednesday, November 18, 2015, at 11:30 a.m.
Romanza Restaurant
14501 S. Dixie Highway, Pinecrest, Florida

On September 5th, 2001, Dr. Shirley Press bought six Quick Pick tickets for the Florida Lottery at the Jackson Memorial Hospital gift shop. The next day word spread that someone at Jackson had won. That night she found her tickets in the pocket of her lab coat and realized that she was the winner of over $56 million dollars, $17.5 million after taking the lump sum. She knew immediately that her life was going to change forever; however, she could not know the many twists and turns it would take. In 2013, she published her book, Pressing My Luck: A Doctor’s Lottery Journey, about her life before and after winning.

A child of Holocaust survivors, Dr. Press is a graduate of Brandeis University and Hahneemann Medical College. She is the former director of the Pediatric Emergency Department at Jackson, where she remains on the faculty and works part time in the pediatric ER. Shirley and her husband support many charities, including a foundation they started to pay for the medical expenses of uninsured Holocaust survivors. A woman of many talents, she also founded a movie club to share her passion for film with others! Please join us for a memorable day.

RSVP by Wednesday, November 11, 2015.

Make checks payable to BNC.

Mail checks to: Sharon Rothberg
6469 Sunset Drive
Miami, FL 33143

Questions: 305-793-7754

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THE LISTENER’S PROGRAM
The goal of the Listener is to join the student’s world without judgment and listen carefully to what is said. The Listener’s role is to help build self esteem and empower the student to develop effective problem-solving skills. To become a Listener, you are required to participate in a training session, attend monthly in-service workshops, and spend 45 minutes a week listening to a child. Be a Listener—Make a Difference in a Child’s Life. Rene Brodsky (305) 665-5842 reneebe4@gmail.com

UNITED WAY’S VOLUNTEER READER’S PROGRAM
United Way encourages all adults to read to young children and encourage a lifetime love for learning. To learn more about United Way’s Volunteer Reader Program or for tips on how to read to children, please join us at a school and read to a group of young children. ENRICH THEIR LIVES AND OPEN UP THEIR IMAGINATION WITH STORY READING. Judy Palgon (305) 595-8363 judithep2003@yahoo.com

CELLPHONE RECYCLING
Barbara Raduns is collecting old cell phones. She delivers them to the North Kendall Police Station where they are reprogrammed to alert “911” for the use and protection of battered women. Barbara Raduns (305) 598-9538

“Books are the carriers of civilization. Without books, history is silent, literature dumb, science crippled, thought and speculation at a standstill.”
Barbara Tuchman

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Among other accolades, Brandeis University has reason to boast about women graduates who have gone on to success in the fields of theatre arts, television and journalism. Here are a few names we should recognize.

Debra Messing is ranked at Number 89 as The Funniest Female Comedians of All Time. A summa cum laude graduate of Brandeis University, Ms. Messing earned a Master of Fine Arts at the Graduate Acting Program at NYU’s Tisch School of the Arts. She rose to prominence in her role as Grace Adler in “Will and Grace”. Messing has earned one Emmy, one SAG award and eight Golden Globe Nominations. She currently stars in “The Mysteries of Laura,” a comedy-drama which premiered in 2014.

Margo Jefferson received a Master of Arts from Brandeis University, where she graduated cum laude, and her M.S. from Columbia University. From 1973 through 1978, Ms. Jefferson was an associate editor of Newsweek Magazine. She has taught both at New York University and Columbia University. In 1993, she started at the New York Times as a book reviewer; ultimately she went on to win the Pulitzer Prize for Criticism. She is the author of the book, On Michael Jackson about the well-known performer, and today she continues to write on matters of interest to her.

Loretta “Letty” Cottin Pogrebin is an author, journalist, and lecturer. She graduated from Brandeis University with a degree in English and American literature. Also well-known as a women’s activist, primarily in the Jewish community, she is most known as the founding editor of Ms. Magazine. Ms. Pogrebin has authored ten books, most recently How to Be a Friend to a Friend Who’s Sick.
**BRANDEIS NATIONAL COMMITTEE**

**THE BNC SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGN**

The Sustaining the Mind campaign has officially concluded. However, it will remain as a fund, similar to Book Fund. In its place, a new Brandeis campaign has begun as of July 1, 2015. This new campaign fund, titled the BNC Scholarship Campaign, has been created and linked with the new initiative announced one year ago by Brandeis University. A $100 million scholarship fundraising campaign hopes to ensure that a Brandeis education will be obtainable to future generations of students. This campaign will run for two years with its goal of raising $1 million.

BNC has always achieved our campaign goals since the very beginning, and with your help, we will do it again with the BNC Scholarship Campaign!

- We raised $2.5 million to fund a University Librarian Chair.
- We raised special funds to put the millionth book on the shelf.
- BNC helped create a neurodegenerative disease research laboratory in the Carl J. Shapiro Science Center and a $1 Million Endowed Medical Science Journal Fund.
- BNC has contributed over $120 Million to Brandeis University.

Welcome!

The Brandeis National Committee South Miami-Dade Chapter welcomes the members of the Aventura satellite chapter. We look forward to their participation in the many activities offered.

Mark Your Calendar!

University on Wheels will be on Thursday, January 7, 2016. Join us for an interesting and enlightening experience with a visiting Brandeis University professor. Further details will be sent, via e-mail, at a later date.

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**STUDY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM**

**FALL 2015**

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Please make checks payable to: BRANDEIS NATIONAL COMMITTEE or BNC.

Send form and fee to: Sheila Berke, Registrar, 13420 SW 98th Ct., Miami, FL 33176

NOTE: Paid-up membership in Brandeis National Committee is required for Study Group Registration. To become a NEW member, send dues of $60.00 (tax deductible) addressed to: Judie Brown, 7925 SW 135th Street, Miami, FL 33156

YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHECK AND YOUR STUDY GROUP CHECK MUST BE WRITTEN SEPARATELY.
Gonzalez international custody battle and the 2000 presidential election recount. His topic will be most relevant as the 2016 presidential campaign will be in full swing.

Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2016
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Temple Beth Am, 5950 North Kendall Drive, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Bunny Lieberman 305-595-1735 or bunnymiami@aol.com

#23 PUCCINI AND HIS WOMEN: THE STORY AND MUSIC
Yes, THAT Puccini; Giacomo Domenico, Michele Secondo, Maria Puccini, “the greatest composer of Italian opera after Verdi!” Much revered Professor Eugene Greco, musicologist and professor extraordinaire at Miami Dade College’s Department of Music and at UM’s Frost School of Music, brings us an enticing Puccini program, rife with secret love affairs and musical triumphs. Revel in the story and in Puccini’s glorious music at a study group destined to leave its mark on your spirit and your heart. Participation limited to 35 people.

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2016
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Place: Bet Breira SamuEl Or Olam/Second floor in Library/Youth Lounge 9400 S.W. 87 Avenue, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Joan Wolf 305-253-9088 or wolfmomma9@gmail.com

#24 EXISTING BOOK CLUBS
Our chapter supports two book clubs, each of which is at capacity. If you wish to form a new book club, please contact Iris Salzberg 305-233-6377 or Iris1956@comcast.net.

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**ADRIENNE ARSCHT CENTER**

**KINKY BOOTS**  This exhilarating Broadway musical will lift your spirits to new high-heeled heights. Winner of six Tony Awards including Best Musical, this inspirational story follows a struggling shoe factory owner who works to turn his business around with help from Lola, a fabulous entertainer. Orchestra seats at $107 each are for the Wednesday evening, December 9th performance. Full payment must be received October 5th.

**THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA**  Following an acclaimed sold-out tour of the United Kingdom, Cameron Mackintosh’s spectacular new production will come to Miami as part of a brand new North American tour. Critics are raving that this production is “bigger and better than ever.” Orchestra seats, at $107 each, are for the Saturday matinee on March 5th. Full payment must be received by November 1st.

**Cabaret**  Direct from Broadway, the acclaimed masterpiece returns to Miami. The critically acclaimed and award winning musical was hailed by The New York Times as “divinely, dangerously decadent.” Leave your troubles outside. Life is beautiful at this Tony award winning show about following your heart while the world loses its way. Orchestra seats, at $107 each, are for the Wednesday evening performance on April 13th. Full payment must be received by January 22, 2016.

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**#19 FUN WITH YIDDISH: ANOTHER VISIT**

Many of you will say that you first heard Yiddish at home when your parents spoke it so you wouldn’t know what they were saying. Let’s have some fun with what we remember of our mamaloshen (mother tongue). Lorraine Feuer, who facilitates a “Fun with Yiddish” group at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Miami, has graciously offered to repeat her wildly popular class. Limited to 15 attendees.

**Date:** Tuesday, December 15, 2015  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Place:** Home of Judie Brown, 7925 SW 135 Street, Miami  
**Fee:** $16.00  
**Liaison:** Bev Lefcourt 305-596-3864 or blefcourt@bellsouth.net

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**#20 I HAVE 15 GRANDMOTHERS**

Journey with us from the Spanish Inquisition to the present as Genie Milgrom, an accomplished genealogist and award winning author, immerses us in her quest to uncover her Jewish roots. We will travel with Genie from Havana, where she was born into a Roman Catholic family, to a medieval village in Spain, and on from there. You won’t want to miss Genie’s personal mission to uncover her past.

**Date:** Thursday, December 17, 2015  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Beth Am Auditorium, 5950 North Kendall Drive, Miami  
**Fee:** $16.00  
**Liaison:** Beverly Lefcourt 305-596-3864 or blefcourt@bellsouth.net

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**#21 ABOVE AND BEYOND**

This film, an account of the founding of the Israeli Air Force, is a gung-ho celebration of the overnight creation by a handful of American G.I.’s. Above and Beyond boasts a story, a cast of still-feisty nonagenarian flyboys and state of the art combat “reconstructions” by director Roberta Grossman of Industrial Light and Magic and producer Nancy Spielberg. The daredevil pilots’ tale of how they jerrybuilt a fledgling fighting force for Israel is the stuff of high adventure and wild improbabilities. Slapdash solutions abound as they overcome all manner of official obstacles.

**Date:** Thursday, January 14, 2016  
**Location:** Beth Am Auditorium  
**Time:** 7:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** $16.00  
**Liaison:** Susan Price 305-596-7340 or mayziesue@gmail.com

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**# 22 PUBLIC CORRUPTION AND CAMPAIGN ETHICS**

Kendall Coffey, a former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Florida and a frequent legal analyst on national television networks, will be exploring public corruption and campaign ethics. Mr. Coffey had major litigation roles in such high profile cases as the Elian
#16 ALL DRESSED UP FOR ART BASEL
The University of Miami’s Art Gallery in Wynwood is a cutting edge forum for the innovative works of faculty and students in the Art and Art History departments. It is here that modern art leaps into the future, promising a new age of exciting work. Who will be the next Alexander Calder, the next Louise Nevelson or Thomas Hart Benton? Milly Cardoso, Gallery Director, will guide us through this impressive show, mounted for the Art Basel audience. Other galleries in the iconic Wynwood Building will be open to you, as well as a French café, Miami. Limited to 25 people.

Date: Friday, December 4, 2015
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Place: UM Art Gallery in The Wynwood Building, Suite 4
2750 NW Third Ave., Wynwood, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Joan Wolf 305-253-9088 or wolfmomma9@gmail.com

#17 MAMADRAMA: THE JEWISH MOTHER IN CINEMA
A penetrating look at how the affectionate portrayals of Jewish women in early Yiddish and silent movies developed into the stereotypical “Jewish Mother” of modern Hollywood and conversely the more flesh and blood characterizations in contemporary Israeli cinema. “The Jewish mothers that I know and love are sexy, smart and strong but I have never seen this mother in Hollywood movies and I set out to find out why,” said Director Monique Schwarz. Time has been set aside for a discussion following the showing.

Date: Tuesday, December 8, 2015
Place: Beth Am Auditorium, 5950 North Kendall Drive, Miami
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Susan Price 305-596-7340 or mayziesue@gmail.com

#18 ALL THAT HAS COME UPON US
Mark Podwal, one of America’s most prominent Jewish artists, may be best known for his drawings on The New York Times OP-ED page. In addition to being a practicing physician in NYC, he is an author and illustrator of numerous books. Beyond his works on paper, Podwal’s artistry has been employed in an array of diverse projects including the design of a series of decorative plates for the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The Jewish Museum of Florida-FIU is honored to be the only institution in Florida to exhibit All That Has Come Upon Us, his series of 42 archival pigment prints of acrylic, gouache and colored penciled works on paper. The original exhibit, which premiered in April 2014 in the Terezin Ghetto Museum outside of Prague, offers interpretations of historical instances of antisemitism combined with Hebrew verses from the Book of Psalms. Please join us for a docent-led tour of this timely and evocative exhibit.

Date: Friday, December 11, 2015
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Place: Jewish Museum of Florida-FIU, 301 Washington Ave. Miami Beach
Fee: $20.00
Liaison: Fran Gross 786-238-7132 or flgmia@aol.com
#13 SENIORITY MATTERS: IT’S INEVITABLE
Nancy Stein, founder and president of Seniority Matters, is an expert in aging and its accompanying challenges. Our speaker, whose column, “Ask Nancy,” appears in The Miami Herald, will address options and resources for providing assistance with healthcare, companion care and various other problems faced by our aging population and their families. Join us for a discussion of issues facing us now or in the near future.

Date: Thursday, November 12, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Temple Beth Am Adult Reading Room, 5950 North Kendall Drive, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Bobbi Lichtiger 305-444-3458 or bltiger7@gmail.com

#14 TREADING WATER
California is running out of, and Florida might be inundated by, WATER. Dr. Harold Wanless, professor and chair of the Department of Geological Sciences at the University of Miami, will be speaking on the unspeakable, the permanent flooding of the island of Miami Beach and other consequences of rising sea levels. Professor Wanless is co-chair of the Science Committee of the Miami-Dade County Climate Change Advisory Task Force. He works with the South Florida Regional Planning Council to provide the science background for, and projections of, sea level rise for the coming generations. It is most imperative that we understand the current dangers. Here is our opportunity.

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Temple Beth Am Chapel, 5950 North Kendall Drive, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Harriet Brookman 305-270-0958 or harrietbrookman@mac.com

#15 BEHIND THE MAGIC OF TRADER JOE’S-REDUX
Voted the #2 Best Supermarket chain in the United States by Consumer Reports, Trader Joe’s opened its first South Florida store to an eager crowd in October 2013. Come meet Trader Joe’s Captain Armando Quintos and his crew and learn what makes Trader Joe’s a cult-like experience. They will highlight the history and essence of Two Buck Chucks and share company insight and product knowledge. Some popular treats will be offered for tasting. RESERVE YOUR SEAT EARLY; SPACE IS LIMITED TO 25 PEOPLE.

Date: Thursday, December 3, 2015
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Place: Trader Joe’s, 9205 South Dixie Highway, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Fran Gross 786-238-7132 or flgmia@aol.com
#10 THE PAPERLESS CHILDREN
They are known as UAC (unaccompanied alien children) by the federal government. Thousands of children have been caught illegally crossing the southwestern US border after migrating across Central America. According to the US Department of Homeland Security, more than 68,000 unaccompanied children, from toddlers to teenagers, have been apprehended since October 2014. Why are they coming? What happens to these children? What are their rights under US immigration law? How can the children retain legal counsel and petition for the right to stay in the US? Lisa Lauck, a staff attorney for Americans for Immigrant Justice, will address these questions and give us insight into what is happening to those children who have been relocated to Miami.

Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Home of Bobbie Cohen, 12904 SW 102 Court, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Bobbie Cohen 305-232-2280 or bobbiec15@gmail.com

#11 YOUNG ARTS AT THE FRANK GEHRY DESIGNED GALLERY
Back by popular demand!
YoungArts is a national foundation whose mission is “to nurture and develop talented artists...in the performing, visual and literary arts.” We will be treated to a guided tour of the current exhibition in the Frank Gehry designed gallery on the YoungArts campus. The building that houses the gallery is a work of art in itself, the landmark Bacardi Tower. The stained glass at the Jewel Box will also be viewed. Limited to 30 people.

Date: Thursday, November 5, 2015
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Place: YoungArts Campus 2100 Biscayne Blvd, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Susan Price 305-596-7340 mayziesue@gmail.com

#12 A POETRY SOIRÉE – REVISITED
Barbara Davis will provide the setting for us as we celebrate all things poetic with Tere Starr, a published poet and member of our chapter. Bring your favorite poems to share as we explore poetry’s power. We’ll discuss what poetry has meant throughout the ages and how it enhances our lives. A poet has a way of seeing through the layers of the world. Through discussion and writing exercises, we will gain insight into that world. Tere is the president of Miami’s chapter of the Florida State Poets Association. She is also the founding member of the Poets Soirée at the Pinecrest Library, a monthly meeting for poets and all who love the written word.

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2015
Time: 10:15 a.m.
Place: Home of Barbara Davis, 8055 SW 92 Street, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Barbara Davis 305-279-0251 or barbara@davises.us

#1 ARTSPRING: NEW HOPE FOR WOMEN IN PRISON
Young and old alike, the women gather in a mostly bare classroom; calm music plays, eyes are closed and they meditate. Seems normal, but these women, dressed in light blue prison garb, surrounded by barbed wire, are finding inner peace and changing negative energy to positive while being patrolled by uniformed officers. The program which brings these women hope and some relief from their plight is ArtSpring. Founder Leslie Neal describes it as a program which provides a safe space for inmates and an outlet for reflection. Ms. Neal will be speaking with us about ArtSpring, which is performing its magic in the Homestead Correctional prison. A most important and interesting topic, this is a “don’t miss!”

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Bet Shira Congregation Chapel, 7500 SW 120 Street, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Iris Salzberg 305-233-6377 or irissalzberg@gmail.com

#2 SEEING CINEMA.................COMING ATTRACTIONS
WARNING!! This class on “Developing Cinematic Literacy” might possibly expand your consciousness and appreciation for the artistry of film! Dr. Richard Kramer, a graduate of NYU’s prestigious film school, has been leading these classes for over 15 years with great success. If you want to understand the magic of cinema at a deeper level, please join in and SEE what Dr. Kramer is up to in his film presentations!

Dates: Friday, September 11, 2015 Rudderless
Friday, October 2, 2015 Il Divo
Friday, November 13, 2015 The Tin Drum
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Place: Home of Richard Kramer 8505 SW 80 Place, Miami
Fee: Three sessions for $40 or $16 per session
Liaison: Beverly Lefcourt 305-596-3864 or blefcourt@bellsouth.net
#3 THE FBI WANTS TO TALK TO YOU
Listen up members! Heading into its 2nd century of service, the Miami Division of the FBI continues its work protecting Americans from domestic and international terrorism, espionage, cyber crime and public corruption that undermines the safety and security of the nation. Hear Jeff Green, Community Outreach Specialist, divulge emerging crime and security threats to Miami and what the FBI can do with us and for us to stay safe.

Date: Friday, October 9, 2015
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Place: Home of Marilyn Milstein, 7815 SW 102 Place, (Kendalltown), Miami, Fl
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Marilyn Milstein 305-279-8838 or msmarmils@aol.com

#4 TO SEE OR NOT TO SEE: THAT IS THE QUESTION
Did you love Pippin but couldn’t seem to “get” Book of Mormon? Did you analyze a play you disliked or hide the fact that you didn’t understand the ending? How do lighting, sound and scenery influence your response to the performance? This is your chance to listen to Christine Dolen, theater critic for the Miami Herald, explain what she looks for in a stage production. From Joe Adler’s GableStage to Stuart Meltzer’s Zoetic Stage, theater companies are presenting plays that challenge as well as entertain. Discover what is happening in South Florida’s growing theater community from Miami’s foremost critic of stage productions, Christine Dolen.

Date: Monday, October 12, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Bet Shira Congregation Chapel, 7500 SW 120 Street, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Bobbie Cohen 305-232-2280 or bobbiec15@gmail.com

#5 MY MAN IS NOT MY PLAN: women financially strong and ready
All too often smart, educated women are sitting on the sideline not addressing issues in their spending, savings, life transitions and even how they should protect themselves financially. Take charge of your own financial revolution! Come learn about financial planning and how you can be prepared for retirement and what life throws at you no matter your age. Join us as Alexia Gonzalez, founder of My Man is Not My Plan guides us through this informative study group. We will enjoy lunch at La Palma Ristorante in Coral Gables and then share this great presentation. Only 25 spaces available.

Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2015
Time: 11:30 a.m.
Place: La Palma Ristorante, 116 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables
Fee: $35.00
Liaison: Gail Tescher 305-442-6493 or teshexec@aol.com

#6 ZUMBA: DITCH THE WORKOUT, JOIN THE PARTY
Join us as we are led by Stacy Harris, a certified Zumba instructor and trainer, in the perfect combination of fun and fitness. Have a great time as you pursue your fitness goals at your own pace! You’ll discover why Zumba has become a world-wide phenomenon. Exhilaration and self-satisfaction will be yours!

Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Bet Shira Congregation, 7500 SW 120 Street, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Iris Salzberg 305-233-6377 or irissalzberg@gmail.com

#7 ARE THERE CRYPTO-JEWS IN YOUR ANCESTRY?
“Kryptos” is the Greek word for “hidden.” Crypto-Jews secretly practice some aspects of Judaism but publicly adhere to another faith. Dr. Abe Lavender has been a Professor of Sociology and Sephardic Studies at Florida International University for 25 years. He is editor of the Journal of Spanish, Portuguese and Italian Crypto-Jews. Explore the fascinating history of Crypto-Judaism with this renowned expert on the subject.

Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Bet Shira Congregation Chapel, 7500 SW 120 Street, Miami
Fee: $16.00
Liaison: Beverly Lefcourt 305-596-3864 or blefcourt@bellsouth.net

#8 THE ART OF THE SHORT STORY
Join us for the very popular short story study group. The Art of the Short Story, edited by Dana Gioia and R.S. Gwynn, presents each story followed by the author’s perspective. The writer’s own words provide a good place to begin our always interesting and informative discussions.

Dates: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 “Paul’s Case” by Willa Cather
Thursday, December 10, 2015 “The Lady with the Pet Dog” by Anton Chekov
Tuesday, January 19, 2016 “A Good Man is Hard to Find” by Flannery O’Connor

Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Temple Beth Am Chapel, 5950 North Kendall Drive, Miami
Fee: $40 for 3 sessions or $16 per session
Liaison: Judie Brown 305-235-7760 or judieb35@gmail.com

#9 GET POTTED……
or mugged………or framed. Create a unique ceramic gift for yourself, a friend or a family member with the help of professional artists. Fee will include a $15.00 credit to be applied toward designing your own work of art from almost any item in the extensive array of frames, mugs, plates and figurines offered at the studio.

Date: Wednesday, October 28, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Place: Art Thyme Studios, 8813 SW 132 Street, Miami
Fee: $25.00
Liaison: Bobbi Lichtiger 305-444-3458 or bltiger7@gmail.com
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The past year was extraordinary, and as you read this bulletin, I am sure you will agree that the upcoming year will be equally outstanding. There are fantastic study groups available to you, as well as events such as the Book and Author luncheon, Broadway shows, volunteer activities and a myriad of other exciting opportunities such as monthly board meetings, which are open to all who wish to attend. Please read the bulletin carefully and sign up for the varied activities offered as quickly as possible. I am looking forward to seeing you at the Fall Showcase.

Lois Kahn
President
South Miami-Dade Chapter

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