Which Learning Opportunity have you chosen?

- Single Sessions
- Out & About
- Literati
- Ethical Puzzlers
- Short Stories
- Debate Bee
Our new year had an auspicious beginning with our annual Showcase/Indoor Picnic. We enjoyed great food and even better company. We remembered highlights from last year when Brandeis University had a year-long celebration of the hundredth anniversary of Louis Brandeis’ appointment to the Supreme Court. We anticipated opportunities to learn together while experiencing the camaraderie we cherish.

We were fortunate to welcome Michal and Daniel Waldman, new residents in Tampa. Michal is a 2008 Brandeis graduate who enthusiastically shared her Brandeis experience and her gratitude to BNC for making it possible. She is a podiatrist and has agreed to educate us in foot health by presenting a single session Study Group.

Our existing Learning Opportunities are in full swing and we look forward to sharpening our critical thinking skills in Adele McCollum’s new Learning Op, the Debate Bee.

The following sample of Brandeis University programs demonstrates its continuing leadership and innovation in widely diverse areas. The opening of the Rose Art Galleries this fall was heralded by Vogue magazine as one of the ten “must see” art shows in the country. The Waltham Group, which sends volunteers to tutor and mentor students in public schools, marks its fiftieth anniversary. A new year-long series, “The Dialogues: Navigating Gender and Race at Work” shows Brandeis is again at the forefront of contemporary issues.

I am confident that 2016-17 will be a year of pride and fulfillment for Brandeis University and the Tampa Bay Chapter of BNC.

Jill Hekkanen
VOLUNTEERS AT MOFFIT

Boris Stern, as part of a photo in Tampa Bay News, was featured as a volunteer at Moffitt Cancer Center. Volunteering at Moffitt is special because of the people who are helped.

Moffitt volunteers are all ages and walks of life. Many have been touched in some way by cancer and have joined the team to help make a difference in the lives of others. One of the many benefits is the satisfaction of knowing that you will be contributing to the preservation and cure of cancer.

FORMER INTERIM PRESIDENT

Lisa Lynch served as interim Brandeis President from July 2015 to June 2016 when she resumed her position as provost.

Lynch supports the movement to have the campus, our students and the faculty and staff rallying together on issues of racial injustice as the finest spirit of Brandeis. It speaks to the founding values of this institution as a place open to all...a place where people can come to learn or teach on the basis of merit, not any other way that somebody might categorize them.

THE BRIEF

Before delivering a major address to open the university’s semester-long centennial celebration of Louis Brandeis’ Supreme Court confirmation, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg met with a group of students for an exchange that was equal parts career counseling, judicial wisdom and high-court history.

Ginsburg gave a lecture at a panel discussion at Gosman Sports and Convocation Center on January 28....100 years to the day that President Woodrow Wilson nominated Brandeis to the Supreme Court.
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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

LITERATI
Date: Thursday, October 20
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: JCC Library
Book: “The Nightingale”,
Kristen Hannah
Contact: Lori Brody
885-9558

SHORT STORIES
Date: Friday, October 28
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: JCC Library
Contact: Margery Stern
961-3212

ETHICAL PUZZLERS
Date: Tuesday, October 4
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Aston Gardens
Contact: Jill Hekkanen
625-4183

MEDICARE EDUCATION
Judy Greengrass will be conducting a Lunch & Learn on this topic Thursday, September 29th at 12:30 PM at Aston Gardens. Judy is a well-trained volunteer of SHINE (Serving Healthcare Information Needs of Elders). Each year Medicare Part D Drug Plans change premiums, formularies and preferred providers. By learning about these changes before October 15-December 15 open enrollment period Medicare beneficiaries can make informed choices potentially saving hundreds of dollars.
RSVP is required and can be made by calling 813-855-2811.
FERTILE FOR FICTION

In the Tampa Bay area, you don’t have to look far to find an author. From first timers starting out to bestselling writers whose books are sold around the globe, hundreds of fiction writers make their homes here.

Both the subject matter and the quality of those books vary widely, but there’s no doubt we’re a literary community.

The best-known author to make his home in the bay area is Michael Connelly. His internationally bestselling novels, including the interlocking series about Harry Bosch (basis of the Amazon TV series Bosch) and Mickey Haller, are set in Los Angeles, but Connelly, who grew up in Fort Lauderdale and graduated from the University of Florida, lives in Tampa.

Tampa Bay is pretty well surrounded by crime fiction writers, in fact. There’s also Tim Dorsey in Tampa, whose wacky novels about Floridaphile and serial killer Serge Storms mine the state’s weirdness to hilarious effect.

These are only a few Tampa Bay area novelists worth your attention. A great way to find them, and more, is to patronize your local independent bookstore.

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