For a one-time payment of $15, you can participate in as many summer courses as are available. Continuing members of Study Groups do not have to pay unless they join a new group. Registration information is below. Groups fill quickly.

1. **Contemporary Fiction Book Club**

   If you are looking for great reading and good discussions from the many titles of contemporary fiction, this is the group for you. Members are encouraged to lead one of the monthly book discussions.

   Leaders: Ruth Friedman, 749-1840, RAFriedman@aol.com
   Time: 11:30–1:30 pm
   Dates: 1st Wednesday, through September
   Place: Local restaurant, with self-pay lunch
   Limit: 25 members

2. **Mystery Book Club**

   If you are a reader who chooses a “whodunit” for relaxation, join this group of dedicated mystery aficionados. Before the great discussions, you can join others for an optional self-pay lunch. Most books are available at the library or in paperback.

   Leaders: Soralé Fortman 747-3520, Sorkey7@aol.com
            Patrice Brown PJBrown4110@me.com
   Time: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, with self-pay lunch
   Dates: 3rd Wednesday, through September
   Place: Hacienda del Sol Resort Library

3. **Page Turners**

   We will be discussing extremely readable current fiction—the kind that captures the imagination and will lead to lively give and take among the group. Be prepared to discuss *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes.

   Leader: Sheila Rothenberg 232-9559, sheila.tucson@comcast.net
   Time: 10:00 am–noon
   Dates: 2nd Wednesday, through September
   Place: Sheila’s house, 6351 N. Via Jaspeada (Call for driving instructions.)

4. **Intermediate Bridge**

   If you are playing using the current bidding rules and some of the basic conventions, you are an intermediate bridge player! Join this group to enjoy the game and the people.

   Contact: Meg Sivitz 615-4739, megaron3@msn.com
   Time: 1:00–3:00 pm
   Place: Trattoria Pina (come early and socialize over self-pay lunch)
   Dates: Every Monday, through September

5. **Pool Aerobics**

   This course returns for the fourth summer season. Enjoy a congenial pool experience while exercising and keeping cool. Limited to women. Members will share the cost of the professional trainer.

   Leader: Meg Sivitz 615-4739, megaron3@msn.com
   Time: TBD
   Date: TBD, June through August
   Place: Meg’s home, 6361 E. Valle di Cadore, Tucson

Minimum: 6 attendees

Note: A $40 payment is due the first day to cover five sessions. Prepayment is a requirement every five weeks. You may send a substitute if you must be away.

To register, make out a check for $15 to **BNC**, include your name, e-mail address, phone number, and courses desired, and mail it to **Meg Sivitz, 6361 E. Valle di Cadore, Tucson, AZ 85750**.
Would you believe another Brandeis year has passed and we are planning for a new, exciting year? We have a slate of officers, facilitators, and committees busy working to assure you that this new year will be unique and special. Don’t miss our many programs.

We have the Spring Closing Luncheon at the home of Dr. Peter and Barbara Danes on Monday, April 7, where we will honor our Study Group leaders, hold the installation of officers, and have a special guest speaker, Ed Wright, the chair of the U of A Judaic Studies program.

We tried something new this year, joining with the Festival of Books at the U of A for our annual Used Book Sale. Thanks to our wonderful volunteers, we had plenty of help staffing our 30-foot booth. This year, we may try some additional projects to enrich our endowed scholarship program and to raise money for Sustaining the Mind.

Thanks to all of you who helped during the year from our Opening Fall Luncheon to our closing program and to all of the board members for their input and interest in our Brandeis National Committee programming and philanthropy. Our Study Groups were terrific, and if you did not attend one, we hope you will find one of interest for the coming year. Remember that the Study Group Guide comes out in September. You can always stay in touch with us by visiting us online at www.TucsonBNC.org. You can also register for classes by printing the online registration form and sending a check to Karen Loeb at her winter address.

Keep in touch with the BNC over the summer. Have lunch with a friend and welcome newcomers into your organization.

Have a wonderful summer.

Lynn Cramer, President

The officers, board, and members of the Tucson Chapter of BNC wish:

Bob Harris — A speedy recovery
Elaine Lisberg — Congratulations on your special birthday
Harold Lisberg — Congratulations on your special birthday
Marilyn Lobell — Congratulations on your special birthday

If you know of anyone with a simchah or a sorrow, contact Sunshine chair Charlotte Hegwer, C.Hegwer@comcast.net or 529-8484. A card will be sent and an acknowledgment will appear in the bulletin.

Since the last bulletin, the following people have joined our chapter. Add them to your Membership Directory:

Mary Alderman 4654 E Via Azufre 85712 326-1054 Marace18@aol.com
Dorothy Klepper 5337 N Via Sempereverde 85750 615-7607 DorKlep@gmail.com

New members are the life of our chapter. When you see new members at a Tucson Chapter event or Study Group, welcome them warmly.

Be sure to keep up with the latest goings-on in your Tucson Chapter. We need to have the correct months that you are out of town so your bulletin can be mailed to the correct address. Not only is the Study Group Guide mailed to everyone, it is always available online at www.tucsonbnc.org. Just click on “Bulletins.” This way, even if your Study Group Guide arrives late, as it often does outside of Tucson, you can see the classes available, print out the sign-up sheet two pages, and mail it in on time. Better yet, sign up to receive all your bulletins online, and you will never receive your bulletin late. People who receive their bulletin online also receive the printed copy of the Study Group Guide and the Membership Directory. Contact Steve Seltzer, seltz5001@aol.com to receive your online subscription.

Please make the following corrections in your Membership Directory (changes underlined):

Lee Kane Kane02641@yahoo.com
Jordan Nerenberg jljN1228@gmail.com
Rosalyn B Stein 5594 E Paseo de Manzanillo 85750

Directory Changes
Special Board Meeting and Planning Meeting
Monday, May 5, 2014
10:00 a.m. to noon
The Home of Lynn Cramer
6382 North Camino Miraval
All members are encouraged to come to this open meeting.
Lynn’s excellent refreshments will be served.

Why Brandeis?
Brandeis University is a top research university with a strong liberal arts college that has come so far since 1948, thanks to the Brandeis National Committee’s support. Have your friends, acquaintances, neighbors, and even your enemies join the BNC.

The Brandeis National Committee has something for everyone:
• Lead a Study Group.
• Take a Study Group.
• Work on a Board Committee.
• Help with our Social Justice program to aid Tucson.
• Work at our Book Depot and support our endowed scholarship.
• Support Sustaining the Mind with your dollars.
• Come to our events.
• Support the Brandeis libraries with Book Fund Donations.
• Have prospective members contact Betty Koppel, BettyKoppel@aol.com or 296-1215.
Mission Statement
Brandeis National Committee

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 fund-raising and through activities that reflect the values on which the university was founded: academic excellence, social justice, nonsectarianism, and service to the community.

Thank You!


Buy from Amazon, Earn Money for Brandeis

- Go to www.tucsonbnc.org.
- Click on the green GO! button.
- Buy anything from Amazon.
- The Tucson Chapter will benefit from all your Amazon purchases made this way.

EDF Fellows Meeting

Our men’s group, the EDF Fellows, will hold its next lunch meeting on Monday, May 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Viscount Hotel. The speaker will be Stanley Feldman, former Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court.

Any man in Tucson is cordially invited to attend, join the fellowship, and enjoy the fascinating speakers.

Members are encouraged to bring guests. Women are invited. For a reservation, contact Steve Seltzer by Thursday morning before the meeting.

Lunch is $20. For more information, contact Steve Seltzer, 299-3788, seltz5001@aol.com.

Community Service/Social Justice

The Tucson chapter gives back to our community. Marilyn Lobell, our Community Service Chairman, reminds us of the organizations we are supporting this year:

- The Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse is in need of hotel toiletries and personal-care items. They also need NEW socks and underwear for children, teens, and women.
- Youth On Their Own (YOTO) is an organization that supports high school graduation of homeless youth by providing financial assistance, basic human needs, and guidance. They always need teen hygiene products and school supplies.
- Books From Mom is a program that gives new and gently used children’s books to women in prison so they can read to their visiting offspring.

Brandeis is always looking for new ways to help our community. If you have a way to help or wish to make a donation, contact Marilyn Lobell, MMLobell@msn.com or 615-0877.

Nobody can help everybody, but everybody can help somebody!
**Study Group Leaders**

**Fran Caspe** and **Kathy Cohen**, the outgoing co-vice-presidents of Study Groups, thank the leaders of the workshops this past season for all the time and effort they put into their groups. They have made this an enjoyable and stimulating year.

All the members of your groups, we are sure, are also grateful for your efforts. The workshops brought in a record income to our chapter.

Our wonderful leaders were: Micheline Bereck, Fran Caspe, Carol and Burt Cunin, Fern Feder, Judy Fishman, Chuck Frederick, and Marjory Mcglamery, Ruth Friedman, Soralé Fortman, Ben and Gloria Golden, Maxine Goldstein, Bob Harris, Bertie Levkowitz Herz and Tom Herz, Barbara Herzmark, Marsha Hirsh, Wendy Jacobson, Vivian Kaplan, Edward Katz, Harriet Kronman, Donna Leavitt, Stevie Mack, Cynthia Meier, Karen Palmer, Sandy Rollin, Joan Rosenbluth, Sheila Rothenberg, Shelly Sandler, Howard Schwartz, Paddy Schwartz, Steve Seltzer, Ron Sivitz, Jerry and Natalie Smith, Marcia Winick, and Harvey Wolfe.

You all have enriched our lives and kept us busy with enjoyable activities this past season. We hope you realize how much you are appreciated.

As this season winds down for many Brandeis activities, we look forward to enjoying the workshops during the coming year.

Thank you so much.

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### Tucson Chapter Calendar

**Board and Planning Meeting**
* Monday, May 5

**EDF Fellows**
* Monday, May 12

**Study Group Guide**
* Tuesday, September 2

*Come to our open Board Meetings*

**Save the dates and mark your calendar**

**Thank You!**

Jan Linn wrote, “Thanks, Tucson Chapter and its members, for your good wishes for my recovery. Your wishes worked and I’m feeling almost good as new.”

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### Officers

**President** .................................................. Lynn Cramer

**Vice-president Book Business** ......................... Meg Sivitz

**Vice-president Membership** .......................... Brenda Schneider

**Vice-president Publications** .......................... Steve Seltzer

**Vice-presidents Study Groups** ......................... Fran Caspe & Kathy Cohen

**Recording Secretary** .................................. Natalie Smith

**Financial Secretary** ................................... Betty Jane Koppel

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**Treasurer** ................................................ Arlene Zuckerman

**Advisor** .................................................. Elaine Lisberg

Questions? Leave a message at the Book Depot phone, 747-3224 or e-mail us at BNCTucson@gmail.com

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### Too Many Books?

Are your bookcases too full? Do you have books in good condition around that you will no longer look at again?

The Book Depot is always looking for books. There are book bins to deposit them at the Tucson JCC parking lot and at the west end of Tucson Mall. You can bring them to the Book Depot (call **747-3224** and leave a message for directions). If you have many boxes of books, call the Book Depot for pick-up service.

The monies received for your used books will go to support the Tucson Endowed Scholarship Fund to award scholarship support to worthy Brandeis students, with a preference for students from the Tucson metropolitan area.

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### Tucson Chapter Newsletter

**Editor-in-chief** .......................................... Steve Seltzer

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To provide articles or information for the newsletter, contact **Meg Sivitz**, megaron3@msn.com, or **Steve Seltzer**, seltz5001@aol.com.

The newsletter is published from August through May. The deadline is the 10th of the preceding month.
Why Is It Important to Study Neurodegenerative Diseases?

68 SECONDS

Every 68 seconds, one person is diagnosed with Alzheimer’s.

1 in 3

One in three seniors die from Alzheimer’s or dementia.

1 in 9

One in nine people age 65 or older has Alzheimer’s.

The older population is expected to double by 2050.

Neurodegenerative diseases are becoming a global epidemic as populations age and life expectancies increase.

The annual cost of caring for people with Alzheimer’s or dementia in the U.S. is expected to reach $1.2 trillion by 2050.

What Is Brandeis Doing to Help?

The university’s world-renowned scientists conduct cutting-edge research through an interdisciplinary, collaborative approach that involves students.

- The neuroscience program at Brandeis is ranked sixth in the country.
- Students in more than 56 laboratories work side-by-side with Brandeis scientists.
- Nearly two-thirds of Brandeis students receive some type of financial assistance. The Sustaining the Mind campaign supports students studying the sciences.

How Can You Help?

By supporting our $3 million Sustaining the Mind campaign, you provide funds for basic neuroscience research and scholarships for students in the sciences. Brandeis researchers are racing to find breakthroughs that will lead to cures.

We hope we can count on you!

To donate, contact Lynn Cramer, LCramer8@aol.com or 989-3107

Donate online at www.brandeis.edu/bnc/philanthropy/sustaining-the-mind.html
This year’s **Book & Author** Events were another success for the Tucson Chapter and for fund-raising for the **Sustaining the Mind: Scientific Research and Scholarships** project. Here are photos to show the excitement and enjoyment of the events.

## The Soirée

Sandy Levkowitz, Seneca Erman, & Stephen Doctoroff

Patrice & Ron Brown in front of his art at the silent auction

Helene & Mike Miron

The beautiful buffet

Lynn Cramer

Sheila Rothenberg

Roggie Edberg & Brenda Schneider

The Band: Alan Acosta, Jonathan Black, Zack Lavine, Robbie Lee, and Rim Rachbach

Rica & Harvey Spivack blessing the bread

Drs. Marty Kass & Peter Danes

BJ & Marty Kass

Edie Michelson & Sandy Rollin

Bertie & Tom Herz

Zelda Aaronson, Bob Rothenberg, & author Thomas Perry

Moderator Elizabeth Burden

Elsa & Jay Goldberg and Ben & Brenda Schneider

Marv & Soralé Fortman

## The Luncheon

Len Kronman checking the auction items

Catalina Foothills High students with Elaine Lisberg

June Simmons at the Book Fund desk

Sandra Tobin & Soralé Fortman giving out name tags

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More Book & Author Luncheon Photos

Catalina Foothills High School Students with Jacqueline Winspear, Tom McNeal, Phil Caputo, and Thomas Perry.

Boutique Shopping

Lynn & Stan Cramer

Brenda Schneider, Sandy Rollin, BJ Kass, & Doris Roland

Steve Seltzer & Marianne Taussig

Author Tom McNeal

Moderator Elizabeth Burden

Author Thomas Perry

Author Jacqueline Winspear

Wonderful dDesserts

An attentive audience

Arlene Zuckerman & Jan Linn

Zelda Aaronson & Sandy Rollin

Book Sale on the U of A Mall

Our tent, #527

Janet Seltzer, Marilyn Lobell, Cary Fishman, & Natalie Smith tallying sales

Action at the tables, volunteers working, and buyers shopping

Cashier Arlene Zuckerman

Shoppers

Rachel Barker and Ben Schneider

Shirley Goldberg, Rachel Barker, Elaine Lisberg, & Judy Norris
We regret that there was an error in the list of Sommeliers in the Book & Author Program-Ad Journal. Sandra Tobin’s name was inadvertently omitted. Here is the correct list.

Sommeliers
Underwriters of the bar at the Book & Author Soirée:

Rochelle Abell
Lynn Cramer
Burt Cunin
Barbara and Peter Danes
Sorale Fortman
Ruth and James Friedman
Charlotte and Hal Hegwer
Ron Isaacs
Harriet and Len Kronman
Harold Lisberg
Karen Loeb
Edie Michelson
Bob Rothenberg
Brenda and Ben Schneider
Janet and Stephen Seltzer
Marianne and Stuart Taussig
Sandra Tobin
Arlene Zuckerman
Express Your Thoughtfulness

Sending a Brandeis tribute card or a Learned Research Journal (LRJ) is a quick, meaningful, and philanthropic way to express support, congratulations, get-well wishes, sympathy, and appreciation. No more running to the store to find an appropriate card — just contact one of the names below. The recipient is acknowledged in the bulletin so others can learn about the simchah or sorrow and respond. Show you care—send a Brandeis card or LRJ.

Book Fund donations:
- $5.50 Philanthropy, learning, and community (or six for $25)
- $10.50 Goldfarb Library at night (or three for $25)
- $14.00 Brandeis art cards (set of four different covers)
- $18.50 Louis Dembitz Brandeis portrait card
- $25.50 Sustaining the Mind Tribute Card
- $36.50 Learned Research Journal
- $56.50 Learned Research Journal Folio
- $100.00 Special Book Collection
- $500.00 Major Book Collection

Contact Book Fund chair Shelly Abell, REAbell@aol.com, 299-0057 or 409-2346.

Donor	 Message	 Recipient
Brandeis Friends	 Get Well wishes	 Janice Linn
Brandeis Friends	 Get Well wishes	 Janice Linn
BJ & Marty Kass	 In honor of your special birthdays	 Harold & Elaine Lisberg
Brandeis Friends	 Best wishes on your new home	 Roz Stein
Edith Michelson & Sumner Milender	 In honor of your anniversary	 Jean & Jordan Nerenberg
Sandy Rollin	 In memory of Bernie Spak	 The Spak family
Sandy Rollin	 In honor of your special birthday	 Marilyn Lobell
Phyllis Fassler	 In honor of your special birthday	 Marilyn Lobell

You Don’t Work at the Depot?

The chapter’s Book Depot is a major fund-raiser for Brandeis University. It supports the Tucson Endowed Scholarship Fund to award scholarship support to worthy Brandeis students, with a preference for students from the Tucson metropolitan area.

Join in the conviviality of the men and women who sort books, price them, and pack them. There are many men and women working there, and we can always use more. There is no heavy lifting.

To volunteer, contact Meg Sivitz, megaron3@msn.com or 615-4739.
## Tucson Chapter Calendar May 2014

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May 5 is Yom HaZikaron & Cinco de Mayo; May 6 is Yom Ha’atzmaut; May 11 is Mother’s Day; May 18 is Lag Ba’Omer; May 26 is Memorial Day observed; May 28 is Yom Yerushalayim.

## Membership

Our new fiscal year begins July 1 and is renewal time for BNC membership. We appreciate your continued philanthropic support of the students and faculty of Brandeis University and its libraries. New people who join after April 1, 2014, will have their membership continue through June 30, 2015.

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Former Student in S. Sudan

American Ambassador to the United Nations Samantha Power highlighted Mangok Bol, MS ’13, in a speech on March 7 at the U.N. Security Council debate on children in armed conflict. Bol is currently in South Sudan, searching for his three nieces and a nephew, aged 2 through 8, who were abducted by militants in a raid that killed their parents.

“In South Sudan, children are once again being made subject to all the ravages of war because the country’s leaders have failed to settle their differences peacefully. Our hearts go out to Mangok Bol, a former ‘lost boy,’ now living in Boston, who has returned to his home village in South Sudan to try to find his nieces and nephew who have been abducted by militants from a competing ethnic group,” Power told the council.

The Tauber Institute

Who knew? Did you know that Brandeis University is home to the Tauber Institute, devoted to the study of modern European Jewish history, thought, culture, and society? It has a special interest in studying the Holocaust and its aftermath within the context of modern European intellectual, political, and social history.

The institute is organized on a multidisciplinary basis, with the participation of scholars in Jewish studies, history, philosophy, political science, sociology, literature, and other disciplines.

Jehuda Reinharz returned to the directorship of the Tauber Institute in 2011, after serving as president of the university from 1994 to 2010, and continues to serve as general editor of the Tauber Institute publication series and Richard Koret Professor of Modern Jewish History.

The institute was founded in 1980 as a result of a major benefaction by Dr. Laszlo N. Tauber and is named in honor of his parents.