BRANDEIS
NATIONAL COMMITTEE
CENTRAL WESTCHESTER CHAPTER

Celebrating Our

Diamond

60th Year

Spring 2020
### DATES TO REMEMBER

| MARCH | 9 Monday | Board Meeting – 9:30 AM – Mount Olympus Diner, 1 Ft. Hill Rd. (Jackson Ave.) at Central Park Avenue. Enter from Ft. Hill Rd. BYOB (Buy Your Own Breakfast) |
|       | 17 Tuesday | Northern Westchester Book Group |
|       | 27 Friday | Study Group: Women’s Suffrage, Westchester |

| APRIL | 3 Friday | Spring Sampler & Continental Breakfast |
|       | 6 Monday | Board Meeting – 9:30 AM -- NYSUT, Suite 400, 520 Tarrytown Rd. (Route 119), Tarrytown |
|       | 13 Monday | Study Group: Hollywood on the Campaign Trail |
|       | 21 Tuesday | Let’s Do Lunch: Sea Flame Grill |
|       | 21 Tuesday | Northern Westchester Book Group |
|       | 22 Wednesday | Study Group: Architecture and Religion |
|       | 24 Friday | Study Group: Genealogy |
|       | 28-29 Tues. & Wed. | Trip to Brandeis University |
|       | 30 Thursday | Study Group: Esther and the Spring Goddess |

| MAY | 4 Monday | Board Meeting – 9:30 AM -- NYSUT, Suite 400, 520 Tarrytown Rd. (Route 119), Tarrytown |
|     | 5 Tuesday | Study Group: Ziegfeld Girls |
|     | 7 Thursday | Annual Spring Luncheon - 60th Anniversary Celebration |
|     | 11 Monday | Book Discussion – Ileen Gottesfeld – *A Marriage of Opposites* |
|     | 13 Wednesday | Museum Trip: Bruce Museum |
|     | 14 Thursday | Study Group: Camille Pissarro – Father of Impressionism |
|     | 17 Sunday | Visit to Delancey Street Foundation, Brewster, NY |
|     | 18 Monday | Brandeis Goes to the Movies – *In Search of Israeli Cuisine* |
|     | 19 Tuesday | Museum Trip: Rockefeller Center |
|     | 19 Tuesday | Northern Westchester Book Group |
|     | 20 Wednesday | Let’s Do Lunch: *Patsy’s* |
|     | 22 Friday | Visit to John Jay Childhood Home, Rye, NY |
|     | 26 Tuesday | Study Group: Nothin’ But the Blues |
|     | 27 Wednesday | ABT Ballet at Lincoln Center – *Romeo and Juliet* |
|     | 28 Thursday | Ileen Gottesfeld Birthday Lunch |

| JUNE | 1 Monday | Board Meeting & Installation of Officers --9:30 AM Home of Carol Gross, 3 Vista Lane, Scarsdale  RSVP 723-5165 |
|      | 4 Thursday | Study Group: Tai Chi |
|      | 8 Monday | Study Group: Justice and Injustice |
|      | 10 Wednesday | Card Party & Luncheon – Bonnie Briar Country Club |
|      | 16 Tuesday | Study Group: Criminal Justice Reform |
|      | 16 Tuesday | Northern Westchester Book Group |
|      | 18 Thursday | Bus Trip to Statue of Liberty Museum |

| JULY | 21 Tuesday | Northern Westchester Book Group |

| AUGUST | 18 Tuesday | Northern Westchester Book Group |
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

To my friends and fellow Brandeis members:

In BNC, each year brings new challenges which must be met with extraordinary creativity and effort.

When illness almost prevented our Fall Bulletin from being readied, Harriet Finkelstein somehow did the extraordinary and managed to see it to publication, with the help of Naomi Fischer and Selma Friedland. She also managed to set up a remarkable bus trip to the Museum of the Jewish Heritage to see the amazing Auschwitz exhibit followed by lunch at the historic Fraunces Tavern. Extraordinary!

Our Sampler began our year successfully thanks to Carol Gross and Diane Levy and our excellent guest speaker, Jody Addeo, speaking about Healthy Aging.

During the year, whenever our members needed a gentle reminder or had to be apprised of a change in program, Naomi Fischer and Evelyn Partalis wrote eblasts to give our members that extra push.

Barbara Kaufmann’s museum expertise allowed us the opportunity to tour Grand Central Station and the John Jay Homestead. And the Learning Opportunities Committee under the aegis of Evelyn Partalis and Ruth Goldberg provided workshops about the Star Spangled Banner, Immigration, Stretching, et al. The hours of dedicated work helped us to grow and learn. Thank you to the extraordinary leaders and the committee.

University-on-Wheels presented Pulitzer prize-winning journalist and Brandeis professor Eileen McNamara with an unforgettable afternoon of stories from her book concerning Eunice Kennedy and the Kennedy clan. Seventy of us sat enrapt. Thank you Brandeis and the remarkable Eileen McNamara for one of the best events we’ve ever had.

Brandeis members love lunch and thanks to Lois Morgenstern and Diane Levy we visited two superb eateries. We discussed movies at the home of Eileen Cohen, enjoying the intellectual repartee and her usual gracious hospitality. We also met Duddy Kravitz thanks to Sue Lippmann and Judy Gruenberger during a memorable movie afternoon at our “Brandeis Goes to the Movies” event.

Carole Zeller and co-chair Carol Ries worked hard to make the Book and Author Luncheon a success. Three authors helped us celebrate our love of literature, while Florence Glazer organized the vendors to help us maintain our love of shopping.

Congratulations to our new Membership team, Marlene Cartaina and Anne Toffel, who helped us reach our Membership goal.

After many fruitless attempts, sixteen of us, along with members of the Gotham chapter, will be visiting Brandeis in April. Talk about an extraordinary event to look forward to!

My sincerest thanks to all who helped make this Fall triumphant. (The only difference between Try and Triumph is that extra little “umph.”) So many give of themselves with that little umph, that little extra – and that indeed makes all the difference.

With appreciation,

Ileen Gottesfeld
President
MEMBERSHIP

We welcome the following new members:

Bonnie Brown
Janet Cohen
Sharon Cutler
Arlene Epstein
Annette Friedman
Yona Gonen
Marilyn & Daniel Hahn
Susan Holmes
Ruth Kepler
Lisa Mizrachi
Winifred & Jack Mizrachi
Susan Needleman
Debbie Polowitz
Gloria Rie
Rosalind Rothman
Edith Rutkove
Ruth Shaker
Barbara Traub

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Invite the men in your life to join our chapter and share in the male comraderie of the MOB – MEN of BRANDEIS - a new program for men. Couples membership is discounted at $100 for two.

MAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP MEANINGFUL

- **ADD A LITTLE EXCITEMENT AND INTEREST TO YOUR DAILY LIFE**
- **INCREASE YOUR CIRCLE OF FRIENDS**
- **ATTEND INFORMATIVE LECTURES**
- **PARTICIPATE IN INTERESTING TRIPS**
- **SHARE WONDERFUL LUNCHEONS**

ALL WHILE AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS TO PROMISING BRANDEIS SCHOLARS, FUNDING NEUROLOGICAL RESEARCH AND HELPING TO MAINTAIN THE BRANDEIS LIBRARIES

BECOME ACTIVE IN BRANDEIS!

Please mail this form and your $60 or $100 membership check payable to BNC to:
Marlene Cartaina, 333 North State Road Apt. 33, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510   Tel: 914-960-0833

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION – New Members ONLY

Last Name_________________________________________ First Name_______________________________________

Address_________________________________________ City________________ State________

Zip Code______ Telephone______________ Cell__________ Best time to call________

E-mail Address________________________ Spouse’s Name______________________________

Alternative (Seasonal) Address - Indicate Dates ________________________________

How did you hear about us? __________________________________________________________

Please check the areas in which you are interested in participating:

- Programs
- Fundraising Projects
- Membership Team
- Special Events
- Publicity
- Photography
- Newsletters
- Bulletin
- Internet/Computer
- Bookkeeping
- Mailing
- Hospitality

Do you have special abilities/talents you would like to share with us?

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In what capacity have you served in other organizations?

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CENTRAL WESTCHESTER CHAPTER

SPRING SAMPLER
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

FRIDAY April 3, 2020 9:30 AM

LOCATION: Scarsdale Synagogue Temples Tremont & Emanu-El
2 Ogden Road
Scarsdale, NY
914-725-5175

GUEST SPEAKER: MARYELLEN SAENGER

TOPIC: OPTIONS FOR SENIOR LIVING

As we age, many of us will have to make decisions about where to live. Should we age in place? If we can no longer drive, should we consider an Independent Living facility? What types of other facilities are available in Westchester? Should we remain in our community or move to be closer to a child? These are difficult questions that are best thought about before the need to make a decision arises. Maryellen Saenger will discuss these and many other important issues.

Maryellen is a licensed Mental Health Counselor who holds an MBA in Finance from Fordham University. She is the Director of Aging in Place Services for the Scarsdale Edgemont Family Counseling Service. She is a member of the Central Westchester Geriatric Committee and has served as the Treasurer of the Westchester Chapter of the New York Mental Health Counselors Association for the past five years.

SPRING CALENDAR STUDY GROUP REGISTRATION
NEW MEMBER ENROLLMENT SIGN UP FOR SPECIAL EVENTS
GUESTS WELCOME BRING A FRIEND

Information: Carol Gross, Chair
Tel: 914-723-5165

Carpooling suggested
ATTENTION ALL
BALLET AFFICIONADOS

Our chapter is planning to once again attend a performance of the American Ballet Theater at Lincoln Center. We will see *Romeo and Juliet*, the classic ballet with music by Sergei Prokofiev, depicting the iconic story of William Shakespeare’s star-crossed lovers.

Before the performance, join us for lunch, at your own expense, at *P.J. Clarke’s* (across the street from Lincoln Center).

**FEE:** $70.00 per ticket - Dress Circle *($15.00 is a Charitable Contribution)*

**DATE:** Wednesday, May 27, 2020

**TIME:** Lunch 11:30 AM (*P.J. Clarke’s* – 44 West 63rd Street) Performance at 2:00 PM

**PLACE:** Metropolitan Opera at Lincoln Center
7 Lincoln Center Plaza (Broadway and 63rd St. NYC)

**INFORMATION:** Carol Gross
Tel: 914-723-5165  Cell: 914-433-3091

**NOTE:** If you are interested in traveling to New York by Van, please contact Sue Lippmann
Tel: 914-472-0419

*Proceeds benefit the new BNC Campaign to digitize Brandeis Library Collections*

**Reservations must be PAID by APRIL 6, 2020**

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LUNCHEON  CARDS AND GAMES

PLAY GAMES WITH FRIENDS AND HAVE LUNCH, TOO

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020  12 NOON

MAH JONGG  CANASTA  SCRABBLE  BRIDGE

Bonnie Briar Country Club
808 Weaver Street
Larchmont, New York

Enjoy a delicious lunch followed by dessert, drinks and snacks as you play Mah Jongg, Bridge, Canasta or Scrabble with your own group or with one we will arrange for you. Spend a lovely afternoon at the Country Club.

GUESTS WELCOME

FEE: $48.00  ($5.00 is a Charitable Contribution)

INFORMATION: Gloria Staple
Tel: 914-632-6189

RSVP BY: June 1, 2020

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LET’S DO LUNCH!

We are continuing our very successful Dining Club program, “Let’s Do Lunch.” For a fee of $10.00 for the Spring season, you may join and participate. If you have attended in the past, you know what wonderful, fun-filled dining experiences we have shared. This Spring’s restaurants should be even better.

YOU PAY FOR YOUR OWN MEAL

PLEASE BRING CASH TO PAY FOR YOUR MEAL.

IF YOU DO NOT PLAN TO ATTEND, PLEASE NOTIFY LOIS MORGENSTERN OR DIANE LEVY AT LEAST 3 DAYS IN ADVANCE.
(If you are a member, we assume you will be attending.)

We have chosen the following two restaurants for Spring:

1) Tuesday, April 21, 2020 12:30 PM

SEA FLAME
709 White Plains Road
Scarsdale, NY
IN THE VERNON PLACE SHOPS
(Near Chico’s)
Eastchester, NY
(Opposite Lord & Taylor)
Tel: 914-874-5366
Cost: $28.00 per person

*A lovely, recently opened steak and seafood restaurant with a Mediterranean Flair*

2) Wednesday, May 20, 2020 12:30 PM

PATSY’S
2 Pelham Road
New Rochelle, NY
PARKING IN THE MARINA PARKING LOT
Tel: 914-365-2255
Cost $30.00 per person

*This sister restaurant to Patsy’s in New York offers modern Italian food with a view of the Marina*

Information:  Lois Morgenstern  Diane Levy
Tel: 914-235-7022  Tel: 914-967-7749
E-mail: Lsm3636@verizon.net  E-mail: dianeL113@aol.com

$10.00 is a Charitable Contribution

Proceeds benefit the new BNC campaign to digitize Brandeis Library Collections

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BUS TRIP TO THE NEW STATUE OF LIBERTY MUSEUM

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2020

The new free-standing Statue of Liberty Museum which opened last year on Liberty Island tells the story of the creation of the iconic landmark.

It also contains the original torch which was replaced when the statue was renovated in 1986.

In these times when immigration has become such a divisive issue, it will be interesting to revisit the origins of this symbol of welcome.

After a short ferry ride, we will be free to explore the Museum on our own. There are also walking tours of the Island led by Park Rangers. If you would like to climb the pedestal of the Statue itself (20 stories - 354 steps), you may request a pass when making your reservation.

After visiting Liberty Island, we will return to Liberty State Park in New Jersey where we will enjoy an elegant lunch at the Liberty House Restaurant, which has magnificent views of New York City.

Please note: The trip will take place rain or shine. There is an airport-like Security Check before boarding the ferry, and considerable walking. Please dress accordingly.

FEE: $125 All Inclusive (Bus, Ferry, Lunch and Gratuities)
$10.00 is a Charitable Contribution

DATE: Thursday, June 18, 2020
TIME: Bus will leave at 9:00 A.M. promptly
MEET: Crossroads Shopping Center (K-Mart, Modell’s)
399 Tarrytown Road, White Plains, NY
Park to the left of Home Goods
INFO: Harriet Finkelstein Tel: 914-686-9652 Cell: 914-980-6417

RESERVATIONS MUST BE PAID BY JUNE 1, 2020

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ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON
CHAPTER’S 60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

THURSDAY May 7, 2020 10:00 AM

Abigail Kirsch at Tappan Hill
81 Highland Avenue
Tarrytown, NY

Silent Auction   Boutique   Table favor

Drawings for Prizes

Guests Welcome

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Guest Speaker
Mary Calvi

Mary Calvi is co-anchor of two CBS news shows: CBS2 This Morning and CBS2 At Noon. She is the recipient of nine New York Emmy Awards.

She has recently written her first novel, Dear George, Dear Mary, about George Washington’s unrequited love for Mary Philipse – the richest heiress in colonial America. Inspired by curiosity about the grand historic manor in her home town of Yonkers, Mary did a huge amount of research and uncovered hundreds of letters and journal entries from the eighteenth century which she used as the basis for her novel, a story of thwarted love, deception and war.

Mary lives in Yonkers with her husband, Mayor Mike Spano, and their three children.
At this year’s Annual Spring Luncheon we will be celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the founding of the Central Westchester Chapter of the BNC. We hope you will support us by making a generous contribution and by joining us for the festivities.

All proceeds will benefit the new campaign in support of digitizing the Brandeis University Library’s collections regarding social justice issues such as anti-Semitism, sexism, and xenophobia. This will enable scholars from all over the country to access these valuable documents to assist in their research and activism.

Please become a Supporter by making a donation:

Angel   more than $200.00
Benefactor $200.00
Sponsor   $160.00
Donor     $100.00

Contributors of $160.00 or more will be our Guests for Lunch

Your contribution at any level is greatly appreciated.

Donations received by March 8, 2020 will be listed on the Luncheon Invitation.

FEE: $95.00 (Lunch) (Any amount above $75.00 is a charitable contribution)

INFORMATION: Joan Richman 718-549-7724  
              Robin Rosen 347-784-4414

INVITATION TO FOLLOW

TO MAKE A DONATION PLEASE COMPLETE FORM ON PAGE 29
OVERNIGHT BUS TRIP TO BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

THERE STILL MAY BE ROOM FOR YOU TO JOIN US!

After much anticipation, we are planning a bus trip to Brandeis. This will be an opportunity to visit the campus, to see the Rose Museum, attend classes, see the special microscope we helped purchase, tour the Laboratories where the research we helped support is being conducted and to visit the Library that BNC helped to build. Join your Brandeis friends for a memorable trip.

DATE: Tuesday, April 28 to Wednesday, April 29, 2020
TIME: Bus Departs about 8:00 AM
PLACE: Leave from Harbor Island, Mamaroneck
COST: Room at Hyatt House Hotel, Waltham, MA
      King Single Suite: $175 plus tax
      Double Suite (2 bedrooms, 2 baths suitable for sharing) $225 plus tax
      All rates include free breakfast

      Cost of bus will be divided by number of people participating
      (Approximately $120 to $160 per person)

      A non-refundable deposit of $50 is required for a bus reservation

INFO: Trip is being shared with Gotham Chapter in New York City
      For further details contact:
      Maxine Schweitzer
      141 E. 88th Street #8H
      New York, NY 10128-2396
      Tel: 212-369-9641
You are cordially invited to join us for Lunch
to celebrate Ileen Gottesfeld’s Milestone Birthday

Ileen will have a special birthday on May 27, 2020 and her Brandeis friends want to celebrate this memorable event with her.

Ileen has been The Central Westchester Chapter President for the past four years, and we have convinced her to serve for another two year term. She has worked diligently and enthusiastically to keep our chapter running and to recruit new members. She chairs our Board meetings, even when in Florida, by preparing the agenda for those who fill in in her absence, and she secures venues for all the meetings. She leads her wonderful Book Discussion groups, which always have the highest attendance of any Study Group. She is the master of ceremonies for our Book and Author Luncheons, speaking eloquently about the books and introducing the authors. She even does the calligraphy for our place cards and name tags for various events and much, much more.

This is an opportunity to show our appreciation for all she has done and to share this special birthday with her.

Everyone -- members and non-members -- are welcome to join us.

We believe that a donation in Ileen’s honor to the BNC Campaign to Digitize Important Social Justice Library Collections would be the best possible gift to celebrate this wonderful occasion. We will present her with a list of donors at the luncheon.

DATE: Thursday, May 28, 2020
TIME: 12:30 PM
PLACE: Buon Amici Restaurant
238 Central Park Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606
914-997-1399
COST: $25.00 for 4 Course Lunch including Soft Drinks, Coffee, Tea, Tip
INFORMATION: Harriet Finkelstein
914-686-9652 harfink@msn.com

If you cannot attend the luncheon but would like to make a donation in Ileen’s honor, please send your check, payable to BNC, to Harriet Finkelstein. If you are attending the luncheon and would like to make a donation, you may include both payments on the same check.
(The donation portion is tax deductible)

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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES / STUDY GROUPS

GENERAL INFORMATION

1) To insure placement in courses, you must be a PAID UP MEMBER. MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED. Please use the New Membership Form provided if you wish to join.

   (N.B. In an effort to expose more people to Learning Opportunities, you may, just once, bring and pay for a guest, who we hope will eventually join the BNC.)

2) Mail Registration Form (on back cover of bulletin) or a copy thereof, along with your check payable to BNC, to:

   Carol Gross
   3 Vista Lane
   Scarsdale, NY 10583
   914-723-5165

3) NO MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED UNLESS A SESSION IS CANCELLED. If you cannot attend, you may send someone in your place. If you cancel and someone is found to take your place you may request a credit, but there will be no credit if you have not been replaced. Your fee will be considered a donation.

4) Please Note:

   A) With the wide variety of sessions offered, it is sometimes impossible to avoid date conflicts.

   B) Please keep the Bulletin as your reference for dates and locations, since no other information will be sent.

   C) Please pay strict attention to the starting hour of each session, since starting times may vary.

   D) Many courses have limited enrollment and will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. REGISTER EARLY!

5) Please be on time for museum trips. A docent is hired for a specific time period and cannot stay later. All tours will start promptly.

6) If you know of someone who might be interested in joining the Brandeis National Committee, please send his or her name, address and phone number to our Membership Chairperson: Marlene Cartaina, 333 North State Road Apt. 33, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510  Tel: 914-960-0833

PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND A SESSION FOR WHICH YOU HAVE REGISTERED
1) On the Edge of the World – Masterworks by Laurits Andersen
Ring at the Bruce Museum

Leader: Museum Docents

The work of this important Danish painter (1854-1933) explores social realism and symbolism of mankind’s inner life. Ring’s landscapes, on loan to the Bruce from the National Gallery of Denmark, speak a powerful artistic language, one that matters to us today as never before.

Join us and discover this great artist’s work!

Fee: $20.00
Date: Wednesday, May 13, 2020
Time: 10:45 AM
Meet: Bruce Museum, Museum Drive, Greenwich, CT.
Information: Barbara Kaufmann 472-4096

2) A Lasting Monument to Art Deco – Rockefeller Center

Leader: Art Historian Sylvia Laudien-Meo

New York’s most significant planned Art Deco development is Rockefeller Center. We will explore this internationally famous monument to 1930’s style – its architecture and art, including its wonderful murals. We will learn how it was planned and all about the noted and colorful personalities involved in its history. Sylvia, with her incredible knowledge and tireless research, is certain to make this a fascinating and delightful experience. Come with us on this exciting art and history tour.

Fee: $30.00
Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2020
Time: 10:45 AM
Meet: 30 Rockefeller Plaza (the Comcast Building), between 49th & 50th Streets, between 5th & 6th Ave New York City
Information: Nancy Kaufmann 917-567-6021
3) **Women's Suffrage, Westchester**

Leader: Walter Schwartz, an Attorney, who served as the duly elected Village Justice of Ardsley from 1982 to 2018 and is currently a member of the Westchester County Historical Society

Walter has seen much progress in the legal profession, where women were not welcomed in the first bar association he joined after becoming a lawyer in 1963, and in elective public office which he occupied for more than 30 years in Ardsley. He will draw upon his avocation of local history and extensive research to focus upon Westchester women who fought for the franchise and those who gained public office.

Fee: $12  
Date: Friday, March 27, 2010  
Time: 1:00 PM  
Location: Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY  
Information: Doris Hettmansberger  
948-1951

4) **Hollywood on the Campaign Trail**

Leader: Max Alvarez, New York City Author, Film Historian and Lecturer


Fee: $12.00  
Date: Monday, April 13, 2020  
Time: 1:00 PM  
Location: Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY  
Information: Judith Moureau  
993-0398
5) **Architecture and Religion**

Leader: Michael Molinelli, AIA, NCARB, LEED  
Architect of churches, schools, health-care facilities, and residences;  
Cartoonist, Inventor and Lecturer

Many have believed that the most significant structures humans have built were created to be places where we interact with God. We will look at the interplay of architecture and religion both broadly and specifically. We will examine the commonalities of religious buildings regardless of theology, geography, or epoch. We will consider how theology and philosophy have shaped our aesthetics, particularly in Western cultures. Finally we will look at local examples of houses of worship: what shaped them and how they shaped us.

**Fee:**  
$12.00

**Date:**  
Wednesday, April 22, 2020

**Time:**  
1:00 PM

**Location:**  
Congregation Kol Ami, 252 Soundview Avenue  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY

**Information:**  
Doris Hettmansberger  
948-1951

6) **Genealogy**

Leader: Alan Steinfeld, retired Physician and Lecturer  
on Genealogy

Genealogy is a practice that helps you find your ancestors and place them in a time frame. In doing so, you will get to know and understand more about your ethnic, social and geographic origins, as well as the way of life of your ancestors. In addition, you may discover cousins you never knew you had.

**Fee:**  
$12.00

**Date:**  
Friday, April 24, 2020

**Time:**  
1:00 PM

**Location:**  
Congregation Kol Ami, Chapel in the Woods  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY

**Information:**  
Ruth Goldberg  
949-6542
7) *Esther and the Spring Goddess*

Leader: Rabbi Shira Milgrom, Rabbi at Congregation Kol Ami, White Plains

Although the Book of Esther may be a powerful, delightful and funny story, it is a story of an event that almost brought about the destruction of the Jewish people. But it is even more than that. Shira Milgrom will uncover the women's issues, causes and strengths you never learned about before. And your experiences with hamantaschen will never be the same again.

Fee: $12.00  
Date: Thursday, April 30, 2020  
Time: 1:00 PM  
Location: Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY  
Information: Ruth Goldberg  
949-6542

8) *Ziegfeld Girls*

Leader: Marty Schneit, Historian, Licensed New York City Tour Guide and noted Lecturer

Inspired by the Follies Bergere of Paris, Flo Ziegfeld brought his Ziegfeld girls to the Broadway stage in New York City. Through music and videos we will get an inside view of these Broadway spectaculars as Marty Schneit takes us back to the New York City of 1907 - 1931.

Fee: $12.00  
Date: Tuesday, May 5, 2020  
Time: 1:00 PM  
Location: Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY  
Information: Vivian Sheff  
937-1539
9) **Book Discussion: The Marriage of Opposites - by Alice Hoffman**

Leader: Ileen Gottesfeld, former High School English teacher and a lover of books

*The Marriage of Opposites* by Alice Hoffman is based on the true story of impressionist painter Camille Pissarro and his Jewish family who settled in St. Thomas after fleeing the Inquisition. It is about his parents’ unforgettable romance and their parenting of a child with a mind of his own. Solitary, creative and passionate only about the beautiful landscapes around him and his desire to paint, he defied their desire for him to run the family business.

Join in a discussion about this unique book followed several days later by a slide presentation by Barbara Wexler, art historian, depicting the work of "The Father of Impressionism."

Fee: $12.00  
Date: Monday, May 11, 2020  
Time: 1:00 PM  
Location: Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY  
Information: Evelyn Partalis  
923-3148

10) **Camille Pissarro - A Look at the Work of "The Father of Impressionism"**

Leader: Barbara Wexler - Art Historian and Lecturer

We welcome back, Barbara Wexler, our resident art historian, who is teaming up with Ileen Gottesfeld and her discussion of the book *The Marriage of Opposites*. Barbara will be speaking about the life and work of the "Father of the Impressionist and Post-Impressionist Movement." Be sure to attend both sessions to gain a more expansive view of Pissarro’s life as an artist and as a passionate human being.

Fee: $12  
Date: Thursday, May 14, 2020  
Time: 1:00 PM  
Location: Congregation Kol Ami  
252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY  
Information: Evelyn Partalis  
923-3148
11) The Delancey Street Foundation

Leaders: Residents of Delancey Street

In 1971, Delancey Street began with four residents, a thousand dollar loan, and a dream to develop a new model to turn around the lives of substance abusers, former felons, and others who have hit bottom by empowering the people with the problems to become their own solution. After an average of four years (a minimum stay of two years), residents gain an academic education, three marketable skills, accountability, responsibility, dignity and integrity. Graduates enter society as successful taxpaying citizens leading decent, legitimate and productive lives. The Delancey Street New York residents live on 50 acres in Brewster, NY. The property includes a carriage house, two residences and the grand castle, Morningthorpe Manor, where we will enjoy a Sunday brunch.

Fee: $18
Date: Sunday, May 17, 2020
Time: 9:30 AM
Meet: Home of Ruth Goldberg 10 Monroe Drive, White Plains
Visit: Delancy Street New York
100 Turk Hill Road, Brewster, NY
Information: Ruth Goldberg 949-6542
PLEASE CALL TO ARRANGE CAR POOLS

12) John Jay’s Childhood Home

Leader: Docent at the John Jay Heritage Center

This 23-acre property was the childhood home of one of the nation's founding fathers, John Jay, who is best known as the first Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. Comprising buildings have all been declared landmarks, including a 1917 indoor tennis house slated for restoration and a 1907 carriage house that serves as a visitor center and exhibit space. The property is anchored by the mansion of Peter Augustus Jay, the son of John Jay. If you have visited the John Jay homestead in the Fall, you certainly will want to see this house and its flowering gardens this Spring. We will lunch on our own in the nearby Whitby Castle.

Fee: $12
Date: Friday, May 22, 2020
Time: 11:45 AM
Location: The John Jay Heritage Center
210 Boston Post Road, Rye, NY
Information: Ruth Shaker 561-350-9805
13) **Nothin' But the Blues**

Leader: Michael Shamosh, Amateur Blues Musician and Historian of American Popular Music

Is it the devil's music or one of America's great art forms? We will examine the blues from its Southern beginnings and follow it through the decades to learn how the music adapted to changing times. Using audio and film, we will experience the great early practitioners including Ma Rainey and others. We will learn about the blues shouters, guitar heroes, harmonica players and modern urban electric blues performers. The joint will be jumpin' but you won't be required to sell your soul to be a part of it all.

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            235 North Avenue, New Rochelle, NY |
| Information: | Ruth Goldberg  
                   949 6542 |

14) **Tai Chi: A low impact relaxing form of exercise for the health of your mind and body**

Leader: Peggy Cataldo, Teacher of Tai Chi

The benefits of Tai Chi for seniors are incredible. Harvard Medical School in its 2009 publication suggests that Tai Chi helps prevent falls and reduces the effects of arthritis. It has been shown to be helpful for a number of medical conditions including low bone density, breast cancer and its side effects, heart disease and failure, hypertension, Parkinson's disease, sleep problems and stroke.

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            252 Soundview, White Plains, NY |
| Information: | Ruth Goldberg  
                   949-6542 |
15) **Local Justice and Injustice**

Leader: Walter Schwartz, an attorney who served as the elected Village Justice of Ardsley from 1982 to 2018 and still occasionally practices law or presides over a mock trial

Mr. Schwartz will provide a candid inside look ("in justice") at how local judges (many of whom are not lawyers!) decide cases arising in their own communities, including the role that truth and politics play inside a small courtroom. He will also address the strengths and weaknesses of the local criminal justice system.

- **Fee:** $12
- **Date:** Monday, June 8, 2020
- **Time:** 1:00 PM
- **Location:** Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods
  252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY
- **Information:** Doris Hettmansberger
  948-1951

16) **Criminal Justice Reform**

Leader: Neal Keller, Teacher at Hudson Link for Higher Education in Prison, along with two prison graduates

Among the many organizations aimed at improving the Criminal Justice System in the U.S. is the Hudson Link for Higher Education in Prison located in Ossining, NY. Neal Keller will introduce us to two of his students who will share their stories of how Hudson Link has transformed their lives through the power of higher education.

- **Fee:** $12
- **Date:** Tuesday, June 16, 2020
- **Time:** 1:30 PM
- **Location:** Congregation Kol Ami - Chapel in the Woods
  252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY
- **Information:** Ruth Goldberg
  949-6542
THE BNC 5 STAR FILM CLUB

We regret that the BNC 5 Star Film Club will not be meeting this Spring.
We hope to resume meeting in the Fall.

BRANDEIS GOES TO THE MOVIES

In Search of Israeli Cuisine

This movie is a portrait of the Israeli people told through food. It puts a literal face on the culture of Israel.

The movie takes us on an unusual tour of Israel, one that is not organized around politics or Biblical sites. Instead, we meet ordinary people and food professionals who live and work in a country that is an ethnic hodgepodge.

Influences on Israeli food come from Arab cultures, Eastern Europe and the Mediterranean, as well as from more personal authorities: a mother’s or grandmother’s kitchen.

A la Anthony Bourdain, chef Michael Solomonov takes us on a delicious and enjoyable journey as a rich, complex and human story emerges.

Fee: $12 ($12 is a Charitable Contribution)
Date: Monday, May 18, 2020
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: Scarsdale Synagogue Temples Tremont and Emanu-el
2 Ogden Road, Scarsdale, NY
Information: Judy Gruenberger 914-682-9350  Susan Lippmann  914-472-0419

REFRESHMENTS

GUESTS AND WALK-INS WELCOME

Proceeds benefit the new BNC campaign to digitize Brandeis Library Collections

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Brandes Northern Westchester Book Group

The Brandeis Northern Westchester Book Group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. This is a Community Service Project and is free to all members.

First Session: Tuesday, March 17, 2020
Book: A Warning
Author: Anonymous

Second Session: Tuesday, April 21, 2020
Book: The Other Americans
Author: Laila Lalami

Third Session: Tuesday, May 19, 2020
Book: Becoming
Author: Michelle Obama

Fourth Session: Tuesday, June 16, 2020
Book: The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane
Author: Lisa See

Fifth Session: Tuesday, July 21, 2020
Book: Call Me By Your Name
Author: Andre Aciman

Sixth Session: Tuesday, August 18, 2020
Book: Guest Book
Author: Sarah Blake

Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Copley Court Club Room
333 North State Road
Briarcliff Manor, New York

Information: Ann Schilero 914-762-3851
Our chapter mourns the recent passing of two long-time Life Members: Melie Ganem and Elsa Federbush. They were our friends, active participants in chapter events and enthusiastic supporters of Brandeis. They will be missed.

BOOK FUND DONATIONS

A contribution to the Book Fund or to the Campaign to Digitize Library Collections is a meaningful way to express condolences, commemorate a special occasion or wish good health while supporting Brandeis. Your donation will be acknowledged to the recipient with an attractive Card: $11.00, $19.00 or $26.00; or with a leather folio for a Learned Research Journal: $36.00, $56.00 or $101.00 (All prices include postage.)

For further information or to make a donation, please contact:

Florence Glazer
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Yonkers, NY 10710 914-961-9089

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Nancy Goodman by Ileen Gottesfeld
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Melie Ganem by Selma Friedland, Ileen Gottesfeld

IN HONOR OF:

The Marriage of
Irene Fried's Grandson by Lila Halper, Laurel Woolf, Barbara Barak, Barbara Babad
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Rafael Edward Hernandez by Pearl Schoenberg
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ABT BALLET – ROMEO & JULIET
Wednesday May 27, 2020

Reservations must be PAID by APRIL 6, 2020

Please detach and mail with your check for $70.00 per ticket payable to BNC to:
Carol Gross, 3 Vista Lane, Scarsdale, NY 10583

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CARD & MAH JONGG PARTY
June 10, 2020

Please detach and mail with your check for $48.00 payable to BNC to:
Gloria Staple, 730 Pelham Road Apt.3C, New Rochelle, NY 10805

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LET’S DO LUNCH
April 28 & May 20, 2020

Please detach and mail with your check for $10.00 payable to BNC to:
Lois Morgenstern, 36 Chatham Road, New Rochelle, NY 10804

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BUS TRIP TO STATUE OF LIBERTY MUSEUM
June 18, 2020

RESERVATIONS MUST BE PAID BY JUNE 1st

Please detach & mail with your check for $125.00 payable to BNC to:
Harriet Finkelstein, 50 E. Hartsdale Ave. Apt. 5M, Hartsdale, NY 10530

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ILEEN GOTTESFELD BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
May 28, 2020
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BRANDEIS GOES TO THE MOVIES
May 18, 2020
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Susan Lippmann, 176 Clayton Road, Scarsdale, NY 10583

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