

THE *High Tea* PARTY AND *Installation*



Invitation

Join us at *Skyline Country Club*

for *High Tea & Installation*

Wednesday, April 6, 2:00 p.m.



Dr. Marilyn Heins,

Speaking on "*The Joy of Aging*"

Pediatrician, parent, stepparent, grandparent, and the founder and CEO of www-ParentKidsRight.com. She has written two parenting books and writes the content for ParentKidsRight.com as well as a parenting column for the Arizona Daily Star.



\$28 per Member

\$30 per Nonmember

\$25 is not tax-deductible

Proceeds from this event benefit the Tucson Endowed Scholarship Fund to award scholarship support to a worthy Brandeis student, with a preference for a student from the Tucson metropolitan area.

Please bring new and gently used children's books for women in prison to read to their visiting offspring, which the children then bring home.

Please reserve ___ seats @ \$28, ___ seats @ \$30.

Total amount \$___

Names: _____

E-mail/phone _____

Make check out to **BNC** and mail to Arlene
Zuckerman, 5448 N. Paseo Sonoyta, Tucson, 85750.



Membership Page

President's Corner



Now that our wonderful **Book & Author** Events are behind us, the work of finding authors for next year is about to begin. Did you know that the **Book & Author** committee, but especially **Sheila and Bob Rothenberg**, work all year on our program? The work on Brandeis programming is never-ending for those who serve on the board. This all leads up to our High Tea program on Wednesday, April 6. This event promises to be special, as it includes the installation of new officers and the retirement of those who have served. It also includes a sampling of special sandwiches, desserts, tea, and more. The climax of the program features Marilyn Heins, which should prove of special value to all of us. Please plan to attend this event at Skyline Country Club.

I thank all of the board members who have worked so hard during this past year. Our Study Group leaders have been outstanding, and the courses offered have been diverse. We look forward to many of these groups continuing for next year. Lois Bodin will be our Study Group Vice-President and point person. The committee has already been meeting to plan the offerings and procedural changes for next year. Please read your bulletins carefully this summer for notification of how to register for the group offerings.

Thank you all for a wonderful year. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our High Tea. Please take the time to join us.

Lynn Cramer, Presiding Officer

We Wish Our Members...

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

Lynn & Stan Cramer A speedy recovery for your grandson

Barbara & Peter Danes

Congratulations on the birth of a grandson

Vicki Kaufman

Condolences on the passing of your husband Abe

Marilyn Lobell

A speedy recovery

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

Our Tucson Chapter Endowed Scholarship Fund currently has over \$201,000 in principal. We are amazing! Keep donating.



New Members



Since the last bulletin, the following people have joined our chapter:

Susan Berman 63289 E Harmony Dr, 85739 818-1954
SuBer@wbhsi.net

Mark N Teece '81 (Deborah M) 3381 N Wild Daisy Pl, 85750 290-0921
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Add them to your Membership Directory. New members are the life of our chapter. When you see new members at a Tucson Chapter event or Study Group, welcome them warmly.

Directory Changes

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

Joseph Braziller	JoeB@juno.com
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Alice <u>A</u> & Dan <u>M</u> Schindel	AASchindel@aol.com DMSchindel@aol.com
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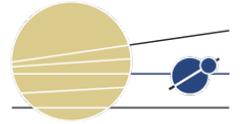
THANK YOU

Rachel Barker and **Meg Sivitz** thank all those volunteers who helped us to sell books at our very successful Book Sale at Foothills Mall in February. Thanks to Shelly Abell, Zelda Aaronson, Nancy Bellow, Lois Bodin, Fran Caspe, Davya Cohen, Lynn Cramer, Jack Deitz, Aimee and Steven Doctoroff, Roggie Edberg, Fern Feder, Sorkey Fortman, Natalie Frieburger, Ruth Friedman, Ruth Ganeles, Sally Gershon, Shirley Goldberg, Ben and Gloria Golden, Maxine Goldstein, Hal Hegwer, Tom Herz, Ron Isaacs, Elizabeth Jackson, Vicki Kaufman, Sue Keller, Dotty Klepper, Betty Jane Koppel, Shirley Kroot, Steffi Law, Herb Meshel, Marleen Miller, Judy Norris, Phyllis and Steve Ollove, Shelly Picus, Donna Richman, Sandy Rollin, Marsha and Bob Rosenblum, Joan Rosenbluth, Helene and Marc Sbar, Ellen Saltonstall, Myrna Silver, Shirley Snow, Jill Sobieszek, Susan Sussman, Marianne and Stuart Taussig, Terry Williams, Sara and Lloyd Wisdom, and Arlene and Marty Zuckerman, ☺

EDF FELLOWS MEETING

Our men's group, the **EDF FELLOWS**, will hold its next lunch meeting on Monday, April 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Viscount Hotel.

The speaker will be from the University of Arizona Lunar and Planetary Laboratory, speaking on new information about Pluto.



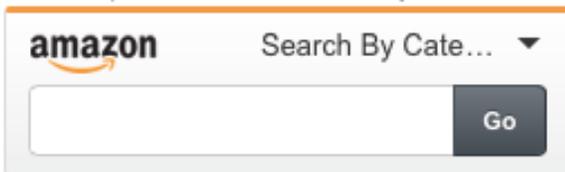
Anyone in Tucson is cordially invited to attend, join the fellowship, and enjoy the fascinating speakers. Members are encouraged to bring guests. Women are invited. For a reservation, contact Steve Seltzer by Thursday morning before the meeting.

Lunch is \$22. For more information, contact **Steve Seltzer**, seltz5001@aol.com, 299-3788; **Howard Schwartz**, howtru3@comcast.net, 615-2915; or **Tom Herz**, tghmkh@mindspring.com, 745-5852. ☺

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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. ☺

Social Justice/ Community Service

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, 615-0877, or **Arlene Gray**, ArleneSGray@gmail.com, 229-0006. ☺

Nobody can help everybody,
but everybody can help somebody!

Meet Your Study Group Leader

Patrice Janoff Brown was born in New York City and lived on Long Island until age 11. In 1963, her family moved to Tucson, where the climate was better for her brother, who suffered from asthma.

Patrice attended school in Tucson from sixth grade through college at the University of Arizona, where she received a bachelor's degree from the College of Education, with a double major in Spanish and French. During high school, she traveled to Mexico and Spain on summer study programs and became passionate about Spanish language and culture, a passion that continues to this day. The friends she made during her travels are still part of her life almost 50 years later. The trips inspired her to continue her love of learning the Spanish language and culture. She has returned to Spain and Mexico many times with her husband, children, and her high school students.

Patrice met her husband Ron, who was finishing his Ph.D. at Cal Tech, on a blind date while he was visiting relatives in Tucson. They were married eight months later, after Patrice graduated in 1974. Five days later, they drove to Iowa, where Ron attended law school and she taught Spanish in the graduate program at the University of Iowa. After she received her masters in Spanish and Ron his J.D., they moved to Minnesota, where he practiced as a patent litigator. She taught Spanish and French in Minneapolis for 15 years in junior high and middle school and 19 years in high school. She retired in 2012 after receiving her school district's "Above and Beyond" award and being nominated for Teacher of the Year. She loved teaching from the moment she began until she cried on her last day. She treasured the connection she made with her students and is still in contact with some of them.

The Browns moved back to Tucson because of family here and the proximity to two of their children living in Phoenix with three of their grandchildren. Their third child lives in Boston, where they have two more grandkids.

In Tucson, Ron is an adjunct professor at the UA Law School, while Patrice is a member of the National Advisory Board at the UA College of Education, and has begun tutoring Spanish to children and adults through her company called ¡ADELANTE!, which means "FORWARD!"

In retirement, they have traveled to many beautiful sites in the Southwest, including their beloved Santa Fe. Patrice is able to pursue her love of reading and enjoys being co-leader of the Brandeis Mystery Book Club, participating in many of the terrific Study Groups such as You Gotta



2016

Tucson Chapter Calendar

- Board Meeting* Monday, April 4
- High Tea and Installation Wednesday, April 6
- Board and Planning Meeting* Monday, May 2
- Study Group Guide Late July
- Study Group Registration Late July to August 17
- Opening Event Wednesday, October 19

*All are welcome to our open Board Meetings.

Save the dates and mark your calendar

Officers

- Leadership Team Chair Lynn Cramer
- VPs of the Book Business Rachel Barker & Meg Sivitz
- VPs of Membership Terri Freed & Marilyn Lobell
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Questions? Leave a message at the Book Depot phone, **747-3224** or e-mail us at BNCTucsonBooks@yahoo.com. 

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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 bulletin is published from August through May. The deadline is the 10th of the preceding month. 

Have Art, Tourist in Your Own Town, a fabulous summer art class, Understanding Indian Culture Through Jewelry, and bringing in new members to our Tucson Chapter as part of her participation on the Membership Committee. She has also served on the Nominating Committee. There is so much to learn!

Patrice heartily supports Brandeis' research on neurodegenerative diseases, numerous Study Groups that offer something for everyone, working at Book Sales, and the many community service projects. 



Scholarship Student



In January, Paulina Kuzmin, the beneficiary of our chapter's endowed scholarship, wrote:

Dear Tucson BNC Chapter members,

I cannot express in words the amount of gratitude I have for all of you for allowing me to achieve goals, dreams, and endless opportunities I have had from attending Brandeis. The amount of academic and personal growth is unparalleled to anything I could have imagined. I have pushed myself in both regards and have found perseverance and strength I never knew I had. This can be attributed to your help in funding my education and ability to be here at Brandeis.

My junior year has been a challenging, yet enjoyable, time. I am a community advisor (or residential advisor, RA) for two freshman halls. It's one of the best feelings in the world to help direct residents in their passions and help inspire and empower them to seek out new opportunities. I am also working at the faculty club as a hostess, which I find to be a great source of relief from academia. I am still working in Lovett Lab as a biology technician and hope to pursue research in the coming semester.

This semester I am taking my course neuroscience class, "Principles of Neuroscience," that I absolutely love! It has reaffirmed my passion and love for this amazing, cutting-edge science, and I am so grateful I get to be taught by amazing, renowned scholars in this field. I am also taking my first computer science class, which I surprisingly enjoy. I have decided to graduate early (this December), which I did not know was possible until recently. I hope to be graduating with a double major in neuroscience and biology.

An experience for which I have been most grateful occurred this past summer. I was a recipient of the Social Justice WOW (World of Work) grant and was able to live in Quito, Ecuador, for two months. I worked in a hospital and improved my Spanish significantly. This experience has impacted my views and made me reflect on the career path I want to take. From this reflection, I have a new goal of not only pursuing medicine, but to get a dual degree in public health (a Master of Public Health, MPH).

My aspirations for me and my future are high, and this is because I have been placed in an environment where everyone strives for the best. Again, I thank you for supporting my time here and will be forever grateful.

Sincerely, Paulina Kuzmin '17

Triumphant Book & Author Events

Congratulations to our hardworking **Book & Author** Committee for the near-record-attendance 20th Anniversary events March 9 and 10.

The Western Chic dinner saw attendees garbed in their finest cowboy duds, while the luncheon hosted more than 200 people who had a wonderful time meeting and listening to our four award-winning authors. Attendees at both events thoroughly enjoyed mouth-watering meals at Skyline Country Club.

In addition, the fabulous boutique, silent auction, and book sales at Mostly Books' on-site store helped raise additional revenue for Brandeis' *Sustaining the Mind: Scientific Research and Scholarships*.

Next month's Bulletin will feature the pictures taken by our ace photographer showing the scope of this year's highly successful celebration.

Be sure to plan to attend next year's 21st Annual **Book & Author** Events. 

We Will Now Charge for Printed Bulletins

The board has decided that, starting with our new fiscal year, July 1, 2016, we will charge \$15 per year to receive the printed version of the bulletin. Slowly increasing postage fees and rapidly increasing printing costs are the reason for this charge. If you get the bulletin through e-mail notification, there is no fee.

- The Study Group Guide will continue to be mailed free to all members.
- Future Membership Directories will no longer be mailed, but will be available at all chapter functions and the Book Depot or can be mailed for \$1 per copy.

We have been among the few chapters that were not charging for the mailed bulletin. We are sorry for the change, but will now be able to contribute more to the students and faculty of Brandeis University.

If you receive the bulletin in the mail, but wish to receive the bulletin on the Internet, write to **Steve Seltzer**, seltz5001@aol.com.

If you wish to keep receiving the bulletin by mail starting in July, send a check (separate from a membership check) for \$15 made out to **BNC to Steve Seltzer, 5001 E. Calle Guebabi, Tucson 85718**. 

Nominations

Your Nominating Committee has worked hard to find officers to continue to lead your chapter. They have chosen the following as next year's officers, to be voted on at our spring High Tea and Installation. If you have other nominations, contact **Zelda Aaronson**, ZAaronson@aol.com or **818-3842**.

- President.....Lynn Cramer
- VP Book Business.....Rachel Barker & Meg Sivitz
- VP Membership.....Marsha Rosenblum
- VP Publications.....Steve Seltzer
- VP Study Groups.....Lois Bodin
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Chapter Information Officer



Marianne Taussig, our Chapter Information Officer, reports that Brandeis University is a unique and fascinating institution of learning and research, which makes our work all the more important. The following is of interest:

On March 3, 2016, Brandeis University's inaugural conference on diversity called "America from Within" was conceived and coordinated entirely by a group of students dedicated to facilitating meaningful conversation on issues underrepresented minorities face on campus.

Michael Sugar, '95, won an Oscar as a producer of the movie "Spotlight."

Brandeis' Schuster Institute helped free another wrongfully convicted man, the second one the investigative journalist and legal team helped free in the past eight months. This is amazing for a university without a law school, as it is usually law students who work on this type of project. 

Become a Study Group Leader or Facilitator

The Study Group Committee is busy planning for our next great year. We will be bringing back many of your favorites and also want to add new classes. We are looking for members who are willing to lead and share their ideas, enthusiasm, and expertise with others, or facilitate by having someone they know lead a group. Many leaders come back because they get so much out of leading a Study Group. They make new friends, strengthen old friendships, and enjoy sharing their passion with others.

If you have a special area of expertise or knowledge such as teaching, law, medicine, art, music, literature, sports, fitness, cooking, travel, film, and drama, consider teaching.

Do you have an idea for another group not listed here that you would be willing to lead? If so, please contact **Lois Bodin**, LoisBodin@gmail.com or **702-219-6704**.

Please look at these possible new groups for next year.

All they need is a leader:

- On the Town
- A Non-fiction Book Group
- Men's Open Forum, monthly changing leader or host who picks a topic (a current issue, sports, or other)
- Women's Life Issues, monthly changing leader or host who picks a topic
- Genealogy
- Cooking Group, Jewish, Ethnic, Holiday.
- Scrabble & Games
- Canasta
- Learn Your Camera
- Learn Your Mac, iPad, iPhone
- Legal Puzzlers
- CPR, Learn How to Save a Life
- American Jewish Humor
- Be a Smart Investor
- Talk About Travel/Travel Kaleidoscope (Share your travel experiences)
- Once Upon A Time, Children's Literature
- Touring Our Brandeis Homes & Gardens (See beautiful art & architecture)
- Museum Trips to Phoenix, Carpooling and Go!
- Antiquing In Tucson
- Performing Arts In Tucson
- The Psychology of Joy
- Behind The Scenes: Theaters and Museums
- Hiking
- Walk for Fun and Fitness
- The Media in Tucson
- Breakfast with the Author
- Women In the Bible
- How Jewish Artists Built Broadway
- Jane Austen in Film
- Chair Yoga
- Container Gardening

You can attract people to your Study Group, so consider the possibilities. 

Express Your Thoughtfulness With a Book Fund Card or Journal Donation



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 Shelly Abell (contact information below). The recipient is acknowledged in the bulletin so others can learn about the simchah or sorrow and respond. Show your 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, or **409-2346**.

Donor

Message

Recipient

Brandeis Friends

Special Book Collection
Congratulations on your daughter's marriage

Davya & Stan Cohen

Brandeis Friends

Special Book Collection in Judaica
Mazel tov on your grandson becoming a bar mitzvah Marsha & Rob Rosenblum

Sandy Rollin
Sandy Rollin
Myrna Silver

Sustaining the Mind Tribute Card
In memory of Oscar Adler
In memory of Ray Rodheim
Best wishes for a quick recovery

The Adler Family
The Rodheim Family
Marilyn Lobell

Candace & Bernard Alper
Davya & Stan Cohen
Donna & Ira Leavitt and
Carol & Burt Cunin

Louis Dembitz Brandeis Portrait Card
Get well soon, Tyler
Best wishes for a fast and complete recovery for Tyler
Best wishes for a speedy recovery

Lynn & Stan Cramer
Lynn & Stan Cramer
Sue Keller 

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Next Board Meeting

Monday, May 2, 2016

10:00 a.m. to noon

Martha Cooper Library

1377 North Catalina Avenue

All members are encouraged to come
to this open meeting.



Tucson Chapter Calendar April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Happy April Fools Day	2 5:30 Single Women's Circle
3 5 Nostalgia Trip*	4 10 Board Meeting 1 Guided Bridge	5 1 Foreign Film	6 2 High Tea 	7 12 Sit 'n' Stitch	8	9
10 10 Books & Bagels	11 11:30 EDF 1 Guided Bridge	12 1:30 Meditation	13 10 Page Turners	14 1 Gotta Have Art 1:30 Borscht Belt	15 	16
17	18 1 Guided Bridge	19 TBD Cinema for Singles 7 Fabulous Flicks 1 & 2	20 11:30 Mystery Books 12:30 Lady Boomers	21	22 	Passover
Passover-Pesach						
24	25 1 Guided Bridge	26	27 12 Ethnic Lunch	28	29	30

April Fools Day, April 1; Income Tax Day, April 15; Passover, evening of April 22 till evening of April 30.

Thanks, Merci, Gracias, Danke, Grazie, תודה

We have been blessed the last few years with **Lynn Cramer** as our President or, this year, chair of our Leadership Team and the Presiding Officer.

At our special events and most recently at our **Book & Author** Events, Lynn is the person who thanks those involved in making the experience a success.

Now, the officers and board are congratulating Lynn for her organizing, leadership, and generosity that also help make our fund-raising celebrations work out so well. She leads from behind, encouraging the various leaders to build programs that will attract our members, thus encouraging



the philanthropy that makes our Brandeis Chapter such a success. This chapter is now the go-to organization for men and women in the Tucson metropolitan area.

Needless to say, we thank her husband, Stan, for putting up with all the aggravation that goes with having a leader in the home. **B**





What's New at Brandeis University in Waltham?



Brandeis Assistant Professor Andrew Koh

Assaf Yasur-Landau of the University of Haifa, Eric Cline of George Washington University, and **Andrew Koh** of Brandeis University think there may have been a winery during the Middle Bronze Age at the Canaanite palace at Tel Kabri. Analysis of residues from the jars discovered in four storerooms at the site revealed that the wine had been mixed with different flavorings, such as terebinth resin, cedar oil, honey, and other plant extracts. "It seems that some of the new storerooms were used for mixing wines with various flavorings and for storing empty jars for filling with the mixed wine. We are starting to think that the palace did not just have storerooms for finished produce, but also had a winery where wine was prepared for consumption," Yasur-Landau said in a press release. Tel Kabri has also yielded select parts of sheep and goats, suggesting the rulers who lived there put on luxurious banquets. "In this period it



Tel Kabri wine jars

was not normal practice to mix wine beforehand. Accordingly, in order to provide guests with high-quality wines, the palace itself must have had a winery where they made prestigious wine and served it immediately to guests," Yasur-Landau explained. 

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