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Chanukkah Brunch on November 18



Chanukkah this year starts on the evening of Wednesday, December 1. Come to our annual Chanukkah Brunch on **Thursday, November 18, 11:00 a.m.**, in the Crown Room at Skyline Country Club. In addition to wonderful latkes, there will be opportunities to purchase gifts for the holiday from the Congregation Or Chadash's sisterhood gift shop.

This will be your opportunity to meet Tucson's new shaliach, our community ambassador from Israel and Director of the Israel Center at the Jewish Federation, **Guy Gelbart**. Guy, an engineering graduate of Technion Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa and, until recently, a manager at Intel's Israeli branch, will speak on "Modern Maccabees: Israel Today."

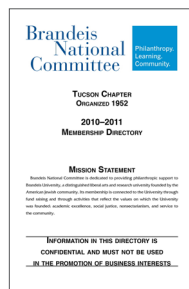
Make a reservation now, using the form on page 3 and plan to bring a friend or two. Prospective members are appreciated and if they join at the event, they will only have to pay the member admission fee. You and your guest should bring used children's books that are still in good condition or new children's books for donation to a local needy elementary school.

Funds raised will go to the "Fulfilling the Promise" campaign the initiative in support of the research materials at Brandeis. For further information, contact **Arlene Zuckerman**, zuck4@juno.com or **577-1457**. ☞



Gelbart

New Membership Directory Instructions



The 2010–2011 Membership Directory is enclosed with this bulletin. Instructions for a membership directory? Read on. In the enclosed new Directory:

- Check that your listing is correct.
- If you summer away from Tucson, check that your summer address and phone number are included.
- If your summer address is listed, check that the approximate dates (by month) you are gone from Tucson are listed.
- If you see a name you know with no contact information and you know the information, contact **Steve Seltzer**, seltz5001@aol.com or **299-3788**.

Thank you for following the directions. This directory is for the use of the Tucson chapter and its members only. This is not public information to be used for any other business or organization. ☞

If You Did Not Receive Your Study Group Guide...

If you did not receive your copy, for the immediate ability to see the guide:

- 1) Go online to TucsonBNC.org, click on **Newsletter**, and click on "**Volume 9, Number 7: September, 2010 - Study Group Guide**." You may print a sign-up form from the Web site or
- 2) If you are not able to obtain the Guide on the Internet, immediately contact **Meg Sivitz**, megaron3@msn.com or **615-4739**, who will mail it pronto. ☞

Memberships Page

From the Leadership Council



Hello and welcome to fall in Arizona! I'm Amy Levin, this month's Presiding Officer. I serve as Recording Secretary and led the Contemporary Fiction Study Group for several years. The 2010-2011 Brandeis program year is well under way.

We are really pleased to be offering an exciting variety of learning opportunities this year. Our 33 study groups are a wonderful way to explore new topics, deepen knowledge, and build and expand friendships. From art to books to films to politics and all stops in between, we are proud to offer a diverse range of courses. Registration is still open, and I urge you to sign up.

Being active in the Brandeis chapter is a wonderful way to make a difference in our local community through our community service projects and to support Brandeis University, one of our country's leading educational institutions.

The Tucson chapter was founded in 1952, nearly sixty years ago. Being a member offers opportunities for intellectual pursuit, continuing education, local community service, social interaction, personal enrichment, philanthropic satisfaction, and leadership development.

Our chapter endowed a scholarship at Brandeis, awarded annually to a student from the Tucson area. We continue to raise funds for the scholarship, as well as for other Brandeis University programs.

This summer, I had the privilege of representing our chapter at the Brandeis National Leadership Training Conference at the university. It was energizing and inspiring. I wish all of you could see the beautiful campus for yourselves and talk with the lively students, staff, and faculty.

Our Chanukkah party will be November 18 at Skyline Country Club from 11:00 to 1:00, with latkes and more. An invitation is included in this bulletin. We hope you will respond and join us.

Our board meetings, the first Monday of the month, are open to all members and a great way to get involved. Please join our activities and come to our events this year. Hoping to see you soon at a Brandeis event!

Amy Levin,
Presiding Officer

We Wish Our Members...

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

Susan Chaikin	A speedy recovery
Fern & Ed Feder	Congratulations on the birth of your great-grandson
Ann Goldberg	A speedy recovery

If you know of anyone with a simchah or a sorrow, contact Sunshine chair **Helene Feldman**, 2bachummingbird@q.com or **398-9666**. A donation card will be sent and an acknowledgment will appear in the bulletin.

Study Group Sign Up

There is still time to sign up for the following Study Groups:

- Crafting with Gourds
- Off the Beaten Track
- Southwest Native American Culture
- Basic Glass Art
- Kosher Cooking
- Desert Gardening
- Intermediate Bridge
- Remembering & Recording
- Kabbalah
- Mah Jongg

Increase and expand your horizons. Learn something new. Become active and join us in one of these groups by registering for these classes. Download the registration form from TucsonBNC.org bulletin site or contact **Lynn Cramer**, lcramer8@aol.com or **638-5898**.

Membership

Our new fiscal year began July 1, and it is renewal time for BNC membership. We appreciate your continued philanthropic support of the university and its libraries.

Single member	\$60
Two people at one address	\$100
Gold membership	\$85
Platinum membership	\$125

To pay your dues, mail them to **Terrie Sherman**, **7580 E. Río Verde Dr., Tucson, AZ 85715**. For questions about dues, contact **Terrie** at loves2walk@aol.com or **290-1490**.

Contact Us

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Steve Seltzer, Bulletin Editor 299-3788, seltz5001@aol.com

Happy Chanukah

CHANUKKAH BRUNCH

Latkes and More

Thursday, November 18, 11:00 am

Skyline Country Club

Meet Guy Gelbart

Speaking on "Modern Maccabees: Israel Today"

\$22 Members, \$27 Nonmembers

All But \$17 Tax-deductible

For the Benefit of the

"Fulfilling the Promise" Campaign

Buy Chanukah Gifts at Our Shuk

Bring Children's Books for Disadvantaged Schools

I wish to enjoy the Chanukah event:

Name(s) _____

Address _____

____ @ \$22; ____ @ \$27; or \$ ____ Underwriting Donation Total \$ ____

Mail your check made out to **BNC** to Arlene Zuckerman,
5448 N. Paseo del Sonoyta, Tucson, AZ 85750

BRING A FRIEND

BUY YOUR HOLIDAY GIFTS





From the Prez

I greet you with overwhelming pride as the new national president of the Brandeis National Committee and am excited to be able to share my vision, hopes, and aspirations for the BNC. I want all of our members to know what a very special university Brandeis is, how impressive the students are, that the scientific research taking place is cutting-edge, and what an accomplished faculty we have.

I hope to meet as many of you as possible when traveling to chapters across the country and also here on campus. Please let me know if you plan to visit Boston—I would be delighted to give you a tour of Brandeis.

Fondly,

Leslie Pearlstein, National President 

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. 


EDF FELLOWS MEETING

Our men's group, the **EDF FELLOWS**, will hold its next lunch meeting on Monday, November 8, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at the Viscount Hotel.

The speaker will be Chris Cunningham, Executive Director of the Franklin Automobile Museum. If you like old cars, come.



Any man in Tucson is cordially invited to attend, join the fellowship, and enjoy the fascinating speakers. Members are encouraged to bring guests.

Lunch is \$20. For more information, contact **Steve Seltzer**, 299-3788, seltz5001@aol.com, **Howard Schwartz**, 615-2915, howtru3@comcast.net, or **Tom Herz**, 745-5852, tghmkh@mindspring.com. 

Community Service

Sally Scott, our Community Service chair, requests you donate hotel toiletries for the women's crisis centers and knit baby hats for TMC nursery and Shalom Baby. We are knitting squares to join as blankets for the VA Hospital. Please bring them to Study Groups, lunches, and meetings.

If you are unable to knit or crochet squares or caps for infants, but would like to help by donating yarn or tax-deductible cash, contact **Sally Scott**, sas.tucson09@yahoo.com or 603-6116.

Attend the CHANUKKAH BRUNCH.

Send your check with the form on the other side to

Arlene Zuckerman,
5448 N. Paseo del Sonoyta
Tucson, AZ 85750

Learned Research Journals and Book Fund

Happy birthday, IN HONOR OF, In memory of, Happy anniversary, Congratulations, New Baby, BEST WISHES, or SPEEDY RECOVERY: Express your thoughtfulness to someone in a special way by donating to the Book Fund, to honor, memorialize, or celebrate milestones in life.

Book Fund donations:

\$5.50* Philanthropy, learning, and community (or 6 for \$25)

\$10* All Occasion Stationery, pack of ten with a pen

\$10.50* Goldfarb Library at night (or 3 for \$25)

\$18.50* Louis Dembitz Brandeis portrait card

\$36.50‡ Learned Research Journal

\$56.50‡ Learned Research Journal Folio

\$100‡ Special Book Collection

\$200.00‡ Research Journal File


*Contact Book Fund co-chair, **June Simmons**, junesimmons@me.com or **577-9836**, or **Rosealie Siegel**, HerbsRose@com-cast.net or **615-6227**.

‡Contact **Soralé Fortman**, **747-3520** or sorkey7@aol.com.

Donor	Message	Recipient
Book Collection in Judaica		
Brandeis Friends Roberta White	Wishing you a speedy recovery Mazel Tov on your marriage	Arthur Rollin Gail Szerlip & Ronald Isaac
Learned Research Journal Folio		
Brandeis Friends Brandeis Friends	Wishing you a speedy recovery Mazel Tov on your marriage	Dr. Arnold Roland Gail Szerlip & Ronald Isaac
Learned Research Journal		
Brandeis Friends Shirley & Leonard Goldberg	Wishing you a speedy recovery In honor of your 52nd wedding anniversary	Ann Goldberg Soralé & Marvin Fortman
Philanthropy, Learning, and Community Card		
Meg and Ron Sivtz	In memory of your brother Chuckie	Norman and Ellen Roth 



We're Sorry

We had problems mailing the Study Group Guide (the September bulletin) that was inserted into the October bulletin last month. We had to add extra tape and it may have made opening the package difficult. We have improved our system. 

“None of us may be able to do it all, but together we all can do it.”
— Aphorism

Next Board Meeting

Monday, November 1, 2010

10:00 A.M.–Noon

Pima County Public Library

5605 East River Road at Craycroft Road

All members are welcome

Meet Your Study Group Leader

Carol Zuckert was referred to Brandeis by her friend Jean Nerenberg, who wrote "... Carol would be an excellent Study Group leader. I was awed by her adventuresome spirit to go places most people wouldn't dare visit." Now Carol is leading our "Off the Beaten Path in Southern China" Study Group on December 12 at The Forum and "Remembering and Recording Your Story" in January at her home.


Chicago was Carol's home until she went to school at the University of Missouri. After graduation, she worked as a health policy analyst for the Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, D.C.

When Carol retired from the government job, she moved to Scottsdale, where she directed a community-based task force addressing teen substance abuse. She didn't like the politics and environment there, so she moved to Tucson.

Carol travels broadly and photographs people around the world. Her photographs are personal portraits of the people and places she's encountered during remarkable moments and in remarkable places. As a traveler, adventurer, and photographer, she has been drawn to people who share our multicultural world. You will appreciate her compassion and artistic perspective. Enjoy her Web site, <http://carolzuckertphotography.com>. Take her Study Group on China and experience her experiences.

When she came to Tucson, Carol volunteered to interview many refugees from the former Soviet Union. Her interviews are now part of a special collection in the Bloom Southwest Jewish Archives at the University of Arizona library. For the past 12 years, Carol has continued as a personal historian. She facilitates an array of memoirs, including personal and family books and ethical wills, enhanced by professional photography. Those who join Carol's Study Group course on "Remembering and Recording Your Story" will learn how to create their own meaningful memoir for future generations.

Carol is now the volunteer who coordinates children's literacy programs at University Medical Center. Through her efforts, all infants who leave the hospital go home with two terrific new books to start their home libraries and adventures in reading.

She has retired after many years as the official photographer for Temple Emanu-El. She also enjoys hiking, movies, food, and friends. 



Tucson Chapter Calendar


Board Meeting*	Monday, November 1
Chanukkah Brunch, Skyline CC	Thursday, November 18
Board Meeting*	Monday, December 6
Christmas Day Event	evening, Saturday, December 25
Board Meeting*	Monday, January 3
University on Wheels	probably Wednesday, January 12
Used Book Sale Evening Preview, Foothills	Thursday, January 13
Used Book Sale, Foothills Mall	January 14-23
Board Meeting*	Monday, February 7
Book & Author Soirée	Wednesday, February 9
Book & Author Day Event, Skyline CC	Thursday, February 10
Board Meeting*	Monday, March 7
Book Fund Event	March TBD
Board Meeting*	Monday, April 4
Installation & Recognition Lunch Meeting	April TBD
Board Meeting-Planning Meeting*	Monday, May 2

*Held at the River Road (at Craycroft) Public Library

Save the dates and mark your calendar


Leadership Council: Officers

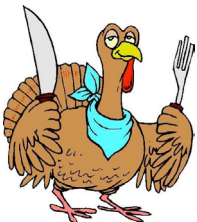
Membership Team Leader	Judith Jacobskind
Vice-president EDF Fellows Men's Group	Steve Seltzer
Vice-president Book Business	Meg Sivitz
Study Group Team Leaders	Lynn Cramer, Karen Loeb
Recording Secretary	Amy Levin
Corresponding Secretary	Marilyn Peskin-Kaufman
Financial Secretary	Terrie Sherman
Treasurer	Arlene Zuckerman
Advisors	Soralé Fortman, Elaine Lisberg

Questions? Leave a message at the Book Depot phone.
Book Depot messages can be left at 747-3224. 

Tucson Chapter Newsletter

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The newsletter is published from August through April. The deadline is the 10th of the preceding month. 

Tucson Chapter Calendar November 2010						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 10:00 Board Mtg 1:30 Meditation	2 9:00 Trail Walkers 2:30 Supreme Court	3 1:00 Contemp. Fiction 1:30 Men's Book Club	4 9:30 Begin Maj	5	6
7	8 Noon EDF 1:00 SW Art/Culture	9 10:00 Desert Gardening 7:00 pm Public Policy	10 10:00 Page Turners Noon Ethnic Lunch	11 1:00 Art Scene	12	13
14	15 1:00 Kabalah 1:00 SW Art/Culture	16 1:00 Foreign Film 7:00 pm Fabulous Flicks	17 11:00 Mystery Books	18 11:00 Chanukkah Brunch 1:30 Paul Newman	19	20
21	22 1:00 SW Art/Culture	23 7:00 PM Fabulous Flicks	24 1:00 Novice Jewelry Making	25 	26	27
27	29	30	27	28	29	30

November **11** is Veterans Day celebrated, November **25** is Thanksgiving Day.

WE GIVE THANKS ON NOVEMBER 25





What's New at Brandeis University in Waltham?

www.brandeis.edu/news/index.html

Student Wins Music Prize

Sangwon Lee of Korea, a Ph.D. candidate in Brandeis' Composition and Theory graduate program, has been awarded the "Alcide Cervi" scholarship from the Italian Concorso Internazionale di Composizione. The scholarship is given annually to the winner of the "2 Agosto" competition — an international competition, developed under the patronage of the President of the Italian Republic to create new musical works in memory of a major terrorist attack on the Italian people. On August 2, 1980, neo-fascist terrorists bombed the central train station in Bologna, Italy, killing 85 people and wounding more than 200. In commemoration of this slaughter, the Italian government designated August 2 as a holiday to remember all victims of terror. Now in its 16th year, the Concorso Internazionale contest showcases new works by young composers memorializing the Bologna Massacre. Each year, winning scores are performed live in Bologna's Piazza Maggiore during a series of regional events held on August 2. **□**

Expanded Posse Program for Talented Urban Youth

The liberal arts Posse program for talented inner-city high school students, which was a fixture at Brandeis University for 12 years before being suspended for a year for financial reasons, is back in business and about to expand to Atlanta. Restoration of the program was made possible by anonymous donors. The national Posse program was founded by Brandeis alumna Deborah Bial '87 to identify underprivileged inner-city high school students who might not otherwise be spotted in the college admission process and provide them with a peer support network that would give them the confidence to "make it" alongside their more privileged college classmates. Selective colleges nationwide are given access to these promising recruits. **□**

DECEMBER
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What Jews Do on
Christmas Day

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