

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our Showcase Luncheon was a great success - attendance was up 16% over last year, we had a number of new and prospective members, and response to Special Event offerings and new Learning Opportunities exceeded expectations. Our year is swinging into full operation in a very positive way.

Thanks to our performers, The Sunshine Players, for the chance to look into the hearts and souls of great women. The quality of the presentation reflected much time spent in rehearsal. Also thanks to our members who worked hard during the summer months to add to the success of our organization. These groups donated their time, their dedication, and their enthusiasm. The number of volunteer hours spent on Special Events alone is mind boggling.



Thank you Beverly Ross and Bailey Herz for the delightful table decorations. What a welcome they are to our first big event of the season.

[Click here to see photos from our Showcase Luncheon.](#)

We should also recognize the vision of Brandeis University of whom we are part. We are together through the efforts of the National Committee, part of the community of a first-rate, highly selective educational institution. We benefit from their vision and assistance to make us part of that community, adding extra dimension to our lives with new friendships, social experiences, and learning opportunities.

Our next luncheon will be January 10 at Mission Hills Country Club; it will be one of the first events to be held there after their beautiful and extensive remodel of the reception rooms. Our speaker will be Professor Ryan McKittrick discussing the development of the American Musical Theater, up to and including "Hamilton."

Very importantly - if you are planning a visit back east, visit Brandeis University - as a member of the Desert Chapter you will be given VIP status. Ask Gail Baum, Jean Carrus, or me for contact information.

So, welcome back everyone. Have a fulfilling and exciting season in the Desert and be sure that you check our beautiful website REGULARLY for further information.

Maggie Henderson