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**BNC MISSION STATEMENT**

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 fundraising and through activities that reflect the values on which the university was founded: academic excellence, social justice, non-sectarianism, and service to the community.

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Brandeis National Committee - Gotham Chapter
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AN INVITATION TO ALL GOTHAM CHAPTER MEMBERS!

You are invited to our Board Meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 a.m. This is a wonderful way to meet people and become more familiar with the chapter events, etc. Come and be a part of it.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDIUM

Dear friends and members of the Gotham Chapter,

We can all be proud of our financial contributions to Brandeis. It’s a very special university, whose libraries we support and are among the finest in the country. Our contributions are also going towards development of cutting-edge medical research into cancer and neurodegenerative diseases as well as towards important national and international scholarship programs.

We have had wonderful support for our many and varied events and anticipate a successful second half. Our thanks go to those who organized the Book and Author Luncheon and all of you who attended in these difficult economic times.

Francoise, Gloria, Pat, Phyllis

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**Annual Dues** - $60 – basic membership. See article below to learn about other levels of membership. Send checks payable to BNC to Helene Stern, 300 East 74th Street, #15E, New York 10021

**Umbrella Fee** - An annual $15 contribution that helps defer chapter expenses such as printing, postage, etc. This helps us meet one of our financial goals by offsetting the cost of printing and membership mailings. This fee is mandatory if you are a member of another chapter and want to receive our mailings and join our activities. Send checks payable to BNC to Gloria Lazarus, 36 Sutton Place South, #6D, New York 10022

**Board Meetings** are held at Brandeis House, located at 12 East 77th Street. All members are welcome to attend but only board members may vote. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Study groups** are open to Brandeis members only. They are usually held at Brandeis House in the afternoon following the Board meetings. A $35 fee covers all regular study groups September through June. Send checks payable to BNC to Marilyn Bond, 390 First Avenue, #12B, New York 10010 Additional fees are sometimes required to attend the special study groups; see the bulletin for details.

It is important to confirm attendance and also to call to cancel if you later find you cannot attend. Confirm study group attendance with Sara Zimmerman, 212-787-5173 or saraz124@msn.com Confirm Book Club attendance with Karen Pollack at 718-769-8609 or kkaypea@aol.com

**Fundraising Events** are open to guests unless otherwise indicated. In order to enable us to contact you in the event of calendar changes, please reference the event name and include contact information (phone number, your e-mail address) with your payment. Unless an event is canceled or closed out, checks are non-refundable and the entire amount will be considered a contribution to Brandeis.

**NEW TIERS OF BNC MEMBERSHIP**

For members who want to join at higher levels, Brandeis has introduced gold and platinum memberships. The following benefits are now available:

**Gold Members - $85** – includes annual membership, plus
- 10% discount at Brandeis University Bookstore
- 10% discount on Avis car rentals
- 35% discount on books published by the Brandeis University Press
- Catalyst, Brandeis’s premiere magazine

**Platinum Members - $125** – includes annual membership, all of the benefits listed above, and the following:
- Preferred seating at chapter events (at the discretion of the chapter)
- Early registration for select study groups or trips (at the chapter’s discretion)
- Commemorative book on the life of Justice Brandeis

**SAVE THE DATE.... Monday, May 3, 2010**

Luncheon and Tribute to Francoise Marcus  
Destino Restaurant, 890 First Avenue (corner of 50th Street) – 12:00 p.m.

Your attendance and a contribution in addition to the luncheon fee will help us thank Francoise Marcus for her dedication to our Gotham chapter. Please plan to attend. Payment is due by April 19, 2010. If you have any questions please contact Pat Glickman, 212 486-3976, or MelAPatB@aol.com Send checks payable to BNC to Gloria Lazarus, 36 Sutton Place South, #6D, New York 10022

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OUR CHAPTER INFORMATION OFFICER

Loeva Bernard, our chapter’s CIO, checks the Brandeis University website and finds interesting and pertinent information to share with members of our chapter. In this capacity, current news about the University’s students and faculty members is always presented at our Board Meetings. Loeva keeps our membership up-to-date with what is happening on campus.

Brandeis NOW

Can’t wait for the next report from our CIO? You can check the latest news from Brandeis at the following websites:  www.brandeis.edu/now  for Brandeis University
www.brandeis.edu/bnc  for the Brandeis National Committee

We hope you will also explore these Brandeis websites.

- Do you want to know more about the Library Archives and research at Brandeis? See www.brandeis.edu/research/  and http://lts.brandeis.edu/research/archives-speccoll/
- Do you want to know more about the special collections of Brandeis Libraries (including rare books, unique manuscripts, and unusual ephemera)? See http://brandeisspecialcollections.blogspot.com
- Do you want to know more about Admissions? See www.brandeis.edu/admissions/academics/overview
- Do you want to know more about Brandeis’ Hiatt Career Center? See http://www.brandeis.edu/hiatt/

The Brandeis National Committee is now on facebook

You can keep in touch with friends across the country and find the latest news about Brandeis. Did you miss the latest Brandeis Faculty Forum last month? You can watch the video of Professor Reuven Kimelman discussing “The Seduction of Eve: Why Did She Do It?”

See http://www.facebook.com/BrandeisNationalCommittee or Go to www.facebook.com and then type in the search box “Brandeis National Committee”

OF INTEREST

Several BNC Chapters have websites. Use these links to see what other chapters are doing.

PLAN AHEAD

Roundabout Theater subscriptions are an important part of our fundraising effort, second only in fundraising to our annual Book and Author Luncheon. You can sign up for a subscription in the spring. Tickets are for Wednesday matinee performances, and Roundabout has a liberal exchange policy. The cost includes a donation to Brandeis which is tax deductible.

Notices for 2010-2011 subscriptions will be mailed in March 2010.
For more information contact Eleanor Schick on 212-988-4573 or eschick1@nyc.rr.com
Send checks payable to BNC to Eleanor Schick, #15Y, 215 East 68th Street, New York, 10065

GOTHAM CHAPTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Gotham Chapter is honored to have Elinor Lubin and Florence Simon as members on the National board. Past members on the National Board are:
Barbara Miller and Marsha Stoller – former National Presidents
Francoise Marcus and Carole Gliedman Weinberg – former National Vice Presidents
FEBRUARY

Tuesday, February 2 – Lunch and Learn – Sipping from the Nile - $35 (members only)
12:00 p.m. – Home of Françoise Marcus – 6 West 77th Street, #7A
(between Columbus and Central Park West)
Speaker: Jean Naggar, author of Sipping from the Nile: My Exodus from Egypt, a memoir.
Jean Naggar is a New York literary agent who is also a first-time author. Naggar was born in Alexandria
and grew up in Cairo in a world of wealth and sophistication that disappeared after the Suez Canal crisis
of 1956. Her childhood memories, lovingly re-created with the help of numerous photographs, are the
backbone of a book that opens a window into a time and place little-known to contemporary readers.
It is an engaging story of love and loss, illuminated with lush descriptions of foods, clothes, customs,
houses and landscapes. This book is a fascinating look at a forgotten world.
Send checks payable to BNC to Françoise Marcus, 6 West 77th Street, #7A, New York 10024

Wednesday, February 3 – Board Meeting/Study Group - Mastering Effective Communication
10:30 a.m. - Board Meeting followed by Study Group (Open to Study Group Members only)
1:00 p.m. - Brandeis House Study Group - Mastering Effective Communication
Speaker: Joan Santini
The American Dream became a reality for former Pan American World Airways flight attendant,
Joan Santini, who married and raised three children while managing her successful Manhattan
restaurant/club. Her nightmares began with a divorce, financial ruin, angry daughters, and
depression. Joan revived her personal and professional life by mastering communication skills.
Come hear Joan’s story and how communicating effectively changed her life and the lives
of her children. Learn how it can change yours.
Refreshments will be provided by the Presidium.
Please confirm your attendance to Sara Zimmerman, 212-787-5173 or saraz124@msn.com

Tuesday, February 9 – Great Decisions 2010 – Inspiring Learning About the World - $40
This is a special Study Group (Open to Study Group members only)
11:00 a.m. – Home of Elinor Lubin, 176 East 77th Street, #8K
This study group will meet eight times, on the first Tuesday of the month (except for the first session)
from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The required text is GREAT DECISIONS 2010, a booklet published by
the Foreign Policy Association. We will discuss one of the eight chapters at each meeting:
Special Envoys, Kenya and R2P, Global Crime, U.S.-China Security Relations, Global Financial Crisis,
Russia and Its Neighbors, The Persian Gulf, Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution.
The $40 fee includes a $20 enrollment charge and $20 for the text which Elinor will distribute.
Other meeting dates are March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 5, August 2, and October 5.
This study group is limited to 20 people. Please contact Elinor to check on availability
before you send your check to her. Her number is 212-879-6312 or Shelinor18@gmail.com.
Send checks payable to BNC to Elinor Lubin, 176 East 77th Street, #8K, New York 10075

Thursday, February 18 – Tour of Congregation Shearith Israel and lunch - $40 (members only)
10:30 a.m. – Temple Congregation Shearith Israel, 8 West 70th Street (off Central Park West)
We will have a docent tour of the synagogue which will highlight the architecture
and history of its Spanish-Portuguese congregation which dates back to 1896.
The temple also has beautiful stained glass windows and is a jewel, not to be missed.
This event is limited to 30 members only.
Lunch will follow at City Grill Restaurant, 269 Columbus Avenue (between 72nd and 73rd Streets).
Knapsacks and packages are not allowed in the temple. Bags are subject to a search.
For further information contact Wendy Schwartz  718-372-2474 or artiewendy@aol.com.
Send checks payable to BNC to Wendy Schwartz, 2930 West 5th Street, #15R Brooklyn 11224

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February 2010 – June 2010
**Study Groups Fees**

**Study Groups** - $35 (September to June Study Groups) plus additional fees for special study groups.
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**Special Study Groups (Open to study group members only)**
Book Club - $20
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**MARCH**

**Wednesday, March 3 - Board Meeting/Study Group: Book Discussion - The Welsh Girl**
10:30 a.m. - Board Meeting followed by Study Group (Open to Study Group members only)
1:00 p.m. - Study Group - Book Discussion: The Welsh Girl
Leader: Elaine Kaufman
Peter Ho Davies has written a skilled, beautiful novel about the intersection of English Troops, German POWs, and Welsh families during World War Two. Esther Evans, a seventeen year old bar maid, becomes involved with a young German POW. Their secret relationship is the heart of the novel. Meanwhile, another foreigner, a German-Jewish interrogator, travels to Wales to interview Rudolf Hess. The inter-woven stories create a thought-provoking work. This novel is a Man Booker Prize winner.
Refreshments provided by the Presidium.
Please confirm your attendance with Sara Zimmerman, 212 787-5173 or saraz124@msn.com

**Tuesday, March 9 - Lunch and Learn - Luboml, The Memorial to a Vanished Shtetl - $35**
12:00 p.m. - Lunch at the home of Marge Ziegelman, 290 West End Ave. (between 73rd and 74th Streets)
Speaker: Aaron Ziegelman
As a young boy, Aaron left Luboml with his family. Luboml has since been obliterated by the Nazis. He will discuss the video documentary he has produced. Several members of his family and other survivors were sought out and interviewed for the video. This video has received widespread praise in the many places throughout the world where it has been shown. This event is limited to 25 members only.
Send your checks payable to BNC to Iris Brahms, 1739 East 29th Street, Brooklyn 11229

**Thursday, March 25 - New York Philharmonic Rehearsal and lunch - $50 (non-members - $60)**
9:15 a.m. - Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center, Columbus Avenue at 65th Street
Philharmonic program: Mozart Piano Concerto No. 20, Mozart Posthorn Serenade
Mitsuko Uchida at the piano and Sir Colin Davis Conductor
This highly anticipated event is limited to 25 people. Rehearsals are open seating so it's advisable to arrive promptly. Ariel Mandel will be in the theater lobby to meet you and distribute the tickets. If you prefer to have your tickets sent to you, include a stamped self addressed envelope with your payment. After the performance we will have lunch at Il Violino, an Italian Restaurant at 180 Columbus Avenue and 68th Street.
For any information about the event contact Sally Menkes at 212-691-6840 or SMenkes851@aol.com
Send checks payable to BNC to Sally Menkes, 341 West 24th Street, #10A, New York 10011
APRIL

Monday, April 5 - Brandeis Book Club 2009 (continuing from Fall calendar) - $20 annual fee
(Open to Study Group members only)
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Brandeis House
Moderators: Karen Pollack and Wendy Schwartz
We will discuss "Loving Frank" by Nancy Horan in the third session.
The fourth session will be held on July 12, with the book to be announced later.
As previously noted, the January 11, 2010 session will be on the novel "Not Me" by Michael Lavigne.
There is still limited space available for more members.
Send checks payable to BNC to Marilyn Bond, #12B, 390 First Avenue, New York 10010.
Please confirm your attendance with Karen Pollack, at 718-769-8609 or kkaypea@aol.com and provide your e-mail address or other contact information for future Book Club announcements.
The next bulletin will contain information about a new series that will begin in the fall.

Wednesday, April 7 - Board Meeting/ Study Group: The Mature Actress - Her Second Time Around
10:30 a.m. - Board Meeting followed by Study Group (Open to Study Group members only)
1:00 p.m. - Study Group - The Mature Actress - Her Second Time Around
Speaker: Joy Seligsohn
Joy Seligsohn, NYU Class of ’49, abandoned her acting career early on for more lucrative jobs
-writing comic books, advertising, public relations, and hosting radio talk shows.
She was a world traveler, and lived abroad for many years. Since her return to acting eight years ago,
she has played ages sixty five to death. She was recently chronicled as a multitalented New Yorker
in the NY Times’ series: "One in Eight Million".
Please join us for a most enjoyable afternoon. Refreshments will be provided by the Presidium.
Please confirm your attendance to: Sara Zimmerman, 212 787-5173, or saraz124@msn.com

Thursday, April 8 - House Tour and lunch - $45 (non-members $55)
Proceeds donated to the Work Scholar Fund
Gifts to the Library Work-Scholar Fund pay salaries for students working in the Brandeis Libraries as a
component of financial aid packages. Student employment helps offset the increasing costs of education,
while at the same time giving the libraries much-needed support. A gift of $500 provides the salary for one
student for one semester.

Support this important cause and share an exciting day.
10:45 a.m. - Lobby of 45 East 72nd Street (between Madison and Park Avenues)
12:30 p.m. - Lunch at Vivolo, 140 East 74th Street (between Lexington and Park Avenues)
We will visit the apartment of William Berley, a collector who has graciously opened his home to us
so that we may view his personal collection of art from all over the world. This amazing collection also
includes sculpture and furniture. Following our visit, we will enjoy lunch together at the Vivolo Restaurant.
Along with your check, please indicate with whom you would like to be seated at lunch.
For further information call Barbara Brettholz, 212 472-9795 or Lee Berdy, 212 371-1422.
Send checks payable to BNC to Barbara Brettholz, 500 East 77th Street, #429, New York 10162

Thursday, April 15 - Tour of The Park Avenue Armory and lunch - $40 (non-members $50)
10:45 a.m. - The Park Avenue Armory, 643 Park Avenue (between 67th and 68th Streets)
We will meet inside the Park Avenue entrance. The group will have a docent tour of the rooms
and will learn interesting facts about the armory. The tour is limited to 25 people.
After the tour we will have lunch at Cafe Greco, 1390 2nd Avenue (between 71st and 72nd Streets).
If you have any questions please contact Hannah Bernstein at 212-879-7252
Send Checks payable to BNC to Hannah Bernstein, 200 East 71st Street, #12B, New York 10021
COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

Everyone can participate - Your contributions make a difference!

#1 - Bring foods such as small cartons of juice or small boxes of dry cereals, raisins, cookies, oatmeal packets, powdered milk, etc. to the Board Meeting each month to be distributed to our local Senior Centers. Please check your food products carefully as any outdated items or ones that have been opened will be discarded. (No canned goods – as they are too heavy to carry.)

#2 - Contribute unopened cosmetics such as samples you receive when making cosmetics purchases.

#3 - Give the Gift of Sight and donate eyeglasses you no longer use. They will be forwarded to a neighborhood eyeglass store who will distribute them to those in need around the world. Ask your friends and family for their outdated glasses.

Marilyn Bond collects these donations at the monthly board meeting. If you cannot attend the board meeting, please leave your donation with Helene Stern's concierge at 300 East 74th Street, at 2nd Avenue. Please remember to include your name in your bag of donations so that we know who was kind enough to make a contribution and can recognize you in our bulletin.

We thank the following members who contributed items so far this year and make this community service initiative a continued success.


(Let Helene know if we’ve missed anyone; we apologize for the oversight and will update this list on-going.)

BOOK FUND – SHOW YOUR COMMITMENT

**Say it with a tribute card** and support Brandeis at the same time. Make a donation to Book Fund in honor of a wedding, birthday or anniversary. Send best wishes for a speedy recovery or sincere condolences. Use them to say shalom or mazel tov. We’d like you to think of tribute cards as an alternative to gift-giving.

Orders must be in writing, accompanied by a check, and sent to:
Joanne Goldfarb, 45 High Meadow Lane, Roxbury, CT 06783 - 860-350-8420 - hippityhopjeg@aol.com

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**Book Collections and Journal Guarantor Endowment Fund**

$100 – Donation to Special Collection or Special Book Collection in Judaica

$500 – Donation for a Major Book Collection. Leatherette Album - provides research material in specific academic fields for both graduate and undergraduate study

$500 or more – Donation to purchase important journal subscriptions; may be designated for the humanities, sciences, or Judaica

A gift of $1,800 or more to any library fund will receive a limited edition recognition pin designed by Margo Gordon and representing an architectural interpretation of the entrance to the Brandeis Libraries.
MAY

Monday, May 3 - Luncheon and Tribute to Francoise Marcus - $75 plus donation*
Installation of 2010-2011 officers

12:00 p.m. Destino Restaurant, 890 First Avenue (at 50th Street)
This year we will honor Francoise Marcus at our special luncheon.
An active member for fifteen years, Francoise has been a “leader extraordinaire”.
She has been Gotham Chapter President, Membership Committee Chairperson, and leader of many
Gotham Chapter events. She has hosted Lunch and Learns at her home and is currently a member of
the Gotham Chapter Presidium. Francoise been active in every facet of our chapter and in the broader
BNC organization as both a Tri-State Region President and National Brandeis Vice-President.
Francoise has said “I have enjoyed every aspect of the Brandeis National Committee, and in particular
the opportunity to meet many wonderful women who have so generously shared their talents and
dreams of a better world with me. Their dedication is my inspiration.”
Francoise’s dedication is our inspiration.
*Your extra donations will help us thank Francoise Marcus with an exquisite and specially designed pin
from our National Office.
Marsha Stoller will install the Gotham Chapter’s new officers at the luncheon.
If you have any questions please contact Pat Glickman, 212-486-3976, or MelAPatB@aol.com
Send checks payable to BNC to Gloria Lazarus, 36 Sutton Place South, #6D, New York 10022
Please send your check by April 19th to ensure attendance.
Along with your check, please indicate with whom you would like to be seated at lunch.

Wednesday, May 5 - Board Meeting/Study Group: Operatic Love Triangles
10:30 a.m. - Board Meeting followed by Study Group (Open to Study Group members only)
1:00 p.m. - Brandeis House - Study Group - Operatic Love Triangles
Leader: Julie Previto
Our opera aficionado, Julie Previto, will once again present us with a most interesting dilemma:
what happens when two women love the same man? When you attend her Operatic Love Triangles
presentation, you may be surprised at the answers. Refreshments will be provided by the Presidium.
Please confirm your attendance with Sara Zimmerman, 212-787-5173 or saraz124@msn.com

Thursday, May 6 - Is Our Planet in Danger? - $15
This is a special study group and is the 1st of 2 sessions (Open to Study Group members only)
Where: Brandeis House, 12 East 77 Street
When: 1:00 p.m. - Thursdays - May 6 and May 20
Leaders: Marilyn Bond and Burt Reyer. Marilyn Bond has been chair of many Gotham chapter committees
and, most recently, was co-leader of the Jury System Series and the leader of Movie Reviews.
Burt Reyer, MME (Master of Mechanical Engineering), MBA, has a strong interest in studying
how corporations can be more profitable and be green.
We will discuss issues such as: Global trends which predict an increase in the world’s desire for and
consumption of “The Good Things in Life”, the depletion and pollution of the planet’s natural resources,
the acceleration of species extinction, global warming, the challenge of maintaining clean energy and
the need for innovation. We will also introduce you to new concepts, such as Sustainability and the
350 Mission. During the second session, we will discuss whether we as individuals can impact these issues.
Send checks payable to BNC to Marilyn Bond, 390 First Avenue, Apt. 12B, New York 10010
For more information contact Marilyn at mjbond007@aol.com. Seating is limited. Register soon.

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**Tuesday, May 11**  - Tour of the Grand Concourse - $15 (non-members - $25)

10:45 a.m. – Mezzanine level of the D train - 175th Street Station
To get to our meeting place on the mezzanine, walk towards the front end of the train when you get off. This tour is limited to 25 people. Our guide will lead us on a walk of some of the magnificent residences on the Grand Concourse. Many of these were constructed in the 1920's and they echo the refined elegance of the Park Avenue and Fifth Avenue apartment buildings of that era.
For those wishing to have lunch after the tour, arrangements for lunch have been made at Z'Novia (at 161st Street and across the street from where our tour ends). The cost of lunch is not included in the tour. For more information contact Elyse Glenn at 718-934-8685 or eglenn18@aol.com
Send checks payable to BNC to Elyse Glenn, 4288 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn 11229

**Thursday, May 27**  - Tour of Cathedral of St. John the Divine and lunch - $45 (non-members - $55)

10:45 a.m. Cathedral of St. John, 1047 Amsterdam Avenue at 112th Street
This is a wonderful opportunity to take a docent led tour of the magnificent and recently renovated Cathedral followed by a walk through its lovely garden at the peak of its spring beauty. After the tour, we will have lunch at Havana Central at 2911 Broadway (between 113th and 114th streets).
To get there by subway, take the #1 or #9 train to 110th Street and Broadway. Walk east to Amsterdam. By bus, take the M4 to Amsterdam and 110th Street, the #11 bus to Amsterdam Avenue and 112th Street, or the M104 and M60 to Broadway and 112th Street and then walk east to Amsterdam.
For further information contact Cora Sue Kaufman at 646-414-7828 or corasuek@rcn.com
Send checks payable to BNC to Cora Sue Kaufman, 315 8th Avenue, #13B, New York 10001

**JUNE**

**Wednesday, June 2**  - Board Meeting
10:30 a.m. – Board Meeting, Brandeis House

**Thursday, June 10**  - Tour of Woodlawn Cemetery and lunch - $35 ($45 - non-members)

11:00 a.m. – Woodlawn Cemetery North End entrance (Jerome Avenue)
We will meet at the Jerome Avenue entrance for a docent led tour of the North End of Woodlawn, a venerable cemetery which opened in the 19th century. One of the largest cemeteries in New York, Woodlawn boasts bucolic landscapes, and elaborate monuments dedicated to notable New Yorkers. After our tour we will have lunch at The Rambling House, an Irish pub.
Please note that the use of cameras is prohibited.
Woodlawn can be reached by public transportation. Travel instructions will be sent out before the tour.
For more information contact Karen Pollack at 718-769-8609 or kkaypea@aol.com
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**Tuesday, June 15**  - Musicale - The Music of Cole Porter, George Gershwin & Others - $30

2:00 p.m. - Home of Claire Shapiro, 200 East 57th Street
Musicale: Susan Daum will sing accompanied by Miriam Bergman at the piano and George Gershwin, and will be Europe had the salons of support. Peggy Guggenheim and Gertrude Stein. Not to be outdone the Gotham community. Claire resides in a delightful apartment. Although not a salon by European standards, To steal a line from Irving Berlin “Who could ask for anything more?”
Send checks payable to BNC to Phyllis Gates, 141 West 81st Street, #208, New York 10024

**….SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO…**

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The Harmonie Club, 4 East 60th Street
Mark your calendars now and plan to attend our next Book and Author Luncheon.

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