Articles for the March 1st Blast are due by February 23rd to Marilyn

WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY
If Montgomery County Schools are closed for inclement weather, Board Meetings and Study Group Events will be cancelled or transferred to Zoom. If Montgomery County Schools are on a 2-hour delay, then all events will take place as scheduled.

UPCOMING EVENTS
02/16  Spring Luncheon Committee meeting, ZOOM, 4pm
03/01  General Membership Meeting & Brunch, 10:30am
03/28  The Bette Ashkenasy Lunch & Learn Program, Har Shalom, 10am-2 pm, registration page 4
04/10  Jewelry and Pocket Book Sale

COMMUNITY SERVICE
Our March collection will be supporting Rainbow Place. This is a women's shelter that is only open during the winter months. It is located in Rockville. We have supported them in the past by collecting items the women might need while staying there and preparing meals to be served at dinner.

They are in need of paper products: bowls, towels, napkins, tissues, cups (hot & cold). PAPER ONLY
Ellen G, Barbara R, Suzanne G

IMPORTANT NOTICE
In the past (pre-pandemic), we always had a pretty good idea of how many people would come to a general meeting. These days we can't even make an intelligent guess. However, we hope that we will have a substantial crowd, so if you plan to attend the General Membership Meeting and Brunch on Wednesday, March 1, we would like you to RSVP. Even though we don't charge for this event, we need to know approximately how many tables to set up, etc. Also, we will be holding elections that day, and need to know that we will have a quorum.

If you decide to come and haven't RSVPed, that's okay, too. Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing a large crowd and thank you for your consideration.

Please RSVP to Sue R (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info).

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME
General Membership Brunch & Open Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 1st 10:30am
Tikvat Israel 2200 Baltimore Rd, Rockville

Please RSVP to Sue R (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)
Board Members - are you signed up to bring food?
Contact: Susan F (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)

Come Hear Pam and Dan's Story 4 Boys & 1 Girl Quintuplets!!!!!
Please see your emailed Blast for the Slate of Officers 2023-2024

Honorary Board Members

The Greater Washington Chapter honors members who have served 10 consecutive years as a member of our General Board. This includes elected officers, directors, and committee chairs. It is an earned honor, not recognition by selection. It must be requested from the Nominating Committee Chair with an accompanying list of positions and the year of each position. They earn a permanent vote as a member of the General Board (as long as they remain a paid member).

Janet B
Marlene G
Margot R

Thank you to each of them for their generous sharing of time and talent to making our chapter excellent!

We welcome our newest members:

Nancy M, Sharon F, Zelda G and Wendy F

Joining our chapter of BNC has so many benefits! You will make new friendships, meaningful connections and expand your horizons while supporting Brandeis University. Invite your friends to your next study group or to a board meeting so they can enjoy BNC as much as you do!

Interested in mentoring our new members? Please contact Carole A (Please see you emailed Blast for contact info)

The easiest and fastest way to join is online!
Go to: brandeis.edu/bnc
Then select ‘Become a Member’ (Washington, DC Chapter)

Bev A Marlene G (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)
“Let’s Do Lunch”
March 8th

Hunan Delight 18220 Village Center Drive, Olney
*Private Room*

An established Chinese restaurant specializing in Mandarin cuisine offering daily lunch specials

Please let Bobbye know by March 3rd if you will be joining us.
Bobbye H (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)
Sharon R

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Have you been wondering how you can receive greetings from your Brandeis friends on your birthday? Now’s your chance. All you have to do is send me your birth date and email address, and your Brandeis friends can send you an adorable animated birthday greeting during your birthday month. You get extra smiles to add to your birthday celebration and the chapter continues to support Sustaining the Mind. However, you must send me your information to be included.

Send your birth date and email address to: CathyJF
Any questions? (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)

No obligation and program is totally voluntary. No information is taken from membership applications.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

If you know of any member of our Brandeis community who has had a death or illness in the family BNC will send a complimentary card to that person from the chapter. If you would like to share a simcha in your family, we will be happy to include your good news in the Simcha Gram published biweekly in the Brandeis Blast.
Lois F (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)

TRIBUTE CARDS

Are you celebrating a special event, such as a birthday or a wedding? Please support Brandeis by sending celebratory cards. Choose from Sustaining the Mind, Scholarship or Book Fund. Contact Linda H for levels of tax-deductible donations.
Cards will be mailed when your check is received.
Linda H

IT’S BACK!

We are welcoming back our Jewelry and Handbag sale at our April 10th Board Meeting, (all are welcome to attend).
You can start bringing in your costume jewelry and “better” handbags to upcoming Board Meetings, or contact Margie or Carole to arrange for pickup.
Margie L Carole A (Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)
Invites you to
The Bette Ashkenasy Lunch ‘n’ Learn Program

Women of Stature: Stories from Afar

Tuesday, March 28, 2023
10:00 am–2:00 pm

Congregation Har Shalom
11510 Falls Road, Potomac, MD

Cost $36

Gadeer Kamel Mouhe is an Israeli Druze politician and journalist. She was the first Druze woman to anchor a Hebrew language news program, the first female Druze member of Israel’s Knesset and now the first Druze to serve as a senior Israeli emissary for the Jewish Agency for Israel. Currently, she serves as special liaison to the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington.

Aylin Edelman, a radiologist originally from Turkey moved to the United States in 2005. Aylin holds an MD from Dokuz Eylul University in Izmir and worked as a radiologist in Turkey and Bahrain. After moving to the United States, Aylin started a second career as a health information management professional. She is an active member of the local Sephardic community.

Any questions, contact one of the chairs:

Chairs: Joyce F, Dede E, andr Debra G

Please see your emailed Blast for contact info)
Please see the registration form in your emailed Blast to send to Debra.

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Let’s Play Games!

29. Hand, Knee, and Foot
Attention Canasta Players
Come and join the fun and learn to play Hand, Knee, and Foot, also known as Triple Play. If you like Canasta, you will LOVE Hand, Knee, and Foot! Come learn the fundamentals of this popular game in two sessions taught by Mitzi E. Get your Canasta group together to learn this version of the game that is so popular!
The PREREQUISITE for this activity is experience as a canasta player.

**Date:** Tuesdays, February 21 and February 28

**Time:** 1:00 – 3:00  
**Cost:** $18  
**Location:** The home of Mitzi E  
**Enrollment:** Minimum, 8 – Maximum

30. Beginning Mah Jongg

Do you need refresher lessons if you haven’t played in a long time or maybe have never played before? This is the class for you to learn from the pros! In only three short and enjoyable lessons, you will be ready to start your own group.

Please bring a 2022 Mah Jongg card.

**Date:** Tuesdays, March 7, 14, and 21

**Time:** 10:00 – 12:00  
**Cost:** $18  
**Location:** The home of Rita W  
**Enrollment:** Minimum, 8 – Maximum
31. Art of Fire
Art of Fire is a state-of-the-art glass blowing studio located in a renovated dairy barn in the Agricultural Reserve in northern Montgomery County. First, join us for lunch and then artist Forest Holcomb will give us a history of the studio and demonstrate how to blow a glass piece from beginning to finished product.

**Date:** Thursday, March 9  
**Time:** 1:30 – 2:30, lunch at 12:00  
**Cost:** $18  
**Location:** 7901 Hawkins Creamery Rd, Gaithersburg  
**Enrollment:** 10 – Minimum, 20 – Maximum

32. The Fine Art of Making Strudel
Come and join pastry chef Jaime S along with our very own Beth S to learn the fine art of making strudel! A strudel is a type of pastry, typically sweet though savory versions are also quite popular, that consists of several layers of thin dough topped with filling and rolled into a log shape. Apple strudel is perhaps the most common type, especially in some regions such as the United States. Doesn’t that sound yummy?

**Date:** Thursday, March 30  
**Time:** 1:00 – 3:00  
**Cost:** $20  
**Location:** The home of Jaime S  
**Enrollment:** 4 – Minimum, 8 – Maximum
REGISTRATION FORM

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TOTAL COST: $ _______

SEND STUDY GUIDE REGISTRATION CHECKS PAYABLE TO BNC TO:
GAIL R

If you cannot print this page, please use an 8 ½ x 11 in. paper to write the information using the format of this registration page.