

STUDY GROUPS

Brandeis National Committee

San Dieguito Chapter

2018-2019

Friendship

Learning

Fun

Special Events

Community involvement

Making a difference

REGISTRATION 2018 – 2019

PLEASE CHECK THE GROUPS YOU WISH TO ATTEND
AND LIST STUDY GROUP NUMBERS ON YOUR CHECK.

- \$20 1. Behind World Headlines
- \$20 2. Canasta
- \$20 3. Contemporary Literature - Fiction
- \$36** 4. Couples Enjoying Food, Fun, and Friendship
- \$20 5. Day-Timers with Congregation Beth Israel
- \$25** 6. 'Deis Flicks
- \$20 7. Ethics in Science and Technology
- \$20 8. Great American Music –Broadway Musicals
- \$20 9. Great Decisions
- \$20 10. History of England
- \$20 11. Knitting
- \$20 12. Let's Go!
- \$20 13. Medical School for Everyone
- \$20 14. Movies and Munchies
- \$25** 15. Music - with David Lewis
- \$20 16. Playing Pool (for men)
- \$25** 17. Read a Play
- \$20 18. Tea and Topics
- \$20 19. Women Who Make a Difference
- \$20 20. Understanding Technology

(EXTRA FEES MAY BE REQUIRED FOR COURSE MATERIALS, ETC.)

NAME(S) _____

PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

E-MAIL _____

COUPLES REGISTERING FOR STUDY GROUPS MUST BOTH BE PAID UP MEMBERS OF BNC,
AND EACH PARTICIPANT MUST PAY THE ENROLLMENT FEE AS INDICATED. NO REFUNDS.

Enroll by mail now or at the August 29th Opening Meeting/Showcase Luncheon.

For mail enrollment, send this form, with check payable to BNC, to
Barbara Howard, 1140 Pasadero Drive, Escondido, CA 92029
(barbarahoward@gmail.com 760-747-0303)

Note: Please write separate checks for membership dues and study group fees.

Brandeis study groups: still the best value you can find for a year's entertainment and education, not to mention making friends and doing things with kindred spirits. Do you know, David Lewis gives the exact same music course at a local community college for \$75, making our \$25 fee quite a bargain.
Whether professionals or not, all our study group leaders are just phenomenal!

Brandeis Study Groups 2018 – 2019

1. BEHIND WORLD HEADLINES

4th TUESDAY

10:00 A.M. - NOON

MEET AT SEACREST

Why do we hear accusations of “Fake News” in the major media these days? How do we get REAL News? We have more incentive than ever to find the clues as to what’s more likely to be real and what’s fake. This is major detective work, folks, so if you like solving mysteries, come help us track down clues to what’s more likely to be true. The world is much more interconnected than ever, so every clue counts. Bring your sense of humor to stay sane in this crazier-than-ever world! Coordinator: Roxanne Fand

2. CANASTA (NEW!)

EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 – 3:00 P.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Learn to play canasta! This game is played with four people (two “partnerships”). You will get a book explaining the rules and strategies, to help you until you feel you “know it all,” and then just as a quick refresher whenever you need it. It doesn’t take as long to learn as bridge, but the more you play, the more you’ll understand the strategy that will make you, and your partner across the table, winners! You do not have to bring your own partner. The group will meet once a week, Fridays, at Seacrest. Coordinator: Barbara Howard

3. CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE - FICTION

2nd MONDAY

10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Contemporary Literature participants are serious readers who regard their fiction choices as a challenge. Often the books are by prize-winning authors, and they are sometimes on difficult subjects, but we find those often make for the best discussions. Members take turns serving as facilitators. Meets all year long, starts in October. Coordinator: Elaine Eisenberg

4. COUPLES ENJOYING FOOD, FUN, AND FRIENDSHIP (NEW!)

DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS WILL VARY DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF MEMBERS/SIGNIFICANT OTHERS AND THE ACTIVITY (PROBABLY SATURDAY EVENINGS, SUNDAY AFTERNOONS AND EVENINGS)

We will be meeting once a month throughout the year to enjoy a variety of fun activities together. From going out to dinner and seeing a movie to going wine tasting and listening to music, the possibilities to share fun adventures together are endless. Participating couples will take turns planning a weekend event. If you are looking to meet other active couples and make new friends, this is a perfect social group for you. Coordinators: Myra Brand and Iris Kanter

5. DAYTIMERS WITH CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

3rd THURSDAY (dates below)

1:00 P.M.

MEET AT TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL

This year our partnership with Congregation Beth Israel and the Day Timers speakers' series promises to be better than ever. Free parking and refreshments as always!

November 15 features Matthew Hall, ombudsman and representative of the San Diego Union Tribune speaking on the paper's responsibility to its readers and what is really "fake news." His daily blog and 'give and take' on Facebook show a great understanding of current events.

January 17, 2019 we welcome Beth Accomando to repeat her popular presentation on the Academy Awards. Beth, of KPBS, is herself an award winning journalist and delightful speaker.

March 21, 2019 has Jan Stiglitz, co-founder of the Innocence Project and law professor, speaking on their efforts to free the falsely incarcerated....and the process it takes to bring them justice.

Any questions? Please contact coordinator: Gayle Wise

6. 'DEIS FLICKS

2nd TUESDAY

9:45 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Join us for the 8th year of this popular group. Each month we will view and discuss a movie with a Jewish theme. Whenever possible I invite guest speakers to augment the film and the discussion. I try very hard to find films which are interesting and informative. Join us for fun, education and pleasure! Cost includes a one-time \$5 fee on top of the study group fee to cover purchase of the films. Coordinator: Sue Berger

7. ETHICS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (NEW!)

TUESDAYS – OCT. 16, 23, 30, NOV. 6

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

To say that we live in a different world today than the one we were all born into is an understatement. Much of the changes we have experienced have been the result of incredible advances in science and technology. Yet, with all of the marvels science and technology have brought, we are learning that none of these advances comes without a price. In this workshop, we will consider the ethical implications of where science and technology have brought us and where it will be taking us in the future; a most vital conversation to have. Let's talk. Coordinator: Herschel Kaufman

8. GREAT AMERICAN MUSIC: BROADWAY MUSICALS

3rd FRIDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Prof. Bill Messenger continues the history, stories and music via DVD. This is a repeat performance of a well-loved study group, back by popular demand. We'll hear the social and historical backgrounds that are so important to musical theater, as well as stories of composers and lyricists, starting this year with the transition into the Jazz Age, Irving Berlin, Jerome Kern and more. Musical theater has been called the soundtrack of America. You'll find yourself singing along as you listen. Coordinator: Ann Zall

9. GREAT DECISIONS

3rd WEDNESDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Have you ever wished you really had an in-depth understanding of the major global political issues of the day such as ISIS, the Middle East, North Korea, etc.? We'll use materials from the Foreign Policy Association as the basis for our lively discussions. Your material fee covers an incredible briefing book full of valuable information. In addition, the instructor will provide additional up-to-the-minute material without additional charge. The course includes a short DVD session each meeting. Participants may read as little or as much as they wish and still find the sessions very stimulating. Coordinator: Stan Schatt

10. HISTORY OF ENGLANDFROM THE TUDORS TO THE STUARTS

TUESDAYS – JAN. 15, 22, 19, FEB.5, 19, 26

10:00 A.M

MEET AT SEACREST

We will repeat the survey the history of England during the early modern period, from 1485 to 1714. During this time, the country transformed itself from a feudal and relatively minor European state into a constitutional monarchy, the wealthiest and most powerful nation on earth. The course will initially cover the Tudors and Henry VIII and then cover the Stuarts and Mary Queen of Scots. It's more than a series of wars and revolutions, laws and treaties, but equally the story of how the English people were born, reared, worked, played, worshipped, fell in love and died. The material is fascinating to all who love British history. Tuesdays starting January 15. Coordinator: Joel Kayne

11. KNITTING – FISHERMAN KNIT, AFGHAN, ETC. (NEW!)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

LINDA EPSTEIN'S HOME. SEACREST

If you know how to knit and purl, this group's for you! Learn how to make an ivory Fisherman Knit afghan (click or copy and paste here for a picture: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/d8x7nuq50ecb0hb/fisherman%20knit%20afghan.JPG?dl=0>) or bring your own project for which you'd like a little guidance. Learn the benefits of knitting with two different-size needles, and socialize with knitters- the best schmoozers! This group will meet weekly. The first meeting, and then the first of each month, will meet at Linda Epstein's home, the rest of the meetings will be at Seacrest
Coordinators: Linda Epstein and Barbara Howard

12. LET'S GO (NEW!)

1st THURSDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

For all of you who have ever had the travel bug or are just thinking about traveling, or want to be armchair travelers, this group is for you! We will talk about travel, see videos about destinations, share personal accounts of trips, and MAYBE we might all take a trip together. Join us for lots of fun and see the world. Coordinator: Sue Berger

13. MEDICAL SCHOOL FOR EVERYONE

2nd FRIDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

The doctor is in! Here's your chance to improve your health by becoming an active, informed patient. Dr. David Guff, a retired emergency room physician, will use a DVD as a starting point and offer an opportunity for an interactive exchange. Coordinator: Ann Zall

14. MOVIES AND MUNCHIES (NEW!)

1st MONDAY

AFTERNOON (TIMES DEPEND ON MOVIE)

EDWARDS SAN MARCOS STADIUM 18

We will be meeting once a month throughout the year in the afternoons at the Edwards San Marcos Stadium to watch a movie together. Then, we will grab a bite to eat at a local restaurant where we will enjoy each other's company. Everyone will be responsible for the ticket cost of the movie and their own food and drink. This social group is perfect for new and existing members who are interested in making new friends. Coordinators: Myra Brand and Iris Kanter

15. MUSIC AND COMPOSERS OF THE ROMANTIC ERA - with DAVID LEWIS

3rd MONDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Between 1800 and 1900, from Beethoven to Rachmaninoff, classical music became more personal, more melodic and more dramatic. Harmonies and forms changed and both the composers and performers expressed themselves in new, often extroverted ways. We saw the birth of many of the greatest symphonies, concertos, operas and ballets in the repertoire. Join us as we explore some of the most beautiful and beloved music of any era.
Coordinator: Bea Sklarewitz

16. PLAYING POOL – MEN’S GROUP (NEW!)

4th FRIDAY

1:00 – 3:00 P.M.

MIKE KROOPKIN’S HOME

Join the men of Brandeis at the home of Mike Kroopkin for an afternoon of shooting pool, refreshments, and informal talk. All levels of skill (or not) welcome Coordinators: Mitch Friedman, Mike Kroopkin

17. READ A PLAY (NEW!)

3rd THURSDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Do you enjoy good theater? Together we’ll read a play by Neil Simon, Agatha Christie, Sarah Ruhl, Tom Stoppard or Tennessee Williams such as *Murder on the Nile*, *Laughter on the 23rd Floor*, *Clean House* and ??? We’ll read and act out the parts and enjoy a discussion afterwards. Each session will last about 2 hours. There will be an extra \$5 fee for materials. Coordinator: Ele Lavender.

18. TEA AND TOPICS

4th WEDNESDAY

10:00 A.M. (TIMES MAY VARY DEPENDING ON EVENT), LOCATIONS WILL VARY

Join us once a month for a fun outing as we sip tea and discuss a variety of interesting issues and topics. Even if you aren’t a tea drinker, come join us anyway for lively conversations. Every month throughout the year, we will carpool to a new venue. Once at the location, everyone will be responsible for the cost of their own food and drink. This social group is perfect for new and existing members who are interested in making new friends and exploring the local area. Coordinators: Iris Kanter and Sharon Kroopkin

19. UNDERSTANDING MODERN TECHNOLOGY

FRIDAYS – JAN. 25, FEB. 1, FEB. 22

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

This study group will cover three topics –

1. Streaming: what streaming is, how it works and all the ways you can take advantage of it.
2. The cloud: what the cloud is and its benefits.
3. Managing passwords: the pros and cons of various options and how to manage them. Coordinator: Joan Kushinoff

20. WOMEN WHO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

2nd WEDNESDAY

10:00 A.M.

MEET AT SEACREST

Women have always made a difference. Each month several members of the group will present special women and their stories, some well-known, others not. We plan to highlight Presidents’ wives - from Martha to Melania. Come join us for lots of discussion and lots of laughs! Coordinator: Carol Shakter

Almost all Study Groups will begin in October unless stated above.
Coordinators will notify participants of the dates by e-mail.

Most groups meet at Seacrest Village,
211 Saxony Road, Encinitas (just east of I-5, between Encinitas Blvd. and Leucadia Blvd.)
Enter at main entrance, on Saxony Lane.
Additional parking is available at the Silverado and doctors’ offices lot just north of Saxony Lane.

A big THANK YOU to Seacrest Village for their hospitality and for providing a home for our Study Groups and meetings

**For groups meeting at Seacrest,
come fifteen minutes early to nosh and schmooze.**



Thank You!

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1st Week	Movies and Munchies Afternoons, times TBA Myra Brand and Iris Kanter	Ethics in Science and Technology 10:00 a.m. Herschel Kaufman Four sessions Oct. 16, 23, 30, Nov.6	Knitting 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Linda Epstein and Barbara Howard Every Wednesday afternoon at Linda Epstein's home, Carlsbad or Seacrest	Let's Go! 10:00 a.m. Sue Berger	Understanding Technology 10:00 a.m. Joan Kushinoff Three sessions Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 22 Canasta 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Barbara Howard Every Friday afternoon
2nd Week	Contemporary Literature 10:00 a.m. Elaine Eisenberg	'Deis Flicks 10:00 a.m. Sue Berger History of England 10:00 a.m. Joel Kayne Six sessions Jan. 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 19, 26	Women Who Make A Difference 10:00 a.m. Carol Shakter Knitting 1:00 p.m. (at Seacrest)		Medical School for Everyone with Dr. David Guss 10:00 a.m. Ann Zall Canasta 1:00 p.m.
3rd Week	Music with David Lewis 10:00 a.m. Bea Sklarewitz		The Great Decisions 10:00 a.m. Stan Schatt Knitting 1:00 p.m. (at Seacrest)	Read a Play 10:00 a.m. Ele Lavender Day Timers 1:00 p.m. Gayle Wise Nov. 15, Jan. 17, March 21 Temple Beth-Israel 9001 Towne Centre Drive, San Diego	Great American Music 10:00 a.m. Ann Zall Canasta 1:00 p.m.
4th Week	BNC Board Meeting	Behind World Headlines 10:00 a.m. Roxanne Fand	Tea and Topics 10:00 a.m. or TBA Iris Kanter and Sharon Kroopkin Knitting 1:00 p.m. (at Seacrest)		Playing Pool 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Mitch Friedman and Mike Kroopkin at the Kroopkin home, Carlsbad Canasta 1:00 p.m.

WEEKENDS - NOT ON CALENDAR – Saturday evenings or Sundays – COUPLES ENJOYING FOOD, FUN, AND FRIENDSHIP will be held once a month, year-long, times and locations TBA – Myra Brand and Iris Kanter
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