

Bunova News Line

Showcase Edition

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SHOWCASE

The Brandeis Fall Showcase is here!

Thursday, September 6th, 1:00 PM

Marina Towers, Potomac Party Room
501 Slaters Lane, Alexandria, VA 22314

An annual tradition continues...launch of the 2018-2019 program of Study Groups and Sessions, held again this year in Atara Aharonovitz' condominium on the Potomac.

- Come meet old friends and new;
 - See presentations describing a variety of creative Study Groups and Sessions;
 - Explore new ideas and activities;
 - Have your interest piqued, and sign up for Groups and Sessions.
 - No matter which activity you select, you may look forward to exploring ideas, expanding friendships, and knowing that your participation is helping Brandeis National Committee's MAGNIFY THE MIND campaign for advancing neuroscience research.
 - Enjoy lovely desserts and beverages
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- ◆ Please **RSVP** no later than August 31st to Jane Kraft Burstein at marvandstjane@cox.net (703)821-2717, or, to Ann Sauberman at Aksauberman@aol.com (703)323-0948.
 - ◆ There is free parking in the front and back parking lots of Marina Towers.
 - ◆ When you send your RSVP, directions will be provided if requested. Any GPS product will get you there easily.
 - ◆ Contact Jane or Ann with any questions.
 - ◆ Please bring 2 checks, one for Group/Session registration and another for 2018/19 annual dues, if unpaid.
 - ◆ Don't forget to bring a new or gently-used children's book or two, for donation to Lynbrook Elementary School, our chapter's community service project.

We look forward to seeing you there!

(See the Study Guide starting on Page 4 for details & the Registration Form on Page 14)

Book & Author Event

Sunday, September 30, 2018

2:00 to 5:00 PM

Beth El Hebrew Congregation
3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, Virginia

Moderator: Robert Siegel, Former Host of NPR's *All Things Considered*



Featured Books and Authors:



Ronald H. Balson, Chicago Trial Attorney, Educator, & Author;

The Trust follows private investigator Liam Taggart as he returns to his childhood home in Northern Ireland for his uncle's funeral only to discover he was murdered and the killer is still at large.



Dina Gold, former BBC Journalist & Author; *Stolen Legacy*:

Nazi Theft and the Quest for Justice at Krausenstrasse 17/18, Berlin. Historical narrative centered around the author's German Jewish family's legal battle to reclaim ownership of a building stolen from them by the Nazis.



Steve Israel, Former Congressman, CNN and MSNBC-

Contributor, & Author; *Big Guns* is a comic tale about the mighty firearm industry, a small Long Island town, and Washington politics.



Hooray for Books, Alexandria, VA, will be on site for book sales and signings.

Refreshments will be served before and after the program.

Cost: \$25/pp (\$23 is tax deductible) by September 25, 2018. *Your check is your reservation.* \$30/pp (\$23 is tax deductible) at the door, cash or check.

Please send your check, payable to BE-WRJ to:

Women of Reform Judaism, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304

Proceeds will benefit Beth El Youth and The Brandeis National Committee Scholarship Fund.



We are delighted to welcome the following new members who have recently joined our Chapter. Please add their contact information to your current membership roster.

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New Members Tea

The invisible Michele Milden (because she took the picture) hosted a new members Tea in her lovely home in Alexandria. As the picture attests, all had a good time.



Annette Paley hosted a second Tea in her also lovely home in Falls Church. Your Newsletter editor attended but failed to take a picture. However, I can vouch for the lively conversation, delicious treats, and staying way too long because of the great time we were having.



Study Group Guide 2018-2019

(Please Use Registration Form on Page 14)

**W O M E N
S C R A B B L E
D A S**

If you like words, you'll want to join our study group - **SCRABBLE!**

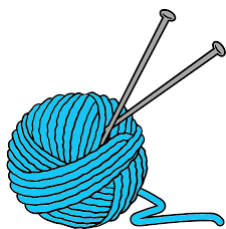
We will meet four times for mental challenge, socializing, noshing, and FUN. You don't need to be a Scrabble maven to participate. We'd love to have you and your brain with us!

We will play from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at Annette Paley's home, 2385 Watters Glen Ct., Falls Church.

Dates: November 1st, December 6th, April 11th, May 9th.

Cost \$30

Leader: Annette Paley - 703 205 2972 annetlepaley@gmail.com



KNIT 2, PURL 2

Spend a relaxing two hours knitting and schmoozing. Share your favorite patterns, projects, yarns and knitting tips. Work on a project for yourself, or knit a scarf, hat or blanket for charity. All levels welcome – learn from your fellow knitters. They say, “knitting is the new yoga”, and in this group you don’t have to wear spandex. We welcome crochet-ers, needle-pointers, etc.

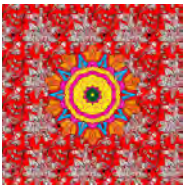
We meet the second Monday of the month from 1:00-3:00 pm. The first meeting will be at the home of Barbara Gems, 2413 Black Cap Lane, Reston, VA 20191, and we will meet in members’ homes after that.

Dates: Oct 8, Nov 12, Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 11, April 8, and May 13

Second Monday at 1:00 pm

Cost \$30.00

Leader: Barbara Gems, 703-391-9634, beegem@comcast.net



CONTEMPORARY VOICES OF THE ISLAMIC WORLD & BEYOND

This popular group helps further our understanding of Middle Eastern culture. Our readings this season will feature Bangladeshi, Sudanese, Iranian, Palestinian, and Lebanese authors. Although most of the books are in area libraries, those that need to be purchased can be obtained in used but good condition online.

We will meet at The Mason District Government Building, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003 six times on the third Thursday of the month from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

Dates: October 18, November 15, December 20, January 17, March 21, April 18, and May 16.

Cost \$30.00

Leader: Susan Drachsler, 703-549-5670, susandrachsler@gmail.com



MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

This long-running study group has selected eight interesting foreign or domestic mysteries to read and discuss this coming season. The group meets in members' homes on the third Friday of the month (September through June, except January and February). Members take a turn as hostess or discussion leader. The discussions are lively and provide food for thought, in addition to coffee and sweets, which are also provided.

Please Note: As of this writing, there are only 2 spots available in this group.

Dates: Oct 19, Nov 16, Dec 21, Mar 15, April 19, May 17, June 15 - Third Friday 10:00 am

Cost \$30.00

Leaders: Enid Liess – 703-978-5168 – jliess@cox.net and Judie Weiss – 703-425-9780
onenetnik@yahoo.com



LEGAL AND ETHICAL PUZZLERS *Junior*

This group is an offshoot of Maddy Malovany's original Legal and Ethical Puzzlers that has grown too large to accommodate new members. The new group will meet four times during the year, on the first Monday at 1:00 PM to discuss legal and ethical issues of current interest. We will use some Brandeis material to guide our discussion, and we will also use newspaper articles to spark our conversation. No reading is required beforehand and interesting articles are welcome for group discussion.

The location of the first meeting will be at the home of Atara Aharonovitz, 501 Slaters Lane, Unit #607, Old Town Alexandria, VA 22314. Thereafter, the group will select the next meeting location.

Dates: Mondays, October 1st, December 3rd, February 4th, May 6th

Cost \$30.00

Leaders: Atara Aharonovitz (201)563-7071 atara1175@gmail.com and Sharon Alman (703)402-2549 Salman1@cox.net



FINDING YOUR ROOTS: INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY

NOVA Brandeis members never cease to amaze. New member Arline Sachs, who is an expert in the field of Genealogy tracking, will be leading this new Study Group.

The group will meet on Thursdays from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM. Following are the dates and topics:

September 27, 2018 – Introduction, How to Begin Interviewing.

October 11, 2018 – Local Resources

November 8, 2018 – Saving Data

December 13, 2018 – DNA

The Group will meet in the Bendheim Social Hall of the Beth El Hebrew Congregation,
3830 Seminary Rd., Alexandria, VA 22304

Cost \$30.00

Leader: Arline Sachs (703) 646-5606 sachs@nova.org



MONTHLY MOVIE MATINEE

Attention movie lovers. This is your chance to join a lively group that shares your interest. We meet on the fourth Wednesday (Bargain Day) of every month at the newly refurbished Cinema Arts, and gather afterwards to discuss the movie and other pertinent topics (e.g., family news, exciting travel, whatever hits the spot at the moment). I also open it up to family and friends in July and August. That's just the kind of leader I am.

Dates: Oct. 24, Nov. 28, Dec. 26, Jan.23, Feb. 27, Mar. 27, Apr. 24, May 22, and June 27.

Fourth Wednesday 10:00 AM

Cost \$20.00 (plus price of Senior movie ticket)

Leader: Sandy Wagner – 703-732-4743, swagner222@cs.com



BETWEEN GENERATIONS THROUGH SHORT STORIES

Short stories can conjure special magic in understanding the human experience. This year we will continue to read "One World: A Global Anthology of Short Stories" (2008). The 23 authors from 14 countries give us a diverse and intimate view of the world we live in. We meet in members' homes the first Tuesday of the month, Oct. through June.

Dates: Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4, Feb. 4, Mar. 5, April 2, May 7, June 4

First Tuesday 1:00 PM

Cost: \$30

Leader: Karen Hecker 703-759-5618 kphecker@yahoo.com



FOREIGN DETECTIVES

Join us to be transported across oceans and mountains to places far, far away. Feel the texture of life in the country about which we are reading. Books we've enjoyed in past years included "The Devotion of Suspect X" by Keigo Higashino, which takes place in Japan, and "Saturday Morning Murder" by Batya Gur, which takes place in Israel. As you can see, we travel the world and the discussions bring the books to life in sparkling ways.

We would love to have you join us on the fourth Thursday of the month (Oct – May, except November and December). We meet at 10:30 AM for a morning of discussing motives and intrigue. We are a small group of bright, friendly women.

Dates: Oct 25, Dec 27, Jan 24, Feb 28, Mar 28, April 25, and May 23.

Fourth Thursday 10:30 am

Cost \$30.00

Leader: Joan Edelman 703-941-1641 – jkedelman@aol.com



The Membership Team is looking forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming Study Group Showcase! Please let Diane DeMaio, Karen Hecker, Francie Fox-Schweber, or Linda Goldberg know if you need transportation to attend. Our chapter's Fall Showcase is a great time for prospective members to learn more about our chapter's activities and to meet current members. If you know someone who might be interested in joining our chapter, please contact one of us. We will be glad to invite him or her to be our guest at the showcase and to send out information about our chapter's goals, study groups, and sessions. (Diane DeMaio at (703) 658-9434 bennypolo@verizon.net, Karen Hecker at (703) 759-5618 kphecker@yahoo.com, Francie Fox-Schweber at (703) 370-5552 franciefs@comcast.net or Linda Goldberg at (703) 527-5199 Lzgoldberg@aol.com)



If you have not paid your annual membership dues, this can be handled in several ways:

You may use the invoice that you received from BNC to directly send your check to BNC (\$60.00 payable to BNC). If you have misplaced the invoice, you may send your check to Diane DeMaio, 4553 Sawgrass Court, Alexandria, VA 22312. Please use the form on page 16.

You may also bring your membership check to the Showcase. Please note that a separate check should be written for your study group registration fees.

Questions? Contact Diane DeMaio (703-658-9434 or bennypolo@verizon.net), Karen Hecker (703-759-5618 or kphecker@yahoo.com), Francie Fox-Schweber at (703-370-5552 or franciefs@comcast.net), or Linda Goldberg at (703-527-5199 Lzgoldberg@aol.com)



2018 - 2019 BNC SPECIAL SESSIONS

In addition to Study Groups, we also offer a variety of activities – called Sessions. These activities are a great way to spend time with your BNC friends without having to commit to an ongoing group. The usual cost is a \$10.00 donation to BNC, but if there is a cost for lunch or admission to an event, then the donation to BNC is \$5.00. As each date approaches, we will send an email with more detailed information.

Here are the events we already have planned – more will be added

GUIDED TOUR OF GREEN SPRING GARDENS **Thursday, September 20, 2018**

We kick off the season with a docent led tour of the gardens at Green Springs in Fairfax. Located at 4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria, VA 22312, **Green Spring** is one of the Washington area's premier gardens. Green Spring Gardens is a public park, including a historic 18th-century plantation house "Green Spring", which is the heart of a national historic district listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2003. We invite you to visit the website @ <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring> for more information about this historic site.

We will meet at 11:00 AM

Cost for this outing is \$7.00 for the tour, and a \$5.00 donation to BNC.

To RSVP, e-mail Linda Goldberg: lzgoldberg@aol.com

MEET THE ARTIST AND TOUR HER STUDIO **Tuesday, October 9, 2018**

We are very lucky to have as a member, artist **Elaine Elinsky**. We will visit Elaine in her studio, the Atelier, 756 Walker Road, Great Falls, VA. Elaine will give us a tour of the Atelier so we can view the work of ten artists who work in different mediums and styles. Elaine will talk about her painting style, and she'll demonstrate different painting and marking techniques. Check out her website at elaineelinskyart.com. After the tour, we may have lunch at the nearby Old Brogue restaurant (<https://oldbrogue.com>)

We will meet at 11:00 AM

Cost for this outing is a \$5.00 donation to BNC

To RSVP, e-mail Linda Goldberg: lzgoldberg@aol.com

DOCENT-LED TOUR OF DUMBARTON OAKS **Tuesday, October 30, 2018**

We have a wonderful opportunity to visit the museum and newly renovated gardens at Dumbarton Oaks. Dumbarton Oaks was created by Mildred and Robert Woods Bliss and is known as the Home of the Humanities. Member **Charlotte Baer**, our wonderful garden docent, will share her expertise as we tour the gardens. We will also have time to visit the museum known for its specialized collections of Byzantine and Pre-Columbian art and, of course, the gift shop.

Street parking is available near Dumbarton Oaks for **two hours**. Dumbarton Oaks can be reached by Dupont Circle metro station (red line) and the Foggy Bottom-GWU metro station (blue/orange/silver lines) which are closest to Dumbarton Oaks. Visitors may either walk from the stations, or transfer to a Metrobus or Georgetown Circulator bus. For complete information on transportation options, please visit the website: <https://www.doaks.org/visit> . Please note that the gardens can be hilly, with uneven terrain in spots.

We will meet at 1:30 PM, spend time in the museum, and then tour the gardens at 2:00 PM. Cost for this outing is an \$8.00 admission to the gardens and a \$5.00 donation to BNC. The museum tour is free.

To RSVP, e-mail Barbara Gems: beegem@comcast.net

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART & PORTRAIT GALLERY

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Our favorite docents, Mark and Cindy Aron, will delight us with a tour of these two wonderful Washington museums. This will be a joint tour of works of art in the National Portrait Gallery **and** the Smithsonian American Art Museum. This year is the Golden Anniversary of the Smithsonian museums, so there will be many special exhibits to view, honoring important and memorable times in American history.

The Museum is located at 8th and F Streets, NW, Washington, DC 20004. If you are taking Metro, the closest stop is Gallery Place on the Red, Yellow and Green Lines. Check the Museum website for more information: americanart.si.edu

After the tour, we will lunch at nearby Zaytinya restaurant. Zaytinya offers an innovative mezze menu inspired by Turkish, Greek and Lebanese cuisines served up in a sleek and modern setting.

We will meet at the Courtyard Café 11:30 AM

Cost for this outing is a \$5.00 donation to BNC

The tour is limited to 20 people, so please RSVP ASAP.

To RSVP, e-mail Linda Goldberg: lzgoldberg@aol.com

KREEGER MUSEUM & SCULPTURE GARDEN

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

Join us to explore the fabulous Kreeger Museum and Sculpture Garden at 2401 Foxhall Rd, Washington DC 20007. The Kreeger Museum, the former residence of David and Carmen Kreeger, rests on five acres of sculpture-filled gardens. Designed by renowned architect Philip Johnson, it is among the few examples of his work in DC. Works of Monet, Picasso, Renoir, Cezanne, Chagall, Miro, and Stella evidences the Kreeger's focus on 19th and 20th century paintings.

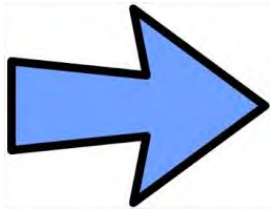
We will meet at the Museum for a docent led tour at 11:00 a.m. The tour is limited to 25 people and we will keep a waiting list. Please arrive at least 15 minutes early. After the tour, we can have lunch at one of the many restaurants and cafes in the neighborhood.

Transportation options are limited, but there is parking available for 25 cars. Carpooling is strongly encouraged.

Cost for this outing is an \$8.00 admission to the Museum and a \$5.00 donation to BNC.

NOTE: We must make a reservation and pay for the tour 2 weeks in advance. So, I must receive your \$8.00 admission fee by November 26.

To RSVP, e-mail: Barbara Gems: beegem@comcast.net.



Coming up – Stay Tuned for More Details

JCC FILM FESTIVAL

October 18-28, 2018

When the schedule is published, we'll choose a film to see together at the Angelika Mosaic movie theater and have lunch at one of the terrific restaurants near the theater. Stay tuned for more information about the Film Festival.

THEATER OUTING

Our wonderful theater mavens, Diane DeMaio and Sandy Laeser will plan a theater outing for us this spring. We have seen wonderful plays at 1st Stage in Tysons Corner. This local theater has been showered with many nominations and winners of the Helen Hayes Theater Awards. Diane and Sandy always make these outings memorable by including a reception and often a talkback with the actors.

PLAYREADING

One of our popular Sessions has been Play Reading, led by member Eileen Mandell who is the Director of Community Engagement for 1st Stage. Channeling our inner actors, we read Neil Simon's Broadway Bound and also "My Name is Asher Lev".

GLENSTONE MUSEUM AND GARDENS

Coming up this spring, a visit to Glenstone in Potomac Maryland, a unique museum showing contemporary art in a modern gallery building & an expansive sculpture garden. During your visit you can view the current exhibition and join a guided outdoor sculpture tour. We'll have lunch afterward in a nearby restaurant.

TAKE A HIKE - RANGER LED WALK GREAT FALLS PARK, VA

Many members have asked for walking or hiking. In the spring, we hope to take a hike at Great Falls Park in Virginia, located on Old Dominion Drive in McLean. There are several guided walks available that include a walk to see dramatic areas near the Great Falls of the Potomac River and learn the basics about the formation of the falls and general park history. Or, we can join a park ranger for a 1-½ hour hike along the Potomac River and Mather Gorge to explore the natural history of the area.



Marvin and Jane Burstein welcomed the birth of their 3rd great grandchild. This time it's a girl, Scarlett Avery Kraft. Born In July.



Please Note Our Chapter's Current Study Group and other Policies
(For additional information, contact Sandy Wagner or Barbara Gems)

- Study Groups are open to all members of the Brandeis National Committee of Northern Virginia (BNC NOVA) who have paid current annual dues or are life members.
- Study Groups are also open to BNC affiliate members in accordance with National Committee guidelines.
- BNC NOVA members may not attend a Study Group of which she or he is not a member, with the following exception. Study Group leaders may open an event of unusual interest to all members of BNC NOVA. For those attendees who are not members of that group, a moderate fee (generally \$10) will be payable to the leader who will submit it to the Treasurer.
- Non-members of BNC NOVA may attend a single session of any Study Group as a guest for a one-time payment of \$10 to the leader, who will submit it to the Treasurer. However, a Study Group leader, at her discretion, may admit a potential BNC member to a meeting without charge.
- Study Group members can review their meeting dates as a group, and, if possible, change a date to meet the needs of its members.
- If you make a reservation for an event, and there is a stated deadline for payment, your payment must be received by the specified deadline date. If your payment is received after the deadline has passed, it will be returned to you, and you'll miss the lovely event that piqued your interest. In addition, the Chapter will bear the cost of return postage and make a smaller contribution to the Brandeis Scholarship Fund.
- If your payment is received by the stated deadline, it is considered final and will not be returned to you if you're unable to attend. We ask that you please not wait until the last possible moment to submit your payment. Someone else may be hoping for the reservation that is "On Hold" for you until the check is received.

Finally, please send your RSVP to the person designated in the emailed flyer or newsletter. This helps us to minimize unnecessary phone calls.

*In
Loving
Memory*



It is with great sadness that we report the passing of longtime NOVA Brandeis member, Shelly Ekhtiar. Members of the Middle East group, which she led for many years, remember her with great fondness. We wish to share with you the following note, received from Shelly's daughter, Maryam:

My sweet mother, Shelly Ekhtiar, sadly passed away on July 31, 2018 in her apartment in Silver Spring MD after major health complications. She was my closest friend, my mentor and my guiding light. I will miss her.

She was buried in Falls Church VA next to her dear husband.

She had many friends through the years. I have tried to compile everyone's email addresses. She was active with her Lunch Bunch Group, her writing group, the Ladino and the Brandeis group and so many other interest groups. She loved and enjoyed spending time and sharing ideas with all of you.

I am planning a celebration of life memorial for her in Maryland in October 2018 around her birthday. I will let you know in advance of the date. I hope you can join us at that time.

Lots of love, Maryam Ekhtiar (her daughter)



Sadly, BNC has lost another friend recently. Longtime Brandeis member, Lilla Wolfman passed away in July. The funeral was held at Congregation Olam Tikvah, followed by burial at King David Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to her daughter, Claire, at Dr. & Mrs. Mark Tanenbaum & Family, 3124 Windsong Drive, Oakton, VA 22182.



A Way to Support Brandeis: The Book Fund

Please help the Brandeis Library purchase a Learned Research Journal by buying one of the “LRJ” note-cards listed below to use as a **gift** for birthdays, anniversaries, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, etc. or to memorialize. Your purchase of a Tribute Card also benefits the library. Call Judy Yavner (703-527-0947) or use the following form. Received from:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Categories:

_____ Tribute Cards.....	\$10, \$18
_____ Learned Research Journal.....	\$35
_____ Learned Research Journal Folio.....	\$55
_____ Research Journal File	\$200

In **honor** or **memory** of: (circle one)

_____ (name)

Send notification to: _____ (name)

_____ (address)

_____ (city, state, zip)

Check enclosed, made out to BNC

Send to: Judy Yavner, 1530 Key Blvd, #416, Arlington, VA 22209

Brandeis National Committee Northern Virginia Chapter Study Group Registration Form 2018 - 2019

Check here if this is your first time registering for Brandeis study groups: _____

1. Please remember that only paid-up annual or life members may register for study group courses.
2. Please register at the showcase on _____ or by mail, promptly, to insure your course placement and notification of any schedule changes.
3. Courses may be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment.
4. Are you a **Life** _____ or **Annual** _____ Member?
5. **Make checks payable to BNC.**
6. **Please note your selections on your brochure and keep it for future reference.**

Name: _____
Address: _____ _____
Telephone # _____
E-Mail address: _____

If registering by mail, please send registration form with check, payable to BNC, to Sandy Wagner, 9620 Ridge Avenue, Fairfax, VA 22030

	Circle Course Nos.	Circle Fee
1	Between Generations Through Short Stories	\$30
2	Contemporary Voices of the Islamic World and beyond	\$30
3	Foreign Detectives	\$30
4	Knit 2, Purl 2	\$30
5	Legal and Ethical Puzzlers Junior	\$30
6	Monthly Movie Matinee	\$20
7	Mystery Book Club	\$30
8	Scrabble	\$30
9	Finding Your Roots - Genealogy	\$30

Total Number of Courses: _____

Total Amount of Registration Fees: _____



In case you have not previously paid your dues for the current year, which begins in July 2018, we remind you again that The Brandeis National committee has mailed renewal forms to all of us. Please return them, with checks, in the enclosed envelopes. If you no longer have this bill, please use the form below and send it to Diane with your check. Or, renew online at <http://giving.brandeis.edu/bncrenew>. Individual memberships cost \$60, while a couple residing at the same address can join for \$100.00. Thank you!

Membership Roster

Please contact Diane DeMaio (703-658-9434 bennypolo@verizon.net, 4553 Sawgrass Court, Alexandria, VA 22312), or Judy Yavner (703-527-0947 jyavner@gmail.com) with any changes to current information, or any new email addresses.

BNC NOVA Membership Form

Name: _____

Email address: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: (H) _____ (C) _____



Board Meetings Are Open To All Members

All members are welcome to attend our chapter's board meetings.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 25th, at 1:30 PM, at the Thomas Jefferson Library, 7415 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church, VA 22042.

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2018-2019 BNC EVENTS CALENDAR

MONTH	DATE-DAY	EVENT
SEPTEMBER	6 Thursday	Fall Showcase
	9 Sunday	ROSH HASHONAH
	18 Tuesday	KOL NIDRE
	19 Wednesday	YOM KIPPUR
	20 Thursday	Green Springs Garden Park
	25 Tuesday	Board Meeting
	27 Thursday	Genealogy
	30 Sunday	Book and Author
OCTOBER	1 Monday	Legal Puzzlers
	1 Monday	Legal Puzzlers - Junior
	2 Tuesday	Short Stories
	8 Monday	Knitting
	9 Tuesday	Artist's Studio – Elaine Elinsky
	11 Thursday	Genealogy
	16 Tuesday	Board Meeting
	18 Thursday	Middle East Group
	18-28 (TBD)	Jewish Film Festival
	19 Friday	Mystery Book Club
	24 Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	25 Thursday	Foreign Detectives
	30 Tuesday	Dumbarton Oaks
NOVEMBER	1 Thursday	Scrabble
	6 Tuesday	Short Stories
	7 Wednesday	Portrait Gallery
	8 Thursday	Genealogy
	12 Monday	Knitting
	15 Thursday	Middle East
	16 Friday	Mystery Book Club
	20 Tuesday	Board Meeting
	22 Thursday	THANKSGIVING
	28 Wednesday	Movie Matinee
DECEMBER	2 Sunday	FIRST NIGHT OF CHANUKAH
	3 Monday	Legal Puzzlers
	3 Monday	Legal Puzzlers - Junior
	4 Tuesday	Short Stories
	5 Wednesday	Cherry Hill Farm
	6 Thursday	Scrabble
	10 Monday	Knitting
	11 Tuesday	Kreeger Museum
	13 Thursday	Genealogy

	20	Thursday	Middle East Group
	21	Friday	Mystery Book Club
	26	Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	27	Thursday	Foreign Detectives
JANUARY	14	Monday	Knitting
	15	Tuesday	Board Meeting
	17	Thursday	Middle East Group
	23	Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	24	Thursday	Foreign Detectives
FEBRUARY	4	Monday	Legal Puzzlers
	4	Monday	Legal Puzzlers - Junior
	5	Tuesday	Short Stories
	11	Monday	Knitting
	19	Tuesday	Board Meeting
	27	Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	28	Thursday	Foreign Detectives
MARCH	4	Monday	Legal Puzzlers
	5	Tuesday	Short Stories
	11	Monday	Knitting
	14	Thursday	Middle East Group
	15	Friday	Mystery Book Club
	19	Tuesday	Board Meeting
	21	Thursday	Middle East Group
	27	Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	28	Thursday	Foreign Detectives
APRIL	2	Monday	Short Stories
	8	Monday	Knitting
	11	Monday	Scrabble
	16	Tuesday	Board Meeting
	18	Thursday	Middle East Group
	19	Friday	Mystery Book Club
	24	Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	25	Thursday	Foreign Detectives
MAY	6	Monday	Legal Puzzlers
	6	Monday	Legal Puzzlers - Junior
	7	Tuesday	Short Stories
	9	Thursday	Scrabble
	13	Monday	Knitting
	14	Tuesday	Board Meeting
	16	Thursday	Middle East Group
	17	Friday	Mystery Book Club
	22	Wednesday	Movie Matinee
	23	Thursday	Foreign Detectives
JUNE	4	Tuesday	Short Stories
	15	Friday	Mystery Book Club
	27	Wednesday	Movie Matinee



The deadline for items to be included in the next newsletter is October 5th.
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Our very own Web Page

*Thank
You!*

Our Chapter received an acknowledgment from Brandeis University that a contribution to the BNC's *Magnify the Mind Fund* had been received from Tina Levine, Regional President for the Mid Atlantic Region of BNC, in honor of BNC Northern Virginia Chapter's Hospitality. **"The *Magnify the Mind Fund* supports Neuroscience research through the purchase of a two-photon microscope."**



Announcement: Magnify the Mind

July 2, 2018

Brandeis has long had one of the best neuroscience programs in the country. Nobel Prize winner Michael Rosbash, MacArthur “genius” grant recipient Gina Turrigiano and world-renowned neuroscientist Eve Marder are all pioneers in the field. Their breakthroughs have helped transform our understanding of neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s and autism. But to remain cutting edge — and continue to make advances in our understanding of human health — Brandeis needs to upgrade its microscopes. The university currently owns an aging fluorescence microscope that uses a technique called two-photon excitation to image intact brain circuitry in the living brain. This technique has allowed Brandeis researchers to study how genes and experience interact to produce functioning brain circuits. However, this equipment is no longer state-of-the-art because it uses old and slow scanning technology that takes only one image per second. This speed severely limits the type of research questions that can be answered.

The Brandeis National Committee would like to provide Brandeis with a next generation resonant scanning two-photon microscope. This new technology would enable Brandeis researchers to take 30 to 50 images per second. This increase in speed can be used to observe the brain much closer to its native processing speed, or can be used to take many photographs of the same tissue that can be averaged together to create very high resolution views, allowing Brandeis researchers to study structures as small as single synapses in the living brain.

Brain plasticity — how neurons react to changes in the environment — is one of the most important areas in brain research, understanding what brings about changes in behavior. When the processes responsible for plasticity malfunction, it can give rise to neurodegenerative illnesses. Resonant scanning will generate a trove of new insights and data to understanding why this happens.

Researchers at Brandeis will further be able to explore the role of molecules, dendrites and synapses in the brain and reveal operating principles. The Brandeis National Committee’s campaign to raise \$500,000, launches July 1, 2018. Contact 781-736-7588 to donate today.

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