

Brandeis Beat

April, 2010

BNC Phoenix Invites you to the
Spring Installation Luncheon
of

**Gladys Simon as President
and her 2010 - 2011 Board of Directors**

**Carol Kern Sustaining Leadership
Award to Joanie Bream**

Please join us for a luncheon on Friday, April 29, 2010 at 11:00 am at the Scottsdale Resort and Conference Center honoring our New Board and our outstanding leadership. Local author Marcia Fine will entertain us with her new book *Stressed In Scottsdale*.

Scottsdale Resort and Conference Center
7700 E. McCormick Parkway, Scottsdale, AZ 85258

Cost: Admission \$36 Sponsor \$46 Patron \$56
To benefit the Phoenix Chapter's Endowed Scholarship Fund



Spring Installation Luncheon

Please respond by April 20th. Please detach and return with your check payable to BNC Phoenix to: Gayle Brezack, 13342 E. Cannon Dr., Scottsdale, AZ 85259

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

\$36 _____ \$46 _____ \$56 _____

Non-members pay \$5 additional. Anything above cost of \$36 is tax deductible
For further information contact: Ronda Kottle at 302-327-0266

President's Message



Dear Members,

It is hard to believe that it has been two years since I was installed as president of the Phoenix Chapter and this will be my last column as your elected leader. On April 29th Gladys Simon will become president of our Chapter and, I know she will do a great job. Before I vanish from these pages I want to thank all the members of our great Chapter for their unfailing support and their willingness to help me. The Board has worked very hard to insure that we have met all our goals and objectives to the best of our abilities.

Our program and Study Group Vice Presidents, Gladys Simon, Ellen Kirschenbaum, and Kim Friedman, and their committees have strived to provide our members with innovative programs and a multitude of exciting study groups. Selma Ost, our Publicity Vice President, sent out numerous press releases across the community and through her efforts our events were more widely publicized than ever before. The membership committee has done an unbelievable job recruiting members and holding coffees to acquaint prospective and new members about our Chapter. The Book Fund and Scholarship Vice Presidents, Marianne Silberman and Ronda Kottle, increased levels of giving by members in each of these areas. Thank you, Jane Marks, our Treasurer, for your diligence in keeping the books and the ease with which we were able to understand your monthly reports. The minutes of the Executive Board and General Board have been comprehensive and concise due to the efforts of Joanie Bream and Arlene Feldman, our Recording

Secretaries. Carol Baine, as Administrator, has helped me in countless ways so that I could perform my duties as president more effectively. Thanks to Amy Richman, our Corresponding Secretary, for reminding everyone of the board meetings each month. Without the hard efforts of the Book and Author Team, Merrill Kalman, Sue Karp, Carol Kern, and Joanie Small, we would not have had the extremely successful twentieth anniversary event that we all enjoyed and still talk about constantly.

Thanks to Joanie Small, our Bookstore Manager, and Kathleen Witkin, Bookstore Assistant Manager, and numerous volunteers, for all of their efforts and consistent hard work. Thank you, Bette Schwartz, for collaborating with me on many of these columns so that you, my audience, would enjoy reading them.

On a more personal note I would like to thank my daughter, Amanda, and Bill, my significant other, for their support, patience, and behind-the-scenes help. To my immediate friends, I appreciate your being there when I needed to unwind or an ear to bend.

In addition, there are many members I need to thank for the projects that they have undertaken to make our Chapter, in my opinion the best in the country. Unfortunately, there isn't enough column space to personally thank each one of you. Please know that you have my undying gratitude and appreciation.

Best Wishes, Always, Iris

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 fund raising and through activities that reflect the values on which the University was founded: academic excellence, social justice, nonsectarianism and service to the community.

Remember to bring nonperishable food items to any and all Brandeis events, including the Installation Luncheon. The Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank needs our help now!

