

BRANCHING OUT IN NEW DIRECTIONS

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February 2021 Newsletter

President's Message

Dear BOND members,

This is the fifth issue of our BOND newsletter we have produced entirely from our homes, and I want, as I have with every issue we have created in this manner is go on record in thanking the incredible team of our editor, Barbara Parks, and the many other contributors who continue to make this communication such a happy and formative piece of monthly mail!



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We have proven that we can adapt and navigate the virtual world in different ways and still stay connected to each other and the community at large. You will soon be receiving a new and updated BOND directory, which will make reaching out and engaging each other easier, and enjoy the opportunity for new friendships!!

As we enter the new year, our approach is cautiously optimistic. There is no overlooking the grip of a vicious pandemic, yet we do see light on the horizon to defeat it. Some light can also come from participating in our ongoing book clubs, lectures and virtual tours from museum experts and personal appearances from authors and professors who bring a wide variety of timely issues to think about and discuss together.

And, what am I looking forward to in 2021? I cannot wait to physically be with you! I think everyone needs some smiles and hugs, and my wish for all of us is that they be in abundance soon!!!!

Sincerely,

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Education/Adventures in Learning



SENSING MEMORIES: LINKING ART WITH PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

BOND is hosting a virtual tour with Minneapolis Institute of Art docent Emily Shapiro on **Thursday, February 11, 2021 @ 1:00PM-2:00PM via Zoom**. A Zoom link will be sent shortly before the event.

Memory is a complex concept, the layers and nuances of which we will explore by linking artworks with personal experiences. Emily will help us discover how imagination and the five senses evoke, shape, and retain memories. We will surely be inspired to recall, savor, and share our own special moments of "ah ha" recognition, and consider those of the artists whose works we will examine today.

To receive the Zoom information, contact Saralee Mogilner, saraleem@comcast.net or 952-935-2156 or Marlene Goldberg, sgoldb5208@aol.com or 612-743-9120.

The art above is Sylvia Fein, "The Tea Party", 1943, Egg tempera and oil on board, MIA, 2017.49



COMING SOON!!!!!!!

Join us as BOND hosts a new and exciting endeavor with the Minneapolis Institute of Art. MIA docent Ginny Wheeler will lead us in a virtual discussion of works of art related to the novel "The Island of Sea Women" by Lisa See.

Tuesday, March 30, 2021 @1:00PM-2:00PM via Zoom. A Zoom link will be sent shortly before the event.

The novel takes us on a journey spanning generations on the Korean island of Jeju, which leads us to a theme of inspiration for discussing works of art within MIA's collection. Novelist Lisa See excels at story telling, and the tour will seamlessly weave the art of the pen with the art of the paint brush. Try to read the novel if you haven't already; you won't regret it!

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DID YOU KNOW?

Since COVID-19, BOND has continued to provide Adventures in Learning, Short Story Group, and Book Club to its members on ZOOM at no cost and will continue to do so. These activities have been fund-raisers in the past. Feel free to make a donation to BOND to help keep our scholarship funding successful. Please make the check out to BOND and mail to Fruma Goldfarb, 6400 Barrie Rd Apt 1503, Edina, MN 55435. Thank you for your support.

BOND Book Club

BOND Book Club meets at 10:00 a.m. the 3rd Friday of the month. Contact Sharon Levine if you are interested in joining the group and to let her know if you are attending or not—splevine2002@yahoo.com or 952-212-4994 - for the Zoom link or participation phone number.

Feb. 19 Little Culinary Triumphs by Pascale Pujol, Facilitator: Marilyn Wert

March 19 Inheritance by Dani Shapiro, Facilitator: Fruma Goldfarb

April 16 Montana 1948 by Larry Watson, Facilitator: Sharon Posnansky.

Short Stories

Short Stories meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. They are reading "Shaking Eve's Tree" short stories of Jewish women from the Jewish Publication Society, edited by Sharon Niederman. If you are interested in joining the group, contact Marian Altrowitz, maltrow@comcast.net or 952-935-1914.

February 10 "A Case of Dementia" by Gloria L. Kirchheimer, Millie Segal will facilitate.

March 10 "Passage" by Zena Collier, Marian Altrowitz will facilitate.

In April we will begin a new collection of short stories—"The Best American Short Stories 2019 by Anthony Doerr and Heidi Pitlor. There are two books with this title so be sure to get the one edited by these two people. We will read one story each month.

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Fundraising/Philanthropy

DMC Cards

BOND continues to sell DMC cards at \$25 a set. If you are interested, please contact Carolyn Kaufmann at 763-473-3031. She has the cards for the Twin Cities/Suburbs and St. Paul and south of the river. They also make great gifts.



Silver Cash

Your silver or silverplate no longer a treasure? BOND Scholarship Fund educates many without measure. Donate items one or a few These additional dollars may surprise even you!!

A total of \$6,444.40 has been raised for scholarships since the project began. To donate, contact Nancy Garber at 952-922-4990.

Membership

The Bond spring luncheon scheduled for May 20th has been cancelled. It has been rescheduled for Oct. 7th, 2021. Please mark your calendar.

Remembering our last luncheon Thursday, October 24, 2019 with 100 guests

Gerry Feldman and

Janet Cohen







Nancy McKay and Elaine Fink

Guest Speaker Matt Goldman - a New York Times best selling author and Emmy-award winning television writer

Dinner Winners 2nd Wednesday 6:00 pm and Lunch Bunch 4th Wednesday 11:30 am are now open for reservations. Table limits are 6 people per table. Reservations a must.

Contact Eva Broude 952.544.5948. mebroude@msn.com or Judy Serrell 952.929.3830 jaserrell@gmail.com

Card Donations

For a minimum \$10 donation, BOND makes sending cards easy, whether it's a condolence card, remember a birthday or anniversary, say "thank you", Mazal Tov—whatever, and you help BOND raise money. Contact Fruma Goldfarb at 612-930-9409 or gfruma@gmail.com., 6400 Barrie Rd. Apt 1503, Edina, Mn 55435

January Donations SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IN MEMORY OF

Leonard Brooks - brother of Maraline Slouvut Marian Altrowitz Suzanne Prass

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GET WELL Laureen Phillips Sheila Goldstein

CONGRATULATIONS

Harriet Katz - Special Birthday Gerry & Sheldon Feldman

Dates to Remember

Refer to all the activities listed in the Adventures in Learning and Membership sections.



Getting to Know our Members

Each month we will highlight a BOND member. Enjoy!!

Janet Cohen

Janet Cohen is originally from Philadelphia, but has made Shorewood, Minnesota her home since 1988. Janet and her husband, Mike have been married 40 years, are parents of two married children and have two grandchildren. She grew up and was confirmed at the well-known Philadelphia synagogue, Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel, and she and her husband have been members of Bet Shalom since arriving in

Minnesota.

Janet graduated from Temple University in the 1970's, and started a career in media, but retired as a Benefit Specialist from the Office of Human Resources at the University of Minnesota. There, as an adult learner, she completed her master's degree in Liberal Studies, and a graduate certificate in Innovation Studies in 2007.

An active volunteer in Jewish and community organizations, Janet's involvement has included American ORT, Excelsior Lake Minnetonka Historical Society, Hillel at the University of Minnesota, Women of Bet Shalom, and now BOND.

When it comes to hobbies, Janet enjoys writing, creating handmade semi-precious beaded jewelry, and with her husband, gardening and preserving the vegetables and herbs from their large backyard garden. They have recently planted apple trees, in a nod to the famous Excelsior apple orchards of their area. She also loves dolls and miniatures and runs two online doll clubs. One of the dolls in her collection is a late 1800's celluloid baby doll with a silk dress that belonged to her grandmother. Janet also enjoys reading, watching thrillers on Netflix, and Antiques Road Show on PBS with her husband.

Janet is in her second year on the BOND Board of Directors as Communications Vice President, and is learning new technology and how to use it, so we can stay connected. She looks forward to continuing her contribution towards BOND's important goal of providing scholarships for deserving young community members.

Miscellaneous

BOND Directory Update

Watch for your mail in the coming weeks for updated directory pages. All inquiries regarding the directory should be directed to Beverly London, at bjlondon01@gmail.com or 612-718-9951. Thank you to Marian Altrowitz, Barbara Parks, and Beverly London for all their hard work and hours put into this project