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#### President's Message

Dear BOND members,

We close the year 2022 with a sense of great accomplishment. Our success has been spearheaded by outstanding chairs and their committees. The Annual Book Author Fundraiser, chaired by Nettie Nabedrick, Sandy Scherling and Sheila Goldstein, was well attended and supported by over 150 attendees and donors. Our spring luncheon chairs, Dian Yellen and Elaine Fink, with an assist from speaker, Paul Douglas, welcomed us back to "in person" gatherings. Membership chairs, Babe Wartnick, Nettie Nabedrick and Secretary, Marian Altrowitz, were steadfast in their duties. Ursula Margolis and Nancy Peilte kept us fiscally responsible.

Our monthly groups and education committee (too numerous to list) raised the benchmark in quality learning and social activities. In all the above-mentioned areas, we were always assisted by our "ever ready" member, Beverly London to assure success at all levels.

In closing, on behalf of the BOND membership, I wish to thank Barbara Parks, our newsletter guru, for her expertise and partnership with us these past years. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors. We will continue to communicate with our entire membership on a similar level with the January 1, 2023 mailing. That's a promise!!!

I am grateful to all of you, our members, for your support and engagement in BOND. With your help we will continue to positively impact and shape many life stories with the resources needed to provide continuing education and career advancement.

I wish you all a very healthy, happy and peaceful New Year.

My best to all of you, Saralee Mogilner 952-935-2156 or saraleem@comcast.net

### Special Letter from the Editor

Dear BOND members,

Over three years ago I brought the idea of a monthly newsletter to a BOND board meeting. My goal was to keep our BOND ladies connected and regularly informed of the activities and opportunities the organization has to offer, and a way for me to be involved as a volunteer in BOND. It would serve as a regular reminder of fundraising, how to make various donations, and certainly the opportunity to pat ourselves on the back, as thank-you letters from scholarship recipients, assisting with Hag Sameach, our Book Author event, Adventures in Learning, and more was publicized for all to see.

BOND ladies, you are a hard-working group of women who get the job done! So many people have benefited from BOND's fundraising, along with the education opportunities for our members.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to create something special for you. Producing and designing the newsletter was fun, allowed some creativity on my part, and offered me the opportunity to interface more with our members. I particularly loved the "getting to know our members" section on page four, as I got to do just that!

This December issue is my last, as I am retiring from this project. Honestly, I will miss doing it, along with solving all the space issues I would encounter each month. It was a fun challenge! I hope you have enjoyed the newsletter; I am proud of you for accepting this new idea and process of keeping connected.

A special thank-you to those who contributed information and articles for the newsletter, and also to those who proofed the document each month before it was e-mailed or snail-mailed to you; we made a fabulous team!

Sincerely,

Barbara Parks earrings3@yahoo.com 952-905-6891

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched—
they must be felt with the heart.-Helen Keller

### Join us for a rare opportunity!

#### AN ART TOUR INSPIRED BY LOUISE ERDICH'S "THE NIGHT WATCHMAN" WITH Mia DOCENT DAVID FORTNEY

Friday, December 16, 2022 • 1:30 PM, Meet at desk across from gift shop

Minneapolis Institute of Art • 2400 Third Avenue South • \$15 per person • Guests Welcome • Limit 15 people

David Fortney has been a docent at the Minneapolis Institute of Art since 2005. While giving a wide range of tours, David particularly enjoys book tours. Prior to being retired, he practiced law and was a human resources administrator.



"The Nightwatchman" by Minnesota's own Louise Erdrich, is set in 1953. Erdrich skillfully weaves two narratives: first, the true story of efforts by some members of the U.S. Senate to terminate the treaties between the United States and native tribes, including Erdrich's Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, and second, the fictional account of a young native woman who travels to the Twin Cities in search of her missing sister. The story is compelling, and David's use of art to enhance the story is even more so!

Send registration and check made out to BOND to Sharon Posnansky, 12800 Marion Lane West Apt 605W, Minnetonka, MN 55305. Coordinator: Saralee Mogilner <a href="mailto:saraleem@comcast,net">saraleem@comcast,net</a> 952-935-2156

#### **TOP SUPREME COURT CASES TO WATCH IN 2023**

Thursday, January 12, 2023 • 12:00 noon refreshments • 12:30 program • Guests welcome • \$10.00 per person Overlook On The Creek Apartments Community Room 1st floor • 9731 Minnetonka Boulevard, Minnetonka

MARSHALL TANICK, a constitutional lawyer and historian, returns with another timely and vital discussion on the Supreme Court as it finishes its most conservative term in nearly a century. After last year's tumultuous rulings, this presentation will look at seven important and interesting cases currently before the U.S. Supreme court and their implications for Minnesota. They are highlighted by lawsuits concerning rental arrangements at the Mall of America, a copyright battle between two high-profile Estates of Prince and Andy Warhol, affirmative action for racial diversity in college admissions, gerrymandering of Congressional districts, and the procedures for the 2024 Presidential election, among other matters.

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### **Fundraising**

For a minimum \$10 donation, BOND makes sending cards easy, whether it's a condolence card, a birthday or anniversary, say "thank you", Mazal Tov—whatever, and you help BOND raise money. Contact Margie Gendler Marks, 2405 Zealand Avenue North, Golden Valley, MN 55427, H-763-544-2401, C-612-990-9399 margendmar@gmail.com. Please include your message for the tribute card. In addition, please indicate your preferred closing (Love, Sincerely, Best Wishes, With Sympathy, etc.).

#### Scholarship Fund

#### In memory

Lloyd Robinson, brother of Merle Kane Marian Altrowitz Marilyn Wert Millie Segal

Robert Burk, Brother of Janice Waller Marlene and Sandy Goldberg

**Phil Collins** 

Nettie and Jack Nabedrick

### **Get Well Wishes**

Mike Posnansky, husband of Sharon Marlene and Sandy Margie Gendler Goldberg

**Happy Birthday Linda Platt** 

Sandy Scherling

### Erna Fishhaut **Early Childhood Education Fund**

### **Get Well Wishes**

Marks

Beverly London

### Why make donations to BOND?

Even through COVID, we have continued to donate scholarships to Jewish Family Children's Service, contribute to Jewish Family Service, and provide a variety of activities to our members. Please send your check, payable to BOND, indicating the purpose of your donation. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



#### 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!! Over \$6,614.40 has been raised for scholarships since the project began. To donate, contact Nancy Garber 952-922-4990.

#### **Fine Dining Cards**

As comfort levels continue rising to eat in restaurants, BOND is again selling DMC cards at \$30 a set. Using the cards is a great way to save money and help BOND raise scholarship funds at the same time! To purchase cards for the Twin Cities/Suburbs please contact Carolyn Kaufmann at 763-473-3031. BOND earns \$12.50 per set, and they make great gifts.



### **Monthly Activities**



#### Lunch Bunch

#### To RSVP, call Eva Broude 952-544-5948

Dec. 14, Bacio, 12:00, 1571 Plymouth Rd., <u>RSVP to Eva by December 12</u> Dec. 28 Doolittle's, 12:00, 550 Winnetka, <u>RSVP to Eva by December 26</u>

#### Short Story Group

Short story meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month, starting at 9:30 to socialize and 10:00 discussion. We read one story each month and take turns facilitating. We would love to have you join our group. If you are interested, contact Marian Altrowitz, maltrow@comcast.net or 952-935-1914. The Best American Short Stories of 2019 by Anthony Doerr and Heidi Pitlor.

December 14<sup>th</sup> "They Told Us Not to Say This" by Jenn Alandy Trahan. Barb Ritzen will facilitate at her home.

250 Ardmore Dr., Golden Valley. R.S.V.P. 612-578-0800

January 11 Omakase by Weike Wang Fruma Goldfarb will facilitate on Zoom

#### February and possibly March will also be on Zoom.

In February we will start a lively new anthology. The book is "The Best Short Stories 2021: The O'Henry Prizes" edited by Chimamanda Ngozi.

#### **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.

We will continue meeting at the Lurie Bldg., 2501 Wayzata Blvd unless noted otherwise.

Dec. 16 The Wide Sargasso Sea by Jean Rhys

Facilitator: Marilyn Wert

Jan. 20 2023 The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak

Facilitator: Gerry Feldman

Feb. 17 The Little Old Lady Who Broke the Rules by Catharina Ingelan-Sudberg

Facilitator: Joyce Martin Horse by Geraldine Brooks

Facilitator: Suzanne Prass

April 21 The Lions of 5th Ave by Fiona Davis

Facilitator: Babe Wartnick

#### Bridge, Qwirkle or Mahjong



March 17

Tables of 4 for bridge



Tables of 3-4 for Mahjong



Tables of 3-4 for Qwirkle

This group meets on the first Tuesday of the month, 11:30 at McCoy's (3801 Grand Way) in St. Louis Park for lunch and games. Tell your friends about it. Call Fruma Goldfarb 612-930-9409 to make your reservation and let her know if you are playing Bridge, Mahjong, or Qwirkle. Our next get-together is December 6, followed by January 3.

### Scholarship & Philanthropy

The BOND Board approved a total of \$15,000 in scholarships to the Career Pathways Program at the Minneapolis Jewish Family Children's Service. Career Pathways is a part of Minneapolis St. Paul TechHire Initiatives and connects individuals with needed resources to prepare for success in IT jobs. Low-income individuals who qualify are accepted to the training program for intensive training. Job placement is over 80% with average starting salaries of \$72,000.

Our scholarships will enable more students to receive this training. We appreciate and thank all members who support our education programs, including the book author event that raise the money to fund the scholarships.

Suzanne Weinstein, Scholarship Chair



#### Mia Tour November 11, 2022



Elaine Burton, Mary Merrick (docent), Saralee Mogilner, Sandy Scherling, Elaine Alper

## Membership Looking for Volunteers

Please help with membership retainment phone calls. Last year Renee Kurnow was an outstanding helper for our organization. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Babe Wartnick at 612-554-6195.

Suzanne (Suzie) Singer 11928 St. Albans Hollow Drive Minnetonka, MN 55305-3983 Land: 952-545-5505

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### **Getting to Know our Members**



### **Meet Linda Platt**

Linda was born and raised in Hartford, CT into a loving and religiously Jewish family. She was president of the local USY group, attended Camp Ramah (Hebrew speaking only) and was one of the first to have a Bat Mitzvah in 1955; she learned to read Hebrew before reading English.

Linda was always an outdoor sports person, loving downhill skiing, roller skating, ice skating, biking, double Dutch jump rope and dodging waves in the ocean. She earned her Water Safety Instruction Swimming badge and taught swimming at camps in the summer.

Linda graduated from Skidmore College and became an elementary school teacher, meeting her husband, Michael while teaching in the Boston area. They have two children, Andrew and Brian. Along with two daughters-in-law, Linda has four delightful grandchildren.

Linda developed a partnership teaching program in 1970 for the Mamaroneck New York School District. This arrangement allowed her to teach part-time while caring for two young ones.

After several professional moves, Linda, Mike, and their family arrived in Minneapolis. Linda taught Title One Math and continued with tennis and running. The running turned into completing six Twin Cities Marathons.

Linda became a successful Minnesota realtor for thirty-four years with Edina Realty and was in the top 1%. She became active in The Jewish Theater—now the Six Points Theater, and is currently a consultant for the Six Points Theater Gala. She is also on the Board of Preserve Minneapolis, which is an organization dedicated to the preservation of older or historical buildings. Linda still enjoys outdoor sports, successfully summitting Mt Kilimanjaro at age 64 and completed 200 miles of the El Camino in Spain just three years ago. She is on the steering committee of the Plymouth Pedaler's Bike Club and often leads 20–30-mile rides for the group.

Linda and Mike have been fortunate to travel the world to over 80 countries including Antarctica and the Arctic. She has also visited all 50 States, and still plans to travel, with itineraries set for Hawaii, southern France, and Normandy.

Linda is relatively new to the BOND group. She is most impressed with the myriad of interesting programs and wonderful leadership.

#### Miscellaneous

#### **SNOWBIRDS**

Please verify your winter address, dates you leave, and return so you can "Keep you in Touch" with BOND's activities and upcoming events. Reply by <a href="mailto:ema

You will receive directory updates through the newsletter. Please contact Beverly London, <u>Bilondon01@gmail.com</u> 612-718-9951 or Marian Altrowitz, <u>maltrow@comcast.net</u> 952-935-1914 with any updates.

Through Education, Service, and Philanthropy, BOND, a non-profit organization, offers its members opportunity for intellectual pursuits, community service, social interaction, and philanthropy.

**Directory updates** 

Elaine Rudick Remove land phone.

Gayle Newman updated information

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Cheri Rolnick Remove land phone

Scottsdale Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> thru beginning of April

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Sybil Wilensky 9908 Oak Ridge Tr. May-Sept.

1153 Tralee Bay Ave. Oct.-April

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Rhoda Engelson Balsam Lake address May 20-Oct. 6.

Las Vegas address Oct. 6-May 15.

New cell phone: 702-278-6976. Remove land line

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