



President's Message

Dear BOND Supporters,

Our November/December Newsletter offers many activities to keep the "chill" at a minimum as 2023 comes to a close, and we begin a new year.

As my presidency ends, some important things come to mind. I'm thinking of our volunteers and supporters who are the beating hearts behind the success of Branching Out in New Directions. I'm thinking of our board of directors who often serve for many years. And the pictures on these pages clearly show the dedication, service and satisfaction that resulted in a "banner year" for BOND.

Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of a group of people who care so much for each other and for our unique and remarkable organization. I sincerely wish BOND success in the future as you continue to help our community with scholarship and other assistance to enhance the lives of others.

When much of the world feels grim, let's be aware of our blessings, our families, and the love around us. There is still much to be thankful for! Wishing you a safe, healthy, and meaningful 2024.

Sincerely, Saralee Mogilner

BOND Has Something on the Calendar for Everyone!

Adventures in Learning

"Where were you 60 years ago today? The JFK Assassination and the Minnesota Connections in Law, Literature and Lore," presented by Marshall Tanick, constitutional lawyer, and historian.

On November 22nd, 1963, at approximately 12:30 p.m., President John F. Kennedy was fatally shot in Dallas, Texas while riding in a motorcade with his wife, Jacqueline Kennedy, Texas Governor, John Connally and his wife Nelly Connally. The motorcade rushed to Parkland Hospital where at 1:00 p.m., the President was pronounced dead. Attorney Marshall Tanick will re-live and re-think this day for all of us!

DATE: Wednesday, November 22, 2023

TIME: Registration/Social: 11:30 a.m. Program: 12 noon

LOCATION: Ridgedale Library Rohlf Room

DONATION: \$10.00 per person. **Pay at the door.** Guests are welcome. All proceeds benefit BOND's Scholarship Funds.



TO REGISTER: Please inform Jean Efron, Registrar, with names of attendees at cyberjece@hotmail.com or phone 952-500-2090. If you have questions, email Linda Platt at lindaplatt100@gmail.com or Saralee Mogilner at saraleem@comcast.net.



Protect Yourself from Fraud and Scams. DO NOT MISS!!!

DATE: Tuesday, December 5, 2023

TIME: Registration/Social: 11:30 a.m. Program: 12 noon

LOCATION: Ridgedale Library. Rohlf Room

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The massive increases in the amount of money lost to fraud during the pandemic are here to stay. Conditions such as widespread social isolation, rapid advances in consumer technology, adoption of new payment methods and consumer protections that are not keeping pace are all contributing factors. New scams emerge almost daily, often using the same proven psychological tactics. With fraud losses skyrocketing in our country, now is the time to become more aware of your vulnerability, the risks for yourself and your family, and how to defend against these crimes.

PRESENTED BY: Jay Haapala, pictured above, is the Associate State Director of Community Engagement with AARP Minnesota, and leader of their Fraud Watch Network. Jay has worked and served in the nonprofit sector for 20 years building volunteer programs, and now is doing the same to build a network of Fraud Fighters with AARP.

The Second Amendment—A Liberal and Conservative Face-off

We wish to thank Marshall Tanick and Marshall Kelner for their, interesting, well-attended program/discussion about the "Right to Bear Arms," which was presented on October 11. The left was represented by Marshall Tanick, and the right was represented by Marshall Kelner, a member of the Conservative Federalist Society. The focus was on major cases that have been presented before the U.S. Supreme Court, and recent developments in Minnesota, in the law, and on the streets.



Left to right: Marshall Tanick, Saralee Mogilner, Marshall Kelner and Lori Weissman

2023 BOND Scholarship and Community Service

The BOND Scholarship Committee, headed by Suzanne Weinstein, had a fantastic year of fundraising and of giving scholarships. Funds were disbursed as follows:

College Scholarship	\$8,000
College Scholarship from Sherman Fund	\$2,000
IT Pathways	\$8,000
	\$18,000
Hag Sameach (JFCS Minneapolis)	\$1,000
Gift Giving (JFS St. Paul)	\$500
	\$1,500



2023 BOND Scholarship Committee

Front row left to right: Saralee Mogilner and Sheila Goldstein

Back row left to right: Suzanne Prass, Nancy Peilte, Peggy Mandel (JFCS), Suzanne Weinstein, Barbara Bearmon, Jean Efron, Aly Hendrix (JFCS), Dana Rubin (JFCS)

Excerpts from the thank you letter from Applicant #14

Dear Generous Donors,

Thank you so much for the very generous scholarship you awarded me through JFCS. This will help me tremendously as I complete my final year in the Doctorate of Audiology program at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis.

For the past three years, I have completed a combination of rigorous coursework, clinical practicum placements, and research during my time here, and my winters and summers in Minneapolis. I also chose to complete a Pediatric Audiology Specialization program, as my primary interest has always been to work with children with hearing loss and their families. For my final year, I am completing a full-time clinical pediatric audiology externship at Children's Wisconsin in Milwaukee. I am working with pediatric patients of all ages and with all types of hearing loss in both outpatient and inpatient settings.

As I complete my formal education in Audiology, I hope to continue to make a tangible difference in the lives of the children as I support them on their journeys. Thank you for your assistance throughout the past four years. I am grateful as I enter such a rewarding profession.

Monthly Activities

LUNCH BUNCH Everyone is welcome as we dine and socialize at noon on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday every month at various venues. RSVP to **Eva Broude at 952.544.5948. We carpool to minimize the number of cars going, and to accommodate those who do not drive. Note location change on November 8, and date change from November 22 to November 29.**

Nov. 8	Bacio – 1571 Plymouth Road, Minnetonka – 952-544-7000	RSVP by Nov. 6
Nov. 29	Crossroads Deli – 2795 Hedberg Drive, Minnetonka – 952.546.6595	RSVP by Nov. 27
Dec. 13	Doolittle's – 550 Winnetka Ave. S., Golden Valley – 763.542.1931	RSVP by Dec. 11
Dec. 27	Christos – 2632 Nicollet Ave. S., Minneapolis – 612.871.2111	RSVP by Dec. 25

SHORT STORY GROUP Reads one story each month, takes turns facilitating, and meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, starting at 9:30 a.m. to socialize, and at 10:00 a.m. for discussion. We would love to have you join our group. Contact Marian Altrowitz, maltrow@comcast.net or 952.935.1914 if you are interested. **The November 8th meeting will be in Saralee Mogilner's party room, 9731 Minnetonka Blvd., Minnetonka. As of December 13, the meetings will be held via Zoom. Marian will send out the link.**

We are reading stories from "The Best Short Stories 2021", edited by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie.

November 8	"Becoming the Baby Girl" by Adachioma Ezeano's	Facilitator: Barb Ritzen
December 13	"The Master's Castle" by Anthony Doerr. THIS WILL BE A ZOOM MEETING. MARION WILL SEND OUT THE LINK.	Facilitator: Marian Altrowitz

BOND FRIDAY BOOK CLUB meets at 9:30 a.m. for socializing and lite refreshments, and 10:00 a.m. for discussion, on the 3rd Friday of the month. Contact Sharon Levine at splevine2002@yahoo.com or 952.212.4994 if you are interested in joining the group and whether you are attending — **We will continue meeting at the EisnerAmper Building, formerly the Lurie Building, 2501 Wayzata Blvd., Minneapolis, unless noted otherwise.**

November 17	"Ozark Flats" by Bob Williams	Facilitator: Maraline Slovut
December 15	"The Cartographers" by Peng Shepherd	Facilitator: Nancy McKay
January 19	"At the Hour Between Dog and Wolf" by Tara Ison	Facilitator: Marilyn Wert

FRIENDLY REMINDER: WE ARE MAKING A CHANGE

Our BOND Newsletter will now be sent out every other month. Please save each edition through the end of the second month, as you will be needing it to remind yourselves of upcoming events until then.

The scheduled editions through 2024 are as follows: November/December 2023; January/February 2024; March/April 2024; May/June 2024; July/August 2024; September/October 2024; and November/December 2024. **IMPORTANT:** If you have information for the newsletter, please email it directly to Margie Gendler Marks at margendmar@gmail.com.

We are thinking of all families and individuals affected by the ravages of the war in the Mideast. Am Yisroel C'hai.

Fundraising Scholarship Funds

NEW DONATIONS POLICY: *Beginning immediately*, cards will not be sent until payment is received. As a reminder, you may send money in any amount to keep in a prepaid account. Deductions will be tracked for each donation made.

For a minimum donation of \$10.00, BOND makes sending cards easy for ANY occasion, and you help BOND's Scholarship Funds, including the Judy Sherman Scholarship Fund, and the Early Childhood Fund. Please include your message if you have one, otherwise one will be written for you. Also indicate your preferred closing (Love, Sincerely, etc.). Make your check payable to BOND, indicating the purpose of your donation, and mail it to:

Margie Gendler Marks, 2405 Zealand Ave. N., Golden Valley 55427
612.990.9399 (strongly preferred) or 763.544.2401; margendmar@gmail.com

JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER DONATIONS

DONATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND	DONATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND - continued
Speedy Recovery of Margie Gendler Marks Marian Altowitz Speedy Recovery of Marlene Goldberg Marian Altowitz Renee Gainsley Gerry Feldman Memory of Cal Wartnick, grandson of Babe and Norm Marian Altowitz Sharon Gelperin Sheila Goldstein Shelly and Jerry Silverman Millie Segal Marcia Harris Sandy Scherling Gerry Feldman Maraline Slovut Memory of Brian Salita, brother of Eileen Scherling Sheila Goldstein Shelly and Jerry Silverman Memory of Carolyn Abramson Sheila Goldstein Suzanne Prass Millie Segal Memory of Jan Raskin Doreen Greenblat Millie Segal	Memory of Diana Idelkope, sister of Sharon Posnansky Sharon Levine Sheila Goldstein Memory of Nancy Malmon Millie Segal Memory of Chezi Bakal, brother of Carmella Chazin Marian Altowitz Memory of Sheldon Feldman, husband of Gerry Sharon Perwien and Ben Sannel Memory of Eunice Gelb Millie Segal Sheila Goldstein
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	Speedy Recovery of Margie Gendler Marks Saralee Mogilner Speedy Recovery of Marlene Goldberg Saralee Mogilner Memory of Eunice Gelb Saralee Mogilner
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SILVER AND COLLECTIBLES - Contact Nancy Garber at 952.922.4990 to donate your items.

Is your silver or silverplate no longer a treasure?

BOND Scholarship Funds educates many without measure.

Donate items, one or a few.

These additional dollars may surprise even you!!!

Now accepting delicate collectibles enjoyed adding a must,

Reunited to BOND, glass or ceramics, no longer to dust!

\$6,974.15 has been raised for scholarships since the project began.

Annual BOND Book Author Event August 23, 2023



AUTHORS

Aamina Ahmad, Mary Logue, Pete Hautmann
and Julie Schumacher



Julie Schumacher and Cheri Rolnick



Saralee Mogilner, Babe Wartnick
and Nancy Peilte



Ursula Margoles, Elaine Fink and Diane Yellen



Branching Out in New Directions MISSION STATEMENT

Through Education, Service and Philanthropy, BOND, a nonprofit organization, offers its members opportunities for intellectual pursuits, community service, social interaction, and philanthropy. www.bondtc.org

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