



BRANCHING OUT IN NEW DIRECTIONS

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January 2021 Newsletter

President's Message

Dear BOND members,

A New Year, A New Beginning.

As 2021 arrives, I am humbled and inspired by the community of BOND volunteers who consistently commit and then recommit to our mission statement with fervor and optimism.



So...this is a message filled with gratitude and "thanks". Thanks to Marlene Goldberg for helping create exciting and diverse programming. Accolades to Sheila Goldstein who oversees philanthropy and community service. Thank you, Nettie Nabedrick and Sandy Scherling for overcoming the cancellation of Book Author with a new-normal, non-event that made it possible to continue funding our community commitments. Babe Wartnick, Nettie Nabedrick, and Marian Altowitz did a phenomenal job with membership. Ursula Margolis and Nancy Peilte have made the path towards the funding of scholarship gifting and other community needs an actuality. We owe enormous appreciation for our Newsletter and email specialist, Barbara Parks. And not to be overlooked, thanks to Janet Cohen, who made possible our ability to enjoy virtual meetings and programs and raised our communication potential to new levels. Last, but not least, appreciation to Holly Wartnick for her expertise with our website and continuing to keep it up to date.

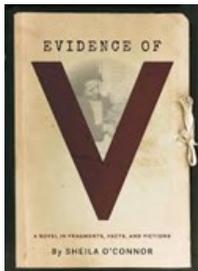
I cannot begin to mention all the board members, past presidents and members at large who contribute to our success, but you know who you are and I sincerely "thank you".

I feel very privileged to lead BOND. Let's welcome the new year as an opportunity to further connect with each other, to reimagine "new directions" and to anticipate a new year when we can all gather together again as we continue our support for our community and families of all kinds.

Be safe and be well,
Saralee Mogilner, BOND President 952-935-2156 or saraleem@comcast.net

Education/Adventures in Learning

Listen to author Sheila O'Connor, professor at Hamline University, discuss her book "Evidence of V".



Monday, January 11, 2021 2:00 PM CST

ZOOM INFORMATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU JUST BEFORE THE EVENT

In an ambitious blend of fact and fiction, including family secrets, documents from the era, and a thin, fragmentary case file unsealed by the court, novelist Sheila O'Connor tells the riveting story of "V", a talented fifteen-year-old singer in the 1930's in Minneapolis who aspires to be a star. This is the story about the grandmother ("V") Sheila O'Connor never knew. "V" becomes pregnant by a 35-year-old Jewish manager of the Cascade Club in Minneapolis. Records that Professor O'Connor uncovered in 2001 at the Minnesota Historical Center revealed that "V" was sent to a home in Sauk Center when she was 15 years old. O'Connor will tell us what happened to "V", the baby and the family. You will want to hear her story.

Marlene Goldberg, sgoldb5208@aol.com or 612-743-9120
Saralee Mogilner, saraleem@comcast.net or 952-935-2156.



SENSING MEMORIES: LINKING ARTWORKS 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.

Emily’s tour will explain how memory helps us keep important things “close to our hearts”. We will use the art works on this tour to explore how memories are evoked, formed, and retained through one’s imagination and physical senses, both our own and those of the artists whose works we will examine.

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

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

RSVP to Sharon Levine if you are interested in joining the group (meets at 10:00 a.m. the 3rd Friday of the month) and also 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.

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| Jan 15 | Nothing More Dangerous by Allen Eskens, Facilitator: Joyce Martin |
| 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.

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| January 13 | “Cousins” | Fruma Goldfarb will facilitate. |
| February 10 | “A Case of Dementia” | Millie Segal will facilitate. |
| March 10 | “Passage” | 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.

Fundraising/Philanthropy

Letter from St. Paul Jewish Family Services

A recent letter from Ruth Olkon, CEO of Saint Paul Jewish Family Service, thanked BOND for its continuous support and recent \$5,000 donation to assist their Employee Services Program. They sent the example below of how our funds are being used.

“Bonnie, 34, who is working in the fast-food industry to meet the daily needs of her daughter and herself, applied to JFS for a scholarship for her studies. She wished to pursue a job in computer programming, which is competitive; certification, and experience are required. She had saved enough money to either buy a computer, which she did, or enroll in a training program that offered internship opportunities after the coursework was completed. JFS helped her prepare for the entrance interview and testing and granted her a scholarship to pay for the course fees. She is about halfway through, with a good chance of being hired as a programmer with the same company where she is doing an internship. Bonnie is excited about her next steps.”

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. Contact Nancy Garber at 952-922-4990.

Membership

BOND has 206 members, 51 of whom are sustaining. Invite your friends to be part of this wonderful organization.

If you haven't paid your membership dues yet, please send your check, made out to BOND, to Marian Altowitz, 12717 Myrtle Cir, Minnetonka, MN 55305. Sustaining dues are \$54 or more, and regular annual dues are \$40.

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

December Donations SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Condolences

Bari Gordon

Marlene & Sandy Goldberg

Husband of Phyliss Beaty

Carolyn Kaufmann

Leonard Brooks - brother of Maraline Slovut

Beverly London

Linda Gilfix

Fruma Goldfarb

Eva Broude

Millie Segal

Babe Wartnick

Sharon Gelperin

Nettie Nabedrick

Marian Altowitz

Suzanne Prass

Get Well

Marlene Goldberg

Fruma Goldfarb

Beverly London

Millie Segal

Happy 100th Birthday

Dr. David Rosenbaum

Fruma & Benjie Goldfarb

Dates to Remember

Refer to all the activities listed in the Adventures in Learning section.



Getting to Know our Members

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



Fruma Goldfarb

Fruma was born 1939 in St. Paul, Minnesota. She attended Mattock and Horace Mann Elementary School and Central High School. From there she trained to be an X-ray Technologist at the University of Minnesota and later she returned to the University for a BA degree. Fruma also received her teacher certification at Macalester College and a Master's Degree in special education from St. Thomas College. Her special education training was K-12, working with children with autism and developmental disabilities.

In 1960 Fruma married Benjie Goldfarb. They have 4 sons and 19 grandchildren. Fruma & Benjie met at the U when she was an xray student. He's from Duluth and is now a retired cardiologist.

When Fruma's youngest son started school, she began teaching in the Minneapolis school system. In 1983 the family moved to Israel where they lived in Omer for 33 years before returning to Minneapolis in 2016. Their children and grandchildren are all now in the states, except two grandchildren who are in Israel. Fruma indicated that moving to Israel was an adventure and they were very idealistic. They had been on a trip there, and one of her sons said he wanted to live in Israel; they decided to make Aliyah. Her kids knew Rabbi Yonatan Sadoff, who grew up at Beth El, and he was the Rabbi at the Masorti congregation in Omer. He lived with them when he first arrived.

Fruma taught in the Israeli school system and at the Kaye Teacher's College in Beer Sheva, where she taught math methods for special needs children, which is a program she developed while still in Minneapolis. This became her specialty. Fruma also supervised student teachers.

Fruma served as the chairperson of the Education Committee of Magen Avraham Masorti Synagogue in Omer for 20 years. When Fruma came back to Minneapolis, Fern Badzin brought her to a BOND event, decided Fruma should be a member, and Fern paid Fruma's membership. Fruma sends out donation cards for BOND.

Reading, cooking and quilting are favorite activities for Fruma.

Miscellaneous



Share Your Holiday Pictures with BOND

BOND invites you to share holiday pictures of you and your friends and families this holiday season from Thanksgiving to New Year's.

Please send pictures to Barbara Parks, earrings3@yahoo.com for inclusion in the newsletter. Thanks! Janet Cohen

Happy
Chanukah
from Janet
Cohen &
Family



SNOWBIRDS: Please let Beverly London know the dates you plan to be away so mailings can be sent to you at the proper address. Contact Beverly at bjlondon01@gmail.com or 612-718-9951.