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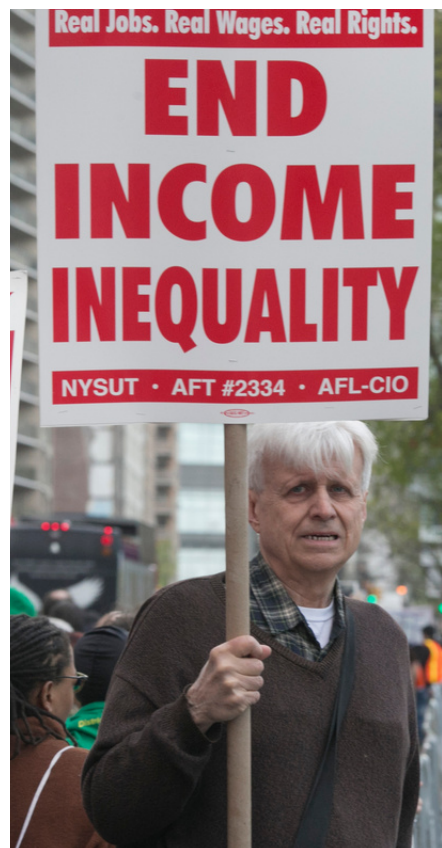
by Diane Menna

On May 31, **Tony Gronowicz** passed suddenly. You may have known him. Maybe not as well as others, but I knew Tony. If he was at a DA meeting or an Adjunct First Friday meeting or a demo, you couldn't miss him. He was over six feet tall, thin with a thick shock of silver hair and piercing dark eyes. He made an impression, but not merely because of his physical appearance.

Tony possessed gravitas. He sat patiently and quietly listening to others at the table before speaking. When he did speak, he knew what he was talking about. Tony had a BA from Columbia and a PhD from the University of Pennsylvania, published three seminal books on history and public affairs. He was a member of the CUNY community for over 50 years, teaching at both BMCC and Brooklyn College.

Many of you probably ran into him at some point in your career if you were active in the union. Tony showed up when it counted. If you did know him, even casually as I did, you will miss him.

I didn't know him as well as some of you, so here are some bits of what others said recently about Tony.



“ I spoke to Tony Gronowicz last month before the DA. We both discussed our love for teaching because we said our students are so inspiring. We said we find it hard to retire because we like teaching so much. I admired Tony for his continual struggle to make changes in our society. I also was so stuck by his strength to run for Mayor on the Green Party line. . . I will miss Tony. Tony will stay in our hearts.

Gusan DiRaimo,
Lehman, City College

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“ He will be so missed. He was a sweet, supportive colleague who was dedicated to the union, his students, and scholarship.

Kathleen Offenholly,
BMCC chapter chair

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“ Tony really will be missed in so many ways. He was a wonderful and caring professor and scholar, a real comrade, and deeply committed to anti-imperialist and anti-racist struggles. He was a steadfast supporter of Palestinian liberation and of defending students and academic workers (including the Fired Four!) who were targeted for their solidarity with Palestine. I don’t think he ever missed a meeting of the International Committee, and we will really miss his history lessons, critical insights, and wit in our meetings and on our listserv.

Corinna Mullin,
Brooklyn College, John Jay College ”



“ I shared the adjunct office at BMCC with Tony since I began there, somehow we seemed to always have an overlapping schedule. We also both liked the same seat, so I would always be mad when he got there before me. AND he never logged out, which was so frustrating. We fought so often that one other adjunct in the office asked if we were married or something. We eventually reached a point of mutual understanding (and I showed him how to log out) and became very friendly. He also talked to me about the union from my first years at BMCC, but I didn’t take it seriously until later. I wish I had gotten involved earlier. I didn’t even realize how much of an influence he was on me, but now that he’s gone, I feel it deeply. I will miss him.

Rebecca Gmart,
BMCC, Baruch ”

“ Like others, I remember seeing Tony at every union action and event. Occasionally his schedule and mine would overlap at Brooklyn and we’d run into each other on our way in and, if we weren’t running late, would chat for a bit. We didn’t always agree but I always felt inspired and in awe of his bone deep commitment to fighting for labor rights and more broadly for a just society.

Mobina Hashmi,
co-chair Brooklyn College ”



“ For me Tony appeared unstoppable. In addition to the most visible measure of his dedication—his unfailing weekly labor news round-up, Tony was indeed the one who would always show up for a protest. I remember a 5 am February bus a month into the current Trump era. He rode with three undergrads, a John Jay colleague and me to join with local NAACP allies to protest in DC on President’s day. He never wavered.

Zabby (Elizabeth) Hovey,
co-chair John Jay College ”

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What a shocking loss.
 Tony was a tremendous
 stalwart for our union,
 always dedicated to his
 students and to the
 struggle. Tony
 Gronowicz, Presente!

Lynne Turner,
 VP for Part-timers,
 LaGuardia Community College

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Rest in Power Tony.



Global South in the Arctic North by Renate Bridenthal



[Original online:

<https://geopoliticeconomy.com/2024/05/14/arctic-indigenous-nations-sovereignty/>]

The retreating ice of the Arctic due to its accelerated warming—four times greater than elsewhere in the world—has uncovered resources, notably oil and various rare earths coveted by the advanced industrial nations. The scramble for these resources is impacting the livelihoods of indigenous people and embroiling them in political tensions. But they have a history of resistance.

The Inuit in Alaska, Canada, and Greenland, a colony of Denmark; and the Sami in Finland, Sweden, Norway and Russia—resisted colonization from the beginning, when the invading states cut up their freely roaming circumpolar existence and confined them as minorities within borders. Over time, as their traditional ways of living were eroded, they became dependent on imported food, which had to be flown in. One result of the high price of food has been deteriorating health and higher mortality rates. Cultural genocide was one outcome of forced assimilation through residential schools for indigenous

children, where they were also exposed to physical and sexual abuse, malnutrition, disease and premature death. A directly genocidal practice was reproductive control through coerced and even secretive practices like [fitting women with intrauterine contraceptive devices](#).

Renewed resistance by Indigenous peoples

Decades of complaint, followed by promises of reform, have changed little on the ground. A deep reservoir of resentment has found new voices. A surge of renewed resistance took place in the global anti-colonial movements of the 1960s and 1970s, which resulted in representative associations and some legislation protecting minority rights at least rhetorically. But many old problems remain unsolved and new ones exacerbate them.

Now, in the face of governments' continued inertia and with the heightened domination of renewed militarization, the voices of the afflicted have become louder. One of their demands is for education to include an Arctic lens that recognizes local experts and knowledge-keepers as deserving credentials equal to traditional academic ones. Another demand is for genuine inclusion through representation on boards, participation in the decision-making in the new, extractive industries in order to prevent exploitative practices and to ensure shared ownership of the results of research and development.

New leaders make proposals



Natan Obed, President of the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami

To correct the sometimes abysmal health care, indigenous leaders propose long-term funds determined by and for each community to create regional or community health centers. Finally, as inheritors of the planet, young indigenous leaders demand representation in international and national policy-making on environmental matters.

Beyond these demands for inclusion, an even more radical idea has surfaced, that of self-determination, short of separatism where indigenous peoples insist on a national identity and self-rule distinct from the states that colonized them. How might this new restiveness play out in an increasingly tense atmosphere of great power hostility manifesting as

militarization in the Arctic? Can the Inuit and Sami project their voices beyond the Arctic region onto the world stage?

In Canada, Natan Obed, a young leader of the Inuit, has challenged the federal government to put up or be sidelined. He has publicly stated that while Canada remains the preferred partner, the Inuit retain the option of exploring other partners for major projects, such as resource development, housing, and other needs. This position has been enabled by the growing interest of many other countries in taking advantage of the new wealth of the Arctic, but also by the growing significance of an increasingly coherent global Indigeneity movement aligning with the Global South against present and former colonization.

As the tectonic plates of the earth and of geopolitics continue to move, keep an eye on the Arctic!



Just Another AFT Convention?

by Sharon Utakis

I was part of the PSC contingent to the AFT Convention in Washington, DC this year, my third time attending. While my views of the previous conventions had been mostly negative, I hoped that this year's convention would be an improvement.

There are definite benefits to attending AFT (and NYSUT) conventions: to see and talk to

delegates from across the country from a wide range of unions, to hear

about the issues, and also to get to know other PSC delegates. There are also definite benefits for the PSC as a member union and political entity to

send delegates and participate in submitting and voting on resolutions, caucusing and forming relationships with like-minded affiliates, and perhaps even move the progressive needle a bit by providing leadership. As active PSC members, many of you may have attended (and “worked”) these conventions in the past.



Randi Weingarten speaking at 2026 AFT Convention

Ten years ago in 2016, those of you who attended may remember, the convention was memorable because delegates were supposed to vote on

an endorsement for presidential candidate (Hillary Clinton or Bernie Sanders) at the convention. I personally supported Bernie, but I expected Hillary to win. What I did not expect was that upon arrival at the convention, we would be handed Hillary t-shirts along with our convention programs—a *fait accompli* before the vote. That has shaped my view of the AFT ever since.

A call for unity

This year, I hoped that the AFT convention would be a more unifying and democratic event and in many ways it was. There was a lot of emphasis on unity and on getting out the vote for the midterm elections. Some of the resolutions passed reflected that [see resolutions passed here: <https://www.aft.org/resolutions-adopted-convention-2026>]. There were resolutions on affordability, against war, supporting the LGBTQI+ community, and protecting immigrants (though this called for “ICE out” rather than “abolish ICE” and only seemed to find ICE’s actions during the Trump administration to be a problem).

Higher education seemed to be featured more prominently than in the past, including a divisional meeting and breakfast along with the Higher Education Committee. The AAUP/AFT affiliation of 2022 (see here: <https://www.aaup.org/faqs-aaupaft-affiliation>) seems to have had positive effects. Notably, there was a resolution in support of due process rights for contingent faculty (submitted and strongly supported by the California Federation of Teachers and the PSC).

What about retirees?

Of interest to us retirees, three resolutions from the Retirement Committee were passed. The first, “Organizing Retirees to Build Power,” focused on encouraging AFT affiliates to maintain retirees on membership lists and (for those affiliates without them) to organize retiree chapters. The second, “Fighting for Responsible Capital Stewardship to Benefit American Workers” called for retirement funds to “not knowingly invest in entities whose business model privatizes public sector jobs, extracts short-term profit from portfolio companies at the expenses of long-term value, cuts pension obligations in bankruptcy or opposes workers’ rights to organize and bargain collectively” (see the full resolution for more details: <https://www.aft.org/resolution/fighting-responsible-capital-stewardship-benefit-american-workers>). The third resolution, “On Fiduciary Concerns Regarding Investments with Apollo Global Management” seemed to be a specific instance of the previous resolution, calling out Apollo Global Management, a private equity firm run by billionaire Marc Rowan.

UFT the 500-pound gorilla

Given my previous experiences at the AFT Convention, I knew to expect the oversized role of UFT delegates (especially in “calling the question” and other maneuvers in Roberts Rules) and their unquestioning support of Randi Weingarten. I found that less of an issue than in the past, with more room for other voices to be heard. However, in the last half hour of the convention, a few people, probably new to the convention, voiced complaints about the way the convention was conducted and called it undemocratic. Randi Weingarten came off the stage to respond not as the leader of the convention, but as a delegate, and took great offense (and was roundly supported by cheering UFT delegates). So much for unity.

If you’re interested, retirees are eligible, and I encourage you to run as an AFT/NYSUT delegate.



– MY TWO CENTS: POINT/COUNTERPOINT –

Trump’s New OMB Proposals Will Upend U.S. Science as We Know It by David Kotelchuck

On May 29, 2026, the federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued a set of proposals to upend the decades-old peer-review system by which federal agencies evaluate and fund science grant proposals. OMB proposes to change this system by making peer-reviews advisory in nature, and then adding a mandatory “pre-issuance review” by the director of each federal science-funding agency (or his or her designee) to assure that the proposal is aligned with Administration policies and priorities. Among these administration policies is that proposals for studies aligned with Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) efforts are forbidden. The OMB announced that these proposals were open for public comment through July 13, 2026. (<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2026-05-29/pdf/2026-10817.pdf>)

Then, in a stunning outpouring, almost half a million comments were submitted by this deadline by organizations, public institutions and individuals, many of us members of AAUP and of the PSC, as well as of other locals of the AFT, our national union. According to an initial review of all the comments by the data-analytic group STAT, *95 percent of these were in opposition to the OMB proposals and one percent in favor.* One of the statements of opposition was issued by CUNY Chancellor Felix Matos Rodriguez.

What's Wrong with the OMB proposal?



First, it is unprofessional. There is no requirement for heads of federal agencies or their designees, who conduct the pre-issuance reviews, to have minimum levels of competence in the scientific fields they are overseeing. *Second, it is clearly unfair and inequitable.* This pre-issuance enables heads of federal agencies (or their designees) to act as political commissars. They would be the sole persons to decide whether the grants being reviewed

“demonstrably advance the President’s policy priorities,” or at least “Align with administration policies and priorities.” *Third, it is unjust and dictatorial.* Nothing in the OMB proposal gives the authors of grant proposals any appeal rights within the reviewing agencies or their supervising agencies, as has been the case in the past.

Finally, it is blatantly discriminatory. Among the Administration policies and priorities which the OMB seeks to promote is the halt in funding for all proposals aligned with DEI studies. Many comments, including those from this author, specifically denounced this priority as one informed by racial animus. One cannot but look at the Administration’s systematic dismissal of virtually all top-ranking military leaders of color (and female leaders) to see evidence of this. Nor can one escape this inference when looking at the majorities of the populations of color among the 39 nations whose citizens are now either fully banned from this country or whose entry here is otherwise restricted. (Reference below)

Enacted as Proposed, the OMB Proposals Would Also Be Unworkable

The changes proposed in the review process are not only unfair to prospective grantees, *but unworkable in practice.* Those who engage in scientific research take not only years but often decades to pursue and verify their initial hypotheses or not. The OMB proposal implicitly seems to recognize this. Applicants for grants “are encouraged to design Federal programs to allow for multi-year awards with budget periods longer than one year.” But then, *in striking contradiction* to this, OMB goes on to say the proposal “expressly contemplates” changes in agency goals or priorities that would allow agencies after grant approval to “terminate a federal award in part or its entirety.”

Looking Ahead

In two and a half years, the United States will elect a new president. Will the new president choose to put greater emphasis on funding development of renewable sources of energy, or continue development of sources based on coal, oil and natural gas? Will he or she put renewed emphasis on studying the environment and workplace toxins? Maybe she will continue to fund the long-sought-after and very expensive development of fusion sources of energy? A new president will in all likelihood make new choices. Thus, should a scientist who does research in one of the above or related fields develop and submit a multi-year federal proposal now and, if successful, face the possibility of getting cut off by a new administration in a few years (as happened this year with the wild and wooly DOGE cuts)?

Or perhaps the applicants might better decide to wait a few years to find out which new President or party administration will be elected before seeking funding? Who can predict the future? Giving the Administration greater *political power* in deciding which scientific proposals are funded, and then giving it further rights to *terminate at will*, puts younger, practicing scientists face-to-face with a range of Hobson's choices.

The *greatest threat of all*, I believe, is that after all the extraordinary advances made by scientific researchers in this country since World War II, U.S. scientists seeking stability in their professional and personal lives might well decide to leave the U.S. for a more stable future in science elsewhere. This would constitute a brain drain of scientists from the U.S., which is untenable as a matter of public policy. Already there is anecdotal evidence that this is beginning to happen.

REFERENCE: (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/fact-sheets/2025/12/fact-sheet-president-donald-j-trump-further-restricts-and-limits-the-entry-of-foreign-nationals-to-protect-the-security-of-the-united-states/>). Not included on this list of 39 countries is South Africa, for which our President makes a singular exception, for white South Africans. (NY Times, 5/20/26, p.17, and 6/29/26, p.14)



– WHAT'D I MISS? CHAPTER MEETING RECAP – **Schmoozing with Old Friends, Colleagues & Comrades:** **June Retirees Luncheon** **by Nancy Romer**

The Retiree Chapter of the PSC held our semi-annual luncheon at John Jay College on June 15, 2026. There were about 90 participants from all over CUNY. The food

was fine, but the company was even better!

PSC Retiree Luncheons give us the opportunity to greet old colleagues, friends and union comrades. They also give us the opportunity to hear from PSC leadership and from each other about new opportunities to participate in political action in these critical times.

We heard from PSC President James Davis who updated us on the many projects, programs and campaigns the union is engaged in, including immigrant defense, academic freedom protections, support for objective scientific research, our upcoming contract, our relationships with Mayor Mamdani, Governor Hochul, and other political efforts to protect our members, CUNY and society at large. We also heard from PSC Treasurer Felicia Wharton, who is leading our civil rights work. There are so many opportunities for PSC retirees to get involved with these campaigns. Please ask one of the PSC retiree officers (retirees@pscmail.org) to help you connect to the ongoing union project that you are most interested in.

Marcia Newfield introduced (and recruited) our guest speaker, Distinguished Professor of English Ashley Dawson, who told us about his work at the intersection of environmental justice and art. He showed a short film about the environmental justice movement in NYC, highlighting some of the most important efforts in NYC communities. The depth of participation and the longevity of the campaigns were moving and impressive.

Our Retiree Luncheons take place in January and June. We hope you join us and renew friendships and commitments that keep us all vital. Happy Summer!



Thanks to Norman Lewis

Museum Exhibits: Sept/Oct 2026

by Marcia Newfield



American Alliance of Museums

Metropolitan Museum of Art

Musical Bodies (until September 27)



MUSICAL BODIES

This is the first major exhibit to explore the relationship between musical instruments and the body bringing together 130 instruments, paintings, and sculptures that express who we are and what we believe. It explores 4,000 years of art and music history.

Costume Art (until January 10)



This exhibit pairs garments with art works from the museum's vast collection in new spacious 12,000-square-foot galleries adjacent to

the Great Hall. Focusing primarily on Western art from prehistory to the present, *Costume Art* presents connections between garments from The Costume Institute and objects from the Museum's other collecting areas. Pairings between fashions and artworks will present a spectrum of connections and experiences: from the formal to the conceptual, the aesthetic to the political, the individual to the universal, the illustrative to the symbolic, and the playful to the profound. These pairings are organized into a series of thematic body types that reflect their pervasiveness and endurance through time and cultures.

New York Historical

Revolutionary Women (until October 25)

How did the Revolution and living through the experience of war impact New York's women—and how did women impact the Revolution in New York and beyond? The exhibition breaks new narrative ground, including love letters, poems, petitions and military correspondence, archeological objects, paintings, household objects, and more.



Democracy Matters (until November 1)



The exhibition explores how the concept of democracy has stretched, contracted, and shifted through key moments in the history of the nation; how competing understandings of it have come into conflict; and how those conflicts have reshaped its boundaries.

Families visiting Democracy Matters will explore both the big idea of democracy and the themed threads of protest, speech, symbols, and petitioning in five areas of engagement throughout the gallery.

Guggenheim

Taryn Simon (September 18, 2026 through March 14, 2027)



This major exhibition premieres a new body of work by Taryn Simon. The project will bring together never-before-seen photographs, text, videos, and sculptures in a singular, interactive installation filling the entire Rotunda. Simon is widely recognized for her storytelling, which directs our attention to the whispers and unseen forces shaping the worlds we inhabit. Her new project will gather a massive constellation of images around a sweeping narrative that spirals through the space. Visitors will choose their own pathways through the whirlwind Simon has assembled.

Whitney Museum

“Untitled” America (on continuous view)

The exhibit features renowned works from the Whitney’s collection alongside recent acquisitions, highlighting key ideas and approaches in American art from 1900 through the early 1980s. Beginning with the Whitney’s robust holdings in figurative and realist traditions, the presentation considers how artists have responded to place and memory



in the American landscape, popular culture and the rise of consumerism, the seductions and illusions of mass media, and the spatial and cultural dynamics of abstraction.

Brooklyn Museum

Hopi Kachina Dolls: Blessings for a Balanced World (October 2, 2026 through April 18, 2027)

Kachina dolls (*tithu*) represent Katsinam, spirits who bring much-needed moisture and keep the world in balance for the Hopi, an Indigenous tribe in



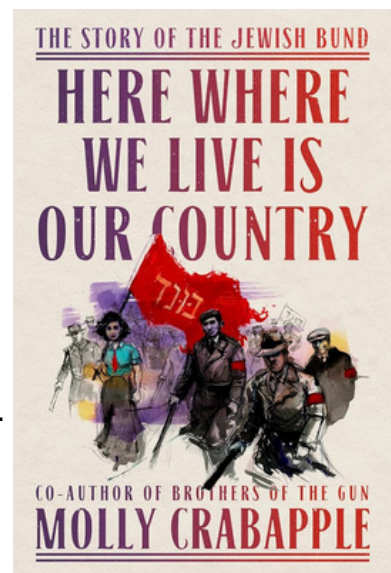
arid northeastern Arizona. Carved from cottonwood and distinctively painted, the dolls are treasured gifts from the Katsinam, given exclusively to Hopi girls and women. This exhibition is the first to examine the Hopi kachina doll tradition from their recipients' perspective. Fifty-three dolls, drawn from the Museum's far-reaching Indigenous art collection, are among more than 120 works on view. These *tithu* illustrate key phases of a Hopi woman's life—from infancy, when a baby girl first receives a simple flat doll, to adulthood, when *tithu* become more complex and women honor their

important relationships to the Katsinam through prayer and participation in social dances. The exhibition also celebrates Hopi women's creativity and resilience, showing how they have long sustained their society by Hopi Dolls.



A Book Review by Hester Eisenstein:
“Here Where We Live Is Our Country: The Story of the Jewish Bund”
by Molly Crabapple

This book has hit a nerve. Ostensibly it is a history of the Bund, a long lost international Jewish political and social organization from the late 19th and early 20th centuries, stretching across the world from Russia and Poland to New York. The Bund sought to create a safe space for Jewish communities in a virulently anti-Semitic society. The goals were ambitious: the Bund provided a political home, and a cultural community, with a range of social services. But I think the reason the book is resonating now is because it offers a vision of a Jewish community that was fiercely opposed to the establishment of a Jewish state.



The title expresses the thesis: it is possible, and indeed desirable, to live as Jews wherever they live—“here where we live”—rather than in (then) Palestine. In the context of the violent era we are living through, where the fact of Israeli genocide in Gaza and Lebanon is no longer controversial, this is indeed a point worth making.

Beginnings, endings, and in between

Kudos to Molly Crabapple, who enrolled in Yiddish classes at YIVO so she could read the Bund archives! The book begins in 1772 and swirls through the centuries, ending in 1948. The author's attachment to the Bund begins with her great-grandfather Samuel Rothbort, a Bundist leatherworker from Volkovyst, Belarus, who became an artist in New York City, and whose paintings helped to inspire this narrative. It ends with the demise of the Bund as an organized political entity. But in between we hear many tales of heroism, including in the Warsaw ghetto uprising, and much discussion of what was essentially a socialist or communist strategy for the Jewish community, persecuted over the centuries in Russia and Eastern Europe. The strengths of this book include: first of all its thoroughness. MC has resurrected a detailed, multinational history of a significant political and social organization, tracing the lives of many leading characters throughout their dramatic struggles to maintain a viable community and to interact with the complicated revolutionary politics of the period preceding, during and after the Russian Revolution. Her list of characters takes up three single-spaced pages in the book.

Here Where We Live is also noteworthy for its passion. From time to time the author jumps to a memory of her own political activism, identifying viscerally with the politics of the characters she has brought to life. She feels strongly the experiences she is recounting and imbues them with the significance of an (ultimately doomed) struggle for a viable Jewish existence in the midst of war and revolution.

A weakness (and I hesitate to be too critical of what is really a tour de force of a book) is the rush of events, details and characters, to the point where it is sometimes hard to follow the narrative.

And now

Above all, I would say the significance of this book, and its appearance now, is an intervention in the debate over the status of the state of Israel, as noted earlier. The Bund had a vision of the Jewish community living in harmony with its surrounding community, whether in Poland, Russia, or New York. (Needless to say this idealism was met over and over again with intense brutality and violence, culminating in the Holocaust.)

Those who are struggling to oppose the ongoing violence being perpetrated by the modern state of Israel, in Iran, Lebanon, Gaza, and Syria (with Netanyahu now threatening to attack Turkey), can take many lessons from Crabapple's narrative. Not least of these is that for the Jewish community,

the perils of having established a state on hostile territory at the bloody expense of their former Palestinian neighbors, may in the end outweigh the gains.



The Visual Arts by Alan Feigenberg

walking through new york, i am always looking at the relationships that people develop with their urban environment. it always challenges & excites me to “take a shot” of a physical person in an art-graffitti-advertisement-mural.

i ask myself....how conscious is this person in the picture of where they are stopping? why here? both “paintings” are on masonry walls that someone, some group, some store wanted to take advantage of & visually develop their goal-purpose.



i see this wall as realistic art.....

this one on the left was a wall about 15 feet high by 50 feet long & art achieved by a group supporting a beauty of nature. is he going to share his drink with the bird who is perched there? looks like they both are wearing helmets.

both pictures include: one real person & one painted image; one person is male, one is female; both the man on the cycle & the woman painted on the wall are holding a drink; both painted elements are larger than each of the persons.

i see this wall as commercial art.....

this one is clearly painted to interest-inform people of a store set back from the walkway. i can see the possibility of a woman giving something to, or getting something from the woman serving her wine.



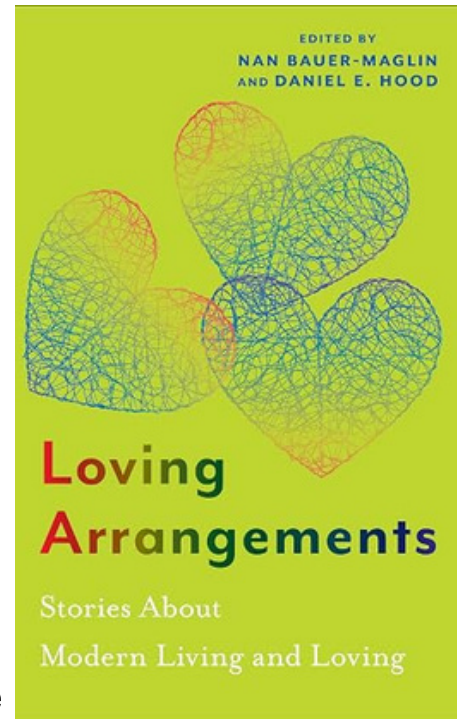
— COMMUNITY BOARD —

Book Announcement:

Loving Arrangements: Stories of Modern Living and Loving

Nan Bauer-Maglin is professor emerita at City University of New York. She has edited or co-edited nine collections including, with Daniel E. Hood, *Gray Love: Stories About Dating and New Relationships After 60*, also published by Rutgers University Press.

Love songs and Hollywood romances make it all sound so simple: you find your soul mate, move in together, get married, never stray from the path of monogamy, and live happily ever after. But real life tends to be more complicated. Many couples pursue alternative living arrangements, and some even pursue alternative loving arrangements.



The twenty-nine personal essays in this collection offer a variety of perspectives and experiences with nontraditional relationships and forms of cohabitation. The contributors include married couples who live in separate cities and single people who find companionship through communes and co-housing. These essays also present varied outlooks on the practice and ethics of having multiple partners, with some embracing large polycules while others opt for “monogamish” relationships. Everyone has a different story to tell, from close friends living together to form a chosen family, to couples navigating the shifting boundaries of their relationship as one partner begins a gender transition. With contributors from different generations, representing the full ethnic and cultural diversity of the United States, ***Loving Arrangements*** demonstrates the myriad ways that we live and love today.



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The editors of *Turning The Page* are soliciting story proposals and article submissions. Please let us know what you are interested in reading and writing about in your newsletter. Send your proposals to retirees@pscmail.org with “TTP” as the subject.



SPRING SEMESTER MEETING DATES: PSC RETIREES CHAPTER

PSC Retirees Meetings, on Zoom

MONDAY, September 14, 2026 — 1:00 PM

MONDAY, October 5, 2026 — 1:00 PM

MONDAY, November 2, 2026 — 1:00 PM

MONDAY, December 7, 2026 — 1:00 PM



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