



CLASS OF 1967
50TH REUNION



Dear Classmates,

Whether it seems like a very long time ago, like only yesterday, or a little of both, it really has been fifty years since our commencement. And now we are getting ready for another celebration at Brandeis.

The Reunion Committee has worked diligently to create a memorable weekend. We will reconnect with friends, classmates, and even some apparent strangers to share memories and marvel at how we and the University have changed and not changed over the last fifty years. There will be meals, discussions, entertainment, gatherings, and schmoozing.

A special keepsake of the Reunion is our class yearbook. Thanks to all who sent in submissions. We are especially grateful to Ron Mayer for his efforts in spearheading this project. Enjoy it! The yearbook contains the stories, memories, and thoughts of many of our classmates. Each is unique. Some are funny, some are sad, some are informative, and some are not. Yet together they tell a story and no matter how much we may care to deny it, it is a story that played an important part in our lives.

We are looking forward to seeing you in June.

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Anne Reilly Hort
50th Reunion Co-Chairs

Handwritten signature of Howard S. Scher in black ink.

Howard Scher

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Robert Hort

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Headlines from the Justice during our years on campus

September, 1963

May, 1967

Clean and Well-Fed?

All the Comforts of Home

*University Will Not Defy
Draft Deferment Policies*

The Wonder Years

Dig We Must!



Housing

Gracious Living!

Ellen Laviana



From Left Field

Let's Be Offensive!

Chuck Goldfarb

University Health Services

'You should live and be well'



**Compromise Quells Dining Hall Crisis
After Council Demands Quick Action**

*Dynamic Duo
All Highlight
Priority Week*

**Harriers Cheered On
By Yacker Fan Club**

Theatre

Soppy Sadism

Dick Goldberg



Ridgewood Quad, shown above, was the scene of fumigation by B & G for bedbugs last week.

The Psychedelic Bonanza

Drug Cult's Significance



Last Word on Jock Shorts

**Fire Damages Brandeis Coop
Arson Possibility Investigated**



Freedom and Responsibility, II

Roger Gottlieb

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following speech delivered to the freshman class during Orientation Week by Roger Gottlieb, '68, now studying in England may be viewed as a counterpart of the speech on "Freedom and Responsibility" delivered to the freshmen at the President's Banquet by Dr. Sachar. We regret that Dr. Sachar's speech is not available at this time. According to his office, Dr. Sachar spoke "off the cuff."

Ladies and gentlemen: It was not easy to decide just what to say to you this evening, for I did not want to tell you something which you have heard before or which it is inevitable that you learn.

There is, after all, no reason for me to suggest that you have sexual intercourse with one another or that you experiment with drugs—you will, in numbers that may astonish you. No reason for me to advise you to be cynical and suspicious of the adults that control this university—they'll sell you out in your own time and you can then develop your own, legitimate, distrust and disillusionment.

"In Sherman . . . the problem is . . . traceable completely to overcrowding . . . the food has no bearing on it whatsoever . . ."

Norman Grimm

Thief Escapes; Student Finds Goods in Toilet

Spirit of Trust Cited At Advisory Council

Selective Service Reform

The Free University

Gee, it's drafty here

Impediments Revealed

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Maelstrom

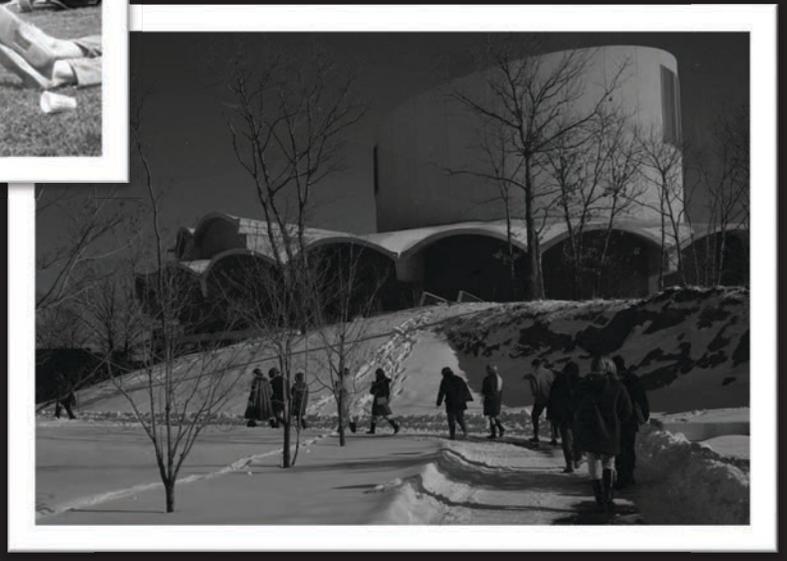
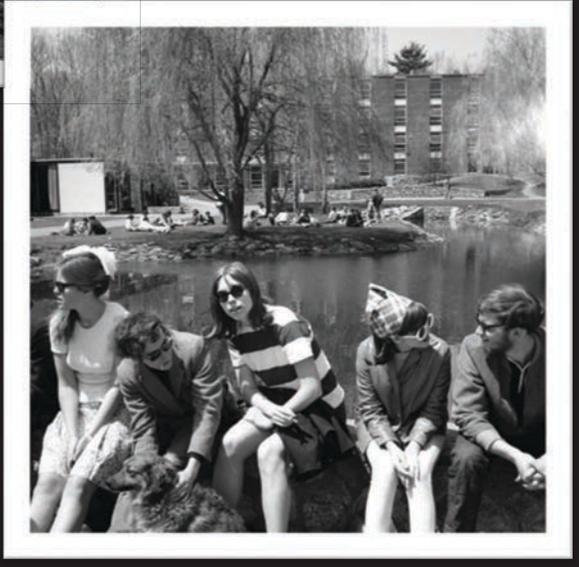
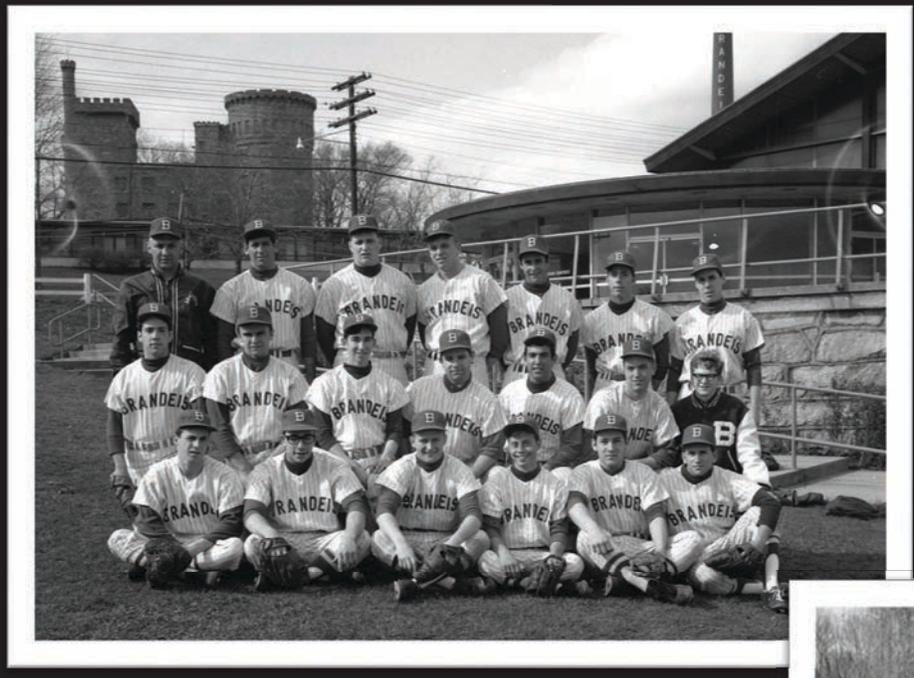
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Bill Kornrich

Key Club

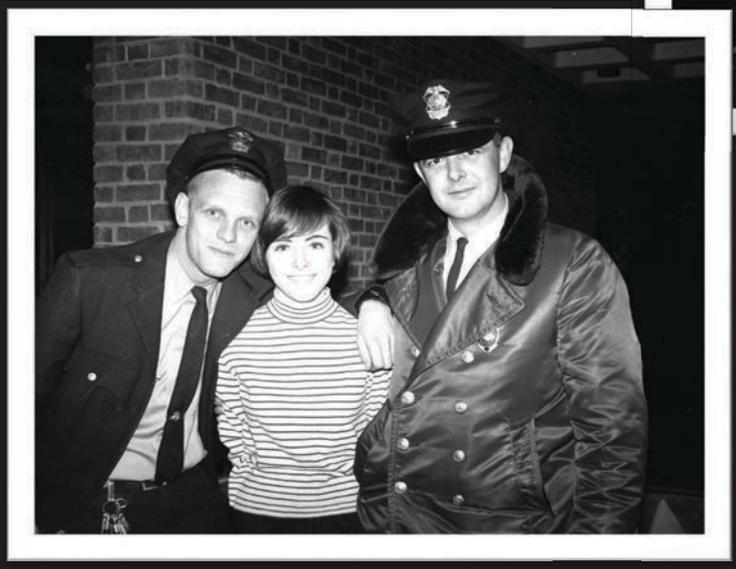
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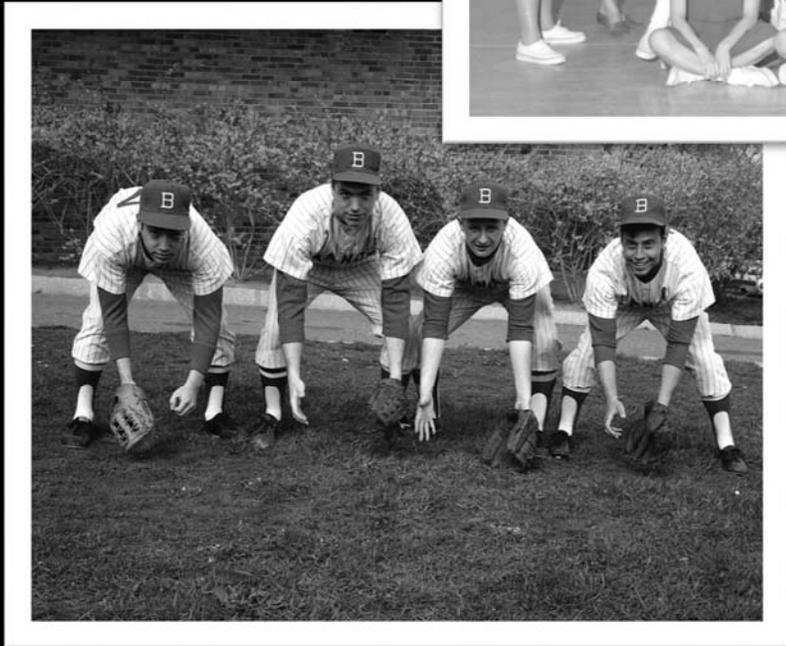
Issuance of the keys, which began last Friday, had been held over a month as a result of administrative difficulties.

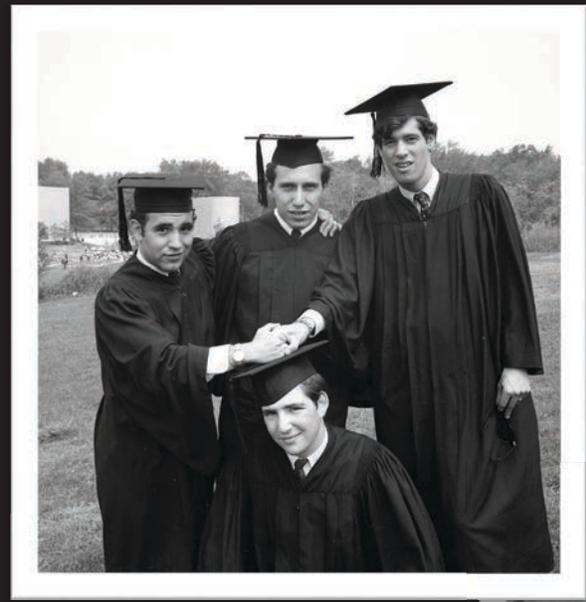
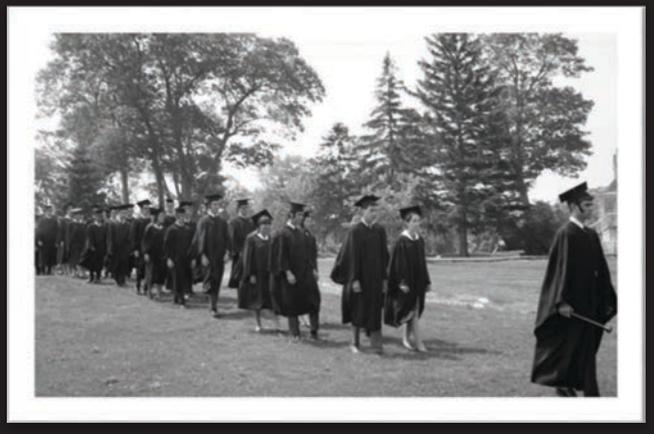














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Career and/or volunteer activities:

For the past 38 years I have been a Clinical Professor of Law at the University of Colorado Law School. I teach a civil practice clinic with a focus on immigration, family law and disability law. I teach English to refugees on a volunteer basis.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis provided me with a stimulating education and an opportunity to meet some great people. Upon graduation, I headed to Boston University Law School, the Peace Corps (Iran) and five years working with a Legal Services Program in rural Colorado. There was a nurturing atmosphere on campus and sense of humanity that was welcomed during the turbulent times of the 60's. Upon reflection, I believe it contributed to shaping my career path. I am also pleased that my son, Michael graduated from Brandeis and met his wonderful wife there. Lisa came to Brandeis all the way from Hawaii.



L. to R. son Michael and wife Lisa (both Brandeis grads), me and daughter, Rachel and her husband, Michael.



Elizabeth Alexander

My family:

In 1969 I married Mark Tushnet, when I was in grad school and he was in law school. He has spent his career teaching in law schools, and after years UW_Madison and Georgetown Law, he has been commuting to a position at Harvard Law. Our older daughter Rebecca, now teaching law at Georgetown, just accepted a position at Harvard for the next academic year. She teaches intellectual property on the trademark/copyright side. She'll be commuting too, as her husband teaches in the DC area but she will ordinarily only spend two days a week on campus. Our younger daughter Laura Eve is a freelance journalist who just published her second book. We have two fabulous grandchildren (is there any other kind?). Shockingly, our grandson Leonard is actually great in sports; we didn't see that coming. He's interested in everything and wants to work on robotics. Nora, our granddaughter, seems destined to be a lawyer and debater, following in her mother's footsteps.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have spent essentially my entire career litigating civil rights issues on behalf of prisoners, detainees, and persons committed to juvenile facilities and mental hospitals. It became my passion after I first was exposed to the problems of those in prison while supervising a law school clinical program in which law students helped people in such institutions. I feel incredibly lucky to have a legal job that engages my mind and my passions.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Still litigating, although with a more limited caseload now. Life is good, despite the nagging medical issues that come with age. I am currently litigating class actions in DC, Maryland, and Mississippi, and helping with a damages action in Michigan.

Life since Brandeis:

I had never heard of Brandeis before I read a magazine article about it in high school. Given that I grew up in a small rural town in Iowa (voted overwhelmingly for Trump), it sounded like the other side of the universe to me and that was exactly what I wanted. Although I could not have described at the time exactly what I wanted, Brandeis was it. The culture within months felt much more comfortable than the one in which I had grown up. Since I was not a math or science major, where the deficits in my earlier education would have been more of a problem, I was able to patch over my areas of ignorance. The small campus size also made the transition easier, as did the level of tolerance for differences and the decency and maturity (at least after freshman year) of my classmates. I will always be grateful for the intellectual growth I experienced but even more for the fact that I was finally in a social setting that shared my basic values. I will forever be grateful to Brandeis for educating me and, I hope, making me a better human being. I don't do photos but look forward to seeing everyone at the reunion.



Judy Allen



My family:

Been with John Allen for 31 years, married for 27. Two children: Cory, 30, professional sound technician/supervisor in TV and film; Rosie, 27, wonderful mom, babysitter, and TBD career-wise, and her 7-year-old son, Elliot, who is everything you want a 7-year-old grandson to be: smart, funny, charming, adorable in every way.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Joined Actors Equity right out of Brandeis and worked off-Broadway, off-off-Broadway, and at La MaMa, ETC for several years. Met the counter-culture head-on and left theatre to become a hippie, then a spiritual disciple, and then a rural householder 50 miles from midtown.

Since living in Putnam Valley, I've had a variety of jobs including headline writer for Prodigy Internet in the 90's, then mostly non-profit work beginning at Corporate Angel Network in White Plains, NY. Freelance grantwriter, editor and copy editor (my favorite!).

Recently have gotten more involved in activism; in addition to the decades-long campaign to close Indian Point, our local nuclear power plant (and now they're going to! in 2020 and 2021), am now involved in fighting the Spectra pipeline that threatens the health and safety of 20 million residents in the NYC area. Been arrested twice: once at Indian Point (12/12/15) and once in

Montrose at the site of the pipeline construction (10/10/16).

Keeping busy and new passions:

A group of us Putnam Valley residents formed a not-for-profit organization in 2014 to purchase a historic (formerly Methodist) church down the road, and transform it into a cultural center. We purchased the property in April, 2015, and began offering programs in June. Since then we've offered concerts, play readings, family events and an annual farmers market on summer Friday afternoons.

www.tompkinscorners.org.

Also been doing Bikram (hot) yoga since 2011 and began taking old-time fiddle lessons that December. Also joined a local chorus that sings inspirational and protest songs of many cultures. It seems to be a good balance, especially now, dealing with aging issues and the current political situation, not to mention climate change and other environmental and social crises of our time.

Life since Brandeis:

In retrospect, having been at Brandeis during those formative years, 1963-67, has been more significant than I thought for many years immediately following graduation. At the time I was anxious to get out from under the book-learning and get into real life, i.e. the New York theatre.

During the next 50 years, I have become more conscious of the importance of the world and its peoples, struggles, consequences and have hopefully evolved into a person who tries to do the right thing and make the world a better place in small everyday ways.

I am grateful to have the family I always wanted; though our children went through growing pains, they have both become wonderful human beings. With an empty nest, my retired husband and I find ways to be together sometimes and not other times, and after 30 years it works fine...so far.

It was also a big part of my life to have remained close to my roommate, Eve Hlavaty Cimmet, until her death in 2010, and I still miss her terribly. And after many years of being out of touch with - and searching for - my freshman and sophomore years' roommate, Edeline Hawes, I finally found her in 2001 and we have stayed in contact ever since. I visit her in January when I escape to Florida for a week or so each year.

Memories of Brandeis are mostly around the theatre - the time we performed "The Braggart Soldier" by candlelight because of the power outage in the Boston area...and how displaced we felt when they started the graduate program in the new Spingold Theatre. Morris Carnovsky and "Volpone," "King Lear," "The Tempest," and the actors he brought along, including Roberts Blossom and Christopher Lloyd.

Bucket list: I'd like to travel, hopefully with John, especially to Italy, but we have to wait till AD - "after the dog." Sunny.

Meanwhile keeping busy at Tompkins Corners, producing shows, supervising our new paid assistant, and doing as much as possible to prevent horrendous damage by the current administration. Calling, writing, marching, etc.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in June.



We camp every summer with friends/neighbors at Ausable Point. On the right side of the photo are Elliot, Rosie's boyfriend, Eddie, Rosie, me, Cory, John and Sunny, the dog.



One of the many "Close Indian Point" demonstrations.



We marched! Jan. 21, 2017 in DC.



Rosie, Eddie, Elliot & me on Halloween.



Stan Asekoff



My family:

Cecille Allman & I were married in September, 1969. We have 2 daughters and 2 granddaughters: Sarah, married to John Schapiro & their daughter Grace (14); & Dr. Shira married to Dr. Ariel Meyer and their daughter Shoshana (9). All our children are accomplished professionals and we are so proud of them! Both families live close by and we are blessed to be able to see them often and have them be an active part in our lives. Cecille recently retired from her position as Executive Vice President of Neshama Association of Jewish Chaplains but continues to work as the Director of The Joint Chaplaincy Committee of Greater MetroWest Jewish Federation. Sarah and John both work in New York City where John owns his own company and Sarah manages a charitable foundation. Shira, an internist, & Ariel, a nephrologist, both practice in New Jersey. Grace attends Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School in Livingston, NJ; Shoshana is a student at the Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Monmouth County.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Upon ordination in 1972 from the Jewish Theological Seminary as a Conservative Rabbi I became the assistant Rabbi at B'nai Shalom in West Orange, NJ. In 1978 I became Senior Rabbi and continued to serve the congregation until my retirement at the end of July, 2011. I loved the Rabbinate because it afforded me the

opportunity to pursue many different but connected activities: teaching, preaching, community building, pastoral counseling, chaplaincy, and encouraging support of the greater Jewish Community and the State of Israel. During my Rabbinate I also became certified as a Mesader Gittin (Rabbi trained & certified to help people obtain a Jewish Divorce). I also completed four units of Clinical Pastoral Education and became a professional member of Neshama Association of Jewish Chaplains, enabling me to serve as a chaplain in a variety of health care settings.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Although I retired from the pulpit in the summer of 2011, I have been working 20 hours a week as a professional chaplain at Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, New Jersey. I also teach a course in Biblical Books to Seniors and am still writing Gittin (Jewish Divorces). Cecille is also semi-retired. We travel to Israel frequently and have just come back from a vacation in Panama. We spend summers at our country home in the Catskills and are planning additional trips in the coming months. We also try to spend time with our granddaughters but have discovered that as we become more available they become less so as their time commitments increase. Nevertheless we still make it to all the plays, school activities, performances etc. As for the future, who knows what new doors are waiting for us to open and step through!

Life since Brandeis:

Yes, there are many great Brandeis memories. Most notable for me are the classes with Dr. Nahum Sarna, Dr. Gordon Feldman (he was just starting his career in those days), and Dr. Abraham Maslow! Even more important is the opportunity Brandeis gave me for four amazing years of learning and personal growth! Thank you, Brandeis!



Our Family



The Two of Us



Marcia Auster

My family:

This year Doug and I will celebrate our 49th wedding anniversary. We have two married daughters who have given us four grandchildren, three boys and one girl. One daughter is an MD/PhD and the other is a Rabbi.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a psychologist and an educator. I've also held many volunteer leadership positions in several community organizations and synagogue.



Keeping busy and new passions:

Both Doug and I are retired. Having near total control of our time is wonderful. We are fully engaged with family, friends, the arts, travel, synagogue, hiking, learning and reading.



Arlene Cohen Bandes



My family:

Dean Bandes and I have been married since August, 1968. Our son Charley and his wife Patsy live nearby in Belmont. Dean and I spend weekday afternoons taking care of our young grandchildren, Maija and Ari. Being with young children makes us feel like we are in our twenties again, although our bodies know otherwise. Our daughter Anne and her husband Matt live in Cambridge and spend many weekends with us in Maine. Their dogs/cat/horse are our "other grandkids."

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I was an art educator in the Newton Public Schools, Newton, Massachusetts, for almost 40 years. Retired, I still teach art to children and adults at the New Art Center in Newton and get into the studio to make my own art at least once a week. In the last several decades, I have been concentrating on printmaking, primarily monotypes, and I feel so fortunate to have studied with Michael Mazur at Brandeis. I am a member of several local art associations as well as the international Nature Printing Society. Their annual conferences are a highlight of the year. Who knew I would get to print a lobster!

Keeping busy and new passions:

Dean and I own an art rubber stamp company, Zum Gali Gali Rubber Stamps (zumgaligali.com), and although the entire stamp industry has slowed down, we still make and sell our handmade, unique

stamps made from our own drawings and carvings. I believe we offer the largest selection of Judaic stamps in the world. We have a second home in Casco, Maine, and drive north every weekend, weather permitting! There we recharge ourselves and our devices. Dean has been expanding the fruit tree population on our 11 acres and I keep busy gardening, birding, hiking, snowshoeing, kayaking, reading and making art. I have my press in Maine and have become involved with an inspiring group of Maine Jewish artists.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis taught me to be a critical thinker who passionately cares about social issues. After I graduated from Brandeis, my time at Harvard gave me a Masters Degree and the credentials to teach but it did not expand my world in any truly meaningful ways. Teaching did. I learned as much from my colleagues and students as I did in any degree program. I know that the most important part of education is learning how to learn and how to be a lifelong learner with an inquisitive and questioning mind.

Dean and I have been fortunate to travel often. In a few weeks we are off on our biggest adventure. Our daughter Anne and her husband Matt are taking us to South Africa. Anne and Matt love the outdoors as we do and it will be a memorable experience sharing safari sightings with them.

I don't have much of a bucket list. I feel grateful that I have the experience of being

a grandmother (something that happened late in my life compared to many of my friends) and that I am physically able to enjoy providing daily childcare. When I married Dean, he was working on his PhD in Math at Brandeis and I thought that we would eventually live somewhere in the "north woods" while he taught at a small New England college. Our life did not turn out that way. It took another 40 years but our Maine house is so much like the vision I had of where we would live. I feel so lucky to have my "city mouse" life in Newton and my other "country mouse" life in the woods by the lake.



In Alaska with Dean



Arlene with Zum Gali Gali stamps and art work at a New Art Center Faculty sale



In our woods in Maine with our daughter Anne



Our grandson's Ari's bris day



Phyllis Tropper Baumann

My family:

Still married to Harvey Baumann, Class of 1964. Our fiftieth wedding anniversary is this June. We have a daughter and a grandson who recently graduated from college. We are lucky to have them living around the corner from us in Cambridge and we are very close to both of them.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I graduated from law school in 1970 when being a woman in law was still unusual. It was more challenging breaking down the barriers for women than some of the actual practice but I practiced law in Boston for about fifteen years, working on housing issues and children's rights. After that I taught law at Northeastern University School of Law for about twenty years. I taught first year property and land use planning law and I loved every minute of it. Now I tutor in the public schools and Harvey and I do some serious traveling, something we always loved to do. We spent our first summer together traveling around Europe for three months with just a thousand dollars. Our budget has improved but we still have a lot of fun together in Asia and Africa and any other place that takes our fancy.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I volunteer in the public schools and hope to work against the Trump administration's policies or lack thereof. I have no experience with immigration law but I think I'm still trainable. We've attended almost as many demonstrations this year as we did in 1968.

Life since Brandeis:

I have been very lucky. I have had a good and easy life, really only having to face "first world problems". I met the love of my life at Brandeis so Brandeis was important to us in that way. My closest friend now was my roommate at Brandeis. And my sister and brother in law are both Brandeis graduates. So we share a whole set of Brandeis values and, more importantly, attitude with them.

But the ability to think critically and to challenge problems is something I learned at Brandeis and something I continue to carry with me. Brandeis also instilled in me an idea that we were responsible for serving our community and challenging injustices. That critical thinking helped me as a lawyer and as a law school teacher. I may not have been effective at correcting unfairness but that goal always stuck with me. I tried to transmit that to my students.

The new regime in this country offers challenges that I hope my Brandeis education may help me cope with. It is a scary time and all those values Brandeis stands for are being devalued. I plan to resist the Trump administration in every way I can.



Ellen Lurie Belson



My family:

I have been married for 41 years to Robert Belson, who is a retired teacher. We have 2 terrific children, Laura and Joe. Laura recently gave us our first grandchild, Oriah, who was born on November 30, 2015. They live in Portland, OR, so we Skype every week and visit often.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

My first career after Brandeis was an Occupational Therapist. I worked with disabled adults in the Boston area. My husband and I then moved to Israel and joined a moshav (cooperative farm) in the Arava. We stayed there 5 years, just long enough to have 2 beautiful children. We moved back to the New York area in 1984. I worked as a paralegal and decided to go the law school. I graduated in 1994 and have worked as an Elder Law attorney since then. At the moment, I work part time for another attorney.

Keeping busy and new passions:

For the past 10 years, quilting has become a passion. I belong to 2 quilting guilds and we make many quilts for charity. My husband and I also travel a good deal, both in the US to see family and as tourists, and abroad to Europe and Asia. We went to 2 destination weddings, one in Hanoi and one in Casablanca. After the trips, I spend many hours editing the photos into manageable slide shows.

Life since Brandeis:

My first year at Brandeis was the toughest. I came from a small suburban school where I didn't have to work hard to get good grades. Now, everybody around me was a smart as me and it took work to get good grades. I received the first D in my life in Philosophy 101 and it was devastating. I switched to Humanities for the second semester and did better.

Though the academics were good at Brandeis, I think what I got most out of Brandeis was growing up, learning to live on my own away from family.

My favorite thing at Brandeis was the coffee house Cholmondeley's. There I was introduced to the Boston folk musicians, especially the Jim Kweskin Jug Band. I followed them into Cambridge and the coffee houses there.



Bob, Joe and Ellen



Ellen in front of 2 of her quilts



Laura and Oriah



Stephen Bendich



My family:

37 year old son, Math Prof at Duke. Have 3 year old grandson.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Retired school psychologist and psychologist. Volunteer with 5th graders, and paint and draw at the Art Students League.



Diane Lowe Bernbaum



My family:

I met my husband, Edwin Bernbaum in Nepal in 1972 and we soon discovered we had both lived in the same house in Cambridge. After getting married in 1976, we moved to Berkeley so Ed could work on a book and we've never left. Ed wrote a second book, Sacred Mountains of the World and went on to develop culturally and spiritually diverse interpretive materials in national parks and to develop leadership courses for business executives trekking in the Himalayas.

Our son David is 37. After a career in the circus, he has gone on to work as a writer and project manager, developing an app to teach reading and a virtual reality version of the animated Batman TV series, among other projects.

Tragically we lost our younger son Jonathan, Brandeis Class of 2004, in the Oakland Ghost Ship warehouse fire in December. After getting an MFA from USC Film School, Jonathan worked as a VJ (visual jockey) providing images on screen at huge electronic dance music concerts around the world.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I began my career as a public school social studies teacher but switched to Jewish education when we moved to California in a tight public school job market. After a few years of teaching religious school, in 1981 I

began directing Midrasha, a supplementary Jewish high school program that combined teens from 10 synagogues over a wide geographical area. I retired in 2014 after 33 years in the same job. It was a dream job and the network of teens, parents, faculty and community members that I worked with have become in essence an extended family. I felt like I was really making a difference in people's lives and so many former students have remained in touch and expressed their gratitude for having had a safe place to learn to be themselves. We had classes twice a week and frequent weekend retreats with teens from sister institutions and I loved working collaboratively with my colleagues to plan the program.

Keeping busy and new passions:

After retiring nearly three years ago I was determined to try to not add new things to my life but to instead find more time to do the things I was enjoying before, things that previously had to get sandwiched into the scant non-work hours. Most days now bring a visit or a meal with friends. I love to cook and to have visiting houseguests. Since my job used to involve work on weekends, I was unable to be at family events around the country that I can now attend. I am blessed to have my 99-year old very vibrant mom in my life. She has been spending several months a year with us and I visit her often as well. I have been taking classes, quilting, attending a lot of concerts and theatre and volunteering at my synagogue

and former school. We continue to travel internationally, often in connection with Ed's work. I'm grateful that my body still lets me hike and spend a lot of time outdoors. I'm able to read more now, including being part of a new book club started by a Brandeis friend.

Life since Brandeis:

I am indebted to Brandeis for the education I received, especially for the art and music courses that I took "just for fun" but whose information I draw on constantly. The content I learned in my History and NEJS courses fed directly into my career as an educator. But I am most grateful for the friendships that I made and for the fact that so many of my Brandeis friends have remained among my closest friends for the last 50 years. When I travel around the country, there is always a Brandeis friend to visit and so many have been to see us in California. When our son Jonathan died in December, there was an outpouring of love and support from not only our Brandeis class, but his class ('04) and the administration as well. I really feel a part of the Brandeis "family." For the last 40 years I have been a member of the Alumni Admissions Council, interviewing perspective students, hopefully sharing my enthusiasm for the institution that gave me such a meaningful four years.

Until December, I felt like I was leading a really charmed life: Wonderful and charismatic spouse, two loving and interesting sons, supportive parents who lived into their 80's and 90's, a career that generated tremendous gratitude from the community at large, chances to do out of

the box travel, constant opportunities to learn new things, a huge friendship network, a chance to live in a beautiful place with camping, skiing and hiking opportunities nearby, health and economic security. I constantly felt that I was embraced by community, or rather, by many communities. Jonathan's death put a damper in that, but Ed and I know that we still have much to be grateful for. Ed has begun a project to secure corporate funding for safe, affordable housing, work and performance spaces for artists as a way of honoring Jonathan and other victims of the Ghost Ship fire in Oakland. We are determined to use this tragedy as an incentive to help others.



Graduation '67: Diane Lowe Bernbaum, Joanne Eulau Asher, Peter Chabot



Graduation '67: Diane Lowe Bernbaum, Mary Anne Landfield Winig, Leni White



Diane and Ed Bernbaum, Floating the Grand Canyon in dories, 2010



Thanksgiving, 2015: Ed Bernbaum, Diane Bernbaum, David Bernbaum, Miriam Lowe (my mom), Jonathan Bernbaum z"l



Michael Z. Blumberg

My family:

Wife: Barbara

Children: Jessica and Jason

Met my wife when I was in my Residency at Cornell

My children teach and Investment Banking

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Have obtained several degrees since Brandeis including an MD, JD and MHA

Served on Advisory Boards to the last 4 Governors of Virginia and a few local volunteer activities

Hope to continue practicing medicine and building my Medico-legal consulting hobby

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was the chance to be on my own yet within a controlled and nurturing environment. There was a comraderie with friends that I have not experienced since 1967.

I'm still not sure why parietal rights was a big deal for me since it apparently had nothing to do with library hours

I know Brandeis was a great place for me and I hope I have used that experience to help others.



Rosalind Brill



My family:

My husband Roger and I married two years after I graduated. Roger retired last year after practicing labor law for forty seven years. He was honored to have argued two cases before the Supreme Court. We have two wonderful children, Caroline, who is a physical therapist and Andrew, a dermatologist who specializes in Mohs surgery. Caroline's husband is an attorney, and Andrew's wife is a physician. Caroline has an adorable one year old son and Andrew has two beautiful daughters. Adah is eleven, and is a talented violinist and composer. Her string quartet based on a poem written by a child who perished in the Holocaust was performed last year in a Toronto synagogue and will be performed again in April in a concert in Atlantic City. Dahlia is seven, and is also a budding musician. Both girls are competitive swimmers.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Although I graduated with a major in History and received a Masters degree in History from Columbia, I always had a strong interest in the sciences. So when my children were young, I went back to school and took a large variety of science classes. That led me to my career of teaching high school science, mostly Chemistry with some Biology and Physics thrown in as well. I retired in 2003.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Roger and I split our time between our home in New York and our new Florida home in Boynton Beach. Since we are both avid swimmers, Florida has been great. I still run a little, but no more marathons. I did two of them, including New York, which was an unforgettable experience. I'm a compulsive knitter, making garments for everyone in the family and loads of stuffed animals for the little ones. We've done a good deal of traveling, the last trip including a lovely stay in Cornwall where we happened upon an old Jewish cemetery in Penzance.

Life since Brandeis:

My fondest memories of Brandeis will always be my friends. Enough said.



My husband Roger



My son and my three grandchildren



My daughter (left), daughter-in-law and granddaughters



My little grandson



Judy Brown



My family:

My husband Steve and I have lived in our dream home in Westminister, MA since 1985. It is a small home on Wyman Lake with a beautiful view of Mount Wachusett. Steve and I both have similar interests: math (he's a retired accountant and I'm a retired math teacher), music and travel. We've traveled extensively all over North America, South America, Europe, and North Africa. I spend quite a bit of time with my family. My brother and sister-in-law live in Waltham. They have two grown daughters who are married and have children (7 in total). I love my grand-nephews and grand-nieces!

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I've always been interested in three different fields: music, German, and math. I worked as a substitute church organist in high school and college and have held two different organist-choir director positions since 1971. I majored in German at Brandeis but took math and music courses whenever possible. I spent my junior year at the University of Marburg, Germany. After Brandeis I studied at the University of Munich, Germany (1967-1968) and at Wesleyan University, Connecticut (1968-1969) Master of Arts in Teaching (German).

I began my teaching career in 1969 with German and mathematics. Four years into my career, I made a detour from classroom teaching to concentrate on church organ and choral music. I trained further in church music and also taught piano and organ. I eventually found my way back to classroom teaching in 1982 after completing a Bachelor of Science Degree in math at Framingham State College. I taught math til 2006, when I retired early, to

take care of mother who had just been diagnosed with dementia.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Retirement has been a very busy time. My Mom passed away in 2014 at age 92. At that time, my father, who had been very independent during Mom's illness (parents divorced in 1967), suddenly needed care. My brother and I have been taking care of Dad since 2014. Dad is still in his home in Waltham and will turn 100 in September, 2017.

My husband retired early in 2007 and helped in the care of his mother till she passed away in 2010 at age 90.

We're happy that we traveled so much during our work years as it can be very difficult to travel when caring for elderly parents.

I still wok as a church organist-choir director but also do volunteer work in the field of church music. I play the piano for weekly services at a church summer camp on our lake and also at a nursing home in Fitchburg

Life since Brandeis...

I have fond memories of my Brandeis years, all the people that I met and courses that I studied as well as extra-curricular activities, like concerts, lectures, sports, etc. Those years were very special. The only negative events that come to mind from these times were from my own personal life. My nineteen-year-old sister died in May of 1967. There were always students, teachers, etc. who were very supportive of me in times of crisis.

My husband and I hope to have some healthy years ahead of us so that we can travel. We have both had some bouts with illness, I with

breast cancer 1999 and 2010 and he with diabetes and arthritis. Right now we are both doing well. We have many countries left to explore.

All the best to my classmates and how fortunate I was to have had the opportunity to study at Brandeis!



My niece Sandy and grand-niece Adrienne.



My husband and I at Dad's home in Waltham



Wyman Lake, Westminster and Wachusett Mountain, Princeton, where we live.



My brother, father, and I at our church in Waltham



Larry Brown



My family:

I have been married to Dotty Hindels Brown since 1969. She had a successful career in newspaper journalism as a reporter and editor, even winning a Pulitzer Prize. Since then she has written blog called Unretiring in which she explored the many meanings of what she called "the next great thing", She recently published a book on the history of Philadelphia's iconic Boathouse Row which is about to go into its 3rd printing in less than 6 months. My three daughters are all accomplished, happily married and parents. Jordana manages a state agency in Massachusetts coordinating services for youth with substance abuse. Rebecca is an analyst at the EPA, somehow remaining optimistic despite all evidence to the contrary. Naomi is a colleague at CHOP, specializing in pediatric sports medicine. All have wonderful and supportive husbands and terrific kids.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have been in academic practice of child neurology for my entire career with a specialty in epilepsy, neuropsychiatry and sleep disorders. For the past 25 years I have been at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and have watched it grow into one of the best facilities in the world. My research has been mostly in investigational drug trials in pediatric epilepsy and an NIH sponsored international consortium to understand the genetic basis of Tourette syndrome. Over the past few years, I have spearheaded a national effort to improve transition to

adult care for youth with neurological disorders, and currently I just began a large local grant from HRSA to improve education and implement effective transition for children with epilepsy.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I am not yet retired, although I have reduced my effort to 80% which I take as increased vacation time. This has allowed me to travel the world in an effort to meet people and understand cultures - in the past two years it translates to trips to Vietnam, Morocco, the Peruvian Amazon and many others. Last year we biked along the Danube and this spring we will be biking in Ireland. Other trips have been walking adventures across northern England, the Amalfi coast while others have included boating along the Canal du Midi.

Life since Brandeis:

SOME LESSONS FROM MY YEARS AT BRANDEIS

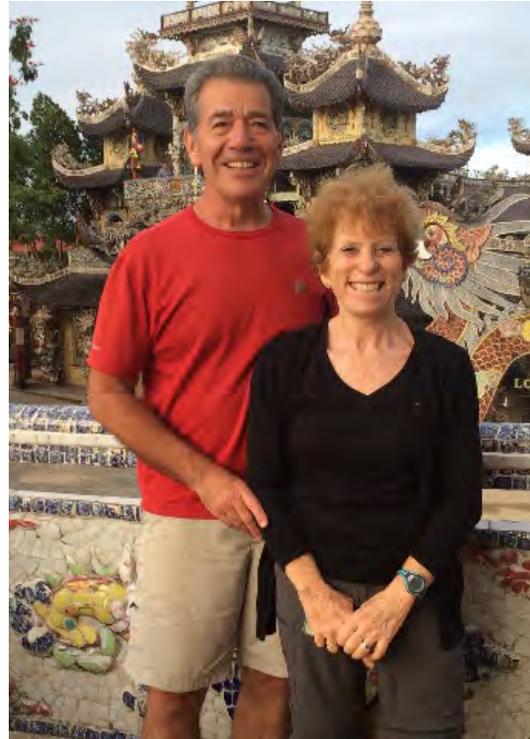
1. NEVER TRUST AUTHORITY. From the first student protest about parietal rules ("3 feet on the floor and a book in the door") through the abyss of Vietnam, it was essential to stand up for ones principles - whether it was the Air Force hospital commander or the department chairman. Undoubtedly I could have used lessons in diplomacy as well, but that wasn't part of the Brandeis legacy. Still, I've always slept well.

2. FORGET RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION, AT HEART EVERYONE HAS A JEWISH SOUL. At

Brandeis everyone had a spirit of questioning, a respect for intellect and a desire to make the world a little better. As I have often quipped, I too believe in Tikkun Olam - only I practice it one patient at a time.

3. NEVER MISS AN OPPORTUNITY. During those critical undergrad years I devoured as many interesting and challenging courses on the assumption that as a physician I might not have the time. So study art with Leo Bronstein, literature with Phillip Rahv, psychology with Abe Maslow. Somehow, once you make the effort, it becomes a pattern. It set the tone for work-life balance and staying involved. It all makes life interesting, and necessary, if only to keep up with my accomplished and frenetic wife of the last 48 years.

4. ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE IF YOU HAVE SUPPORT. In college it was family, friends and roommates who provided the social network to challenge me to broaden my vision, try new experiences and be willing to fail. I always had mentors who provided feedback and guidance. Psychology professor Mel Schnall encouraged me to become a doctor, in medical school future Nobelist Eric Kandell pointed me to child neurology, and many others helped to develop my own path towards a meaningful career. At the same time I have always been surrounded by wonderful friends and a growing family. Back at Brandeis, who knew that one could be happily married for almost the next 5 decades, the joy (and occasional misery) of parenthood as well as the unadulterated pleasure of being a grandfather.



World travel: Dalat, Vietnam



Landmarks: My 70th Birthday with the



The best reward: time with grandchildren



Longlasting relationships: Morris Vogel and I in Orvieto, Italy



Jane Schwarz Burke



My family:

Larry Burke and I were married 37 years ago at our bountiful 200 acre colonial farmstead. We have peace and beauty in this remote place. We raise food for ourselves- vegetables, chickens, apples for cider, berries, syrup from our trees. Larry is a film maker and film educator at Bard College. Our children love the land and are nearby Joseph, 36, lives 20 minutes away with wife Kate Feuer and daughter Aoife, 3. He recently chose to become a carpenter allowing him the family lifestyle so important to him and the fun of a new challenge each day. Carrie is 34 and lives in Cambridge where she is doing amazing work as a social worker for a state agency helping offenders in need to navigate the criminal justice system. We are lucky to have such loving and thoughtful children. Caring for our granddaughter one day a week is a gift that I did not imagine would radiate such positive energy. She brings joy to these very troubling times. We are lucky to have very close relationships with our kids.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I started my career in science education at Harvard Ed School and taught in Newton, LA, London, and Melbourne, Australia before settling in the Berkshires. Here I have been able to fulfill my vision of getting children to love science and see it as a creative endeavor, accessible to all. Too out of the box for public school, I founded

Flying Cloud Institute in 1984. I developed programs that bring the arts and sciences together working in public school classrooms and out of school. I sat on state and local STEM Councils, was recognized with awards for my work, and have the joy of seeing children ages 5-18 get really excited about science and engineering. I started a program for girls only and have had the joy of inspiring over 2,000 girls. Beside chemistry I have taught ceramics and dance. My passion is teaching the chemistry of art. I am grateful that I accomplished my goal and made a difference in the lives of children and helped open new doors for educators.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I spent the last five years getting ready to turn my organization over to new leadership. As of Feb. 1, 2017 I am no longer the responsible leader who is burdened 24/7 for its success. I am very much enjoying the freedom from worry. I am still working as an educator and consultant, writing curricula, teaching in schools, leading professional development, and advocating for creative education. I will probably do some writing and working with my husband on films to help promote changes in education to allow for student initiated inquiry learning in STEM. I do plan to slow down to savor our beautiful landscape, get back to making ceramics and other art work, and seeing those friends and family that I was too busy to be with enough.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis life was not that easy for me. The competitive academic world got me in overdrive to achieve without much thought about the meaning of what I was learning. I arrived thinking I would be an anthropologist but switched my major to Chemistry after sophomore year. That left me two years to do the whole major with many hours in the lab, doing problem sets and lab reports. I didn't realize until after graduation that I was the only female chem major! I balanced my life a bit by taking an art course each semester and joining the modern dance group. Unfortunately I did not make many lasting friendships which I think was a big loss. I certainly feel that I was very well educated and am proud to say I went to Brandeis. I am especially pleased with the evolution of the university as a model for education in the 21st century. My grandniece is having a wonderful experience. Sounds like her organic chemistry teacher is not a sadist like mine was....if you got a 20 on your test that was curved up to a B-. Too bad we had to suffer through such tough exams!

I don't have a bucket list. Since I lived overseas for 5 years, in London and Australia, I did a lot of wonderful travelling. Same when living LA. We took our kids to Ecuador, Ireland, Mexico, and the southwest. I don't feel like I need to travel much. Mostly I want to have time for all the things that I love to do on our farm and in my ceramic studio, to reflect more, to enjoy my marriage and family, and stay healthy.



I love growing beets



Enjoying a day with granddaughter



My Family

Patricia Caesar

My family:

I currently live in Philadelphia with my husband of 17 years. Prior to that, we lived in New York. I have raised four children and have five grandchildren. All of them fabulous, of course!

Life since Brandeis:

The focus of my career has been providing strategy and management consulting services to the foundation and nonprofit sectors. I feel lucky and blessed to have loved my work over the past fifty years! While I came to Brandeis with an interest in civil rights and justice, my undergraduate experience certainly helped me to further develop my interests and to actually learn how I could most effectively create change in our world. Several of my Brandeis professors had a profound impact on my critical and strategic thinking skills and my understanding of how to use my abilities and moral compass to help improve the lives of others.

I am thankful that my career has given me the opportunity to work with amazing people in so many different fields, including public policy, advocacy, human rights, gun violence, education, health and mental health, environment, arts & culture, media and more. I have also had the pleasure and honor of serving on the boards of organizations that most resonated with my personal interests: WITNESS, Facing History, CASEL (Collaborative for Academic, Social

and Emotional Learning), God's Love We Deliver, Greyston Foundation and Faith Center for Community Development.

Thank you, Brandeis!



2016



Jeff Civins



My family:

My wife, Katy, was from Oklahoma and, when we met, was a graduate student in Russian studies at Columbia. We married, lived in NYC for another year, went to the University of Texas School of Law together, and began our legal careers in Houston in 1975, moving back to Austin in 1984, where we've been ever since. We have 2 sons, both of whom also are UT Law grads. Our older son, Conor, is married to another UT Law grad, Mary Emma, and is a partner at Pillsbury Winthrop here in town, with an IP litigation practice. Conor and Mary Emma are the parents of our 3 grandsons, Gus (7 1/2), Teddy (5 1/2), and Harry (almost 3), whom we dote on unabashedly. Our younger son, Braden does Medicaid fraud prosecution with the state attorney general's office here in Austin and is engaged to another attorney, Amanda, who is from Georgia. We wouldn't mind some granddaughters. Both our sons were competitive tennis players through college and we traveled a lot throughout the state attending tournaments. Both went to Emory, as did our daughter-in-law.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

When I graduated from Brandeis, I worked that summer as an analytical chemist for a predecessor agency of EPA and then attended Penn State, pursuing a graduate degree in chemistry and teaching chemistry lab to undergraduates. I roomed with my good friend and our Brandeis classmate,

Pedro Tugendhat. I then taught science, chemistry, and earth science at a Yeshiva on the upper West Side of NYC and at a public junior high school in the South Bronx till we left for law school in 1972.

On graduation from UT Law School, Katy took a job as a litigator at Gulf and I, as an environmental lawyer at Vinson Elkins. We moved back to Austin in 1984. In 1990, I left VE and opened up an Austin office for the Fort Worth firm of Kelly, Hart & Hallman. In 1998, our environmental practice group moved to Haynes and Boone, LLP, where I've been ever since. I've also been an adjunct professor at UT Law School for over 25 years. I continue to practice law and teach. I'm on LinkedIn and would be happy to connect with classmates.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Katy and I enjoy living in Austin, but especially enjoy having our family all here in town. We've learned that the best "hood" is grandparenthood. To our grandsons, I'm Jefe, though I'm more of a pushover than a boss. Katy and I did travel to Tanzania and Kenya. Although that trip was on her bucket list and not mine, it was pretty incredible and an experience not to be missed.

Life since Brandeis:

Growing up in the Newark area of NJ, Brandeis was an intellectual awakening for me. I enjoyed most of my classes, but enjoyed the camaraderie with classmates

more. I suppose I came of age while a graduate student at Penn State, where I and my colleagues discussed critically important issues and drank a lot of beer. The draft created a diaspora; I ended up teaching in NYC. My first year there I tutored in Harlem, attended the peace march in DC, and took education classes at CCNY at night so I could teach in an inner city public school, which I did the following 2 years. I met my wife, Katy, when she invited my roommates, including Brandeis classmate and good friend Rich Serkey, and me to a party she and her roommates were having, because we lived in the apartment immediately below theirs and they didn't want us complaining about the noise. Katy and I applied to law schools together in NYC, Boston, and DC. We ended up at UT, perhaps because she was from OK. It turned out to be a great move. UT Law School was wonderful--great teachers and great--and extremely impressive--classmates, many of whom continue to be good friends. I stumbled into the practice of environmental law and have enjoyed it, as well as teaching, virtually every day since. I hope to continue doing both for some time. I don't have much of a bucket list; my fondest memories are of being with family, skiing in Colorado, vacationing in Hawaii, and hanging out here in Austin. Austin's been a special place to live--a blue island in a red sea with lots of fun and involved folks.



Civins Family 2012 Edition



Our older son and crew



Our younger son and daughter-in-law to be



Fred Cohen

My family:

I have two children with my wonderful wife Kathleen Whalen. We have had many wonderful times with our two daughters Helen, and Sarah.

The four of us shared many adventures like kayaking off Mt. Desert Island sometimes in challenging weather... or searching for easter eggs buried under several feet of snow in Rochester NY.

We have had the opportunity to travel as a family to many places.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a mathematician still playing with the subject. I have worked mainly within a subject called topology. I have also worked with engineers in diverse ways such as developing a mathematical structure which provides a "language" for certain types of robotic motion. I have been an Alfred Sloan fellow as well as a fellow of the American Mathematical Society. I have been given an award by the Mexican Mathematical Society.

The math department at Brandeis had a profound impact on my life. I am very grateful to Paul Monsky, Ed Brown, Maurice Auslander, David Buchsbaum, Sam Gitler (who became one of my closest friends and co-authors) and others.

Life since Brandeis:

I have many fond memories of dear friends Bill Spector, Gerry Richman, Fred Ross, Dick Berger, Bob Byrne, Neil Golder, Judy Zwerdling....and many others.

After essentially failing one course with Maurice Auslander, I learned how to work hard. One night, I fell asleep in Goldfarb Library, and awakened about 2 am. I would like to thank the librarians for their foresight in having the doors lock only in one direction....

Learning to rock climb with Bob Byrne at Quincy quarry led to more serious rock climbing, one of my cherished pleasures. While at Brandeis, I learned to climb up a rope (prussic) on the theater arts building (Spingold). To this day, I still chuckle about a guard appearing and insisting that I come down. Needless to say, climbing down was a real struggle....

At roughly the same time I took some art courses which inspired me to see some things up close. I traveled overland to places like the Panjshir valley, and the Anjuman Pass which currently scare the daylights out of me.

After returning, I went to graduate school at the University of Chicago. After graduate school, I spent a substantial time in Canada's Northwest Territories canoeing on a large section of the

Mackenzie river near the Arctic Circle, and the Great Bear Lake.

In 1976 while in residence at the Institute for Advanced Study, I lost control of my legs due to a tumor which was discovered in my spinal cord. I was quite lucky to have survived largely through the support of my wife, and friends. The degeneration eventually led to a wheelchair which to this day scares the daylights out of my wife when I do wheelies.

I still enjoy working with mathematics as well as good friends in the subject. I am currently in the Mathematics department at the University of Rochester.



Leo Cohen



My family:

Married with Alexandra

One son, Jona, aged 23

One stepson, Daan, aged 21

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Clinical psychologist in the Netherlands

In the past I conducted research and taught at two universities

Currently I work almost entirely in my practice

Life since Brandeis...

I have always looked back at my study with great fondness and great appreciation. I feel formed in a very large degree by my Brandeis experiences.

I say strongly, Thank you!



Robert Cohen

My family:

My wife is a lovely lady named Dorothy Braun. We've been married for two plus years and are enjoying our life here in sunny Arizona. I have one son, Craig '00, and four grandchildren-Annie, Judah, Lisi, and Gabriella-living in Upper Manhattan. Craig is a corporate tax lawyer, and, unlike his father, has embraced Orthodox Judaism. Good for him!

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am now retired from a forty year career teaching mathematics at the high school and community college levels. I found it tremendously rewarding, but forty years is probably long enough to do ANYTHING, short of necessary bodily functions.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Having spent more than half my life living according to a rigid teaching schedule, retirement is truly a revelation. For instance, I sleep until I feel like getting up. Come to think of it, that sounds an awful lot like my career at Brandeis!

Life since Brandeis:

I suppose I can consider for my bucket list visiting all fifty states and almost all the national parks, something I've actually accomplished. Believe it or not, my fondest memories of Brandeis center on our freshman year-yes, segregation wasn't all that bad. "1500 students" and the mock convention were highlights of that year, as well. Oh yes, I actually enjoyed a few classes too! I've tried very hard to block out my worst memories.

I always look forward to these quinquennial reunions, an opportunity to reconnect with my classmates and pretend I'm 18 years old again.



Lynn Karen Cooper



My family:

I have been lucky enough in my life to have finally found a wonderful husband (on the third try). Michael Ambrosino is the best man I've ever met, and life with him has been a daily joy for the last 18 years. I have a daughter (of whom I am very proud). She is married to a great guy, has two adorable small children (3 years and 8 months), works as an educational policy analyst and has also recently been elected to the Chapel Hill NC town council. She has a big heart and works hard, and is also bright and kind and funny. I have three stepchildren who are all exceptionally lovely people, and each of whom have spouses or life partners whom I think are terrific. And there are three step-granddaughters, all in their twenties, of whom I am very fond. I am a very lucky woman, to have this terrific family who are all healthy and happy, at this time in my life.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have been a clinical psychologist pretty much forever (it seems), and added divorce mediation and collaborative law coaching to my career activities along the way. I've reduced my workload a lot these past couple of years, but am still working mostly because I like feeling useful. In smaller doses, though.....

I've resigned from some of the board and committee work I used to take on as a concession to getting older and wanting more free time. I recently felt very honored

to be given the 2016 John Fiske award for excellence in mediation by the Massachusetts Council on Family Mediation, and still plan to be active in supporting that admirable community through volunteering.

My favorite hobby for many years has been choral and barbershop quartet singing, traveling and singing with the Sharing a New Song chorus, whose mission is to form positive relationships with people who are different from ourselves in parts of the world that are different than ours. Life is good.....now!

Keeping busy and new passions:

I am partially retired, and enjoying being in Florida for the winter, away from home for three months for the first time. I'm still working some, but enjoying the warmth, hanging out with my husband, visiting family and friends, getting to know a very vibrant and interesting community here in the Sunshine state, and figuring out how to help resist the Trump agenda for the next four years.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was an excellent way for me to transition from being a shy, conscientious, insecure teenager to being a somewhat more confident, better educated young adult. I loved that it was small, that I learned to recognize almost everyone I passed going from Hamilton quad to the library. I loved that the classes were challenging, and that I was up to the

challenge (even though I never was entirely sure of that beforehand). By senior year, I was ready for a change.

The years since Brandeis have been full and challenging as well. Throughout all these years, one of the benefits of my Brandeis connection has been an ongoing friendship with a classmate, Liz Gelfand. We are part of each other's support system, both professionally and personally.

Having finally found a happy marriage, there isn't much left on my bucket list-- except to stay connected to my daughter and stepchildren, and to see all of the grandchildren grow up and to remain part of their lives. And to have as much time with my husband as good fortune will allow. And to keep singing in my barbershop quartet. And to live long enough to experience the undoing of the damage that our current president will do to our country and the world.



Laney and Nico



Lynn and Michael





Mary Ann Corley



My family:

Our son, Grant, who graduated from Virginia Tech, is an interactive Web designer. He designs/creates online courses, banner ads, Web pages, promotional materials, etc., for numerous companies.

Our daughter, Diana, who graduated from Louisiana State University, is a chemist. She performs quality control on drugs used for clinical trials.

No grandchildren yet.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

In 2015, I retired as Principal Researcher from the American Institutes for Research in Washington, DC, where I designed and delivered professional development/training for teachers and health care providers. From 1996-1999, as Director of the National Adult Literacy and Learning Disabilities Center, I led the research, development, and training on Bridges to Practice, a nationally disseminated training program for literacy providers serving adults with learning disabilities. Prior jobs included Maryland State GED Administrator, and Adult Basic Education Supervisor for Baltimore County Public Schools. In 1988, the Baltimore County Program I directed was named "Outstanding Adult Education Program" by the U.S. Secretary of Education. I have authored articles, textbooks, and

professional development materials for adult educators. Currently, I serve as an independent consultant, providing training to adult education programs on request.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Singing in our church choir has become a new passion for me. My last experience in choral singing was 50 years ago at Brandeis! I'm finding it great fun to again be part of a wonderfully talented group! Our choir director, who is a local musical theater director, is excellent! He is leading our choir on a musical tour of Italy this June.

Other interests include travel and reading. I now have time to catch up on so much great literature!



Tom Coughlin



My family:

Married since 1976 to Lee (Rueckert) Coughlin, formerly of Hanover, NH. Lee graduated from Mount Holyoke and Columbia Nursing School. She worked as a visiting nurse until retirement last year. We have four daughters, Rebecca (39), Lisa (37), Susan (35) and Karen (32). Becca graduated from Princeton and has master's degrees from Harvard and Michigan Public Health. She works as a public health program analyst in Madison where her husband is on the faculty at Wisconsin doing diabetes research. They have two children ages 20 and six months. Lisa graduated from William & Mary with BS and M.Ed. degrees. She teaches Earth Science, Astronomy and Oceanography at Alexandria's TC Williams High School. She is a nationally certified teacher and is obtaining ESL certification. Susan graduated from Hamilton with a degree in Math, lives in San Francisco and works at Google's business office in Mountain View. Karen graduated from BU's Communication School and works as a florist in Sausalito.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have had three somewhat distinct careers: community based corrections, historic preservation and land conservation, and estate planning. During and following law school I worked in community based corrections. My next major career was with the National Trust for Historic Preservation where I did tax policy and legislative work. I

served as principal researcher/author of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation study of how federal tax laws affect historic property. Section 2031(c) of the tax code is based on one of the Trust's recommendations. I also served as project director of Appraising Easements: Guidelines for the Valuation of Easements for Land Conservation and Historic Preservation which has been in continuous publication since 1985 and cited by the Tax Court in *Hilborn v. Commissioner*, 87 T.C. 677 (1985). The final phase of my career has been in private practice where I have concentrated in estate and trust planning and related charitable and business planning

Life since Brandeis:

Life has been good. As my children grew up and began leaving the house, I realized I had paid insufficient attention to my own needs. I began working out with a personal trainer and in 2002 "ran" a marathon in record slow time. However, I became hooked and trained really hard, expecting to run the 2003 Marine Corps Marathon. Alas, it was not to be. I developed leukemia which changed my life. Although I had an aggressive form of leukemia with minimal long-term survival prospects, the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle had just begun a clinical trial focused on my rare disease with outstanding results. I became the eighth patient accepted into the trial and it worked! I am 13 years post-transplant and

disease free. However, I have developed sclerotic graft vs. host disease which is a rare and seriously debilitating side effect of the treatment I received. Nonetheless, I have gotten to see each of my daughters graduate from college, one happily married and one in a long-term committed relationship, the birth of my grandson and granddaughter, and my daughters launched in life. I am looking forward to the next chapter, confident that I will be able to recover some of my lost strength and physical conditioning as the GVHD slowly resolves. I look forward to being able to travel without restriction, to spending more time with our children and grandchildren, and to exploring Old Town Alexandria, our new neighborhood after more than 35 years in the Franklin Park area of McLean. We also look forward to spending more time with family and friends at Lee's family's summer home, "MidRiver" on Grindstone Island in the Thousand Islands, Fall and Winter trips to Hanover, and visits with my family on the South Shore.





Eric Epstein



My family:

I'm married to Cheryl, and have two children, Adam and Allison. I also have an 8 year old granddaughter and an 18 month old grandson.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I'm an attorney and have my own law firm. For the past 15 years I've been emphasizing employment law, mostly representing employees in wage and hour class actions, which is quite different from the earlier part of my career when I was in the D.A.'s office, and then practiced criminal defense and general civil litigation. I've also been an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association for the past 25 years. I'm in the process of transitioning from being a private attorney to being a full time Arbitrator. Much less stress and I'm looking forward to lot more free time.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Not there yet. I don't think I'll ever completely retire. I have a need to feel productive and I don't have enough hobbies to keep busy. (I've been told that watching sports on T.V. is not considered a hobby.)

Life since Brandeis:

Hard to know where to begin. Life has gone by so quickly. I've been lucky to have enjoyed good health (for the most part and with the help of modern medicine), a wonderful family, a good career, and good friends. All in all, if I compare my life to a

trip to Disneyland, I got the "e ticket".

My fondest memories of Brandeis are late night bridge games, a lot of sports, some very good friends, my first love, and some really good professors and classes. I don't have any "worst" memories (at least none that I can share). All in all, I look back on my days at Brandeis as among the happiest of my life.

I've done most of the things in life that I've wanted to do. I saw both my kids grow up, graduate college, and turn into young adults that I am very proud of, walked my daughter down the aisle at her wedding, saw the birth of my two grandchildren (not literally but I was at the hospital), enjoyed sports, reading, and socializing with friends and family, done a fair amount of traveling (although not much recently), achieved a modicum of professional and financial success, and hopefully helped some people along the way.

In the next chapter of my life, on a personal level, some of the things I want to do is visit a few places I haven't been to, namely, New Zealand, Hong Kong, China, Argentina, New Orleans, and Denali National Park, in that order, go to a golf school for a week, spend more time working out at the gym, and take a family cruise to Alaska.

On a professional level, I would like to volunteer my services on a part time basis to Project Innocence. It really bothers me

that there are innocent people in prison. Having practiced criminal law for many years, I know from experience that it happens much more than we would like to admit. It is a terrible injustice and I want to try to help rectify that problem, even if it's only in a small way.



My family



The newest member



Richard Epstein



My family:

I was married in 1989, divorced in 2016, and am currently single. I've had a number of meaningful loving relationships throughout the years.

My step daughter Stephanie, her husband Ken, and my 2 grandchildren live and work in Portland OR. They both have gratifying busy lives. I love my grandchildren, but don't see nearly enough of them, being on opposite coasts. I still cannot verify Maslow's statement: "The purest form of love is that between a grandparent and his grandchild"

My son Alex, who is 26, is a community activist, educator, and an urban farmer in North Philadelphia. His interests and passions have found their own outlets and expressions, but are in some ways, similar to mine: he loves to paint, plays piano, and is working to help transform North Philly

Career and/or volunteer activities:

My life and interests have followed 4 tracks, in varying priorities, ever since I had to leave graduate school due to the Military draft, in 1968. A teaching career that started for a deferment, has continued to the present. I retired in 2002, but continue to teach part time. I coach a high school basketball team. I am an active cellist, play in a variety of orchestras, founded a chamber orchestra and arranged performances and concerts for the group in more than 15 countries, many in remote villages and communities. I have also spent a good amount of time traveling, on my

own, arranging special interest trips for groups and individuals. I have coached basketball in NYC, and in France, Israel and Greece

Keeping busy and new passions:

I retired from teaching several times, but continue to teach. I still love the things I have enjoyed doing for much of my life. After going to Greece for more than 30 different years, I was not there for 10 years, until 2015, when I returned. The joy of seeing so many long time friends... attending the wedding of the daughter of my oldest friend in Greece, and working with immigrants and refugees on Greek islands and in Turkey. Not sure where the next adventures will come from.

Life since Brandeis:

My personal and professional life has been affected by world events: Kennedy assassination; 9/11; Hurricane Katrina; I was in Greece as the military junta fell in 1974 ; helped tear down the wall in Berlin, and spent time with Rostropovich immediately after his release and exile from the Soviet Union. (He was my idol at that time.) In Greece, I learned about the power of music, and its relationship to politics.

I don't know what role Brandeis has played in my life, but for sure, people that I met at Brandeis played significant roles in my life's directions. Their influence came long after Brandeis years but my going into coaching basketball, playing in orchestras and ensembles, discovering wander lust, and specific connections to Greece, Turkey,

Israel were all strongly influenced by folks I first met at Brandeis.

I am 'retired', but still do the things I love doing, music, coaching, teaching, and travel. I am in touch with some folks from Brandeis, in our class and from other classes. I have many memories, ever more and more distant, of my days, years, experiences at Brandeis.



Art Finstein

My family:

Lois Saval ('70) and I married in 1970. We have 3 wonderful kids, Amy (1976), Josh (1979) and David (1985). All are Brandeis alums! Amy and Josh have a boy and a girl each, and we're really loving every minute of grand-parenting.

We've stayed local over the decades. Lois has been the Department Administrator for the Brandeis Psych Counseling Center for 27 years. Though she's not a clinician, she's pretty much the voice of first contact for kids, handling just about anything administratively in the front office. She's extremely good at what she does to coordinate nearly 30 part-time clinicians to get assistance for nearly 800 students per year.

In addition, Lois is a long-time soprano section leader of the Heritage Chorale, a select 90-voice choir which has achieved great recognition as one of the finest groups of its kind in the area. They've toured multiple times to Europe and Canada.

She's also active as a French speaker and as an amateur Jewish genealogist.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After grad school (at Brandeis) I began a career teaching middle school and high school Music in several area school systems. I taught a wide curriculum, from Concert Band, Chorus and Orchestra to Music Theory and History, Musical Theater, Chamber Music, and Music Technology.

My groups performed widely including at Symphony Hall and in festivals locally and in Canada.

My Musical Theater career began in earnest at Brandeis and continues to the present day. It's afforded me the opportunity to music-direct nearly 200 productions in the scholastic, community, and professional theater circuits, including the nation's first non-Equity production of *La Cage Aux Folles*. This part of my life has been especially rewarding and allowed me to learn, teach and perform an enormous range of important musical-theater literature. I've met and worked with many celebrated performers like Robert Lupone, Bruce Adler, Laurie Gamache and Christopher Reeve, who actually figured in our marriage!

Keeping busy and new passions:

In retirement I continue to perform, to teach adult education courses in Musical Theater and to advocate for Arts Education. I've tutored kids for B'nai Mitzvah for more than 30 years and love doing it. The one-on-one aspect is very rewarding and I hope to keep it up for years to come. Of course, I spend time with our grandchildren whenever possible, and I'm also running for my fourth term as a Framingham Public Library Trustee.

Life since Brandeis:

Both Lois's family and mine have had strong ties to Brandeis since the mid-50s, and so it already felt very comfortable to me when I

finally arrived as an undergraduate. I saw a place devoted primarily to the college, to good professional teaching, to becoming its own self and not necessarily laboring under the yokes of hoary age and tradition. I felt I could find whatever I wanted of "establishment" collegiate curriculum and activities, but that this was also a vital, active, youthful place, built around a core value of social justice and activism, genuinely open to exploring and creating itself in then-new ways.

So almost every memory I have is happy. I loved the social and political ferment and willingness to challenge and change, and the physical and emotional modernity of it all. In no particular order, I remember loving eating in Kutz, late night bull-sessions in East and Ridgewood, Forquand in North A-B Lounge, R,B &G, Cholmondeley's, Hi-Charlie, G&S and the DIS-Orientation show (after which, BTW, I landed in the infirmary because of food-poisoning from supper, almost keeping me from Commencement.)

I remember Marty Boykan, Bob Koff, Gordon Fellman, Steve Gendzier, Richard Onorato, Morris Carnovsky, Leo Treitler, Al Axelrad, all of whom inspired me so deeply. And many wonderful classmates and friends, some of whom I still see even after all these decades. It's all good, and if not, I've repressed it or forgotten it outright. :>)

Bucket list? I've had a lot of wonderful years, so a bucket list per se is not my main focus. I just want to hang around as long as possible, to have good health, to be with my wife, family and friends in peace as long as I can.

I've been lucky enough to have studied, conducted, played and taught a great deal of wonderful music with extraordinarily gifted people over a great many years. Some "bucket-list" pieces were included, like a couple of Beethoven and Mozart piano concertos, Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue, My Fair Lady, Les Miz, La Cage Aux Folles, Into the Woods, West Side Story, and She Loves Me, among others. AND I marched/played at JFK's inaugural, and at a Patriots game!

We spent 6 months in Europe, (primarily in Vienna) when I was doing graduate research back in the day. We've been to Israel with our kids, and we've travelled some domestically. So I'm pretty happy so far.

But my biggest current bucket-list goal is to help insure that DJT's "presidency" is as short as possible. RESIST!!!



Lois and I out for dinner, August 2016



3 generations, 8-22-15



Martin Flashman



My family:

In 1976 I married Janet Warren whom I met while I was still a Brandeis graduate student teaching at Mount Holyoke College. This marriage ended in divorce in 2001. Life continued.

I have three great children: Ben (1977) who is married to Elise and lives in LA, Jennifer (1981) who is married to Sonny and lives in SF, and Michael (1985) who lives in Oakland. I have three great grandchildren: Buster (2010-Ben) and Caspar (2014-Ben) and Penelope (2016-Jennifer).

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After Brandeis graduation I attended the Notre Dame math grad program for a year before transferring back to Brandeis. I completed a Ph.D. in '74. I worked summers at the Brandeis Upward Bound Summer Program for both Jerry Cohen and Joe Warren as well as one year teaching at Mount Holyoke. In 1973 I changed direction and attended NYU School of Law, receiving a JD degree in January, 77, admitted to the NY State Bar and immediately retired from law- I never practiced. Another turn in my life was in 1975: I returned to academics and math going to Bard College as Assistant Prof of Math. I continued there till 1981 when I moved to Humboldt State University in Arcata, CA. I taught full time til May, 2014 when I retired ending my classroom teaching in spring, 2016.

In my career I was active in the calculus reform movement, geometry, math visualizations, and the history and philosophy of math. I have also visited and/or taught at Yale, U of Toronto, UC Berkeley, and Occidental.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Though I retired from teaching after spring, 2016, I continue with many academic activities- writing and creating mathematics materials for the internet and making presentations to mathematics departments and conferences.

I have also continued my musical interests- performing cello with the local community orchestra, singing and playing guitar at a variety of venues, and working on becoming a better musician- currently focused on learning to play gypsy jazz.

Last year I bought a (used) motor home- and I have done some traveling with that- most recently spending 6 winter weeks in Tucson. I have also been to England twice in the recent past (not in the motor home) to visit with old friends and colleagues- mixing some professional activities with touring.

Life since Brandeis:

I attended Bates College from 1963 to 1965 and transferred in fall 1965 to Brandeis. The list of my Brandeis undergrad professors who affected my life is lengthy- Al Vasquez, who was my advisor and an inspirational teacher, Jerry Levine and David Buchsbaum, whose mellow approach to mathematics allowed me to see its beauty

with some balance on the stresses inherent in its difficulty, Paul Monsky whose genius and humility were a model for a professional, Eugene Meehan, who was always earnest with a sense of humor about discovering the Truth, and Jean van Heijenoort, who was my mentor during a senior year's journey through the wonders of logic and the foundations of mathematics and whose own life changes from politics to academics were inspirational in the connections he had made with great people in whatever he did.

At Brandeis I remember many hours in conversations and activities hanging out with great musicians in Ridgewood and with younger students beginning to find their way in the world in North Quads. Much time was spent struggling to understand the mathematics in advanced courses as a junior and befriending grad student classmates as a senior. I remember fondly many Brandeis classmates from the class of '67: Fred Cohen, Alan Sager, Ira Rosenholtz, Sam Silberstein, Shirley Katz, Peter Chabot, Eve Hlavaty, and Barbara Kayten. There were many others who were not in '67, too numerous to mention here. I also have some friends from Brandeis whom I met only after graduation- especially Pat Rachel Rosen, David Gerstel, and Howard Barkan (who passed away suddenly in 2016).

My main activities now, aside from visiting with my family, writing, and creating math for the internet, include: bicycling and swimming, cruising around the internet, playing guitar and singing at open mic's, bars and restaurants, farmers markets, adult day care, etc; playing cello in the local

community orchestra; attending lectures, music, theater and dance performances; travel - last year to Hawaii and to England for April, 2016 and 2017; and traveling around the West in my 35' motor home (including recently 6 weeks in Tucson), giving math presentations and seeing some beauty of the natural world.

At Brandeis I often had trouble getting to classes on time. I continue to work on being on time- with a little more success now.



Cycling in Palm Desert, CA- at the end of the road. :) January, 2017



70th Birthday at SF Giants game with brother, sister, daughter, son-in-law, and new grand daughter, August, 2016



With family at Michael's graduation, Reed, 2008.



With extended family at Jennifer's wedding, August, 2015.

Elliot Frank



My family:

I am partnered with Susan, a local pediatrician, for almost a decade now. She is a connoisseur of words, has a critical and unconventional mind, can think mathematically, and likes to get outdoors...I joined the Appalachian Mountain Club with her. I have three adult children, Sam, Will and Gena. If you want interesting and thoughtful people to talk to, make them yourself, I sometimes claim, and I feel like I have certainly succeeded. Sam teaches, Will has a business in NYC called IC Summits, Gena works for a State Representative at the State House, and is a member of the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee.

Susan has three boys, also very interesting people, the eldest Alex a software engineer, Will J.(yes we have two Wills) is in college, Robbie the youngest is a junior in high school, and so will soon be the last one of the six to go off to college.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have been mostly teaching for many years, (but with some time out banging nails) starting with elementary, and moving up to high school biology, and now chemistry as well. I left about 5 years ago, after an uncomfortable time in a school system in financial straits, missed it soon, and worked my way back in. The transition was very enjoyable, as I got to work with kids from kindergarten through high school, mostly in Lexington, MA, but also in Needham,

Newton and elsewhere. I acquired or reacquired several teaching certificates, and have just taken on a chemistry job in Holbrook, MA...

I am particularly interested in cognition, and how to teach kids to think scientifically, something which evidence indicates is fundamentally counter-intuitive for a social primate. Default option, due to our evolutionary history, is to assume intentionality in the events around them. This works great with humans and animals, but not molecules and the like, and is a difficult cognitive trap.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Retirement...a bit premature, didn't like it, have now un-retired. Plenty to do, including rebuilding a ragtag 1880 house here in Newton, located on a dead-end street that ends in an extensive conservation area. I have lived here as a tenant and then owner since Brandeis, so have spent years walking and running in these woods. Had run with Norm Levine at Brandeis, and kept it up somewhat, but about 10 years ago started running in local races, like the Chilly Half Marathon in Newton (can still do that in under 2 hours), and a few 10k's and 5k's. Keeps me motivated, and the exercise is good for the psyche. My book collection is too big. Besides lots of scifi, and Terry Pratchett to excess, current reads (mostly incomplete since the teaching heated up) include Daniel Kahneman's "Thinking Fast and Slow", Taleb's "Black Swan", a biography of

Richard Feynmann, and I hope to get to Daniel Dennett's latest on the evolution of mind soon. There is a portrait of Charles Darwin on my wall.

Life since Brandeis:

I was only 16 when I arrived, and was thrilled at the intellectual excitement, though I was hardly mature enough to succeed academically, despite my interest. Still had incredible experiences, not just with the science people, but with folks like the late amazing Alan Grossman...whom I was fortunate enough to meet and thank many years later. I left, worked in labs, in neurology, molecular genetics (where I picked up Ed Tatum's Nobel at a Christmas party at his apartment) and in Biochemistry at Brandeis, finally returned as a student, a bit more mature, learned to run, did well and went off to teach little kids. First I did a lot of political stuff, during the Ford Hall event, and lots of antiwar activities on and off campus...mostly after all of you had left in '67? Marched across the Potomac with vets of the Lincoln Brigade to the Pentagon, where I caught a bit of tear gas, almost got beaten by a U.S. Marshal with his truncheon, and learned something about leadership working with Bob Greenberg '68 there.

During SCLC's Poor People's campaign after King's death, spent several weeks at Resurrection City in front of the Lincoln Memorial, with another Brandeis buddy, working with and meeting people I would never have met otherwise. Still grappling with whether any of that made any discernible difference in the world, which is very disturbing to my politically sophisticated and engaged children.

Worst memories are mostly very personal ones, learning very slowly how to deal with being a bit spacey, and at some risk of anxiety and depression...things that I now handle fairly easily, with some continued attention, and a vastly improved personal toolbox.



Finishing the Dreamfar 10k in Sharon, MA



On way to AMC Hut in New Hampshire



With kids a bit older.



With my then young kids in 2001



Chip Howard Freed



Life since Brandeis:

I am still trying to do my little bit to save the world. I spent 18 years practicing Emergency Medicine in an academic hospital, including starting an Emergency Medicine residency, but never felt it was enough saving the world for me. By luck alone, Bill Clinton's old friend and Chief of Staff for Clinton for President '92 was Eli Segal (Brandeis '64) who was a good friend of my brother Mike (Brandeis '64). When Eli heard that he didn't have to pay me he invited me down to Little Rock to work at the national campaign HQ. I became Eli's rep in the War Room, the one where George Stephanopoulos and James Carville worked and, someone wrote on the chalkboard for the first time, "It's the Economy, stupid." My wife Rachel says I'm a groupie for that stuff. She is correct.

When Clinton's health care plan died, I took on the job of Chief of Emergency Medicine at D.C. General Hospital, the District's hospital for the poorest of the poor. This link describes my role in the shocking and seriously bizarre world that had been allowed to develop there:

<http://www.washingtoncitypaper.com/articles/20184/first-do-no-harm>. It was enough to convince our wonderful son Max that he did not want to follow the same career path as his Dad.

In 2008 I took a political appointment in the NYS Dept. of Health as the Director of the

Center for Environmental Health. I was the doctor who had to sign off that hydrofracking is safe before it could be done in NY. We got 200,000 anti-fracking letters. The ones I got were mostly variations of, "Dr. Freed, how dare you pollute Mother Earth? Please change your mind and start caring about the environment for a change!" Meanwhile, Gov. Cuomo was trying to get me to say, "Sure fracking is safe. No problem here. Move along everyone." I was dragging my feet about saying it is safe. I did so many things in that job that could have gotten me fired that I honestly don't know which one they fired me for.

My approach to getting physically older had been to ignore it. That was working out pretty well for me until I fell 12 feet out of an apple tree. As we all have heard, coming so near death has a way of focusing one's thoughts. My thought was that I'd retire. Now we live summers in the foothills of the Green Mountains (so much nature) and winters in DC (so much Shakespeare).

My Brandeis-nurtured social/political conscience and its concomitant very judgmental superego are alive and well. My current solution is doing what I can to help Kirsten Gillibrand. Her first run for elected office happened to be in my Congressional District. The incumbent was a real jerk: a heavy drinking, wife beating, right wing Republican who refused to debate her. Soon we had Rachel strut in her stuff in a

big chicken costume in front of his office, waving a sign that said "Why Won't Sweeny Debate Gillibrand?" She and her campaign had no idea who we were until a week later when I donned the chicken costume and walked into her campaign HQ. I don't agree with everything Sen. Gillibrand says and does. But I don't agree with everything anyone says and does. I don't even agree with everything I say and do. But for this, which may be last phase of our political lives, we have hooked our little dinghy onto her battleship. That's one man's life.



Home



And we're both still in for the long haul



Meg Gage



My family:

I'm married to Steve King, a physical anthropologist who focuses on primate evolution, retired from UMass Amherst. We have two sons. Matt is 3 months away from finishing a residency in internal medicine at Brown and Rhode Island Hospital. His wife Kim is a nurse practitioner, providing primary care in Rhode Island. Simon is a luthier who specializes in making and repairing the string bass, and he makes electric basses. We have three granddaughters, Lily, Abby and Cassie, children of Matt and Kim and have discovered that being a grandparent is one of the few things that is what it's cracked up to be! Our granddaughters are wonderful in every way!

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I had a 12-year stint teaching high school Social Studies and English, interrupted by a couple of years of street theater in London and a year in Paris learning french. In the early 80's I left teaching to work on the philanthropy side of the peace movement, advising donors on how their philanthropy could have the greatest impact in building a grassroots peace movement. I founded and ran the Peace Development Fund for 12 years. Realizing that achieving progressive domestic and foreign policy required fixing our democracy, I started another public foundation, the Proteus Fund, initially focused on money and politics, then broadening out to a larger democracy and human rights agenda. Our primary philanthropy tool as collaborative mechanisms through which major donors

and foundations could work together. We helped to organize funding for the marriage equality campaign. I retired last year and now have a fellowship to write about what I have learned.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I am working part-time on the fellowship, mentioned above, based at the Women Donors Network. The Trump election has become the focus of my writing as I delve into what progressive philanthropy can do to protect our basic rights and constitutional democracy. We need research to understand the appeal of authoritarianism. Luckily the fellowship is not full time or I would be completely neurotic! Retirement has allowed me to walk and hike more, 10,000 steps a day, more gardening, reading, movies and spending more time with friends. Hip replacement 18 months ago cut into the retirement activities, particularly gardening and sailing but I'm 100% back to normal now. The biggest retirement pleasure is spending time with our 3 granddaughters. We have wonderful summer weeks with them at our Maine house in mid-coast Maine.

Life since Brandeis:

I am very much looking forward to the reunion because, in fact, I have not stayed in touch with anyone from our class or any other class. (Dear Barbara Ernst, now Amika, has tried to stay in touch with me but I have been a slouch!) I have occasionally pondered why that is, particularly because so many of my friends

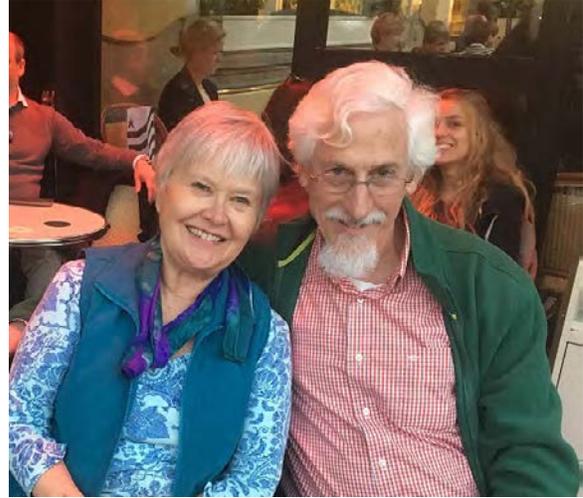
today have deep loyalty to college relationships and to their alma maters, for whom, for example, Duke's standing in March Madness is an annual nail-biter, now nearly 50 decades since they graduated. 50 years ago Brandeis was very young place and still finding its way. There were quotas for Jewish students in most of the big Ivy League colleges, and I remember a number of Brandeis friends who didn't really want to be there and but for being Jewish, might not have been. Perhaps due to assimilation, and perhaps being a naive lapsed Unitarian who came to Brandeis thinking I was kind of Jewish because I wasn't Christian (I said naive!) I didn't get it. I was a minority. That was very good for me, but not easy. Lots more to say, but perhaps this monologue format is not the place

I have wonderful memories of the folk music in the coffee house in the Castle. I fell in love with Yates thanks to Alan Grossman's poetry class and took every one of his courses I could. Years later when I lost most of everything I owned in a house fire, my biggest regret was losing my Grossman notes! I was changed (for the better, I hope) by David Fischer's American Studies classes that caused me to change my major to American Studies. I became very involved in a strike at the watch factory at the bottom of the hill, The Buckle, just past the train station, triggered by a loss of union jobs due to subcontracting and shutting down large parts of the company. I first wrote an article in The Justice that was very sympathetic to the union, easy to do since management wouldn't grant me an interview. After my article appeared I was suddenly invited to interview some in management. I recall my father picking me up for Thanksgiving vacation, waiting for me in the parking lot

of the factory where the interview was taking place on the 10th floor. After a more balanced second article in the Justice, describing the management position and with more understanding of how unsustainable that model of watch manufacturing was, I was called into talk with Brandeis administration. There were more layers, and unbeknownst to me Brandeis had some interest in the outcome of the strike and they wanted me to butt out, threatening not to protect me if legal charges were made. I don't remember many of the details now and sadly my Justice articles and the papers I wrote for Max Lerner's journalism course were lost in the same fire. I do remember campus-wide interest in the strike and a huge teach-in that David Fischer helped to organize. Brandeis SDS joined the picket line in hopes that the union members would join them in protesting the Vietnam war. I had to gently let them know that these men were NOT against the war and were among the very few who were proud to have sons fighting in Vietnam. My freshman year I worked in the cafeteria with Angela Davis. Little did I know. She was a very pleasant co-worker and left the next year to follow Marcuse to La Jolla.



Professional photo - not really how I look day to day



At les Duex Magotos in Paris



Making a terrarium with Abby and Lily in matching aprons

David Gerstel

My family:

Married to Sandra for 44 years. Two kids, Heather and Craig. They are both honest, kind, conscientious, fun to spend time with, and live nearby. Craig and I ski together and talk shop (he is also in construction).

Sandra, Heather, and I share workout tips and drink coffee together. All four of us get together for family feasts.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Carpenter, builder, author, consultant, investor. Play lots of tennis and basketball. Hope to keep doing all of that until I can't anymore. Currently working on fifth book, planning another, and dreaming up building projects. Also have a new publishing operation. Used it to publish my last book, *Crafting the Considerate House*, and will use it to publish my new one, *Nail Your Numbers, a path to skilled Construction Estimating and Bidding*. Named the publishing operation after my Brandeis class: Latitude '67.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Not retired, hope I never will be. Have been in cruise for decades. Love what I do, but don't push at it so hard that stress builds up or that time for family, friends, and lots of time chasing balls around courts is squeezed out. It is a blessed life. I feel very lucky.

Life since Brandeis:

Don't think Brandeis affected me all that much. My values and goals were pretty much in place by the time I got there. The education was mostly kind of sloppy (it could have been better; I made some bad choices of professors and passed on some really good ones, like David Fischer, a young lion in our day). My real education came after graduation when I buckled down and learned how to build houses, how to operate a construction company, and how to research and write book length narratives. But I loved my years at Brandeis, and will be forever grateful for the support I received from my classmates, especially for the editorship of the *Justice* and the fun of organizing the parietal hours strike. Really don't have a bucket list. I've been awfully lucky and lived my dreams. Loving life now and hope I will get to go on at it for a good many years more.



David with his buddy Peter Gould at the Point Reyes Light House



Sandra and David



Carol Wodinsky Ghatan

My family:

My husband and I were blessed with four children - who are now transversing their own ways. One is a physician, one is a lighting architect, and two are attorneys. I also have four young grandchildren to love and delight as I see their achievements.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I fully retired about three years ago as the Executive Director for American Physicians Fellowship for Medicine in Israel. My position allowed me to interact with many physicians in Israel, as well as the medical corps of the IDF. And prior to this I was a 1st grade teacher at a Solomon Schechter school. I've juggled many hats in the past 50 years, and each one led to a new and exciting adventure.



Joel Goldberg

My family:

I am married to Allyne Ross. We have one son, who lives in Washington D.C.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I retired three years ago after over 40 years of being a lawyer (13 years with the government in Washington), then about thirty years in private practice. Most of my practice, both in the government (SEC) and private, related to mutual funds.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I do occasional consulting. In addition, I am on the board of the Wisdom Tree Funds. I am also on the board of the Better Business Bureau of Greater New York, and I am a member of the investment committee of the New York City Bar Association.



Judy Goldberg



My family:

I am divorced and have one son, Joe, now age 37. He has a lovely wife, Anice, and two young boys, Aaron 5 and Sebbie almost 2. All 4 are the light of my life, and best of all, they live close by! I see them every day as I am the boys' designated driver to their daycare. Joe is a criminal defense lawyer and Anice is an IT trainer.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Although I was a history major at Brandeis, I chose to go to grad school in clinical psychology. After grad school I worked in research for 10 years at Abt Associates in Cambridge, then returned to clinical work. I have been a licensed psychologist in private practice for 34 years. I plan to retire in 2018.

My major volunteer activity is serving on the board of my synagogue, Congregation Beth El in Sudbury. I volunteer there in a number of ways including reading Torah at Shabbat services.

Life since Brandeis:

I remember loving my time at Brandeis. Freshman year I don't think I went off campus more than a few times. It was a bubble, and I felt I belonged. Even that Friday when Kennedy was shot, when most students went home, I stayed on campus, finding comfort there.

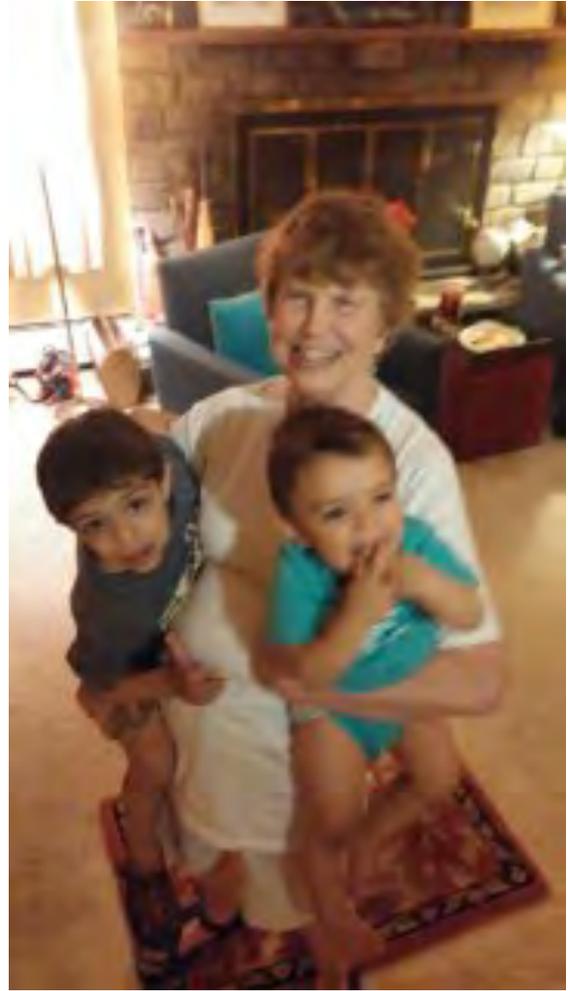
Although classes were a struggle freshman year, by sophomore year I hit my stride and enjoyed almost every course. American

history came alive in courses with Drs. Keller, Ginger and Fischer. (I love that Dr. Fischer is still teaching at Brandeis!) I played on the women's basketball team and made lifelong friends there. Sports at Brandeis were of course a low priority, but at that time women's sports were even more of an afterthought. But the camaraderie of the team was a significant part of my Brandeis experience.

I have fond memories of: Sitting in the snackbar at Kutz freshman year and hearing the Beatles' "I want to hold your hand" for the first time. Hearing folksingers at Chomendeley's. Attending Gen Ed lectures by famous people. Sunday night art movies in Nathan Seifer Hall. Attending concerts in Slosberg after Hillel dinners on Friday night. Freshman orientation at Hamilton Quad, with new students sitting around the pond, playing guitars. Studying at Goldfarb Library on a Saturday night.



My son Joe and me



With Aaron and Sebbie



My first 5K, at age 69



Neil Golder

My family:

Well, we didn't have kids or careers. We didn't get married until we had been together for 25 years, and that was only to avoid paying damages in a lawsuit. And I spent some time in jail (albeit short stretches, for civil disobedience).

I sit here next to my almost 15 year old dog, a Westie, the fourth we've had, in a big house in the midst of the student ghetto around Cornell University. They're building a gigantic sore thumb of an apartment building right next door, which I fought against long and hard, and lost. On this quiet day after the big snowstorm, Puccini and I are alone.

Last night I dreamt again of my wife Kathy Yoselson (Brandeis '68) who died in 2012 here at home after a year of painful cancer. In the dream I couldn't understand how she was there even though she had died. In non-dream life, I try to open myself to her presence.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

When Kathy got sick in 2011, I left my job at Loaves and Fishes, a community kitchen serving free meals to anyone who enters, no questions asked. I had managed there part time for 10 years and it was the best job I ever had. I haven't had a paying job since then.

Keeping busy and new passions:

A lot's been happening in the past few weeks. Some of us from the Ithaca Catholic Worker (inspired by the Catholic Worker Movement started by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin in the 1930's) sat in for three days at our Congressman's office. He supports the insanities of Trump. Also, some of us were on trial for a protest at a drone base near Syracuse, NY. This is a place where people remotely pilot armed drones that assassinate people in countries like Yemen, Somalia and Pakistan. Extrajudicial assassinations that have killed thousands of civilians. In a very rare moment, the jury found all of our not guilty, thereby implicitly finding illegal the actions of the base.

Tomorrow I will go to the local senior center where I regularly volunteer, to teach a continuing class on the heart, that is, being within it in all situations of everyday life. I am trying to get the students to attend the last retreat of the School of Spiritual Psychology/Spiritual Earth Sanctuary in Rochester, NY, in M

Life since Brandeis:

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In June I will be accompanying a the graduate student of the Spring Valley School of Eurythmy to the festival of eurythmy (the movement art brought into the world by Rudolf Steiner 100 years ago). I did the first year of eurythmy training with these young people, who will now show their stuff at the Goetheanum in Dornach, Switzerland.

Although I loved being at Brandeis in the 60's-- and that's where Kathy and I met-- and although I continued on for a graduate degree at Cornell, I did not go into academia nor have a career. I did do Spanish translation and interpreting when I worked for a Prisoners' rights group and I also taught Spanish and ESL for many years, enthusiastically using the Silent Way approach. Kathy never finished her Ph. D., but instead followed what she loved: she worked as a cook and cake decorator. I suppose she used her intellectual skills in starting and maintaining unions in the small workplaces she worked at.

So there I not only end a sentence with a preposition, I end the whole piece.

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Chuck Goldfarb



My family:

I met my husband, Bo-Hwa Hong, in 1996. We got married in 2013. Bo emigrated from South Korea when he was 27. He is a nurse at Howard University Hospital. Bo is the youngest of five siblings, but his parents in fact had 11 children, the first six of whom died of early childhood diseases that rampaged through war-torn Korea of the 1940s and early 1950s. Electricity came to his village when he was very young; indoor plumbing and television signals came later. He attributes Korea's economic miracle to its authoritarian government of the 1960s and 1970s and the shared values of its ethnically homogeneous population. When this conviction bleeds into his views on American politics, there is no political agreement in our household.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I worked for 39 years as a public policy economist in Washington, DC, at an alphabet soup of public and private entities - FTC, FCC, OMB, MCI, and CRS - with short stints at a boutique consulting firm and as a free-lance consultant/expert witness. Most of my work was challenging and fulfilling. I was never a superstar economist, but was fairly effective at explaining economic concepts and analysis to non-economists. I held a number of leadership positions with LGBT community service organizations, including the Gay Alternative magazine and the Gay Switchboard (a telephone hotline) in the 1970s, Black and White Men

Together (an anti-discrimination group) and the NIH-funded SHARE AIDS epidemiological study at Johns Hopkins University in the 1980s, SMYAL (DC's LGBT youth social services organization) from 1986 to 2006, and the Rainbow History Project (the archive and historical preservation group for DC's LGBT community) since 2003. I currently am chairman of the RHP board.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I live a very bourgeois, maybe even conventional, life. Bo and I live in a 125 year old townhouse a short walk from stores and restaurants and theaters, two blocks from the Metro, with off-street parking, a fish pond (that Bo built) in the backyard and a spoiled shih tzu. I get most of my information from The New York Review of Books and Shakespeare Theatre performances. I spend three mornings a week at a fabulous seniors fit and well program at the local Y. I keep all five leaves in our dining room table to accommodate the monthly board meetings and archiving sessions of Rainbow History Project. I organize and lead international cultural exchanges for Friendship Force in challenging political environments - I'll be coordinating a homestay in Izmir and Ankara in May and another one in the Philippines in October.

Life since Brandeis:

1967-2017: For a reasonably bright gay, Jewish, non-believer in urban America, these have been the best and worst of times. This closeted Brandeis boy could never have imagined I'd be legally married to the man I love or invited to give a talk on LGBT history at the U.S. Naval Academy. Nor could I have imagined that between 1985 and 1995 I would lose one-third of my friends and lovers to an epidemic that our nation's leaders refused to acknowledge. Still, life has been more sweet than bitter and I have had more than my share of good fortune. Some was unique to me - incredibly loving and supportive parents, twice surviving medical emergencies against all odds, meeting Bo. Some was shared. Finding folks who had the same goal of building a vibrant, diverse LGBT community - and enough of us surviving the epidemic to be able to pass along our acquired knowledge to the next generation. Always having an equally supportive group of friends outside the gay community. But mostly I was just part of our very fortunate generation of Americans who were reared and came of age in the disequilibrium world of American dominance. Seven years in graduate school without a dissertation did not keep me from getting a job where I could finally learn what economic analysis is all about and craft a rewarding career. Enough job opportunities that I never got bogged down in the bureaucracy. A golden age for community-based organizations, so even when conservatives ran federal DC I could help create institutions for gay youth and AIDS research.

My experience has left me with an unusual perspective on death. But otherwise my views and perspectives appear to be gravitating toward moderation. I have never felt especially attached to Brandeis, but in the past few years I've found myself thinking several times a week about the Brandeis mantra, "truth even unto its innermost parts." I keep asking two questions that seem applicable to just about every political and personal issue. "Do you hold yourself and your group (family, friends, workplace, religion, ethnic group) to the same standard as you hold others, or do you hold your group to a higher or lower standard?" and "How much weight should be given to personal responsibility vs. societal responsibility?" When I ask these questions, I find myself uncomfortable not only with the arguments from the right, but also with many of the arguments coming from the left. I know those who are oppressed and beaten down are not enjoying a level playing field and applying a single standard is inappropriate, but at some level there is a need for personal responsibility. Early in the AIDS crisis, Larry Kramer called out the gay community when too many of us denied the need for personal responsibility; he was crucified but he was right. To the extent his call was heeded, it saved lives. Truth, indeed, which in no way lessened the culpability of a society that was willing to close its collective eyes while hundreds of thousands died.



Chuck and Bo's wedding



Chuck and Bo's wedding celebration



George D. Gopen



My family:

One son, Alexander. 27 years old, living in Toronto, graduated from Dalhousie in Psychology and Sociology. Masters from York University in Urban Planning and Environmental Studies. Wonderful human being.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I got my JD and my PhD in English, simultaneously, from Harvard. Taught as an English professor for 45 years -- Harvard, The University Utah, Loyola University of Chicago, and Duke University. Also taught legal writing for 5 years as an Adjunct at the Harvard Law School and for 16 years at the Duke Law School. Was Director of Writing Programs at Loyola and at Duke.

I've also worked as a writing consultant for lawyers, scientists, academicians, and government folk for 39 years, across the USA and in 9 foreign countries.

I've published 5 books and about 60 articles.

I was the recipient, in 2011, of a lifetime achievement award from the Legal Writing Institute for contributions to the field of legal writing.

My 1990 article, "The Science of Scientific Writing" was selected by its publisher, American Scientist, as one of the 36 "Classic

Articles" in its 100-year history. It leads that journal's citation index.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I'm yet busier in retirement. I'm in the midst of making a 15-hour film of my lectures on what I call The Reader Expectation Approach to the English Language. It's a radical new way to analyze and control written English so that readers will actually get delivery of what you are trying to send. The film should be available on Vimeo in June. I travel the country and the world, lecturing on this material.

I am president of a small Massachusetts corporation called Bronze Memorial, Inc.

I sing in the Choral Society of Durham. Previously I sang in the Chicago Symphony Chorus.

I have recently begun taking piano lessons, for the first time in 35 years.

I golf; I cook; I'm a devoted sports fan; and I'm an enthusiastic poker player.



**Me visiting my Freshman year roommate,
Peter Gould**



With my son and his significant other



Ellen Gould



My family:

My husband, Daniel Ray, and I have been married for 30 years. We recently had a chance to celebrate that milestone in a public way when we were included in a Valentine's Day video about 'long love' produced by Elle Magazine and posted on their FB page .

Though we don't have children we have two children-like people in our lives, both of whom are now grown and live near us. One of them is a Brandeis grad (married to another Brandeis grad!). They have three kids of their own who know my husband and me as Bubbe and Papi. We are extremely close to them all and are grateful to have such a warm extended chosen family.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have worked in theater in NYC since graduating from Tisch/NYU with an MFA. For the first 20 years I had featured and leading roles in productions from The Public Theater to Lincoln Center, working mostly Off Broadway in original musicals or classic plays (with an occasional foray into Yiddish Theater).

In 1992 I wrote and performed my first original solo musical, "Bubbe Meises, Bubbe Stories", which had a critically-acclaimed Off Broadway run followed by a made-for-TV version on PBS (for which I received 2 Emmys for my work as writer and performer). Since then I have written and performed 4 more original musicals, all of

which had NY productions. I am currently close to completion on a new solo musical, "Seeing Stars" and am hoping to begin workshops sometime this year.

In 1999 I co-founded a synagogue called The New Shul where I serve as volunteer cantor. Located in Greenwich Village, the mission is to provide an inclusive, creative and challenging spiritual environment.

Keeping busy and new passions:

People in theater are never fully employed or fully retired. So my work is still my passion. But my husband and I have had the chance to do some far reaching traveling in the last ten years - much of it with The Brandeis Alumni travel program. China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Burma, Japan, Peru, Morocco (my favorite), and most recently, Cuba. We also go to Nice, France frequently to be with Daniel's 103 year old mom!

Life since Brandeis:

These days it feels like things are coming full circle. I am reliving a bit of my Brandeis experience as I meet with friends and community members to strategize about an effective opposition to our (mad King) President. I even wrote an anthem, "We The People", at the request of a friend for a recent march in Berkeley, CA!

Bucket List... mmm... I'd like one more successful show (and to be vital enough to handle a long run ;).



Peter Gould



My family:

Married to Mollie S Burke for 36 years. We have three children. My oldest son Eli was born on the farm--Packer Corners Commune--before I met Mollie. She and I have two other children together. We have three grandchildren.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have been a physical comedy and political theater performer for nearly forty years. More than 3500 performances all around and about. Now direct youth theater and write books and songs. Grow vegetables. Still live about ten miles away from the place where I spent my ten "back-to-the-land" years.

Read all about it in BURNT TOAST and HOME COMFORT and A PEASANT OF EL SALVADOR and WRITE NAKED and MARLY and HORSE-DRAWN YOGURT.

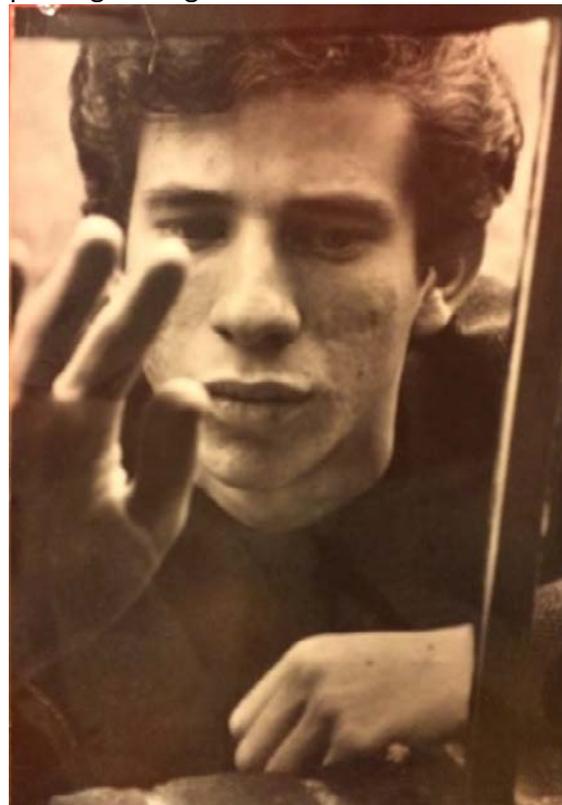
Keeping busy and new passions:

Not retired

Life since Brandeis:

An interesting sidebar to the brief description above: I had a great four years at Brandeis. I missed the place after I left. My fondest memories are of awesome people, great long discussions, endless hours with books. When I was 53 I went back and spent four years getting a PhD. I was careful not to step in any of my old footprints. I ended up writing about Víctor Jara, the world-famous Chilean singer-

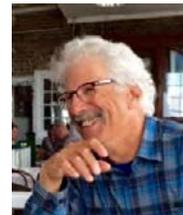
songwriter who was murdered by Fascist soldiers in the military coup of 1973. I love his songs and his character; his life and death inspired me. While I was at Brandeis from 1998 to 2002---it was close enough to my home in Vermont so that I did it all with minimal impact on the family--I taught undergrad and graduate classes at Spingold, in physical comedy and clown theory. Took a break after that from Brandeis. Since 2009 I have taught in the Peace and Justice program in the Sociology Department, one course every spring: the class is called "Inner Peace and Outer Peace." I live in Brattleboro. Happy to see people from our class or around it if you are passing through.



Old photo I recently found



Bob Greenberg



My family:

Married for 10 years to the lovely Trish Hawkins who left London to be a guide on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon 20+ years ago. I have one daughter, Jessica by my late wife Annette and two grandchildren: Annabel and August. They all live in Mozambique.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I moved to Moab from Washington D.C. in 1976 after a few summers of running rivers planning to try out living in the West for a year or two. I ended-up sticking. I started at Four Corners Behavioral Health in 1976 as their consultation and education coordinator and ended my career there as the Executive Director and chair of the state association of mental health and substance abuse providers. I retired 10 years ago when Trish and I married and I ran for county council. After one term on the council I retired again and this time it mostly stuck.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Since retirement, I have been active on a number of boards. I have served as chair of the county Democratic Party for 5 terms, serve on the board of our local solid waste special service district, the county airport board and on the boards of a number of local not for profits. Too busy, but fun.

Still doing a bit of river running, road biking, hiking, skiing and gardening. I love to travel

and most recently have been to southern Africa to see the grand kids. Trish and I have done week-long bike trips in Spain, Albania and Croatia.

Life since Brandeis:

I have been pretty lucky. I have been blessed with being married to two wonderful women, work that I loved, a daughter of whom I am inordinately proud and two beautiful grandchildren. I have been able to live amidst incredible beauty in a small town where I have been able to make a difference. I rowed boats through the Grand Canyon before the age of industrial tourism and have gotten to see a good share of the world: taking a year off to make the great trek overland from Europe to Nepal with my late wife, Annette in 1974.

I was run out of town in 1984 for a year as a result of my political naivety-speaking up at a public meeting to remind folks of the political tradition of throwing the rascals out when we didn't like what our local elected officials were doing.

Brandeis proved fertile ground for my sense of social justice and progressive politics. After surviving a year in graduate school at the University of Chicago capped by marching with Abby Hoffman, Jerry Rubin and the Yipees, I escaped just before the Democratic Convention to join the Teachers, Inc. back on the East coast. There I fell in love with Annette and moved to D.C. to be with her. There I went to work at a

community mental health center which turned into a career.

If this seems a bit disjointed, it is because I did not follow the good advice at the top and write this in WORD and paste it in.

Brandeis did not leave me with a strong habit of following advice...



Around home...



**Daughter Jessica, Son-in-law Jamie,
Annabel and August**



With Trish



Matthew Gudis



My family:

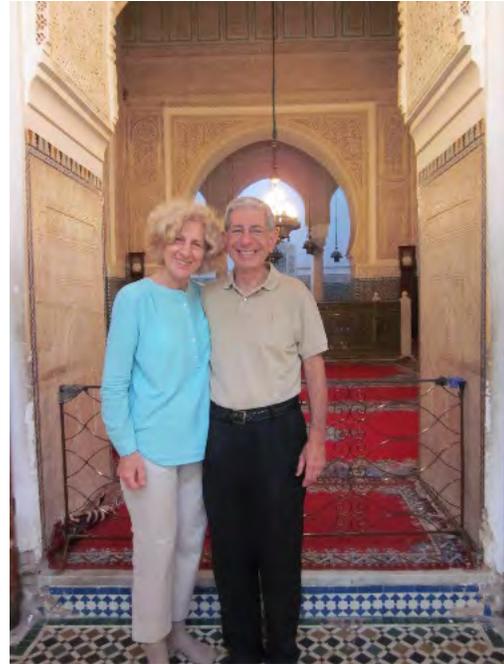
Barbara and I have been married for almost 42 years. She is also a psychiatrist. We have 2 wonderful daughters--Elizabeth is married, works as a lawyer for the Dept. of Justice, and lives in Washington, DC; and Sarah has an MBA, works in Human Resources for Citibank, and lives in New York City.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I have worked as a psychiatrist for over 40 years. I have a part time private practice and have also been on the staff of a mental health center. The work has been very rewarding and I am currently thinking about the possibility of part time retirement.

Life since Brandeis:

I have always been aware of the significant contribution that my experience at Brandeis has had on the formation of my values, my view of others and the world, what is important to me in my life. This has been especially highlighted in recent months with the current political situation which we are all dealing with. I am very grateful for my four years at this school.



Barbara and Matt--Morocco



Barbara, Sam, Elizabeth, Sarah, Matt--
Washington, DC



Maxine S. Haft

My family:

I am married to Howard White. We met in September 1967 when he took me on a tour of the Bronx Veterans Administration Medical Center, where we both worked as part of our training to be clinical psychologists. That was back in the days when the government provided stipends that paid for all our Ph.D. graduate studies as well as some living expenses. Prior to this, Howard had a first career as a professional ballet dancer, performing as a member of American Ballet Theater and other dance companies. I studied ballet as a child and even earned six credits for ballet at Brandeis when Spingold opened. Ballet has remained one of our shared pleasures and we have enjoyed frequent dance and theater performances here in NYC. Howard and I have also enjoyed traveling, with a particular fondness for beautiful beaches. We spent large portions of about thirty summers at Fire Island; being in nature and without cars provided a wonderful balance to the often intense pace of NYC. We do not have children.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I worked from 1973 - 2011 for the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services, a large mental health and social service agency with over 75 residential and out-patient programs around the five boroughs of NYC and Westchester. I began in day and residential treatment with adolescents. In 1981 I shifted to out-patient services and reduced my time somewhat as I also began a part-time private practice doing

psychodiagnostic testing and psychotherapy with a full age range, including couple and family work. I was the Director of Psychology Training from 1989 - 2003, at which time I stepped back from administering the psychology internship program, but continued teaching and supervising staff and students. My years with the JBFCS were very gratifying. It enabled me to maintain my commitment to public service, a desire enhanced by my experience at Brandeis, and my work with doctoral students was intellectually stimulating and personally enriching.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Since retiring from JBFCS, I have continued to work part-time in my private psychotherapy practice. I take yoga classes regularly and continue to enjoy the many cultural opportunities available in NYC. My husband, Howard, has had significant spinal problems, requiring a number of surgeries. In the past few years he has had increasing difficulty walking and now uses a wheel chair when we go out. We have a home health aid when I work and I devote considerable time to caring for him. Our life is quieter now but still very sweet.

Life since Brandeis:

My life since graduating has been full and happy. I believe Brandeis had a significant role in shaping the person I became. My interactions there strengthened my desire to pursue learning and broaden my understanding of people and events. I majored in psychology and my advisor,

George Kelly, encouraged and supported my continuing in the field. I have found working as a psychologist very fulfilling, and it has continued to amaze me that I get paid to listen to and talk with people, which has always been one of my favorite activities. The mental, emotional and spiritual growth fostered at Brandeis reinforced the values of loving, caring and sharing instilled by my family and continued in the ongoing friendships maintained with my suite mates. Although we are spread around the US, Europe and Africa, we get together when possible and the internet has enhanced our ability to keep in touch and communicate with email chains about personal and world events. These friendships are the greatest gift of my Brandeis experience.



My husband and me



At a birthday party last summer of some of our suite mates. Left to right: Lisa Finkelstein, Eileen Sklaroff'68, Ellen Novak '68, Elisa Hill, Phyllis Rebell Osterman, and I'm in front of Elisa



Leni Herzog

My family:

I have been very happily married to Jim Herzog (James M. Herzog, M.D.) for 51 years. We have 2 children, a son, Noah, 48, and a daughter, Eve, 45, and 2 fabulous grandsons, Leo, 7 years old, and Caleb, 3 years old.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I completed a Ph.D. in developmental psychology at Tufts University in 1996, and continue to work as a psychotherapist and psychoanalyst with children and adults in a private office in Brookline. Jim and I are involved with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, as listeners, supporters, and now researchers in an effort to learn how to help children to modulate the effects of exposure to violence and aggression. We have recently begun to explore how to work with the Heller School on this project, allowing a happy re-connection with Brandeis.



Louis L. Hirsh



My family:

My wife is Margaret (Peg) Hirsh. We met in 1995 as audience members in the Everett Theatre in Middletown, DE at a performance of Arsenic and Old Lace.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

My career has been mostly college admissions:

1975-83: Assistant to the Dean for Admissions at James Madison College of Michigan State University

1983-84: Associate Director of Admissions, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA

1984-86: Assistant Director of Admissions, University Honors Program, University of Delaware

1986-02: Senior Associate Director of Admissions, University of Delaware

2002-03: Deputy Director of Admissions, University of Delaware

2003-2012: Director of Admissions, University of Delaware

2012 - present: retired (though I do a little part time consulting)

I've done presentations on college admissions at conferences and workshops for the Potomac & Chesapeake Association for College Admission Counseling, the National Association for College Admission Counseling, the College Board, and the Delaware School Counselor Association.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I conduct workshops for high school counselors and teachers on college admission and letter of recommendation writing.

I assist the University of Delaware's Institute for Public Administration in running the state's College Access Project -- esp. College Application Month in Delaware.

I am the 2015-17 Admission Practices Chair of the National Association for College Admission Counseling, which handles all of the ethics cases for NACAC and its 23 affiliates.

My wife and I enjoy volunteering. She and I have been mentoring 2nd and 3rd graders at a local elementary school, and Peg works with Read Aloud Delaware and Meals on Wheels.

We have also been on several cruises and enjoy living in Newark, DE -- a college town is the perfect place to be when you're retired!

Life since Brandeis:

I have had extraordinary teachers at all stages of my education, and that includes some elementary school teachers who are still vivid to me even though it has been more than 60 years since I've seen them.

I can't really separate "Brandeis" from the rest of my education, but it is certainly an

important piece of what has shaped me. The older I get the more apparent it becomes that where my education has most profoundly affected me is that it has made me a significantly happier human being. Literature, the performing arts, history, the latest ideas in science - what we collectively call the "life of the mind" - have given me enormous pleasure and fulfillment. I may be retired, but I am never bored. My liberal arts education has made the world endless fascinating.



Lou and Peg Hirsh in Hawaii 2015

I find it ironic that, although I have spent my career in college admissions, I have to admit that most admission people do a miserable job of describing the sheer joy of learning. We talk about everything else -- the impact of college on one's lifetime earnings; the new residence halls we've just built; our opportunities for overseas study; our great scholarships and financial aid, etc. But we fail at helping 17-year-olds understand how over time an education can add so immeasurably to the joy of being human.

Perhaps it's an impossible task and can only be understood after one has lived many years. I was a very scared and intimidated first-generation college student when I walked onto the Brandeis campus in 1963. What a difference 50+ years makes!



Larry Hirschhorn



My family:

I have been married to Marla Isaacs for 40 years. I have two grown sons Aaron 38 and Daniel 33. They are both married. Aaron has children ages 4, 3 and 1 and Daniel has one child less than a year old. Aaron lives in Santa Monica California and is the founder of a company dogvacay.com Daniel lives in New York City and runs the Digital news desk for Time, Fortune and Money Magazines.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am working only very part time at a management consulting firm I founded 30 years ago with several partners. I teach a course on organizational psychodynamics at the University of Pennsylvania and a course on the Theory of Constraints at Philadelphia University. I work on a blog "learning from experience_larry hirschhorn." I was a founder and am currently on the board of the International Society for the Psychoanalytic Study of Organizations. I just founded a year-long training program for experienced organization consultants. The first class will meet this coming October.

Life since Brandeis:

How Brandeis affected me: It broadened immensely my intellectual curiosity. It introduced me to incredibly talented friends. It introduced me to critical thinking and to the useful critique of society and its arrangements. It stimulated my great appreciation of economics as a social

science discipline. It freed me from the constraints of family life too saturated with immediate memories of the holocaust. It introduced me to folk music and guitar playing. It underlined my identity as a mid-century Jew. Through the Hiatt program it exposed me to the excitement of Israel as a new state.

Fondest memories. Evenings at Cholmondeleys (Chumleys). Making frappes and washing dishes in the Castle cafeteria, putting dewey decimal numbers on spines for the library, (and doing that the day Kennedy was shot), the freshman dance around the Hamilton pond (with its willow trees), Marcuse's course on Kant (with Angela Davis as the TA), Seth Benardete's course on Herotodus, my first paper with Fred Somers' introduction to philosophy, the march on the Pentagon, the shock at the deaths of Schwerner, Goodman and Chaney, vacillating and deciding to not go to Israel in the run up to the '67 war, Romney Robinson's introductory course to economics and visiting his home and book lined office, the friends I made in Hamilton A 3rd floor freshman year, my salutatorian speech/screed against the administration at graduation, rooming with Michael Friedmann, Steven Kramer and Jim Gay our senior year in Waltham, 128 pine street.

Worst memories- I am too old to harbor bad memories. Better to let them go.



My son Daniel with his wife Jennie, BOTH Brandies alums, with little Henry



My wife Marla, with Karine our daughter in law and our grandson Joel



My son Aaron with his wife Karine and their two boys August and Joel



Anne Reilly Hort

My family:

Robert Hort '67 and I have been married for 51 years. We eloped secretly during a snow storm in our junior year. We acted on impulse, but we were lucky! We have three children--Ben '91, Danny '93 and Katie Penn '97. While we married and bred young, our children did not, so we are enjoying our seven grandchildren but don't expect to see great-grandchildren! Our seven grandchildren--Vivian 17, Ella 16, Billy 13, Jake 11, Zoe 10, Teddy 9, and Bobby 6-- are an enormous source of pleasure and activity.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Active volunteer in my stay-at-home years-- president of our HOA PTA, and Sunday Assembly. Earned Masters' Degree in Library Science, NYC Fire Safety Director's license, real estate license, and certificate in interior design.

1992--"I got my job through the New York Times" becoming a professional fundraiser for the Arthritis Foundation, American Jewish Congress and Riverdale Country School, retiring in 2006.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I have served on the Brandeis Alumni Association Board for 12 years, afforded a front-row seat into our University. This is both a blessing and a curse.

Since retiring, I have worked as an "historic interpreter" at Sunnyside, the home of Washington Irving, making good use of my

multi-disciplinary major in American Civilization background. I love it!

Life since Brandeis:

I am probably repeating what my husband, Robert, has said, but the truth is that my decision to attend Brandeis has shaped my life. While this is a truism for anyone who marries a college classmate, two of our three children graduated from Brandeis. They would never have attended Brandeis if it were not on the family radar. Our closest friends, travel companions, advisers and confidantes are Brandeis classmates. Lois Ettlinger Perlman, married to Roberts's high school friend Barry, (so we might have been friends anyway) Bob Cohen and his wife Dottie, and Ron Mayer and his wife Linda are at our table, on the phone, in our plans, and ever reliable. Recently we have become friends with Richard Epstein and enjoy another perspective on our Brandeis days. Richard is an accomplished cellist, and we attend his concerts with pleasure.

Naively I thought that graduation signaled the end of my association with Brandeis. Instead it is a constant reference point on my compass.

(My worse memories from Brandeis are French 10, for which I was woefully unprepared and the endlessly cold winters with the slippery walkways and drippy ceilings).



Robert and me



Robert Hort

My family:

Anne and I have three children Ben '91, Dan '93, and Katie, whom we also love though she went to Penn. All three of them have contributed to our seven grandchildren: Vivian 17, Ella 16, Billy 13, Jacob 11, Zoe 10, Teddy 9, and Bobby (Robert Hort Clement) 6. Everyone is doing well and usually they are all great joys to us. I must add, however, of the many lessons I have learned, the one that is most relevant here, is that despite the head shaking and the audible tsk, tsk of old Jews, it is tremendous fun having a grandchild named after you while you are still alive and able to enjoy it.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I went to law school and graduated after my youngest child got out of college. I passed the bar (yes, the first time) in 2000 and have never made a penny from the practice of law. However, I am a small claims arbiter in Bronx County and I love it. It gives me a chance to help people who have really been mistreated, but also to wrestle with difficult situations where both parties think they are right and there is no villain. It also often reminds me of how fortunate I have been in my life. And the fact that I am often called "Your Honor" certainly doesn't displease me.

Life since Brandeis:

Thirty years ago Chuck Goldfarb (I am pretty sure it was Chuck) wrote in our yearbook that it was amazing even he, one of the

youngest members of our class, was middle aged. I remember being startled by his words as I, who had already passed the 40 threshold at that time, had not yet considered that I was even approaching middle age. In fact, I don't think that at any time I have ever thought of myself as middle aged. I seem rather to have skipped it and gone straight to old. And I am old, let there be no doubt about that. I know it because younger people (usually women) offer me their seats in the subway (till now I have always refused), because my barber and numerous restaurants give me their senior discounts without my asking, because when I am with my grandchildren people always know I am not the father, and because all of my grandchildren automatically pick up things from the floor for me.

Yet surprisingly and gratifyingly I am okay with being old. Thirty years ago I was unhappy when Chuck reminded me of the passage of my life. But old doesn't seem to bother me so much. I am not saying something stupid like, "you are only as old as you feel", "age is just a number", or "today's seventy is yesterday's fifty". If somehow I was given the opportunity of starting over again, I would, and I think I would do a much better job given another chance. But being old does have some compensations. I have more time now to do certain stuff like reading. I actually go to the gym semi-regularly, something I had meant to do for over thirty years. I play golf almost every week when the weather is good. I play with my oldest friend, who I have

known for 57 years, and I realize that between golf, travelling and going to movies with our wives, going to museums, and attending a men's discussion group he founded, I spend much more time with my old friend than I ever did before. I play with my grandchildren and attend their games and performances. Every day that we are home during the school year I pick up my two youngest and drive them to school. We talk about their day and mine and we play games and tell each other jokes and riddles. I spend much more time with my wife of 51 years. You will have to read her essay to see how she feels about that, but I think it is great. Seven years ago we began spending five to six weeks each winter at our apartment in Florida. We see people and have visitors, which is terrific. But for the most part we are on our own and it struck me just this year that there was no one else in the world with whom I could spend so much time and not go somewhat crazy. It was only when I got to seventy-one that I had the time to figure that out.



Zoe and Teddy



Jacob, Billy, and Zoe



Ella, me, Vivian



Robert Hort Clement (Bobby)



Paulette Jellinek



My family:

Please see my response in "Free Write" for this and all the other specific question boxes.

Life since Brandeis:

50 Years Ago to 2017 in Less than 500 Words

The personal and professional in my life are intertwined in many ways. But a full explanation of that would take more than 500 words. :-) So, I've chosen to give some particulars here about my art work and my development of a website focused on my family's confrontation with the Holocaust -- then just briefly identify other significant aspects of my life, and finally, hope that my photos help tell more of my "Life Since Brandeis" story.

I continue to be engaged in creating and teaching painting. In the last few years, I've worked mainly with mixed, water and alcohol-based media, plus collage materials on paper, silk -- and most recently, with encaustics and Piñata alcohol inks -- on boards and glazed tiles. I am still most inspired by the drama of color and dark/light relationships, natural and historic landscapes and human facial expressions. My artist's website, www.PauletteJellinek.wix.com/Art gives a glimpse of some of my (nonrepresentational and figurative) paintings and etchings of the last decade.

Looking at art and teaching others, I still think and talk of beloved Prof. Leo Bronstein's "correspondance with infinity" and "substitution with a finite gesture", and more.

I am also working on the presentation of primary documents, letters and images on my website www.ShoahLetters.org. My Shoah website currently displays scans, translations and transcriptions of 29 original letters from 1938 - 1952, old family photos, (ranging from c. 1904 - 1946) nine primary documents, background explanatory material and a few of my original art works.

Now for other very important aspects of the last 50 years of my life:

- My marriage to Sid Perloe (6/2017 = our 40th wedding anniversary!)
- My two wonderful adult children, Alexandra and Gabriel.
- Working in psychology and finance, respectively; Alexandra is a Brandeis alum, class of 2006!
- Living and teaching art and art education in Israel, 1972 - 74
- My relationships with my wonderful sisters, Roberta and Michaela, and with a few close friends.
- Living for a year, studying traditional Japanese ink painting (sumi-e) and exploring Kyoto, Nara and Osaka, sometimes with my husband, Sid, and my daughter, Alexandra, then-18 months to 2 1/2

years old, but often only with Alexandra, while Sid, observed and recorded behavior of Japanese macaque monkeys in the Minoo National Forest.

- Sid is Prof. Emeritus of Psychology of Haverford College.
- More recent travel exploration in Madrid and Andalusia, Paris and Provence, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, Florence, Siena and a farm in Tuscany, Prague and Terezin, Vienna, St. John Island. Looking forward to walking, sketching and painting in Zion and Bryce National Parks in June
- The very sad loss of both of my parents, Karl and Caroline, nearly forty years ago.
- Books, creating/viewing films, dance, theatre and music. . .

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Paulette, Sid, Alexandra and Gabe enjoying



I painted this with hot encaustic wax. It's



"Brave Unwilling Martyrs - Only A Few Survived." This is one of my mixed-media collage paintings that is displayed on ShoahLetters.org. It consists of fragmented, altered photocopies of a 1933 Jellinek family group photo and of three family Shoah letters, as well as hand-dyed Asian papers.



I took this photo towards the end of last summer, at nearby "Chanticleer Gardens," when the magical pink Muhly grass glows and sways in this lovely creative garden. I love to paint here.



C. David Joffe, MD

My family:

Married to Susan Joffe, RN
Liza Sara Joffe (Steiger) married to
Jeremey Steiger, preschool teacher,
Cleveland, OH
4 children (our grandchildren) 3 boys and a
princess
Benjamin Joffe married to Sarah Galena. He
teaches Latin and Greek at a girls prep
school in NYC, 2 boys
Rebecca Joffe Cleveland, OH, special ed
teacher
Michael Joffe Chicago, IL social worker for
the elderly

Career and/or volunteer activities:

MD, University of Cincinnati, 1971
Internship, residency, and fellowship in
cardiology in Boston and New York 1971-
1975
US Army Chief of Cardiology , Darnell Army
Hospital, Fort Hood, Texas 1975-1977
Interventional cardiologist, Dayton, Ohio
1977 - present
Senior Physician and founding partner of
The Dayton Heart Center
former Medical Director for The DAYTON
HEART HOSPITAL merged with Good
Samaritan Hospital, Dayton in 2003
performed the first coronary angioplasty in
South Western Ohio 1981
founding team member of the first TAVR
team (transcatheter aortic valve
replacement) in Dayton, Ohio 2014
founder and president of The Heart
Institute of Dayton a non profit organization
to promote and provide cardiovascular

education and care to and both medical
professionals and the community 2008 -
present

former board member of:

Dayton Philharmonic
Dayton Opera
Dayton Chapter of the American Heart
Association
Ohio Chapter of the American College of
Cardiology

Keeping busy and new passions:

Plan to "retire" at the end of 2018
Now "employed by" the largest health care
system in our 9 county region, "employed"
rather than private practice because of the
many changes in the delivery of health care
in the last 10-15 years

Life since Brandeis:

love to cook
love the Cincinnati Reds
love to travel with family and friends
love the opera
love Colorado - summer more than winter

Cannot attend the 50th reunion as I am still
recovering from a serious formerly
threatening illness

Thank you to Brandeis for preparing me for
med school; teaching me to think; allowing
me to grow up and "live thru the 60s";
friends



Carole Joffe

My family:

I have been married to Fred Block, Columbia '68, since 1973. We met in graduate school at UC Berkeley, where we both studied sociology.

We have two daughters, Miriam, who works for the treasury dept of the state of California on a special project, bringing solar energy to low income households; and Jude, who is a public radio reporter, focusing on immigration issues, based currently in Phoenix. No grandchildren yet, but hope springs eternal.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I got a PhD at Berkeley (being very well prepared by the sociology experience at Brandeis!) and my first job was in Phila, in the school of social work at Bryn Mawr College, where I taught from 1974-1990. Then Fred and I both recruited to U.C. Davis, where I taught in the sociology dept until 2009. Now, to my astonishment and amusement, I am a professor of obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive health at the U. of Calif, San Francisco, where I work with a research group, Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health. I ended up in a med school because my work for the last 40 years or so has focused on reproductive health, especially abortion provision. I have written several books on this topic, probably the best known being *Doctors of Conscience: The Struggle to Provide Abortion before and after Roe v Wade*. I continue to work on this topic, and frequently publish op-eds, blog posts, letters to the editor (about 15 thus far in

New York Times). I am, needless to say, deeply concerned

Life since Brandeis:

I am very grateful for my Brandeis experience. I regret that I was one of four entering freshmen for whom there was no room in the freshmen quad, so we were put in an upperclass dorm and I didn't quite have the bonding experience that many of my classmates had. But I loved being there, including the larger Boston area. One of the highlights of my professional life was once, years ago, giving a book talk at the Brattle theater and realizing that that was where I first saw Bogart movies! I love living in N. California but do miss new england and the seasons, and every summer we return like homing pigeons to Cape Cod.

Among best Brandeis memories: learning to love folk music at Chomondeley's (ie "Chumleys") and the Club 47 in Cambridge.

Worst? The weekend of our freshman year when JFK was killed.

Other than grandchildren, my bucket list is pretty much complete. Of course, objective #1 is not seeing Trump, or any Republican elected in 2020, and the Dems coming back in 2018. I am deeply concerned about not only what will become of women's health issues, but health care more broadly in this horror show of an administration we are experiencing.

I wish I could attend reunion weekend and wish all that do attend a wonderful time!



Madeline Blatt Karpel



Life since Brandeis:

The summer after graduation I lived in Ridgewood quad so I could work at Upward Bound and stay close to my boyfriend, a graduate student at Brandeis. In the fall, I moved to Cambridge and began doctoral studies in French at Harvard. It didn't take long for me to realize that this was not what I wanted to be doing for the next three or four years. I left with a Masters that June and I married the Brandeis graduate student, my husband, Richard Karpel (PhD '70). I left Harvard University for Harvard, Massachusetts where I taught French in the public school. From 1970 to 1976, we lived in Princeton, New Jersey. I was again teaching high school French and Richard had a post doc. We moved to Columbia, Maryland in 1976 and have lived here ever since. Richard was a professor at the University of Maryland at Baltimore County. Our daughter Emily (Brandeis '99) was born in 1977. I started a new career, in clinical social work, after graduating with a MSW from the University of Maryland School of Social Work in 1984. My work as a psychotherapist was in community mental health, at the Washington School of Psychiatry, and in private practice.

It took me a while to discover what kind of work I really enjoyed. Being a psychotherapist was a good choice and I was fortunate to find an intellectual home at the Washington School and in psychoanalytic institutes in Baltimore and

Washington. I have also pursued an interest in reading and writing poetry. Brandeis was where I began to develop a love of literature and the ability to think critically and to write.

Columbia has been a good home for us. When we moved here, it was 10 years old. Living in a quickly evolving "new town" and witnessing its evolution over 40 years has been interesting, not unlike attending a young Brandeis University in 1963 and returning to visit over the years. We have volunteered with the local chamber music society, which brings outstanding musicians to perform in Columbia. Brandeis was also where I began to develop a love of music.

Both Richard and I are now retired. In the near future we plan to move to New York City to be closer to Emily and her family. We have two wonderful grandsons, five and eight years old. We look forward to spending more time with the family and our NYC Brandeis friends. We are hopeful and curious about returning to the city of our childhood.

I am grateful for the education I received at Brandeis. It set me on a path of lifelong learning and curiosity about the world. I am grateful for the friends I made there. And of course, I am grateful to have met my husband there, as a passenger in his car on a trip home to Queens in 1966.



With Richard in Italy, 2016





Amika Kemmler-Ernst



My family:

A close friend once told me I'm very good at choosing "characters" -- I guess I have always been drawn to unconventional people who've intrigued and challenged me! I was married for 20 years to a tall, sexy Italian whom I met in Uganda. We never had children, which may be my only regret in an otherwise full and fulfilling life.

My sweetheart of the past 17 years is Gustaf Berger. He began writing fiction when he retired and has recently had his first novel, *Death Postponed*, published. He is affectionate, iconoclastic, loquacious, intelligent, intense, curious, and imperfect - I think you'd enjoy meeting him!

We live with two friendly cats on the first floor of a triple-decker in Boston, in a neighborhood known for its political activism and LGBTQ folks. Our home is full of books and art and natural treasures collected during our travels.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Teaching is my passion. I have taught all subjects and all ages, kindergarten through graduate school - in the Boston area, Italy, and Africa. In 1975 I co-authored *The Great Perpetual Learning Machine*, a guide to learning resources.

Over the next twenty years, I took on a variety of leadership roles grounded in my classroom teaching: e.g. mentoring pre-service teachers, designing curriculum, developing innovative programs, and

facilitating teacher inquiry groups. I received a "Golden Apple" award for teaching excellence in 1988 and helped write *The Teachers' Vision of the Future of Education (IMPACT II, 1991)*.

At 49 I went back to school myself, earning a doctorate from the Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE) in 2000. My dissertation explored the radical idea that teachers can learn from asking and pursuing their own questions of practice. I returned to the classroom, then served as a full-time mentor to first year teachers in the Boston Public Schools.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I prefer the term "reWiring" -- it's an ongoing journey of discovery! Although I continue to engage in professional activities, I have more balance in my life these days and I'm learning to take care of myself as well as others!

I've done some teaching at Wheelock College and I volunteer regularly in a local K-8 school, working with teachers (and sometimes students) - contributing to a supportive community through a variety of initiatives. I also write a monthly photo essay for the Boston Teachers Union, *We're Learning Here*, which gives voice to "ordinary" students and celebrates the learning going on every day in our public schools - check it out at www.btu.org.

Travel is my newest passion... last year the incomparable majesty of Antarctica and this year, India & Pakistan. We enjoy home

exchanges and cruising, two very different ways to explore the world. In August we will travel to Wyoming to see a total eclipse of the sun!

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis exposed me to a world outside of my suburban New York experience. I remember sitting in the branches of the willow tree overlooking the pond in our freshman quad. I remember George Kelley and my efforts to be cynical for a week! I remember working in the dining halls, even after moving off-campus in my junior year. I remember talking endlessly about ideas with smart people who had very different experiences and ways of thinking.

I have done more in my life than I ever dreamed possible. I may not have changed the world through my teaching, but I have made a difference - what more can I ask?



June 2005 -- it floats!

This is at Jamaica Pond: the entire school came out to watch as we tested our reed boat, built in February and inspired by our 4th grade study of ancient Egypt!



Gus and Amika on a cruise ship in Antarctica waters, 2015-16.



With Yujie, a Harvard graduate student from China, I painted our faces at my community's annual Wake Up the Earth festival.





Chet Kessler, MD

My family:

Married my childhood sweetheart (have a picture of us dancing at my Bar Mitzvah) who provided 3 beautiful daughters who, in turn, have given us 5 special grandkids -- 4 girls (twins at 15, a 16 y/o baseball phenom, and an 18 y/o freshman at Penn State) and 1 PRINCE (he is now a 3rd year college student!) We've been blessed.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I retired at the end of 2014 after 40 years of Family Medicine at INOVA Fairfax Hospital. It really was an extraordinary, wonderful and fulfilling career - I have a picture of my last patient - on my last day in practice - we are holding my appointment book from 1974 and pointing to the entry showing that he was the very first patient I ever saw that first day in practice -- what more can I say about that. Another highlight was that I served as the Tour Physician for the National Symphony Orchestra for 13 years accompanying them on four tours around the world. What a spectacular gig that was. I have also enjoyed serving as Medicine/Health chief Judge at the regional Science Fair for 38 years.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Enjoying retirement very much--we travel, visit family and especially grandkids (oh, and their parents too), Exercising more than ever before, NOT following any strict schedule, volunteering at the hospital and a lot of just "potchkying" around.

Life since Brandeis:

My memories of Brandeis are mostly of Paul and Harry (was it the Rockin Daddys?), Cholmondeleys, sleeping on the grass behind the Chapels or a sub sandwich from a Waltham shop -- can't remember the name -- but mine was always 'heavy on the onion, easy on the pickle'. I learned to appreciate classical music from my freshman roommate Steve Wetzner --are you out there Steve?

I flunked Organic Chemistry (so did you, Paul) and thought my dreams of Medical School were over. I remember watching the original Little Shop of Horrors with Jack Nicholson--- sitting just off the lobby in the "living room" of the Shapiro dorm monitor's apartment--he was a grad student in Egyptology- Sanskrit reading or some such bizarre and ancient discipline --Warren something.

As I sit here, focusing on those years at Brandeis, I guess I feel some regret for not keeping in touch with the people who shared those heady days with me. I suppose others are feeling the same way.

My last "lasting" memory of Brandeis was that my father had a 'heart scare' 2 days before graduation, was in the hospital and could not attend graduation. My sister and an aunt from New York filled in -- but I remember that I kept my cap and gown (lost my deposit I guess), drove straight home to Lebanon Pa. and walked into his hospital room wearing that cap and gown! One of the best things I have ever done.



Jaime (Yael) Eviden Kimmelman



My family:

Am widowed with 5 Sabra children and 13 grandchildren all living in Israel.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I made Aliyah to Israel in 1969, worked as a tour guide and translator until completing an M.A. in social worker at the Hebrew University. I was later employed by the city of Jerusalem as a social worker for the elderly in the community and by the Ministry of Social Affairs as intercountry social worker and representative of the Ministry of the International Social Service organization. After retiring in 2012, I obtained accreditation in family and couples therapy and cognitive-behavioral therapy and am trying to drum up business as a therapist.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I do enjoy retirement and keep busy with daily volunteer work at a elderly rights hotline, citizens' advice bureau social service department and home visits on behalf of the National Insurance Institute. I also love to travel abroad 2-3 times a year, take long morning work as with my part Labrador dog, sing with a choir and cuddle with my cats.

Life since Brandeis:

I think of Brandeis as a long-ago dream, but also a difficult period in my when as a "hick" from the Midwest had to compete with the sophisticated advanced kids from New York

and New England. To do so meant endless hours studying at the library while loving that building with its differently designed study rooms for every taste. Also fondly coming to mind are the mail room, book store, East Quad, Castle, Olin-Sang building with its sharply reclining wooden chairs around seminar tables and the hot apple cider and country music at Chomondeleys (spelling?). Then there were the long talks with dorm friends until the wee hours of the night about "what was wrong with Brandeis."

Worst memories: climbing that hill to the library on cold, snowing, winter days: the two-week final periods reviewing my notes until the last minute and being told by someone smarter: "if you don't know it by now more studying won't help."

Most lasting lesson from Brandeis: Becoming skeptical and open-minded. Finding out how little I really know.



At the Holi festival in India



L. Ari Kopolow



My family:

I have a wonderful wife, Judy, 5 children (all married) and 9 spectacular grandchildren. My blended family is my "second chance" family. We are a true American melting pot of Jews, Suffis, Evangelical Christians, and Catholics. Their vocations range from musician to State Department civil servant, from hardware store manager, to International salesman, and from media producer to school teacher. I joke with one son about how from a physician's point of view he has "gone over to the Dark Side". He works for a managed care corporation focusing on quality control. We are very fortunate that three of our children and 7 of our grandchildren live within an hour's drive of our home in Bethesda.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Career: My psychiatric practice is different. Maslow has guided me in both my personal and professional life. He encouraged me as a student to be a psychiatrist because he said that the opportunity to do good would be greater there than in psychology. I took Maslow's encouragement seriously. While I may not have made the world "Good" I believe I have improved the lives of thousands of people.

Volunteer Work: For almost 30 years I have been part of an International men's organization "The Mankind Project". This organization's goal is "To Empower Men to a Mission of Service" The training program is as close as one can achieve in 21st

century America to a Rite of Passage (Dr Klee would have loved it). I was one of the founding fathers and Center Director for the Washington, DC Mankind Project. An added benefit has been the pleasure for nearly 23 years of meeting with the same group of men 2x/month in the turret of the National Cathedral overlooking Washington.

Keeping busy and new passions:

For fun, I enjoy just being with my wife, Judy. We travel, visit family and friends, read, and learn. I'll soon begin harp lessons (you can't possibly make a bad sound). I have visited 6 of the seven continents. My favorite visits have been Israel, Florence, Istanbul, Lalibela, Ethiopia, Kyoto, Sedona, and Alaska. I enjoy drinking my morning coffee with mugs made with photos of our trips. My most exciting adventures have been floating down the Colorado River, touching the Western Wall on the 1900th anniversary of the destruction of the Temple, being an Honored Guest In Beijing; trekking Yellowstone in winter; eating a Hot Fudge Sundae in the Situation Room of the White House, riding a horse in the Crow Indian Festival Parade, helicoptering above an active Volcano with Judy; and being present for the birth of my children. I still want to visit the family Shtetel in Russia and see the Himalayan mountains. Judy and I love to reminisce viewing the pictures we've taken on our travels.

Life since Brandeis:

BRANDEIS: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly
The Good: My Brandeis professors were spectacular. My favorites: Maslow, Marcuse, Glatzer, Roche, Levitan, and Bronstein. Also "Good" were my exceptional classmates, straight from Lake Woebegone, where everyone was above-average. They were passionate about everything including the "Late Coming of Spring." The Bad: Stress and Tension, much of it self-imposed, as I tried to do well enough to get into medical school. The Ugly: The flip side of Brandeis' intense, stimulating political, academic environment and my rigorous pre-med studies was that I missed the dumb, carefree, irresponsible pleasures of non-pre-med students.

MEDICAL SCHOOL: After graduation from Brandeis I attended Medical School in my home state, at Columbia, Missouri. Here pigs outnumbered people 6-1 and yet the clinical education was excellent. After Medical School I did post-graduate Residency training at Harvard's McLean Hospital. My supervisors were some of the luminaries in Psychiatry. I relished the intellectually stimulating and challenging environment. Being a glutton for punishment, I simultaneously attended Harvard Law School. The Vietnam War continued so I accepted a deferment to complete my residency.

CAREER: As a Commissioned Lieutenant Commander in the USPHS I joined the staff at NIMH in Washington, D.C. With the rebellious spirit instilled in me at Brandeis, I became an early advocate for protecting

the Rights of the Mentally Ill, developed advocacy programs, and wrote the Bill of Rights for the Mental Health Systems Act. In 1974. I was startled to learn that for 15 minutes I was technically 22nd in line to be President. Another "Only in Washington" event occurred while hosting my son's Indian Guides Tribe, when I overheard the orders to launch operation "El Dorado Canyon" (attacking Gaddafi in Libya). For the declassified details of these events, see me at the Reunion.

When Reagan was elected President, he dismantled much of the nation's public mental health system without creating an alternative. So, to paraphrase President Kennedy when I could no longer "do for my country," I embarked on my own in the world of private practice. I directed Adult Services in a psychiatric hospital for about a decade until Health Insurance Companies adopted a "Managed Care" philosophy best be described as "Meet-Greet-Street." Rejecting this treatment attitude, I went into full time out-patient practice. Here my treatment approach has been influenced by Maslow's emphasis on maximizing each person's positive potentiality instead of focusing on dysfunction.

Presently I am Clinical Director of Potomac Grove Psychiatry, a private group psychiatric practice in Suburban Washington, DC. I enjoy working collaboratively with wife, Judy, a clinical psychologist. Arising from my wish to make a contribution to scientific knowledge, I have been a Principle Investigator in the development important medications used today for treating depression, dementia, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia and anxiety.

I am presently studying genetic factors (DNA) influencing our response to medications.

I am never bored, have never had two hours the same. I plan to retire the day before I die.



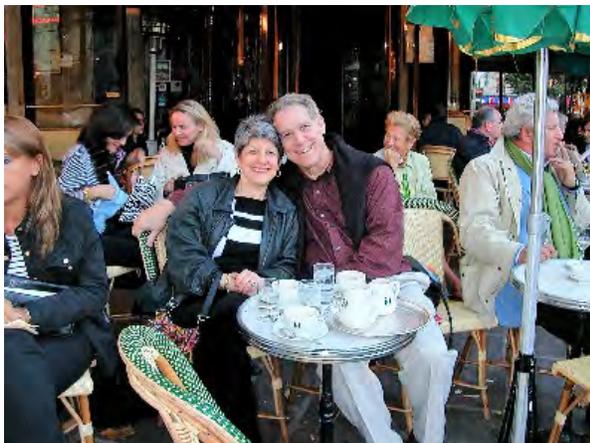
Hiking in Yosemite Park



White Water Rafting Down the Colorado River



Helicopter Flight over Kilauea Volcano with children



Judy and I at a Paris Cafe



Stephen Korn

My family:

My wife Susan and I have been happily married for nearly 48 years. Our two sons are each married and pursuing exciting careers, Peter as a licensed mental health professional (after a career in financial services) and Brian as a naval JAG officer. We have one grandchild, Melody, who is just over two years old. Melody and her parents are currently in Honolulu, where Brian is currently based, so our visits will be less frequent than they were when he was stationed in Annapolis.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am now fully retired, after 37 years practicing law, first in a firm and then as General Counsel to public companies. I also participated pro bono as a mediator in a local court alternative dispute resolution program.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Both Susan and I are very much enjoying retirement. In addition to some travel and reading, we participate in a Spanish class, and I am involved in a history book club and have worked as a volunteer tutor in an ESL program. I have also been playing scrabble both electronically and live, which I find enjoyable.

Life since Brandeis:

I have found that the excellent liberal arts education I received at Brandeis has been invaluable throughout my career and subsequent retirement. Even as a science major, Brandeis opened my eyes to music, art and literature, to which I has not been exposed previously. My fondest memories revolve around the many friendships I made.



Bill Kornrich



My family:

Have been married to Yvonne Apol for forty years. We met in London, where she lived with her three year old daughter. She is a searching soul, artist, Feldenkrais practitioner, and taught yoga for thirty years. Our daughter, Tasnima, a part time attorney in Maryland, is married to Kevin (NASA climate change scientist), with a 10 year old son Marik. Marik has been coming down to Tennessee to stay with us on his own for a week each summer since the age of 5. We love that. Our son Sabino is a sociology professor at Emory University. He and his wife Rachel, an M.D., and two kids, Milo age 6 and Floy age 4, moved to Sacramento in December where Rachel is in practice.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I avoided a career for 15 years. After a variety of activities described below, I spent three years in DC with a national non-profit dedicated to presentation and documentation of traditional artists. Returning to Tennessee in 1982 I was director of the Rose Center and Council for the Arts in nearby Morristown for about 20 years. Housed in an 1890s school building, the Center presented lots of opportunities for learning, community involvement, and activism.

From 1995 on, I worked as a consultant with museums, arts agencies, theater groups, historical societies, and the like in areas of organizational development and

strategic planning. I served on a number of National Endowment for the Arts panels, chaired the Folk and Traditional Arts panel. Since 2003 I have been actively involved in development of cultural heritage tourism of Southwest Virginia, setting up The Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail, Blue Ridge Traditional Arts, and the Ralph Stanley Museum.

Keeping busy and new passions:

The concept of retirement itself is a bit vague. With 80 acres of land, there is always a lot to do here. We built a wonderful straw-bale house designed by Yvonne a few years back. Lots of manual labor there. We have an organic garden, live alongside the relatively clean Clinch River in which we swim and kayak. I walk at least three miles a day. We are very interested in Argentine tango, attending classes, festivals and marathons in the US and in France. This is social tango, not performance show tango. Since Trump's election, I have been increasingly involved in local and state politics here.

Of course, especially important is the interaction with kids and grandchildren. It is so precious to keep this connection strong.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was a totally formative period for me. I had never known the world of political and social activism. Frank Manuel's required freshman course in Ford Hall blew

me away completely. Spent summer of 1965 working in South Carolina with 30 other Brandeis students registering people with passage of the Voting Rights Act and integrating theaters and restaurants. This experience totally changed me - living and working with people who, with minimal resources and much energy and spiritual strength, had to struggle for their rights and make a living. I am still connected with a bunch of these folks, and we regularly spend time together.

One of Maurice Stein's McLuhanesque sociology courses had a major impact, demonstrating (among other things) the commercial exploitation of just about everything. Another wonderful event involved a course with Alan Grossman, in which I wrote a Yeats-themed play. Several of us performed it for him in our Watertown apartment senior year. I took two or three classes with Leo Bronstein, learning to appreciate concepts embracing beauty and nonverbal wonder, such as understanding the "floweriness of the flower" in a painting or Persian mosque.

For anyone interested, following is an expanded version of life after Brandeis. After a year in grad school at University of Chicago, I taught public school in New York City (I.S. 201 community control school during teachers' strike) for two years. Then I moved to Alstead, New Hampshire where a few of us began and ran a state-approved free high school - and partied a lot. Then I headed down to Belize in my VW bus - lived out in the bush for most of two years. Then it was two years at Rounder Records in Somerville.

In 1976, I moved to the proverbial hills of Tennessee, where I worked tobacco, grew a garden, and put up hay. Next winter I met Yvonne in England. That spring she came over with her daughter, and we lived in the hills for two years. Then off to Takoma Park, Maryland, where I worked in D.C. for three years with the National Council for the Traditional Arts. In Takoma Park, our son was born at home - in the 17th floor of the apartment building in which we lived. That was amazing.

In 1982 we returned to the hills, bought a large piece of land with a completely unfinished house (shack?) in the middle of Baptist rightwing, gun-toting rural America. We are still here, though we travel frequently. It is very quiet and beautiful here, river below, hills around, sunsets.

I do a fair amount of volunteer work, including serving as county tourism director for a few years, helping out at Rose Center, and working on projects with Sierra Club and Friends of the Clinch and Powell Rivers. I organized a beekeeping cooperative here and ran a USDA-funded community kitchen creating value added agricultural products for a year.



On deck with three grandkids



Yvonne and friends



Steven Philip Kramer



My family:

I am married to Michele Lamprakos, a professor of Architecture at the University of Maryland.

I have one daughter, Simone Kramer, who is a junior at Columbia University, studying International Relations.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a professor of National Security Studies at National Defense University. I'm a specialist on European history and politics and have written bookend articles on history, politics and demography. This semester, I'm on sabbatical at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington working on "Jews, Muslims and the French Republic."

Life since Brandeis:

I look back fondly at my time in Brandeis. It was formative. Many of my interest developed there. Political activism stemmed from the experience of the Vietnam era. Being editor of The Justice was important in encouraging me to combine politics and writing. Brandeis reinforced my commitment to pursuing an academic career. I've done my best to integrate the world of ideas and political activism. Brandeis was also a time for pursuing interests in literature, art and music, which still remain significant. Most important, Brandeis was a place to make friends. I'm glad that some of Brandeis

friends are still part of my life. What came later was a wonderful wife and daughter.



Michele Lamprakos



Simone Kramer



Gary D. Lander

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After law school, clerked for judge on 6th Circuit Court of Appeals. Practiced 1 year in Nashville, then returned to Chattanooga to join the City Attorney as Special Counsel, where I was allowed to have private practice. After 13 years, I was recruited to join the private firm from which I retired in June '11. The firm needed partner-level experience as it was growing. I had a general civil practice involving trial and appellate work. I had several areas of focus over the years as demand changed, including ERISA benefits litigation, insurance coverage cases, real estate cases, a few cases involving fraud, 10 years of special education defense. My two favorite cases were in art, one involving a challenged painting a client had brokered and attributed to Delacroix and a stolen Jacob Lawrence. My volunteer work has included an arts and education org, particularly its film and Southern writers series, Jewish Federation and synagogue work, and other local charitable causes.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I lie to say I don't have to keep busy anymore. I have taken up an old interest, but not at the passionate level, playing guitar. I have played folk/finger style for over 50 years. In 2011 after retiring I started taking flat picking lessons-think Doc Watson or Norman Blake. The technique is like bluegrass lead but most of the tunes I have learned are fiddle tunes, many of which have come into the bluegrass guitar repertoire. This effort gives me somewhere

to go once a week for class as well as jam sessions to play with other people and looking for another guitar.

I am also taking a short course in Biblical Hebrew, having forgotten almost everything from the second year of Hebrew at Brandeis.

I am continuing an exercise habit not acquired until 1974.

We are also traveling more than I was able during my practice days.

Life since Brandeis:

My life since Brandeis mostly involved career for over 40 years with marriage (1981) the most significant addition. Having no children or debt allowed me the freedom to retire from law in 2011, and I don't miss going to work every day. Brandeis gave me substantive knowledge and practical skills that were useful both in professional school as well as law practice. I recall fondly non-major classes in English with Philip Rahv and Marie Syrkin, psych with Abraham Maslow, Music 1, both large freshman lectures with notables such as Marcuse as well as small classes with great teachers whose names I no longer recall. No really bad memories (thanks to an aging brain!?). Enjoy reunions.

I also enjoy seeing classmates and other Brandeisians on TV and in print as I can bask in their reflected glory.

We have traveled more than I was able when working and hope to return to Israel as well as the sane parts of Europe.

I hope someday to be good enough to play guitar as an amateur before an audience (as opposed to fellow pickers).

No real bucket list per se, but I have been to a World Series game and Major League games in several cities.

Life goes on, I hope not in a petty pace.



Me last fall. Somewhere in England.



Hermine Stern Leiderman



My family:

My significant other is my husband of 47 years, Mike Leiderman, Class of 1966 at Brandeis. We have two married children in their forties, an adorable one year old baby grandson named Rocket and a 12-year-old step grandson.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am an attorney who practiced law in New York before moving to Highland Park, Illinois, where we raised our children and I was president of our local school board. I also worked as a hearing officer for the Illinois State Board of Education in special education matters, and as a teacher aide in the counseling department at Deerfield High School for more than a dozen years. I was active in many volunteer programs in our community and synagogue.

Keeping busy and new passions:

We are retired and beginning to enjoy it now, after many years of assisting with caring for our loving parents, who lived into their late nineties, and dealing with some physical issues I had. We are now indulging ourselves with travel, rest and relaxation in Florida and California and the simple joys of being with family and friends more often. I look forward to developing new passions in the future.

Life since Brandeis:

Being at Brandeis was a positive experience for me, once I rebounded from the Kennedy

assassination and an unexpectedly difficult freshman academic setback and settled into college life. I met my husband to be, many bright and socially aware people and found some professors and subject areas to challenge and excite me. I chose Brandeis because it was a school where I could be comfortable with my Jewish background and surrounded by others with open minds doing critical thinking and reasoning and expressing ideas freely. The school's founding ideal, truth to its innermost parts, resonated with me then and has continued to serve me well to this day. Whenever and wherever I meet fellow alums from my years there or of any class, I find we all share this bond.



Our children, Jill and Eric



Mike and I on a recent trip to Cuba



**Grandson Rocket at 15 months in early
2017**



**California with Mike, Jill and Rocket early
2016**



Sheila Levin, MD



My family:

I have two children, a 38 year old daughter, Janine, and a 34 year old son, Ari. Janine is a Master Educator in DC Public School System. Ari is a Human Rights lawyer in DC. Ari and his wife have an adorable son, Asher, who is 18 months old. My ex-husband and the father of my children, Bill Levin, died in November 2016 at age 70 of lung cancer. I will be attending the reunion in his honor.



At the beach

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a gastroenterologist who has been working in private practice in the D.C. area for the past 30 years.

Life since Brandeis:

I was only 16 when I started college. It was a lonely experience for me.



With my daughter



At my son's wedding



Bill Levin, Ph.D



Ed Levy



My family:

My wife, Alison Rose Levy, is a journalist whose beat is health and the environment. Her interview show, Connect the Dots, is on the Progressive Radio Network. Though I'm from Jersey and she's from the Upper West Side, we met in a tiny village in India. Our cats, Griffin and Pete, are inseparable brothers who like anything small that moves.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After some fits and starts--getting arrested in the Columbia strike, living in the country with friends, and returning to grad school--I settled for some years in ashrams, where I did a lot of writing and editing, along with the usual practices. I have taught mediation to inmates at a few prisons. In the fight against hydrofracking, I discovered I had a gene for drawing political cartoons. For the last dozen or so years, I worked in-house as a senior editor for a couple of publishers.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I'm now freelancing as an editor. Recent projects I'm feeling good about are a report on how to educate children living in conflict zones too dangerous for teachers to work in using wireless technology, and a book on the relationship between bhakti (devotional love in Hinduism) and anti-colonialism. We belong to a big, politically active, food coop in Brooklyn, with 16,000 members, and I write for its newspaper. I also write poems,

and Alison and I occasionally collaborate on a ghostwriting project.

Life since Brandeis:

Fond memories of Herbert Marcuse, Philip Rahv, Leo Bronstein, Gordon Fellman, Alan Grossman, James Cunningham "(And does the heart grow old? You know in the indiscriminate green of summer or in earliest snow, a landscape is another scene....)", David Hackett Fisher, Heinz Lubasz and History 133a, being able to smoke in the library, the night I grasped Hegel's dialectic, the bagel and lox special at Chomondeley's and the Jim Kveskin jugband, the old haunted house in Newton Corner I lived in with Steve Dubrow, David Finkel, David Cohen, Richard Cohen, and the people we had brief relationships with, the car thieves in the downstairs apartment, getting stoned for the first time and Susan Shapiro saying, memorably, after the weed took hold, "Does anyone here speak English?" driving out with Steve Kramer to the seminar on the historical Jesus at Norman Cantor's new house, where we sat on plastic covering over the sofa, friends Shirah Hurwitz, Larry Brown, Linda Gruen, Bill Kornrich, Jill Jablon, Paul Wasserman, Judith Thurman, Veronica Biehl, Alan Segal, and some I know I've missed.



On the F train with Alison



**In Carcassonne with Paul Wasserman, left,
and Bill Kornrich, right**



Animal friends



A favorite spot.



Allan J. Lichtman



My family:

My wife of 16 years Karyn Strickler is a world-class advocate for women's rights and the environment. She is president of Vote Climate U.S. PAC, which is dedicated to combatting catastrophic climate change. She is an extraordinary athlete who completed an Iron Man Triathlon and won her age group.

My daughter Kara Lichtman (whose mom is a Brandeis grad) is a psychiatrist who runs her own private practice in Brooklyn, New York. She attended Yale University, UCSF Medical School, and did her residency at Harvard.

My son Samuel Lichtman graduated Cum Laude from American University and is currently an MFA student in film at Emerson. He just learned that he is a finalist for best television pilot at the Ivy Film Festival, the largest student film competition in the world.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am currently Distinguished Professor of History at American University, where I have been employed since 1973. I have authored or co-authored 9 books, including *White Protestant Nation: The Rise of the American Conservative Movement* (finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award in non-fiction), *FDR and the Jews* (winner of the National Jewish Book Award in American Jewish History), and *Predicting the Next President: The Keys to the White House*. I've served as an expert witness in

some 90 civil rights cases, including landmark litigation involving voting rights, redistricting, and voter suppression. I've provided thousands of interviews for nearly every major press and broadcast outlet worldwide and lectured in many countries. Using my Keys to the White House system I've correctly predicted the results of the last 9 presidential elections, including 2016. My latest book published this spring by Harper Collins is *The Case for Impeachment*.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Still working. See above.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis changed the direction of my life and set me on the course that I have followed for the past 50 years. I began as a biology, pre-med major; I finished pre-med and took the med boards. But I found myself inspired by such extraordinary history professors as David Hackett Fisher and Morton Keller. I came to realize that I loved history and that medicine wasn't for me: I couldn't stand the sight of blood, was queasy around sick people, and was clumsy in the laboratory.

At the beginning of my senior year, I went to see Dean Sgan and told him I was dropping out of the medical program. I'll never forget our conversation. He said, "You can't, you finished it." I said, "It's my life and I can do what I want to do." He said, "But no one has done this before." I replied, "There's always a first time." He then asked, "What are you going to do?" I responded,

"I'm going to history graduate school." A strange look came over the Dean's face and he said, "Lichtman you're crazy." Maybe so, but I haven't looked back since.

I have to say that I was also influenced not just by the amazing academics at Brandeis, but also by the extra-curricular life. I'll never forget the experience of running Division 3 track, when we had to chip the ice off of our outdoor wooden track in the winter and go to meets where only our girlfriends would show up. It took real dedication and I became a lifelong runner, eventually winning the North American steeplechase championship in the over-the-hill division.

I debated for four years at Brandeis, learning skills that I still use every time I enter a classroom, take a witness stand, or do research.

Above all, it was a privilege to attend an institution dedicated to truth, knowledge and to social justice. I fear that these values are becoming lost in today's world and I have been working hard to preserve every one of them.



**My Iron Man Triathlon Champion Wife,
Karyn Strickler**



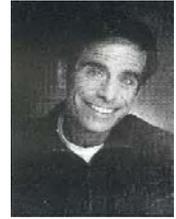
Karyn and Allan at the Harvard Club



Going to the Gridiron Dinner



Ira Liebowitz



My family:

Spouse Sheri: Lawyer, Guardian Life

Daughters: Cindy, High School Freshman
Caillie, 6th Grader Middle School

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Professor, Theatre
Actor, Theatre, Film, Television
Director, Theatre
Peace Corps, Colombia



Marilyn Black Liederman



My family:

My wonderful husband Larry and I will celebrate our 50th anniversary in September. We are blessed with three great kids and four grandkids who are the lights of our lives.

Keeping busy and new passions:

We retired from public accounting four years ago. Since then, I have enjoyed traveling, playing golf, bridge, and reading and discussing in book clubs.

Life since Brandeis:

I have learned not to put off spending more time with friends and family because we never know what life will throw at us. I am grateful to Brandeis for the excellent liberal arts education, the friends I made, and the opportunity to visit Russia in the 60s at a time when Americans were not allowed to travel there.



Marilyn Black Liederman with husband Larry and daughter Debra



Son Michael, daughter-in-law Kelly and grandchildren Nathan and Amelia



Howard Lifshitz



My family:

I married Gail Greenbert of Southfield, Michigan in 1975. We have two married daughters Jennifer (Jeff) and Jessica (Carla) and three grandchildren: Noah, Millie and Chase.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After Brandeis I attended rabbinical school at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York and Jerusalem. My first pulpit was in Southfield, Michigan as assistant rabbi. Then following five years in Philadelphia as the rabbi of Bustleton Somerton Synagogue, I moved to Congregation Beth Judea in the Chicago's northwest suburbs, retiring in 2011.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I adore being retired! Setting my own schedule is a delight. Theater, opera, symphony and photography keep me busy as does visiting the Art Institute of Chicago and participating in architectural walking tours.



Leonore Kublin Linsky



My family:

Robert Linsky. Robert and I will celebrate our 49th anniversary this August. We have had a very good life. We both enjoy traveling and Robert loves to put our trips together himself.

Marran Linsky is our only child. She works for an IT company in Boston and lives not very far from us in Wellesley. She keeps Mom moving by going to long walks with her. Marran was formerly a director of a girls overnight camp in Maine. Unlike us she is very outdoorsy and is a major fitness enthusiast

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I was a professional librarian for my whole career. I worked at the MIT libraries and then at the Minuteman Library Network. I am retired now but do some volunteer work with my local library. I am an enormous reader reading both fiction and non-fiction and was the secretary of my book club for 30 years. Book club still going strong but I retired from secretarial duty.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I am retired and loving it but wish my husband Robert were retired though he has cut back one day. Thank heavens for the Internet as he is able to work from home or other locations.

This year we are spending 2 months in Florida and Robert is working "from home". We are in West Palm Beach so it resembles a "tiny" city. We can walk places and there

is enough family, friends and cultural activities to keep us busy.

We have always traveled so we hope to do more. We try not to go on tours but to travel independently.

I am definitely not bored.

Life since Brandeis:

My fondest memory is the great education I got. I also indebted to my professors for teaching how to think.

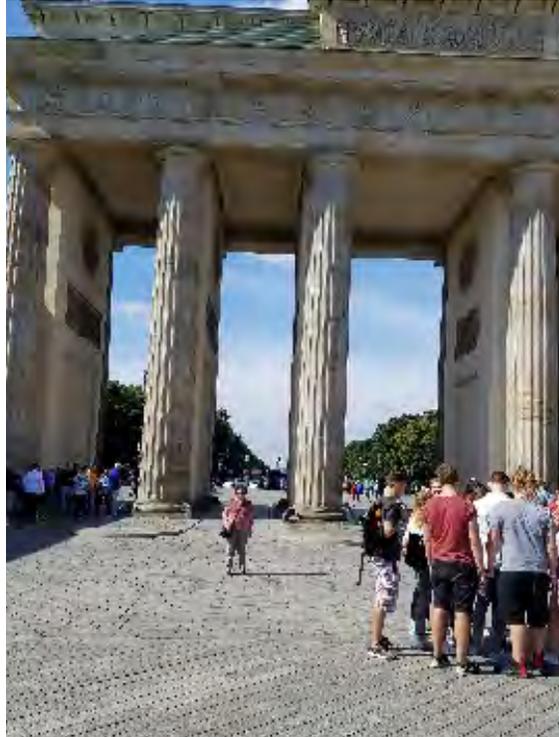
I made some friends, few did I keep in touch with. I miss Eve Hlavaty Cimmet quite a bit.

I am not the best person to promote Brandeis as it was not in many ways the right school for me. It was way too small after coming from a large high school. This is not to say I didn't have fun at Brandeis. My bucket list is mainly places to travel. Some places I probably will never get to because of the problems around the world. One item that arrived on my bucket list unexpectedly is working to turn our country into the democracy it once was. I will do what I can do to help get rid of the Electoral College, improve our healthcare and work against Trump.

I think working for social good came out of my years at Brandeis.



Robert Leonore Marran



**At the Brandenburg Gate, Berlin Germany
2016.**



Connie Lowenthal



My family:

I became an ersatz Grandmother when my only sister died five years ago (soon after our parents). Her children, my niece and my nephew, are each married and live nearby; there are three children (aged almost 3 to 6 1/2). So now, having retired from my career, I have the joy of seeing the little ones grow. I am as proud as a grandmother, and I can talk to my niece and nephew about many subjects that a mother wouldn't.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After earning a PhD in art history, I taught college part-time and full-time at Sarah Lawrence College. That was followed by 7 years in the Metropolitan Museum's education department, giving lectures and gallery talks (and hiring many free-lancers to do the same), teaching docents, writing brochures and/or organizing symposia for Manet, Van Gogh at Arles, and the Vatican exhibition. I left to be the director of IFAR (Int'l Fdn for Art Research) that monitors art theft, fraud and forgery. Exciting times for legal developments and a growing interest in Nazi-looted Art. I wrote an Art Theft Update column in the Wall Street Journal and lectured in many cities. Next stop, World Jewish Congress to change the ground rules for claims and to recover looted art. Never imagined an academic degree would lead me to work with law enforcement (from local to Interpol), specialized lawyers around the world, culture ministers, and dedicated and honest

journalists and the media. I had NO problems...

Keeping busy and new passions:

After 3 years with the WJC, I scaled back, doing consulting work including provenance research, editing scholarly texts, and advising sellers of valuable works in their negotiations with auction houses. I've helped friends and family with estate property too.

For busy, see above (my not-quite-grandchildren). Includes cooking holiday dinners. Lots of time spent on current events. I enjoy opera and other classical music. And doctors! Various medical problems I have always had were identified just two years ago by a brilliant rheumatologist aged 84. It's satisfying to have my personal "theory of everything," but this syndrome of genetic mutations can't be reversed, and scaling back my expectations to cope with its limitations isn't easy. In light of this, it's a huge relief to have fewer responsibilities.

OH... I stopped being the redhead a few years back. It's a big adjustment, but I love wearing hot pinks and reds that flatter me now.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was essential to my love of learning, some subjects more than others of course. While I was majoring in Psych and procrastinating on the required Statistics course, I discovered the Fine Arts department and was inducted by Joachim Gaehde and Creighton Gilbert, to the extent

that I went to their graduate school (NYU, Institute of Fine Arts). My experiences at Brandeis paled by comparison to the brilliant faculty and fellow students in a field I adored.

Fondest memory, asking Jim Klee about switching to Art History for grad school after being a Psych major. He leaned back in his huge custom-made chair and simply observed, "The art historians I know seem to travel a great deal." That was all the permission I needed! I may have skipped out of his office. And so it came to pass that I did travel a great deal mostly in Europe and the UK, fortunately on someone else's nickel since this is a low-paying field.

Bad memories of Sachar? Was that a thing? I'd be interested to see what others say... I thought he was avuncular and very important...end of story.

I am sad that the world has changed so much that certain destinations are no longer there (Bamian Buddhas, Beirut before the civil war) or politically impossible (Shiraz, Isfahan, most of North Africa...). Luckily I had five marvelous days in Istanbul about 25 years ago. I also visited communist Hungary, the USSR and East Germany (and actually visited Dresden 3 times with 17 years between the visits)... the changes were astonishing.



Baking Brownies (in Brownie aprons) with my grand-nieces, Dec '16



My nephew Nick and his wife Alison, Central Park Sept '15



My niece Anna and her husband Gerard



Alan Mande

My family:

Daughter: Molly Dove Marie Mande Dodgen, graduated California State University Humboldt State campus with a B.A in Theater Arts, CSU Sonoma State campus with an M.A. in English Literature, and is about to graduate from CSU Long Beach with an Ed. D. in Education, 5/17. She is currently employed on the Adjunct Faculty of Marymount California University Oceanview Campus. She and her husband, Tobias Dodgen, who is an Operations Specialist Second Class for the United States Coast Guard, and a major Cosplay, Gameplay, and Wondercon fanatic, live in San Pedro, CA while he is stationed at the Long Beach Coast Guard facility.

Son: Caton Wolf Mande, graduated University of California, Davis, with a B.A. in Biomedical Engineering (minor in Math), currently going for an M.S. in Computer Science from Georgia Tech online. He, and his wife, Victoria, were married in a Super Pi Day wedding on 3.14.15. They currently live in Davis, CA, where Caton is employed by the University as an Engineer.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After my earlier years working in technical theater at Yale Drama School, I was blessed to land a gig on the sound crew of the Fillmore East right after Woodstock, where I got to work and mingle with all the rock'n'roll 'royalty' of the day. This, most specifically Jerry Garcia, motivated me to

move to the San Francisco Bay Area, where I continued to do sound work for Bill Graham and become the Technical Director for the then very experimental Firehouse Theater Company, recently migrated from the Twin Cities to San Francisco. Then, after seeing John Lennon brag about his success in the then popular Primal Therapy, I received my M.A. in Clinical Psychology from the Humanistic Psychology program, recently migrated from Sonoma State to Lone Mountain College in San Francisco, where I was able to become a state-accredited Licensed Marriage, Child, and Family Therapist. Eventually this evolved into Biofeedback and Stress Management, which finally led me to work with traumatized children.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I was forced to quit working in 2004, when I was diagnosed with non-crippling, Ann Romney type Multiple Sclerosis, which prevented me from being able to be reliable with my time and energy anymore. I absolutely adore finally having my life and time to myself, which I have used to pursue my love of improvisational, 'jam band' music, study various forms of spirituality, and volunteer for hospice work.



My daughter, Molly.



My son, Caton, and his wife, Victoria



Brian Marcus

My family:

My husband, Tom and I have been together for 24 years. We were married in Virginia in June 2015.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

In September 2015, I retired as Associate Professor of Arts Management and Associate Dean of the College of Visual and Performing Arts at George Mason University. I spent 12 wonderful years at Mason. I have spent over 40 years teaching and working with colleagues on university campuses and arts-related non-profit organizations helping them to achieve their mission through development and marketing initiatives.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Tom is a retired Foreign Service Officer. We retired in September 2015 to our home outside of Charlottesville, Virginia. I have been doing some fundraising consulting in the DC area and following my passion for American history, I am working part-time at James Madison's lifelong home, Montpelier as a member of the education staff. Tom's passion is horticulture and he spends as much time as possible tending to and improving our 4 acre landscape. His other passion is wine and he is also working full time as assistant manager of the wine department at Wegmans in Charlottesville.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was a seminal experience for me. I loved the academic program (although I didn't give it as much attention as it deserved). I spent my time getting involved with the Student Union and issues impacting student/administration relations. My year as president made it possible to spend many hours with important mentors including Dr. Sachar, and numerous members of the faculty. Brandeis was a small and intimate place. Many important relationships were formed and helped me grow in many ways. Freshman year in Hamilton; two years in East Quad; and senior year as an ARC in North - all were important. The courses I remember most were those with Prof Bronstein and his magical lectures, and classes with Prof Glatzer and Prof Roach. The one moment I remember most vividly was Prof Herbert Marcuse's farewell lecture in Ford Hall. It was "a moment in history" for me. I still have a reel-to-reel recording of that lecture.

Five years after graduating, I returned to Brandeis as a member of the formally despised administration. I stayed 13 years, nine of those years as Assoc Dean of the College and Director of Student Life. That was a very meaningful, if tumultuous time, to interact with the next generation of Brandeis students. As they say on the PBS NewsHour -- "this was my brief, but spectacular time" at Brandeis.

Randi Solomon Marcus

My family:

3 children
6 grandchildren

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Retired Director Volunteer Services,
University of Connecticut Health Center
Retired School Counselor, School District of
Philadelphia

Keeping busy and new passions:

Part time resident of Sarasota, Florida





Evelyn G. Mareth



My family:

Married twice, in 1968 to classmate Paul Mareth '67, then to John Murphy in 1982 whom I met at McGraw-Hill. Paul and I have two daughters, Leda and Joanna and two sons-in-law, Dave Adam and Marty Valeri. 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 were wonderful years with one grandchild born each year (in chronological order): Ruby Adam, Nina Valeri, Tessa Adam, Marc Valeri. I am extremely happy to live close enough to both daughters so that I can be actively involved in the lives of my grandchildren. I also have four stepchildren with another nine step grandchildren and even a step great grandchild. I have a large extended family and love my role as hub and glue for all.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Paul and I moved to Stockholm, Sweden in 1969. I found work with an American-owned small company teaching English to Swedish executives. Meanwhile, my boss developed a Swedish speed reading program that morphed into a speed number reading program for banks that eventually evolved into a course that taught employees how to work accurately with data. When Paul and I returned to the U.S. in 1973 with daughter Leda, born in Stockholm, I contacted McGraw-Hill as a potential publisher. These training courses - Number Skills at McGraw-Hill and 20 years later, Accurate Data Transfer, at my own company - were the cornerstones of my career. We delivered significant error reduction and I'm happy to say that

thousands of data-handling employees worldwide make fewer mistakes because of this training. Two of my distributors asked to buy my company and copyrights when I was ready to retire. The last pieces were delivered this year though I've been effectively retired since 2012.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I love retirement! I loved working, too, but I haven't felt compelled to start a second career either professionally or as a volunteer. In 2008, John and I moved from Fairfield, CT, where we lived for 26 years, to Portland, Oregon, because John had always wanted to retire in the west and because my daughters were already in western cities. We both fell in love with Portland after a visit in 2007 and the city, state, and Pacific Northwest haven't disappointed us. What a gorgeous place! Having a view of Mt. Hood from our front windows is the icing on the cake. We knew no one in Portland and so, starting a new life became a full time job. In our first years here, so many family members and friends visited us that we felt like we had inadvertently opened a B&B. Several of those guests loved it so much that they moved here, too, including my older daughter and her family, a cousin, a niece, and great-niece who attended Lewis & Clark College.

Life since Brandeis:

Do I get extra credit for answering this one? Like most of you, I was 18 when I started Brandeis, 21 when I graduated. Those four years were the most formative in the first

22 years of my life but I think that would have been true wherever I was. I was the valedictorian of my high school on Long Island but recognized quickly that I was among truly shining intellectual lights at Brandeis - and I was a solid B student. There was a lot to learn about everything, and especially about who I was and aspired to be. I engaged, absorbed, and turned out OK, I think. Except for my ex-husband and my sophomore-junior year roommate, I haven't stayed in touch with classmates and I don't understand that. I'm hoping this 50th anniversary event will re-open doors. Worst day - the assassination of JFK in our freshman year. Best day - any beautiful day walking around our lovely campus, feeling energetic and ready for anything. Were there really days like that? I certainly hope so.



Nov. 2016 John and Evelyn and Rabbi Bob Alper (center) who married us in 1982 and went on to a career in stand-up comedy. I kid you not. He's very funny.



April 2016. My daughters Leda and Joanna. Best of the best.



Thanksgiving 2016. Grands: Ruby, 6; Tessa, 4; Nina, 5; Marc, 3. Major contributors to my mental health.



June 2016. Tessa and Ruby at the Enchanted Forest in Turner, OR, with Nana Evelyn.



Ronald C. Mayer



My family:

I have been married since 1978 to Linda Lipitz-Mayer. Linda is a retired special education teacher who taught for 34 years in the New York City Public Schools. We did not have children. As Linda liked to say, "I gave at the office."

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I went directly to Yale Grad School in Political Science from Brandeis, expecting to become a professor. I was very fortunate to get conscientious objector status and was required to drop out of Yale after two years to begin alternative service. When my two year obligation was up, law school looked a lot more tempting than academia. I have never regretted this choice. After graduating from NYU Law school I worked for 6 years at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and 25 years at Chase Manhattan/JPMorgan Chase. I was a bank regulatory lawyer. Which meant I told the bank which rules it had to obey and which rules had loopholes. I retired at age 60 because I could.

Keeping busy and new passions:

The week after I retired from JPMorgan Chase I began volunteering for a small legal services group that is now part of the New York Legal Services Group, a wonderful organization that provides pro bono civil legal services for needy New Yorkers. I go into the office twice a week. My practice is focused on getting people health insurance, i.e. Medicaid.

Life since Brandeis:

I came to Brandeis from an all boys public high school whose ethos was dominated by our military drill teacher. When I got to Brandeis in 1963, I felt that I had been let out of prison. While I can't say that every minute of the next four years was joyous, I never questioned my decision to go to Brandeis. It was the perfect college for me.

I'm grateful to Brandeis so many reasons. I met my wife of 39 years on a blind date arranged by a Brandeis friend. (I have dragged Linda to so many Brandeis events that she jokes that she has to remind herself that she is not a Brandeis alumna). All these years later, several of my closest friends are classmates. My profession required me to be able to think critically and analytically. Brandeis provided the foundation. Frequently, when I am reading something or having a discussion, a book I read at Brandeis pops into my head and guides my thoughts.



Anne Hort, left, my wife Linda Right



At Brandeis-sponsored Supreme Court event; Chief Justice on left; Ron on right



Marcia Millman

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I've had two careers. As Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Santa Cruz and as a writer of non-fiction books. I've published six books for a general audience, including *Such A Pretty Face: Being Fat in America*; *The Unkindest Cut: Life in The Backrooms of Medicine*; *The Seven Stories of Love*; and *The Perfect Sister*.

My childhood dream was to become a writer, but I wanted the security of a job with tenure and benefits. Thanks to my Brandeis mentor, Philip Slater, I wound up having both.

After college, I began grad school at Yale, but missed the Brandeis Sociology department, which I'd discovered senior year. So I transferred back to Brandeis and completed graduate work there and took my first and only job at UC Santa Cruz. When I wrote my first book, Philip Slater convinced me to publish it for a general audience (as I did all my later books) and he found me a literary agent, and I became a writer. UCSC accepted popular writing as scholarship, so I had two lives.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I retired from UCSC in 2014 and moved to the Washington DC suburbs to be close to my sister and her large family. I've also kept the apartment on the Lower East Side of Manhattan where I was born and raised, so for now, I divide my time between Maryland and New York.

I love being retired and having the time and freedom to do whatever I want. I plan to keep writing and take classical piano lessons again, a love I had until I started college. I came to the Washington suburbs not knowing anyone but my family, but I've made new friends and discovered some dear old friends from college and even high school who are living nearby.

It's great to have time to do the things I missed when I lived on the west coast. I enjoy my sister's family and seeing my eight grand-nieces and nephews grow up. I have a small garden. I miss California and especially my friends of several decades, but I'm able to visit CA often. I'd love to hear from old friends or see you in DC or NYC.

Life since Brandeis:

Obviously, Brandeis was formative to me. I was not yet seventeen when I arrived, and by the time I left Brandeis graduate school, I had found the direction of my life. I always felt Brandeis was less sexist than other colleges and graduate schools, I had wonderful teachers and friends. They were very happy years-- I felt supported and embraced. Many of my students at UCSC could not remember the names of professors they'd had the previous semester while I can recall nearly every course I took as an undergraduate.

I was transported by the courses I took with Robert Koff. He'd been a founding member of the Juilliard Quartet before he came to Brandeis and he'd explain music in a way I'd never heard before. When a Bartok string quartet sounded incomprehensible, he'd play a short phrase on his violin and say, "Now, this is the grandmother crying" and I learned to distinguish and appreciate unfamiliar musical sounds. He would bring great musicians to our classes; it was like attending a private concert for 25 students and what a kind man he was. To him, I owe my love of chamber music.

Philip Rahv, Maurice Stein, Egon Bittner, and so many others opened worlds of ideas to me. But most of all, a course in Group Process I took with Philip Slater and Irving Zola changed the direction of my life when I was a senior. The class was a self-analytic group-- we studied our own class and the relationships between students and authority figures. For the first time, I understood the power of group life at a visceral level. I also recall that Erving Goffman visited the sociology department for a few weeks during my senior year, and he made a profound impression that would last my entire professional career.

Of course, there were the loves, crushes, and heartbreaks I prefer not to elaborate here. I suppose they claimed more of my time and emotion than my classes. I know I grew and changed more during those four years than perhaps any other four years of my life.

There is one other high I want to mention. I have no idea why, but I was asked to coordinate, with the approval of the administration, a student-run public lecture series of notable literary and political figures. One of the writers I invited was Philip Roth, who preferred to spend a weekend on the campus meeting with small groups. So it was my responsibility to play host for two days, with a lot of help from friends. We had quite a lot of time to talk, and when I drove him to the train station he encouraged me to be a writer, which meant the world to me. I say this because we never know when a few generous words will have a huge impact on a life. Forty five years later Philip Roth was reading from his latest novel, *Nemesis*, and I went to the event. Holding a copy of his book, I debated with a friend whether I should ask for his autograph and whether he remembered his visit to Brandeis so long ago. My friend thought not, but I took a chance and waited in line. When my turn came and I mentioned the visit he laughed and said he remembered, and always wondered what he was doing there. I wonder, too, that a college would give a lowly undergraduate a chance to have so much freedom and fun. This is how I remember my years at Brandeis.



Rose V. Mroszczyk

Life since Brandeis:

I have lived in Vermont for over 40 years and can't imagine living anywhere else, in spite of the cold. I raised three sons, am now divorced, and worked as a school counselor for over 25 years in a local public school system (now retired). My sons and grandchildren keep my life quite full. Dylan is a National Park Service on Schoodic Peninsula in Acadia National Park. He and his wife, who is a psychiatric nurse practitioner, have one son, Caelan and are expecting a girl in May. Alex is a physician in family medicine with a specialty in sports medicine, is married to a psychiatrist and they reside in Upland, CA with 3 children, Ella, Penelope and Hudson. Will lives in Nederland, CO and raises marijuana for a large grower in Boulder County. All are happy and thriving.

Retirement has been wonderful: I belong to a group that meets to speak French once a week so my old Brandeis major I never used has come in handy to help keep my brain sharper; I also belong to a large fiber arts group (I'm a knitter) and I am involved in the National Park Foundation which is very important to me. I volunteer at our local library and still maintain a seasonal job as a tour guide at a local history museum.

My Brandeis experience was socially very difficult, having come from extreme poverty and a farm background- being non-Jewish and a "townie". Academically it took me

about a year to "catch up" to peers from high-power high schools and private schools, but I learned that I had the stuff to be an excellent student and increased my self-reliance. The two graduate schools I attended subsequently, seemed hardly challenging compared to the academic rigor of Brandeis. I think I got an excellent education that prepared me for many avenues. My worst memory was emerging from the humanities building early freshman year to hear that President Kennedy had been shot. My happiest were making a few good friends who took the time to understand me; also some very interesting professors.



Marty Neft



My family:

I married Niki Dragonetti, a wonderful Italian-American nurse in 1982. Our kids are special. Natty is 29, and is finishing a nursing masters program at Johns Hopkins. Dani is 27, working in Munich, and about to get married.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After Brandeis, I spent two years in the Peace Corps in the Philippines. The weather was warm, and I made a partial escape from the nihilism of my last years at Brandeis. Then came years in Public Health, working on Family Planning during the Nixon years. Family planning as an issue seems quaint now, but may have been the first of the women's rights, and eco issues.

I left public health to attend medical school in San Francisco, and residency in Sacramento, during the Ford and Carter years. I had finally made it to the west coast - I loved it there, and loved what I was training to be.

I began a Family practice during the Reagan, Clinton, and Bush years. Small town doc, trying to be a Renaissance man - wow it was tough. Yet, I persisted to become a pretty good family physician. Good enough to be named Physician of the Year at Roseville hospital in 2012.

I retired in 2013, and spent 15 months in Tanzania, on the medical faculty of a clinical officer training program.

Keeping busy and new passions:

For the most part I enjoy retirement, but miss some of the involvement of my career years. I am skiing regularly, taking up fly fishing, taming my yard, catching up on books I always wanted to read, and traveling a lot.



My Family at the Time of my Retirement



Teaching Students in Africa



Yona Nelson



My family:

Married 43 years to Herb Shulman, my lover, confidante & friend.

Daughter Serena, 33, filmmaker in San Francisco, got married last year in a vineyard in Sonoma. So happy my long-time Brandeis friend Susie Gefter could be present to dance at the wedding!

Daughter Larissa, 30, business writer, lives in Brooklyn with her boyfriend.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

My PhD in Psychology led to a 30 year career as a professional Consultant in the field of Corporate Training and Development and later Executive Coaching. It's been a surprisingly rewarding career with diverse experiences and challenges; a perfect mix of domestic and international travel. Stressful, but I loved it, and could never have anticipated working in this field, as it didn't exist when I was an undergrad.

Non-Profit: Former President & Trustee of local Conservative Synagogue. Now running an extensive Adult Education program with monthly speakers - authors, artists, political analysts. Also involved in community and interfaith outreach.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Travel; volunteer work; member of several Discussion groups; writer's group; theatre and film subscriptions; pied a terre in NYC. Having fun!

Life since Brandeis:

Attending Brandeis was a "peak experience" in some ways and daunting in other ways. As a local, I was always intrigued by the special place in our Jewish world that the University occupied, with its unique history and commitment to social justice. The academic reputation of the Brandeis faculty was a big draw, and its non-conformist student body appealed to my own desire for rebellion and autonomy.

As a Psych. major, I had an unforgettable seminar with Abraham Maslow, who was like a god to me. Moments of playfulness and humanity in the classroom remain with me just as powerfully as his groundbreaking work on motivation and human potential. But it was really the Sociology Department that captured my heart and "turned me on" to new ways of seeing the world. Stein, Slater, Fellman - & Larry G who taught me to appreciate Erving Goffman (Behavior in Public Places) and inspired my dissertation on Stress in hospital settings, using qualitative methodology.

Fondest memories: Chumley's at night: bagels, hippies, music, strange encounters, camaraderie. The Blues Project (Bloomfield/Kooper - Jewish rock stars!)

singing Alberta. I had such a crush on those guys.

The Castle for lunch or coffee, reading, smoking cigarettes, having "grown-up" talk. Late-night weed-fueled political debates; existential angst; cockamamie schemes to save the world; kinetic energy of classroom discussions; Wien students - the larger world beckoning a neophyte.

Worst memories: Driving onto campus with deep anxiety and a queasy feeling in the pit of my stomach, knowing assignments were due, tests awaited; feeling inadequate compared to smarter and more sophisticated peers. The idea of being evaluated and found wanting. Starting papers at the last moment, a tradition I'm continuing with this submission - writing it the night before my life's summation is due!

Future plans, hopes: Where I always craved change & excitement, now I'm happy with "status quo" - especially in the medical realm. Despite feeling essentially pretty fit, I've had some health challenges over the years. "Intimations of mortality". Looking at people in their 80's, I realize that decline is inevitable. Trying to keep mentally & physically resilient; hoping I'll have the courage to exit gracefully if things start to fall apart.

To my classmates and former Professors - thank you for providing an environment of intellectual stimulation and social engagement. The Brandeis experience shaped my aspirations for the future, and helped create the person I became.



Wedding Day!

Nancy Oley



My family:

I met my husband of over 30 years, Jordan Pola, in grad school. He is currently a Distinguished Teaching Professor in the Department of Visual and Biological Sciences at the State University of New York College of Optometry doing research on eye movements.

My son, Loren, graduated from Bard College with a major in Science, Technology and Society. He then interned with and later managed a number of organic farms in New York, Connecticut and New Jersey. In short order he will plant the first crop on his own no-till organic farm in Pennsylvania.

Life since Brandeis:

I earned my B.A. in Psychology at Barnard College. After completing my Ph.D. in Experimental and Physiological Psychology at Columbia, I post doc'd in Neurophysiology at Florida State University. Subsequent assignments took me to Augustana College (IL), Trinity College (CT) and the University of Hartford. I left teaching to post doc in Neuropsychology and to work as Director of Neurodiagnostic Laboratory at a private pain center in Brooklyn, and then returned to teaching at the City University of New York shortly after my son was born. I worked at Medgar Evers College/CUNY for almost 30 years, and recently "retired" as Emerita Professor of Psychology.

The period since then has been one of exploration and renewal, and bureaucratic bungling. Despite five workshops and two private counseling sessions, my days have been taken up with navigating the maze of Federal, State and City agencies and union benefits programs, going down dead ends, retracing steps, starting over, checking again and again to make sure that everything is in place for the indefinite "future." The present hasn't happened yet: I have only just tasted the possibilities of becoming a journalist, writer, weaver and spinner, organic gardener, activist and local politician.

I have plans to create an online course, and a book coauthored with a colleague should come out this year. The book is based on 15 years' worth of trying to improve higher education-- or at least my corner of it--using the Theory of Constraints. It has forced me to think seriously about what exactly it is that higher education "produces." It is hard to divorce this question from the current and growing fiscal and political challenges that face higher ed, especially public higher ed in this country. I wonder if the kind of liberal arts education that produced me/us can survive...



Phyllis Rebell Osterman

My family:

I have been with Tom Osterman since 1986. We married in 1995, having waited until our 7 children were "launched".

We are now the proud grandparents of 12 grandchildren, one of whom we have been raising since she was 4.

I never expected to reach the age of 70 still dealing with teenage issues...some say it keeps us young. The jury is still out on that!

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I began a second career after in the late 1980's. I received a Master's Degree at Sarah Lawrence College in Health Advocacy and went on to work at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center as a Patient Representative.

After we moved to CT and my Dad became ill, I left Memorial and worked for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society as a Patient Services Manager until I retired 2 years ago. I have always been active in community activities, and have been a Hospice Volunteer since 2000.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I retired and love it! I continue to remain very involved in Health organizations, including The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the CT Cancer Partnership, and am an active volunteer with a Hospice agency and Stamford Hospital.

I spend precious time with my grandchildren and have enjoyed taking several classes through my Synagogue and

the Institute for Jewish Spirituality.

I love hiking, yoga, and am committed to a meditation practice developed over the last 2 decades.

Life since Brandeis:

My fondest memories of Brandeis remain the friendships I developed and continue to cherish.



My 70th birthday celebration with Tom and the grandchildren



Brandeis friends at my daughter Rachel's wedding 2007



Brandeis friends at Banke's daughter's wedding



70th birthday celebration with kids and grandkids



Patti Paley



Career and/or volunteer activities:

Well, I've never had kids, but I got my "kid fix" through my work in inner city elementary schools in Boston and NYC. Under my School Social Work license I worked as creative arts therapist and "Play Lady" for the disturbed kids in the school. My shingle read "Welcome to Ms. Paley's Caring and Sharing Room" and in my room, through play therapy and use of all the arts (drawing, puppets, dolls, music, dramatic play, creative writing, etc.) the kids and I had a blast while they learned and practiced social skills. I even wrote and illustrated two children's books (under the name "Tasha Paley").

Keeping busy and new passions:

Now, in retirement, I do much the same thing as I did in my working life- I celebrate the arts and imagination through painting, acting, creative writing, improvisational theater, and Playback Theater (my specialty). I split my life in thirds - between travel, living in San Miguel De Allende, Mexico, and in Brooklyn, NY. Retirement is a feast of fun and deepening friendships. The word for retirement in Spanish is "jubilacion" and I am indeed experiencing Jubilation. I live each day simply, and because I just concentrate on doing the next right thing, I end up with days that are jewels. Who could ask for more?

Life since Brandeis:

I hesitate to share my worst Brandeis memory but here goes. When I was on the student council freshman year, President Sachar threatened the entire Student Council with expulsion if we instituted a strike against parietal hours. Coward that I was, I backed down, along with all the rest of the reps... only one heroic young man stood his ground and he was never expelled.

My best memories were of my college sweetheart, of smooching, and of hanging out with my very best friend, Barbara Ernst.

My favorite teacher was George Kelly, who taught "Personal Construct Theory" and left an indelible imprint. In his class we had to take on, for one week, the persona of someone who saw the world through a very different lens than we did. I took on the role of a snooty debutante and it was an eye opener to see how lonely such a person would feel at Brandeis. I developed compassion for her. I think my love of role playing and acting grew out of that course, which was both deepening and liberating.



Patti with her art at open studio tour in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico



Performing my poem "I Pick My Teeth"



Photo of Patti at a poetry reading March 2017



Trip to Antarctica



Jane Parnes



My family:

- 1967: Married to Robert Baird '67; divorced '85.
- Daughter Traci Baird, born January '71 in NYC. BA from Stanford; MPH from UNC Chapel Hill. Married Matthew Dalva. Two sons, Nathan (now 16) and Zachary (now 10.)
- Daughter Jodie Baird, born December '73 in San Diego CA. BA from Stanford; PhD from University of Oregon. Married Diego Fernandez Duque. Son Santiago (now 14) and daughter Malena (now 11.)
- 1988: Married William Persi (Bill), a third-generation California native.
- 2006: Relocated from Santa Ana CA to Columbus OH

Career and/or volunteer activities:

- PhD in clinical psychology from Teachers College, Columbia University, 1972
- Part-time work in clinics and private practice 1974-1987.
- Full time as a Pediatric Health Psychologist at Children's Hospital of Orange County, 1987-88.
- Director of Counseling Services at California State University, Fullerton, 1988-92.
- From 1993-2006 I was Director of Counseling Services at Whittier College, a small liberal arts campus about the size that Brandeis was in 1967. This position was the most satisfying to me. I participated in all areas of student life; guest lectured in academic classes; and supervised very

talented psychology graduate students in providing direct services to students. It was gratifying to retire from there, on my own terms, in June, 2006. In that final academic year, I was undergoing chemotherapy to treat breast cancer, and was rewarded by the rallying of my former graduate trainees coming back to campus to assist with supervision.

Keeping busy and new passions:

My retirement coincided with our move to Columbus OH. For the first several years my main activity outside the home was assisting my mother, and mother-in-law, each widowed and living alone.

My only structured activity is delivering library books to residents of a local skilled nursing facility. This is a volunteer position with our public library, which I have to brag and say is part of an award-winning library system.

A more personal and possibly unusual pastime or hobby is the writing of "stories" of each of my four grandchildren. I have been doing this since the oldest, Nathan, was 3 months old. Ever since, I have kept track of his development by writing the stories that his parents would tell or e-mail to me; and the stories that came from my visits and phone calls with him. As each grandchild was born, I began writing their stories. Believe me, there are a LOT of stories. The gratification from doing this is immense.

Life since Brandeis:

Immediately after our graduation ceremony, my parents and younger siblings went to vacation on Cape Cod. This was the first time in my experience that my father had ever taken a vacation. My roommate, Dianne Miller Wolman, '67, helped my parents find a rental cottage in South Harwich. My parents returned there, year after year, and over time, bought a property in the immediate neighborhood of the cottage, built a house there, and in their later years, lived there from June to October every year. I visited them every summer until 2002. My children vacationed there every summer until they went off to college. My daughter Jodie now goes to the "cape house" with her family every summer.



Celebrating 70th birthday with daughters and families



Lois Ettlinger Perlman

My family:

Barry Perlman - husband of 46 years,
retired psychiatrist

Carrie Perlman - daughter, biomedical
engineer

Marc Perlman - son, lawyer currently
working in finance

Avital Perlman - daughter-in-law, lawyer

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After several years as an interior designer, I formed a company with a partner which designed and installed ornamental architectural moldings. Eighteen years of creating ceilings, crown moldings and wall panels for period rooms was a most satisfying endeavor. We closed down (and stopped climbing on scaffolds) about 10 years ago and since then I have been doing botanical painting.

Keeping busy and new passions:

As indicted above, I have been painting in my retirement as well as continuing with my beloved ballet classes, a conversational French group and a book group. Barry retired two years ago and since then we have traveled to some wonderful and interesting places and are spending more time in our country house in Westchester. It's also lovely to be able to attend movies in the afternoon and go to museums on weekday mornings before the crowds arrive. Retirement is grand!



Lois & Barry in Rwanda

Elizabeth Pleck



My family:

I have been married for 49 years and I have a son, who is 30 and lives in New York City.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

In 2011 I retired as a college professor at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, where I taught women's and family history. Since then I have returned full time to my financial planning business. I am a certified financial planner specializing in working with clients who are nearing or have reached retirement age.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Donald Trump's election has ruined my retirement. I was not prepared for his election and was in a state of shock after it. Now I devote my Twitter account (Elizabeth Pleck) to documenting his lies. Sometimes that runs to two or three new Tweets a day.

Life since Brandeis:

My worst memories: I never did figure out how to study. I would sit at one of those wooden carrels in the basement of Goldfarb but my mind would always wander. Why was I down there when there were no windows on that floor? Now I remember--it was definitely impossible to study in the dorm rooms, or even be there. And there were so many seats that were taken that one had to go to the basement to find a place.



Ralph Propper

My family:

Becca (22) - in NYC, communications
Peri (19) - UCSB student

Career and/or volunteer activities:

- 1) 30+ years: Air Quality & Climate Science Researcher at Cal/EPA; focus on cancer (recently retired)
- 2) Chair, Sacramento Enviro. Council's Committee on Transportation, Air Quality, & Climate Change
- 3) Sacramento Holocaust Memorial Planning Committee
- 4) Adjunct Chem Professor -Sac'to City College, UC Davis

Past President:

- 1) CA employees union section
- 2) American Lung Association affiliate

Keeping busy and new passions:

Volunteer Activities as above
recently visited family in Africa and Europe
Skiing
Biking
Swimming/Kayaking

Life since Brandeis:

I enjoyed the stimulating instructors at Brandeis, and taking a breadth of liberal arts classes (took more than most because I placed out of first 2 years of chemistry). Remembering the 1965 black-out with my girlfriend.

I enjoyed 'frosh camp' at Hamilton Pond - although grades suffered! And streaking around the pond after the girls dorms were closed. And the last party raid.

Winning the bridge championship a few months after learning to play - while going on probation; and going on Dean's List after I stopped playing bridge.



With my girls at my retirement party



Susan Rabinowitz

My family:

My significant other is actually my high school sweetheart. We kept in contact over the years and about 17 years ago began dating and shortly we moved in together. Before retiring he was a salesman and now drives veterans to their doctor appointments. His son and my daughter, both from previous relationships, are only two years apart in age and we each (separately) became parents in our 40's.

My daughter is now 32. She is in marketing and is also a dancer and a marathon runner. On the side, she fund-raises for causes such as handicapped children and the New England Aquarium.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Immediately upon graduation I began working in the anti-poverty program and have held various positions within it or closely related to it ever since. I worked for Title 1 (the predecessor to No Child Left Behind), the state Office of Economic Opportunity, The Welfare Department, Head Start, the mayor's Office of Human Services, a state community college program for students who were the first in their families to attend college, a community center, and for 20 years now, an agency assisting abused and neglected children.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Still working, but on the side, we ski, sail, and go winter hiking (mild version). I like folk music and historic preservation and he likes gardening and talk radio. We love following politics (even the bad kind) and I was active for a while collecting signatures, holding "coffees" in my house, and helping with candidates "times."

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis instilled in me a spirit of altruism that is very much with me today especially in regards to helping the poor and children in need. I was impressed by Gordie Fellman's work on the southwest corridor in Boston, stopping Interstate 95 from going through the middle of several low-income neighborhoods. Although I traveled to India, believing that one day I would want to work for UNESCO, I came to understand in college that there was plenty of work to do here in this country that would be of help to others. The most important literary influence - *The Other America*.

Also important to me was the Jewish tradition of learning through arguing with fellow classmates and instructors that I experienced in a course on Southeast Asian politics. There, liberals were invited to contradict the professor's conservative viewpoints. I was impressed in Ray Ginger's class that we would get an automatic A if we asked him a question that stumped him!

The most famous experience? Buying bagels from Abbie Hoffman.

Memories that stand out at Brandeis were traipsing to the old mailroom in deep mud and dances run by the International Club (as well as going dancing with club members in a middle eastern cafe on Appleton Street in Boston). Although I appreciated what I learned as a history major, the number of books we had to read was so overwhelming that I lost the concept of reading for pleasure for about 3 years. Despite that, I feel that the education I got was wonderful. Maybe taking 5 courses, not 4, turned out to be a blessing!



Chris Ray

My family:

Wife of 50 yrs, Jean

5 children

13 grandchildren

Career and/or volunteer activities:

3 yrs. USMC combat engineer officer.

36 yrs. Prudential Ins. Co- 25 yrs. in domestic operations and last 11 in international operations. Oversaw launching of new companies in Brazil, Argentina, Poland and Mexico. Retired in 2006 as SVP.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Founding board member/treasurer of Patriot Resilient Leader Institute a 501c(3) organization which runs 4 day workshops for disabled veterans from throughout New England. Also, active with local Rotary Club. Proud owner and frequent user of a life-time ski pass to Gunstock Mt.- about 15 mins. from our home.

Frequent traveler to visit married children who live all across the U.S.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis made me work harder for half-decent grades than I ever had previously. Coming from a small parochial high school- I managed excellent grades without having to be particularly studious. Brandeis professors and my fellow classmates quickly disabused me of the notion that I would skate through four years of undergraduate studies on my natural abilities.

The work ethic I developed at Brandeis served me extremely well in my professional career.



Rhoda Ribner

My family:

Yes significant other, no children, no grandchildren. Two godsons; one a TV news producer; one an artist; both adorable.

My career and/or volunteer activities:

M.A. Columbia, English and comparative literature 1969 partisan review, managing editor 1973 Bloomingdale's 1975-2016 buyer, designer handbags/ accessory collections Board member, dances patrelle, a chamber ballet company 'reinventing dramatic dance' There is life after bloomingdale's; I'm living proof after forty years in retail.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Abiding passion: ballet, watching it; doing it, as joints permit New passion: tap dance Retired last year. Looking to travel less, after decades of six trips a year.

Life since Brandeis:

Still after 50 years many of my closest friends are from Brandeis. In my recollection, I had the only subscription to vogue in the Brandeis mailroom. (All magazines were delivered visibly on the same day.) May account for career change.



Gerald Richman



My family:

I'm married to Katherine Sandweiss, who is the President and Principal Consultant for Sandweiss & Associates, which does strategic planning for non-profits and other businesses/organizations. Our daughters are Rachel (25) and Maya (23). Rachel graduated from the University of Chicago and now is attending graduate school in Mideast studies at Ohio State University. Maya graduated from the University of Puget Sound and now is working as an early childhood specialist for a Twin Cities organization that provides services for people who have been homeless.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I've just retired in March from my job as Vice President, National Productions for Twin Cities Public Television (TPT) - overseeing the development and production of programs for the PBS national schedule. I've been at TPT since 1980 - as executive producer, and then head of local and national productions, and finally as VP for national productions. Our station is now the fourth largest producer of national shows for PBS.

Productions I've overseen that you you might have watched include: Hoop Dreams, Newton's Apple, Liberty! The American Revolution, Benjamin Franklin, The Forgetting: A Portrait of Alzheimer's, Slavery by Another Name, Constitution USA with Peter Sagal, and all the Suze Orman pledge specials. Many of these shows were honored with Emmys, Peabodys and screenings at Sundance. My most recent production is the documentary Alzheimer's: Every Minute Counts - which reveals the social and economic crisis the country will be in unless a cure for Alzheimer's is found.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Since I've only been retired about two weeks, have nothing remotely insightful to report yet. But about three years ago, I wrote out a retirement wish list that included: watching a foreign film every day; taking trips to meet up with friends I've not seen - or seen enough of - over the years; and visiting favorite cities in Europe. What I did not plan for three years ago was spending a good part of my retirement worrying about the descent of our country into authoritarianism or worse. That now takes up several hours of my time every day.

I also will likely continue to be involved on issues related to Alzheimer's - and have some new television projects in this area that I might develop after a suitable time of enjoying a new, non-stress filled lifestyle.



My first play at Brandeis - The Braggart Soldier, by Plautus. Staged at Ullman Amphitheater in 1968. Braggart on the right, me on the left.



Phyllis M. Rodgers



My family:

My husband of 42 years, Barry Rodgers, was recruited from England to work in aerospace engineering & management in southern CA where we met and married. He moved up through corporate management, was a partner in leveraged buyouts, and, together, we developed and sold several companies. Barry is charming, always busy, loves woodworking and is a Trustee of Chapman University.

We have 2 daughters, Genevieve (my stepdaughter), 46, and Samantha, 37. Genevieve, a mechanical engineer with an MBA, is currently in the startup phase of a medical consulting business. Samantha, also with a business degree, runs an online business offering menus, meal planning and a unique time-saving methodology to working Moms (or Dads). Gen has 2 children, Malia, 14, an A-student, talented singer, French horn player, & varsity swimmer, and Matteo, 7, born with cerebral palsy and unable to walk or talk. Samantha has one daughter, Stella, now 3, a delightful child, and already an accomplished swimmer.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Most significantly, together, Barry and I founded the Rodgers Center for Holocaust Education at Chapman University, our proudest achievement, drawing audiences of 1000 people to its many lectures. I also became very active in Heritage Pointe, the

Orange County Jewish Home for the Aging, and served for several years as Vice President.

Previously, I spent 17 years in various aspects of software development. Moving to LA in 1971, I specialized in online systems for insurance companies, which became the focus of the rest of my software career. I started a consulting firm and developed a proprietary software package.

I terminated that company in 1984 to spend more time raising our young daughter Samantha and to work with husband Barry in developing and selling 3 engineering-based companies. In 1997, we embarked on a big adventure. We bought a country property in Sonoma County, planted vineyards and founded an award-winning winery, Chateau Felice, that we operated until 2015.

Keeping busy and new passions:

We are retired now, and last year we moved to Portland, OR, to be near daughter Samantha and her family. The weather has been hateful and we are currently considering purchasing a winter home in Orange County where we spent so many happy years and have many friends.

I am still very energetic and can't help thinking that there is more for me to do, but haven't yet found what that might be. We love to travel, especially to Europe and Mexico. Two years ago we went to Poland and Germany to find the former homes of my parents, quite an exciting experience.

Last year we spent a couple of weeks in art class in San Miguel de Allende and I discovered a talent for stone sculpture. I have notes on experiences that I have had that seem unusual and would like to write about them eventually. Somehow, time seems to pass....

Life since Brandeis:

This may sound strange, but the most significant aspect of my Brandeis experience was my junior year abroad in Bogota, Colombia. The opportunity to live in another culture was tremendously broadening, and the resulting fluency in Spanish has allowed me some spectacular experiences. Living in California, I have often been in situations where English is not understood, but I am. When we started the winery, Spanish was indispensable. Our property maintenance crews were Spanish-speaking and it fell to me to supervise them.

My freshman year was the first year that all freshman were to be housed in the same quadrangle, but there were 2 rooms too few. I was one of 4 freshman who were housed in a different dorm with juniors and seniors. As a result, I do not know many of my classmates. While it was great fun to stay up half the night playing bridge with the seniors, I do regret the loss of relationships with classmates.

Despite that, I loved being at Brandeis, loved my classes and teachers, loved being challenged to think and create.

Life since Brandeis has been exciting. In addition to Spanish, I am fluent in French

and somewhat in Italian, which has given me the ability to interact with many people we have met in our travels and gain an understanding of their views.

And the beat goes on!



Barry in the vineyard



Samantha with Stella and hubby Dave



Hanging out with friends



My recent sculpture



Daniel Rosen



Life since Brandeis...

Fifty Years?!!!

Time is the ultimate mystery. Abstract on the one hand, yet so concrete! What follows is a brief summation of the activities of Daniel Rosen, 1967-2017.

First, the particulars. I live in Charlotte, VT by Lake Champlain and have lived here since 1994. I am married to my wife, Victoria, have two kids, Rafael and Elena, and one granddaughter, Isabel. When it comes to family and love, I have been damn lucky and family has been and remains most important in my life.

That fact would have confused 21 year old Dan. After graduation, I headed to the University of Rochester to study history, but ended up spending much of my time in politics--SDS, radical change and revolution. Those were intense, lively and depressing times. After a short stint teaching at Buffalo State, I moved to NYC where in 1976 I met Victoria and found a kind of happiness I had sought for so long but despaired of ever finding. We got married in '79 and lived our lives, kids, working for a living, etc.

Yes, work. I have had a very strange work history. Whatever designs I might have had, never quite panned out the way I had hoped, so I soon caught on and went with the flow. My main trade was as a freelance writer. I also helped run a youth program in

the South Bronx and somehow (?) pivoted from there into corporate consulting and training. For symmetry, I spent the last few years of "working" teaching at a local college, I packed it in two years ago due to health reasons. Now reasonably recovered, I am hanging out and waiting for the next train to arrive and take me somewhere.

Brandeis is way over the hill in terms of specific memories. What was evident early on was how valuable and even wonderful an education I got. Yes, great professors, committed students, but also the innocence of the times. It was shocking how the tenor changed in 1967. Life became a struggle for a kind of social sanity, commitment and then with the draft, virtual survival. And ah, how things come back around. Writing this a few weeks before Donald Trump becomes President of the United States (!!!) it feels like the turmoil and tears in the social fabric are in for yet another round. With that in mind, I am happy to be living in Vermont, a place with its own problems to be sure, but where an increasingly rare social tolerance is firmly in place and the land, the mountains, the lake...in short, I have had incredible good fortune and while I complain (too much) inside I know I am living in a place of great beauty and possibility.



Sarah (Sally) Rosen-Webb



My family:

One winter's evening, while I was studying in London at the School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, I went out on a blind date with a fellow called Neil, a Sound Supervisor at the BBC, and, as they say, the rest is history. Over the years, Neil and I managed to produce and nurture three wonderful children. Jemma, our eldest, is a Clinical Psychologist in Toronto, where she and her Rabbi husband have three delightful young children. Megan, our middle-ist, lives in Leeds in the north of England where she works as an Education Officer for the RNIB (Royal National Institute for the Blind), her husband works in the area of criminology and legal ethics, and they are raising their two delightful young boys and a dog. Jonathan, our youngest, suffered an acute psychotic breakdown while at University and is currently in a psychotherapeutic rehabilitation programme where he is progressing towards finding a way forward for himself.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

On graduation I joined the Peace Corps and headed to Salvador, Bahia in the northeast of Brazil. I worked in an agricultural development project together with an Italian priest and some Japanese farmers. Together we managed to improve farming skills, grow a wider variety of crops and get locals eating a more varied diet. I am Trustee of our local homeless shelter,

work with our synagogue and CitizensUK helping settle newly arrived Syrian refugees.

I write short stories and am currently working on a novel set in 1960's Brazil.

Professionally, I carved a career out for myself in education and health in the UK, working variously as a specialist teacher, managing a borough-wide specialist service and lecturing at Middlesex University in SEN Specialist Teacher Training and development of mainstream support programmes for students. Somewhere along the way, I also completed an Ed D in International Educational Management and Development (SEN)

Keeping busy and new passions:

From our London base we've travelled throughout much of Western and Eastern Europe (including Belarus, the Czech Republic, Malta and a number of small Greek islands). Holidays as a family and since 'retired' to Portuguese speaking places e.g., Portugal, Maderia, The Azores and Cape Verde are always a draw. Visits to my sister Debby (class of 1970) in Jerusalem have enable me to use that as a base to get to know Israel from top to bottom fairly well. We've done the Caribbean, the Canaries and and Iceland. Still there is a lot left to do and see if I am just allowed the time and can sustain my energy: Antartica, SouthAfrica, Namibia, and the Galapagos beckon!

On reflection it appears that I've done a fair job of following James Klee's career advice to me.

Life since Brandeis:

My earliest Brandeis memory is of walking out onto the field with the 'Judges' football team in 1950 as team mascot at the age of 6 holding up high a stuffed 'Ollie the Owl' for all to see. (In their nine years of varsity football the Judges recorded 34wins, 33 losses and 4 ties. Not bad for a team where a good number of the players were home for Shabbat and unable to participate in Saturday games.)

As a townie, I took Brandeis for granted. It was my local college, and I wanted desperately to go away from Waltham for college. So I was actually had mixed feelings when I found I was accepted. Still, I buckled down and took full advantage of the wonderful opportunities Brandeis present on my doorstep. Deep in adolescent angst, I asked my friend and mentor James Klee what I should do. We chatted for a while and ascertained that there would still be time for me to explore the world beyond Waltham after a college education. My passions for traveling, learning new languages, meeting different people, exploring cultures, cooking and eating new foods and making myself somewhat useful to society led him to say, 'I think you'd make the perfect dilettante'!



Neil and me, Paris - November 2016



Jemma, Megan and Jonathan - 1985



Jemma, Megan and Jonathan - January



The family (less Henriette born October 2015) - August 2015



Harvey M. Ross

My family:

I was married for 41 years to Harvey-Ann Diskint, Tufts '65. She died in 2013 after struggling with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis for 8 years. We moved to Scarsdale in 1975 where I still live. She taught English at Mamaroneck HS for 40 years. To her, teaching was a calling, not a job as she mentored two generations and had a direct impact on some 4000 students. Every relationship has its challenges. But our shared values, history, common interests, passions and strength in confronting those challenges helped us to grow together. The house I still live in where we spent 38 years of our marriage and where our daughter Jennifer grew up is not a memorial to my wife. But every day I only see good things and it evokes fond memories. Jennifer (42) lives in Larchmont with her husband and 3 sons Braden (14) Devon (10) and Zane (9). She taught in Mamaroneck for a decade and then retired to be a full time mother. I am very proud of my wife, family and the values that are being transmitted to future generations.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Majored in Economics, middle of the class but had extremely high business boards, I had been investing in the stock market since my Bar Mitzvah so I sheepishly applied to business schools. This, at a time when Dow Chemical was known for napalm bombs and not Saran Wrap. Since no one from Brandeis would consider B school I

was accepted with full scholarships wherever I applied! MBA from Cornell, started on Wall St. at Bankers Trust managing pension funds, with the past 26 years managing \$ at Oppenheimer. I enjoy what I am doing (it beats working), could have retired years ago. As a hobby, I started building high end houses in Scarsdale 16 years ago which has become a business and a creative pursuit. Active in the arts and community. Treasurer of synagogue, trustee of the Phillips Collection (DC), Tenement Museum (NY) Queens Museum. Serious collector modernist American art (Jacob Lawrence, William Gropper etc.) Have lent works and had staged exhibitions from (our) collection at major museums

Keeping busy and new passions:

I may never "retire" as long as I stay healthy. If someone retires ideally he (she) should seek a life for which she (he) has passion and not from something that they can't wait to exit. On a certain level I have been semi-retired for the past 30 years as I have always tried to focus on my life and integrate my professional responsibilities around it rather than the other way around. My passions include attempting to develop a greater fitness for life (Maslow, self-actualization), giving back, curiosity and gaining a greater understanding of the world, doing what I can to educate, and improve the arc of social justice and practicing a clean baton pass to the next generation. So, despite my history of "goofing off" as the default mode, I am

trying to do everything I can to maintain (or even strengthen) my emotional, physical, spiritual and intellectual fitness as I confront the rigors and challenges of advancing maturity (age).

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was formative in my life as I came to understand what good work was (I had been a big fish in a small pond and knew it) and was exposed to a wide range of choices which presented among other things the need to identify and avoid the bad ones. I was exactly 18 on Sept7, 1963, our arrival on campus and discovered 16 year olds who had had life experiences of a 20 year old. Rather than being envious or depressed by this revelation, I was excited and said to myself, "I want to be more like them!" And so, I have become a lifelong learner, comfortable in my own skin, not in competition with others, but in competition with myself. I am happy with what I have achieved, excited about the possibilities for the future, humble as a human being and appreciative for all of my good fortune.



Joel Ross



My family:

I have been happily married for 33 years to Pamela. We have raised three daughters, the oldest, Lily, is from my first marriage. Lily is married to Justin and they have two children. Celia is 7 years old and Theo is 4. They live in Los Angeles. Lauren, our second daughter is engaged to marry Ian. Lindsay is presently living with us and aspires to be a writer.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After Brandeis I Attended the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and began what is now a 46 year career in general dentistry. I started a practice in Westford, MA in 1973 and continue to work 3 days a week for the woman who joined me in 2000 and is now the practice owner. My volunteer energies have been directed towards the local Unitarian Universalist Church which my family has attended for over 30 years. I have served in many leadership roles through the years.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I keep putting full retirement off as I enjoy the practice of dentistry and the relationships I have established with staff and patients. I find it very gratifying to have served multiple generations. The schedule allows time for summer camping in our trailer, for winter downhill skiing, and for bicycle riding with friends.

Life since Brandeis:

I've feel blessed with the life I have experienced. To be sure, there have been bumps in the road - a divorce at age 35, and an angioplasty at age 55 have created occasional identity checks. My health has allowed me to be active doing things I love - downhill skiing, hiking, biking and swimming with dolphins with my wife in Hawaii. I am very aware of the privileged life I live as an affluent, white, cis gendered male.

My Brandeis experience seems quite distant now. Preparing this response brings to mind some of the fun times as a freshman- playing ping pong in Sherman; road trips to IHOP or Elsie's in Cambridge; and bull sessions with friends. I am aware of how well Brandeis prepared me for dental school, particularly in the science classes. I also remember a lot of hours studying in the library. In retrospect, I think Brandeis was a good fit for me. I was not into partying and Brandeis, for me, was not a "party school." I do remember being exposed to Bob Dylan and opera from my room-mate as a freshman.



Pam and Joel in Hawaii



Family gathering at Atlantis resort,



Lily, Lauren and Lindsay





Alan Sager



My family:

Sandy Bornstein '69 and I are celebrating our 40th anniversary. You may remember Sandy from Gilbert and Sullivan. She's still beautiful and I still love her singing. We met outside Mailman during a break in a speed-reading course. Sandy has been the cantorial soloist and choir director at Temple Isaiah in Lexington and appeared often as a professional soprano. She works as a guide on Lexington's Liberty Ride. Sandy teaches voice, volunteers with the Domestic Violence Service Network, and teaches history of Jewish music at Brandeis's Bolli.

We have two sons, Josh and Matt, born exactly four years apart. Josh graduated from BU and has a master's from UMass-Boston. He blogs at theprogressivecynic.com and has been the mainstay of the Harvard Square pedi-cab. He's working on a grant on medically complex children. Matt studies physics and calculus with an eye toward a career in astrophysics. He works 30 hours weekly at Starbucks. Both guys are smart, strong, and decent.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I'm a professor of health policy and management and director of the Health Reform Program at the Boston University School of Public Health, where I've been teaching for 68 semesters--OK, 34 years. Courses include health care finance, planning and regulation, and management.

I'd earlier taught and conducted research at the Heller School for eight years. Writings include causes and consequences of urban hospital closings, the reasons major league baseball teams and urban hospitals leave the same neighborhoods (I was a very serious Dodgers fan until 1957), why primary care is like the weather (everyone talks about it but no one does anything about it), ways to actually hold down prescription drug prices while financing innovation, and ways to finance and deliver affordable long-term care. Several Boston teaching hospitals signaled their appreciation of my study, *The World's Most Expensive Hospitals*--ours in Massachusetts--by posting my photo in their emergency rooms.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Not likely to retire soon. Would allow far too much time to listen to the news. Also, I've been remarkably lucky to fall into a job I mostly love, one that renews my naive optimism that problems can be made smaller.

Sandy and I take road trips to national parks, visit Europe. Most beautiful and peaceful place--Zion in Utah. Most affecting place--Appomattox. (Gettysburg has thousands of visitors daily; Appomattox has dozens. What does that signal?)

Life since Brandeis:

One bad but trivial memory was my name's omission from the student directory one year--and inserted as an endnote.

November 22nd still hurts. Every year.
A good memory--somehow constructing the right answer to a Ray Ginger question about reasons for the wild public adulation of the pre-fascist Lindbergh in 1927.
Sunsets from the hill next to the library.
Are they still that good?
The summer after Brandeis, Joel Hetler and Doug Rose and I hitchhiked from London to Zermatt, where we ran down a hill at the edge of town and very nearly knocked over Herbert Marcuse and his wife. Close call.
Quickly returning to Boston, I started in MIT's city planning program, joined the Teacher Corps in south Florida for two years, built a sailboat from a kit, returned to grad school, worked at Heller, served as Vice President of the Health Planning Council for Greater Boston, and then completed my dissertation right after MIT promised to charge ABDs full tuition each semester.
I've been blessed by the inspiration, support, and kindness of Barney Schwalberg and Steve Cohen in econ, Bob Morris at Heller, and Bernie Frieden and Tom Willemain at MIT.



Sandy in Zion



Sandy and I listening unsuccessfully to Italian Republic Day concert made inaudible by cathedral bells next door - heavy symbol



Our family at Josh's UMass McCormack Institute graduation



On the ridge at Rocky Mountain National Park



Phyllis Kaufman Sager



My family:

I am happily married to my wonderful husband, Marshall H. Sager. Marshall is a physician who was in Family Practice for 25 years before specializing in Medical Acupuncture and Homeopathy in suburban Philadelphia. He lectures to physicians internationally about Medical Acupuncture and is a member of the Board of the International Council of Medical Acupuncture and Related Techniques (ICMART). He is a Past President and current Board member of the American Academy of Medical Acupuncture (AAMA) and is Founding Chair of the American Board of Medical Acupuncture (ABMA).

On top of all this, Marshall is tall, handsome, kind, funny and intelligent. I am very proud of him and very fortunate to be his wife.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am an entertainment lawyer, specializing in Broadway and literary. I have enjoyed a wonderful practice representing famous and incredibly talented Broadway directors, choreographers, scenic, lighting and costume designers, composers and lyricists of Broadway shows. I also represent select performers. It has been great fun.

I was the Director of Entertainment for Caesars, Atlantic City and Vice President of Entertainment, Public Relations and Special Events for the Sands internationally.

I have had 30 books published (Longmeadow Press, an imprint of WaldenBooks) about finance, real estate and other miscellaneous

topics. I have sold 1,475,000 of these No-Nonsense Guides. My cookbook, The Good Eating, Good Health Cookbook, was published by Consumer Reports Books.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Marshall has developed and we are having fun marketing Dr. Sager's SkinCare, the first and only certified Homeopathic facial and body care products in the world. We have been featured on the Today Show, msn.com and numerous magazines and newspapers. Our most popular product is Ouchy!® Boo-Boo Gel, which eliminates black and blue marks, heals hurts, burns, rashes, stings and insect bites, sunburn, etc. Our other terrific product is Arnica Eye Gel. Arnica Eye eliminates dark circles, bags and puffiness and refreshes and tightens the delicate skin surrounding the eye. www.dr.sagers.com

Dr. Sager's SkinCare is sold online and in numerous retailers throughout the USA and Europe including Birchbox (France), Liberty London, C.O. Bigelow (NYC) and Woo SkinCare and Cosmetics (Atlanta, Nashville).



We love to dance!



Howard Scher



My family:

Wife: Linda

Son 1: Seth

Son 2: Eli

Granddaughter 1: Sydney

Granddaughter 2: Juliet

Stepdaughter: Sara

Stepson: Nick

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Trial lawyer

President of Board of the Pennsylvania Innocence Project

Secretary of International Relations of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers

Fellow American College of Trial Lawyers

Past-president, JEVS Human Services



Gobi Desert



Seth and Loren



Some of the family - Eli and family



Linda and me

Leda Schubert

My family:

Husband. Bob Rosenfeld: math and statistics professor, now volunteering for everything possible in our small town. Folk dancer, learner of the mandolin, dog lover (because of me), father of two children and assorted grandchildren, and a funny and good guy all around. Me: no biological children. A long history of dogs.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I worked in education in one way or another for years. Ran a preschool, taught in a K-12 small school, became a librarian, worked for the Vermont State Dept. of Ed for a long time. Then, in my 50s, went back to school for an MFA in Writing for Children at Vermont College of Fine Arts. Ended up teaching there and writing children's books, which was what I had always wanted to do. Change the world through reading with children! I'm not at the reunion because my new picture book on Pete Seeger is launching this weekend. Please buy a lot of copies. You can see assorted whatnot here: www.ledaschubert.com

Keeping busy and new passions:

I am still writing. I still play guitar, as I did in college, but for 30 years I didn't. Now I fingerpick country blues. Also took up drawing/painting; will always be a beginner but love it. Spend most of my time letting the dogs in and out (two dogs, one a saint and one a sinner), entertaining friends who bring their dogs over to play, or trying to

remember things: where things are, what I did yesterday, etc. I've lived in a small town for 47 years--1200 people, north-central Vermont. Glad to still be here. Wish I could see those of you I might have known!

Life since Brandeis:

My memory stinks. What I remember is hanging out at Cholmondeley's, falling in love for the first time, and studying much too much. I remember terrific classes from David Hackett Fischer, Frank Manuel, Alan Grossman, Philip Rahv, and many more. What I wish is that I'd taken greater advantage of extra-curricular stuff--theater, music, art. I took Bronstein's brilliant class senior year. Why not earlier? I also took mime with Jan Kessler in my last semester, and 45 years later wrote a picture book about Marcel Marceau. Long gestation period.

I have no bad memories of my years there other than my own fears and anxieties, the result of being so young. And I never had a bucket list. I just try to be present. The political situation is so disastrous that (Feb, 2017) I wonder if we'll still be around for the reunion. Let's see.



Reading with a child at our local school.

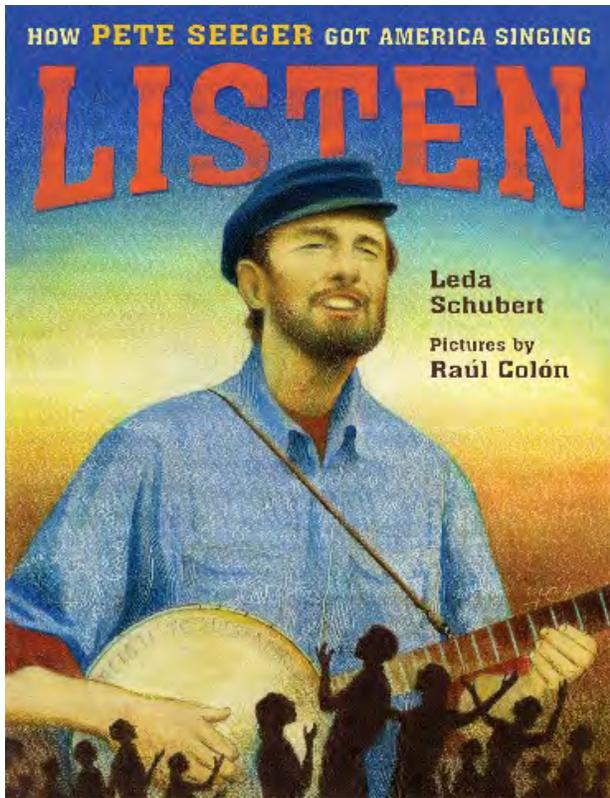


Dogs!

August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Geoff Maca Muldar	2 JIM KWESKIN	3 Foley & ROEHNER	4 Skip James	5	6 The Irish	7 TOM TRUSH
8 TOM RUSH	9 DUKKA WHITE	10 Eric von Schmidt	11 Eric von Schmidt	12 SHALLISSA 844.771.0077	13 Greta Mathews Mitch Greenhill	14 Jocke Wassenaar
15 BOB	16 The Paul Butterfield Blues Band	17	18	19 Charles River Valley Boys	20 The Greenbriar Boys	21
22 THE BEERS	23 Eric von Schmidt	24 The Moons	25 BOB WATSON	26	27 THE BEERS FAMILY	28
29 THE BEERS	30 The Beers & MacSorley	31 <i>Ray Drey</i> The Headliners	<i>CCUR 47, INC.</i>			

Those were the days!



My picture book biography of Pete Seeger, out June 13th.



Michael Segal



My family:

I've been with my wife Catherine "Cathy" Dunham for 35 years. We still work: me at the company, InstaTrac Inc. (www.instatrac.com), that I started in 1994; she as an exec with Preservation of Affordable Housing (www.poah.org). Our son (my step-son), Konrad Schlater, also is an exec with POAH - Cathy on the services and health side; Rad on the development side.

Konrad has worked on economic development and affordable housing since graduating from Wisconsin (1998), and the Kennedy School (2002).

Career and/or volunteer activities:

The short version: twice a grad school dropout (no surprise to anyone who knew me then); organizer of large anti-Vietnam war, and other political, events (1968-1975), and director of two civil rights organizations; political journalist (columnist) and author of a bio of '88 presidential candidate Michael Dukakis (1975-1988); political campaign consultant (1988-1993); business founder and owner (1994-present).

I'm an avid cook, gardener, birder and traveler (to Italy as often as possible). And now an active anti-Trump warrior.

Cathy served as Dukakis's cabinet and policy coordinator for housing, health and human services (that was awkward - she working

for him; me writing about him); spent 25 years as a national health reform advocate; and now is blending all her skills in the arena of affordable housing. She recently served as a Trustee of Clark University, where she earned three degrees (BA, Masters and EdD).

Keeping busy and new passions:

Retirement? Retirement? What's retirement? Cathy's more ready than am I. "I carried you in the early days, bub," she often reminds me. "It's your turn now." (She really knows how to hurt a guy.)

Life since Brandeis:

"The parietal hours crisis (from the list of suggested items for this box)" actually played a significant role in my life. I loved what the power of people acting together can do. From then on, I became a totally committed political activist, and spent seven of the happiest years of my life working against the war in Viet Nam. Toppling governments is fun. I negotiated for, and stage managed, some large and small and significant events of the era, from the Vietnam Moratorium Committee, to the Berrigan and Attica defense committees.



How lucky can a guy get?



Me and grandson #1



Rich Serkey

My family:

I have been married to my wife, Pauline, for 44 years. We have a son, Ethan Miguel, who was adopted from Colombia at the age of 3 months. Ethan Miguel has autism spectrum disorder.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a real estate attorney, practicing in the same office I started out at 43 years ago. I continue to enjoy my work and have therefore not retired.

Life since Brandeis:

I consider myself to be a very lucky man: I have a loving wife and a loving son. I have good health and an absorbing vocation. What more could I ask for?



Danny Shames



My family:

I married Rose Goldkind '70. I met Rose when I was on check in duty (as part of work study) at Hamilton pond quad. She was a first year, I was a senior. We were married in 1970 and have three children (boy girl boy) who all married wonderful people. We have seven grandchildren ranging in ages from 7 to 13.

Rose and I have been blessed and lucky in our family life.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After Brandeis, I went on to medical school and then a Urology residency (Georgetown, Penn). I also spent 2 years in the Army medical corps. under the Berry plan. I practiced urology for twenty years and then got involved with pharmaceutical development for the rest of my career. Rose received a Ph.D in molecular biology while we were in Philadelphia.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Rose and I retired from a consulting practice (pharmaceutical development and related issues) that we jointly ran in March of 2016. We now split our time between Maryland and the NYC area where all the grandchildren reside. We do a weekly commute in which we spend after school with the Manhattan grandchildren on Mondays and the Westchester grandchildren on Tuesday. Our youngest son and spouse live in the DC area with our grand dog Millie.

During the the last several years Rose and I have taken up hiking and camping, we are bring a group of the grandkids to Yosemite in July.

Life since Brandeis:

Finally, I would like to mention Freddie Kaplan, my roommate, friend, and a man with a beautiful soul. He died shortly after graduation, of cancer. I see his face as clearly as I did 50 years ago (as well as his parents'). I named my daughter after him and remember him during yizkor prayers. For those of you who knew him, recall your memories at this significant milestone in our lives. Freddie, we love you.



Mark B. Shanis

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After graduation from Brandeis in 1967, I went for a little while to Florida State University in Tallahassee, FL. Then I worked for several years at the Florida Dept. of Agriculture's Division of Chemistry, first doing fertilizer, then pesticide analysis. Then I attended the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL, and got an M.S. in Environmental Engineering Science. Then I worked as a contractor for 21 years for the U.S. EPA, in Durham, NC. I became a federal employee of the EPA in 1998. I developed first a mailed ambient air gas audit program, carried out by the 10 EPA Regional offices. I also had a small rental property business.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I just retired from the EPA about 2 weeks ago, and am planning to travel, first to the Bay Area of California, then from Seattle up to the Vancouver area, and then to a tour of West Canada. I am also looking at a cruise along the Alaskan coast, and then maybe a visit to Scotland, Ireland, and Wales. And I have been invited back to Hawaii for a visit with cousins who got married there last year and live there.



Phillip D. Shapiro (Phil)

My family:

Wife: Mary Ascenzi. No kids.
Mary is very into cats. Boy, is she.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Career? I didn't have much of one, didn't use my degree at all. I sold ads for WVBR, Ithaca, NY, for many years, and taught guitar.

But I am the host of WVBR's Bound for Glory radio show. Yes, I got bit by the radio bug on WBRS. The Bound for Glory radio show is North America's longest running live folk concert broadcast. I'm now in my 50th year. The Bound for Glory show is a major stop on the tour for folk musicians, and a lot of famous people (and not so famous people) do the show on Sunday nights, 32 live concerts per year. Almost 1600 live concerts so far, and I'm still on the air. The marvelous live audience keeps me going. Streaming Sundays from 8pm to 11 at wvbr.com. And no, I don't get paid, and neither do the musicians. The sixties haven't quite died.

I also built my own house, with my own hands, in a forest at the edge of civilization. And I'm a more or less professional folk singer.

Basically, I've followed my muse all my life, and managed to pay my bills.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Well, I'm still on the air. I can't keep doing the radio show forever, and am looking at future boredom with great apprehension.

But I'm certainly not bored right now. My health is just fair. And I'm much more limited than I want to be in what I can do. Still, it's never dull, so far.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis got me going. I was swept up in the good energy. I stopped being a conservative. I came to Ithaca to get a doctorate in economics at Cornell, and never did, stopping at the Master's, and getting out.

I had some great friends who convinced me, without quite saying it, that I wouldn't starve to death. And I've managed a lifetime of strong friendships, even into semi-retirement.

We're all pretty weird, myself, my fine wife, my sturdy and strange friends.

I see myself as a community builder, bringing people together by the hundreds, or even thousands, making magic. The vehicle is Folk Music on the radio.

Remember the Folk Scare, that brief period when it seemed as though folk music would be popular? That sure didn't happen, but the music is a very powerful way to make a cohesive community, all over Central New York.

And building my own house, and doing a lot of things for myself, has always been very important to me. I'm not who I expected to be. I don't have a lawn, not to mention a well-kept one. But I do have 122 acres of unkempt forest.

I also am still a traveling musician, playing guitar and singing, with my musical partner,

fiddler and singer extraordinaire Carrie Shore out of Binghamton. shapiroandshore.com. We've done over 200 shows, with more to come. It's another way to share magic with people. I do a lot of that.

Thanks to Brandeis for getting all of this started. I don't think anybody at the University wanted to generate alumni such as I, but they sure did.



Alan Sheinbaum



My family:

My wife Michele is a graduate of Syracuse University. She majored in history and sociology there. She currently is an instructor in Pilates and she previously danced with the Rochester (NY) Ballet Company.

I have two children (girls - Jessica and Rachael). They live in Tacoma and Nantucket, respectively. My older daughter graduated from Skidmore College and majored in Studio Art. She is married to Aaron Goings a Professor of American History in Saint Martins University in Washington State.

Rachael is currently teaching middle school at the New School on Nantucket Island and lives with her husband Edward Sullivan who works with the Nantucket Housing Authority. They have two girls, Fern and Iris ages 5 and 2.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am still practicing gastroenterology (year 42 now). I started out in private practice in New Hampshire and then moved to California in 2001 where I practiced at Kaiser Permanente, Los Angeles Medical Center in East Hollywood.

Currently I am an Associate Professor in Clinical Medicine in the Department of Digestive Diseases at UCLA - David Geffen

School of Medicine and teach at the Greater Los Angeles VA Health Care System.

Keeping busy and new passions:

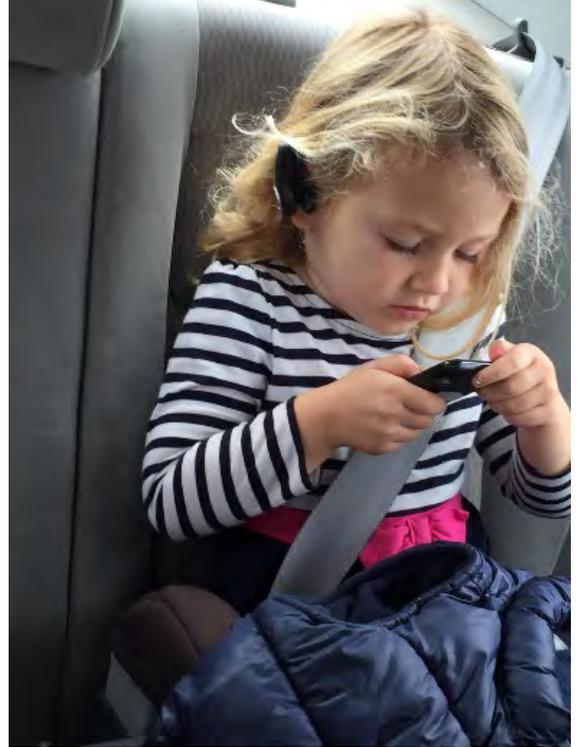
Not retired yet but love to travel - particularly to Italy, sail, and oil paint. I have sort of taught myself Italian (but not being immersed in it 24/7 I tend to forget it quickly and try to go through refreshers before traveling to Italy).

Life since Brandeis:

Being at Brandeis probably provided me with a more liberal outlook on life and being able to attempt to "walk that mile in someone else's shoes." Beyond that though, truly life's lessons came from living, what I consider to be a very checkered yet full life. Were mistakes made along the way? Too many to count! But I think they enabled me to take full measure of what life can offer and so doing, I think I've become a softer person for it. I tend to rage less against the storm and have become more accepting of things.



**My Wife Michele and I at Daughter's
Wedding**



Granddaughter Fern



Daughters Jess and Rachael



Granddaughter Iris

Lewis Shilane



My family:

My wife, Roberta, and I have been married for 44 years. She is a retired Spanish teacher, who has taught Spanish from kindergarten through the university level. Our son, Philip, is a software engineer living in Pennsylvania. Another son, David, is a statistician in New York, and our daughter, Amy, is a records specialist with the Department of Justice in Washington. We have three grandchildren plus one on the way.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

After graduating from Brandeis in mathematics, I went on to earn a Ph.D. in mathematics from Princeton, and taught for several years at several institutions. Eventually I decided to pursue a medical career, and earned a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree and did a family practice residency in Virginia. I have worked in private practice and urgent care/emergency medicine, but have spent most of the past 29 years working in facilities operated by the State of Missouri. My wife and I live in the Joplin, MO, area.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I will be retired by April of this year. My wife and I plan to do a lot of traveling and also to move closer to our children and grandchildren. In recent years I have taken up playwriting as a hobby, and have had several plays performed at short play festivals in the U.S. and Canada.



Norma Shulman



My family:

Immediate family consists of two daughters, Jessica '05 and Dana '00, their significant others, grandchildren Max and Olive, and my sister Ellie.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Retired technical writer, former school teacher, and long-time activist and volunteer (local, state, national, and numerous causes).



Grandchildren visiting the campaign office



Max & me checking out Auntie Dana on the Boston Marathon Banner



Senator Warren meets the grandkids



Working for Hillary



Barbara K. Shuman



My family:

Larry Shuman and I met on a blind date while I was in graduate school at Teachers College, Columbia University. We decided to get married (I was 23 and he 26) after only knowing each other for 10 weeks, and have been married for 48 years! Larry is retiring next year as Senior Associate Dean of the School of Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh, where he has also taught and done research. His professional interests are in the area of engineering education and engineering ethics. Our son, Zak, is a graphic artist and musician living in Bali, Indonesia. Our daughter, Jessica is married and has 3 children - a daughter, Jordan age 10 and twin sons, Jonah and Dylan age 4. She is a yoga teacher and a social worker in a community hospital in Doylestown, PA. Our son-in-law, Dan Pollner is a former lawyer and now owns a roofing business. Sadly, neither of our children live near us. We enjoy frequent visits with the grandchildren but have only been to Bali twice in past 6 years.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I was a stay-at-home Mom when my children were young, and an active volunteer in our synagogue, chairing various committees and eventually serving as President for 4 years. In 1987 I joined the Reform movement's Commission on Religious Living, helping to create the Kallah program of study/spirituality retreats which I coordinated for the next 18 years. From 1993-2016 I served on the North American Board of the Union for Reform Judaism. At the same time I coordinated Jewish adult

learning programs for Pittsburgh's central Agency for Jewish Learning, both as a volunteer, and for 5 years as a staff member. I returned to the agency board and eventually served as President for 2 years. An avid student of Jewish thought and spirituality, I was trained as a Jewish spiritual director (2005-2007), and subsequently completed a program for contemplative leaders with the Institute for Jewish Spirituality. For the past 3 1/2 years I have worked part-time as the IJS Director of Wise Aging.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Most of my life's "work" has been as a volunteer. Aside from a brief professional stint coordinating the Melton school and adult Jewish education classes, I have given freely of my time, creating and supporting Jewish learning opportunities for others. When at age 68 I was invited to join the staff of the Institute for Jewish Spirituality, I embarked on an "enclave career", managing the Wise Aging project. I continue to enjoy studying myself, am an avid reader and in recent years have been increasingly attracted to contemplative and spiritual practices. I have been on a number of silent meditation retreats in both Jewish and Buddhist settings. My passion for travel was ignited in 2002 when we spent 3 months traveling around the world on the Semester at Sea. I enjoy learning about and visiting other places and cultures and thankfully have had many opportunities to do so. I am passionately in love with my grandchildren, but enjoy becoming myself as much as I like watching them grow.

Life since Brandeis:

During my years at Brandeis I deepened my love of ideas. I truly enjoyed living in an academic environment, and can think of nothing better to this day. I still relish researching a subject and pulling my thoughts together in writing. I take notes at every meeting, lecture and class, have built a large personal library and consider myself a life-long learner. My fondest memories of Brandeis are of times spent hanging around the theater. While not an actor, I had many "supporting roles" - including props and stage manager for several shows, and ultimately Producer of Brandeis Student Productions. Even though I was a psychology major, my closest faculty relationship was with James Clay in theater arts. My biggest dream, realized my senior year, was to live in the Castle. I also have fond memories of sipping hot apple cider through a cinnamon stick at Cholmondeleys, eating peanut butter and honey in Sherman dining hall, studying for finals on the lawn behind Hamilton Quad, and occasional trips to Cambridge. Perhaps one of the best parts of those years was developing deep, intimate relationships. While I have many friends and acquaintances, few know me as well as did my suitemates at Brandeis. I don't know that I ever had a bucket list - if so, I can certainly cross off an enduring marriage, creative and compassionate children, and the blessing of good health into my 8th decade. I never imagined I would see as much of the world as I have, and the list of countries I'd still like to visit continues to grow. While we have enjoyed being part of welcoming communities, I regret that my family has always lived at a distance. My life is comfortable and I look forward with curiosity to what adventures lie ahead.

There are days when I realize that most of my life is behind me, and other days when I wonder who I will be when I grow up!



Barbara and Larry -Windblown in the Galapagos Islands



Barbara and Larry -Shanghai, China



Jonah, Jordan and Dylan - my grandkids



Barbara in Bali 2011



Charlie Siegel



My family:

Married Cheryl Pierson Bellaire in 1975. Chelly was the librarian at the Vancouver Art Gallery (Vancouver's Art Museum) for 30 years. She is now retired.

Sarah, born in 1978, is a landscape architect with HAPA, a firm here in Vancouver. She is married to Alan Tse, an architect. Our first grandchild, Benjamin August Henry Tse, was born last August.

Anna, born in 1981, living in Brooklyn, is a marketing executive running the NYC office for FUGA, a Dutch firm based in Amsterdam that sells music files on-line. She is married to Matteo Liberatore, a jazz guitar player and sound technician on film shoots.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I got an MFA in Acting at Yale Drama School and have acted in regional theater across the US and Canada, most notably as the Spartan Ambassador in a musical version of 'Lysistrata' on Broadway in 1972. It starred Melena Mercouri and was directed by Michael Cacoyannis. It only ran one week. Sigh.

I taught acting and directing at Middlebury College as a Visiting Assistant Professor for one year. For two years I was the Head of Acting Training at the Theater Conservatory at Webster University. I continued to teach acting and directing for 25 years at the University of British Columbia, for many years as the Coordinator of Acting Training and for several years as Chair of the Theatre Program. I am now an Associate Professor Emeritus.

I have continued to act on stage and in over 50 films or TV shows up here in Hollywood North. You can find my filmography on IMDB.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I continue to act, mostly in film and TV, and direct for the stage. Earlier this year I was in 'Supernatural' (where, at the end of my scene, I spontaneously combust) and in a new Bravo series called 'Imposters' (where I played a character called Rude Old Foggy). A few years ago I directed a wonderful new version of 'Hecuba' by Euripides, written by Nick Kilmer, an old friend from my Cambridge days.

I am also kept busy as President of the Strata Council (Canadian equivalent of a Condo Board), for our high rise with 173 units.

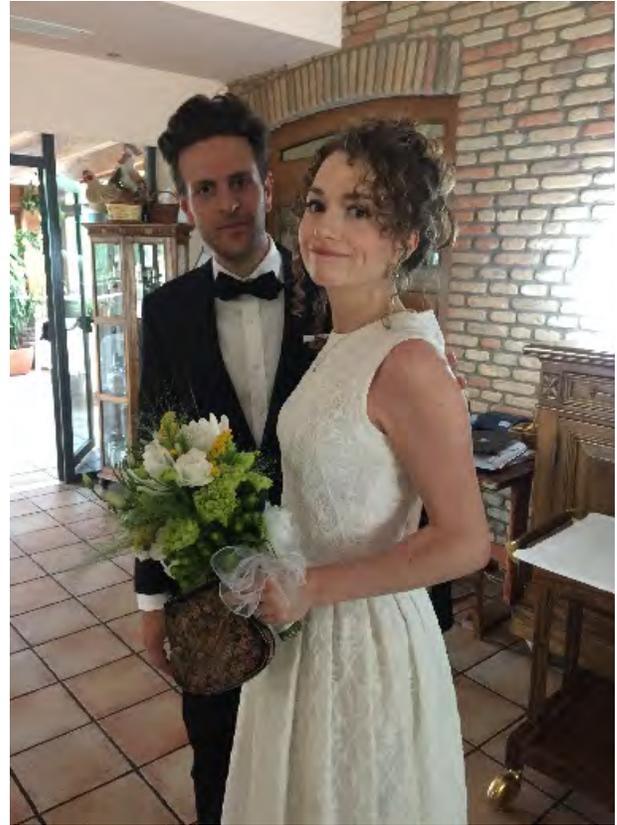
Life since Brandeis:

I have found my liberal arts education from Brandeis to be enormously valuable throughout my life. It gave me a context within which I could evaluate my experiences, an awareness of what others had done before me, and knowledge of what people are capable of accomplishing. As I pointed out to the undergraduate students I have taught over the years, a liberal arts education is a luxury, but probably the most valuable luxury you could ever buy.

I have not met many others who found college to be such an important, enriching part of their life. Maybe it was something special about Brandeis and some of the amazing faculty with whom I managed to study while I was there.



Italian selfie with my wife, Chelly



Anna and Matteo



Sarah and Alan



Grandma Chelly and Ben

Phil Simonds

My family:

I have a wife and three children.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Currently retired ICU nurse. I have continued with the piano over the years.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I enjoy being retired.



Elizabeth E. (Kaldeck) Smith



My family:

Rachel Devorah Oz, grandchild, lives in Givat Shmuel, Israel with my daughter Rebecca and her husband, Rabbi Yoel Oz.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I spent 30+ years in the field of Special Education, holding positions as a teacher, team chairperson, and administrator. I retired in 2004 and established a private educational consulting and advocacy practice, which continued until 2008.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I sang in vocal groups including a chamber choir and an a cappella group. I also performed with my husband's jazz trio, using my own original compositions and arrangements. I moved from classical singing to jazz, making a transition from Purcell's "Dido's Lament", Schubert and Schumann lieder, and Mozart arias to my own arrangements of "Gee, Baby, Ain't I Good to You", "You Go to My Head", and "Whisper Not".

Life since Brandeis:

I remember sitting in Harold Shapero's music theory class one day. He was going on and on about some recent dental work he'd had, which he was illustrating with diagrams on the blackboard. After he'd gone at least half an hour beyond the official ending time for the class, the classroom door suddenly burst open and a spitball the size of a baseball came flying in.

The group of impatient graduate students waiting outside finally decided they'd had enough. Later that same day Johnny Johnson, Michael Weller, and Stu Smith were walking up the hill to the Castle snack bar joking about the episode. I caught up with the group and joined in the conversation. Stu and I caught each other's eyes, and there began our 53-year long partnership.

I'm currently organizing my father's Holocaust papers, which document his escape from the Nazis. A portion of the collection is already at the U.S. Holocaust Museum in Washington DC. His story is unusual because, after a journey that ran from Austria to Germany to Portugal to the United States to Cuba, he and six other Austrian Jews were allowed to land, without papers, on the personal say-so of Fulgencio Battista. This happy outcome came about because my father and his friend, Benjamin Frostig, were able to communicate in Spanish with Battista and to plead their case not to be sent back to Germany.



Beginning music at age 4



My daughter and her husband-to-be



My granddaughter, Rachel



My husband, Stu



Morris Vogel



My family:

Ruth Seltzer '68 and I married at the Brandeis chapels on her graduation day, so we are celebrating our 49th anniversary this month. She went to social work graduate school at the University of Chicago; after our boys were born she returned for a psychology PhD at Temple. She has a private practice in psychology here in Manhattan, where we live. Ken, our oldest, is 41, grew up in suburban Philadelphia and remains an avid fan of all teams Philadelphia though he now lives in DC, where he is chief investigative reporter for Politico. His wife Danielle Vogel used to write environmental legislation; more recently, she established and operates two locavore food markets in Washington. Jonathan, 38, also an all-teams Philadelphia fan, is associate professor of economics at Columbia. His wife, Jacqueline Lance, is a banker at Capital One. They are the tired parents of David, 3½, and Matthew, 1½; we pitch in taking care of the boys.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I got a PhD in history at Chicago as a way of extending my Brandeis life. Becoming an academic was the next thing someone did with a history degree; the position I took at Temple lasted from 1973 to 2008. Active choices along the way included a visiting appointment at Wisconsin and a terrific year with Ruth and the boys in Tokyo, where Ruth and I taught for Temple. I also served 4 years as dean of Temple's College

of Liberal Arts--an administrative role in which I would have thought I had no interest, but enjoyed as much as I had loved teaching and writing. I took a two-year leave to direct the Rockefeller Foundation's Creativity and Culture program--and would probably still be giving away piles of money to transform the arts, humanities, and social sciences in the US and abroad if the Foundation had not decided to get out of those areas of work. Since 2008, I've been president of the Lower East Side Tenement Museum--which like every job I've had has been the best job I've had.

Keeping busy and new passions:

We've reoriented the Museum around the history of immigration, demonstrating for our now 250,000 annual visitors how people from many nations became Americans and how Americans in turn became a people. We're now extending our immigration story into the present to include specifically newcomers from Latin America and Asia as well as Holocaust survivors who lived in a tenement we added to our original site several years ago. My scholarship in American social history focused on other people's stories, and not the narrative of immigration, so this engagement with my own story--my parents and I entered the US as stateless persons under the 1948 refugee act--enlists my professional skills in the service of my personal commitments. Professionally, I'm committed to the principle that museums should play roles in elevating our national

conversations--as I used to believe academic disciplines could. I'll be retiring from the Museum this summer, after this new project is complete and paid for.

Life since Brandeis:

When a high school teacher learned I would be going to Brandeis, she said that was a shame--that I never would be learning "an indoor voice." She was right, at least in the near term, though I think I've learned over the past 50 years to sometimes modulate when I speak. What I did experience at Brandeis was an intellectual and political coming of age: a sense of what ideas could do and what the world could be. Some of that was my age; more of it was the age. I know that I was hardly unique in that Brandeis intensified my angst and uncertainty--everything was new to me and the world was adrift--but it was also nurturing and a good place to live through and think about the possibilities of the 1960s. I went to graduate school thinking (wrongly, of course) it offered a continuation of undergraduate life. Some coursework actually stayed with me--most notably Morton Keller and the History of American Political Institutions and Philip Rahv and 19th-century Russian Literature--but mostly what I picked up was a feeling that I had the responsibility to do something that would in some way make the world must just.

While I've figured out since then that no one is actually keeping score for what any of us do, I've still worked at it: teaching first-generation students in a public university, publishing history that emphasized the agency of ordinary people

and the importance of everyday life, leading a township political party, funding programs that asked disciplines to respond to the needs of their time, and now at the Tenement Museum making the case that the United States is at its best when it recognizes itself as an immigrant republic. It's discomfiting today that progress toward a better world seems to have stalled. I hope that the values to which we committed ourselves at Brandeis are strong enough to continue guiding us in the struggle for justice that is as pressing now as it ever was.



**Samuel Vogel, Ruth Vogel, Morris Vogel,
Kassel displaced persons camp, 1946**



**Ken Vogel, Danielle Vogel, Jon Vogel,
Jacqueline Lance, 2015**



**Ruth and Morris Vogel, living in Tokyo,
1994**



Paul Wasserman



My family:

I've been together with my wife Peggy for 19 years. We live in a cozy house in Park Slope, Brooklyn. Two kids (technically my step-kids), Julia and Jory, both making their way relatively smoothly through early adulthood years, both living with partners in NYC. Julia is on the cusp of becoming a middle school/high school English teacher. Jory is a musician currently working at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Peggy and I are both educators, mainly in adult education, though we've both been high school teachers as well. We were part of an adult education advocacy and activist group, which is how we met. We do some food growing in our yard and local community garden and are active in local food and food justice movements. We share an interest in Latin American culture, history and politics. Peggy lived in Mexico for 7 years and is fluent in Spanish. Many of the adult students we work with are immigrants, so we're especially concerned about threats to their safety and security.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I retired in 2011, but continue to work part-time at the adult education program at Lehman College in the Bronx where I've worked for 25 years. I was Director of the program for much of that time, working as a teacher/administrator. My teaching has focused on high school equivalency (GED) instruction. Students are mostly from low income and immigrant communities in the

Bronx. The program is run collaboratively, a supportive community central to my life. Previously, I was a social studies teacher in the South Bronx. Other endeavors have included 6 years as a NYC cab driver and rank and file labor activist, working as an administrator of a Latin American cultural and solidarity center, and periodic bouts of freelance writing, editing and reporting in various media, including 2 years working on a pre-internet on-line version of the NY Times. I'm currently coordinating a farm stand/farm share distribution project at Lehman, working with several student interns.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I'm a semi-retired guy with one foot in the work that's grounded me for the past 25 years and the other foot poking around for how to productively use my freed up time. I go to the Bronx 2 or 3 days a week, though the commute is becoming an issue. I'm still part of the program's admin team, technically the "financial director". It's been a bit of a struggle, internally and externally, to pull back from that work as much as I'd like. I'm most energized by my work with the farm stand, which connects me to the larger food justice movement. Our own food growing is another focus. I keep vowing to write regularly, with many projects in mind, but finding the structure and focus for that is another inner struggle. As Peggy moves toward retirement, we're looking forward to more extensive travelling, and spending more time with far-

flung friends. Given current political realities, I'm determined to be part of movements of resistance and efforts to build alternative economic models.

Life since Brandeis:

Though my life has had its share of challenges, confusions, disappointments, sadness and loss, I really can't complain. Blessed with a basic economic security, I've lived a life of comfort and freedom unimaginable to the vast majority of folks with whom I've shared this planet. I've got a wonderful life partner and two great kids, my health is good, I've done work I believe in and enjoy, I have a rich network of friends far and near, I've been able to regularly carve out time for varied vacations and periodic extended journeys. I've had the freedom to choose a life not focused on earning a lot of money, and at times to get by with hardly any income at all.

A Basic Post-Brandeis Timeline: A year of Sociology grad school, worry about the draft, demonstrating, underground newspaper writing, confusion, waiting for the revolution that never came. Travel in Europe, North Africa, Mexico, coast-to-coast driving and hitch hiking. Commune back-to-the land dreams, living 5 months in squatted housing in Amsterdam, inspired by efforts to "build a new society within the shell of the old." A year in New Hampshire with fellow Brandeisians, trying to run alternative institutions. Back to New York, cab driving, labor organizing, rent stabilized apartment, living a low budget, on-the-margins lifestyle.

Mexico/Guatemala journeys, connect with

Latin American realities. On return to U.S., focus on Central American solidarity, Latin American culture, freelance writing, new communities, minimal income. Need for some stability takes hold - mainstream job with NY Times - first credit card, computer, health insurance. Then more travel, freelancing, eventual move into teaching, first high school, then adult ed. Immersion in that world, new friends, communities, contexts for activism.

Meeting Peggy, enter parenthood and family life in my 50s. A grounded, happy life. Vacations on Cape Cod, Mexico, upstate New York, California. Inspiring political/educational trips to Chiapas Mexico, Bolivia, Ecuador, connecting with Latin American social movements and ideas. Emerging focus on food growing and food justice. Notions, never acted on, of buying land. Loss of beloved Greatest Generation family members and several dear friends. Retirement, trying to embrace my emerging role as a still active elder.

My years at Brandeis played a key role in shaping who I am and how I've lived my life. Intellectually, the influence of professors, especially Old World elders Bronstein and Marcuse, seasoned my engagement with 1960s cultural and political churnings. Though I was startled, looking at faculty photos in our yearbook: entirely white men. Hmmm! Most important to me have been deep friendships formed at Brandeis and immediate post-college years, many of which continue to this day. Blessings to my fellow alums with whom I've journeyed together through the interesting and complex times we've all traversed,

providing mutual support for our individual choices and challenges as we strive, individually and collectively, for some clarity and joy, happiness and fulfillment, and for ways to live our values, to resist and speak truth to power, and to contribute to the visioning and construction of a freer, fairer, healthier, ecologically sustainable planet.



Me and Peggy in Quito, Ecuador, January 2015



Me with students in my adult GED class, Nov. 2012



Me and Peggy at home with Jory (with fork), Julia (in green), Jory's girlfriend Victoria (pink hair), Nov. 2015



Me at NYC Women's March, January 2017

Miriam Weinstein



My family:

When I got married, at age 26, I thought that I was so old! I am still married to the same person, and, incredibly, our two children are now middle aged. Having four granddaughters is major fun for me.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

When I think about how low my career expectations were when I was at Brandeis (because I was a girl), I am mortified. I am also delighted with how far the world has come, although, in the current political situation; well, I won't go there...

I was a painting major at Brandeis, then went to film school. I began my adult life as a documentary filmmaker, and later moved to print journalism. My favorite job was working for a consortium of weekly newspapers. After that, I wrote several non-fiction books, the latest one, *All Set For Black, Thanks: A New Look At Mourning*, has a chapter about our classmate Ellen Rafel.

Keeping busy and new passions:

A writer is never actually retired. These days I write, and hang out with my granddaughters. I do a modest amount of political work, and I thank god that I live in Massachusetts. I am a docent at our local museum, which has brought me back to thinking about painting, although not actually painting. But it all feels very full circle. I also have some other volunteer responsibilities in areas I would not have

expected. I have turned out to be more outdoorsy, and more consciously Jewish, than I was as a young adult.

Life since Brandeis:

When I was at Brandeis, I was fairly flaky and immature. I enjoyed being in an intellectual atmosphere, although I was not much of an intellectual myself. But I loved the lectures, performances, and smorgasbord of activities. And my nightly visits to Chomondely's, especially when the Jug Band was there, were highlights.

My art teachers taught me not just how to draw and paint and weld, but helped me learn how to be creative. And they were kind to the flaky/arty girl that I was.

During our senior year, Ellen Rafel and I ran what we called a nursery school in a community center in Roxbury two mornings a week. Dan Bennett, a philosophy professor, let us say that we were taking a philosophy tutorial with him. In fact, we met once a week with Fran Perkins, who ran the on-campus lab nursery school. Boy, did we learn a lot!

I remember exactly where I was (heading down the hill from the library) when we heard that Kennedy had been shot.

One of my best Brandeis memories is of standing at the information booth waiting to hitch a ride to Cambridge. So am I saying that the best part of Brandeis was leaving it? Not exactly. It was more like Brandeis was a safe place from which to try out my excursions into the broader world.



What WAS this girl thinking?



At Grandma's birthday



Chava Weissler



My family:

My spouse Nancy Fredland and I have been together for twenty-five years, although we were only able to be legally married in 2014. Nancy taught Social Work at Temple University before her retirement in 2005. Nancy has three adult children, Jon, Sam, and Elizabeth. Elizabeth, a social worker like her mother, is married to Rabbi Jarah Greenfield, and they are the parents of our three-year-old grandson, Isaac. They live in Bennington, Vermont, about a five-hour drive from Philadelphia, unfortunately for us. In January 2015 Nancy and I moved to Cathedral Village, a retirement community in Philadelphia. A few years before our move, Nancy was stricken with a rare neuro-degenerative disease. I am her primary caregiver, which takes much of my time and energy.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

In 2015, I retired from a 32-year career as a professor of Religion Studies, primarily at Lehigh University. I taught courses on Judaism, folklore, feminism, and comparative religion. My research concerned two major fields: Spiritual innovation among contemporary American Jews (Havurah movement and Jewish Renewal), and the religious lives of Jewish women in Central and Eastern Europe in the 18th century. My most significant work was "Voices of the Matriarchs: Listening to the Prayers of Early-modern Jewish Women" (Boston: Beacon Press, 1998).

Keeping busy and new passions:

Although I have retired from my academic career, our retirement community has a Village College, in which 6-week courses are taught by residents; many of us are retired faculty. I am now Provost of the Village College, and have enjoyed teaching about folk and fairy tales, food and the sacred, and women in the Bible. I've also enjoyed taking courses on short stories, poetry, and history. We have many other wonderful activities, from chamber music concerts to exercise classes. A new interest: workshops in the Greenhouse, where we plant herbs, make flower arrangements, and concoct herb-scented lotions. I still love to cook, and to gather family and friends around the table for Shabbat and holiday dinners. I even still manage to do a certain amount of yeast baking, despite the tiny oven.

Life since Brandeis:

The best part of Brandeis, for me, was the rich intellectual life on campus. Brandeis gave me a wonderful education, and a wonderful foundation for my career. My years at Brandeis stimulated my intellectual curiosity, exposed me to a wide range of subjects, and taught me the specialized knowledge of Jewish texts I would need for a career in Jewish studies. I am forever grateful to Brandeis for the way my mind was stretched and my intellectual horizons expanded. This was not only in my major, NEJS, but in courses that ranged from

Physics to Philosophy, from Anthropology
to Art History.



Chava and Nancy at Bryce Canyon



Chava, Nancy, and Grandson Isaac



Ina Weitzman

My family:

I am (re)married 18 years. I have three daughters, one stepdaughter and one stepson, all in their 30's. Only the oldest, Ariann Weitzman, is married and has two young daughters. She is a rabbi in NJ. Middle daughter, Arielle, is in media production in Los Angeles and youngest, Chava, has just gotten her Ph.D. In Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation Biology. My stepdaughter teaches high school music in NJ and my stepson is in Finance.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a semi-retired psychologist still maintaining a small private practice. I have previously taught college-level courses and for 12 years was a medical consultant for Social Security Disability.

Keeping busy and new passions:

We spend half the year in San Diego where we are very active chairing various HOA committees. I also participate in multiple book groups. For the past year, I've been keeping my mind sharp by refreshing my French through an on-line program. I have Skype or phone sessions with clients while in California. We have done a fair amount of traveling (never enough), including domestically to visit various friends who are ailing. The most recent major trip was two years ago with a friend to Thailand and Bhutan, which is one of the most fascinating places I've ever been.

Life since Brandeis:

Although I wasn't always happy at Brandeis (and who is at that age), they were some of my happiest years. It was academically challenging, probably more than my master's or Ph.D. program, and maybe the degree of which I am most proud. Graduating from Brandeis, I felt truly educated; I believed I could go anywhere, ask an intelligent question about anything, and at least comprehend the answer. Graduate school was in some ways more akin to trade school. My years at Brandeis were the first experience of being with a large group of kindred spirits. I often have related to others the experience of our class meetings at reunions: the only occasions in my life where a sizable group sits around, not needing facilitation, where everyone speaks, everyone else listens, and everyone reflects on what others have said. This is something that doesn't happen elsewhere, speaking to the uniqueness of our class.

Looking to the future, I expect to work at least to a minimal degree until I'm comatose. I am fortunate that my profession is flexible in that way. It also enabled me to balance being a single parent for a number of years and still support a family. I'm hoping to increase my travels, particularly soon to some places that might become more difficult down the road, such as Machu Picchu which is on the list. Hope to see my other offspring "settled," whether that means family or career.



Martha S. West



My family:

I have 3 grandchildren, and a 4th on the way. Isaiah West is a sophomore at Bowdoin College. Clara McGilly is a high school sophomore and Fiona McGilly is a 6th grader. My 4th grandchild is due in July 2017.

I have 3 daughters: Barbara was born in 1967, 2 weeks after we graduated. Jennifer was born in 1969. Then, 11 years later, Sarah was born in 1980. I am lucky in that all my children live nearby, either in Davis, CA, or in Oakland, CA.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I retired in 2007 after 25 years as a professor at University of California Davis Law School, teaching employment law, and gender and law.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I now volunteer my time as a tax preparer for the AARP Tax Aide program for low income and elderly folks. I garden one morning a week in the UC Davis arboretum, and volunteer many hours with the Unitarian Universalist Church in Davis.

Life since Brandeis:

I transferred to Brandeis as a junior, having married a Harvard graduate student. I lived in Cambridge and commuted out to Brandeis, so I never felt I was a part of the Brandeis community. During my senior year, I became pregnant. My mother flew out from the midwest to make sure I stayed

in college and didn't drop out. When I felt nauseous during the first trimester, I just went out to the nearby woods and threw up between classes. That is one of my most vivid memories. And one of the few friends I made at Brandeis, while commuting from Cambridge, was killed when a small airplane crashed on the Brandeis campus during my senior year. I graduated from Brandeis 9 months pregnant, and my first child was born 2 weeks later. Two years later my second child was born. Then, in 1970, I started law school at Indiana University, Bloomington, where my husband was hired as a professor. I finished law school in 1974, clerked for a federal judge, and then worked as an employment lawyer in Indianapolis. After practicing law for 7 years, I moved to Davis, CA. in 1982 and began teaching law at UC Davis. In the meantime, I divorced, remarried, and had a third child in 1980. I loved law teaching at UC Davis, set up a clinic in employment law, was associate dean for 4 years, and then set up a family law clinic for survivors of domestic violence with Violence Against Women Act money. While teaching I also worked on child care issues in Davis, helped organize a Montessori school/day care center, oversaw the establishment of after-school child care at all elementary schools, and served on the Davis Public School Board for 8 years. Combining a satisfying professional career with raising 3 children is a challenge women continue to face in our society today.



Nancy Tucker Whit

My family:

I was divorced from my first husband, William Whit, in 1978. I met my second husband, Horace Jennings, while working in Providence, RI. He passed away in December 2009 at the age of 61.

I am a caregiver for my 92 year old aunt who was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in 2013. She is currently living in assisted living in Providence; she had previously lived in Lexington, MA.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Between 1967 and 1975, I taught elementary school. I received my M.Ed. from B. U. in 1972 where I wrote my thesis on "The Education of Women in Germany". After moving to RI in 1975, I became involved with PACE (People Acting Through Community Effort), a community organizing group modeled after Saul Alinsky's work in Chicago. It had helped establish a non-profit housing development corporation (Peoples Redevelopment Corporation) and I became the Executive Director. From there I moved on to property management and worked for two companies both located in Boston. In 2003, I became the Executive Director of Pawtucket Citizens Development Corporation (PCDC) which was based in Pawtucket, RI. We developed over 200 units of affordable housing and worked with the city to improve a poor, transient neighborhood and its main commercial corridor.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Since retiring in 2015, I have continued to serve on the Board of Directors of SWAP, a community development corporation. In 1976 SWAP was created as a vehicle to prevent vacant and abandoned houses in three poor, predominately Black neighborhoods from being demolished. They originally worked with the owners to sell the properties at a minimal cost to owner occupants willing to invest in renovating the property.

Since 2014, I have been volunteering with Save One Soul Animal Rescue League (SOSARL) which rescues dogs that might be euthanized in southern shelters, transports them to Connecticut and Rhode Island and finds adopters throughout NE. I have fostered a dog, adopted another and I volunteer at fundraising and adoption events. I am currently helping with the second annual 5k race to be held October 15th.

Since retiring, I go to the gym more often, joined a book club at the local library and am learning more about Alzheimer's disease through workshops and support groups.

Life since Brandeis:

My years at Brandeis substantially affected my life after Brandeis. Through a summer volunteer program organized by Ellen Rafel, I met my first husband who was also volunteering in Roxbury at the Blue Hill Christian Center. Later, as a tutor in

Roxbury/Dorchester, I decided that I would become a teacher and took education courses at Brandeis that enabled me to be certified in Massachusetts.

I also experienced being a minority for the first time. As one of the few non-Jewish freshmen in 1963, I became much more aware of a world of cultural diversity. I have found both the importance of community involvement and cultural diversity as key components in my life after Brandeis.

Professor Gordon Fellman also had a big impact. Helping him write/edit a paper for a summer project that he was directing in Cambridge improved my writing skills and reinforced my interest in community work.

Some of my fondest memories of Brandeis are of all the freshmen women gathering in the evening in our dorm rooms and getting to know each other better. I'm still in touch with two of the women: Patti Fertel (my freshman roommate) and Celeste Robins.



Nancy and her dog Jett.



Paul B. Wiener

My family:

Wife Nancy Sachs, a lawyer specializing in lead paint poisoning in children. Daughter Alexandra Wiener graduated Brown University. Chess champion. Employed at Goldman-Sachs. Daughter Olivia Wiener Sophomore Dartmouth. State Javelin champ (5'3-106 lbs.) Second Javelin Ivy League Championship 2016. Dogs-Santana and True.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I am a physician, a Nephrologist for 40 years, despite not passing organic chemistry.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis, thank you for Harry and Barry and Bob and Jimmy. For Jane and Carla. The Rockin Daddies. For Chet, Mitch, Victor and even Michael. Thank you Supremes, Simon and Garfunkel, Blues Project, Sammy, The Remains and the Lost. Thank you Harry and Jane for my pet squirrel one Saturday in 1964. Security only let me keep him for 3 days. Thanks Norm Wilson for studying organic chemistry with me at your father's bra and girdle factory. And even thanks to the little Scotsman (I forgot his name) who flunked me in organic chemistry. I did get a 36 on the final! Oh, yes The Jim Kweskin Jug Band.



Harry, Barry and I 1966



Nancy and I 1986



My family 2016



Norm Wilson



My family:

Josh is 44 and has been married since 2004. His wife Stephanie received her Ph.D in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies from Brandeis in 2007. They live in Lexington, MA. They have a nine year old son, Benjy, who is an intelligent, sweet kid, much like his father. Josh worked at Brandeis from 2005 until 2017 in the University's IT and Library organization. He served most recently as Associate CIO for Academic Technology.

Sara left Maine for New York and Columbia University. In her junior year, she spent a semester at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, an experience that was to impact her life. She returned to Israel, and in 2006 she married Amos Frajnd, a friend whom she had met at Hebrew University. Amos manages galleries dealing in Israeli art, in New York, Tel Aviv, and Jerusalem. Currently they live in Larchmont, NY. They have two daughters, Ella, nine, and Mia five. Both girls seem to have definite aptitude in the arts. They are energetic girls who love to sing and dance.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

In September 2014, after 39 years of practice, I retired from the practice of Anesthesiology. There was much about my work that I enjoyed: intellectual stimulation, complex clinical problems, and the leadership role I took on later in my career. Above all, the most satisfying aspect of my career was my relationship with the patients and the trust they placed

in me.

However, the few years leading up to retirement were not easy. Up until the last year, I was still working long hours with a significant amount of complex night work. The transition to the electronic medical record in an operating room setting was very difficult. The impact of "production pressure" was very stressful. By 2014, I was ready to retire.

Keeping busy and new passions:

The difficult aspect of retirement is reshaping the rhythm of one's life, from a fast paced, schedule driven rhythm to a more leisurely pace with a different social framework. The first year, I resisted the temptation to fill in my time with unwanted pursuits. I said no to almost everything that came my way, providing the freedom to choose what I wanted to do. Many physicians do not have interests that provide satisfaction when medicine is no longer a focal point. I have plenty to fill my time. I now exercise consistently. I have time to delve more deeply into photography, my primary artistic pursuit. I have freedom to pursue deeper relationships with my friends. I returned to a leadership role in my synagogue, after a hiatus of nearly a decade. And, I have time to simply relax.

Unfortunately, my wife, Judy, underwent a major spinal fusion in October 2016. Her recovery has filled much of my time. Had I been working, I would never have been available when she needed me most.

Life since Brandeis:

Before writing these responses, I went back to the piece I wrote for our 25th reunion, in 2002. I wanted to know if my view had changed in twenty five years. With the exception of work, surprisingly little had changed.

My work has receded in importance, as I entered retirement. I have begun to move on with the next phase in my life. I have more freedom to pursue things that have always been important and new areas which I might want to explore.

I love Maine, with its rural character, its connection to the sea, and its hard working people. And, I love living in Portland, a small, accessible city which continues to undergo a striking renaissance. As much as I like Boston, Portland is home.

After forty eight years, I am still married to my wife, Judy, whose intellect and view of the world is in synch with my own. As she gradually continues to improve after surgery, we hope to resume the vigorous, active life we have always had.

It is a treat to see my children grow up and interact with me as thoughtful adults. It is fascinating to become a grandparent and watch our three grandchildren go from babies to young people. I have the opportunity to correct some of the mistakes I made as a father, when so much of my time was spent working.

I don't have many very specific memories at Brandeis, with one exception, where I was when I learned of President Kennedy's shooting. However, the experiences I had, and the relationships I formed, while at Brandeis, helped create the core of who I am and what I have become.

I look forward to seeing old friends at the reunion, recounting our stories, and catching up on where the years have gone.



Antarctica 2015



Monhegan Island, Maine 2014



**Norm and Judy Boothbay Harbor, Maine
2011**



**Norm, Ella, Tenny Cape Elizabeth, Maine
2016**



Marilyn (Merri) Lishnoff Wind



My family:

Gary and I were married shortly after graduation. We will celebrate our 50th anniversary on June 18th. We have two children-Rebecca (43) living on the UWS and David (41) living in Bethesda. Rebecca and I enjoy traveling together.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Received my Ph.D. in Pharmacology from NYU Medical School. Did my post doc at NIH and then began working at the Consumer Product Safety Commission in Health Sciences. Worked there for over 30 years protecting you and also was very active in international work on alternatives to animal testing. Retired in 2010 and have been pursuing my volunteer activities and traveling. Have been very active in the Conservative/Masorti Movement serving at the congregational, regional and international levels in United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, Womens League for Conservative Judaism. I am president of MERCAZ USA, the Zionist arm of the Conservative Movement, vice president of MERCAZ Olami, the worldwide Zionist arm of the Conservative Movement, and am on the boards of the American Zionist Movement and Masorti Olami. I am a member of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, and represent the Conservative/Masorti Movement on the Va'ad HaPoel of the WZO and the BOG of JAFI.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I am busier with my volunteer activities than when I was working. I am in NY frequently for meetings and enjoy shows with my daughter. I have been traveling extensively since retiring visiting Israel 2-3 times a year, and recently going to the Galapagos, Morocco, Spain, and the Norwegian Fjords. My daughter and I enjoy going to cooking schools as well as going to resorts/spas that have good hiking and classes. When at home, I keep in shape by going to 10 exercises classes/week.

Life since Brandeis:

Brandeis was easily the most intellectual time of my life. I remember my Developmental Biology teacher coming into class one day and telling us about an exciting meeting he had been at. He talked about the new discovery that pharmacological agents could cross the placenta and affect the development of the fetus. It is hard to believe that wasn't known earlier but it set the course for what I did for my Ph.D. work. I went to NYU Medical School in the Department of Pharmacology and for my thesis studied fetal hemoglobin.

Gary and I moved down to Maryland when he had to fulfill his obligation to the Air Force (he was deferred during Vietnam). While he was active duty, we kept our NY license plates since I wouldn't admit we weren't still New Yorkers. I did my post doc in the Dental Institute at NIH studying the

effect of Vitamin A on fetuses. After I finished my post doc, with two young children, I decided I wanted a job with more regular hours and started working for the Consumer Product Safety Commission in the Directorate of Health Sciences.

My training at Brandeis served me well since it had taught me to apply scientific principles in new and different situations. At the Commission, I dealt with choking hazards, chemical hazards, suffocation hazards as well as many other types of hazards. I also became active on interagency committees and ultimately on the international level representing the U.S in negotiations on the use of animal alternatives for safety testing. By the time I retired I was the Deputy Director of Health Sciences and the Chair of several interagency committees.

During the time I was working I became involved in the Conservative Jewish community and have increased my involvement since retiring.

My bucket list for travel is really long. I have already visited many of the national parks. Glacier still remains on my bucket list. The Galapagos were on my list and we got there last year. Australia and New Zealand were on my list. We spent almost a month there a couple of years ago but I want to go back. Machu Pichu is high on my list as are Japan, South America, South Africa, and a safari.

My memories of Brandeis are of the friends I had there and the good times. I think one of the funniest things I remember is requesting a late pass for "breeding purposes." I was taking Genetics and had to check the fruit flies on a regular basis and separate them. There is nothing that stands

out as a worst memory except perhaps green milk and green bagels on St. Patrick's Day.



Gary, Marilyn and Rebecca at 70th birthday



Mary Anne (Landfield) Winig



My family:

My husband Hugh and I are fortunate to be celebrating our Golden wedding anniversary this summer. We've been blessed with three children, Heidi, Adam (Brandeis '95) and Ben, who were all married within ten months of each other in 2007-08. They have produced our six wonderful grandchildren - Noa, Rohan, Oren, Talia, Max and Ravi. We all live in the East Bay of San Francisco, except for Heidi's family who reside in Santa Cruz. This enables us to share most holidays and the first cousins to grow up together. Hugh and I are enjoying plenty of cherished grandparenting time.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I've continually been involved in teaching in one way or another. In addition to teaching our three children how to become caring citizens of the world, I have been a teacher for the gifted program in our public schools. As a volunteer, I have been a trainer and mentor in a variety of volunteer organizations for leadership development and maximizing the effectiveness of trained volunteers. I have been involved in our local Jewish community for many decades, serving as the second woman president of my synagogue and co-chairing our East Bay Women's Seder for several years. As National Hadassah's Adult Bat Mitzvah chairwoman, I organized the program and conducted the B'not Mitzvah service for almost 60 women over two years, including one service in Jerusalem. My last paid position was Adult Program Director for a

local synagogue for a dozen years. I'm currently teaching an inspiring program developed by the Institute for Jewish Spirituality called Wise Aging for adults our age.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Retirement is both a challenge and a delight. Each new life stage requires adjustments, and I love the options that present themselves with this one. I could be busy every day with fun activities, so finding those quiet "me" times is part of the mix. I became a certified yoga instructor in 2005 and enjoy my practice and helping others with yoga asanas and wisdom. I'm a major nature lover and relish hikes into any wild spaces to search for critters and wildflowers and wild edibles. Being alone or with friends in nature is a remedy for most anything life might toss our way. Lifelong learning is another passion which I access as often as possible, in a variety of locations. We have enjoyed study tours in Europe, S. America and Africa with American Jewish World Service and Lehrhaus Judaica, along with other travels.

Life since Brandeis:

In some ways our Brandeis adventure seems like fifty+ years ago, and yet the effects it had on us still influence how we act and react most days. The lessons we tried to learn of delving into difficult subjects have stayed with me all these years and have informed my world view. Learning to tackle challenging tasks and having the confidence to find solutions was certainly

enhanced by my experience at Brandeis.

The times we live in today present us with unique choices for preserving the foundations of the democracy we have fought for since our Brandeis days. The gains that have been made in so many areas of society for so many people still need to be guarded and refined so that opportunities do, indeed, continue to be available for many marginalized people among us. It is still crucial that we keep up our activism and involvement.

One of the sources of knowledge that has informed me over these many years away from Brandeis has been my travel to learn about disadvantaged and struggling populations around the world. Each trip and each visit with these courageous people renews my faith in the goodness in humans' hearts and their desires for the simple necessities of access to clean water, ample healthy food, health care and education. As global citizens and caring elders, we have much work to continue to make this a reality for future generations. A reassuring aspect of reaching this stage of life is knowing that we still have some capacity for teaching others and leading by example these important initiatives. I'm looking forward to staying involved in whatever ways I can to help make small or larger impacts on pursuing these goals.

It's hard to imagine our years at Brandeis included: single sex dorms, senior keys, "RB&G" dinners far too often in the cafeteria. We were lucky to have a brand new Spingold complex for our Gilbert and Sullivan productions and numerous music classes and a wide open campus with so many secret places to relax and study outside. We won't ever forget our

graduation in the old amphitheater where the Science Complex has stood for many decades. Brandeis looked very different by Fall 1991 when I visited our son, Adam, living in the remodeled coed East complex and the student center built on the old reservoir. To maintain some campus connections, I continue with my Alumni Admissions committee interviews to discuss the advantages and challenges of student life at Brandeis with prospective students. I always enjoy hearing updates in person or via the myriad of campus media about the new directions and personnel at our university.

Fortunately, connections from our college days remain strong and we continue to learn from each other. These are the bonds that help keep our lives meaningful. Thank you, Brandeis.



**Alumnae sisters - Joan Landfield Klivans '69
and Mary Anne Landfield Winig '67**



Dianne Miller Wolman

My family:

I am married to Harold Wolman, who is a political science professor emeritus at George Washington University. Hal continues his research at the University and is still working with PhD students. We have a child, Andrew, who is living and teaching at a university in Seoul, South Korea. And he now has a wife and a child who is about to celebrate his first birthday.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

I spent nearly my whole professional career working on health policy issues, most of which are still with us and unsolved. The last dozen years of my policy life were spent at the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies working on projects related to patient safety, insurance, and quality of care. These projects produced more than a dozen books and I'm quite happy not to have publishing deadlines any more.

Keeping busy and new passions:

Since I retired about 4 years ago, I have focused primarily on becoming a fiber artist. I work in fabric and threads to produce artwork for the wall. I enjoy the stitching process and find it rewarding when my work is juried into shows, but fortunately I don't need to make a living at it.

Over the past year I have become very involved with a group of volunteers who are starting a "village" for our neighborhood of Friendship Heights to help seniors age in

place and be socially active. Starting a non-profit from scratch has been an interesting experience but very time intensive too.

In between these activities we travel quite a bit, especially to see family.

Life since Brandeis:

I renewed my acquaintance with Brandeis in 2016 on behalf of my mother. She was a professional artist who left a large body of work in various media when she died last year. Several of her most significant portraits have been placed in appropriate public areas. She had made a larger than life bust of Eleanor Roosevelt, the final casting of which resided in her living room, since she was my mother's personal hero. When my mother decided to donate her, Brandeis was the obvious recipient and Eleanor now is inside the entrance to the Heller School. When it was installed a year ago, the Heller dean and faculty put on a special historical program to honor Roosevelt and her portrait.



Alan S. Yoffie



My family:

Married to Johanna D. Drooz Yoffie, Esquire (46 years)

Daughter: Alexandra - A Child Welfare Specialist. Married to Nathan Sleeper. We have (3) grandchildren.

Daughter: Victoria - An integrative wellness professional in NYC. (See: www.yoffielife.com)

Son: Abraham - A baker of organic bread (also an Architect)

Daughter: Isadora - Federal shared services program (deputy director) at the General Services Administration (previously with the U.S. Department of the Treasury and Fannie Mae).

We have three grandchildren: A grandson age 15. Two granddaughters ages 8 and 6 years old.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

Lawyer: Clerkship, Superior Court of the State of Delaware - Assistant U.S. Attorney - Private Practice. (Admitted to the Bar in the State of Delaware and the District of Columbia. Admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, U.S. Third Circuit Court of Appeals, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia and U.S. District Courts of Delaware and Massachusetts.)

Business: CEO of family business - a vertically integrated, multi-plant, just-in-time textile and apparel designer and manufacturer

Author: "Sharing the Journey: The Haggadah for the Contemporary Family," published by The Central Conference of American Rabbis Press. (See www.sharing.ccarpress.org) The Haggadah contains original art work (by Mark Podwal) and inclusive text to help all segments of the contemporary Jewish family (persons who were born Jewish, persons who have chosen to be Jewish and persons of other faiths) feel welcome and experience the joy of celebrating Passover together.

Keeping busy and new passions:

From January - March: Focus on marketing activities with the CCAR Press for "Sharing the Journey: The Haggadah for the Contemporary Family."

Active in community affairs: Current major commitments include - Board of Directors and active on key committees of the Worcester Jewish Community Center and the Jewish Healthcare Center; Board of Directors of the Reed Trust; and Member of the Ritual Committee of Congregation B'nai Shalom, Westborough, MA. In 2016 was the recipient of the St. Thomas More Society's Ecumenical Award, conferred by Catholic Diocese of Worcester, for service to the community.

Jody and I spend as much time as possible with our three grandchildren who live 450 miles away. (Grandparents who live within an hour of their grandchildren do not know how very lucky they are.) Over the last several years, we have also had fun planning trips and traveling with our children.



Robert Zweben

My family:

Although I feel disconnected from classmates and acquaintances at Brandeis, I cherish my years and experiences as an undergraduate. Those times were in large part due to the people I met and the educational opportunities that I had. In retrospect I felt that 1963 through 1967 were some of Brandeis' best years. The school was in a formative stage. It provided a first class education to the largely undergraduate student body. There were remarkable professors, many of whom were of a politically left orientation. There were few philosophical and intellectual equals to Herbert Marcuse, Ray Ginger, and their compatriots. I realized how unique these bigger than life figures were when the school started to go mainstream and needed to part company with them. It seemed like their existence at Brandeis made it more difficult for the administration to attract endowment monies and gifts from the wealthy Jewish community.

Career and/or volunteer activities:

When I entered Brandeis, I thought 'getting high' meant drinking a six pack of beer. Then I visited some of the Ridgeway residents. I entered Brandeis as sort of what some might have called a typical student who underachieved. I liked sports, drank booze, and enjoyed some great blues and Motown music. I graduated from Brandeis with a greater sense of myself. I realized that my high school education provided me with the tools to be academically successful when I wanted to.

After spending more time fooling around than studying for the first two years, I ended my undergraduate days with far more academic successes. Some might have described me as a 'late bloomer'. Whatever, it worked for me and didn't leave any scars. When I graduated, I had the choice to go into the Peace Corp or go to law school. I decided to go to law school. I knew that would please my parents, and they would assist paying for law school.

Keeping busy and new passions:

I chose George Washington Law School, in my hometown, Washington DC It turned out to be a great choice. I ended up in the political epicenter of America's journey through the 60s.

Within several weeks of the start of law school, one of the largest marches in America's history was held to protest the war and the military's invasion of Vietnam and other Southeast Asian countries. I volunteered as a law student legal observer. I met some of the finest legal minds of antiwar protesting lawyers in the country. I met Mike Tigar, many members of the Lawyers Guild, activists from the Berkeley Free Speech movement, and the Weathermen and women. If I was not politically aware when I left Brandeis, I quickly became immersed in the politics of the Sixties.

After the March ended and most went home, I continues to work with Mike Tigar. I was part of a very small staff that created and published the Selective Service Law

Reporter, the preeminent draft law publication in the US.

Life since Brandeis:

The next year of law school I worked with Ralph Nader as a Nader's Raider. I assisted in the publication of a book entitled "Vanishing Air". I cruised through my third year of law school. I decided I was not interested in working for a law firm. Instead I applied for a poverty law fellowship in a program called The Reginald Heber Smith Community Law Fellowship (Reggie). I was assigned to work in Washtenaw County Legal Services. I worked mostly out of the Ann Arbor office. I helped form non profit drug treatment programs and tenant rights organizations. I was involved in low income housing fraud cases.

The program was a two year commitment. I had driven across the country with Marc Snyder after graduating from Brandeis. We entered California from Mt. Rose pass overlooking Lake Tahoe. We stayed in Tahoe, drove to Berkeley and to Haight Ashbury in SF, down through Big Sur and Esalen, and ended up in San Diego. I knew then that I had to come back to California. So, in my second year of my Reggie contract, I negotiated a transfer to Contra Costa County Legal Services. I primarily worked out of Richmond. I lived 10 minutes away in Albany, a small city contiguous with Berkeley. I still live in Albany, although my wife and I also have a house in Monterey County.

After my fellowship ended, I went into private practice for myself. I still had little interest in working for a firm. I had a partner for several years. We did whatever a two person partnership could do to earn a living. I did represent some groups interested in filing challenges to land use approvals along with doing criminal law,

domestic relations, and personal injury. Over the years my focus of interests changed.

In 1978 I decided to run for the part time elected city attorney position in the City of Albany. I beat a 16 year incumbent by 29 votes. One of my campaign slogans was "Sixteen years was enough". Every four years I ran for reelection until I retired in January of 2012.(I thought 34 years was enough). I considered my City Attorney job as an opportunity to represent a community. I also stopped my practice of private law soon after I retired as the Albany City Attorney.

From when I left my poverty law job to now, I also have a business partnership. It was totally non-law. It started by accident, or should I say, on a whim when my partner called me to ask if I had any interest in buying a coin operated car wash in Richmond. I knew nothing about it, but said why not. We have owned as many as 12 locations. We now have seven, but we bought other commercial properties. Along the way we also started and operated a video store and a bar (each for several years) before we sold them and became lessors.

I got married in 1973. My now divorced wife and I had (she had, I fathered) three kids. Daniel died six weeks after birth. Seth, the second, is married and has three kids. He and his wife and the kids live about 13 minutes from my house in Albany. My daughter, Alena, lives in Seattle. She is a Doctor of Naturopathy.

About 6 years after I got divorced, I remarried. Elaine and I have now been married for 17 years. I met her at a city attorney conference. She worked as a city attorney in the Monterey County area. She retired before I did. Now we spend time like most retired people. We exercise, nurture

friendships, do some traveling, be grandparents, visit Elaine's Mom and family members in Toronto, and are best friends. At the moment we are grappling with the political mess that has befallen America. I would have never expected that this is what would be our concern at this time in our lives. But it is. How it changes from here is anyone's guess. I describe it as the Dark Ages have fallen on America. I hope all the energy and optimism that I felt in the sixties returns to redirect America's political course. Several years ago I began a political blog. I will continue that endeavor in hopes I make some sense of the political machinations surrounding our lives. For those who may be interested, my blog is at politicalpulsers.com. Well, this class note is a bit long winded. If I make it to the reunion, it may save bringing whomever I talk to up to date. If I don't make it back to Brandeis for the reunion, accept this as a partial life story.

In Memoriam

Let us remember those classmates,
who are no longer with us,
but will always be a part of us.

Berhanu Abebe
Thomas L. Abrams
Cori Auerbach Altman
Susan Solender Bailis
Jon Beryl
Deborah Anne Bilsky
Eve Hlavaty Cimmet
Jeremy D. Cott
Peggy Deitz
Donald D. Dobbin
Asim Erdilek
James Joseph Fair
Sheryl Gilbert
Steven Mark Goldstein
Peter C. Goodman
Peter Martin Haber
Louise Antell Halper
Judith Drachler Handel
Victor Hember
Margaret A. Jackson

Sandramarie Y. Jenkins
Lessing Kahn
Frederick Kaplan
Mark Krasno
William J. Levin
Barry D. Malin
S. Stephen Marcus
Ellen J. Maslow
Sharon Cambra McNeil
Mary E. Meyers
Stephen R. Pearlman
Ellen Rafel
Ricki Brody Revson
George Saitoti
Robert B. Sherman
Barney A. Slotkin
Marc A. Snyder
Ellen G. Sutter
Michael Keng-Hong Tan
Stanley A. Teitler

The following pages include special remembrances shared by members of our class.

Jeremy Cott



~ Remembered by Michael Friedmann ~

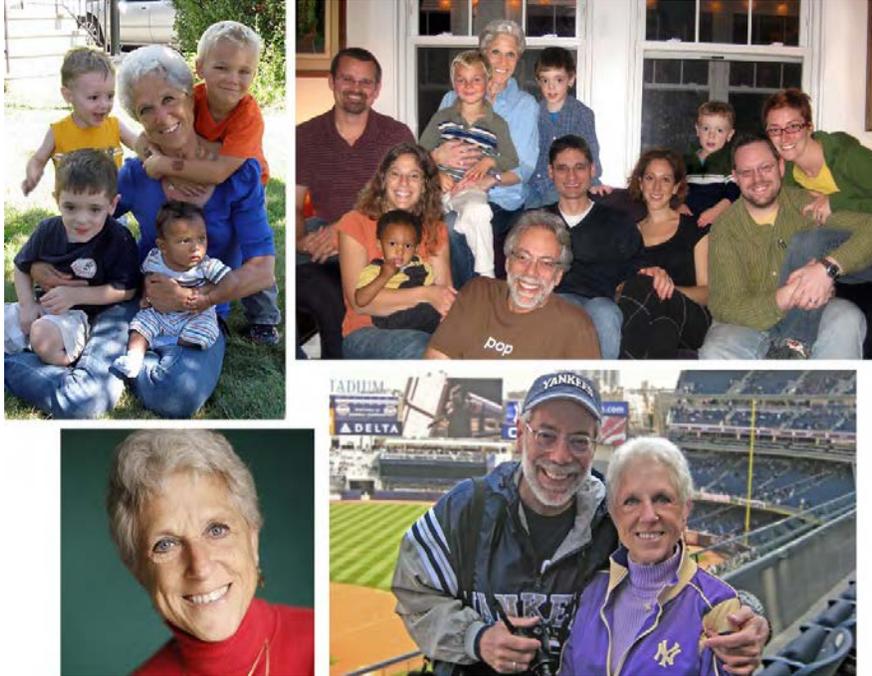
I met Jeremy Cott (1945-2003) at a pre-freshman Brandeis gathering in New York, 1963. Even the briefest encounter made it apparent that this was a person of deliberate, serious thoughtfulness and sensitivity. During the forty years in which he was my friend I learned of the great range of subjects which engaged this special individual, including "classical" music, literature, political and social thought, spiritual and religious matters. His imprint on all of his friends was immeasurable - his profoundly moral lens on contemporary issues (this made him a sought-after friend of the Berrigan brothers), the carefully chosen vocabulary which he used to address his favorite music and literary works, the conscientiousness with which he informed himself. Despite all of this seriousness, Jeremy loved to laugh. In the years since 2003 he has been deeply missed. I ask myself "What would Jeremy think?" in relation to many issues of contemporary life. Addressing that question often proves to be a helpful guide in unwrapping my own thoughts.

Eve Hlavaty Cimmel



~ Remembered by Joe Cimmel ~

Eve Hlavaty Cimmel was loved and admired throughout her life: as a wife, mother, & grandmother; a teacher, writer, & lawyer; an artist, an actress, a photographer, a hostess, a puzzler, and a huge fan of the New York Yankees. She was passionately committed to Big Brothers Big Sisters, Weight Watchers, Congregation Bet Ha'am -- and above all: Family. At Brandeis, Eve majored in sociology ... and socializing. We met in Goldfarb Library's smoking/breakroom in 1964 and married five years later; lived in NYC for a while before moving to Maine to raise our three children: Brian, a professor of musical theater at Syracuse University; Stephanie, an art therapist in Portland, Maine; and Alison, an actress in New York City. While the kids were young, Eve attended the University of Maine School of Law. She graduated at the top of her class and joined a large Portland firm where she became the first woman partner (and pitched on its women's softball team). Eve's zest for life was contagious, her audience-participation murder mysteries were memorable, and her dinner-parties & themed-celebrations were legendary. Eve's cup was never just half-full, but always overflowing with wonderfulness. She took pleasure in things great (grandchildren) and small (finding the perfect pen) ... and like Auntie Mame, Eve believed that "life is a banquet and most poor fools are starving to death. LIVE!" Eve died on February 25, 2010. Stupid Fucking Cancer.



~ Remembered by Diane Lowe Bernbaum ~

I knew Eve at Brandeis. I can't imagine there were a lot of people who didn't. To me she was always larger than life. But we weren't close friends and after Brandeis we lost touch. Then, a few months before our 25th reunion, Eve phoned me to see if I was coming. I always assumed someone on the reunion committee had asked her to call, but whatever the reason, it sparked a new friendship and from then until her death we saw and heard from each other a lot. When her work brought her to California, we would have lunch. One year when her beloved Yankees opened their season in Oakland, she flew out to California so we could take in an A's/ Yankees game the first week of the season. My husband and I joined Eve and Joe to watch a performance of Cabaret in Sacramento when her son Brian was the musical director and my mom and I joined Eve and Joe at Brian's performance of Cats in Maine. Throughout it all emails flew back and forth, often after any game where the Yankees and the A's were playing. In holiday letters I followed the growth of her children and grandchildren. Eve was truly Superwoman. A law practice. Writing and producing murder mystery plays. Teaching Weight Watcher groups. Sending out Valentines' Day annual letters. Maintaining homes in both Maine and NY. Babysitting for grandchildren. Eve could do it all. And then suddenly she didn't show up at our reunion ten years ago. We had just emailed a few weeks earlier and I expected to see her. When I phoned her from the airport on my way home, I could hear in her voice that something wasn't right and a few days later came the email about her diagnosis of ovarian cancer. Eve held on for a while, in great humor as always. The picture of her family, taken Thanksgiving, 2008, hangs on my bulletin board of favorite photos in my bedroom.

Steve Pearlman

~ Remembered by Jeff Civins ~

Steve and I grew up together in Irvington, NJ, a town just outside Newark. We met in kindergarten; he was in another class and I remember our class joining his and his playing the piano, which I soon discovered was no easy task. Steve and I hung out all through high school. A fond memory is reading comic books together in the back of his parents' deli; his mother, I remember, would do the NY Times crossword puzzle in ink. Steve inherited her intelligence. I remember getting a higher grade than Steve on only one occasion--in calculus perhaps--and, on that occasion, the teacher it turns out had made a mistake and Steve's grade, again, was higher than mine. We were in the same chemistry class in high school with the best--and hardest--teacher in school, and we both ended up chemistry majors at Brandeis. At Brandeis, our paths began to diverge. I do remember his teaching himself to play the guitar--backwards, since he was a lefty--and becoming good enough to play in a band. After graduation, we connected on occasion, though not often, but we always seemed to pick up right where we'd left off. I remember Steve as a warm, compassionate, talented, funny, unassuming, and exceptionally bright individual. We spoke a year or so before he died; I was encouraging him to attend our class reunion. Unfortunately, he didn't attend and we never saw each other again, a fact I very much regret. I miss him.

Here's his obituary:

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/denverpost/obituary.aspx?pid=158146720>

Ellen Rafel



~ Remembered by Robert Hort ~

Ellen and I were friends in high school and we talked about applying and hopefully attending Brandeis together. On the day that acceptances were received, she had called home and knew that she had been accepted. There was no one at my house and I had classes all day. But Ellen had a free period. She left school (for which she could have been suspended), went to my house, went through the mail and found my acceptance. I was sitting in chemistry class when the door swung open and there was Ellen giving me a thumbs up.

William J. Levin



~ Remembered by Sheila Levin ~

Devoted husband and loving father. Joyful psychologist who was skilled in the art of living.

~ Remembered by Randi Levin ~

Bill lived life to its fullest and had a great sense of humor and witty personality. As seen in these pictures, he always had a smile on his face. He died on 11/2/2016 after a diagnosis of lung cancer seven years ago.



~ Remembered by Stephen Korn ~

I will always remember Bill as a devoted friend who was an exceptionally empathetic person.

~ Remembered by Matthew Gudis ~

I will always remember Bill's humor, his kindness, and his love of life. I am so glad that I had the opportunity to attend his funeral. He will be greatly missed

~ Remembered by Diane Lowe Bernbaum ~

Bill Levin was an outgoing, exuberant, happy presence among a large group of friends while we were at Brandeis and in the 50 years that followed, he and I stayed close. It seemed that every year we traded Rosh HaShana cards and he brought news of his first marriage to our classmate Sheila and then his second to Randi. He talked with such pride of his son Avi and daughter Janine. We would see each other in Washington where he lived and I came to look forward to Brandeis reunions because I knew Bill would always be there. He was the sweetest, most optimistic, gentlest friend. He always saw the good in people. Soon after our last reunion, Bill was diagnosed with lung cancer. Throughout his treatments, even when he was feeling lousy, he managed to sing in his synagogue choir and participate in his other normal activities. At one point his doctors didn't think he'd live until his son's wedding, then a year away. Not only did Bill make the wedding, but he lived to enjoy the birth of his grandson and the first nine months of his life. Last June Bill and I had a wonderful visit at his home. We both knew he probably wouldn't make it to our 50th, but I know he was so grateful for all of his Brandeis friendships. Bill died this past November.

Stanley A. Teitler



~ Remembered by Jane Sills Teitler ~

I met Stanley in the fall of 1963 by the pond in Hamilton Quad. For the next 42 years I knew Stanley as loving, generous, funny, kind, smart, outgoing and friendly to all. He never changed... still wearing his Bass brown Weejuns, a sports jacket, a button-down oxford shirt and a repp tie. His great loves were his family, his good friends, Brandeis, the drums and the law. He is missed every day in every way by those who loved him.



Our family in 2000.



Stanley & Peter Goodman - 1971



Peter C. Goodman & Eve Hlavaty 6/67



25th Reunion in 1992



30th Reunion in 1997



35th Reunion in 2002



40th Reunion in 2007



45th Reunion in 2012

