Soffer gift largest from Brandeis alumnus

$15 million commitment to sciences

Fittingly, another piece of real estate on the Brandeis campus will bear the name of Donald Soffer ’54. The internationally prominent real estate developer recently made a $15 million commitment to support the sciences at Brandeis. To recognize the gift, the largest ever from a Brandeis alumnus, the entrance hall in the Carl J. Shapiro Science Center will be named the Donald Soffer ’54 Atrium.

“We thank Don Soffer for this generous gift, which will continue to keep Brandeis in the forefront of scientific research and teaching for many years to come,” said Brandeis President Jehuda Reinharz, PhD ’72.

The gift supports The Campaign for Brandeis’s science initiative, an effort to fund endowed professorships, student fellowships, and state-of-the-art equipment and facilities. The centerpiece of the initiative is the 175,000-square-foot Shapiro Center, which is expected to be ready for occupancy in January 2009. Soffer is the founder of Turnberry Associates, one of America’s premier real estate development firms. For campaign information, call 1-800-333-1948.

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Building momentum at Brandeis

Construction will begin soon on the new Carl and Ruth Shapiro Admissions Center (above) and the Mandel Center for the Humanities (left). Stories on the generous gifts that made both centers possible can be found on Page 4.

Campaign hits
$770 million
one year early

April 15, 2008, was a milestone day at Brandeis! More than one year ahead of schedule, the transformational Campaign for Brandeis reached its goal of $770 million in cash and pledges, providing the University with the strong financial foundation to move boldly forward as it enters its seventh decade. The University’s Board of Trustees will meet May 15-18 to consider whether to extend the Campaign, which was projected to end on June 30, 2009.

“The success of the Campaign has sent a strong message to the world of U.S. higher education: Brandeis is a University on the move with a commitment to excellence,” said President Jehuda Reinharz, PhD ’72. “All those who have supported our ambitious fundraising effort deserve thanks and high praise.”

Campaign gifts have funded undergraduate scholarships and graduate fellowships, endowed faculty positions, established pioneering academic research centers, and supported the construction of state-of-the-art facilities.
Scholarships and fellowships provide crucial support for students

For many students, scholarships are the key that unlocks the door to the unique Brandeis educational experience. Scholarships help Brandeis remain true to our social-justice mission by admitting qualified candidates regardless of their ability to pay, while also allowing us to aggressively compete with our peer institutions to attract the best students. Nearly 70 percent of all Brandeis students receive financial aid.

By supporting a Brandeis student through a scholarship, you are investing in the future. Today’s Brandeis students will become tomorrow’s enlightened leaders — individuals who will operate socially responsible businesses, pursue ground-breaking medical breakthroughs, head progressive national governments, and serve in life-changing non-profit organizations.

Although Brandeis alumni, parents, friends, trustees, and members of the National Women’s Committee have generously supported scholarships through the years, we need to do more to keep pace with rising college costs.

It’s vital that we create additional endowed scholarships, which provide predictable, ongoing support to our students.

Right now, about 22 percent of the financial aid we award every year comes from endowed funds. As we move that number closer to 50 percent, we will be able to provide even more help to students.

Thank you for all you do in support of our students.

Sincerely,

Nancy Winship, P ’10, P ’12
Senior Vice President
of Institutional Advancement

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It’s now even easier to make online gifts to Brandeis

If you’re finding it easier to make your gifts to Brandeis on the University’s enhanced online giving page (alumni.brandeis.edu/online-giving), you are not alone.

Brandeis has already exceeded last year’s record total for online gifts, generating $337,573 through March 31. The full-year total for fiscal 2007 was $216,220.

“We are pleased to be able to provide additional ways for our alumni and friends to support the University,” said Mark Ableman, assistant vice president of development. “More and more donors are choosing to make their gifts online.”

The new online giving page allows registered BConnect (formerly Louie-Net) users to review their giving history (including amount and designation) and check open pledges. For both registered and non-registered users, the new page is easier to navigate, offers additional giving options such as tribute gifts, and permits the use of international credit cards. Alumni Association membership gifts can also be made online. American Express, MasterCard, and Visa are accepted.

By the time she arrived at Brandeis as a freshman in the fall of 1966, Trustee Myra (Hiatt) Kraft ’64 was already quite familiar with the University. Her father, businessman Jacob Hiatt, was an early Brandeis supporter, and as a teenager she often accompanied him on visits to campus. During his long association with the University, Hiatt established the Hiatt Career Center, created a pioneering chair in Christian studies, and served as chair of the Board of Trustees from 1971-77. Myra and her husband, Robert, have followed in her father’s philanthropic footsteps, supporting a number of initiatives at Brandeis, including a chair in Arab politics and an endowed scholarship. She first became a Brandeis trustee in 1986 and served as vice chair for 10 years. She sat down with Campaign Connections recently to discuss her father’s legacy, share her memories of Brandeis, and talk about the importance of alumni involvement.

CC: Why did your father become involved with Brandeis?
MK: Education was always very important to my father. He was a judge and a lawyer in Lithuania, but when he came to this country in 1935, at the age of 27, he did not know any English. He taught himself the language and earned a master’s degree in political science at Clark University. To him, education was the great leveler; it gave everyone the opportunity for a better life. He also loved the idea of being involved with a Jewish-sponsored university.

CC: What are your earliest memories of Brandeis?
MK: I remember being here with my father for Commencements in the 1950s, when they were held at the Ullman Amphitheater. Brandeis was an exciting place to be in those days — there was such a buzz around the place. It was where I always wanted to go to school. I had no idea I would still be involved 50 years later.

CC: What was the personality of the Class of ’64?
MK: Our class was very politically aware. It was an exciting time with so much happening — John F. Kennedy was elected, the beginning of the Freedom Rides, the Ban the Bomb movement, and the Cuban uprising. I wasn’t one of the radicals, but I do remember walking around just before graduation in my cap and gown circulating a petition. It was an amazing class and a great group of people.

CC: Who were your favorite professors?
MK: Ray Ginger was an inspirational professor who brought out a love of history in me. We would sometimes play tennis together after class (he doubted as Brandeis’s tennis coach). As a junior, I took a class with David Hackett Fischer during his first year teaching at Brandeis. He was brilliant and he liked to have the class over to his house for cookouts. At Brandeis, I learned to think critically and analytically.

CC: What is your greatest memory of your time as a student?
MK: During my sophomore year, Adlai Stevenson came to campus to receive an honorary degree during a special convocation to celebrate our Phi Beta Kappa accreditation. He was my hero, I worshipped him. My father said if I came out by the walk near the administration building, I could meet him. I didn’t know what to say to him, I was just in awe.

CC: Why have you been so involved with Brandeis through the years?
MK: I am a firm believer that if you are given something, it is your responsibility to give back. Brandeis provided me a great educational experience. I am committed to helping Brandeis in any way I can.

CC: Why is it so crucial that alumni support the University?
MK: The value of a Brandeis degree in years to come will be determined by the support the University receives from alumni. Not everyone can make large gifts, but it’s important that all alumni give at a level that they feel comfortable with.
More alumni making gifts of $1 million-plus to Campaign

A total of 34 Brandeis alumni have now made gifts to The Campaign for Brandeis of between $1 million and $15 million. The group includes the first graduate alumnus to make a seven-figure gift.

“There is no better testament to the value of a Brandeis education than the support of alumni,” said Nancy Winship, P’10, P’12, the senior vice president of institutional advancement. “Alumni realize the important role they play in determining the future of the University.”

The most recent alumni to make Campaign gifts totaling at least $1 million:

- Tony Chang, PhD ’83, the founder and CEO of Hong Kong-based Tech-Link Silicones, is the first individual who earned a graduate degree from Brandeis to make a Campaign gift of at least $1 million. He established the Myron Rosenblum Endowed Fellowship to honor his faculty mentor and has also supported the sciences.
- Brandeis Fellow J. Victor Samuels ’63, the retired chairman and CEO of Houston-based Victory Packaging, and his wife, Barbara (Greenfield) ’63, have generously supported the Alumni Annual Fund and a variety of other important initiatives at Brandeis.

The $1 million alumni donors:

- Henry Aboudi ’86, trustee, and Abigail (Aboudi) Hoffman ’90
- Anonymous (6)
- Leonard Asper ’86, trustee
- Alex Barkas ’88, trustee
- Aileen Cabitt ’53
- Tony Chang, PhD ’83
- Jonathan G. Davis ’75, trustee, and family
- Donald Drapkin ’75, trustee
- Moses Feldman ’62
- William Friedman ’65, trustee
- Morton Ginsberg ’56, trustee
- Gary D. Goldberg ’66
- Martin Gross ’72, P’01, P’08, trustee
- Kenneth ’60, trustee, and Ronald Kaiserman ’63, P’07
- Earle Kazis ’55
- Meyer Koplow ’72, P’02, P’05, trustee
- Myra (Hiatt) Kraft ’64, trustee
- Jeanette Lerman ’69, trustee
- Michael Ratner ’66
- Ronald Ratner ’69, trustee
- Barbara (Cohen) Rosenberg ’54, trustee
- Carol (Richman) Saivetz ’69, P’97, P’01, trustee
- J. Victor ’63, fellow, and Barbara (Greenfield) ’63
- Lewis Serbin ’64 (deceased)
- Robert ’82, trustee, and Valya (Kazes) Shapiro ’61, fellow
- Barbara (Cantor) Sherman ’54, P’83, fellow
- Robert Silberman ’69
- Donald Soffer ’54, fellow
- Paul Zlotoff ’72, trustee

Soffer gift supports sciences at Brandeis

and property management companies. The Florida-based firm has developed more than $7 billion in commercial and residential property around the country. Soffer's most notable development was transforming a mosquito-infested swamp in South Florida into the City of Aventura, one of Florida's most prestigious addresses.

"I feel very fortunate to be able to help Brandeis in this way," said Soffer, a university fellow. "Brandeis was a very important part of my life — it brought me to another level intellectually and socially. Brandeis is an example of the best in education, and I want to do what I can to keep it at that level."
Families once again reach out to help Brandeis

Mandel Foundation creates new center for humanities

In an effort to revitalize the study of liberal arts at campuses around the country, the Mandel Foundation has committed $22.5 million to build the Mandel Center for the Humanities at Brandeis. The gift, believed to be the largest commitment to the humanities by a foundation in recent years, comes at a time when the value of the humanities in higher education is being questioned. “In partnership with the Mandel Foundation, Brandeis intends to create a truly visionary place to restore prestige to the humanities and provide a model for other colleges and universities,” said Brandeis President Schuda Reinharz, PhD ’72. “This gift is transformative and comes at a critical time.”

The Mandel family’s commitment to the new center is based on their belief that a true liberal arts education is built on a humanities foundation that includes fields such as literature, language, and philosophy. The humanities’ role in education has been challenged in recent years because of the field’s reputation for being more cerebral and ethereal than practical. Some view the humanities and their focus on thoughts and ideas as less compelling than the health sciences, business, and technology. Humanities funding has lagged in the face of rising consumerism in today’s culture.

Among other initiatives, the Mandel Center will create new interdisciplinary courses for graduates and undergraduates, offer students the chance to pursue research on interdisciplinary topics through internships, and organize special local, national, and international conferences and events.

To encourage the free flow of students, faculty members, research and ideas, the center will physically link free-standing buildings located within the campus’s humanities quadrangle.

The Mandel family — Jack, Joseph, Morton, P ’73, and Trustee Barbara, P ’73 — has generously supported Brandeis through the years, establishing the Mandel Center for Studies in Jewish Education, the Mandel Chair in Jewish Education, the Barbara and Morton Mandel Endowed Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities, and the Barbara and Morton Mandel Endowed Graduate Fellowship in English and American Literature.

Shapiros make gift to build new campus admissions center

October 2008

Once again, Carl and Ruth Shapiro have stepped forward to help Brandeis, an institution they have generously supported for more than a half-century.

The Shapiros made a $14 million gift to Brandeis to build a new admissions center that will bear their name, 15 years after they funded construction of the original Carl and Ruth Shapiro Admissions Center. The facility has served Brandeis so well that a larger building is necessary to accommodate surging interest from high school students who wish to apply to the University. “It is impossible to overstate the importance of the Shapiro family’s dedication to Brandeis University,” said Brandeis President Schuda Reinharz, PhD ’72. “For more than a half-century, Brandeis students and faculty have been the beneficiaries of their enduring commitment to this University.”

The 20,700-square-foot facility will feature a state-of-the-art presentation room that will seat up to 100 people and serve as a welcome center for high school students and their families visiting campus. Construction has started and will be completed in the summer of 2009.

Beginning with a gift of $10 in 1950, the Shapiros’ unprecedented generosity has supported a variety of initiatives to help the University fulfill the dreams of its founders. The family has made gifts totaling more than $80 million to Brandeis.

In addition to the Admissions Center, the Shapiros have also established the Carl and Ruth Shapiro Center for Library Technology and Journals (1976), the Carl J. Shapiro Endowed Chair in International Finance (1986), the Carl and Ruth Shapiro Campus Center (2000), the Rhonda S. and Michael J. Zinner Forum (2004), and the Carl J. Shapiro Science Center (2006).

The Shapiros have been part of the Brandeis family since its founding in 1948. Carl joined the University’s Board of Trustees in 1979 and currently serves as a trustee emeritus. Ruth is a university fellow.

Carl received an honorary degree from Brandeis in 2003, when he was cited for his “unshakable commitment to making the world a better place.” The honorary degree recognized his dedication to the arts, education, health care, and social service.

The Shapiros’ three daughters — Rhonda Zinner, Ellen Jaffe, and Linda Waintrup — are active members of the Brandeis community. Rhonda serves on the Board of Trustees and is vice chair of the Board of Overseers of The Heller School for Social Policy and Management.
**Fosters continue legacy of supporting Rose**

Trustee Henry Foster and his wife, Lois, a university fellow, made another generous gift to The Rose Art Museum, continuing a tradition of supporting Brandeis that stretches back four decades.

In addition to supporting the Rose, over the years the Fosters, P ’75 have established the Lois and Henry L. Foster Research Center and provided funding for student scholarships and fellowships.

The Fosters have made gifts totaling more than $7 million to the Rose. They funded construction of the spectacular Lois Foster Wing, a two-story, 7,300-square-foot addition that, upon completion in 2001, greatly enlarged the museum’s exhibit space. They also endowed the position of Rose director; Michael Rush presently serves as the Henry and Lois Foster Director.

Henry Foster served as chair of the Brandeis Board of Trustees from 1979-85 and continues in his role as a board member. Through his generosity and leadership, Lois has helped the Rose establish a reputation as one of the country’s finest museums of modern and contemporary art. Their son John graduated from the University in 1975.

**Balgley gifts help Brandeis students**

Robert Balgley, P ’72 has found another good investment — and it is paying dividends for Brandeis students.

Following in the philanthropic footsteps of his late wife, Balgley has continued to generously support the Women’s and Gender Studies Program at Brandeis. He made a gift to establish the Robert and Eleanor Balgley Team Teaching Fund, which allows faculty to develop and teach new interdisciplinary courses.

“I am told that these are some of the most popular courses on campus,” the 95-year-old resident of South Florida said. "If the kids like the courses, they must be good. When I went to school, you took courses because you had to, not because you wanted to.”

A graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard Business School, Balgley was a buyer and executive at G. Fox in Hartford for 35 years. He took a lump sum upon retirement and became a successful investor.

Balgley has supported a number of institutions through the years, and began making gifts to Brandeis after his wife died in September 2004.

“The more I heard about the Women’s and Gender Studies Program, the more I thought it was a worthwhile venture,” he said. “I wanted to continue Eleanor’s legacy of supporting a program that meant so much to her.”

Balgley recently became a member of the Sachar Legacy Society, which recognizes individuals around the country who have included Brandeis in their estate plans.

His daughter Meredith graduated from Brandeis in 1972.

For more information about the Sachar Legacy Society, contact Orla Kane (781-736-4045 or kane@brandeis.edu).

**New scholarship memorializes Class of ’73 member Michael Klein**

Long before the advent of computer dating, computers brought together Brandeis students Janet Kolodner ’76, P ’07 and Michael Klein ’73, P ’07.

They met in a computer science class during the fall semester in 1972. She was a freshman struggling to grasp the material, and he was a senior teaching assistant who provided help.

In the months that followed, Janet’s interest in computer science and their interest in each other grew.

She went on to earn a master’s degree and doctorate in computer science at Yale and has become a Regents’ Professor in the College of Computing at Georgia Tech. The couple married in 1977 and had two children, a daughter, Orly, and a son, Joshua ’07, who followed his parents to Brandeis.

Tragically, Michael died in July 2005 following a three-year battle with cancer. To memorialize her husband at a place that meant so much to both of them, Janet recently made a generous gift to Brandeis to establish the Michael S. Klein ’73 Memorial Endowed Scholarship.

“We always felt it was our responsibility to make the world a better place,” Janet said. “What I’ve tried to do in memorializing him is to give things that will last and make a difference.”

At Brandeis, Michael studied math and computer science, formed friendships that would last a lifetime, and sang in a variety of campus music groups.

“He always felt a very strong connection to Brandeis — it opened up the world to him,” Janet said.

To make a gift to support the Michael S. Klein ’73 Memorial Endowed Scholarship, contact Julie Smith-Baroloni ’90 (781-736-4045 or jbhart@brandeis.edu).
In their own words

Grateful students express appreciation to generous scholarship donors who made their Brandeis educational experience possible.

Since its founding 60 years ago, Brandeis has offered students admission to the University based on their academic ability, not their ability to pay. Nearly 70 percent of all Brandeis students receive some form of financial aid. Since the start of the Campaign for Brandeis, generous donors have established more than 230 endowed undergraduate scholarships and graduate fellowships.

Dominic Green, PhD candidate in Comparative History
Barbara and Morton Mandel Graduate Fellow in the Humanities
Area of Interest: Early Modern British, American, and Near Eastern History

As a graduate of Oxford and Harvard universities, and a writer of history books, when it came time for my PhD, I was looking for a university that combined a sense of community with an interdisciplinary approach, as well as top-class teaching.

Brandeis isn’t just a remarkable institution; it is the only university in the world with renowned programs in both Comparative History, and Near Eastern and Judaic Studies.

My research is at the juncture of Jewish, American, and British history, and the Barbara and Morton Mandel Endowed Graduate Fellowship in the Humanities makes my pursuit possible.

As I work toward my dissertation, I know I am contributing to the development of a unique community. Where else but Brandeis?

Trustee Thomas Friedman ’75 lectures to a class while he was the Fred and Rita Richman Distinguished Visiting Professor.
Daniel Treacy ‘09
Traquina Family Scholar
Majors: Biology; Health: Science, Society and Policy

Because of the generous support of donors, I have been able to concentrate on my academics and participate in a variety of activities without having to fret over how my education is financed.

I am working toward a senior thesis and serve as a teaching assistant for two different classes. Out of the classroom, I am president of the Brandeis Pre-Health Society, work as an emergency medical technician for the Brandeis Emergency Medical Corps, serve as the undergraduate representative for the Biology Department, and am a member of the Student Global AIDS campaign. I also volunteer regularly at a women’s shelter.

Brandeis’s academic reputation, size, and proximity to home were all key factors in my decision to come here. But I have learned that the most attractive aspect is the Brandeis community itself. The students, faculty, and alumni combine to form an atmosphere that promotes knowledge, activism, and a sense of pride.

After graduation and taking time off to teach and pursue philanthropic work, I hope to attend medical school to study surgery or emergency medicine.

Dopa Teko ‘08
Munger Scholar
(established by Mindy Berman ’78)
Major: International and Global Studies

As a political refugee of the African nation of Togo, I am truly passionate about global studies.

Over the past few years, I have studied and worked at the Small Arms Survey in Geneva, Switzerland, researching a project on the effects of small arms on children and writing a briefing paper on the disarmament, demobilization, and reinsertion program in the African nation of Côte d’Ivoire (Ivory Coast). I also discovered a new passion for young children as a student-teacher at the Lemberg Children’s Center.

Through my efforts in Switzerland and on campus, Brandeis has allowed me to make an impact — both globally and locally — while still a student. It has been a truly rewarding experience, and I will always be grateful for the generous friends and scholarship support that have made it all possible.

Laura Stern Scholar
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Dopa Teko ‘08

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Daniel Treacy ‘09 with Robin and Trustee Perry Traquina ’78
Palm Beach Weekend

Brandeis alumni and friends from around the country converged on South Florida in late January for the annual weekend of activities in Palm Beach. Lesley Stahl, a correspondent for “60 Minutes,” spoke at the annual dinner for major donors, which was hosted by Ellen Shapiro Jaffe and Bob Jaffe at the Palm Beach Country Club. The next day, Bruce Magid, dean of the International Business School and the Martin and Ahuva Gross Professor of Financial Markets and Institutions, was the featured speaker at the Fellows Breakfast. Trustee Thomas Friedman ’75, foreign-affairs columnist for The New York Times, appeared at the 15th annual Norman and Eleanor Rabb Seminar.
Wien 50th Anniversary Celebration

Wien Scholars from more than 35 countries returned to Brandeis to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Wien International Scholarship Program with the family of founders Lawrence and Mae Wien. Weekend speakers included Wien Scholars Geir Haarde ’73, the prime minister of Iceland, and Dimitrij Rupel, PhD ’76, the foreign minister of Slovenia and president of the European Union Council, along with Trustee Vartan Gregorian, the president of the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

Standing from left: Lester Morse, Peter Malkin, Malcolm Sherman, P ’83, chair of the Brandeis Board of Trustees, and Wien Scholar Sridatta Mukherjee ’09 of India. Sitting from left: Wien Scholar Dimitrij Rupel, PhD ’76, foreign minister of Slovenia and president of the European Union Council; Brandeis President Jehuda Reinharz, PhD ’72, and Wien Scholar Geir Haarde ’73, prime minister of Iceland.

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Trusted Pastor Gregorian and Malcolm Sherman, P ’83

Wien Scholars join the Wien family for a group photo.

Dinny and Lester Morse (middle) with Marshall and Carol Langer

Wien Scholar Karen Vasudevan ’94 of India with Tony Malkin

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Nancy Wisnup, P ’10, P ’12, senior vice president of institutional advancement; Wien Scholar Wakahiko Kimoto Hirose, MD ’65 of Japan; Wien Scholar Tom Watanabe ’73 of Japan with his wife, Hidemi; and Wien Scholar Jun-Ichi Ishii ’61 of Japan.

Katharina Diepold ’89 and her father, Peter ’59, of Germany, the first two-generation Wien Scholars
Scholarship Appreciation Luncheon

Trustee Myra (Hiatt) Kraft ’64 and her husband, Robert, hosted the sixth annual Scholarship Appreciation Luncheon. The event brings together donors who support Brandeis scholarships and fellowships and the students who benefit from their generosity.
Upcoming Events

Brandeis Night in Washington, D.C.
Members of the Justice Brandeis Society are invited to attend Brandeis Night in Washington, D.C., on June 1 at the home of Paul '73 and Judith Regan, P '12. The Justice Brandeis Society is made up of alumni, parents, friends, and members of the National Women’s Committee dedicated to supporting the University. A leadership gift of at least $1,000 in a fiscal year qualifies one for membership in the Justice Brandeis Society.

For more information, visit givingto.brandeis.edu/annualfund/jbs.html.

Brandeis in the Berkshires
Brandeis in the Berkshires, which brings together Brandeis faculty and other leading thinkers to address important contemporary issues, will offer a pair of multi-day programs this summer at the Cranwell Resort and Spa in Lenox, Massachusetts:

“Presidential Election: What You Should Hear from the Candidates but Probably Won’t,” July 11-13. The program will explore key issues in the campaign — national and foreign policy, health care, the environment, global energy, the gender gap, and the role of the press.

“Israel 60th Anniversary: Re-Imagining Israel,” August 3-4. Israeli and American leaders and public intellectuals will envision Israel’s future from the perspective of what has been learned and experienced since independence.

For more information, contact Alyson Saykin (781-736-3355 or berkshires@brandeis.edu).

Sachar Legacy Society Luncheon
The annual Sachar Legacy Society Luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Sept. 17 at the Hassenfeld Conference Center.

Keynote speaker S. Ilan Troen ’63, the Karl, Harry and Helen Stoll Professor of Israel Studies at Brandeis and the director of the University’s new Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, will discuss the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel.

For more information or to register for the luncheon, contact Orla Kane (781-736-4069 or kane@brandeis.edu).

Golf and Tennis Outing
The fourth annual Brandeis Golf and Tennis Outing, sponsored by Alpine Capital Bank, will be held on Monday, Aug. 11 at Old Oaks Country Club in Purchase, N.Y. In addition to golf and tennis tournaments, the day will include brunch, contests, tennis clinic, cocktail reception, and awards dinner.

Since its inception in 2005, the tournament has raised more than $300,000 for undergraduatescholarships. Some 100 alumni, parents, and friends participated in last year’s event.

For more information on playing or sponsorship opportunities, contact Shira Orenstein ’79 (212-472-1501, ext. 232 or shira@brandeis.edu).

Scholarship Appreciation Luncheon
The seventh annual Scholarship Appreciation Luncheon, when scholarship and fellowship students get the opportunity to meet with the donors who support their scholarships, will be held on November 2. Trustee Sylvia Hassenfeld, whose family established the Hassenfeld Foundation Endowed Scholarship, will serve as host of the event.

For more information, contact Erin Warnke (781-736-4064 or warnke@brandeis.edu).