

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY



10TH REUNION





Brandeis University

Frederick M. Lawrence President Professor of Politics

May 2014

Dear Members of the Class of 2004,

I look forward to welcoming you back to campus for your 10th Reunion. Whether you are returning for the first time since your Commencement or have visited us often over the years, I am delighted to count you among the members of our family who will gather here in June.

I extend my deep gratitude to the committee that has worked so diligently to plan this celebration; your Reunion is a significant milestone for you and for Brandeis, and we have organized an exciting program of events. From the moment you arrive on Friday through the Farewell Champagne and Jazz Brunch on Sunday, you will be honored guests of your aima mater. There will be plenty of time to catch up with your classmates, reminisce about the old days, and acquaint yourself with the Brandeis of today.

We hope that you will take note of the many exciting changes on our ever-evolving campus. The spectacular Carl J. Shapiro Science Center provides the teaching labs, classrooms, and research facilities necessary to attract and retain top science students and faculty. The Ridgewood dorms have been replaced with apartment-style residence halls for juniors and seniors. Our newest building, the Mandel Center for the Humanities, opened only four years ago and reflects the University's enduring commitment to the humanities and social sciences. And finally, a beautiful new Admissions Center allows us to accommodate high school students' steadily-growing interest in Brandeis.

Despite these developments, the values that brought each of you to Brandeis have remained constant. While our grounds might look different, the bedrock principles that underlie the special spirit of our community – a shared commitment to scholarship, teaching, and social justice – live on through our students, faculty, and alumni.

My thanks to the Committee and to our alumni staff for organizing what promises to be a wonderful weekend. Welcome home!

Sincerery,

Frederick M. Lawrence





On behalf of the Office of Development and Alumni Relations, we would like to thank the members of the Class of 2004 Reunion Committee

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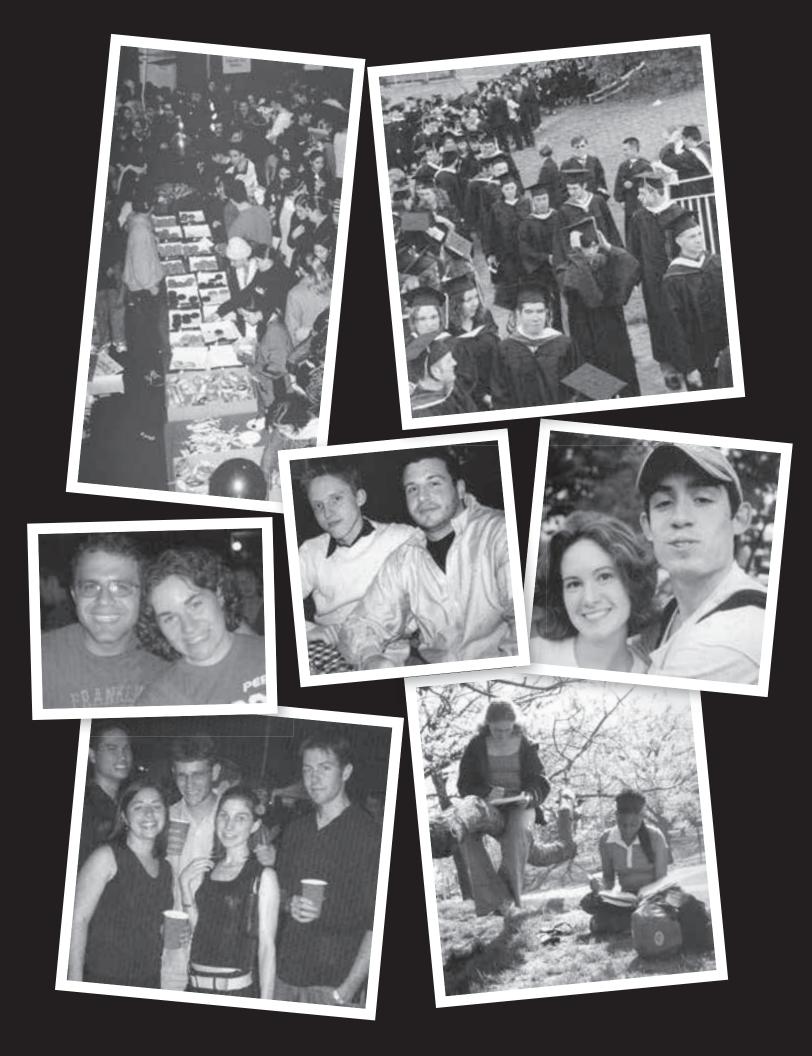
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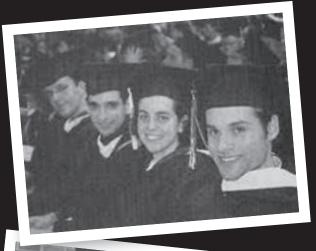




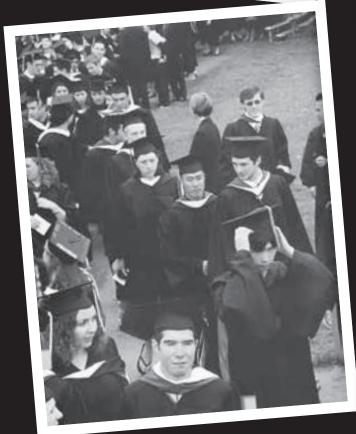


























CLASS OF 2004 TIMELINE

World News

The U.S. refuses to sign the Kyoto Agreement on Climate Change.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa re-opens after 11 years of repairs to prevent it from falling over.

One of the world's worst humanitarian crises in 50 years occurs in the Congo with 16 million Congolese starving. Those affected worst are the children in the country where 40% of children receive no schooling and 10,000 children have been commandeered to act as child soldiers in the war.

The Irish Republican Army (IRA) dismantles the arsenal of weapons and bombs that sustained its decades-long war to try to evict the British from Northern Ireland.

The Mars Odyssey spacecraft reaches Mars on October 24, 2001. Its mission is to answer the question of whether life has ever existed on Mars.

US News

On Tuesday, September 11, a series of four coordinated terrorist attacks are launched by the Islamic terrorist group, Al-Qaeda, upon the United States in New York City and Washington, D.C. The attacks killed almost 3,000 people and caused at least \$10 billion in property and infrastructure damage.

Anthrax-laced letters are sent to various media and government officials. Several postal workers die after handling the letters.

Dale Earnhardt, seven-time NASCAR champion, dies in a last-lap crash during the Daytona 500.

Economy

Average Cost of a New House: \$136,150

Average Median Income: \$42,350

Average Monthly Rent: \$715

Cost of a Gallon of Gas: \$1.46

Average Cost of a New Car: \$25,850

First-class Stamp: 34 cents
Loaf of Bread: \$1.82

Dozen Eggs: 90 cents

Pop Culture

Gladiator takes five Oscars, including Best Picture and Best Actor (Russell Crowe).

Apple releases the iPod.

Wikipedia goes online.

Napster is shut down by court order following an injunction on behalf of the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA).

Digital satellite radio is invented.



Movies

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

Pearl Harbor

The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring

Ocean's Eleven

Moulin Rouge!

Bridget Jones's Diary



TV Shows

The West Wing

Survivor

Sex and the City

ER

Friends

The Sopranos

7th Heaven

Buffy the Vampire Slayer

Charmed

Dawson's Creek

That '70s Show

Will & Grace

2001





The Winter Olympics are held in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The leaders of the world's richest nations meet at the G8 summit in Canada and agree to provide funding for economic and political development in Africa.

Israeli tanks and warplanes attack several towns in the West Bank in response to string of Palestinian suicide attacks.

The Mars Odyssey finds signs of huge water ice deposits on the planet Mars.



Pop Culture

Academy Award, Best Picture: A Beautiful Mind

Kelly Clarkson becomes the first American Idol.

Eminem becomes famous with the release of his movie 8 *Mile* and its soundtrack, *The Eminem Show*.

The MTV reality show *The Osbournes* debuts and becomes an instant hit – drawing about 6 million viewers a week (MTV's largest audience in history).

Theodore Samuel "Ted" Williams, American professional baseball player and manager, passes away.



US News

Elizabeth Smart is kidnapped from her family's Salt Lake City home.

Pennsylvania miners are rescued after spending 77 hours in a flooded mine shaft.

George Bush creates the Department of Homeland Security to fight threats of terrorism.



Movies

Spider-Man

The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets

Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones

Men in Black II

Die Another Day

Signs

My Big Fat Greek Wedding



Economy

Average Cost of a New House: \$228,700

Average Median Income: \$42,409

Cost of a Gallon of Gas: \$1.61

First-class Stamp: 37 cents





World News

Saddam Hussein, former President of Iraq, is captured in Tikrit by the U.S. 4th Infantry Division.

> In the biggest blackout in history, some 50 million people in the northeastern U.S. and southern Canada lose power.

The highly infectious disease Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) spreads across the world, infecting nearly 9,000 and killing 800 people.

Pop Culture

Academy Award, Best Picture: Chicago

ABC's 20/20 airs the controversial Granada Television documentary "Living with Michael Jackson".

Apple launches iTunes, selling 10 million songs within 4 months of its launch.

A white tiger attacks Roy Horn of the duo "Siegfried & Roy" leaving him partially paralyzed.

Michael Jackson is booked on suspicion of multiple counts of child molestation (later acquitted).



US News

The U.S. plans for an invasion of Iraq due to an imminent threat from weapons of mass destruction.

The Space Shuttle Columbia disintegrates over Texas upon reentry, killing all seven astronauts onboard.

One of NASA's most successful projects, the space probe Galileo, crashes into Jupiter's atmosphere.

Arnold Schwarzenegger is elected governor of California.

Books

The Da Vinci Code, Dan Brown

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, J. K. Rowling



Economy

Average Cost of a New House: \$246,300

Average Median Income: \$45,016

Cost of a Gallon of Gas: \$1.83



Movies

Finding Nemo

The Matrix Reloaded

Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl

The Last Samurai

Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines

X2: X-Men United

Mystic River

Seabiscuit



Died this Year

Johnny Cash

Bob Hope

Katharine Hepburn

Robert Atkins

John Ritter

Fred Rogers

2003



World News

The Summer Olympics are held in Athens, Greece.

A.Q. Khan, founder of Pakistan's nuclear program, admits he sold nuclear-weapons designs to other countries including North Korea, Iran and Libya.

The strongest earthquake in 40 years, creates tsunami waves that sweep across much of the coastlines of Sri Lanka, India, Bangladesh, the Maldives, Burma, Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia, killing at least 290,000 people.

US News

The CIA admits that there was no imminent threat from weapons of mass destruction before the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

Colin Powell announces his resignation and Condoleezza Rice is nominated as his replacement for Secretary of State.

Massachusetts becomes the first state to legalize gay marriages.

Economy

Average Cost of a New House: \$274,500

Average Median Income: \$45,817

Cost of a Gallon of Gas: \$2.10

Died this Year

Ray Charles

Julia Child

Ronald Reagan

Estee Lauder

Marlon Brando

Christopher Reeve

Pop Culture

Academy Award, Best Picture: The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King

Facebook is launched.

Martha Stewart is sentenced to five months in prison after being found guilty on four counts of obstruction of justice and lying to federal investigators.

Sergey Brin and Larry Page, founders of Google, become instant billionaires when the company goes public.

During Justin Timberlake and Janet Jackson's halftime performance at Super Bowl XXXVIII, Janet Jackson has a "wardrobe malfunction".

Apple's iTunes sells its 200,000,000th song.

Michael Moore's documentary, Fahrenheit 9/11, which harshly criticized President Bush, is released and becomes the highest-grossing documentary of all time.



Movies

Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

Spider-Man 2

The Passion of the Christ

The Day After Tomorrow

Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

Meet the Fockers

Friday Night Lights

Troy

Ocean's Twelve

Million Dollar Baby

Ray

The Aviator





2004

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Top 10

Top 10 2001

Artist/Track

Destiny's Child, "Independent Women"

OutKast, "Ms. Jackson"

Crazy Town, "Butterfly"

Shaggy feat. Rayvon, "Angel"

Janet Jackson, "All for You"

Christina Aguilera/Lil' Kim/Mya/Pink, "Lady Marmalade"

Usher, "U Remind Me"

Destiny's Child, "Bootylicious"

Alicia Keys, "Fallin"

Jennifer Lopez feat. Ja Rule, "I'm Real"

Top 10 2003

Artist/Track

Mary J. Blige, "Family Affair"

Usher, "U Got It Bad"

Nickelback, "How You Remind Me"

Ja Rule feat. Ashanti, "Always On Time"

Jennifer Lopez feat. Ja Rule, "Ain't It Funny"

Ashanti, "Foolish"

Nelly, "Hot In Herre"

Nelly feat. Kelly Rowland, "Dilemma"

Kelly Clarkson, "A Moment like This"

Eminem, "Lose Yourself"





Top 10 2002

Artist/Track

B2K feat. P. Diddy, "Bump, Bump, Bump"

Jennifer Lopez feat. L.L. Cool J, "All I Have"

50 Cent, "In Da Club"

Sean Paul, "Get Busy"

50 Cent feat. Nate Dogg, "21 Questions"

Clay Aiken, "This Is the Night"

Beyonce feat. Jay-Z, "Crazy In Love"

Nelly/P. Diddy/Murphy Lee, "Shake Ya Tailfeather"

Beyonce feat. Sean Paul, "Baby Boy"

Ludacris feat. Shawnna, "Stand Up"

Top 10 2004

Artist/Track

OutKast, "Hey Ya!"

OutKast feat. Sleepy Brown, "The Way You Move"

Usher feat. Lil' Jon and Ludacris, "Yeah!"

Usher, "Burn"

Fantasia Barrino, "I Believe"

Usher. "Confessions Part II"

The Terror Squad feat, Fat Joe/Remy Martin, "Lean Back"

Ciara feat. Petey Pablo, "Goodies"

Usher and Alicia Keys, "My Boo"

Snoop Dogg feat. Pharrell, "Drop It Like It's Hot"



2004

- President: **Jehuda Reinharz**
- Commencement Speaker: **James D. Wolfensohn** (President of the World Bank)
- Tuition: **\$25,392**
- Students Enrolled in Fall Term:5,072
- Number of Graduates: 816
- Number of Countries Represented: **73**
- 53rd Commencement Exercise

Today

- President: Frederick M. Lawrence
- Commencement Speaker: **Geoffrey Canada** (*President/CEO of Harlem Children's Zone*)
- Tuition: \$43,980
- Total Undergraduates: 3,504
- Clubs and Organizations: 260+
- Number of Majors and Minors: **43** and **45**

THE Farewell, class of the

BRAND SPANKIN' NEW



Recreation Center opens in Usdan

Rosenthal open to four person groups next year



Village opens today

All the 'Deis go marching









School's first-ever midyear class arrives

years of 40 Gordie

Student Events Presents its Fall Concert: The Roots and Jason Mraz



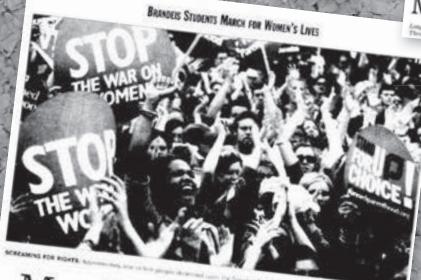
The Roots leave Brandeis students stunned

Recalling conflict and resolution on the 40th anniversary of Gordon Fellman's professorship



Wireless Net now on campus

Museum loans art to students



March IINGTON

In one day, one million voices made one powerful statement.

WASHINGTON - Dupout Curbs is envered in pink The roundabout that leads toward the White-House marks the staging ground for what might be the largest demonstration this town has ever soon.

It's Sacurday, Tomorrow, an estimated one million protestors will descend upon the Mail, roar down Pennsylvania Avenue, thumb they noses at the White House, and hope to send Capited Hill into innivalsaems

But today, 21 hours before go time, the circle known for its first-rate restaurants, my scene and traffic imbrostics looks more like an overcrowded flea market. A string of booths distribute ammunition: Lane burs, signs, voter registration cards and blank, five-





Brandeis University

Jehuda Beinharr President

May 2004

Dear Brandeis Graduate:

This book contains images of your years at Brandeis. With the passage of time your memory and perception of those images will change and grow. Some of the most important images, however, are not ones in this book, but in your memory. The personal relationships with classmates and with faculty, both inside and outside the classroom, have undoubtedly helped to shape you in ways that may only become evident to you years from now.

This fall, a new class will enter, filled with many of the same anxieties, hopes and dreams that you experienced. This annual renewal helps ensure Brandeis's vitality at the same time that it contributes to the preservation of those values and traditions that distinguish Brandeis and the special educational experience it provides each student.

I hope that Brandeis has served you well. Whatever the facts or specific skills you take with you from Brandeis, I hope that our alma mater has contributed to your education through the ability to think for yourself, to be open to contrary views, to distinguish fact from opinion, analysis from prejudice. It is these unquantifiable abilities that in many ways constitute the most important aspect of the Brandeis experience.

Each of you in your way has contributed to the growth of Brandeis. It is my hope that graduation reflects not the end, but the beginning of your relationship with our alma mater. The University values the active involvement and support of all of us who are alumni to help ensure the education of future generations of Brandeis students.

Brandeis is extremely proud of you, and I extend my very best wishes and heartiest congratulations for the hard work and personal achievement that your Brandeis education represents. I hope you will take pride in the knowledge that you are an ambassador for our alma mater.

With warmest best wishes for every continued success, now and in the

years ahead,

Sincerely,

ehuda Reinharz, Ph.D. '72

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Dorianna Andrade



Life since Brandeis...

Since graduating from Brandeis I worked as a non-profit fundraiser and event planner in South Florida for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society before earning my law degree from American University in Washington, D.C. Currently, I am

working as an attorney for the U.S. Department of Commerce in the D.C. area. I enjoy reconnecting with friends in D.C. from all different parts of my life, especially Brandeis. As an Adagio alum I continue to stay connected to my love of dance.







Lauren Kanter Applebaum



Life since Brandeis...

Finished med school at Tufts and emergency medicine residency at Penn. Currently an emergency physician in the US Air Force, working at Andrews AFB near DC. Married to my best friend, Aaron, since March 27, 2011. Sammy's mom since August 19, 2013. Wish I could be at the reunion, but I'm deploying to Bagram, Afghanistan for 6 months in April 2014!

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

Living in Gator House on South Street!! Teaching ESL in Usdan and Sherman. Eating at Tom Can Cook and Lizzy's.









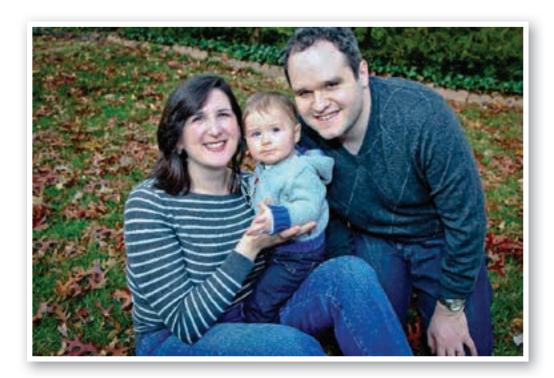


Geryl Baer (Rich)

Life since Brandeis...

It is unbelievable that 10 years have passed. So much change has happened in these 10 years. I have lived in Athens, GA, Baltimore, St. Louis and currently live in Bethesda, MD. I got married to my husband, Louis, and together we have an amazing

son, Lyle. We bought a house. I am the Director of Community Engagement of Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County. Although all of this has happened, my memories of Brandeis are so vivid and so much a part of me that I feel that it all happened just yesterday.



Adam Batkin



Life since Brandeis...

Shortly after graduation I married Jessica Greenberg '05 and three days later moved to Glasgow Scotland where Jessica studied veterinary medicine. I worked for a local mobile software startup and enjoyed hiking and biking around the countryside. Upon graduation we moved back to Southwestern Connecticut. In October 2012 our daughter Shifra Zelda Batkin was born. Today Jessica practices as a veterinarian and I work as a software developer.

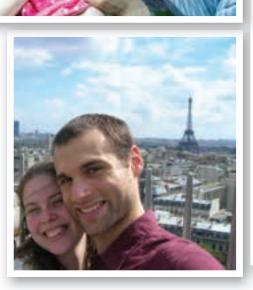
What life altering milestones have you experienced since **Brandeis?**

At 2AM one day in late October, I was awakened by my wife. This wasn't a surprise, since she was pregnant and her due date was only a couple days away. We rushed to the hospital and a few hours later our daughter Shifra arrived in the world. The next few weeks were a blur, owing to a lack of sleep, but fatherhood has treated me well. Very early on, Shifra began speaking three important words, which gives an indication about how important I am to her: Mama ("feed me"), Dada ("play with me") and Cat ("I see a cat").

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

I stayed at Brandeis for a fifth year in order to complete a Master's degree in Computer Science. Early in the year, I was invited to watch a movie with some friends in an acquaintance's room. Said acquaintance had a roommate (who was apparently disappointed at having to watch a movie with, among other people, a complete stranger, yours truly). We hit it off and this roommate and I were married during the summer after graduation.









Michelle Battat



Life since Brandeis...

After two years in New York City, and one incredible year in Bologna, Italy, I've been living in Washington, DC for the last 7 years. My graduate work at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) brought me here, and my work in emerging markets consulting and international development has allowed me the opportunity to travel the world. From Lebanon to Nigeria, and Vietnam to the Netherlands, I've been fortunate to eperience other cultures and foods, and to visit some incredible sights!

Despite my travels, it was here in DC on a tennis court, that I met my husband-to-be... also a native Bostonian. We're thrilled to be tying the knot in August!

I am looking forward to seeing what the next 10 years has in store for me - and look forward to bumping in to other Brandeisians along the way!



Johanna Bernstein

Life since Brandeis...

Public servant, avid baker, occasional adventurer.





Meredith Bodgas



Life since Brandeis...

I'm sad to miss our 10th reunion, but if all goes smoothly, my husband of six years, Paul, and I will have just welcomed our first child, a boy, in May, which will be keeping us busy and bound to the New York area. Since graduating, I've been lucky to work as an editor for magazines like Ladies' Home Journal and Parenting and websites like The Knot and WhatToExpect.com. I've written feature stories for Glamour (in addition to being their daily wedding blogger in 2010 and 2011), Redbook, Seventeen, Family Circle, and MensFitness.com, among others. I'm enjoying being the editor of WomansDay.com, the companion site to Woman's Day magazine, where I've worked for the past two-and-a-half years. After living in Queens for nine years, we've just purchased

our first house in Bellmore, Long Island—please reach out via Facebook if you live around there! Since our 5-year reunion, I was honored to be matron of honor at Emily Watterworth's wedding (and relive my college a cappella days by performing a song, albeit not very well, at her ceremony) and attend the weddings of fellow '04s Abby Gondek, Mark Ulberg, and Michael Weinstein-Reiman, where it was so great to toast the happy couple and hang out with my other former suitemates, bride-to-be Stephanie Levine and Rachael Kostegan Jussaume. I'm very much looking forward to being a bridesmaid at Melissa Leber's wedding this winter. Though Paul and I are sad to pause on traveling—we've visited Thailand, Costa Rica, Spain, Italy, France, England, Canada and Aruba since 2009—we're excited to be parents, which I'm sure will be its own kind of trip (though hardly a vacation!).









Katharine Braun-Levine



Life since Brandeis...

I can't believe it's been ten years. Except for the year when I went to graduate school at Tufts, I've come to work on campus every day since graduation. That's because I count myself to be one of the lucky few who gets to work at Lemberg Children's Center. I care for and teach young children; I teach and supervise college students; I partner with parents and lead parent education workshops. I work with some of the best colleagues in the world who are dedicated to teaching, learning, and helping children and families grow and develop. It's the best job! We have a new building being built for us, so anyone who remembers our ancient, mold-filled, crappy building next to Brown, the New Lemberg is now located between the athletic fields and the commuter rail. Come check it out! My husband Jeff and I love living in West Newton. He's still in a band, and I'm joining them for part of a cross-country tour this summer. I still dance and do theater whenever time allows. I'm really looking forward to connecting and reconnecting with this whole wonderful Brandeis class at Reunion.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

The obvious answer for me is Howie Baker and the staff at Lemberg who taught me, advised me, hired me, sent me off to grad school, and then hired me again. They changed the course of my life and gave me my life's work. However, not a day goes by when I don't think of the amazing faculty of the theater department, who taught me about who I wanted to be; who gave me models of grown-ups and artists and teachers and people. I constantly revisit the lessons they imparted. To be strong and vulnerable. To be graceful and goofy. To start where you are and know what you bring. To make choices. Adrianne Krstansky, Susan Dibble, Jen Cleary, Anne Gottlieb, Janet Morrison, Michael Murray, and the visiting directors and MFA actors who shared their journeys with me.











Rachel Bressler



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis I got my degree in teaching and currently work in New York City as a public school teacher. I teach 9th grade Social Studies. I also lived in Israel from 2005-2007 where I taught English. When I returned to New York I moved to Brooklyn and have been living there ever since. I married my husband, Scott, in June 2011. Our beautiful baby boy, Benjamin, was born on September 12, 2013.



Share your most interesting travel experience:

For my honeymoon my husband and I traveled to Cambodia and Thailand. It was an incredible time! The highlight of our trip was when we got the privilege to take care of an elephant for a day. It was awesome to care for such a large and beautiful animal! We got to bath her, brush her, feed and even check her poop:)

What life altering milestones have you experienced since Brandeis?

Having a baby has completely changed my life. It has given a whole other dimension to my outlook on life. My husband is an amazing father and I feel very lucky to have such a great partner to share in this journey. It has been my greatest joy to watch my baby grow and love life!







Avi Coburn



Life since Brandeis...

Hey Former Classmates! Here's the quick story of my life, post-Brandeis:

After graduating Brandeis in 2004, I moved home to Washington, DC and started a new job. I lived in Bethesda, MD with Alan Berk (class of '04). Shayna Skelley and I dated long-distance as she didn't graduate until Brandeis until 2006. Once she graduated in 2006, she got a job offer to work in DC and we bought a condo together. We got a dog together—a lazy but very sweet puggle named Sophie.

We lived in the DC area until 2008 when Shayna was offered an opportunity to pursue a graduate degree in clinical psychology at Arizona State University. We packed up all our stuff, threw the dog in a car, rented out our condo, and moved to Phoenix, AZ. Once in Phoenix, I enrolled at in the MBA program at Arizona State University and received my degree in 2010. I have been working as a Compliance Manager at ING Investment Management since 2009.

Shayna and I got engaged over Thanksgiving in 2008, and we were married on Cape Cod (her hometown) on June 6, 2010. The celebration included a large number of Brandeis graduates as both my parents are Brandeis graduates as well. Shayna is

finishing up her doctoral degree this year and was recently offered an internship opportunity at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC. We will be moving back to DC this year and look forward to continuing our life back on the east coast close to friends and family.

What life lessons did you learn at Brandeis?

I'd have to go with the ability to think critically and communicate effectively. The professors at Brandeis taught me to go beyond the text, to challenge conventional thought, and to dig deeper. They also taught me how to share thoughts and ideas in a way that would allow others to understand. This is a very effective tool in the business world and has allowed me to be successful.

Share your most interesting travel experience:

I'd like to classify my time in Phoenix as a "travel experience". Living out in the desert has been an eye opening experience. From politics to geography, Arizona has been truly different from anywhere else I've lived.











Kelly Cousineau

Life since Brandeis...

Since graduation, Kelly moved to Washington, D.C. and began her career in communications and public relations in the energy industry. Kelly lives in Washington's Capitol Hill neighborhood with her husband, David; daughter, Madeleine, age 2, son Damien, age 10 months and dog, Clio.









Nina (Auster) Cusner

Life since Brandeis...

Since graduating Brandeis, I have gotten married, had kids, and continued my career as a Jewish educator. I married my husband and moved to Sharon, MA after graduation. I continued my studies in the DeLeT program (a Jewish educators program) based out of the Mandel Center at Brandeis and student taught at the Striar Hebrew Academy in Sharon. After my internship year there I stayed on to take a full time position teaching 3rd and 5th grade Judaic Studies. I still frequently visit Brandeis, as I am currently a mentor in the DeLeT program. Its always so nice

to be back and see the growth of the University. During my years of marriage and teaching, my husband and I have been blessed with 5 daughters. Naomi (born in '08), Lucy (born in '09), Julie (born in '11), and twins Kira and Nava (born in '13).

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

I loved being members of BOO, Hillel, and the Brandeis softball team!

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

I loved Sherman! Best kosher food ever!











Emily Dahl

Life since Brandeis...

In the years since Brandeis, I've been fortunate to work in a field I love, marry the person I love, and have a new and very lovable baby son. We still live within a few miles of Brandeis, and although many of our Brandeis friends have scattered across the country, it's wonderful catching up by phone or email, or on visits.

I work in clean energy and sustainability communications, which I've done as an in-house employee for public and private sector organizations, and am currently working as a consultant. I also periodically work on political campaigns, including the Obama 2012 campaign, which was the most fun and most challenging professional experience I've ever had. Mike is a chemical engineer working in biopharmaceuticals on cures for rare diseases. And our baby is an eating machine working on growing bigger every day and exhausting his parents.

I'm looking forward to catching up with classmates at Reunion, and am excited to hear about what everyone's been doing.

Share your most interesting travel experience:

On vacations, Mike and I try to visit the rainforests of various countries as often as possible. In 2011, we left the jobs we had at the time to conduct volunteer bird research in the Peruvian Amazon and the Caribbean slope of Costa Rica, and spent time traveling at the end of our research. It felt grueling at times (hiking through hip-deep water then waiting, wet, in the forest for the birds), but we got to see so many interesting species up close—not just birds, but mammals and plenty of reptiles as well, and we met great people.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

One of my fondest Brandeis memories involves the first time I met the group who would become my closest friends, in an episode involving mattress relocation. I also have plenty of fond classroom and dining hall memories, and thoughts of the campus in spring time, when the magnolia trees are in bloom.







Arti Dua



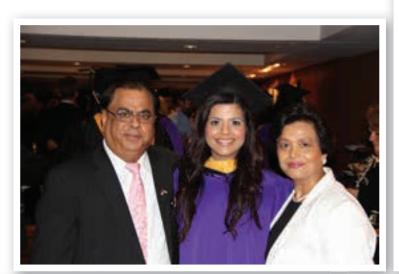
Life since Brandeis...

Graduated with a Master of Science in Organizational Effectiveness from NYU's Leadership and Human Capital Management Program in May 2013

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?
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Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Professor Michael Coiner - he is very passionate about his career and demonstrated this through investing his time in his students.











Steven Dupree



Life since Brandeis...

Life is going well, I'm grateful that I have so little to worry about. Thanks to all the friends and professors at Brandeis who set me on the right path.

Professionally, I abandoned the actuary's path shortly after Brandeis. I joined LogMeIn early on, spent time in the Budapest office, and stayed with the company through a successful IPO. I came out to the west coast to finish off my MBA. I dabbled in venture capital for a couple years and now I'm running marketing at SoFi. I've focused on customer acquisition and published some articles, you can follow me at www.market-found.com.

Personally, I've traveled all around the world and intend to see much more of it. I'm still writing poetry and playing cards. I'm loving sunny San Francisco this cold, cold winter, but I wish I

could be in Boston and Europe at the same time. I love meeting new people and reconnecting with old friends. To whomever reads this: I hope we cross paths in the near future.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Rachel McCulloch, she has continued to mentor me throughout the years. Thanks for helping me out and enjoy retirement!

Share your most interesting travel experience:

Of all the travel experiences: Clam Island one weekend each summer with Ben Shiller, Matt Mauro, Jon Katz, Borjan Zic, Josh Zetlin, Cari Brown, and Jason Daniels - all Brandeis alum - ranks at the top.





Benn Egan



Life since Brandeis...

I have a cup full of pens at work. Mixed up in the bottom of the cup, there's chapstick and a glue stick. Both have the labels torn off. This has led to more than a few close calls.

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

The conference rooms in Volen. freshman year, I got a job in the Memory & Cognition Lab. I worked in Art Wingfield's lab, but for Deborah Little. I gained access to the building through my student ID, but I only worked there Freshman year. No one took my access away when I left, so I studied in those conference rooms for the next three years. They were usually empty at night, they had two large dry erase boards to play with, and there were plenty of markers lying around. I'd go to the C store (or whatever it's called now) with Daniela, and we'd load up on coffee and snacks, then we'd study for hours in those conference rooms. When we got tired or bored, we'd head back to Rosenthal and bone.

Share your most interesting travel experience:

In 2007, I had the chance to travel around Asia for a few months. In Kuala Lumpur, I met two *super* friendly ladies who spoke flawless English. They invited me to lunch to meet their cousin who was going to Boston University next year. I thought that meant a restaurant nearby. They drove me out of the city (and off my tourist map) and lied to me about which direction we were traveling. When I got to their house, I found out the cousin couldn't make it (actually, she didn't exist). They served me lunch and I realized I was in danger. I thought maybe they were going to poison me and harvest my kidneys, so I only ate from dishes that someone else had already eaten from. After lunch, they dropped the scam on me. The patriarch of the family showed me a card trick, and then said that he and I could scam a local casino. For the amount of trouble I could have been in, it felt very silly and amateur. I actually left on good terms with everyone and they drove me back to the city.







Daniela Egan

Life since Brandeis...

The best thing to happen to me since Brandeis is marrying Benn Egan '04 in October 2011. One of our closest friends from Brandeis, Dave Shutoff '04, married us, and so many of our Brandeis friends attended - it was an amazing day.

We live in Boston, and I've worked for the last five years at MIT Sloan raising unrestricted funds for the school.

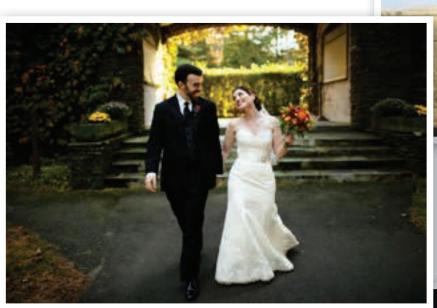
Life is good!

Share your most interesting travel experience:

Benn and I spent our honeymoon in Turkey, which has been one of my favorite travel adventures. Taking a sunrise hot air balloon ride in Cappadocia (photo of us post-ride, enjoying champagne) and exploring the ruins of Aphrodisias were highlights!

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

It's hard to pick just one! I'd have to go with my freshman dorm - Scheffres. I met so many of my lifelong friends that year in that building, and have so many great memories of that time. A more random spot was the tree-lined path from the Fine Arts Building to Sachar - it was always a peaceful walk.







Peggy Eyssallenne



Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you? Sadhana Berry













Rachel H. Ezra

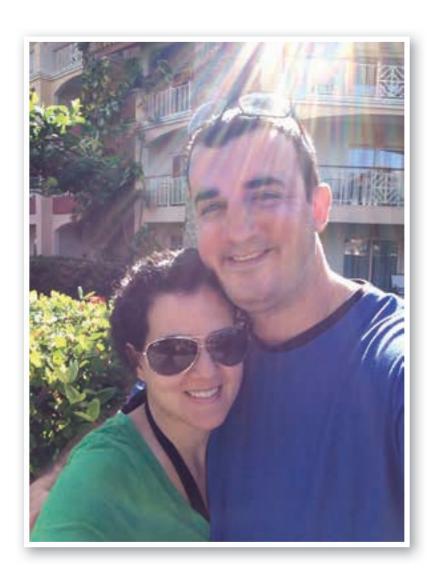


Life since Brandeis...

After graduating Brandeis, I returned to school to get my Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. Since then, I have worked for Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center as an infusion nurse. I married Mitchell Ezra in July 2011, and we are expecting our first child this June! Mitchell is currently finishing up his MBA at Rutgers and will be starting an MBA rotational program at Bristol-Myers Squibb in July. We currently live in central Jersey.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

The biggest impact that Brandeis has had on my life is in giving me some of my closest friendships. We still keep in touch and laugh over our silly Brandeis escapades. The bond we formed at Brandeis has really held strong, and these friendships have meant a lot to me over the past $10 \, \mathrm{years}$.





Debbi Finkelstein



Life since Brandeis...

After several years and a bunch of careers I just finished my Master in Education degree to teach high school history. I am very excited to begin this new chapter in my life!

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

I think my fondest Brandeis memory is from the ice cream social during orientation. I was hanging out with my future best friend as she was talking about the word "mush." I knew then that I had met my new best friend.

What life lessons did you learn at Brandeis?

One of the hardest life lessons I learned was my junior year at Brandeis and that was that politics are in everything. Even fun clubs and activities can have politics in them and you have to watch your back. That may sound pessimistic, but as long as I remember that I can have fun and not worry that I'll be taken by surprise again.











Stephanie Fodor



Life since Brandeis...

Hi Brandeis 2004 Classmates! Has it really been 10 years since we all graduated? I haven't been back to campus since, so I am very much looking forward to returning in June!

In the past 10 years, I've lived and worked in Los Angeles, Tokyo, Hong Kong, San Francisco, and am now back in LA. I got married to my 'college sweetheart' in May 2011 - except I met Jimmy during my junior year semester abroad in Japan (we were on the same American study program).

I've followed my passion for the creative arts and the entertainment industry, and have worked in front of and behind the camera on all kinds of projects. I've also gotten the chance to travel all over Asia while I lived abroad, and have been to over a dozen countries.

I hope you are all well, and I look forward to reconnecting at Reunion!

"Hawaii Steph"

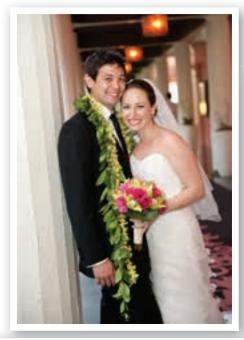
Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

I have many fond memories of my time at Brandeis, so it's hard to narrow it down to just one. Some of my favorite memories include participating in the Adagio Spring Show, Mela, and theatre productions, socializing in the middle of the night at the library during finals (because everyone was there!), and seeing snow for the first time in my life in freshman year at the Screw Your Roommate dance...and then participating in my first snow ball fight the next day!

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

Brandeis had a profound impact on my life - it shaped who I have become today. Brandeis taught me to think freely and fearlessly, to take risks, to think outside of the box, and to follow my passion. Brandeis gave me the chance to explore so many of my interests, and seize opportunities to participate in new, exciting, and rewarding activities.

I will always cherish the time I spent at Brandeis, and the lifelong friends that I made there.











Claudia Fontes



Share your most interesting travel experience:

My most interesting travel experience was traveling to Phuket, Thailand. While there, I trained in Muay Thai. In an attempt to expedite my learning of the art, I participated in "two a day" workouts and in no time, I was sparring with the local coaches in the ring.

Through this unforgettable experience, I fell in love with Thailand! I was able to truly enjoy the country and gain an understanding of the culture and its people while challenging my body by practicing a martial art that was foreign to me prior to my travels.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

I have met some of the most amazing individuals while at Brandeis, most of whom remain my lifelong friends - that sort of impact is priceless!











Brett R. Friedman

Life since Brandeis...

I married Ashley Firestone ('05) in 2009 and we welcomed our son, Marshall, into the world in October 2012. We live in Brooklyn, New York.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?
Peter Woll; my first introduction to the socratic method.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

Meeting my wife on the first day of my sophomore year.





Sara Furman

Life since Brandeis...

I live with my husband Michael and two year old daughter Leah in Voorhees, NJ and I'm a corporate and healthcare attorney at Flaster/Greenberg PC in Cherry Hill, NJ.



Selena L. Gell



Life since Brandeis...

After graduation Selena joined Teach For America and spent the following two years teaching high school science in Phoenix, AZ. In 2006 she returned to the East Coast for graduate school, graduating from Brown University with a Ph.D. in Cell Biology,

Molecular Biology and Biochemistry in 2011. Since 2011 she as been working as a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at Harvard Medical School in Boston, MA. She currently lives in Jamaica Plain, MA with her husband, Bennett Prescott.





Zachary Goldberg



Life since Brandeis...

We proudly welcomed Oliver Grey to our family on January 9, 2014.





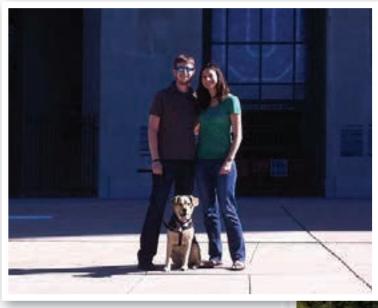
Julie Golomb



Life since Brandeis...

After Brandeis I went on to grad school at Yale, and I got my PhD in Neuroscience in 2009. I also met my husband, Andy, there, and we got married in 2010. In 2009 I moved to Boston to do a postdoc at MIT. We lived in Davis Square for 3 years and really enjoyed it. In 2012, Andy and I both got faculty positions at

the Ohio State University and moved to Columbus. I'm currently an Assistant Professor in the Psychology department and Center for Cognitive and Brain Sciences, and I run the OSU Vision and Cognitive Neuroscience Lab. I was also recently selected as a Sloan Research Fellow in Neuroscience. Andy and I are enjoying living in Columbus and hanging out with our dog, Mochi.

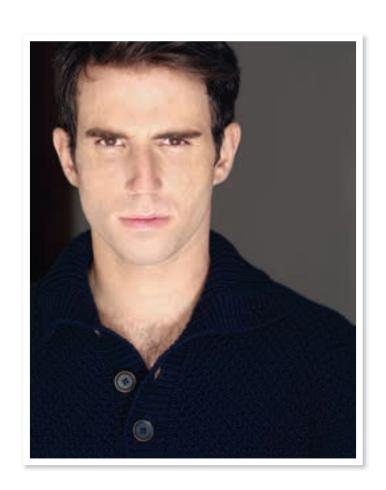








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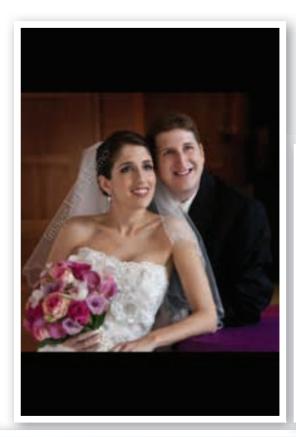
Life since Brandeis...

So much has happened in 10 years!! I completed medical school, a pediatrics residency, most of a pediatric endocrinology fellowship, presented posters at academic meetings, and published in medical journals. I've gotten married, I've traveled

to 5 different countires, and I've watched as my friends and famly got married and had kids! The great thing is that this long journey has continued to have my friends from Brandeis present at every step along the way.

What life altering milestones have you experienced since Brandeis?

I got married to the best girl around!









Alex Green



Life since Brandeis...

After graduating from Brandeis, I stayed in Waltham, opening an independent bookstore on Moody Street, named Back Pages Books. Nearly a decade later, I continue to own and operate the bookstore, as well as a publishing house, printing a wide array of books including fine press works. The bookstore has become a community hub, hosting hundreds of authors for talks, from local writers to former heads of state and Pulitzer Prize winners. Four years ago, while continung to run the bookshop, I took a position at the Harvard Program on Negotiation, where I am a senior writer and researcher for a project engaged in the study of successful international diplomatic, business, and security

negotiations. Through that work I am currently pursuing a Master's Degree at the Kennedy School of Government. I continue to live in Waltham with my long-time girlfriend, who is also a Brandeis alum, and a member of the Waltham School Committee.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Cheryl Walker taught me how to write, and how the craft of writing leads to the art of being in the world.

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

The top of Rabb steps in fall is actually a very beautiful thing.



Ashley Shaw Greene



Share your fondest Brandeis memory: Ridgewood #9



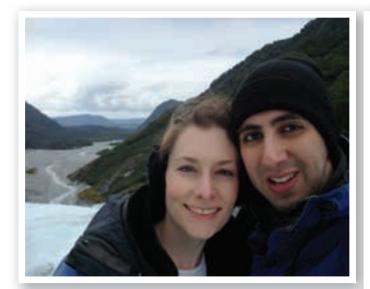








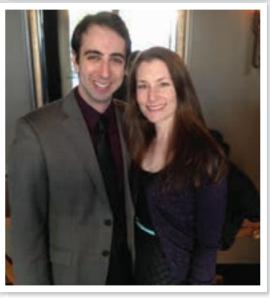
Evan Greene













Jeremy Hamburgh

Life since Brandeis...

After six and a half wonderful years at the Office of the Bronx County District Attorney, I recently moved to J.P. Morgan Chase. During my time at the DA, I had an opportunity to work on cases ranging from drunk driving to homicide. My colleagues and I also wiretapped dozens of telephones in the process of taking down three identity theft rings.

In 2009, I founded Hitchcraft Dating as a science-based dating coaching solution. It has since evolved into HitchcraftDating. com, which is the only dating advice website exclusively for singles with neurodiverse diagnoses like autism, Aspergers, ADHD and learning disabilities. My partner is a wonderful non-profit, Adaptations (Silver Center for Special Needs at the JCC in Manhattan) for which I have spent three years as the Dating & Relationship program coordinator. Together, we are proud to be at the forefront of the revolution in dating and autism (and other neurodiverse diagnoses).

Lisa and I got married this past August in a food truck wedding that expressed our mutual passion for good food. We have now been together for five years and recently moved into our new home in Riverdale (Bronx, NY). I am so proud to be married to a beautiful woman and an exceptional doctor!

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

I will never forget Shabbat dinners with my friends at Johnny Rockets in the Natick Mall. We'd all go to our respective Shabbat services and then pile into cars for chilli and cheeseburgers.

To this day, I am still close with Brett Friedman, Colin Sauder and Mike Chapper. I'm also grateful to Brandeis for the other Brandeis friends I'm still close with, including Max Polonsky, Jeff Kleinhaus, Ashley Firestone, Marni (Kutok) Friedman, Samantha Joseph and Joe Serkin.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

Brandeis has always been a bastion of *tikkun olam*, and I often think about that tradition as a basis for my work with Hitchcraft Dating and Adaptations. I am proud of working with neurodiverse adults -- people with autism, Aspergers, ADHD and learning disabilities -- and helping them lead more full lives. Though being their dating coach may not sound like it has much to do with my college experience, Brandeis exemplified the ideal that all people deserve respect.





Constantine Hanzis



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis I have completed my Master of Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts Lowell where I was inducted into the National Honors Society for Criminal Justice Scholars. I am currently studying at Lasell College where I hope to complete an MBA. I am an active member of the Who's Who National Association for Professional Networking where I have been named Who's Who Among Working Executives and Executive Who's Who. I was also a volunteer at the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, Greece as part of the Spectator Services committee.

I completed an Internship at the Mayor's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing in Boston City Hall. Furthermore, I served as an assistant branch manager of a community bank in Boston and in the accounting departments as an associate at US Bank and MetLife Financial. Currently, I live in the Brighton/Allston area and have enjoyed living in and being actively involved in the Boston community.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

The impact that Brandeis has on my life includes basing most of my education and my work experience and life based upon my bachelor"s degree which consisted of politics, law, philosophy, and economics. Because of this, I live my life by my undergraduate experience at Brandeis.

What life lessons did you learn at Brandeis?

I have learned to work really hard for what I have and to be thankful for my family.





Marina Pevzner Hennessy

Life since Brandeis...

I have 2 beautiful daughters which represent the most important part of my life and keep me very busy. I have moved to the UK a year after graduating from Fletcher School at Tufts and spent the following 5 years working with some of the biggest international corporations developing their intrernal CSR and supporting them in responsible community investment programmes. I then joined an amazing organization, Tag International that shares ungiue Israeli technology and expertise particularly in the fields of agriculture, women and health to address global poverty alleviation as their head of Fundraising and Corporate partnerships and it has kept me very busy indeed--from education& empowerment projects in Kenya to beekeeping in Myanmar, there is always a range of exciting activity that delivered true life changing transformation through sharing knowledge and expertise. We have recently obtained 501c-3 status in the USA and I am looking forward to taking the challenge of developing the USA operations so will be soon

returning back to the country after almost 7 years in the UK. Other than that, I am excitied to have had lots of my Brandeis friends come and visit me here in the UK and an active alumni club in London which brings together some great alumni across different years and backgrounds.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

Brandeis has given me some of my closest friends, it has given me a host family who have become a real family to us and of course a great education that gave me the tools on how to analyze and approach a problem and develop solutions-- skills that I use in every role I have been in since graduating both professionally and personally

What life altering milestones have you experienced since Brandeis?

Getting married, having kids, moving countries, changing jobs and careers...













Adam J. Herman

Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis, I completed a master's program in higher education in Michigan, and moved to Bloomington, Indiana where I now direct the Kelley School of Business Living Learning Center, a selective program for freshmen majoring in business at Indiana University's Kelley School of Business.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

My favorite Brandeis memories all include great conversations with friends and fellow Brandeisians. Whether it was late-night Student Union conversation in the Shapiro Campus Center, or a philosophical or political conversation with a friend while walking through campus, I appreciate that Brandeis helped me connect with others and value the experiences of my fellow Brandeisians.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Steve Whitfield. Professor Whitfield is an engaging story-teller, a brilliant teacher, and a tough grader on written assignments. His classes, and his commitment to me, taught me the importance of connecting with students, how to help students explore their passions, and how to hold others to high standards. My ability to chart a career path for myself, and to push my students with compassion and appropriate levels of challenge, are directly related to Professor Whitfield's influence on me.



Ashley Hodes



Life since Brandeis...

Worked hard, played hard, lived a very fulfilling life. No regrets.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life? Great start to my career.

What's on your bucket list and what have you crossed off already?

Bungy jumping, diving the Great Barrier Reef. Check and check.





Ityng Hsieh



Life since Brandeis...

After graduating Brandeis, I moved back to NYC and began a career in finance. Through my job, I have had the opportunity to work in both London and Hong Kong. This work abroad helped me to travel on the weekends to many exciting places that I may not have had the chance to visit before. Now I'm on a a quest to visit to as many countries as I possibly can.

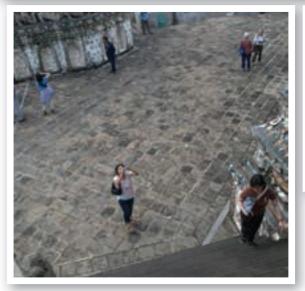
It's been pretty awesome that most of my Brandeis family has kept in touch. I look forward to celebrating more milestones like weddings and babies!

Share your most interesting travel experience: Scratching a wild monkey's belly is a bad idea.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory: Snow days and traying down library hill.









Nana Im

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Professor Coiner was my favorite professor. He was humble, funny, reasonable and explained things so that students could understand concepts easily. I wouldn't have been an econ major without his classes.



Rebecca Incledon



Life since Brandeis...

One of my goals after spending four happy years in Waltham was to really get to know Boston. So I stayed, went to grad school, got a job, and soaked up as much Boston as I could for six years. Four years ago my husband Paul and I relocated to Chicago, and I've learned to love a new city. (It has been great reconnecting with Brandesians here!)

I had this idea after college that I would continue to balance my two areas of academic interest, music and public health. This goal led to some strange periods—like when I was a high school chorus teacher and an MPH student at the same time—but at this point I guess you could say I'm living the dream. By day I work in program development for an HIV-focused non-profit organization, and on the side I sing in a professional church choir. It's pretty great.

Outside of work, I've enjoyed exploring whatever city I call home (be it Boston or Chicago) and new places in my travels (such as Morocco, Mexico, and Greece). One of the bigger surprises of the last year was that I started running for the first time and ran a 10K. I look forward to seeing what the next 10 years have in store!





Michelle Issadore

Life since Brandeis...

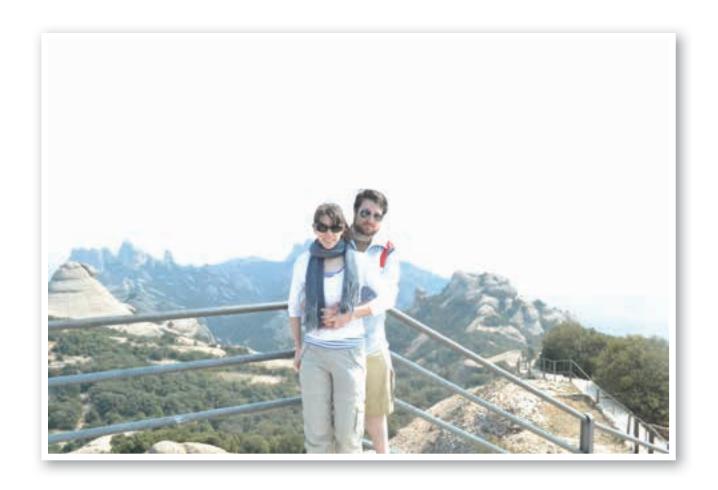
After college, I received an M.Ed. in College Student Affairs from Penn State. I spent five years as Assistant Director of the Women's Center at Lehigh University. For the last three years, I have been Executive Director of the School and College Organization for Prevention Educators.

I met my husband, Scott, in graduate school. We have a daughter named Sasha.





Mara Cohen Jackel





Ada Obrea James



Life since Brandeis...

Lots of changes since 2004! I got married, moved across the country, picked up a few graduate degrees, changed careers and started my own business, Ada James Coaching (www.adajames.com)... but not all in that order. Here's how it all happened:

After graduating from Brandeis, I moved less than 10 miles away to Cambridge, MA. I went right back to school to pursue a master's in higher education at Harvard University, while also working as an intern in academic services at MIT. It was a short but intense year of hard work.

In the summer of 2005, I moved to Philadelphia to work as an Assistant Director and academic advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pennsylvania. In January of 2008, I was hired as an Associate Director in the MBA Program office at the Wharton School. I advised MBA students and directed the international exchange programs for the graduate division at Wharton. I loved the work, the students, and my "work family" but something was drawing me back to school again. So, I applied and was admitted to a PhD program at Stanford University.

Moving to California changed everything! I was doing great academically at Stanford but I was miserable in academia. During my second year of the PhD program, I realized how much I missed helping people figure out what they want in their lives and how to get it (which is how I always viewed advising and how I now see my job as a coach). It was time for me to follow my passion and do what my heart knew was right even if "on paper"

it didn't look as shiny and perfect as a PhD. So, I made the big decision to leave the PhD after getting a second master's degree, get trained and certified as a career and life coach, and start my own business. That's how Ada James Coaching (www.adajames.com) came to be.

The other big milestone that happened just as I was leaving Stanford, was meeting David. We started dating in 2010, fell in love within weeks, and got married in 2012. We had a small wedding surrounded by family, close friends, and a forest of giant redwood trees near Half Moon Bay, CA. In 2013, we bought our first home and we're in the process of renovating it before moving in. As two transplants from cold and snowy places, we're loving the weather, farmers' markets, and hiking trails here in California

During these 10 years, I feel lucky to have stayed in close touch with several Brandeis friends. We've traveled together, shared laughs, and cried through the hard moments. I'm especially grateful for my two "sisters," Jaime Johnson and Amanda Lohnes, who I met freshman year when we were all living on the third floor of Shapiro. May we continue to reunite every summer (now with spouses and children) on Martha's Vineyard and always remember our first adventures together at Brandeis!

I'd also love to catch up with old friends and classmates with whom I've lost touch over the years. Brandeis was a special place and time in our lives. Maybe our 10 year reunion and this yearbook will be a chance to reconnect!











Sarah Graham Jones





Samantha Joseph







Alison Judd



Life since Brandeis...

Isaac and I celebrated with many Brandeis friends at our wedding in June 2004. Since graduation we have been living in Brookline, Massachusetts. I received an MFA in painting at MassArt in 2007. Isaac runs Magic Beans, a Boston based toy and baby gear store.

Our son Avery was born in February 2008, our daughter Penny was born in June 2010, and this past July we welcomed our daughter Eloise.

Since we are not that far from Brandeis, we have been able to return to campus over the years. We also try to participate in alumni events happening in the Boston area.











Rachael Kostegan Jussaume

Life since Brandeis...

Since graduation I have explored many wonderful aspects of life. I worked in a public school setting for 9 years. I taught children in the 3rd grade for a year and then transferred to teach kindergarten for the last 8 years. I completed my masters degree in Early Childhood Education from American International college in Springfield, MA. On a personal level I married my best friend in 2006. We welcomed our son Ethan in August of 2007, just after our first anniversary! Our second child, a beautiful baby girl we named Addison, blessed us with her presence in May of 2010. And we just welcomed baby number 3 this past September,

another precious baby girl we named Amelia. Since the arrival of our 3rd child I have hung up my teaching heels for the time being to be an at home mom. The best job in the world!

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

My favorite place at Brandeis was the basketball court. This is where I had learned to push through obstacles, lead by example, laugh until I cried, cry on the shoulder of a good friend and be the best person I could be! Being a part of the women's basketball team made my Brandeis experience the most rewarding.



Danielle Friedman Kalan



Share your most interesting travel experience:

I studied abroad in Edinburgh, Scotland during my Brandeis junior year, and while I was there we took a trip up to the Scottish Highlands. One of the guides on that trip told us about the West Highland Way, a 90 mile hiking trail traversing the mountains and moors of the that region. I decided at that moment that I would be back to do that trek someday.

In July of 2012, my husband Elliott and I flew to Scotland and hiked the 2nd half of the West Highland Way, from Bridge of Orchy to Fort William. It was both incredibly beautiful and challenging, and I was thrilled to say we actually did it. We got soaked in the ever-present rain, didn't quite acquire a taste for whiskey, and met some wonderful people along the way.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

The most meaningful, lasting impact Brandeis has had on my life is the people I met in my four years there. Ten years later, they are still among my very closest friends, people I think about and communicate with almost every day. Some I see multiple times per week, others only as often as our distant geography permits, but it has been an amazing journey to fully grow into our adult lives together. Thank you, Brandeis, for such a smart, caring, interesting and all around wonderful second family.











Jake Kamins



Life since Brandeis...Graduated from Lewis & Clark Law School, May 2009
Married Jackie, September 2009
Son Mason born October 2010
Daughter expected May 2014

Worked as a Deputy District Attorney for Multnomah County (Portland, OR), 2009-2013 Currently employed as Oregon's first-ever statewide Animal Cruelty Deputy District Attorney





Nicole Karlebach



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis, Nicole earned her J.D. at Boston College Law School. She has worked at People for the American Way Foundation, the United Nations, Human Rights First and most recently served as a litigation associate at Schulte Roth & Zabel, LLP in New York. Nicole is currently pursuing her LL.M. degree

at New York University School of Law in International Legal Studies and is a Research Fellow for the NYU Stern Center for Business and Human Rights. In September 2013, she married Matthew Hoisington whom she met during law school at Boston College.



Rebecca Karp



Life since Brandeis...

Upon graduating from Brandeis, I interned at the National Portrait Gallery and the Natural History Museum in DC. I then worked at a small art museum in DC called the Kreeger Museum before attending UMass Amherst for a master's degree in Art History.

I worked at the Baltimore Museum of Art as the School Programs Coordinator until 2011 when I moved to Hanover, NH to work as the Assistant Curator of Education at the Hood Museum of Art at Dartmouth College.

One fact that people often find interesting is that I play roller derby with a league in Concord, NH that is part of the Women's Flat Track Roller Derby Association.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Professor Stephen Whitfield left the biggest impression on me. He was and is an incredible scholar, lecturer, and educator. I still go back to notes I took in his class, remember certain lectures he gave, and go back to the books that he wrote. I took the first of many of his courses my first semester and was really intimidated. Within the first week he knew everyone by name and established a rapport with each of us.





Shira Cantor Katchen



Life since Brandeis...

Shortly after graduation I moved to Israel for three years, where I organized extracurricular programming for post-high school students on gap year programs. I met my husband and got married in Jerusalem. We then moved to England for two years, where we served as the Jewish chaplains for Oxford University.

Our next move was to Toronto, where we have been living for the past five years. In 2012 I completed a Master of Teaching degree from the University of Toronto, where I researched crosscurricular arts-based education. We have two children: Orli, who is nearly five years old, and Akiva, who is two. I currently teach at a private elementary school.











Sheila Kaufman

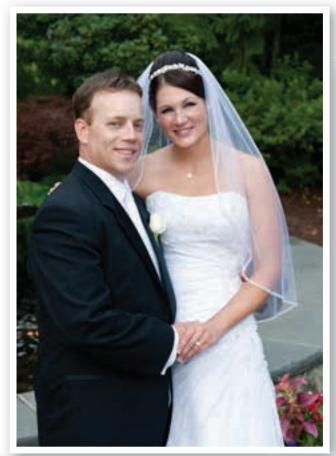


Life since Brandeis...Baby-catching in Philly.



Audra Lyn Kirtland













Allison Klein



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis, I migrated from Queens County to Kings (aka Brooklyn!), and I was lucky enough to find a place that I love to work so much that I've been there for 9 years! Though my job has changed over the years from part-time data entry to playing a major role in the product development department, the constant has been working with fantastic people to help arts organizations thrive.

When I'm not working, I'm an avid theatre-goer and I've developed a love for cooking. For the past six or so years, I participate in an almost-weekly dinner club with two of my Brandeis classmates where one of us cooks for the other two. It's truly something I look forward to every week.

I've traveled internationally a bit--to Scotland, France, Israel, Dubai, India and Taiwan--and also around the states, mostly to visit my favorite Brandeisians.











Marc Kolpon



Life since Brandeis...

It's hard to believe it has been 10 years already. Much has happened since leaving Waltham. After Brandeis, I moved out to Chicago and received my medical degree. In 2008, almost 8 years after meeting at Brandeis Freshman Orientation, Susan Abrams and I got married. In June 2012, we had a little girl, Rebecca (Brandeis Class of 2034). She has given us such joy, and makes everyday special. We moved back to the East Coast in July 2012 Pennsylvania. I now practice emergency medicine, and help teach medical students at a nearby medical school. I continue to enjoy distance running, and will be completing my 14th marathon in Chicago in October.

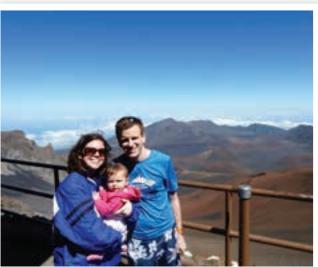
What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

Charles River near Grad, Castle Overlook, Chapel's Field and of course--East Hill (Nothing gets you going in the morning like hauling up the hill to get to breakfast at Usdan).

What life altering milestones have you experienced since Brandeis?

I turned 30!!











Susan Abrams Kolpon



Life since Brandeis...

Life certainly changes after college! Well, since 2004 I've worked at a couple of jobs, gone to Northwestern Law School, married Marc Kolpon, and we have a little girl. I've

especially loved seeing my awesome Brandeis friends frequently, as we roam all over the place and life takes us in surprising directions.





Diana Kuan



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Braindeis I've published a cookbook with Random House (The Chinese Takeout Cookbook, 2012) that I wrote and photographed, established myself as a cooking teacher at culinary schools around New York, and most recently, started a shop and design studio that sells food-inspired designs. Through a lot of trial and error, I've managed to combine the art education I received at Brandeis with my culinary training that came after into my dream career!

What's on your bucket list and what have you crossed off already?

Bucket list I had as an undergrad:

- 1. Live abroad as an adult
- 2. Publish a book
- 3. Publish an article in the New Yorker Have crossed off #1 and #2, still working on #3.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

Late night study sessions involving too much ice cream, concerts, outdoor movies, end-of-the-year fireworks. Oh, and all the amazing people I met here.



Craig Lareau



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis, I completed medical school at UMass in Worcester where I met my wife Thirza. She is a pediatrician and I'm finishing my orthopaedic surgery training at Brown.

We have two children (Daniel and Claire) and currently live in Rhode Island. In July, we will be moving to Charlotte for a year for my foot and ankle fellowship and then settling in western Massachusetts in 2015.









Rachel Lebeaux



Life since Brandeis...

Managing Editor at TechTarget in Newton, and a freelance food and travel writer. Have written for the Boston Globe, the Miami Herald, Time Out, Serious Eats and other outlets.

Worked as a newspaper reporter for three years in Wellesley and Newton. Won the New England Newspaper Association's "Rookie of the Year" award.

Married David Ertischek in 2011.

Have traveled extensively, including Japan, Peru, Israel, Spain and Costa Rica.

Still a Celtics fanatic, attend as many games as possible.

Share your most interesting travel experience:

Tie: Tracking turtles in Tortuguero, Costa Rica, and chasing cherry blossoms in Japan.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you? Steve Whitfield (AMST) taught me to always, always seek opportunities to learn and grow!





Beth S. Linas



What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

Brandeis instilled in me a passion to be a life long learner and activisit. As one of the first graduates of the Health: Society, Science and Society Program, I learned for the first time that health went beyond medical education and was a transdisiciplanary science that included social science, health policy and scientific perspectives of disease and treatment. The Health: Science, Socity and Policy program changed my career outlook and I became an epidemiologist because of the epidemiology course I took my senior year at Brandeis.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

One of my fondest memories of my time at Brandeis are my roommates. Lots of goofiness ensued with whom ever I lived with! Whether it was long sessions of watching *Will and Grace*, to late night conversations and goofiness in the Mods. All of these memories still make me smile.



Julie (Sarke) Manus



Life since Brandeis...

How crazy that it has been 10 years since we graduated?! After Brandeis, I worked for Hillel at Trinity College in Connecticut, then moved to Southern California, and moved back east to DC. I got married in 2008 and my husand Jeremy and I welcomed our son Andrew in June of 2012. Andy is a happy, funny, energetic little guy. I'm currently the Director for Business Development at AGB Search, LLC, an executive search firm specializing in higher education.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

I have many, many great memories of Brandeis. Emily Evans and I once got a whole room of Orientation Leaders to do the Electric Slide while we sang "Let's Hear it for the Boy" karaoke.

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

Does Cappy's count?











Anna Natsume



Life since Brandeis...

It's been 10 years since I moved from Waltham to New York City and I'm happy to call Brooklyn my home. It's been a challenge to balance work, marriage, family and friends while allowing time for personal growth but I've stayed close to my inner circle of Brandeis friends, and in some cases, grown closer to those I've gotten to know more as fellow NYC alumni. As I grow older, I've come to appreciate my Brandeis classmates as more than friends; seeing them start their own businesses and have families inspires me to keep pursuing my goals and look forward to the future. Here's to another decade of great memories and milestones for the class of '04!

What life altering milestones have you experienced since Brandeis?

In October 2011, my husband and I got married on a beautiful farmstead in the Loire Valley with six family members and honeymooned in the Greek Islands. Once we got back to the States, we had a party in Brooklyn to celebrate with our friends (many of them from Brandeis).

That same year, I also received my hard-earned green card, which has since allowed me to pursue new job opportunities.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

Every day I spent living with my girlfriends in Rosenthal, Ziv and Grad!











Amy Non



Life since Brandeis...

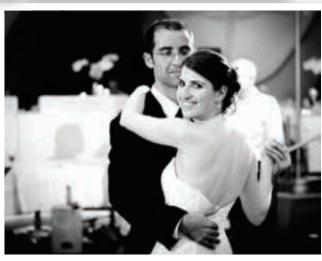
After graduating from Brandeis, Amy received a PhD in Anthropology and a Masters in Public Health at the University of Florida. In graduate school, she met Jorge Carlos Roman (Statistics, PhD), and they got married in San Juan, Puerto Rico in 2011. She then completed a 2 year postdoctoral fellowship as a Robert Wood Johnson Health and Society Scholar at

the Harvard School of Public Health. She is now an assistant professor of Anthropology, a member of the Center for Medicine, Health, and Society, and a member of the Center for Human Genetics Research at Vanderbilt University. Her research focuses on exploring epigenetics and other biological mechanisms underlying social and racial inequalities in health. Her husband is a professor of mathematics at Vanderbilt University.











Rachel and Ben Oh

Life since Brandeis...

I made many lifelong friends during my time at Brandeis--most notably, I met my beautiful, intelligent, thoughtful, and loving wife, Rachel when we were both on the Track & Field team. Together, we've committed ourselves to convince as many of our dear college friends to relocate to this amazing wonderland in the Pacific Northwest we're now dubbing, Port-Deis.

Rachel and I have a darling 3-year old girl, Maya, and are eagerly anticipating the birth of our second daughter any day now. We have been proud to call Portland home for almost 10 years since graduating, and we hope you come visit sometime!













Naomi Orensten





Sarah Orzalli



Life since Brandeis...

In the last ten years, I've lived in beautiful cities, studied, worked, had good times with friends new and old, and had a multitude of adventures. Through it all, the lessons learned and friends made at Brandeis have been there to support me. Some

highlights: dancing at so many Brandeis weddings, Edinburgh, skydiving, Jeopardy, working to support abortion providers, volunteering at the 2004 Democratic convention, Grant Park 2008, being a voiceover artist, Sunday walks in Prospect Park, Whisky dog, cruise with Grandma.









Michael Paller



Life since Brandeis...

After college I moved to Portland Oregon and served as the Regional Field Director for the Young Voter Project during the 2004 presidential campaign. After the election I moved to Chiang Mai, Thailand where I received a grant to work with the Human Rights Education Institute of Burma (HREIB). At HREIB I conducted research on refugees, migrant workers, child soldiers and human trafficking. In 2006 I moved to Bangkok and enrolled in a Masters of International Development Studies program at Chulalongkorn University. While studying in Bangkok, I also worked at the United Nations Development Program. After completing the MA, I returned to Chiang Mai and HREIB to manage a research project exploring the situation of children

affected by armed conflict. I served as the Deputy Director of HREIB until 2012 and then moved to New York to work with Open Society Foundations.

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis? Sachar Woods

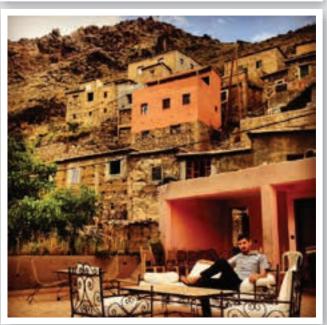
Share your most interesting travel experience:

I facilitated a child rights training with a group of soldiers from a non-state armed group on the China-Burma border.











Rachel Peacock



Life since Brandeis...

Life has been exciting since graduating from Brandeis. I went on a whirlwind tour of Europe with Michelle Gaba and Sharon Goldsmith the summer after graduation. In 2005, I moved to Sydney, Australia to study environmental science at the University of Sydney. I also reconnected with Mark, who I met while travelling the year before. In 2007, I began working for the New South Wales Environment Protection Authority where I develop and implement policy on contaminated land management. Mark and I got married in Simsbury, Connecticut in 2009. We bought a house on the Central Coast of NSW in 2011 and had a little boy, Daniel Aaron, in 2012.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Dan Perlman, Environmental Studies.

Dan's ability to create the world he was teaching you about is incredible. Every lecture included countless photographs he had taken himself that perfectly demonstrated the lesson of the day in an interesting and captivating way. Dan encouraged his students to not only learn the topic relating to the course, but to embrace certain skills that could be used beyond the classroom, from writing a scientific paper to appreciating the beauty of the world around us.









David Arenas Pearlman



Life since Brandeis...

After graduating college, I earned a J.D. from Boston University School of Law in 2007. Licensed in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Washington D.C., I've operated my own legal practice called Pearlman Legal Enterprises since 2012. The firm specializes in plaintiff side labor and employment law litigation, as well as consumer protection claims. I also serve as Of Counsel for multiple small businesses, the most recent of which is KPZ International Group, an exporter of medical supplies, devices, and pharmaceutical products.

In addition to practicing law, I am actively involved in my hometown of Brookline, Massachusetts, where I am serving my first term as an elected member of Brookline Town Meeting, the main legislative body. I remain an avid roller blader, road tripper, and patron of the arts, frequently visiting museums and galleries. Having been to all 50 states and all 30 active Major League Baseball stadiums, I am now methodically focusing on foreign travel itineraries. A memorable trip to Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, and El Salvador last September merely whetted my proverbial appetite for additional forays. Stay tuned for the next reunion update!



Sara Phillips



Life since Brandeis...

Thank you to my Brandeis friends who supported and helped me through my darkest times. You are all true friends and I wouldn't be here, or who I am today without your support and love. Truly! There's life after Brandeis? Highlights: Americorps, law school at michigan state, survived near death, moved home to FL, finished law school at UF, passed the bar, moved out to Oregon.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

Sometimes I feel like I'm not living up to my potential with the recent surge of scholarship produced at Brandeis, and for such a low price! Perhaps one day I too may have the luxury to research and write about the mythical jack-ass as the Jehuda has now made such research socially acceptable.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

Non-Sherman memories: sleepovers with Helene, driving various bran-like vans with Helene, mountain club/ hitchhiking with Yelena, sleepovers under Rogers bed, all of junior year when it was just me and Emily, free fooding, visiting Avner and Emmanuel, the survivors and surviving times! Indeed, we have all paid a hefty price for these summer camp like memories, indeed a summer camp would have been much cheaper. And I wouldn't still be enslaved by debt or envious of my wise friends who saw the gimmick of college for what it was. In fact I do feel silly recounting these memories in light of what Brandeis has become, the Brandeis establishment. This is not to say I am not fortunate for being able to attend such a wonderful school with wonderful students and professors and staff. I urge you all to restoring Brandeis to what it should be.











Dr. Kathy Pruzan

Life since Brandeis...

Dr. Kathy Pruzan is a clinical psychologist and the Director of Evaluation Services at the Center for Motivation and Change in NYC. Her work focuses on evidence-based treatments for

substance abuse. She also has an interest in sports psychology and has worked with athletes at all levels on issues related to performance, anxiety, and substance abuse.



Jeff Rosenspan

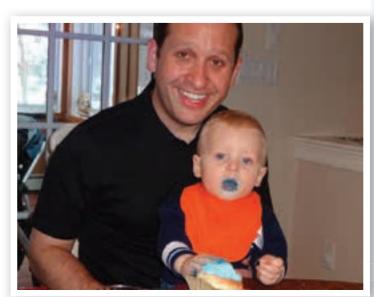


Life since Brandeis...

I currently teach MCAT and LSAT preparation courses online and in person. I hold weekly classes at Boston-area colleges; I have taught at Harvard, MIT, Brandeis, Wellesley, Boston University, and Boston College. I handle personal statement review, test preparation, interview strategy, and general application support.

What's on your bucket list and what have you crossed off already?

I am married to a wonderful woman, we are blessed with an amazing son, and we spend as much time as possible with our parents and grandparents.





Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Professor Tim Rose, General Chemistry. I teach chemistry principles every day of the week, and all of them are lessons from Tim Rose's class from 14 years ago. I never thought his class would have such an impact, but I think of his work every day.







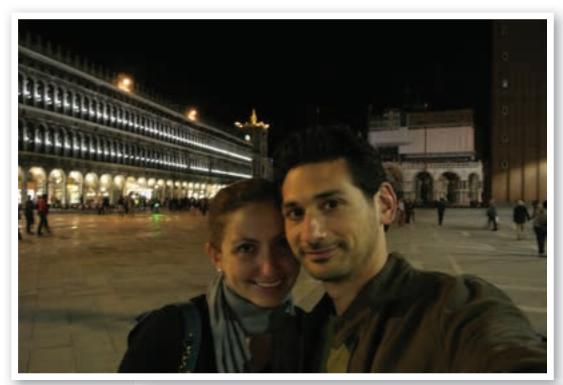
Heath Sandak



Life since Brandeis...

I currently reside in New York City with my fiancée, Melissa. We met during our first year of law school at Cornell which we graduated from in 2008. After law school, I worked for five years at White & Case LLP and Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP

in their capital markets and energy and infrastructure practice groups before recently deciding that I need more sleep (and to spend more time with my bride-to-be). We are getting married in October of this year and I am looking forward to the mini-Brandeis reunion at our wedding.







Jocelyn Scheinert

Life since Brandeis...

After 4 wonderful years at Brandeis, I went off to Tufts U School of Medicine, where I decided on specializing in Radiology. Towards the end of medical school, I met my now husband, Eli, and off we moved to NYC for my Radiology Residency at

Montefiore Medical Center. For Fellowship, I am currently specializing in Breast and Body Imaging at Cornell, and will be moving to Bethesda in July 2014.

Most importantly, our family has since expanded, with our daughter, Brianna, joining us in Dec. 2012!



Amber-Dawn Mondejar Schiff

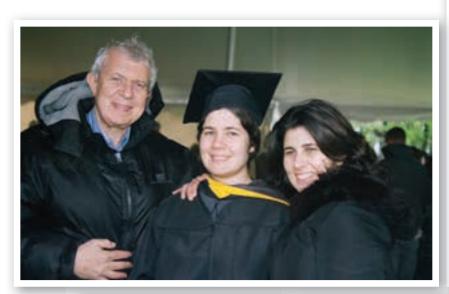


Life since Brandeis...

A lot has happened in the 10 years I have been out of college. I currently work for the Department of Education within the high school setting as a speech and language pathologist. I also recently got engaged to Joseph H. Nivin. We plan to marry this summer. I would also like to say that I am still in touch with friends from college. I am grateful for the friendships I have maintained 10 years after having graduated from college. I also greatly appreciate my supportive family, and fiance.

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

My favorite place was living in Ziv apartments with friends that I have until this day. We had a lot of fun chatting about movies, funny incidents and characters at Brandeis, and of course guys. I still remember our wall of inane quotes taken out of context (Dana, you had the best ones!), our adventures with centipedes, and devouring most of Parizad's rotli (I still miss it!). Those were fun but also challenging times for us to really learn about ourselves within a supportive network of friends.











Sol Schulman



Life since Brandeis...

In 2008, I married my lovely wife Ro Braunstein (now Schulman, although she fought hard for Braunschulsaurus). Together, we have had the opportunity to enjoy many unique travels and adventures. Our daughter Yael was born in 2011 and we very recently welcomed a second daughter Dalia to our increasingly cluttered home in Brookline, MA.

I graduated from the MD-PhD program at Harvard Medical School in 2012 and am currently an internal medicine resident at Brigham and Women's Hospital. This summer I will begin fellowship training in hematology-oncology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, where I will continue to pursue my interest in blood coagulation.





Laura Schwartz



Share your most interesting travel experience:

I studied abroad in Lyon as a graduate student and was very glad to have the French I learned at Brandeis to utilize as no one else in my class spoke French! I was the designated translator on all of our field trips.

What life altering milestones have you experienced since Brandeis?

I obtained an MBA degree in healthcare management in December 2012. $\,$



Travis Seifman



Life since Brandeis...

Since graduating from Brandeis, I have interned at the MFA, Smithsonian, and Japan Society, earned two MAs, from SOAS and the University of Hawaii, and have spent a fair bit of time in Japan. I am now pursuing a PhD in History at UC Santa Barbara, in the hopes of entering a career in academia or the museum world, and am missing both Boston and Hawaii very much.

What's on your bucket list and what have you crossed off already?

My bucket list. Well, I've done so many things I never expected to be on my list. I've lived in Hawaii. I now play a musical instrument - the Okinawan sanshin - and have performed on the radio and at large gatherings. I've been in a Kabuki play, and served as dramaturg. I've traveled in Okinawa, interned at the Smithsonian, co-curated an art exhibit, become quite a bit more fluent in Japanese, and begun studying Chinese.

Things yet to do: work at the MFA, PEM, Met, or Asian Art Museum. Live in NYC, SF, Kyoto, or again in Honolulu. Curate a full exhibit of Okinawan art. Publish a book or two or three. Speak on TV, or otherwise work for a media project as historical consultant. Visit China. Find my soulmate, get married, and have a house of our own.

Which Brandeis professor left the biggest impression on you?

Prof. William Kapelle (History) certainly left a big impression, and I continue to think of him, his energy, and teaching style.

But I have to say no one has had such an influence on me as Sekino-sensei, who taught Japanese at Brandeis for many years before retiring this past year. Hearing of her retirement, and thinking of how much she has done for me, and how long it has been since I saw her, I began to get emotional. If not for Sekinosensei, my Japanese wouldn't be as good as it is, and my interest in Japan would not have been inspired, fanned, and maintained as strongly as it has been. Ten years later, here I am, studying Japanese history as a PhD student. And it's all thanks to her kindness, encouragement, and tough approach to pushing us as students.







Michelle (Smith) Shain



Life since Brandeis...

After graduating from Brandeis, I moved to Israel and spent four years living in Jerusalem. I spent some time learning at the Conservative Yeshiva and then got an MA from the Avraham Harman Institute of Contemporary Jewry at the Hebrew University. I also married fellow Brandeis alum Adam Shain ('04, MA'04) in September 2006. Adam and I moved back to the Boston area in 2008.

We currently live in Sharon, MA with our two children: David (4 years old) and Elizabeth (3 years old). I am in my 3rd year of the PhD program at the Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis, and I work as a Research Associate at the Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies.





Ben Shiller

Life since Brandeis...

So much has changed since graduating in 2004 – life as an undergrad seems like a distant (but awesome) memory. Professionally, I have obtained my PhD in Applied Economics from the Wharton School. After a 1 year postdoc at the National Bureau of Economic Research, I returned to where my interest in economics all started, Brandeis! However, I returned, not as a student, but rather as a professor. I now teach some of the same classes I took. Yes, at first it felt strange being on the other side, and being a colleague of several of my favorite professors. I have also published several articles, had my research covered in The Economist, Forbes, and The Washington Post, and served on expert panels.

At Brandeis, I was sometimes a bit shy. I probably would not have approached my stunningly beautiful wife to ask her out then. Thankfully, a few years later, I did. Laurie and I are now happily married, and hopefully soon will own a home. She is a child psychiatrist, and great violin player on the side. She also has a few other accomplishments.

I can't wait to see everyone.

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

It was my fondest and saddest memory from Brandeis - the last day of the fall semester of my junior year. I had just had the most enjoyable 3 months of my life to that point. I, like many others, had planned to study abroad. But I wasn't excited at all. I wanted to stay at Brandeis and have another semester just as fun. I convinced myself that I didn't want to cancel, and I would see all of my friends again. That last night, when Reggie prevented me from driving home after going 30 hours without sleep, was sadly the last time I saw him. I will never forget him.







Dave Shutoff



Life since Brandeis...

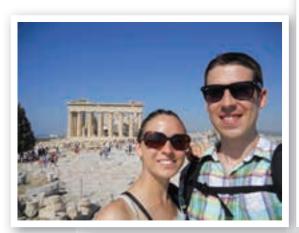
Over the past nine months I've been lucky enough to co-chair the 10th Reunion committee along with my good friend, Daniela Egan. This experience has given me an unexpected opportunity to reconnect with Brandeis and with many '04 alums that I hadn't spoken to since graduation. As we introduced (or re-introduced) ourselves on the first Reunion committee call, I was incredibly impressed by how well and how much so many of my classmates had done over the past 10 years. For fear of how my last decade stacks up, I'll keep this as brief as possible.

Like many who graduated prior to 2008, I imagined that a Brandeis diploma was a ticket to the high-paying job of my choice. Never mind the fact that I double majored in French and Anthropology with no clue what I wanted to do. I ended up in an entry level position at an educational travel company planning international tours for high school student groups. I had studied abroad and was interested in travel, but it was not an industry that I knew existed. Nearly 10 years later, travel has become a career and I actually found a way to use that French major.

While I wasn't quite sure where I'd end up going after graduation, I was always pretty sure who I'd be going with. In June of 2007, I got engaged to the woman you'll remember as Kelly Reed, almost seven years after we met on campus in September, 2000. Without any persuasion on my part (quite the contrary actually), she agreed to take the Shutoff name on August

16, 2008. We were married in Belmont, MA and our guests stayed at the Newton Marriott where many of you are staying for the Reunion. All of my groomsmen were fellow residents of the first floor of Scheffres Hall freshman year. Kelly and I have lived in the Boston area since graduation, spending most of our time in Brookline before buying a house in Salem in 2011. That year we were also thrilled to welcome the newest member of the Shutoff family. His name is Milo, and he is a 16 pound 3 ounce, longhaired Norwegian Forest Cat. When she's not napping on the couch with the cat, Kelly is a dental hygienist at a private practice in Boston and a clinical hygiene instructor.

There are very few elements of my life today that I'm unable to trace back to Brandeis. I'm grateful for everything the university has given me and I've been thrilled to reconnect with so many people in the context of the Reunion. I regret that I won't be able to join in the festivities this weekend. June 6th marks the beginning of our 10th Reunion celebration. It also represents the 70th anniversary of the Allied landings in Normandy on D-Day. My grandfather, Louis Shutoff, was a member of the infantry that came ashore on Omaha beach early that morning. My family and I will be in Normandy to celebrate the heroics of my grandfather and those like him. Although I wish I could be in Waltham, I'd like to think this qualifies as an excusable absence. I will be sure it's less than a decade before I catch up with everyone again.











Kelly Shutoff

Life since Brandeis...

After graduating I began working in human services in several capacities, from direct care to program management to service planning for adults with developmental disabilities. I then transitioned to quality assurance within the same field, conducting risk assessment to establish quality improvement measures. After several years I was anxious for a complete change.

I am currently a Registered Dental Hygienist practicing in Boston. I am also a clinical faculty member at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences University. I am enjoying this balance between private practice and education.

Dave Shutoff and I met Freshman year at Brandeis and continued dating after college. Following a perfect proposal during a pincnic canoe trip down the Charles, we got married in front of our nearest and dearest in Belmont in 2008. We now live in the heart of Witch City, Salem, Massachusetts, and are the proud parents of a big-boned feline named Milo, who provides us with great entertainment and joy.



Rachel Silverman



Life since Brandeis...

After graduation, I moved to New York for JTS rabbinical school. Two weeks after ordination, I met my husband, Josh Bob (class of '01). We got married in October of 2012 and bought a home in Boston in August of 2013 - coincidentally 2 blocks away

from my freshman year roommate! I feel blessed to see so many friends from Brandeis on a regular basis, through my book club, in my community, and when our families get together. In my professional life, I'm a rabbi at Congregation Kehillath Israel in Brookline and I truly love the work that I do.









Ted Silverman



Life since Brandeis...

After leaving Brandeis I worked in finance for a few years before pursuing my MBA at NYU Stern, concentrating in Real Estate Finance. After meeting my amazing wife-to-be in Boston,

we relocated to the NYC area where I accepted an executive position at a boutique Real Estate Investment firm. We own and operate a diverse portfolio of commercial real estate assets. The love of my life Elena and I were married in Kinston, MA in the fall of 2012 and continue to enjoy our newlywed status!











Lauren and Andrew Stefano

Life since Brandeis...

Andrew and I married shortly after graduation in December of 2004. We've stayed in the Boston area since then, living first in Watertown, then Allston and now back in Watertown. We have two wonderful daughters, Robyn (who some of you may remember as a 3-week-old at our 5th reunion) and Julia (born in 2012).

I left the non-profit world in 2008 and became a digital marketer. I currently work for Citizens Bank.

After spending 3 years as a public school teacher, Andrew got involved in the tech start-up sector. He currently works for WordStream in the Back Bay.





Callan Stein



Life since Brandeis...

After leaving Brandeis I attended the Boston University School of Law from 2004-2007. In the summer of 2007 I took and passed the Massachusetts and Rhode Island bar exams, and have worked continuously as an attorney in the litigation department

of Donoghue Barrett & Singal, PC. since September 2007. My law practice focuses primarily on corporate and commercial civil litigation, white collar criminal defense, and healthcare litigation. I am recently married, and live in Washington Square in Brookline, MA.



Shiloh Sundstrom

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:Best friends and Brandeis Track and XC team



Julie Szymczak



Life since Brandeis...

Since leaving Brandeis I completed a PhD in Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania, married Evan Lerner (also class of 2004) and grown to love Philadelphia. I am currently a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. My research focuses on understanding how the social organization of medical work influences the uptake of standards, guidelines and evidence-based practice.

What impact did Brandeis have on your life?

Brandeis has impacted my life profoundly. My academic experience was superb and the faculty I interacted with deeply influenced my decision to pursue academia as a career. I also met my husband at Brandeis and remain good friends with a number of people from our class. Although we are all flung far and wide, when we gather to celebrate weddings and babies, it is as if no time has passed at all.





Teddy Tarallo



Life since Brandeis...

The past 10 years have been quite a whirlwind; I have grown both professionally and personally. After graduating from Brandeis, I worked at various jobs searching for my ideal career path, and for the past seven years I have been a high school math teacher for at-risk youth in Salem, MA. To help these students graduate has been a rewarding experience, and it has guided me towards my career path of becoming a school administrator in the future.

In 2011, I decided to become more actively involved in my community and ran for Waltham School Committee. After a challenging campaign season, I am proud to say I emerged victorious. During my first two years in office, we have been able to make some great changes towards getting Waltham's schools on a better track.

As rewarding as my professional life has been, my personal life has been even more wonderful. On a cold day in January 2010, I purchased my first home and met my beautiful future wife, Lauren; from that day forward, I felt everything in my life fell into place. Lauren and I were married on October 13, 2012 in the presence of our closest family and friends at the Elm Court, a former Vanderbilt mansion that is located in the Berkshires. Since our wedding, we have gone on a fabulous honeymoon to London and Paris, and this past summer, we rescued an amazing little puppy named Penny Lane, who has brought even more love and happiness to our life together.











Dana Blankschtein Tilkin



Life since Brandeis...

I am so excited to be participating in this year's reunion! I greatly enjoyed our five year reunion and catching up with my classmates!

Since our graduation I have remained in the Boston area and worked in psychology research in anxiety and depression before returning to school and studying clinical social work. I work as a geriatric and palliative care social worker in two healthcare settings. It is an amazing privilege to work with clients and their families!

I live in Somerville with my amazing husband Doug and our beloved guinea pig Apples. I enjoy hanging out and sampling what Boston has to offer as well as singing in my community choir Voices of Harmony! I can't wait to reconnect with my fellow classmates this summer!

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

I loved getting hot chocolate at the Shapiro building and just wandering around campus!

Share your fondest Brandeis memory:

Most of my favorite memories are study sessions with friends in our dorm rooms that often included late night conversations, watching soap operas with my Ziv suitemates, and just bonding with folks on Moody Street and going to Lizzy's!











Dara Wald



Life since Brandeis...

Dara continued to use the Biology and Environmental Studies degrees she earned at Brandeis. She worked at the New England Aquarium, Brown University and then pursued a Masters and PhD in the Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation at the University of Florida. She now works as a Postdoctoral Scholar at Arizona State University and lives in Phoenix with her husband and her 2 year old daughter.

Share your most interesting travel experience:

Taking my 1 year old to Nicaragua to visit a coffee farm in the middle of a rainforest. $\,$



Sharon (Goldsmith) Weber

Life since Brandeis...

Where do I begin...the last 10 years were quite eventful. The most exciting news is the daily blessing of our beautiful daughter, Ava. She officially came into our lives at the end of August 2013 and ever since, she brings endless love and happiness into our home. Prior to Ava's birth, life was not nearly as much fun as it is now. I became a Physician Assistant, worked in a Pediatric Cardiac ICU and then as of September 2011, I have been a Pediatric Heart Transplant Coordinator. The only other significant event in my life was marrying my wonderful husband,

Jaret Weber '00 in May 2008. He continues to brag that he won HOY (Husband of the Year) awards for 5 consecutive years and he expects to win FOY (Father of the Year) award this year. All joking aside, I am the luckiest women in the world to have such an amazing husband and father to my daughter in my life. Over the past 10 years, he has been by my side every step of the way. One last thing and not any less important, my awesome Brandeis friends continue to be my closest friends, and I can't wait to share another 10 years with them.





Ora Wexler

Life since Brandeis...

After leaving Brandeis, I attended law school and moved back to Toronto to practice law. I'm currently working at the law firm Baker & McKenzie LLP as an associate in the corporate finance and securities group. In my free time, I like to play tennis and run.

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

Gosman gym, tennis courts, and all of the four residences in which I lived; North, Rosenthal, Ziv and the Mods.

What's on your bucket list and what have you crossed off already?

Running in a half marathon, which I completed last year. I've added to my bucket list the Goofy's Race and Half Challenge, which is a half marathon on Saturday through Disney's Magic Kingdom Park and Epcot, followed by a full marathon on Sunday through all four Walt Disney World theme parks.

Tristin Wildstein

Life since Brandeis...

Tristin stayed at Brandeis for a fifth year to complete her MA in NEJS and has since moved on to NYU and is pursuing her doctorate in Bilingual Education. As she completes her

dissertation, she is teaching in the Bilingual Education/TESOL program at City College of New York. Tristin welcomed her first child, Lilah Josi, on January 1, 2014 and can't image a better way to spend a New Year's Eve! She lives with her husband, daughter, and two dogs on the Upper West Side of Manhattan.

Jason B. Wright



Life since Brandeis...

Since my time spent at Brandeis, I continued my education recieving a PhD in Genetics from Dartmouth Medical school where I studied the molecular mechanisms underlying inherited risk for various cancer types. Over that time period I started a family with my wife Erica and we currently have two children, Emerson age 5 and Kevin age 9.

Since completing my graduate work, I have been doing research at the Broad Institute of Harvard and MIT, studying the genetic underpinnings of complex disease, with a focus on Type 2 Diabetes and age related disorders.

I consider myself extremely lucky to be doing the kind of work I aspired to while studying at Brandeis. I often think back to my time there and I am very grateful for the scientific foundation my program at Brandeis established.



Shanna Zell



Life since Brandeis...

After Brandeis, I moved to New York City to pursue a career as a singer/songwriter. Two albums and many tours later, I switched paths to become a cantor. I am currently at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion completing my Masters of Sacred Music. I hope to blend these two careers!

Share your most interesting travel experience:

I will never forget my semester abroad at the University of Edinburgh. What an amazing opportunity!

What was your favorite place(s) at Brandeis?

There was a playground behind Massell that I loved to visit. That and Chum's were my favorite Brandeis haunts.



