

THE MOUNT SCOPUS COLLEGE FOUNDATION

- \* The Mount Scopus College Foundation was established in 1987 to support the Board of Governors and to be the body responsible for the major fundraising for the College providing funds for grounds, buildings and refurbishment, undertaking debt reduction and funding educational programs.
- \* It is comprised of corporations, families and individuals who each have donated a minimum of \$20,000 since 1987.
- \* Classifications of membership are: Members, Fellows, Benefactors, Founders, Trustees and Life Trustees.

1988 - 1996:

- \* Major works completed between 1989 and 1994 included: the construction of another floor onto the Basser Wing, with the assistance of the Alter, Hansky and Lubansky families, incorporating modern science and art facilities; and the purchase of 5 'state of the art' modular classrooms for the Smorgon Family Primary School.
- \* Between 1990 and 1995, \$3,769,000 was distributed to the College for subsidised tuition fees.
- \* As a result of the Gandel family donation in 1994 of \$1,500,000, a major refurbishment and development program was completed. It included the total refurbishment of 19 classrooms and 8 toilet blocks, replacement of 600 lockers, modernisation of chemistry and biology laboratories, provision of a new primary computer laboratory, the upgrading of all student and staff computer facilities, computerisation of the libraries, and the replacement of the Rose Hall ceiling and lighting with care for the acoustic balance. In appreciation, the campus at Burwood was dedicated as the Gandel Campus.
- \* In 1995, an extension was built to the Rose Hall which created the Susie and Eric Stock Drama Studio and extended the Sport and P.E. administration and storage areas.

1996 ONWARDS:

- \* 1996 saw the exterior of the buildings on the Gandel Campus rendered and painted, and the grounds of Gandel Besen House enhanced.
- \* The Board of Governors appointed Henry Lanzer as the third President of the Foundation.
- \* Marilyn Simon was appointed as Executive Officer to assist the Foundation attain its goals.
- \* In 1996, the physical projects that must be built to allow the College to progress and meet the needs of its present and future constituency, were identified. The challenge to the current Executive is to implement the Master Plan for the physical and educational needs of the College. This Master Plan incorporates the structural facilities that are vital for the School's development and growth. It will ensure that Mount Scopus Memorial College continues to maintain its high standards and to provide and substantially enhance its diverse programs in the Performing and Visual Arts, Sport, Jewish Studies, Humanities, Languages, and Science and Technology.
- \* In order to fulfil its vision, the Foundation aimed to raise between \$8 to \$10 million between the years 1996 and 2001 for the current Capital Campaign. \$7,000,000 has been pledged to date.
- \* An attractive Cafeteria was completed for the commencement of the 1997 school year at the Gandel Campus incorporating a new kitchen (and menu), modern facilities and a large shaded outdoor decking area. It has become a central focus for all activities at the College.
- \* The George and Gita Smorgon Sports Complex, incorporating the Rita and Sam Kras Basketball Centre, Jenny and Noel Levin Pavilion, Lustig and Moar Pool, Margie and Michael Small Tennis Centre, will be completed by the end of November, 1997. It includes the upgrading of all sporting facilities including regrading and drainage of the Skolnik Oval, renovation of the change rooms, construction of a new indoor sporting area, an electronic scoreboard, and provision of tiered, shaded spectator seating for both the oval and the realigned basketball courts at a cost of \$1,200,000.
- \* The remaining projects of this Capital Campaign for the Gandel Campus include:
  1. the Besen Family Performing Arts Centre, incorporating the Baron & Tashi Foyer and Plaza. It will be a 'state of the art' facility for the teaching and presentation of the performing arts, with a 2 level 1000 seat auditorium. The Foyer and Plaza will also be stand alone venues for functions and events. An adjunct will be expanded music and drama facilities and an outdoor amphitheatre.
  2. a new and only entrance to the Gandel Campus incorporating improved bus and car parking, leading to the Baron &Tashi Plaza.
  3. the Elizabeth and Nicholas Slezak Multi Media and Resource Centre which will cater to the research needs of staff and senior students with an extensive audio-visual centre, additional computer facilities, seminar and study rooms and a modern theatre. It will incorporate a refurbished Susie and Norman Rockman Library.
  4. completion of the refurbishment of senior science laboratories.
  5. a multi purpose hall for the Smorgon Family Primary School.
- \* In response to enrolment demand and demographic changes, plans are now being developed for the upgrading of Gandel Besen House and Fink Karp Ivany Campus.

Mount Scopus College Foundation Executive

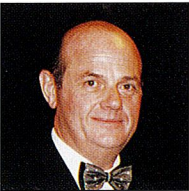
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1997 ANNUAL REPORT

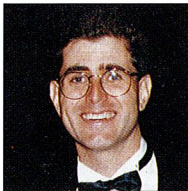
From the Chairman and the President.....



Solomon Lew

It is a privilege to share with you, in this report for Mount Scopus College Foundation members, the highlights and achievements of the past year; and our plans for the future.

At the 1996 Foundation Annual General Meeting we revealed the exciting projects identified by the College leadership that needed to be developed over the next 5 years. In the approach to the celebration of the College's Golden Jubilee, the professional and lay leaders had realised the need for new and refurbished facilities of outstanding quality for the students and staff to equal the excellence of our programs.



Henry Lanzer

These projects included:

- a complete sporting facility upgrade
- construction of the Besen Family Performing Arts Centre and expanded drama and music centres
- development of a new and only entrance to the Gandel Campus incorporating new bus and car parking and recreational areas
- refurbishment of the remaining senior science facilities
- the creation of the Elizabeth and Nicholas Slezak Multi Media and Resource Centre
- construction of a Multi Purpose Hall for the Primary School

The Foundation Executive fully endorsed these proposals and then proceeded to meet the challenge of raising the projected \$8,000,000 of expenditure to fund these developments.

Executive members immediately began this task by approaching current members and new prospects and were delighted by the response. We congratulate and thank our supporters who have recognised the importance that Jewish education plays in ensuring the continuity of our community and support for Israel. In particular, the central role of Mount Scopus College for Melbourne Jewry was acknowledged by donors who now come from the whole spectrum of Jewish belief.

The actual 1997 school year began on a very positive note with Hilton Rubin commencing his role as College Principal. Hilton has settled easily into this position and is already acknowledged for his professionalism, leadership, dedication and warmth. The students returned to school to the 'opening' of the much heralded Cafeteria. This modern and attractive Cafeteria with shaded decking area has become a focal point for students and staff, and has certainly added to the quality of school life.



The outdoor area of the new Cafeteria at the Gandel Campus

Invitation

MOUNT SCOPUS COLLEGE FOUNDATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6.00 pm - 7.30 pm MONDAY, 17 NOVEMBER, 1997

Graciously hosted by Rosie and Solomon Lew at their home, 'Whernside'  
2A WHERNSIDE AVENUE, TOORAK

This A.G.M. will also incorporate:

- the presentation of new member certificates
- the Leon Fink Memorial Award to the Baron Family
- the finalised plans of the Besen Family Performing Arts Centre and Baron & Tashi Foyer and Plaza
- the introduction of the newly appointed Performing Arts Director, Charles Slucki

Please RSVP by completing enclosed response form by Friday, 7 November, 1997. We look forward to seeing you!



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Looking south towards the extended and refurbished change rooms, and the electronic scoreboard during the upgrading of our sporting facilities.



Development of the spectator sports pavilion that will face both the oval and the basketball courts.

We take this opportunity to publicly thank and welcome the many individuals, families and corporations who have contributed to our success. We also thank Johnny Baker, College President, and the Board of Governors for their support.

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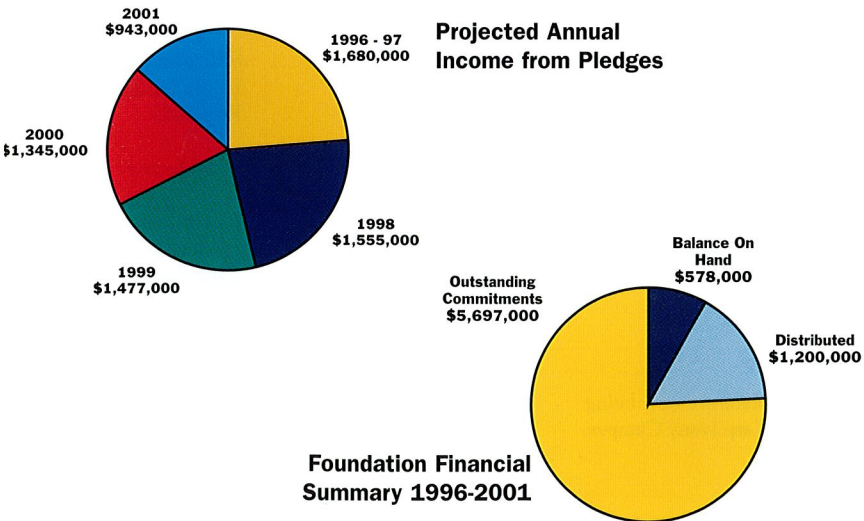
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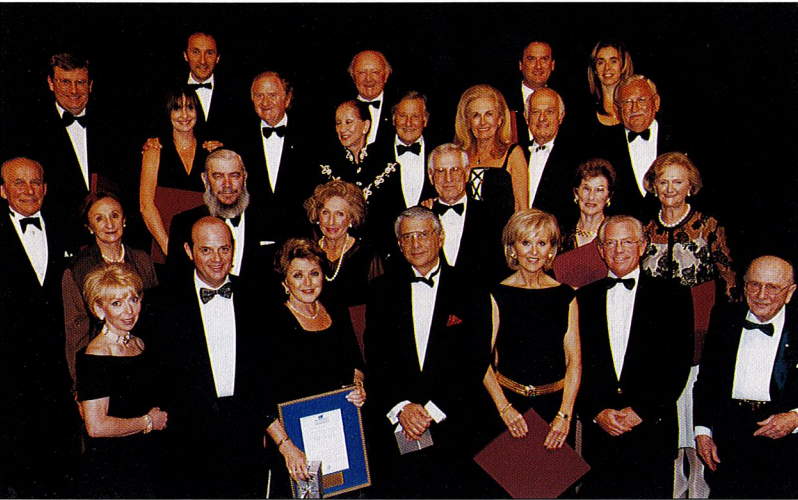
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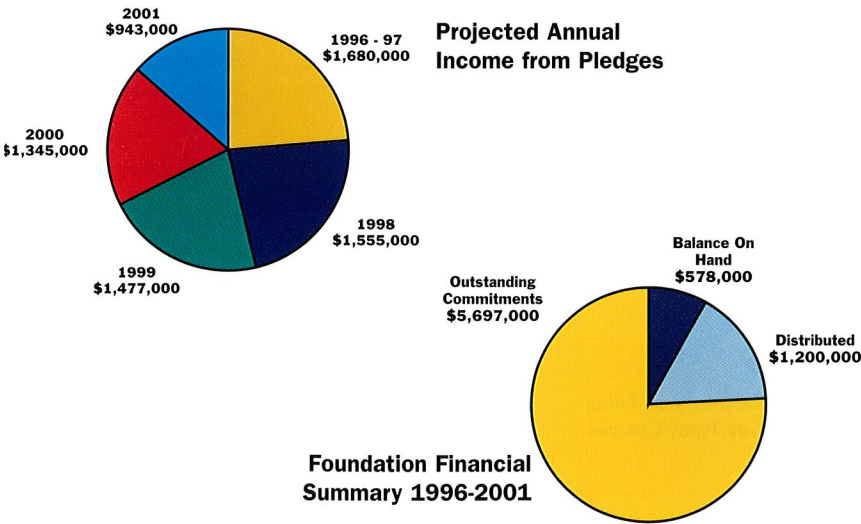
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