

Foundation

Mount Scopus Memorial College



OUR
FOUNDATION
FOR **SCOPUS**
VALUES



2014
ANNUAL
REPORT

INTRODUCING CHAIRMAN **TONY SMORGON** AND PRESIDENT **DAVID GOLD**

During 2014 the Foundation welcomed Tony Smorgon as its Chairman and David Gold as President.

Now, let's get to know them.

Tell us a little about you and your family.

Tony___ I am second generation Australian and I grew up in Melbourne. My wife Jennifer was born and raised in San Francisco. We have five children all of whom attend Mount Scopus College.

Jennifer is a meditation teacher and facilitator. She is also a Director on the Chopra Foundation Board working on a project in America called Self-Directed Biological Transformation Initiative.

David___ I grew up in Melbourne. Masha, my wife, grew up in New Zealand and Sydney. All four of my grandparents came to Australia from Poland - my father's parents just as war was breaking out and my mother's parents after the war. My family has a long history with Mount Scopus with both my mother and myself being graduates. Masha and I have four children in Years ranging from 1 to 8.



Tony, Jennifer and their family

What's your 'day' job?

Tony___ I am a Director of the Escor Group which has interests spread across three main areas: investment, property and philanthropy.

David___ I mentor, invest in and work with a range of technology businesses both here and overseas. This means often working odd hours but I find the work very challenging.

Has your family influenced or inspired your commitment to community - or what has?

Tony___ My parents have been tremendous role models, dedicating themselves to strengthening Jewish life in Australia and Israel. As a Wexner Heritage Alumni, a Jewish Study program designed to exercise transformative leadership and maximise long-term impact in Jewish communities, I have been extremely fortunate. This life changing experience allowed me the opportunity to study with leading Jewish thought leaders from around the world with a focus on Jewish leadership and literacy. I have also been very influenced by my mother-in-law Mem Bernstein, who is a wonderful mentor in Jewish education as the Chairman of the Avi Chai Foundation.

David___ Yes definitely. My maternal grandfather held leadership positions in UIA and was one of the founders of Keren Mishpachot Hagiborim (Friends of Beit Halochem) to support Israeli injured war veterans. My mother is actively involved in JNF and is a past president.



David, Masha and their family

You both have an impressive track record as lead volunteers for other organisations. What was it about Scopus that motivated you to take on such a significant leadership role?

Tony___ I am encouraged by the passion, commitment and generosity that our Foundation members as well as the broader Scopus community have shown in supporting the school. I am convinced that a Scopus education enables the energising nucleus for our community. With five young children, I felt compelled to direct my energy and passion towards strengthening Jewish education and to build on the great achievements of so many dedicated individuals, both past and present.

David___ Having been a leader of the Jewish student movement globally, I have seen the impressive results of our community in terms of commitment to Judaism and Israel. The bedrock of this is our Jewish Day Schools and the bedrock of the Day Schools is Mount Scopus. Scopus has now shaped generations of this community and I believe is well placed to continue to do this.

What do you see as the main challenges for Scopus, the Foundation and our community?

Tony___ I recognise the tremendous challenges Scopus faces in order to remain a leading school. We need to inspire commitment from more of the younger members of our Scopus community by way of support and involvement.

To quote one of the Jewish world's leading philanthropists Les Wexner, "Typically the path into the future is about change, it is different, it is reinvention. As leaders we have to lead the change because what got us here won't get us there."

David___ Scopus has ongoing and challenging needs at a time when school fees are rising. There is clearly the risk of a tipping point that will make the cost of a Jewish school education prohibitive for many families. In addition there are the ongoing capital needs of the school. The challenge both for Scopus and the community is to make a Jewish education as affordable as possible while maintaining outstanding academic results within a world-class infrastructure.

What do you hope the effect of your involvement will be? What do you hope your children will take from witnessing such deep involvement?

Tony___ I hope that my involvement will drive generational change and introduce new initiatives to strengthen the College.

Given the enormity of the challenges that we face to ensure that Mount Scopus remains at the forefront of Jewish Day Schools, I hope that our Foundation will achieve great success in its fundraising endeavours and attract more involvement from the entire Scopus community.

I am proud of my leadership role at Mount Scopus. I hope that by witnessing my passion and enthusiasm for strengthening Jewish life here and abroad my children will follow by example.

David___ There is no doubt both the school and the community will face a challenging time ahead and this can make the task ahead quite daunting. I am sure, though, that there have been many periods in the past when the challenges ahead seemed just as daunting. I am confident that we can position the school well to face any challenges. I hope my involvement will inspire my children to get involved communally and to see the importance of helping others - in the same way that my parents and grandparents inspired me.

After all your family, work and community commitments, is there time for relaxing?

Tony___ I derive great pleasure in playing with our children, be it bike riding, swimming, basketball, tennis or playing music. My hobbies are photography and videography.

Footy?

Tony___ Carlton

David___ We enjoy travelling and navigate to warm environs. I also enjoy spending time with my family, especially watching my sons play AJAX footy.

David___ Collingwood. Enough said.

Final words?

Tony___ My experience living in California gave me a great sense of what I value about the Melbourne Jewish community. I believe that Scopus represents the very best of what we stand for and I am delighted to have re-located back to my hometown so my family can enjoy the finest education and benefit from our close-knit community.

The Scopus mission is to engender values, knowledge and skills. It's in this environment that our students seamlessly learn why it's important to preserve their heritage. If we wish Scopus to retain the highest standards of excellence, we need to grow and strengthen our Foundation to ensure our children remain confident, knowledgeable Jews, who are strongly connected to Israel.

David___ One of the things I have learnt through my involvement is how much has been achieved with the \$47 million the Foundation has raised. One should never underestimate the significance of every new member nor the renewed commitments of existing members. The impact historically has been enormous and enabled not only Scopus, but more importantly its students; to grow in ways that otherwise would not have been possible. The journey continues and I look forward to sharing our vision with as many of our parents, grandparents and wider community members who desire to shape the next generation of our community by building our Foundation for Scopus Values.



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OUR TRIBUTES TO HENRY LANZER

When David Gold accepted the invitation to be Foundation President this year, he did so acknowledging that he had very big shoes to fill. Retiring President, Henry Lanzer, who had been in the role for eighteen years, has made an enormous contribution and is held in the highest regard far and wide. He had also previously served as our College Treasurer from 1990 to 1996.

The results of Henry's active participation and leadership over twenty-five years has affected thousands of students and their families, and had a major impact on the Melbourne Jewish community. His contribution to strategic planning for the College in all areas cannot be underestimated.

During the years of his Presidency, Henry, together with former Chairman Solomon Lew, was responsible for raising thirty-six million dollars. This has funded major and world-class capital works projects such as the Sports Complex, Performing Arts Centre, Early Learning Centre, Multimedia and Technology Centre and two new primary schools. Significant support for students to participate in our Israel Experience Program, for bursaries and fee relief programs was also secured. Henry's motivation was simply always providing the best Jewish education possible for as many children as possible.

At last year's Celebration Dinner, Solomon Lew paid tribute to Henry saying "One of my greatest pleasures has been the opportunity to work in partnership with Henry Lanzer, the Foundation's tireless President. With the support of Janette and his family, Henry has committed extraordinary amounts of time, expertise and energy to progress the Foundation and the College.

"His dedication is simply unparalleled and thousands of students have reaped the rewards of his efforts. Henry, the College, and the community, is truly blessed to have your deep commitment."

Principal, Rabbi Kennard, endorses these sentiments. "Our tremendous appreciation goes to Henry Lanzer for his very effective fundraising, his passionate support for the College and its endeavours and for the wise counsel which he has given so graciously during my principalship and to those before me. And we look forward to it long continuing."

The final words of praise belong to Johnny Baker. (College President 1994-2004)

"Looking over the past twenty-five years of Mount Scopus College, it would be fair to say that Henry Lanzer has made an unparalleled impact on where we currently sit. His unique contribution has been one of breadth and depth. Throughout the latter half of the school's history, Henry has been the singular common denominator that has straddled the divide between the College Executive and Foundation. He has been central to the great fundraising efforts of the Foundation whilst at the same time, has helped ensure that Mount Scopus remains true to its core educational and communal ideals.



"Throughout the period of my College Presidency, Henry served as a wise counsel and guiding force. His attitude to finances was disciplined but compassionate; to Jewish values, creative but principled; to parents and staff, demanding but fair. All this carried out with dignity, modesty and in accordance with deep-seated values and far-reaching vision.

"Through his involvement with the College Henry has been an anchor and a captain. He is a leader who can simultaneously keep the ship steady and turn the boat around, always charting a course towards a clearly defined horizon. The Scopus community is gratified that notwithstanding his official retirement, he will remain involved. We hope that he and Janette will continue to enjoy the fruits of their labour."

Incoming Chairman Tony Smorgon and President, David Gold, have enjoyed Henry's counsel and guidance and are deeply appreciative that he has offered his assistance whenever it is needed in the future.

Henry could not have achieved so much and given so much if it were not for the encouragement and support of his family. To Janette, Jeremy, Michael and Natalie, we also say a warm and sincere thank you.

Henry, the Foundation, the College and the community have been truly enriched by your caring involvement. Yasher Koach and Kol ha Kavod.

NEW FOUNDATION 'LIFE EXECUTIVE' MEMBERS

It is with great pleasure and pride we advise that the Foundation Executive has unanimously endorsed the conferring of three new 'Life Executive' member titles.

We warmly congratulate former Chairman Solomon Lew, former President Henry Lanzer and Executive member Joey Borensztajn on attaining this honour which recognises distinguished service and longstanding dedication to the Foundation.

We sincerely thank each of them for their immeasurable contribution to Mount Scopus College.

They will be joining previous awardees Jack Hansky AM, Michael Karp and Roy Tashi OAM.

Mazal Tov and Yasher Koach!

2014 FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE

Chairman
Tony Smorgon

President
David Gold

Immed. Past Pres.
Henry Lanzer (LE)

Vice Presidents
Sam Alter
Stewart Baron

Members
Paul Bassat
Joey Borensztajn (LE)
Russell Casper
Ricky Smorgon
Roy Tashi OAM (LE)

College President
Amy Hershan

College Principal
Rabbi James Kennard

Executive Director
Marilyn Simon

Life Executive
(Retired)
Jack Hansky AM
Michael Karp
Solomon Lew

LE denotes Life Executive

PURSuing NEW INITIATIVES

The Foundation Executive is always actively exploring new ways to raise funds to advance the College. David Gold, together with Ricky Smorgon, is pursuing the development of a revised **corporate program** that will seek significant sponsorship or involvement from companies in exchange for real and genuine ongoing benefits and opportunities, including engagement with our community.

Although still in its early stages, a small committee has been formed specifically to further this initiative and to coordinate a program of relevant events. It would welcome your feedback and suggestions.

If you would like to become involved in any way, or have a company that would benefit by being promoted to the Scopus community and beyond, please be in touch with Marilyn Simon.
Phone 9834 0033 or email msimon@scopus.vic.edu.au

FAREWELL, THANK YOU AND WELCOME

In June we farewellled **Dr Jack Hansky AM**, who retired from the Executive after 22 years of outstanding service and commitment.

Jack became involved in 1992 when a grandparent. Three years later, Jack took on the role of a Vice President with the challenging portfolio of Wills and Bequests. With the confidentiality usually associated with Wills, we will never know Jack's full impact on this area, but we can safely attribute much of the Bequest income of the last twenty years to his involvement. And more than likely, some of the Bequests of the future.

Jack has been involved directly in reaching out and securing very many gifts and was known for nurturing relationships on behalf of the College in his gentlemanly and respected manner.

We have pleasure knowing Jack, Paula and their family remain committed to the College.

The College President is always a welcome member at the Foundation Executive table. We say thank you and farewell to **Lisa Kennett**, who, since 2004 has significantly contributed to our discussions and strategies and helped to create a strong partnership between the College and the Foundation.

At the same time we welcome incoming College President, **Amy Hershan**, who has already shown her enthusiasm and appreciation for the role the Foundation plays and we look forward to her involvement as we work together to advance Mount Scopus College.



_ Back Row
L to R

Joey Borensztajn
Stewart Baron
Sam Alter
David Gold
Paul Bassat
Russell Casper
Ricky Smorgon

_ Front Row
L to R

Marilyn Simon
Tony Smorgon
Henry Lanzer
Roy Tashi



L'DOR V'DOR FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

We thank our members for sharing the motivation for their support and involvement

Kate and Dean Mohr

Together with their three young boys, Old Collegians Kate, OC '95, and Dean, OC 94, are passionate supporters of Mount Scopus College and now the Foundation. Having attended the College from an early age, both Kate and Dean believe that Jewish education is invaluable and being a part of the Scopus family has left an enduring mark on their lives, shaping their approach to Judaism, Israel, the community and beyond.

Nothing gives Kate and Dean more joy than watching their children now have similar, yet enhanced experiences at the College, as their boys show a love of learning and sense of belonging which is incredible to watch and share. Both Kate and Dean are committed to ensuring that this opportunity is available not only to their own children, but for generations to come and as such are proud supporters of the Foundation with an ongoing and long term vision for their commitment to the College.

We thank Kate and Dean for translating their love and passion for Scopus into tangible support.



Ann and Arnold Singer

The right school became important to Ann and Arnold when they finally fulfilled their dream to become parents – later than most! Arnold's family helped establish Mount Scopus and he was one of the original students, so there was already a long history of connection and involvement. They considered other schools but Scopus remained the number one choice for Arten.

They strongly believe that Scopus offers children all the benefits of the highest standards in education, within a warm, dynamic, fully Jewish environment. They appreciate the vital importance of this, so generously offered financial support to the Foundation to assist other families to have the same, outstanding opportunities for their children.



Ann says that children are living 'messages' we send to a time we'll never see. Anna and Arnold wanted to ensure those messages are the very best – messages that will make a difference, change lives, positively impact the community – now and in the future! By supporting Scopus, they feel, that goal is completely attainable.

Ann and Arnold, we thank you for your generosity of spirit, encouragement and support.

Suzanne and Kevin Slomoi

Suzanne and Kevin migrated from Johannesburg in 1989. When their twins, Jarred and Daniel, and later Adam were born, they immediately enrolled them at GBH. Coming from traditional Jewish homes, a Jewish education for their children was of upmost importance. Being new immigrants, things were not easy financially and sacrifices were made to ensure their children received a Jewish education.

When their children commenced at Scopus it immediately dawned upon them how fortunate their children were and they felt that they had a duty to "give back". Kevin joined a College Council sub-committee and Suzanne also served on the Parents' Association. Kevin went on to become a trusted College Treasurer, serving on the College Executive. Suzanne teaches part time at GBH.

Continuing the philosophy of a duty to contribute, Kevin, a partner in GMK Partners, arranged for the firm to become Foundation supporters and also to act in pro bona capacities for the College. Kevin and Suzanne have also since contributed to the Foundation personally.

Kevin and Suzanne say they eternally grateful for the wonderful Jewish and secular education, values inculcated, friendships formed and the whole Scopus experience that Jarred, Daniel and Adam have enjoyed.

We are grateful for their valuable support and involvement.

FOUNDATION FAMILIES SHARE THEIR SIMCHA

We are very grateful when Scopus supporters ask their guests for donations, in lieu of gifts, to support the College or its Scholarship Fund for bursaries. We thank these members of our Foundation families who have shared their simcha with Scopus over the last twelve months.

Marion and Mick Brott ___ 50th wedding Anniversary

Jeff Simon ___ 70th birthday

Tony Smorgon ___ 50th birthday

Abby Slonim ___ Batmitzvah

Mazal Tov and thank you.



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ACKNOWLEDGING
OUR SUPPORTERS

A warm welcome and thank you
to our new Foundation members

Members
Laura and Mark Davis
Romy and Steven Katz
Leon and Johnny Pruzanski
in memory of Keila and Tewel Pruzanski
Joanne and Niv Tadmor

Fellow
Helen and David Moses

Thank you to those whose 2014
recommitment pledge has raised their
level of membership

To Fellow
Jennifer and Tony Smorgon
Vivien and Phil Green

To Benefactor
Jack and Robert Smorgon Families Foundation

To Founder
Miri and Moshe Meydan

To Life Trustee
Helen and Bori Liberman Family

LEON FINK MEMORIAL AWARD
FOR COMMITMENT TO
JEWISH EDUCATION

We thank the recipients of the Leon Fink Memorial
Award for Commitment to Jewish Education,
created in 1997 to recognise our supporters as
they reach Founder level.

Anonymous
Lyndi and Rodney Adler
Helen and Maurice Alter Family
ANZ
Baron Family
Bassat Family
Eva and Marc Besen Family
Birch Family
Lauren and Bruce Fink
Fink Karp Ivany Family
Gandel Family
Goldman Sachs JBWere
Stera and Joseph Gutnick
Paula and Jack Hansky Family
Nicole and Silviu Itescu
Suzanne and Michael Karp
Dinah and Henry Krongold Family
Janette and Henry Lanzer
Rosie and Solomon Lew Family
Helen and Bori Liberman Family
Lee Liberman Family
Lustig and Moar Family
Sonia and Don Marejn
Dina and Mark Munzer Family
Pomeroy Family
Pratt Family
Roslyn and Richard Rogers Family
Small Family
Gita and George Smorgon Family
Loti and Victor Smorgon
Smorgon Family
Susie and Eric Stock Family
Mira and George Szalmuk Family
The Slezak Trusts
Sylvia and Roy Tashi
Werdiger Family



HELPING US TO HELP OTHERS

It is with great appreciation that we congratulate
the Helen and Bori Liberman Family as they become
recognised at Life Trustee level. Their renewed
commitment and pledge to support another 3 years
of the Israel Experience ‘Ulpan’ program is so warmly
welcomed. In this, their 9th year of involvement, we
celebrate that hundreds of children have only enjoyed
this special experience because of their vision
and generosity.

The effects are long-lasting not just for those
students, but also for the College, our community and
Israel. Yasher Koach!



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Our Foundation members’ generosity provides

Bursaries
by way of
subsidised
tuition fees

Inspirational learning,
sport and
recreational
environments

Israel Experience
Program (Ulpan)
scholarships,
bursaries and awards

Leading Edge
technology
to support
E-Learning

Kitchen Garden
projects

International
Baccalaureate
Programme
support

Performing and
Visual Arts programs
and enrichment
opportunities

Archive and
Alumni program
support

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FOUNDATION EVENTS

We were delighted to welcome more than 220 guests to a variety of events during November. Thank you all for your encouragement and support!

We thank Stewart and Natalie Baron, Romy and Gavin Donner and Tammy and Jonathan Tisher who all generously hosted casual evenings for our members and friends.

These events provided the ability to reacquaint and for everyone to meet the new leadership team. Chairman Tony Smorgon, President David Gold and new College President Amy Hershan welcomed the opportunity to meet our supporters and to share the latest initiatives at Scopus. We also enjoyed Rabbi Kennard's presentation 'Being Proud to be Jewish in Today's World - what does it mean for our children?'



A_Rodney Teperman, Joey Borensztajn, Noah Borensztajn B_ Stewart Baron, Rabbi James Kennard, Josh Baron C_Romy Katz, Tracy and Stephanie Majman D_Jennifer Smorgon, Naomi Lengua E_Rebecca Goldberg, Idit and Rodney Teperman F_Gavin Donner, Josh and Ronnit

Hoppe G_Ben and Lisa Simon H_Alan and Rochelle Mendel, Tony Smorgon, Ruth and Larry Picker I_Kate Mohr, Romy and Gavin Donner, Dean Mohr J_Sharlene and Richard Lustig K_Gavin Donner, Natalie Bassat, Jason Lengua, Andrew Bassat L_Jeff Simon, Jack Hansky,

Roy Tashi M_Amanda Smorgon, Mark Gandur, Tony Smorgon, Ricky Smorgon N_Phil and Rochelle Weinman, Natalie Baron O_Tanya and Stephen Mendel, Louise Casper P_David and Helen Moses Q_Mark Gandur, David Gold, Simon Krite R_Lisa and Dug Pomeroy, Jack Hansky

S_Paula Hansky, Morry and Leonie Joel T_Natalie Baron, Michelle Kaye, Lana Sheezel, Monica Kempler U_Stewart Baron, Brad Schwarz, Michelle Herring V_Gideon Kline, Amy Hershan, Lillian Kline



FOUNDATION LADIES' LUNCH

We warmly thank Rosie Lew for opening her home for us, and generously hosting a beautiful lunch for a large group of Foundation Ladies.

Guests, ranging from young mothers right though to great-grandmothers, were entertained and inspired by Scopus graduates and 'Women of Influence' Jackie Frank and Rachelle Unreich. We thank them for their enthusiastic participation.



W_Lai Pizmony, Justin Kabbani, Nir Pizmony X_Melissa and Gavin Davis, Russell Casper Y_Jennifer Smorgon, Tammy Tisher Z_Marilyn Simon, Marni and Eido Meydan

A1_Jackie Frank, Rosie Lew, Rachelle Unreich B1_Sharonne Slonim, Dahlia Sable C1_Roslyn Rogers, Joanna Rogers D1_Naomi Carrick, Marlen Carp, Janine Baum E1_Judy Gandur, Lindy Tamir F1_Ann Smorgon, Riva Rosenbaum, Julie Borensztajn,

Sue Lewis, Anna Chrapot G1_Ellie Smorgon, Mel Smorgon, Kathie Smorgon H1_Ruth Alter, Lisa Kennett, Lisa Breckler, Rocky Kozica I1_Melissa Davis, Ruth Picker, Andy Gild J1_Rosie Lew, Helen Carp, Lisa Breckler, Zita Gersh

K1_Tammy Tisher, Ilana Tisher, Rebecca Goldberg, Linda Goldberg L1_Esther Frenkiel, Janette Lewis, Shirley Freedman M1_Masha Gold, Lisa Farber N1_Amy Hershan, Joanne Tadmor

SCOPUS VALUES YOUR LEGACY

A Bequest in your Will is one of the simplest ways to show your support and perhaps at a level not possible during your lifetime.

Will your Bequest make a difference?

Most definitely. Every Bequest, large or small, will make a unique contribution to our students, the school, and ultimately, to our community.

How do you make a Bequest to Scopus?

After considering the needs of your family, we encourage you to provide for our future by making Scopus a beneficiary of your Will. Adding a codicil to an existing Will may be the easiest option. We suggest you consult your solicitor or ask us for assistance.

What form may your Bequest take?

- A specific sum of money
- A percentage of your Estate or the residue of your Estate
- A specific asset, such as property or shares
- Articles of value, such as art work

How will your Bequest be used?

Unless you direct otherwise, your Bequest will be managed by the Mount Scopus College Foundation which provides for

- subsidised tuition fees for students who would otherwise be excluded
- scholarships
- additional programs
- development of facilities

or you may identify a specific purpose.

Should you advise your intentions?

By informing us, we are able to show our appreciation during your lifetime, and perhaps work with you to decide the direction for your Bequest.

All Bequests are acknowledged on our Bequest Honour Board and in the Foundation Annual Report.

If you are considering making Mount Scopus College a beneficiary of your Estate in any way, please call Marilyn Simon, Foundation Executive Director, who can provide the correct wording for insertion in your Will, or perhaps suggest a solicitor. It is our pleasure, when advised of a proposed Bequest, to acknowledge and honour the donor during their lifetime.

For any information please call Marilyn Simon on (03) 9834 0033.

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE A BLESSING

The Foundation notes with sadness the passing over the last year of:

David Cohen
Rita Kras
Don Marejn
Andor Schwartz

We express our heartfelt appreciation to those from whose Estate our students have benefitted and honour their memory:

Anna Brown
Harriet Gordon
Sister Joyce Hehir; Trustee, Jack Goldberg
Mendel Herszfeld
Helen and Richard Kohn
Hilda and Izrael Kozlowski
Hirsh Light
Hanna Moszkowska
Estate of Julia Feitel Pearl
Lola Silberthau
Estate of Elizabeth and Nicholas Slezak
Aaron Arthur Smith; Executors Thelma Meerkin and Edward Rahill
Herbert Tisher
Ludwik Weisz
Vica and Mitia Yavitch
Harry Betan in memory of the Family Betansky of London
Rose Rosanove
Alwyn Ruta Samuel
Herta and Roman Scherer
Helene and Paul Kohn
John Fox
Geoffrey Rosanove
Sonia and Don Marejn

WE FONDLY REMEMBER DON MAREJN

It was with great sadness that we learnt of the passing of Scopus friend and benefactor Don Marejn shortly before his one-hundredth birthday. Quite simply, Don was an inspiration and the epitome of a 'mensch'.

During our visits, arranged by email, Don would comment on world affairs, review the latest books ordered online, tell us the results of his Bridge games, recall business dealings or explain a scientific theory.



We had seen Don care for his beloved Sonia until her passing in 2010. Together they quietly and generously supported countless organisations, Jewish and non-Jewish, both here and in Israel. One of their priorities was Jewish education and we were fortunate to be one of the schools to whom they provided generous support for bursaries.

In 2008 they established the Sonia and Don Marejn Bursaries at Scopus, in loving memory of the Marejn and Szmukler families who had perished in the Holocaust, which Don continued to support.

These Bursaries will be further supported by a Bequest in Don's Will and will continue to carry on their valuable legacy.

His memory will indeed be a blessing for all who were privileged to have known him and for the many students whose Jewish education was ensured because of his concern. He will be deeply missed.



FOUNDATION HIGHLIGHTS
AND ACHIEVEMENTS

1987

Mount Scopus College Foundation launched by Prime Minister, Bob Hawke.

1988 — 1993

New science and art facilities, dedicated by the Alter, Hansky and Lubansky families.

5 modular classrooms added to Smorgon Family Primary School.

\$3,769,000 disbursed to College for tuition fee assistance.

1994 — 1996

The historic Gandel Family gift provided for extensive and widespread refurbishment, new biology and primary computer laboratories and upgrading of all technology. In appreciation, the Burwood Campus was dedicated as the Gandel Campus.

Dedication of the Susie and Eric Stock Drama Studio.

Extended PE/sport facilities housing the Shafir Family Fitness Centre.

1997

5 year – \$8,000,000’ Capital Campaign launched by the Hon. Peter Costello, Federal Treasurer.

Baker Family Cafeteria.

George and Gita Smorgon Sports Complex

Rita and Sam Kras Basketball Centre

Kras Payes Weinman Recreation Centre

Jenny and Noel Levin Sports Pavilion

Lustig and Moar Aquatic Centre

Margie and Michael Small Tennis Centre

Jack Skolnik Oval

Scoreboard dedicated by Louis Weingarten

1999

Foundation Jubilee Dinner with guest of honour, Prime Minister, John Howard.

2000

Besen Family Performing Arts Centre

Alter Family Auditorium

Baron and Tashi Foyer and Plaza

Yvonne and Leon Fink Amphitheatre

Eva and Marc Besen School of Music

Susie and Eric Stock School of Drama

Sylvia Gelman Dressing Room

Paul and Jack Hansky Box Office

Dina and Mark Munzer Lounge

Pomeroy Family Bars

Ramler Control Box

Rothschild Family Space

Sheezel and Tashi Sponsors Lounge

Sculpture by Andrew Rogers

Renewal and expansion of Fink Karp Ivany Campus.

Renewal Gandel Campus Station Street entrance, bus and car park.

2002

School visit and Foundation Gala Dinner with President Bill Clinton.

2003

Szalmuk Family Early Learning Centre.

Kindergarten classrooms dedicated by Myra and Godfrey Cohen, Judy and Solly Joss, Musia and Arthur Shafir and in memory of David Klamberg and Max Pascoe.

2004

School visit and Foundation Dinner with Professor Alan Dershowitz.

\$1,800,000 disbursed to the College.

2005

Slezak Multimedia and Technology Centre

Birch Family School of Media Studies

Edit suite dedicated by Gary Berman family

Lauren & Bruce Fink School of Information Technology

Resource centre dedicated by Julie & Joey Borensztajn

Classrooms dedicated by Linda & David Goldberg, Edith & Sol Greiman, Paula & Jack Hansky, Baba & Andor Schwartz, Debbie & Stephen Szentel

Gersh Family Merkaz

Susie & Norman Rockman Library

Sophie & Norman Kave Lounge

Seminar rooms dedicated by Gregory Rosshandler, Marlen & Leon Carp and Helen & Bernard Carp

Screen and Image dedicated by Karen Stock-Schnall.

2006

Soccer Oval dedicated by Suzanne and Michael Karp Family.

Helen and Bori Liberman Family commence their significant support for the Ulpan Program.

2008

Interactive Smartboards enter all classrooms supported by the George and Gita Smorgon family.

Dedication of Roslyn Smorgon Outreach Program.

2009

A focused appeal, generously supported by the College’s major benefactors, provided the ability to minimise fee increases and to offer additional bursaries.

Kitchen Garden Project

Primary students learn to grow vegetables, fruits and herbs and to prepare and serve healthy meals.

2010

Students enjoy a new Gandel Besen House.

Alter Family Plaza at Gandel Besen House.

Dedication of Helen Synman Archive Project.

2011

New building for Smorgon Family Primary School at Gandel Campus.

The Kikar of Smorgon Family Primary School dedicated by the Roslyn and Richard Rogers Family.

New furniture, refurbishment and air-conditioning for Secondary School.

Integrated landscaping, new recreational and sporting areas at every campus.

2012

The ‘Alter Family School of Jewish Studies and Ivrit’ was proudly dedicated in honour of the Alter Family’s longstanding support and involvement at Scopus.

The Hamakom dedicated in memory of Dalia Pizmony.

Weinman Levy Oval at Gandel Besen House.

Prep Inquiry Area at Gandel Besen House dedicated by Ann and Arnold Singer.

Creation of the Leon Liberman Memorial Bursaries by the Lee Liberman Family.

2013

Foundation Celebration Dinner with guest of honour The Hon Tony Abbott MP, Prime Minister.

Chairman Solomon Lew retires after 26 of inspirational leadership.

Lew Family Secondary School dedicated in recognition of the immeasurable contribution of the Lew Family.

2014

Appointment of Tony Smorgon as Chairman

Henry Lanzer retires after 18 years of distinguished and dedicated leadership as President.

David Gold assumes the role of President

Development of the vision and strategy for a renewed Lew Family Secondary School begins.

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MOUNT SCOPUS COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Why was it established?

Created in 1987, the Foundation is responsible for major fundraising to advance the College. Through the generosity of its members and dedicated volunteers, it has raised pledges in excess of \$47,000,000. Bequests are also warmly welcomed.

Funds have been applied to campus renewal, an endowment fund, tuition fee relief, and a multitude of programs. Without Foundation support the College would be unable to provide new facilities or provide the high level of bursaries.

How is it managed?

The goals of the Foundation are pursued by an Executive Committee in consultation with the Principal, College President and College Executive.

Who can be members?

Members include corporations, individuals and families at every level and from every sector of the community. Classifications of membership are dependent on gift level. Entry level requires a pledge of \$20,000 which may be paid over a term.

Dedication opportunities

There are always opportunities to match a donor's area of interest with the school's needs. Many attractive dedication possibilities are available to honour your family.

Is your donation tax deductible?

The Mount Scopus College Foundation, the Mount Scopus College Scholarship Fund and the Mount Scopus College School Building Fund are all tax deductible entities.

Residents of the United States may donate and receive an IRS deduction by giving through the British Schools and Universities Foundation, Inc (BSUF), for which we thank them.



THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY STAY THE SAME.

The last twelve months have certainly seen major changes for the Foundation.

Late last year, Solomon Lew retired after serving twenty-six incredible years as Chairman, and Henry Lanzer retired from his eighteen year hallmark Presidency in June. They each were synonymous with the Mount Scopus College Foundation, and as incoming Chairman and President, Tony Smorgon and David Gold acknowledge, they left very big shoes to fill.

But shoes can come in different shapes, style and colours and all can get you to the same place even if by a different route!



Now with Tony and David at the helm, the Foundation continues to flourish. It is always a delight for me to get to know our new supporters and what motivates them, whilst building deeper relationships with longstanding donors and their growing families as they begin their Scopus journey.

Thank you all for helping to build our Foundation for Scopus Values.

Marilyn Simon
Executive Director

It is already clear to me that the one thing that hasn't changed is the enthusiasm and dedication of the leadership – albeit new – and their deep desire to make a difference to Scopus.

I look forward to working with them, and every member of our Executive, pursuing new initiatives as well as building on our well-established programs.

I do wish to add my personal tribute to Henry Lanzer with whom I have worked so closely over the last eighteen years. Words cannot express how privileged and honoured I have felt to share this most rewarding journey.

The partnership of a volunteer and an employee is, and should be, somewhat different to others but Henry always made me feel that we were equals in the pursuit of our Scopus goals. We also experienced many, many changes over that time – not just to styles of philanthropy but also to simple things such as the way we communicated as faxes became emails!

I also take this opportunity to personally thank Janette and their family. Janette has provided incredible support, in every way, and it is this that has allowed such deep involvement.





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FOUNDATION FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT AS AT 18 NOVEMBER 2014

Total Pledges/Bequests since 1987	\$47,000,000
Pledges since 2013 AGM Includes pledges for capital works, bursaries, Israel programs and bequests	\$ 1,000,000
Pledges collected 1 January to 30 November 2014	\$ 1,476,394
Pledges to be collected December 2014 to December 2019	\$ 4,673,666
Distributions and Commitments to College January to December 2014	\$ 1,100,000
Cash and Invested Funds Foundation	\$ 1,158,700
Foundation Endowment	\$ 1,376,546

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