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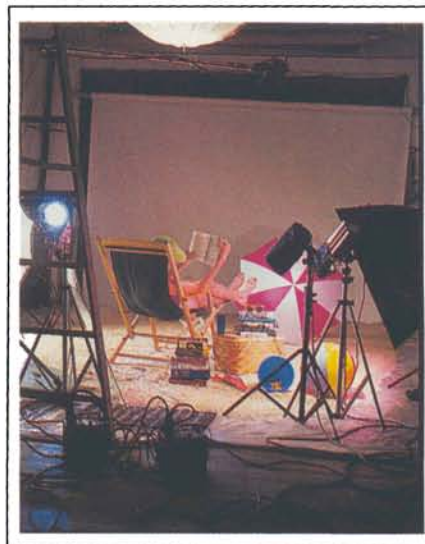


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## UP FRONT



# Teamwork



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**T**itles on a magazine's masthead get a little fuzzy at a publication the size of *Cornell Magazine*. People tend to wear a variety of hats and pitch in wherever needed, regardless of job descriptions.

The photo illustration on this month's cover is a perfect example of how the editorial staff helped with a visual aspect of the magazine. Art Director Stefanie Green came up with the idea for a book-laden beachgoer as the way to illustrate our summer reading issue. Her colleagues, not one of them shy in matters of self-expression, embroidered her original concept—hence the picnic basket, sandpail, umbrella and flip-flops you see. Photographer Jon Reis and his assistants carried 700 pounds of sand up three flights of stairs to his studio on the Ithaca Commons; Intern Loren Mooney graciously painted her toenails a primary red and posed for Reis; Associate Editor Paul Cody donated some of the books and attended the shoot to make sure they were well cared for; Managing Editor Elsie McMillan brought in the chair on which Mooney reclines; page designer Carol Terrizzi digitally added the glow of light illuminating the books and the sky.

Efficiency experts might disagree, but the teamwork exhibited on this issue's cover is one of the great delights of working at *Cornell Magazine*. Everybody's got ideas, and the more of them we hear the better the magazine. I hope you agree and make us part of your summer reading.

—Stephen Madden '86





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## Arts and Sciences Dean Named Provost

**D**on M. Randel, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has been named as the successor to Provost Malden Nesheim, PhD '59, who retired in June. The naming of Randel as Provost is the first major appointment for Hunter R. Rawlings III, who succeeds Frank H.T. Rhodes as president. Rawlings recommended the appointment of Randel to the university's number-two job in May; his recommendation required approval by the Board of Trustees executive committee, which was scheduled to meet after presstime.

"I am deeply honored by President Rawlings's invitation to serve as provost," Randel said. "Cornell

has been my intellectual home since I first arrived almost 27 years ago. My life as a member of the faculty of this wonderful institution makes me feel all the more privileged to serve it and President Rawlings in this new capacity."

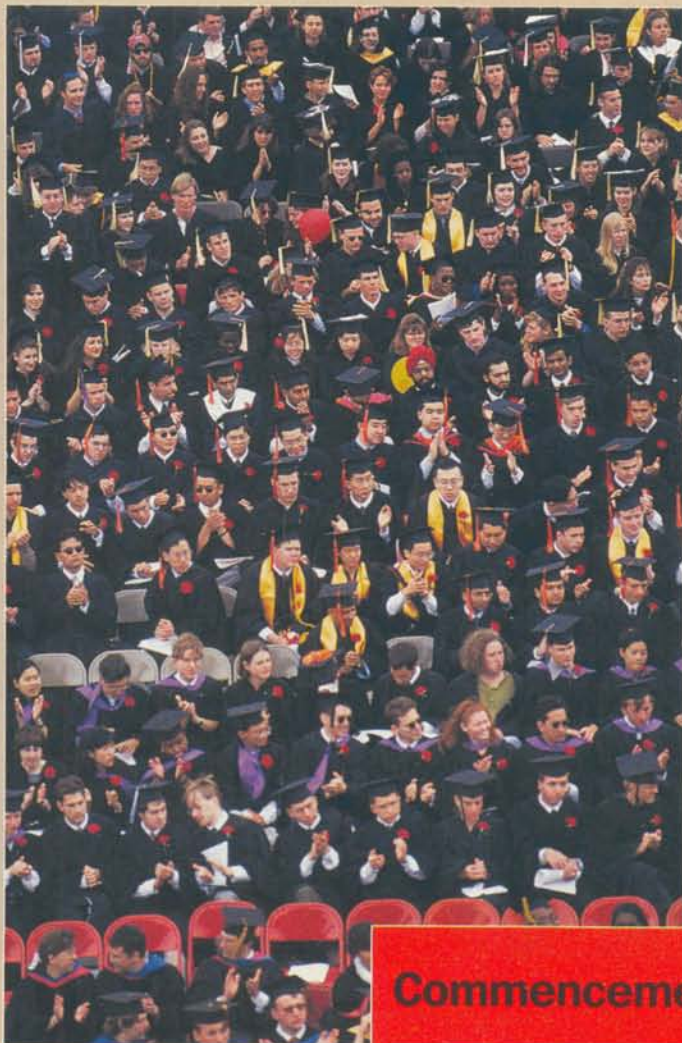
Randel has been dean of the Arts college since 1991. Prior to becoming dean, Randel was the college's associate dean, vice provost and chair of the music department.

"This is without a doubt the most important appointment of my administration, and I am thrilled Don Randel has agreed to accept this responsibility," Rawlings said. "He will be my clear second-in-command."

## Red Farewell For President Rhodes

More than 3,000 Cornellians participated in a good-bye bash May 9 for President Frank H. T. Rhodes. He and wife Rosa were transported to Barton Hall by a horse-drawn carriage, followed by a boisterous parade made up of members of the Cornell community. Inside Barton Hall, Rhodes was surrounded by red and white balloons, heard tributes and received gifts from faculty, staff and students. "This is something we won't forget," Rhodes said. "It's really a special day in our lives."





More than 6,000 graduates received degrees at this year's Commencement. The weather was fine until just after the ceremony, when the heavens opened.

## Commencement '95

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### TUFTS DEAN TO HEAD VET COLLEGE

Franklin M. Loew '61, DVM '65, dean of the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine since 1982, has been nominated as the eighth dean of Cornell's New York State College of Veterinary Medicine. Provost Malden Nesheim recommended Loew's appointment to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees May 26. Loew is expected to assume his duties in September. He succeeds Robert D. Phemister, DVM '60, who will return to teaching and research after serving as dean since 1985.

"I look forward to being part of the team that President-elect Hunter Rawlings and Provost-designate Don M. Randel are assembling, and to

returning to my alma mater," Loew said. "Veterinary medicine at Cornell is a premier program nationally and internationally."

### CU STUDENT DIES OF MENINGITIS

The Cornell community was saddened this spring by the sudden death of a 19-year-old freshman. Jeffrey D. Stenstrom '98, of Lake Forest, California, died in Ithaca April 24 of meningococcal meningitis, according to officials at Tompkins Community Hospital.

Stenstrom was majoring in agricultural economics. He was a member of the Big Red football team, where he played linebacker and received a letter during the Fall 1994 semester.

"The tragic death of Jeff Stenstrom is a great loss for everyone associated with our football program," said Jim Hoffer '79, Cornell football coach. "Words cannot express the grief that we feel, and our support and condolences will always be with the Stenstrom family. Jeff epitomized the virtues of being an outstanding person and scholar-athlete."

Stenstrom was the first of two Ithaca-area college students to die from a meningitis-related ailment during the spring of 1995. In early May, Ithaca College student Craig Sherbinski of Fairport, New York, died of a bloodstream infection caused by a bacterium that can cause meningitis.

About 200 people at Cornell and 300 people at Ithaca College received oral antibiotics after the deaths. At presstime, a state laboratory in Albany was trying to determine if the Stenstrom and Sherbinski deaths were caused by the same strain of bacteria.

### ARTS FACULTY APPROVES NEW CONCENTRATION

The faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences has approved a new concentration in Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Studies. The concentration will not add new classes to the college's curriculum; it will be composed of classes that are already offered in several disciplines, including anthropology, history, government, psychology and others. In order to complete the concentration, students must complete four classes in the area.

College faculty members overwhelmingly approved the new concentration of courses that are already proving very popular with Cornell students.

—Joe Schwartz

**Correction:** An article in the May "News" section of Cornell Magazine incorrectly stated that Cornell had refused to increase the size of its payments to the City of Ithaca for fire protection services. In fact, the university has said it is willing to negotiate the size of such increases. We regret the error.



# Richard M. Ramin

## 1930-1995

*Richard M. Ramin '51, Cornell's vice president for public affairs and as such the university's chief fundraiser, died May 27 of a lung ailment. He was 65 and had worked for Cornell since 1954. Trustee Emeritus Austin Kiplinger '39 remembers Ramin:*

**D**ick Ramin spent 41 years of his life working for Cornell. In his own quiet and personable way, he bound together generations of Cornellians. He actually taught us how to turn our love of the university into tangible support, and in this sense I think he was as much a teacher as he was a persuader and a facilitator. He was a giant in the profession of support to higher education.

Never flamboyant, Dick went about his mission with an underlying dedication that made him a master of his trade. He was a model for colleagues and admirers everywhere.

When you traveled with Dick, as I did for many years in the cause of Cornell, you knew that you would always be welcome. Whether in Tulsa or Taipei or the hundreds of other places around the world where Cornellians live and work, you would be warmly received. No one knew more Cornellians or more about them than Dick.

If you had a breakfast appointment with Dick, you would find that he had already:

1. Made three telephone calls;
2. Had a haircut and a shoeshine;
3. Sent an updated fax back to Ithaca;
4. Rearranged the day's schedule;
5. Examined the map for the itinerary of tomorrow's travel.

At his own deliberate pace, he was indefatigable.

Dick graduated from the College of Arts and Sciences in 1951. As an undergraduate he had been co-cap-



tain of the freshman football team and a varsity football player for the next three years, an offensive lineman on Big Red teams coached by Lefty James that went 23-4. After he graduated, he served in the Army as a first lieutenant and then worked for the Holland-American Steamship Lines. In 1954 he became Cornell's alumni field secretary. It was a labor of love for him and during these years he began to accumulate the coterie of friends that became his mental card file of Cornellians. If anyone could be described as the university's institutional memory of living alumni, it was Dick Ramin.

He served as assistant director of admissions for three years, from 1956 to 1959. After a stint as associate director of development, from 1959 to 1964, he became director of development and served in that position for six years, during which time the university mounted its record-setting Centennial Fund campaign. Although that drive was launched during a period when the economy was soft, that fact made no dent in the thoroughness of the preparations, and true to Dick's instincts, he pushed all of us—staff and volunteers—by his example and his unflagging attention to detail. He knew, and he imparted to the rest of us, that Cornellians would come through by doing what they really wanted to do for their university.

In 1970, Dick became assistant vice president for public affairs, and

in 1971, vice president for public affairs with responsibilities encompassing fundraising, publications and alumni liaison of the highest order. During all this time he masterminded (quietly, behind the scenes) the advance of hundreds of alumni through the ranks of the University Council, the various college advisory councils and even the Board of Trustees. Not that there was anything devious about this, but seldom did anyone undertake to fill a volunteer vacancy for Cornell without consulting Dick for his wisdom and his great storehouse of information.

For the 24 years that Dick Ramin served as vice president for public affairs, Cornell was headed by two presidents, Dale Corson and Frank Rhodes. It is significant that both of these talented educators and administrators leaned heavily on Dick's judgment. As President Rhodes said of Dick at this year's Commencement: "Cornell never had a more devoted son, nor I a more faithful friend."

It was also during these years that Cornell faced the aftermath of the 1960s, and all the emotional debris left over from those turbulent times. But through it all, Dick's calm presence and perseverance kept Cornellians focused on the continuing need for support.

No account of Dick Ramin and Cornell would be complete, however, without the recognition of his remarkable partnership with his wife, Frances "Fran" Anthony, MA '52, whom he met while she was earning her master's degree and working at Willard Straight. In fact, for those of us who have cherished the best of Cornell, it is almost second nature to refer to Dick and Fran Ramin. I think that inclusive sense of family speaks also to the pervasive spirit of the family of Cornellians and to Dick Ramin, who served it so well.

—Austin Kiplinger '39



# Stunning Photo; Infamous Incident; Shame

*Editor:* Louis Hine's stunning photograph, "Mechanic at Work, 1925" was a fine choice for the cover of your "Are Unions Dead?" issue (April, 1995).

Understandably, the process of converting a photograph to cover art requires cropping and the addition of type and other graphic elements. These, however, diminish the power of the original image. A further distraction: the mailing service slapped my address label across the face of the worker.

I was grateful for the smaller picture on the contents page. It gave a better, but still limited view.

Those of you on the Hill in the early 1950s may recall my avid interest in photography. As you can see, that interest continues even 40 years later.

Ross Wagner '55  
Summit, New Jersey

## DISINGENUOUS DEFENSE

*Editor:* In 1948 Cornell was in the vanguard of American universities in its recognition of the importance of racial integration as a significant part of college education. The Water-margin co-op was the first fully integrated Ivy League residence house. Cornell had consistently—going back to the turn of the century—been exceptional in its inclusion of racial and religious minorities in its student body.

In what now must be recognized as an overreaction to the infamous 1969 Willard Straight incident, Cornell currently finds itself subject to nationwide criticism for its segregated campus ("State Education Department Questions University Housing Policy," June "News"). I do not accept President Rhodes's disingenuous defense of the current status in his letter to the *New York*

*Times* in which he observes that only 1.4 percent of Cornell undergraduates live in the racially-designed "program" houses. Any casual visitor to campus can see the general rule is that minority students live on the North Campus and whites live on the West Campus. The operative question is: how many students live, eat and socialize in units which reflect the 28 percent minority representation of the whole campus?

This deplorable situation calls for prompt consideration by the new administration. At one time college students were assigned their living quarters; a university education was not perceived as an attempt to replicate the conditions of your high school life, but as an opportunity to explore new horizons. Why can't Cornell now insist that its incomparably mixed student population be integrated beyond the classrooms, through a random assignment of residential space?

Pierre Tonachel '52  
New York, New York

## THE USE OF SHAME

*Editor:* Cornell should routinely publish the names of all those who violate academic integrity ("Your Cheating Heart," May "Students"). Only in this way will students, faculty and staff become fully aware that cheating has consequences. Secrecy and rumor simply don't suffice, especially in an institution committed to the search for truth.

All should be warned in advance that upon a finding of guilt, their names will become public, together with a summary of the charges, the findings, the sanctions and any response from those deemed guilty. They may be contrite, defiant, cite extenuating circumstances, affirm their innocence or remain silent.

Stanford University followed this practice in more than a dozen faculty disciplinary cases in the 1960s, '70s and early '80s, with salutary results. The institution, and the individuals involved, usually took one hard shot in the headlines and then moved on with their lives.

Then campus lawyers—and defense attorneys—decided to say only that professors had been "disciplined." That's left the grapevine free to strangle individual reputations in cases ranging from plagiarism to sexual harassment.

Far better to be up front and public. Knowing that rule breakers will be publicly identified provides an incentive for students to learn more about the campus judicial system. It may even deter some misbehavior. In some cases, publicity alone may suffice as discipline. (Shame works!)

In an increasing number of high profile cases—gubernatorial and presidential aspirants, for example—there is a strong public interest in knowing whether or not an individual was guilty of misconduct on campus.

Only recently have physicians and other professionals begun to see the public interest in protection from those found guilty of malpractice. Academic institutions clearly have a right to know whether prospective students, faculty or staff have ever been found guilty of plagiarism or other academic offenses—but they have no official way of finding out.

Until Cornell strips away the shroud of secrecy surrounding campus judicial sanctions, cheaters will continue to cast a cloud—however slight—over the reputations of the rest of us.

Bob Beyers '53  
Palo Alto, California

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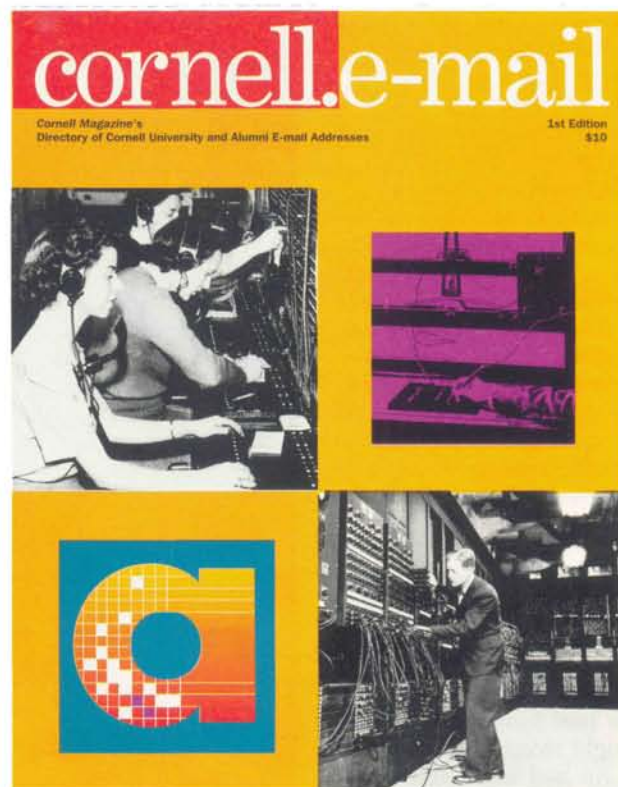
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# What Stan Warren Taught Me

*Everything you needed to know about farming and—maybe—life.*

**Editor's Note:** Stanley W. Warren '27, PhD '31, professor emeritus of farm management, died last year at the age of 86. [Warren Hall was named for his father, George F. Warren '03, who also taught farm management at Cornell.] Stan Warren was devoted to education, and during his 40-year career in the classroom he touched the lives of more than 9,000 students, with whom he had a legendary rapport. These students—many of whom have gone on to successful careers in farm management and related fields thanks to Professor Warren's knowledge, wit and caring—remember him here in their own words, as compiled by John D. Turrel '43. Their reminiscences of occasions both serious and humorous, in and out of the classroom, show us that even after more than two decades Professor Warren's educational legacy has not been forgotten.

Stan believed in the teaching value of field trips. One day he and some of us students stopped at an abandoned farm. The barn had fallen in. He had brought along a 50-foot tape, and he had us measure the frame members, length and width and height, and then calculate the hay capacity based on the volume required per ton. He used this method to show us that this small farm could grow only enough hay to support a small number of cows that couldn't give their owner a decent living. The collapsed barn, sitting on an abandoned hilly place, was dramatic and incontrovertible evidence.



**Warren on a farm, talking farming.**

Sometime during my first full year out of Cornell, my wife and I drove from western New York to Ithaca one snowy Sunday to seek Professor Warren's advice about adding my father-in-law's potato farm to the dairy and poultry partnership that I had with my father. He gave us his thoughts,



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and then invited us to stay for supper. At the table, I remember that he made sure to include all of his children in our conversation through questions and comments directed toward each one of them.

My home farm had more woodland than cropland, and I felt the need to learn more about forestry. So when I took my junior year schedule in for Stan's approval I had two forestry courses from the same professor. "One will be enough," he advised. "You can learn all he can give you in the one course."

Once I rode with Stan and a fellow student to another county to observe an auction; during the drive our talk turned to extracurricular activities. Both of us students were looking for someone to spend our lives with. The other student lamented that he had been active in campus dramatics, but hadn't turned up any likely candidates for matrimony. I said I had been attending the campus 4-H Club meetings, and I thought the prospecting there was pretty good. Stan approved; eventually the other student met a woman with a 4-H background and they've been happily married for 50 years.

"Beware of a wealthy owner when looking for a farm manager's job," Stan Warren said. "He'll be more interested in having you paint the fence than in managing the place for a profit." The occasion was a field trip, during which he had arranged to take us past a farm that had been bought by a well-heeled university administrator. Sure enough, the place had a nice white fence, an amenity that apparently had been provided, Warren implied, at the expense of some other more practical activity.

Lest we students become obsessed with whether or not we got elected to one of the honor societies open to Ag students in the early 1940s, Stan allowed as how the reason we had two such groups was simply because "one year somebody didn't get elected to the first one."

Stan Warren also believed in the

teaching value of aphorisms. Some were his own, others were borrowed. One he quoted from Cornell's first Ag college Dean, I. P. Roberts: "Nothing is so disadvantageous as to cultivate the land to the highest style of perfection." This is an agriculturist's restatement of the Law of Diminishing Returns.

Another had to do with proper farm layout: "Keep the barn and the house far enough apart so that the smells of the stable and the kitchen don't mix." Still another was one he didn't endorse, cited to reinforce his contention that you couldn't make it

**"Nothing is so disadvantageous as to cultivate the land to the highest style of perfection." This is an agriculturist's restatement of the Law of Diminishing Returns.**

if your farm was too small. From a book called *Five Acres and Independence*, a title Stan considered an oxymoron, he quoted: "Little farm, well-tilled; little barn, well-filled; little wife, well-willed."

During a lecture on the costs of transporting various farm commodities to market, Professor Warren asked for a volunteer to carry a pound of butter from the upper campus down to the Lehigh Valley railroad station, where the Ithaca bus station now stands. He offered a dollar for the job. Several volunteered (remember, this was 1940, when a dollar would buy at least five gallons of gas). Then he asked for a volunteer to transport the whole-milk equivalent (roughly 3 1/2 gallons) to the same point. He offered the same reward. No one came forward. He had succeeded in getting across the principle that a concentrated commodity could be transported at less cost than in its original bulky form.

One of Dr. Warren's favorite exam



questions was: "Study this bar chart of the annual rainfall at Dodge City, Kansas, for the several years shown. The chart shows that a dry year is followed by: (a) a dry year; (b) a wet year; (c) another year."

According to those who got jobs as paper graders during senior year (Warren's course was typically taken by juniors), half of each class picked the wrong answer. The point of the question, according to former agricultural economics Prof. Bob Smith, is that the weather is one factor farmers cannot count on. A dry year is indeed followed by another year.

Former Agriculture Dean David L. Call '54, PhD '60 recounts that one of the toughest decisions of his tenure was what to do with the original Ag college buildings: Roberts, East Roberts and Stone halls. They had outlived their usefulness, occupied prime land at the front corner of the upper campus and no doubt had fire safety problems.

But wait, said some indignant alumni. These buildings have an historic value. We took orientation in Roberts, studied in Stone's basement. They can't be torn down.

What could Call do? One day the dean ran into Stan Warren, who was aware of the dilemma. "Tell me," Warren asked the dean. "How many times have you been in Bailey Hall?"

Call said he didn't know.

"Tell me some of the things you learned in Bailey Hall," Warren said. Call couldn't.

"Do you think those who studied at the feet of Liberty Hyde Bailey could remember anything they learned from him?" Sure, Call said.

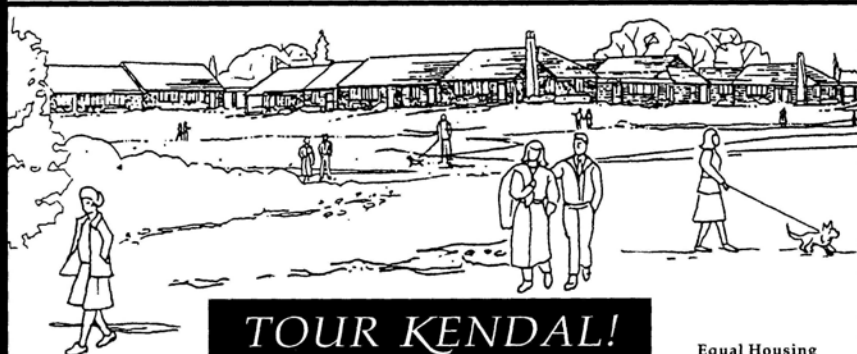
"Then it's obvious that the person doing the teaching is far more important than the name on the building in which the learning takes place," Warren said, and Call saw the situation in a whole new light.

Such is the influence of Stan Warren, on campus and on farms and in the hearts of the 9,000 students who can't forget the man or his teachings.

*John Turrel '43 continues to collect Stan Warren reminiscences at Route 2, Box 238, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864.*

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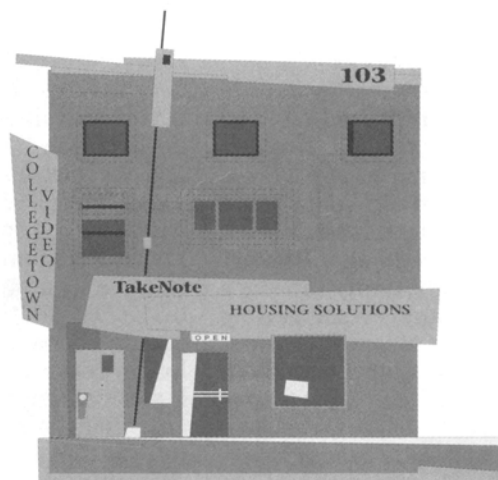
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## LETTER FROM ITHACA

You Talkin' to Me?



### Life as an Ithaca taxi driver

**I** was heading up Buffalo Street in the rain at 30 miles an hour, trying to get an Engineering professor from the bus station to his class on time. I rounded the corner onto Eddy Street and a yellow cab with "12" stencilled on it came into view at the bottom of Dryden Road. I reached for my mike, but it was too late; the radio's speaker crackled, and a voice said, "Bang! You're dead, Eleven." It was a game we cabbies played. He'd spotted and shot me before I'd even seen him. I'd get him next time.

At one point during my three-year leave of absence from Cornell, I drove taxicabs in Ithaca for a living. As cab drivers go, I was probably adequate. I tried to be prompt and courteous and to drive safely. But I'd be the first to admit that I had the wrong attitude for the job. It was a temporary situation. But at the time, it was my livelihood and I didn't take it that seriously. I quit in March 1993.

Until a few weeks ago, I hadn't given much thought to my time as a cab driver, but I found myself getting defensive when an otherwise rational fellow alumnus complained about the dishonesty of cab drivers in Ithaca. He thought drivers charged whatever they wanted, and were greedy when they charged each person the whole fare to the airport instead of letting groups split the cost. I set the record straight for him, but I'm sure other people feel the same way.

The men and women who drive taxis in Ithaca work hard for their

living. A typical shift is 12 hours, sometimes starting at 5:00 a.m., and a full-time driver does four or five, sometimes six, shifts a week. They have to pay extra for a higher-class New York State driver's license and they must buy their city license, which has to be renewed each year. There's no hourly wage; each driver earns a certain percentage of fares, plus tips. If it's a slow night, drivers lose.

But drivers don't decide what to charge; the City and Town of Ithaca set the rates. The city itself is partitioned into six zones, divided by two north-south lines (Meadow Street and Stewart Avenue) and one east-west line (Buffalo Street/Dryden Road) on a map. A fare depends on how many boundary lines the driver crosses in a straight line from the origin to destination. So drivers couldn't boost their fares by taking a longer route, even if they wanted to. If a driver leaves the confines of the city, that basic fare becomes a base rate, on top of which mileage past the city limits determines the total. If a trip starts and ends outside of the city, the fare is determined by how far the driver had to travel out of the city at the trip's farthest point, so a trip from one end of your driveway to the other could cost \$8 if a cus-

tomers lived, say, in Lansing.

When a fare is more than one person, starting at the same place and going to the same destination, the cost usually goes up by 50 cents or a dollar, depending on the time of day. But trips to the bus terminal and the airport are exceptions, because the cab is providing transportation to another means of transportation; each person in the car pays full fare, even if they all got in at the same place. A driver will certainly make good money for a \$35 run to the airport, but those runs usually happen at the beginning of a university holiday, and those all-too-brief bursts of income are rare enough that they barely compensate for the drop in business while students are away.

The city also permits drivers to charge extra for luggage, skis, groceries and stops along the way, but in my experience both as a driver and passenger, most drivers don't choose to take advantage of that. In fact, most will carry bags for a customer, if the fare lets them. I used to wonder why, until I figured out that an extra dollar's tip for obvious effort is better than 40 percent of 50 cents per bag.

Tips aren't too consistent, either. My best tip was \$15 on a \$35 fare to Cortland; probably the most well-deserved tip I got was \$10 from a couple who could barely wait to get home before they mauled each other. Most drivers have stories about big tippers, like the guy who always paid \$20 for a weekly \$6 ride to the hospital; and there are the tall tales about customers who gave "alternative"



tips because they had no cash. But those are exceptions, and possibly untrue.

Most Ithaca residents tip decently, but there's no 15 percent standard as there is in bigger cities. Students on the whole don't seem to tip much at all, particularly those from rural or suburban areas where they might have had no experience with taking cabs. Ithaca College alumnus Chris Katz runs Blue Light Cabs, and drove for Tower Taxi before it became Ca-

yuga Taxi. He says that in his experience, gay men are the best tippers and the best conversationalists, and the worst tippers are those who simply can't afford it. Cayuga Taxi skipper Steve Clapp '88 says that people who work in other tip-dependent jobs—waiters and waitresses, for example—are among the best tippers, as are people who need rides home from bars.

Running a cab company in Ithaca comes with its own unique set of problems as well. Cab companies can't purchase automobile insurance individually; they have to purchase it as part of a pool, and the rates are determined by the overall risk pool for every taxi in New York State—which includes New York City, which has to be among the most dangerous places in the world to drive a cab. So insurance rates have gone up about 250 percent in the last five years, workmen's compensation fees have gone up 50 percent, allegedly because of rampant fraud, and the profit margins for running a cab company are plummeting. Both Blue Light and Cayuga Taxi are in discussions with the City of Ithaca to get the rates raised for the first time in four years, but that comes with consequences as well. People who can only marginally afford cabs now will likely stop taking them, and that will at least partially offset the benefits of being able to charge higher rates.

As for the competition between the two companies, it's not particu-

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larly fierce right now. Both Clapp and Katz agree that Cayuga and Blue Light have some overlapping interests, but basically cater to different constituencies—Blue Light more to Cornell students and the outlying towns, and Cayuga to Ithaca College and downtown.

When Blue Light came on the scene in 1992, though, Tower

Taxi and Tomco Taxi were both owned by the same person (Clapp's father), and the general sentiment these days about Tower and Tomco is that they were far too aware of their monopoly. Clapp is one of the first to admit, in fact, that Blue Light's presence in town has helped bring standards of service to a much higher level, and each company frequently refers fares to the other when business is too heavy.

The perceived animosity between the drivers is also a lot lower in recent years. I recall trading stories over a cup of coffee with a Tower driver one slow, snowy night in Collegetown: the six women from West Campus who piled into his cab and ran him all over town for two hours looking for a party, any party; the drunk fare who claimed to be a pimp and offered the services of a prostitute instead of money; the widows and widowers who looked forward to a cab ride because they would have someone to talk to.

Drivers for both companies also get plenty of "When I was here" stories from Cornell alumni on Reunion and Homecoming weekends. And the taxi owners and drivers are gratified to know that so many alumni are pleasantly surprised by the current quality of service. They do ask, though, that customers be respectful of the driver's sensitivity, and that couples wait until they get to their hotels.

—Jeffrey Anbinder '94

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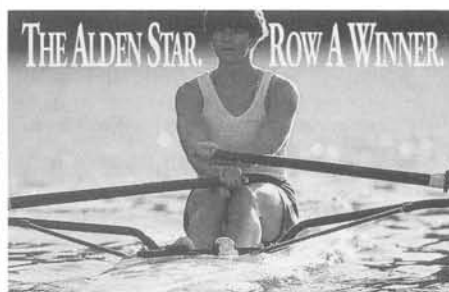
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# A Pretty Good Spring

**S**pring was a season of rejuvenation for several Big Red athletic teams. Men's lacrosse had its first postseason appearance in six years. The women's lacrosse and men's baseball squads each produced a winning season. And the women's outdoor track team went from second to first at the Heptagonals. After a mild winter in Ithaca it was one of the sunniest spring pictures in years.

**Men's lacrosse.** Following a dismal 1-10 season in 1994, coach Richie Moran's team rebounded. After dropping three of its first four contests, the Big Red won six of seven, including three victories in a row over top 20 teams—No. 17 Dartmouth (17-12), No. 13 Hobart (14-7) and No. 5 Princeton (9-8). Though Cornell split its final two encounters, losing to No. 9 Brown (15-12) and beating Michigan State (14-6), the season ending streak was enough to catapult the Red into the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1989. Moran's squad (8-5 overall and 3-3 in Ivy League play during the regular season) met Brown once again in the first round of the postseason tournament and lost 17-9. Anthony Pavone '95 led the Big Red with 80 points (34 goals and 46 assists). Chris Danler '95 recorded 49 goals and 21



*A rejuvenated Red lacrosse team rebounded from a dismal '94 season by making this year's NCAA tournament.*

assists for 70 points. Pavone and Danler were followed by Matt Wise '98 (29-4-33), John Sullivan '96 (17-7-24) and Chris Langdale '96 (12-11-23). Michael LaRocco '96 manned goal, recording 217 saves, a 12.78 goals against average and a .564 save percentage.

**Women's lacrosse.** The women recorded a 7-6 overall mark and a 2-4 record in Ivy League competition. The total included victories over two ranked opponents—Brown and Lafayette—as well as a four-game win streak to start the season. The Big Red boasted a balanced scoring attack, with six players recording at least 19 points. Cari Hills '98 led the way with 20 goals and six assists for

26 points. She was followed by Stephanie Murray '96 (15-10-25), Jen Bass '95 (24-0-24), Lauren Feinstein '97 (17-5-22), Tara Lamb '95 (11-10-21) and Abby Friedland '98 (9-10-19). Net-minder Liz Graham '95 recorded an 8.91 goals against average.

**Baseball.** A three-run home run by shortstop Bill Walkenbach '98 in the top of the ninth inning in Cornell's final game of the season gave the Big Red a 10-8 victory over Ithaca College and its first winning season since 1991. Cornell went 20-19 this spring, including a 10-10 mark in Ivy League play. The streaky diamondmen lost their first four games, won nine of 12, lost eight in a row and then finished strong with 11 victories in

their final 15 contests. Walkenbach led the Red with a .363 batting average, 38 runs and 13 doubles. First baseman Eric Kirby '96 slugged 11 homers, knocked in 35 runs and batted .346, while centerfielder John Telford '95 contributed a .320 average, 17 extra-base hits, 30 runs, 33 RBI and 12 steals in 12 attempts. Alan Toppen '98 paced the pitching staff with a 3.58 earned run average.

**Softball.** The Big Red softball team started its second season ever in remarkable fashion, outscoring Coppin State 69-4 in a doubleheader sweep on March 19. The Red scored 43 runs in the opener, just five runs shy of an NCAA record. Cornell also concluded its season with two more



victories against Central Connecticut. In between, however, the Red struggled to a 2-35-1 mark, including a 25-game losing streak. Overall, Cornell went 6-35-1 and 2-10 in the Ivy League. Second baseman Julie Platt '97 paced the team with a .358 batting average in 22 games, while third baseman Amy Zura '95 batted .338. Lisa Napoli '97 proved to be the team's best pitcher, going 2-5 with a 4.94 earned run average in 24 appearances.

**Men's outdoor track.** With 38 points at the 61st annual Heptagonal Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Annapolis, the Big Red placed seventh, 113 points behind champion Penn. Four Cornellians placed third in individual events: Trenton Bullock '96 completed the 110-meter hurdles in 14.89 seconds; Rodney Wiltshire '96 recorded a triple jump of 47-11; Chad Hunter '97 ran a 22.17 in the 200-meter dash; and Don Vibbert '95 set a school record with a 16-4 3/4 in the pole vault. Cornell was 2-1-1 in dual competition this spring.

**Women's outdoor track.** After finishing second two years in a row, the Big Red women's track team coasted to the 1995 Outdoor Heps title in Annapolis. With 141 1/3 points, Cornell easily outscored Dartmouth (113), Brown (95) and the rest of the competition. Jennifer Watkins '95 personally accounted for 34 points (more than the total of Yale and Columbia combined) en route to being named the women's Most Outstanding Performer. Watkins placed first in the javelin throw with a school record toss of 149-8 and in the discus throw with a 148-5. She was also an ECAC qualifier in two more events—the shot put (45-0 1/2) and the hammer throw (154-0).

Tina Rankin '95 set a Cornell record with a hammer throw of 171-10. Other first place finishers included Anita Jakelic '97 (18-4 1/2 in the long jump) and the 4x800 relay team of Kate Walker '97, Kristin Davis '96, Aruna Boppana '97 and Becky Dennison '97, which recorded a time of 9:03.66.

**Men's crew.** The men's varsity heavyweight crew, composed primarily of sophomores, completed the dual meet portion of its spring season with

a 3-3 mark, including victories over Rutgers, Syracuse and Stanford. The crew lost to Yale, Navy and Princeton by a combined 11.4 seconds. The heavyweights also placed first in the petite finals of the San Diego Crew Classic with a time of 6:07.45.

**Women's crew.** The women's varsity crew opened its season with a third-place finish in the grand final of the San Diego Crew Classic. Cornell's time of 7:03.61 was bested only by Washington and Washington State. Heading into the Eastern Sprints, the crew had posted a 5-3 mark with victories over Syracuse, Radcliffe, Rutgers, Penn and Dartmouth.

**Men's tennis.** The Big Red finished the season with a 6-12 overall record and a 1-8 mark in the Eastern Intercollegiate Tennis Association. After winning five of its first seven dual encounters, Cornell lost 10 of its final 11. The only EITA victory was a 5-2 triumph over Navy on April 21. Jonathan Rapkin '96 recorded a 9-11 overall record at No. 1 singles, while Tom Brownlie '97 was 13-8 at No. 2 singles.

**Women's tennis.** After becoming the first Cornellian to have an undefeated Ivy League season in 1994, No. 1 player Olga Itskhoki '96 repeated the feat in 1995 with a 7-0 conference record. Itskhoki, a Moscow native, was 16-2 overall, including a triumph over teammate Jigisha Pathakji '96 in the finals of the Cornell Invitational. The Big Red was 10-8 overall and tied for second place in the league with a 5-2 record. Mo Bertsch '97 was 10-8 as the No. 2 singles player.

**Golf.** After being rained out in Orlando on March 17, the Big Red linksters finished last in each of their next three tournaments. Cornell's team score of 1,035 placed them eighth at the Ivy League Golf Championship on April 14-15, 93 shots behind first-place Princeton. The Big Red also placed 22nd out of 22 teams at the Princeton Invitational on April 21-22 and ninth out of nine teams at the St. Bonaventure Invitational on April 24. For the second year in a row, Chris Simms '97 competed in

## Cornell

# Scoreboard

### May 2–June 5

**Men's Baseball (20-19)**  
(cumulative record)  
Bucknell 7, Cornell 1  
Cornell 5, Bucknell 4  
Cornell 10, Ithaca 8

**Men's Lacrosse (8-5)**  
Cornell 14, Michigan State 6

**Women's Softball (6-35-1)**  
Central Connecticut 4, Cornell 1  
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the Eastern Championships and shot a 163 in the two-day event.

## SPORTING AROUND

- Since Lou Duesing took over as head coach of the Big Red track team five years ago, Cornell has finished no worse than second at the Outdoor Heptagonal Games (including three team championships) and no worse than third at the Indoor Heps (including two championships). The Red had never won a Heps title until Duesing arrived.

- The Big Red softball team scored 69 runs in its first two games this season and then managed only 66 runs in its next 24 games. The nadir may have occurred on April 9 when Princeton's Alyssa Smith tossed a no-hitter in a 14-0 shutout of the Red. Strangely, Cornell outscored its opponents 45-29 in the fifth inning while being outscored 308-145 in every other inning.

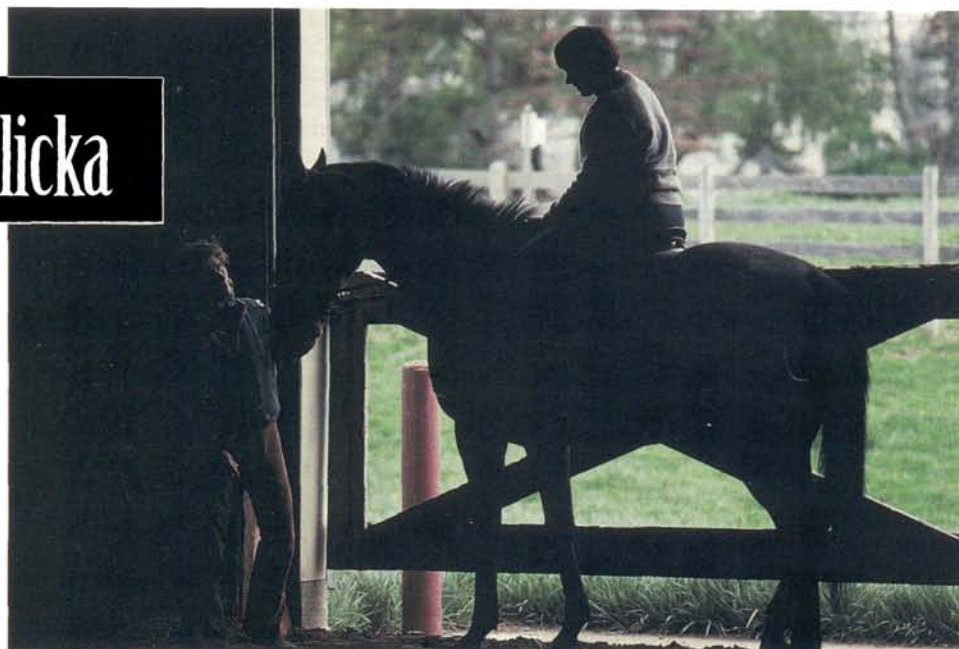
- Eric Kirby's 11 home runs for the Big Red baseball team included six homers in the final 10 games and bested the old school mark of eight homers held by three players. Meanwhile, Chris Hanson '95 set a pair of somewhat dubious records by striking out 39 times and being hit by a pitch 14 times.

—Brad Herzog '90



## Their Friend Flicka

*Having a horse at school is almost a full-time job.*



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Kathy Druckman '90, MAT '92 and Trillium Brack are getting their exercise in early. They're inside today because of a light rain, circling in the cavernous arena where each hoof-beat echoes in a reassuring cadence. For once, Druckman's not thinking about the communication classes she's teaching later today, bills, grocery shopping or any other thoughts of daily life. She's focused on her horse, absorbed in a conversation no one else can hear.

It's not quite 10 a.m. when she slows Brack to a walk and pushes her riding helmet back. They take a few laps to cool down before Druckman stops and slides from the saddle to the packed dirt floor, giving her horse a pat on the neck before leading him away. She has an hour before her first class.

In nine years at Cornell—four as an undergraduate, two as a graduate student and the rest as a lecturer in communications—Druckman has become a time-management expert. She has ridden throughout her Cornell career, and bought her own horse just before starting graduate school. It's not so hard when it's something you love, she says. Her sentiments reflect those of a small but dedicated group of Cornellians.

The group encompasses riders

with a wide range of talents and ambitions. Some are satisfied with a ribbon from the occasional horse show, while a few travel to a different competition every weekend, eyes set on the Olympic equestrian team. The more numerous riders come from the legions of newly horse-crazy kids.

Eventually, interest and numbers dwindle. For many, high school graduation marks the crossroads—to commit to a career with horses, as an instructor or professional trainer, perhaps, or to lead a normal existence, without a horse. The "For Sale—owner off to college" posters at August horse shows tell the story.

But because of determination, stubbornness or even naiveté, a few equestrians decide that riding is simply something too good to give up, even temporarily. They just buy a college sticker for the horse trailer and bring their buddy and hobby, their teammate and passion along.

At Cornell, students can choose among several privately-owned boarding stables in Ithaca, or the university's own Equestrian Center. Just off campus near East Hill Plaza, the Cornell complex boasts two barns, a heated indoor riding ring, two outdoor rings, pastures, trails and jumps. Ring time is shared among the polo and equestrian teams, physical

education riding program and a dozen or so boarders.

Most stables provide basic care: feeding, watering, cleaning stalls, changing blankets and providing basic care in the owner's absence. The horse's exercise, grooming, shoeing, veterinary care and overall health and well-being are up to the owner.

On a college campus, where time is the most valuable commodity, that commitment of hours is especially difficult. "I made a conscious effort not to spend too much time at the barn because I wanted to take advantage of the whole college experience," Druckman said of her first years at Cornell. "But every year I did a little more with horses." After working at the barn, trying the equestrian team, teaching lessons and training horses, Druckman finally bought her own horse. She and Brack are together four years later, although Druckman leases the horse part-time to a student who rides him two days a week. "The first couple of years I spent a lot of time with him. Now I'm back to a kind of balance," she says. "It goes back to what my mom told me: 'Don't become one of those crazy horse people. Don't miss out on other things.'"

Emily Kennedy '97 exercised Druckman's horse during her freshman year, then brought her own



horse to Cornell. Benjamin is stabled at Asbury Hill Farm in Freeville, a 20-minute drive from campus. "I'd be a nut job without my horse, but you've got to be sort of insane" to keep a horse at college, she says candidly. "Especially at Cornell, where everyone works so hard. You end up doing two things really intensely." Putting riding on the back burner in order to do well academically is often frustrating, especially for students who have previously managed both. When surviving at Cornell demands so much time and energy, riders wonder, how much will be left for a horse?

Susan Cordes '95 keeps her horse Vienna at If Only Farm in Freeville. She says, "In the past, I spent the majority of my free time at the stable. Now it's more of a hobby. But I try to go out at least four days a week, at least two hours each day." Unlike other sports, riding involves a commitment to a living creature that suffers when papers and prelims make it impossible for riders to squeeze in a trip to the barn. "If you play soccer, the ball can sit there for a week," Cordes explains. "A horse has to exercise."

"Riding your own horse involves the same dedication as playing a varsity sport," says Erica Chapman '95, who sold her horse before coming to Cornell and now plays varsity polo. "But just because there's no coach or practice doesn't mean the independent riders aren't living up to the standards they set for themselves. If I added up all the hours I spend at practice and at games and compared them to the time that dedicated riders spend with their own horses, they'd probably be exactly the same."

Spending time with a horse isn't a student rider's only concern; spending money is a considerable worry. "It's financial hell," Druckman says. Collegiate horseowners start with the typical student budget and add the horse-related costs of board, shoeing, vet bills and entry fees for competitions, plus the cost of purchasing a saddle, bridle, winter blankets and other one-time expenses. "Most days it's worth it," Druckman adds. "But the minute you buy a horse, he could twist some-

thing and you're out of luck."

Druckman speaks from experience; when Brack developed a severe lameness, she realized how quickly luck can change. "I spent a day at the Vet college with him while they tried to figure out what was wrong," she says. "I felt as if it was my kid in the hospital."

**T**hat responsibility is felt keenly by student riders, who sometimes feel like single parents. "It's a cross between a pet, a child and a project," Druckman says. Taking on such an obligation when classmates are reveling in their freedom is a sacrifice. But the benefits are worth it, according to Druckman. Riding is a wonderful outlet that offers a chance to escape into a different world, she says. When something goes wrong, though, "what was once a stress reliever becomes a much bigger stress than you could ever imagine."

Even as Druckman hurries to

finish up at the barn and get to class, it's obvious that today the scale is tipped toward "stress reliever." Brack waits as Druckman brushes away dull, dried sweat to reveal the shiny mahogany coat beneath. She works quickly and quietly, her long swooshing brush strokes the only sound in the barn beside the chewing of hay.

Once Brack has been brushed from head to tail, Druckman stands and surveys her work with a teacher's critical eye. Satisfied, she gives Brack's gleaming shoulder a pat and leads him down the long stable aisle to his outside paddock. After sliding the halter off over his ears and sending him trotting through the gate with a slap on the rump, Druckman lingers to watch as Brack lowers himself into the nearest mud puddle for a good roll. She watches, then trudges back through the mud toward the barn. She has half an hour before class.

—Erin Harty '95

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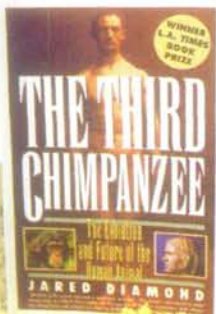
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## PAUL T. KEYSER

### Classics



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David Brin's *The Postman* (Bantam 1985) is a novel about a post-holocaust Pacific Northwest. It sounds grim—but one man, at first masquerading as a postman, then in fact functioning as



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## WAYNE HAUBERT

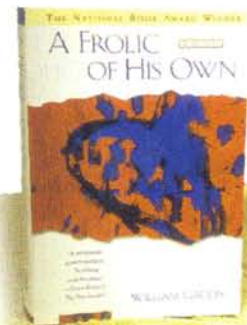
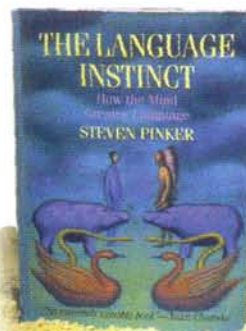
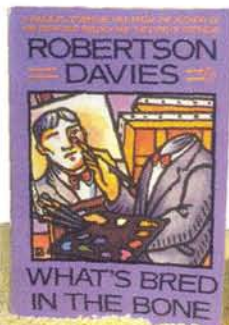
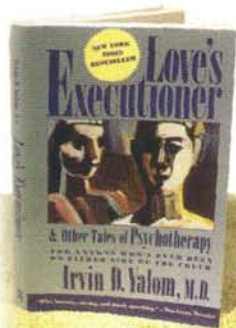
### Linguistics

I recommend the following work, an excellently written introduction to the rich mystery of the human capacity for language: Steven Pinker's *The Language Instinct: How the Human Mind Creates Language* (Morrow 1994).

## LAURENCE MOORE

### History

Anyone who has not read William Gaddis's *A Frolic of His Own* (Poseidon 1994) is in for a treat. Gaddis is a dazzling stylist whose hilarious send-up of the law is the *Bleak House* of American fiction. Also, the *Cairo Trilogy* (Doubleday 1992) by Egypt's Nobel laureate Naguib Mahfouz is a mesmerizing set of novels about Islamic culture in contact with English imperialism. It is a family saga of the highest order. Finally, try Roberto Calasso's *The Marriage of Cadmus and Harmony* (Knopf 1993). This beautifully crafted retelling of Greek mythology deserved the praise it won when the English translation (from Italian) appeared in 1993.





T. C. CAMPBELL, PhD '62

Nutritional Sciences

I would recommend a provocative yet scholarly and well-written book by Jim Mason, *An Unnatural Order: Uncovering the Roots of Our Domination of Nature and Each Other* (Simon and Schuster 1993).

DAN McCALL

English

"Dr. Nuland writes with such clarity, grace, intelligence and compassion that the stories he tells are full of drama and revelation."

The best book I've read in the past year is Sherwin B. Nuland's *How We Die* (Knopf 1994). Professor Nuland teaches surgery and the history of medicine at Yale. When I have recommended the book to friends, many of them have said, "Oh, that sounds too *morbid*!" But it's full of life and hope and humanity. The subjects of the chapters are often grim indeed—AIDS, cancer, stroke, heart attack, Alzheimer's—but Dr. Nuland writes with such clarity, grace, intelligence and compassion that the stories he tells are full of drama and revelation. Dr. Nuland's work is decidedly nonfiction, but it provides all the thrills and satisfactions of an imaginative work of art. And I must say it's the *best written* book I've read in a very long time.

ROBERT L. JOHNSON

Cornell United Religious Work

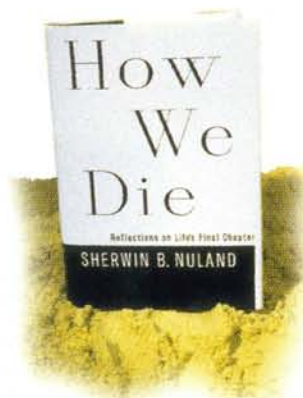
Here are some books I've enjoyed of late that you might want to consider:

Arthur Ashe's and Arnold Rampersad's *Days of Grace* (Knopf 1993), a touching memoir of Ashe's life in tennis and facing death from AIDS.

Robertson Davies's *The Cunning Man* (Viking 1994), a marvelous mystery full of Davies's seasoned wisdom and reflections on life in Toronto.

Sherwin B. Nuland's *How We Die*, a sobering exploration of the process of dying from a Yale physician who relieves us of the ideal of a "good death" and suggests ways we might resacralize death.

Finally, government Prof. Isaac Kramnick's brilliant biography *Harold Laski: A Life on the Left* (Penguin 1993) is one of the more remarkable political histories I have ever read. The research for this book is phenomenal.





## DAVE MANKIN

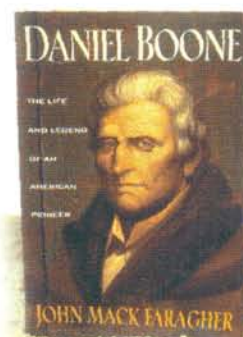
### Classics

"It's pleasing to learn that one of our heroes was more human, yet also more noble, than we thought."

I'd suggest James Jones's *From Here to Eternity* (Scribner's 1951). In my opinion, this is "the great American novel." It's about the "American experience" as embodied in the characters and tribulations of four soldiers and two civilian women living in Hawaii at the time of Pearl Harbor.

My favorite fiction is horror fiction, and H. P. Lovecraft's *The Dunwich Horror and Other Stories* (Arkham 1963) is the best there is. No matter how many times I read these stories, they always terrify me.

John Mack Faragher's *Daniel Boone: the Life and Legend of an American Pioneer* (Holt 1992) is very readable, but also an excellent piece of scholarship. It's pleasing to learn that one of our heroes was more human, yet also more noble, than we thought.



## BRUCE LEVITT

### Theater Arts

The book I would recommend is *Frames of Mind* by Howard Gardner (Basic Books 1983). Gardner's book creates a new model of multiple intelligences, identifying seven different kinds of learners. We have constructed an education system around only two: the linguistic and the logical-mathematical. The other intelligences include spatial, body-kinesthetic, interpersonal, musical and intrapersonal. As schools move away from test scores, Gardner's theories become more and more important. Gardner is an award-winning psychologist on the faculty at Harvard.

## JIM HOUCK, PhD '67

### Astronomy

I recommend *Ancient Futures: Learning from Ladakh* by Helena Norberg-Hodge (Sierra Club 1991). Life is difficult in the mountains of northern India. Ladakh, which roughly translates as the "land of the high passes," is a near-desert situated at altitudes ranging from 10,000 to 22,000 feet above sea level. For most of the year, melting snow in the high peaks is the only source of water. *Ancient Futures* is a description of the largely Buddhist social life that has endured for centuries in Ladakh, and discusses the changes brought about by the westernization of the region by tourism.

*The Snow Leopard* (Viking 1978) by Peter Matthiessen is the stunning account of Matthiessen's spiritual trek to the inner Dolpo region of Nepal in 1973. He traveled with George Schaller, a naturalist who hoped to observe the behavior of the snow leopard, the



largest carnivore in the Himalayas. Schaller's target was elusive but Matthiessen's was even more so.

*The Panda's Thumb* (Norton 1980) by Steven Jay Gould is a collection of essays as well as a discussion of evolution: what it is and what it is not.

## DAPHNE JAMESON

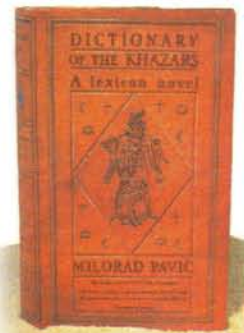
### Hotel Administration

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and final line  
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novel, was  
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Read Milorad Pavic's *Dictionary of the Khazars: A Lexicon Novel* (Knopf 1988), which purports to be a rediscovered 16th-century dictionary concerning an 8th-century European event, the Khazar polemic. The three-section dictionary, which is color coded and cross-referenced, presents the Hebrew, Islamic and Christian sources on the event. Views differ not only by religion but also by gender. The two editions of the novel—male and female—have only one crucial paragraph changed. Try finding that paragraph!

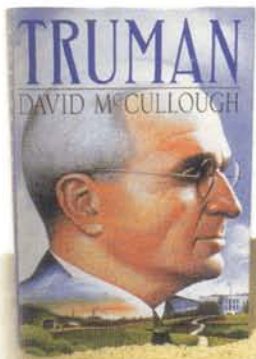
I also suggest *Pale Fire* (Putnam 1962) by Vladimir Nabakov, a novel written in part as a 999-line poem in heroic couplets, with a foreword, a line-by-line commentary and an index. The 1,000th and final line of the poem was not completed because the poet, in the novel, was murdered. The setting alludes to Ithaca, Cornell, (Wordsmith University) and the Finger Lakes (Omega, Ozero and Zero).

Also, *Foucault's Pendulum* (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich 1989) by Umberto Eco. Trying to solve a problem in interpretation of an ancient text, aided by a computer, the characters enter a web of connections with the Knights Templar, the Rosicrucians, the Cathars, the Cabalists and other figures in history, philosophy and legend.



## L. PEARCE WILLIAMS '48, PhD '62

### History



David McCullough's *Truman* (Simon and Schuster 1992) should be required reading for all Americans. McCullough has reminded Americans of a time when character and integrity were fundamental. In the White House, Truman steered a straight path from which he rarely deviated. His vision was a clear one based on common sense and a sense of decency tempered, of course, by political realities.

The murder mysteries of Ellis Peters, featuring Brother Cadfael as a most genial companion, have a medieval cast to them, and the solutions are always clever and humane. These books are a welcome relief from the carnage that is to be found in most other areas of entertainment. [The Brother Cadfael series includes *Confession of Brother Halvin*, 1989; *Flight of a Witch*, 1991; and *The Heretic's Apprentice*, 1990, all published by Mysterious Press.]

Sharon Penman's books, of which *Here be Dragons* (Holt 1985)



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is the first, are a fictional history of Wales and England in the 13th century. The focus is on Wales, with the English playing the part of villains. Ms. Penman both writes beautifully and is a most capable historian. She is attracted to lost causes. The hero of her first book is Llewellyn the Great who first unified Wales in the early part of the century; her last, so far, deals with Edward IV and, more centrally, with Richard III who differs radically from the picture painted by that Tudor propagandist, William Shakespeare.

## STEPHANIE VAUGHN

### English

**T**he *Tower and the Bridge: The New Art of Structural Engineering* (Princeton University Press 1983) by David P. Billington, formerly an A. D. White professor at large, is an exhilarating, informative analysis of the major engineering structures of the 19th and 20th centuries. This book is a gracefully written, cogent argument for perceiving bridges and other structures as sculptural art forms.

*Structures Or Why Things Don't Fall Down* (Da Capo Press 1978) by J. E. Gordon explains compression and tension in a way that even the unmathematically inclined can understand; its narratives of engineering successes and disasters make reading it as suspenseful and gratifying as reading a good poem or novel.

David Livingstone's *The Geographical Tradition* (Blackwell Press 1992) illuminates the way the study of geography and the art of cartography are never objective, morally neutral enterprises.

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## MEREDITH SMALL

### Anthropology

**L**enin's *Tomb: The Last Days of the Soviet Empire* (Random House 1993) by David Remnick is no dry history book. Remnick was a journalist in Moscow from 1988 to 1992 and the book is framed by his interviews with 253 people during those turbulent years. *Lenin's Tomb* gets its vitality from the words of the Soviet people as they watch their economic and social system come apart. Remnick's insights color the book with a distinct personality, and will help you understand the rise and fall of Gorbachev, and why Russians always look so glum.

*The Beak of the Finch: A Story of Evolution in Our Time* by Jonathan Weiner (Knopf 1994) charts the ongoing research of two Princeton biologists who have studied Galapagos Island finches for the past 30 years. On the cover, a black line drawing of a finch head pokes toward the title, and six different species, in color, decorate the spine. Inside, Weiner does a fine job of explaining evolution by comparing what Darwin wrote over 100 years ago with real data on finch body size, beak shape and en-



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vironmental changes. As Darwin suggested, the finches speciate, that is, they evolve under the pressures of natural selection. This is one of the best science-for-the-non-scientist books I have read in years.

Ruth Rendell's *A Judgement in Stone* (Doubleday 1978) begins with one of the most compelling lines in mystery writing: “Eunice Parchman killed the Coverdale family because she could not read or write.” Have to keep reading, don't you? I won't give away the plot (you know the end anyway), and I need not explain to other mystery lovers about the writing skills of Ruth Rendell, but I do suggest that if you can't find the edition with the bloody bed on the cover, choose any Ruth Rendell book and you'll be set for a relaxing afternoon at the beach.

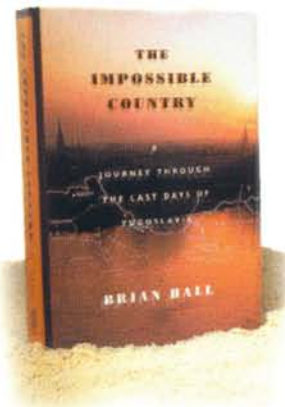
FRANCILLE M. FIREBAUGH, PHD '62

Dean, Human Ecology

Former Smith College President Jill Ker Conway's *True North: A Memoir* (Knopf 1994) and *The Road from Coorain* (Knopf 1989) is a two-part memoir that vividly portrays changes in the roles and opportunities for women and includes wonderfully written personal and cultural circumstances. I found *The Road from Coorain* richer in content and the more reflective of the two, but both books are insightful and interest me because of her roles in higher education.

Mary Catherine Bateson's *Composing a Life* (Atlantic Monthly 1989) provides one framework for reading the Conway memoirs. Ms. Bateson, daughter of Margaret Mead and Gregory Bateson, topically examines her life and the lives of four other very talented women by their partnerships, their multiple lives and their commitments.

Also, I'd suggest *The Impossible Country: A Journey Through the Last Days of Yugoslavia* (Godine 1994) by Brian Hall [a *Cornell Magazine* contributor and author of this month's story on Hans Bethe]. Hall, a novelist and travel writer, relates the stories of individuals and small groups in the former Yugoslavia with insightful historical commentary. The conversations with friends and their connections bring alive the devastating effects of the ethnic conflicts. The book is one step to take in further understanding the complexities of the crisis.



JAMES P. LASSOIE

Natural Resources, Center for the Environment

Read *Ansel Adams: An Autobiography* with Mary Street Alinder (Little, Brown 1985). Ansel Adams was able to finish his autobiography just before he died in 1984, and readers for all time will be able to enjoy a personal narrative of



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his 82 years as a musician, environmentalist and, of course, photographer. He shares his life's story through a mix of reflective accounts of people, places and events; personal letters; and numerous photographs. Most of the 277 black and white photos are his and many are “snapshots” of his friends and associates, who together established photography as a fine art form—people like Alfred Stieglitz, Edward Steichen, Paul Strand, Edward Weston, Imogen Cunningham, George Eastman and Edwin Land.

Adams wrote: “The human condition is part of the world's structure, and a balanced approach to the environment and its significance to humanity is essential. I did not then, and do not now, believe in big stick tactics; our reason for being is not to destroy civilization but to assist in guiding it to constructive attitudes.”

This could easily serve today as a mission statement for Cornell's Center for the Environment.


KEN McCLANE '73, MFA '76

English

**D**aughters (Addison Wesley 1994) by Gerald Early is a marvelous book about fatherhood, the joy and trepidation of having two adolescent daughters and the reality that race still defines much of life in this country. Yet the book is not the usual dreary, doom-tainted tale. *Daughters*, more centrally, involves two parents who love their children, a father who is one of our best cultural critics and two children who delightfully tell us, “We’re just going to make sure that you tell the right stories about us, not those that you and Mommy are always bringing up.” In one terrifying vignette, Professor Early—a recent winner of the National Book Critics Award—is placed under arrest for “suspicion” as he awaits his wife who is shopping in a wealthy St. Louis suburb. *Daughters* is a beautiful, poetic book: rich with love and rage.

*No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II* (Simon and Schuster 1994) by Doris Kearns Goodwin is a lively biography of two of this century's most interesting personalities. I can't vouch for its relative merit as a work of history, but I do know that it makes me understand why so many people admired Eleanor Roosevelt and why, more personally, both my parents thought that she was a gift from God. *No Ordinary Time* also discusses President Roosevelt and the extraordinary period of the Second World War, but it is Eleanor—at least to this reader—who remains so captivating.

*Johnny's Cosmology* by John York (Hummingbird Press 1994) proves that the lyric poem is alive and well. In these times when poetry is often the provender of the diminished and the diminishing, John York writes as if the heart's music mattered. Reading this, one will remember why we need poetry.

*Romare Bearden: His Life and Art* by Myron Schwartzman (Abrams 1990) is an extensive sampling of the brilliant, irrepresible, jazz-influenced paintings of one of America's best artists. The text is informative; the artwork, stunning. Bearden is to art what Monk is to the piano. 

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In 1942, the best and the brightest came together on a high mesa in the New Mexico desert. Their creation ended World War II and changed the world—utterly.

# BETHE AND THE BOMB

BY BRIAN HALL

**July 14, 1945. Two days before the scheduled test of the world's first atomic bomb on a remote range in the New Mexico desert, a test code-named Trinity, disastrous news came from Los Alamos, the secret scientific compound 200 miles north of the test site: a full-size replica of the bomb, minus the plutonium, had just been exploded, and measurements of the implosion shock wave had indicated that in the real bomb the wave would fail to uniformly compress the hollow plutonium sphere into a supercritical ball, but would instead tear it apart. The real bomb would be a dud.**

**Anxiety had been gathering inexorably over the community as the test, with all its unknowns, approached. Was this collection of the best nuclear physicists in the world going to resoundingly demonstrate on July 16 that, in their country's time of desperate need, they had just**







wasted more than \$2 billion dollars of public money and the labors of well over 100,000 people? An uneasy parody of Emerson called the "Los Alamos Blues" had been circulating among the scientists:

*From this crude lab that  
spawned the dud,  
Their necks to Truman's  
axe uncurled,  
Lo, the embattled savants  
stood  
And fired the flop heard 'round  
the world.*

With the news of the bomb replica failure, the unease turned to panic. J. Robert Oppenheimer, the project director, looked physically ill. Generals and Nobel laureates were turning up for the Trinity test, which couldn't be delayed because Truman was waiting for news of the results at the Big Three conference in Potsdam. Everyone rounded on the explosives expert, George Kistiakowsky, who later wrote, "All had much to say about that incompetent wretch who forever after would be known to the world as the cause of the tragic failure of the Manhattan Project."

**H**ans Bethe, head of the Theoretical Physics Division at Los Alamos, neither panicked nor blamed Kistiakowsky. Instead, he stayed up all night plowing through calculations. The following morning he announced that "the instrumental design was such that even a perfect implosion could not have produced oscilloscope records different from what was observed." In other words, the alarming results were meaningless. Oppenheimer fell on Bethe's calculations with relief; the panic lifted; the countdown continued.

In this 50th anniversary year of the dawn of the Atomic Age, this anecdote displays the characteristic strengths of Hans Bethe, the John Wendell Anderson professor emeritus of physics: a steadiness, which often served as an anchor for others; a thoroughness in his approach to a problem and a stamina that few could match; and a quite justified faith in his own prodigious mathematical abilities. The story is often told that Bethe works by

sitting for hours at a table with a stack of blank sheets of paper on one side of him and a stack of finished sheets on the other, with one sheet in between which he is steadily filling, writing in pen without corrections. Years after Los Alamos, the physicist Richard Feynman [see "Genius," December, 1992], himself famous for his ability to perform calculations in his head, would say that he learned it from Bethe, who was "absolutely topnotch. He was nearly always able to get the answer to any problem within a percent."

One thinks of a Mozart of mathematics. And like Mozart, Bethe has always displayed a certain insouciant lack of modesty about his abilities. Once, when a friend, physicist Victor Weisskopf, asked him how long a certain calculation would take, Bethe answered cheerfully, "It would take three days for me and it will take three weeks for you!" This was not boasting, merely clear-sightedness. (Weisskopf reports that the calculation, indeed, took him three weeks.)

The same dedication to clear-sightedness makes Bethe wary of the flights of fancy, the soaring philosophical rhetoric, in which some physicists indulge. Because of this, he doesn't "give good quote," like Oppenheimer, Freeman Dyson, '47-'48 Grad, or Stephen Hawking, and in accounts of the Manhattan Project one is struck by how little is written about him, given the importance of his position.

Bethe was born in 1906 in Strassburg (then part of Germany) and raised mainly in Frankfurt. As he told an interviewer in 1968, he was a "tender" child, who retreated from loneliness into fairy tales and numbers. He loved the latter so much that he compulsively memorized train schedules and shipping lists. As a teenager, he wavered between mathematics and physics but eventually chose the latter because, as he has said, "mathematics seemed to prove things that were obvious." He studied at the University of Munich under Arnold Sommerfeld, one of the most influential professors of theoretical physics in the world, and later took temporary positions at various universities in Germany, England and Italy.

Bethe told his biographer, Jeremy Bernstein, "The English had a much healthier attitude toward life than the Germans. The mystical element in the life phi-



losophy of many Germans had always repelled me, and still does. In England, everything was clear and simple. I was happy." His appreciation of Enrico Fermi, with whom he worked in Rome, struck a similar note: "Fermi seemed to me at the time like the bright Italian sunshine. Clarity appeared wherever his mind took hold."

Meanwhile, back in Germany, the fogs of mystical longing were growing thicker. People were not only talking about "Jewish art" but "Jewish physics." Albert Einstein was advised to make no public appearances for his own safety. In 1931, Arnold Sommerfeld cranked up a blackboard during class to find that someone had scrawled "DAMNED JEWS!" across it, and Bethe found himself in 1932 teaching students wearing swastikas. Shortly after Hitler came to power in 1933, a law was passed forbidding employment in the civil service—which included the faculties of the state-run universities—to anyone with a Jewish parent or grandparent. Bethe had never considered himself Jewish, but his mother was a Jew, and he lost his position immediately. He took temporary refuge with Sommerfeld in Munich but finally left the country for England, eventually taking a position at Cornell in February 1935.

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Within four years Bethe had established himself as a towering figure in his field, partly through writing three monumental review articles on nuclear physics known forever after as the "Bethe Bible," and partly through methodically uncovering, via reams of patient calculations, the precise fusion reactions that power stars. (This work won him the Nobel Prize in 1967.) He married Rose Ewald in 1939, the daughter of his former professor at the Technical College of Stuttgart.

On the eve of World War II, two researchers in Berlin discovered that neutrons bombarding uranium could cause the nuclei to fission, and subsequent experiments showed that this fissioning produced more neutrons. Nuclear physicists immediately saw that two things were

theoretically possible: the production of atomic energy and the production of atomic bombs. But Bethe at first didn't believe it would be practically possible to build a bomb during the war. He saw enormous difficulties involved in separating the more fissionable uranium-235 isotope from the



Los Alamos, 1944. Fermi is standing at left, Bethe is next to him.

more common U-238. (He was not wrong about the difficulties. No physicist in the table-top days of physics in 1939, when the scope and equipment of physics was relatively simple, could foresee that within five years there would be 100,000 people working in a complex that included the largest building on earth, at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, on the inelegant, brute-force solution to this problem.)

It was only when Bethe saw Fermi's uranium-graphite reactor pile in a squash court at the University of Chicago in 1942, and learned from Edward Teller that such a reactor could produce fissionable plutonium, that he began to see that some sort of bomb was probably workable. Oppenheimer wanted him to join the secret Manhattan Project then being set up, but Bethe first had a long talk about the morality of it all with his wife. As he told his biographer, "[Rose] asked me to consider carefully whether I really wanted to continue to work on this. Finally, I decided to do it. The fission bomb had to be done, because the Germans were presumably doing it." As he says now, "The main reason was, I felt in this way I could make the greatest contribution to the war effort. After all, nuclear physics was my field."

The Los Alamos that the Bethes arrived at in April 1943 was one of the oddest communities the world has ever seen. Up



on a pine-clad mesa skirted by steep canyons, where once there had been a toughen-up ranch for the delicate scions of wealthy Eastern families, the Army Corps of Engineers was throwing up labs that looked like elongated barracks and little houses in a stark style called Hurry-Up Military. Scientists and their families were pouring in. On the perimeter a security fence went up which, according to Enrico Fermi's Jewish wife, made some of the Europeans unhappy because it "reminded them of concentration camps."

Up on "the Hill," as it came to be called, no one talked about a bomb, lest the construction crews overhear. From the beginning, it was "the Gadget." Uranium 235 was called "25" and plutonium 239 was "49." The initiator, which would provide the initial spray of neutrons, was the "Urchin."

There was no such address as Los Alamos. Most of the community officially lived at P.O. Box 1663 in Santa Fe, which caused one mail-order company eventually to write, "Sir: We don't know what you are doing to our catalogues. We have sent more than 100 catalogues to this address and will send no more." The scientists' driver's licenses carried no names, only numbers. People in Santa Fe could hear the frequent explosions in the canyons, and rumors circulated about gas warfare, jet propulsion, death rays and even atomic bombs.

Would anyone have guessed that in one of the labs there was a 40-pound doorstop of solid gold, courtesy of Fort Knox? (Gold had been tried as a "tamper"—a neutron-reflecting shield around the core—and found wanting.) Also lying around, discarded, was the largest piece of platinum in the world. The scientists had asked for osmium, too, but were informed that their order exceeded the world's known supply. Then there was Dick Feynman, going around cracking all the safes, to show his colleagues that their secrets weren't secure. And there was Feynman's good friend, Klaus Fuchs, who turned out later to be a Russian spy, and who insinuated himself so successfully into the myriad activities of the lab that he didn't have to crack any safes. At the end of the project Fuchs edited the secret 24-volume encyclopedia that summed up all the work that had been accomplished.

The average age at Los Alamos was 29.

The mountain air was exhilarating, the work was exciting and the communards started to produce an astonishing number of babies (whose birth certificates recorded the place of birth as P.O. Box 1663). General Leslie R. Groves, the military head of the site, told Oppenheimer, in true military fashion, to do something about this. Oppenheimer refused and fathered a child himself. Rose Bethe bore two and washed their diapers in melted snow flecked with soot from the hundreds of coal-burning stoves that sometimes threw a black pall over the whole town.

Groves called the scientists "children," and they, like many who had known Groves before, called him a son of a bitch, and much else besides. He was a tough, can-do bulldozer who had picked Oppenheimer to be director because the exotic, cultured and slightly precious physicist was his idea of everything a genius was supposed to be. The unlikely choice—Oppenheimer had no administrative experience—turned out to be perfect. Oppenheimer inspired everyone with his broad knowledge of physics, his immense education, his Delphic utterances, his riding horses, his rare steaks and strong martinis and black coffee, and with the self-torturing dedication that caused him to chain-smoke, attend meetings while close to collapse with chicken pox and waste away to a ghastly 116 pounds.

But Oppenheimer also had a Communist past, so the director of the country's most secret and vital military project had his telephone tapped and his rooms bugged. All of the others had to put up with their mail being opened. A friend of Rose's wanted a relative to send a knitting needle, and when she poked holes in the letter to indicate the size she needed,

**They had been told  
to lie down, but  
none did. In Edward  
Teller's words, "We  
were determined  
to look the beast  
in the eye." He and  
Bethe passed around  
suntan lotion, and in  
the cool dark many of  
the men solemnly  
smeared it on.**



the letter came back: "No codes, please." Some of the wives had absolutely no idea what their husbands were doing. Crowded behind the fence, reading their censored mail, raising the children, not even flinching anymore at the explosions, they could not avoid seeing each other every day at the PX or the square dances, but according to Rose, they "never, never, never talked about what was going on."

Oppenheimer had appointed Bethe head of the Theoretical Physics Division, arguably Los Alamos's most important post, since theory dominated the work by necessity: many of the experiments they designed could not be carried out. As theory chief, Bethe had to oversee and coordinate the work of the various theory groups, who had plenty to work on. They had to come up with a model for the immensely complicated problem of how neutrons diffuse through a critical mass. They had to calculate the effects of different kinds of tampers on neutron reflection and absorption. They had to figure out how to calculate the efficiency of nuclear explosions. They had to determine critical masses and—perhaps more importantly—the limits of subcritical ones. They had to understand how liquids and gases behaved in fractions of micro-seconds, under pressures and temperatures greater than at the center of the sun. They had to design an initiator. They had to determine the behavior of plutonium when they had hardly any plutonium to work with. And on and on.

Bethe was well-suited to this Herculean task. His abilities were so broad that a colleague recently said at a symposium on the Cornell campus that he was convinced of a conspiracy among several scientists to all publish under the name "Hans Bethe." He was approachable and unhierarchical. At his suggestion, Oppenheimer instituted the Colloquium, in which everyone at the lab, regardless of rank, could come together regularly to exchange ideas. Freeman Dyson's description of Bethe as head of Cornell's nuclear physics program is probably a good description of his strengths earlier at Los Alamos: "He had an amazing ability to choose good problems, not too hard and not too easy, for students of widely varying skills and interests. He had eight or ten students doing research problems and never seemed to find it a strain to keep us

busy and happy."

Bethe's imperturbability in the face of daunting challenges earned him the name "the Battleship." (Feynman, meanwhile, became the "Mosquito Boat," and other physicists enjoyed hearing, from down the hall, Feynman's cries of "No, you're wrong!" and "That's crazy!" piping over the *cantus firmus* of Bethe's slow deep voice explaining that, no, he was not crazy, and he would explain why.) And most of all, there was his steadiness, his mysteriously inexhaustible equanimity. While Oppenheimer smoked and turned into a scarecrow, Bethe ate two lunches. Everyone knew whenever he was in the movie theater, or talking with Feynman, because they could hear his booming laugh. On Sundays he walked in the mountains, and his friend Victor Weisskopf has pointed out the similarities between his work methods and his walks: "He has the steady swinging stride of a Swiss guide. The pace looks slow, but is deceiving and usually puts him ahead of anyone not a quarter of a century his junior." He would sit in the sun on the summits and talk physics.

**A**t some point during the previous eight years, Bethe had become an American both legally and mentally. The German mystical bent that so repelled him must have seemed far away in can-do, sunny, forgetful America. When in 1943 he saw a drawing of a rod-studded pile that Werner Heisenberg, still working for Germany, had given to Niels Bohr along with some cryptic comments about the German bomb, he thought, "These Germans are totally crazy! Do they want to throw a reactor down on London?" He insists that the phrase "these Germans are crazy" came to him without a trace of irony.

On the day before Trinity, with the world's first atomic bomb assembled in its shot tower, the boss of the assembly crew advised his men to look for rabbits' feet and four-leaf clovers. The physicists had organized a betting pool on the size of the blast, and some of them engaged in their own wood-knocking by picking numbers well below what their calculations told them. Bethe picked a reasonable eight kilotons of TNT (the actual yield was 18.6



kilotons) and in his final talk to the Theoretical Division spoke matter-of-factly: "Human calculation indicates that the experiment must succeed. But will nature act in conformity with our calculations?"

The physicists not directly connected with the administration of the test stood



Presentation of the Fermi Award to Bethe, December 1961.

on a hilltop before dawn on July 16, 20 miles from ground zero. They had been told to lie down, but none did. In Edward Teller's words, "We were determined to look the beast in the eye." He and Bethe passed around suntan lotion, and in the cool dark many of the men solemnly smeared it on. The flash came at 5:29:45 a.m. Mountain War Time.

Accounts always quote the initial thoughts and comments of the Trinity observers, according them the weight usually given to the last words of the dying. I. I. Rabi wrote, "Suddenly, there was an enormous flash of light, the brightest light I have ever seen or that I think anyone has ever seen. It blasted; it pounced; it bored its way right through you. It was a vision which was seen with more than the eye." Phillip Morrison said, "The thing that got me was not the flash but the blinding heat of a bright day on your face in the cold desert morning. It was like opening a hot oven with the sun coming out like a sunrise."

Trinity Director Kenneth Bainbridge said, "No one who saw it could forget it, a foul and awesome display." His first words to Oppenheimer were, "Now we are all sons of bitches." (The pressure that many of them felt to rise to the occasion is clearly reflected in Bainbridge's later proud statement that Oppenheimer had called his

sons-of-bitches line "the best thing anyone said after the test.") Oppenheimer himself characteristically outdid everyone in portentousness, producing the most-quoted line of all, a verse from the *Bhagavad Gita*: "Now I am become Death, the destroyer of worlds."

In virtually all the written accounts, Bethe's reaction is never mentioned, except for one line in Richard Rhodes's book, *The Making of the Atomic Bomb*: "It looked like a giant magnesium flare which kept on for what seemed a whole minute but was actually one or two seconds." No larger thoughts? "No," he says now. He explains unapologetically: "I am not a philosopher." But surely he felt some emotion? "My main worry had been that the part of the bomb which I had specifically designed, at least partly, that that part might not function. But it did, and that was fine."

In fact, one suspects that many of the others, in the first few seconds, also felt mainly numb relief. There was cheering and backslapping on the Hill. The gadget had worked! Feynman, dancing around happily, remembered only one moper: Robert R. Wilson, now professor emeritus of nuclear studies at Cornell, surprised him by blurting out, "It's a terrible thing that we made."

The others soon began to sober up, too. Victor Weisskopf perhaps put it best: "Our first feeling was one of elation, then we realized we were tired, and then we were worried." Rabi thought about his wooden house in Cambridge, and what a blast like that would do to it. Feynman later scribbled this eloquent *cri de coeur* in his notebook: "We scientists are clever—too clever—are you not satisfied? Is four square miles in one bomb not enough? Men are still thinking. Just tell us how big you want it!"

Oppenheimer, in a 1948 *Time* interview, said, "In some sort of crude sense, which no vulgarity, no humor, no overstatement can quite extinguish, the physicists have known sin." Freeman Dyson's defense of this statement, which angered many of the Los Alamos people, was: "To have built the bomb, when their country was engaged in a desperate war against Hitler's Germany, was morally justifiable. But they did not just build the bomb. They enjoyed building it. They had the best time of their lives while building it."

That has been the source of the en-



during ambivalence felt by the people who worked on the Manhattan Project. Los Alamos was a *paradise*: an unprecedented collection of the best physicists in the world working together intensely and communally toward a common, crucial goal and hiking in the shimmering air and making babies while doing it. Bethe has said of the time, "I have never worked so hard or so purposefully since." And yet it ended in Hiroshima and a nuclear arms race. People who felt that their work at Los Alamos had thrust a heavy responsibility on them formed the Association of Los Alamos Scientists, which carries the provocative acronym, ALAS.

Bethe has felt this ambivalence, too. In 1968 he told an interviewer, "Everything starts with Los Alamos—with the A-bomb. All the tragedies and all the mistakes that haunt us now begin there. I concluded I should [work on the bomb because] the Germans might get the bomb first. But we were all wrong. Heisenberg was working on nuclear power, but not on the bomb." He says now, "I like the statement by Niels Bohr, right at the end of the war: 'It is a peril and a hope.' A peril [because] if they were used, it would end civilization, and the hope that people would be intelligent enough to see that there must not be wars between the major powers." If there could not be a war to end all wars, perhaps there could be a weapon to end all wars. At the time, the two visions were either of Armageddon or of a Millennium achieved through some strong international body controlling nuclear technology for the good of all. No one foresaw the half-baked, half-mad reality that actually transpired: peace, yes, but through mutually assured destruction.

Today Bethe is ambivalent, but not tormented. He is too steady for that. He has channeled his sense of responsibility into effective public advocacy for arms control and a test ban treaty, and determined opposition to the Anti-Ballistic Missile System (ABM) proposal of the 1960s and the Star Wars of the 1980s, both of which he perceived to be destabilizing. He thinks the development of the atomic bomb by somebody, at some time, was inevitable once the science was known, and he leaves it at that. He believes that the use of the bomb against Japan was the right decision: "The Japanese—as a whole, not Hiroshima—had the least painful exit from the

war due to the bomb." He points out that in a single conventional firebombing raid on Tokyo as many people were killed as at Nagasaki, and these raids would have gone on for weeks or months more in the absence of the bomb.

But the vast power of physics today does trouble him. "It troubles me that the public sees physics only as the mother of technology," he says. "No one any longer pays attention to—if I may call it—the spirit of physics, the idea of discovery, the idea of understanding. I think it's difficult to make clear to the non-physicist the beauty of how it fits together, of how you can build a world picture, and the beauty that the laws of physics are immutable." Or as a physicist more comfortable with sounding like a philosopher might say, as Albert Einstein did, "The eternal mystery of the world is its comprehensibility."

In his 60 years at Cornell, Bethe has been happy, turning down numerous offers to go elsewhere. He consciously strove to recreate the idyllic collegiality of Los Alamos, and by all accounts, he has succeeded. He kept out the engineers and the chemists, and turned eagerly back to the pure science of nuclear processes, to "the spirit of physics." As he says in his cluttered office in Newman Lab, with an air of deep satisfaction, "I think we have the best of Los Alamos here, without having to make a bomb." □

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### For further reading . . .

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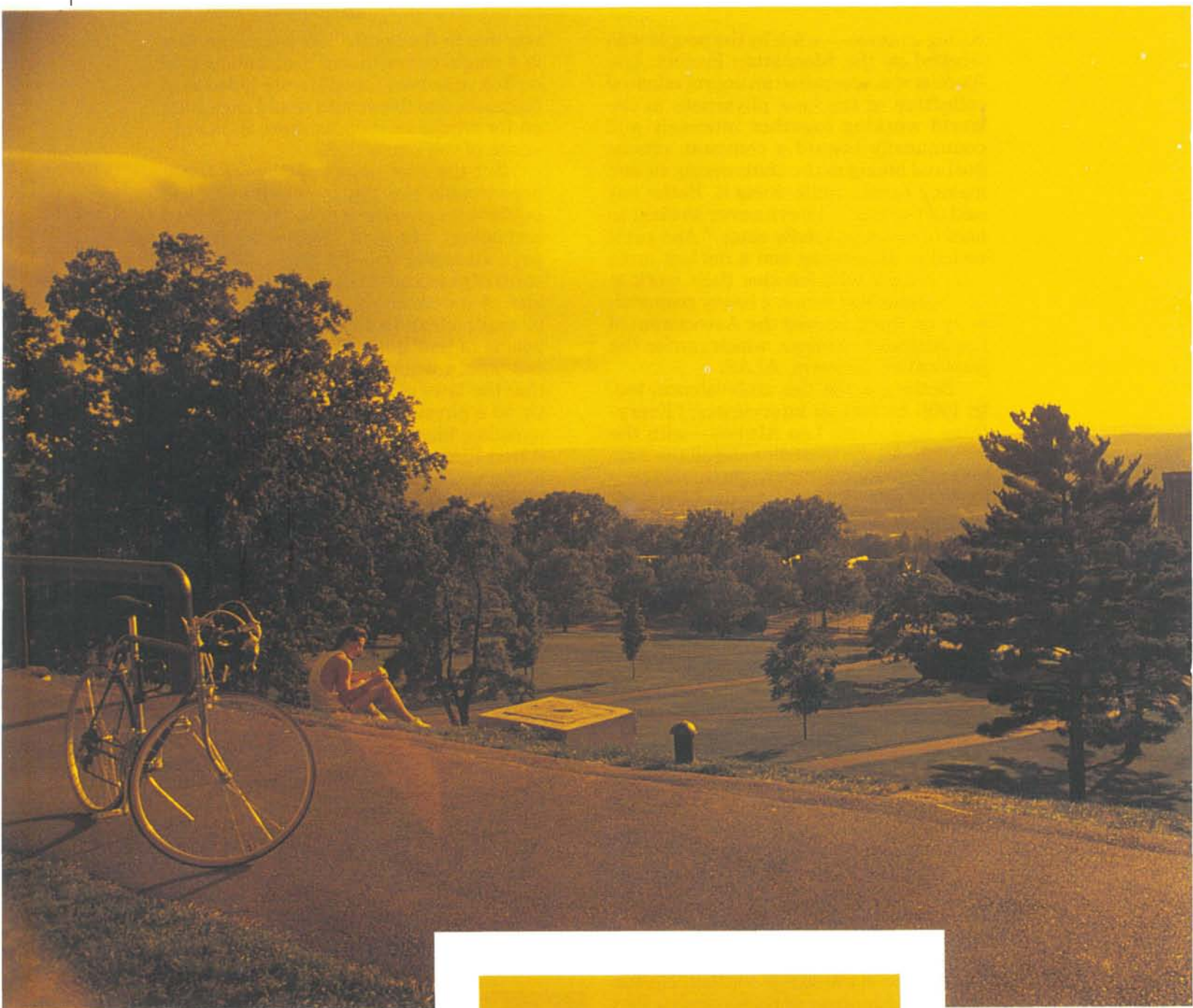
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## Ithaca Idyll

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# Class Notes

**18** Many readers of class columns in this magazine from the mid-1960s through early 1990s often turned to **Irene M. Gibson's** column in this space for her well-written, often thought-provoking, but never sentimental contributions. Her fans were of various ages, many much younger than herself, and she delighted in hearing from them. She also wrote articles for the magazine, then known as the *Cornell Alumni News*, and her feature article in the December 1990 issue on war memorials, "In Memory of Service Past," involved much research as well as her own experience as a World War II WAC veteran and one who was on campus as a student as World War I broke out.

**June Gibson** Pendleton '53 recently informed us of her aunt's death Nov. 17, '94. Four days earlier she had suffered a massive stroke, writes Pendleton, but "Up to that time she was unusually healthy, alert, and active. On November 11 she participated in an awards ceremony for the Orleans (NY) chapter of the DAR . . . She is missed by all."

Irene Gibson was born in May 1898. She lived the last years of her life in Holley, NY, her childhood home. She had studied modern languages, particularly French and Spanish, and earned an MA from Ohio State U. in 1924. She worked as an editor for about 30 years, for 12 of them on the staff of the United Nations, and taught French and Spanish at the college and, later, high school levels. Gibson's interest in history led her to write extensively on local Orleans County places and people, and she was active in her community and in alumni clubs. She was named Orleans County Senior Citizen of the Year in 1987. At that time, her nearby friend and fellow alumnus **Dorothy Lamont '24** wrote of her, "Irene is a capable, energetic, and independent lady; a role model for today's young women."

**24** Earlier this year, we heard from **Fred Wood's** daughter, **Meredithe Wood Einaudi '61**, wife of **Marco Einaudi '61**: "I thought of you all last June at your 70th Reunion and remembered how much Dad loved being at Reunion in 1989. If 'Mar' and I hadn't been in Japan then, I'd have been tempted to join you all." With her letter came a copy of the leaflet telling about The Frederic Conger Wood Fellowship for Research in Europe. The fellowship was established in 1993 with a generous bequest from Fred's estate. It stipulated that the fund be used for awards to deserving graduate and/or undergraduate students; that it be held as a fund in connection with the Luigi Einaudi professorship in European and international studies; and that it be identified as the Frederic Conger Wood Endowment Fund in recognition of the tie between the Wood and Einaudi fam-

ilies. As you will recall, Fred's will included a most generous bequest to the Class of 1924 Memorial Scholarship Fund. Together, these provisions indicate how strongly he supported the idea of giving money to enable others to enjoy the Cornell opportunities which had contributed so much to his life.

Do you remember the "Starry Tree" featured in our Holiday Newsletter, designed by **Natalie "Nan" (Fairbanks) '32**, the late wife of **John Wood** (not related to Fred)? John writes that he and Nan created their own Christmas cards from 1937 through 1988, using her original art. "The first ones were linoleum blocks, which Nan cut and I helped print," John says, "and I have a file of all 51 cards."

The first-ever Cornell music video, titled *Lift the Chorus*, consisting of 28 songs, illustrated with some 1,500 still and moving images of Cornell history, and highlighting our all-time 70th Reunion attendance record—produced by **Albert Podell '58**—is now procurable. If you are interested, please let me know and I will see that you get further particulars. ♦ **Max Schmitt**, RR5, Box 2498, Brunswick, ME 04011-9632.

**Mary Yinger** says that she has been doing too much and must take things easy for a while. However, she has accomplished all the things that she MUST do! So on a spring Sunday, she went out to "brunch" with some young friends and had "a GREAT time."

**Ruth Oviatt**, who lives in Alexandria, VA, has resigned from her work as a docent for two of the Washington, DC museums. She says the museums were training classes of young people for this work and she decided that it was time to let the young folks take over. Ruth still has her own apartment, which she formerly shared with her sister. Her sister has died and she has thought about a retirement home, but still enjoys her own place. **Eleanor Bayuk** Green continues to send me clippings from *The New York Times*. That is wonderful, and I do appreciate it.

Some of you must remember the Class of '18 women's column that **Irene Gibson** wrote for many years. It was always very interesting, so when Irene gave up the job, I wrote her a letter. Recently I came across her answer, which I had saved. She told me about meeting **A. E. "Betty" Neely '19** (now deceased) in Geneva, Switzerland, where she (Irene) was working for the United Nations. She was soon transferred to Paris. Later, back home and after our classmate **Dot Lamont** retired in nearby Albion, NY, Irene saw her often. Irene wrote that the doctors discovered an inoperable brain tumor was the cause of Dot's failing eyesight, and the cause of her death in 1993. While Dot was an active member of our class she gave generously to the Cornell Fund, and left a bequest to Cornell when she died. [It was learned this spring that Irene, herself, had died on Nov. 17, '94.—



Ed.] ♦ **Florence "Flo" Daly**, 91 Old Winthrop Rd., Augusta, ME 04330.

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I quote from an article which our faithful Class Notes editor, **Elsie McMillan '55**, discovered in the *Alumni News*



of April 9, '25: "Four Cornell students . . . are among the 12 members of two inter-university orchestras which will entertain tourists this summer, under the direction of **George L. Coleman 1895**, aboard the steamship *Tuscania* on a Mediterranean cruise under the auspices of Thomas Cook & Son." The four Cornellians were listed as **Ludwig F. Audrieth, PhD '26**, **C. Everett Howes '25**, **Harold L. Ruland '27**, and your correspondent. (**Howard T. "Jeff" Searles** was also supposed to go, but thought he had to grab an offered job.)

Other universities represented were Colgate, Yale, Pennsylvania, Amherst, Rochester, and Lafayette; Eastman School of Music and the Hill School also provided talent. The article proceeds: "The party sails from New York July 4 as guests of the management [i.e., no pay] and will provide chamber music, standard orchestra music, classical selections, jazz, vocal, vaudeville skits, banjo turns, clog dances, and almost every other form of musical entertainment . . . The ship is expected to return September 3." The group, few of whom had ever met before, reported to the S.S. *Tuscania* shortly before the sailing date, to find that the ship's regular orchestra (and its union) didn't intend to surrender any of its regular functions. Hence the scope of our activities, which had seemed to exclude only the major symphonies and grand opera, was fortunately less than advertised. At the other end of the scale, the clog dances and "banjo turns" never did materialize, and the vaudeville skits could wait.

We put together a pretty good dance band, however, thanks to a few jazz artists like Lou Audrieth and **Chuck Smith '26**. I was just a general-purpose operator—a music-reading violinist to accompany skits and what-not, "doubling in brass" (actually on saxophone) in the dance band. Those were the days when folks really danced on deck beneath the stars, with whole days and nights between ports, and a cruise ship was primarily a ship rather than a gussied-up ferry running between airports. From this distance, our home-made music sounded a great deal better than the prerecorded, synthesized, over-amplified racket produced (along with excessive air-conditioning) aboard the floating pleasure-domes of today. But to get to the cruise: we actually visited places which, however commonplace they seem today, were quite rare at the time, except among the idle rich. Seven days to Madeira; a couple more to Gibraltar, then on to Malaga, Monte Carlo, Rome, Naples, Venice, Athens, Constantinople, Beirut, Cairo, Jerusalem, and home via the Naples area (Pompeii, Amalfi, Capri, Vesuvius) and Gibraltar. Two or three days, not hours, in most places. It was a time of peace between the wars, and many years before anyone thought of taking off a year or so after col-

lege to see the world and find out who he really was. Thanks to George Coleman for a great experience, and thanks for reminding me, **Elsie**. ♦ **Walter Southworth**, 744 Lawton St., McLean, VA 22101; e-mail walters669@aol.com.

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**Norma Ross Winfree** and **Tom** are in residence at their Lake Ontario summer home, LeRoy Island, RD #3, Wolcott, NY, intent on selling it as the care of two residences and the travel back and forth from Arizona has become too burdensome. They will settle for air conditioning in their Arizona home. **Eleanor "Hedgie" Wright Decker** has now been six years in her retirement home near her daughter in Keene, NH and loves it there.

**Zaida Hanford Pierce**, who had to miss the 65th Reunion, is hoping her brother-in-law will drive her to our 70th, only two years away, as it coincides with his. Have a good summer and remember to send me news of it as requested in our May Newsletter, which "emptied the cupboard!" ♦ **Sid Hanson** Reeve, 1563 Dean St., Schenectady, NY 12309.

**Herb Edelstein**, who lives alone in an adult retirement community in Florida, describes in detail the daily doings and happenings! "We have complete kitchens so I prepare my own breakfast and lunch. There is a laundry room on each floor (included in the rent) so I do my own laundry, and free weekly housekeeping service is also provided. There are many clubs, such as bridge, language, and "roundtable," in which I participate. The grounds are beautifully landscaped with an excellent swimming pool outside, and inside there is a comfortable lounge where drinks (non-alcoholic, except on Fridays) are served from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and dinner is served from 4:00 to 6:40 p.m. Entertainment is provided on-site four nights and the other three nights there is bingo; transportation is provided to off-property establishments offering amusements, as well as to restaurants, but residents pay the other expenses. In every apartment there are keys to security building doors and emergency cords to which, when pulled, someone responds—after an interval. Of the residents, 90 percent are women, who mostly play bridge, and 10 percent are men (myself included), who mostly play shuffleboard. (I am usually the only male at bridge games.) Anyone under 80 years is considered a mere youngster; one of the men is over 100! In some ways living this life is like being in minimum security detention, but without any prescribed regimen."

**Phil Lyon** writes that he is still playing golf, although down to nine holes and that it is "still fun, even when I miss those three-footers!" ♦ **C. L. Kades**, PO Box 132, Heath, MA 10346.

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**Sidney Kingsley**, our famous playwright, died recently. His best known works were *Men in White* and *Dead End*, which brought him a Pulitzer Prize. He was married to a beautiful actress, **Madge Evans**, who predeceased him. **David Goldin** and his wife, **Ethel**, celebrat-

ed their 60th wedding anniversary in July at Sportsmen's Lodge in Studio City, Los Angeles. They also attended the weddings of grandson Jean and granddaughter Beth.

**Paul Gillett** became friendly with one of the assigned students who served as class clerk at the 65th Reunion. Her name is **Say-aka Karitani '95**, expected to graduate this past May, and Paul has lost contact with her.

**Sam Pollock** is a life fellow of the American Psychiatric Assn. and a member of the New Jersey Psychiatric Inst. He and his wife enjoy old friends at Sea Island, GA.

**Max Werner** has acquired a "significant other" and enjoys summers at Raquette Lake, NY. ♦ **Theodore Adler**, 2 Garden Rd., Scarsdale, NY 10583.

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**Silas "Si" Wild** and I were both involved in Boy Scouts for many years, though he attended more camps, jamborees, etc. **Ed Whiting** lives near campus, surrounded by the remains of a big orchard which is beautiful in apple-blossom time. He gets to visit children in the Far West about once a year. **Jack Coleman**, who was into music in our day, recently marched to the beat of Mendelsohn with Julia Gilliam. They will live in Dayton, OH. **Jerry Loewenberg** lives in an Air Force enclave in San Antonio (where saluting is mandatory?). He's done a lot of world traveling in his time, and still gets to Ithaca for Reunion as a Continuous Reunion Club (CRC) member every June.

**John Benson** came up to Ithaca from Texas to surprise his mother, **Louisa (Tyler)**, and father, **Horace "Benny" Benson**. Relatives who showed up at Louisa's birthday party included **George '28** and **Dorothy Wertz Tyler '30**. Many happy returns! ♦ **Don Layton**, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

Unfortunately, by the time I receive the news and it gets published, most of the coming events are already in the past; however, I am going to continue to try to fill you in on what you missed. I wish I could send each of you a copy of **Ruth Uetz Nobel's** Christmas letter, because it was so exciting. This is the 15th year she has been teaching creative movement at Cuyahoga Community College. She has given performances for the Solon Library, the 20th anniversary of the Assn. of Gerontologists in Higher Education, and the Conference of Physical Therapists.

**Son Dod** drove Ruth to Reunion, where we all enjoyed our time together. Later she visited her grandchildren at Scipio, where her grandson, who is a network administrator at Cornell, lives. During August she was at Chautauqua, going to ballets, lectures, concerts, and doing ballroom dancing. **Son Park Nobel '60** had his seventh book, *Remarkable Agaves and Cacti*, published by Oxford University Press. Son Dod published *White Tail Hunter Education*, which, among much other information, contains recipes for using venison.

Ruth also has a yearly tradition of an Open House to which all classmates are welcome. Check the date with Ruth. There is also a James Dodman Nobel Award in



human relations at Cleveland State U. This sounds like a worthwhile idea to encourage.

**Jo Mills Reis** wrote that **Isabel Saloman Gichner** visited her recently, while Isabel was at her daughter's house on Longboat Key. Before **Hank's** death they were already living in a retirement community at 8100 Connecticut Ave., Apt. 701, Chevy Chase, MD 20813.

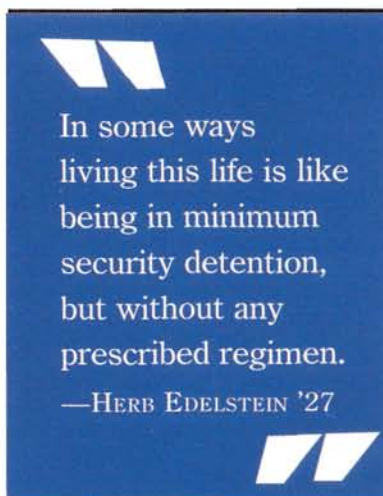
Tulips, daffodils, flowering quince, and weeping cherry are all in full bloom, so I think that spring is now here to stay. It's hard to be sad when the world is so beautiful, so I hope that you are all feeling young and peppy. Now that my income tax has been paid and all my papers put away, I am ready for another year.

Recently my granddaughter and her husband came to visit and did minor repairs all around my house. In September my daughter, Karen Wright, editor of *Modern Painters* magazine, and her husband and two daughters are coming to visit me from their home in England. My other daughter, Dr. Lenore May, is currently working on a project for the New York Botanical Gardens.

Please send me your news. I'm sure that you have wonderful children and grandchildren, too. ♦ **Grace Carlin Wile**, 184 Shady Brook Lane, Princeton, NJ 08540.

**30** Here's one last word on the page created by **Olive Hoberg Godwin** for the scrapbook presented to President Rhodes by the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO). Olive, our artist, and I both have received charming letters of appreciation from President Rhodes, as well as pleasant thank-you notes from the CACO people.

There was not space earlier to finish telling about **Frankie Culpepper Goerges's** interesting life. Starting out wisely, she acquired secretarial training before college so she could work her way, and then began at U. of Michigan before transferring to Cornell in 1928. Classes in nature study and education, as well as her work, brought her into contact with Professors **E. Laurence Palmer, PhD '11**, **Arthur A. Allen, PhD '08**, and **Peter P. Kellogg '29**. When she graduated, Professor Palmer referred her to Newark Museum in New Jersey, where for 15 years she worked on all phases of exhibits, did field work and collecting, and led children's groups. In 1934 she married Martin; they had a foster child for a while, but had to give him up when they left the state, moving to California. At loose ends, she attended the Academy of Science in Golden Gate Park and became a volunteer there, as she always enjoyed being with young people, and still corresponds with some she knew along the way. Her husband had yearned to visit his German homeland, but died in 1990, his wish unfulfilled. Frankie herself carried out his pilgrimage, visiting his home area in Dresden, sitting in the church he had attended with his mother. Frankie's address is C.C. Young Memorial Home, 4829 W. Lowther St., Dallas, TX, and she would love to hear from old friends. Please WRITE ME, any day, anytime. Best wishes to all. ♦ **Joyce Porter**



Layton, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

News of our Reunion will appear in the September issue. The name **Howard O. "Ike" Aigeltinger** is familiar to most, if not all, of you as that of one of our class stalwarts. It is sad that his death on Dec. 14, '94 is the occasion for mentioning it in these notes. **Kay Heasley**, honorary member of our class and wife of the late **Walt**, another class stalwart, wrote about Ike. For years, together with **Walt**, **Kay** opened the celebrations of all our Reunions with a grand function at their beautiful estate, and she has continued the tradition since **Walt's** passing, including the one scheduled for June 7, '95. Her letter was transmitted to me by **Bill Vanneman '31**, class correspondent for the men of his class, who noted, "The Class of '31 would be honored to have **Ike Aigeltinger** among its members, but . . . though he may not have officially graduated until 1931, . . . he was never affiliated with our class." **Bill**, **Ike's** "shellmate" on the jayvee crew, wrote, "Before he went on to the varsity, I rowed with **Ike** . . . and a more enthusiastic, fiery oarsman never rowed for Cornell." As many of you must know, **Ike** was a pilot in the Army Air Corps until 1934 and for Eastern Airlines, 1936-67. **Ike's** jovial presence at many of our past Reunions and the personality which made him so likable to classmates fully justify **Bill Vanneman's** assessment of him as "Besides, he was a great guy." The sympathy of the Class of '30 is extended to **Margaret**, **Ike's** widow, son **Edward H. '63**, BS Eng '64, and daughter **Ann (Mrs. Hugh J. Mazza)**. ♦ **Benedict P. Cottone**, Bay Plaza 802, 1255 Gulfstream Ave., Sarasota, FL 34236; phone (813) 366-2989; fax (813) 366-2989.

**31** That day has finally arrived! Class Notes deadline and no notes! All the remaining 1994-95 News and Dues responses were used up in the 1995-96 News and Dues letter, except for one letter which is on my desk on Cape Cod, while I'm now in Washington, DC. I'm here because even though I went to church on Easter Sunday in New York City, it didn't earn me wings,

or persuade the angels to bear me up as I paused on the steps on the way out to take a picture of my son **Reeve Vanneman '67** and his wife **Jane (Wallace) '68** greeting their former Washington rector, now the new rector of St. Bartholomew's on Park Avenue. To get a better "frame" I stepped back, but there was no step there. At our age the penalty for such carelessness should be at least a broken hip, but it was only a ten-stitch cut over my left eye (repaired at—where else?—NY Hospital-Cornell Medical Center). Incidentally, if you've never seen "St. Bart's," make it a stop on your next trip to NYC. Magnificent!

The letter I left behind is from **Ben Hertzberg** (The Pierre, 1207, 795 Fifth Ave., NYC 10021). He and **Lilian** are on one of their frequent trips to London, Paris, and Venice, with a side trip to Israel for **Lilian** to keep up her fine work with the Weizmann Inst. As he has so kindly in past years, **Ben** sent me clippings on the Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race. The Brits make quite a big deal of this race—like the New York papers used to do with the Poughkeepsie Regatta in our day. This time lots of crocodile tears over the fact that both boats were full of champion oarsmen from other countries. Dark hints of "recruiting" and "professionalism." So what else is new? It shouldn't take much extra inducement to persuade a talented oarsman who wants to continue to row after graduation to do his post-graduate work at an institution that sponsors a crew in the most prestigious eight-oared boat race left on this planet!

PS: Please start planning for our 65th Reunion, next spring! ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, Thirwood Pl., Apt. 250, 237 N. Main St., S. Yarmouth, MA 02664.

In late April, as this is being written, distressing news has just reached us of the sudden death of **Jane Blakeslee Smith** in an auto accident. We know that her husband, **Howard '30**, PhD '37, a retired Cornell professor of electrical engineering, died several years ago. Our warm sympathy goes out to her daughters who survive her. As an Ithacan, **Jane** was always a great help at Reunions, ready to pitch in where needed. My personal memories of **Jane** go back to our hard-fought freshman field hockey games on Cascadilla field.

We heard that **Frankie Young** has just moved from her long-time apartment on Dryden Rd. to a senior residence. Sorry, no address available yet.

No word from any of you for the past two months. Depressing! Won't you please help to keep this column going? ♦ **Helen Nuffort Saunders**, 445 Valley Forge Rd., Devon, PA 19333; telephone (610) 989-9849.

**32** **Whitey Mullestein**, always involved with worthwhile projects, is treasurer of Kendal at Ithaca. This piqued my curiosity, so I asked a few questions and learned that with four existing retirement communities sited near colleges or universities (Hanover, NH, Oberlin, OH, etc. of which Ithaca will be the fifth), Kendal provides either cottages or apartments for folks who want proximity to stimulating



people and, in the case of Ithaca, opportunity to walk the gorges and enjoy the Plantations and the cultural offerings of Cornell and Ithaca College.

I was interested to learn that of the 141 units sold at this writing, all but seven have been purchased by people with Cornell connections. **John Munschauer '40** is a founder of Kendal at Ithaca, a fact of special importance because he grew up as my neighbor in Buffalo. Leave it to Whitey to busy himself with a meritorious enterprise.

**William M. Anderson Jr.** wrote the following in the space on the News and Dues form asking for phone numbers: "None—lived too long in the desert, where we send up smoke signals." Since so few of us smoke these days, I suggest that if you need to communicate with Bill, you write to him at 1001 Mayflower Rd., #79, South Bend, IN. **Robert S. Jonas** is a travelin' man. He and his wife went on four Elderhostels in 1994. The destinations were Hawaii in January, Rock Island, IL in June, and two back-to-back to Alaska in August.

**Charles A. "Bud" Storke's** grandfather, who graduated in 1870, and for whom Bud is named, was the first student to enroll at Cornell [as a transfer student from Kalamazoo College]. He attended his 60th Reunion when we were undergraduates. If any of you need to be reminded that we are getting old, that snippet of information should do it. ♦ **James W. Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.

Although listed in our class directory as **Clara Smith Burdan**, she works under her maiden name, Clara S. Smith. Yes, she is still working as a social work consultant in a nursing home. When (if?) she decides to retire, Clara may decide to move to north-west Pennsylvania, where she owns more than 70 acres of woodland. In the meantime she still travels, remains active in church work, serves on three boards of directors in the community, and is a member of a couple of clubs.

**Shirley Fuchs** Milton is now a victim of "post-polio syndrome" which bothers her very much and restricts travel. Her oldest grandson, now at college at Memphis, has challenged her to write about their family. She agrees it is an important project, but can't seem to develop a "form" for it. Can you send Shirley some suggestions? Her address is: 140 West End Ave., #12J, NYC 10023.

**Kenneth and Jacqueline Darrieu Nichols** went to Wilkes Barre, PA in the summer of 1994 to help celebrate **Alice Hopkins** Eyerman's 85th birthday. All of the Eyerman children and grandchildren were also there, and there were two full days of tall tales, laughter, and talk of grandchildren. Jackie and Alice were in each other's wedding party. They have kept in close touch since college days. Alice wrote, too, adding that on the morning Jackie and K. D. left they all had breakfast together to celebrate Jackie's 84th birthday. The sale of Alice's former home was completed in August 1994. She lives in Heritage House, a continuing-care community, and is very happy there. She would enjoy seeing any "old classmates" traveling in the Wilkes Barre area. ♦ **Martha Travis Houck**, PO Box

178, Bedminster, NJ 07921.

**33 Helen (Belding)** and husband **Henry P. Smith III '36** moved from their home of 27 years to an apartment in Washington, DC. Fifteen years ago they bought a house in Vieques, PR, where they spent six winter weeks each year. Recently they took the cruise from Istanbul to Vienna. She is impressed by the size of the Cornell Tradition Fund and the Viviano Scholarship Fund. Dr. **Philip "Henry" Winslow** hunts and fishes a lot from his Henrietta summer home and winter abode in Islamorada, FL. His seven cardiac bypasses are holding up well.

Betty, the widow of **Edward Carson**, sent his posthumous dues and says she enjoyed our 60th Reunion and **Charles "Ted" Tracy's** birthday cake as much as he did. **Eugenia Gould** Huntoon writes, "The Cornell Club of Michigan put on a wonderful dinner when President Rhodes and wife Rosa came to town. President Rhodes spoke so well, how can we let him go? Large screen pictures of attendees were shown, which hopefully and effectively stirred interest in contributing to the campaign."

**Col. Deane Dunloy**, after being fitted with a pacemaker, went to Normandy invasion ceremonies and visited London and Paris. The Royal Marines gave him and his buddies a fine dinner at Portsmouth, and both Brits and Frenchies were most hospitable. A cruise to Oslo, Stockholm, and Copenhagen with wife Martha ended the European visit. Costa Rica was scheduled for November.

**Beatrice Alexander** Weingart in December had visited ethnic minority groups above the Arctic Circle and in Vietnam, and took a train trip in Norway and Sweden with a friend. She planned to celebrate New Year's in the Sydney, Australia Opera House and was looking forward to a "dig" in Israel. Son Jerry is still the "Indiana Jones for the United Nations, taking renewable energy for purifying water and lights and heat to villages in West Africa. Daughter Gail is attorney for the City Council of Los Angeles. Eastern friends saw her on television while Bea was in Borneo.

Dr. **Hyman Engelberg**, in good health, is doing medical research, writing articles on prevention of atherosclerosis and heart disease, since retiring from private practice. **Elmer B. Isaak** and wife Ella maintain membership at Cornell Club—New York since moving to Long Island, sometimes staying overnight. In May 1993 they visited Dr. **Adrian Rubin** and **Chester Lange, DVM '32** in Greensboro, NC. Sadly, Dr. Lange died suddenly in September 1994 after having been in practice for over 30 years following his return from World War II. These death notices were sent to me, with no survivors known: Aug. 17, '92, **Cooper N. Lansing** (Architecture), Petaluma, CA; Jan. 22, '92, **Willard R. Hover** (Agriculture), Binghamton, NY; Sept. 4, '93, Sister Mary Anne (**Alice Ryan**) (Arts), Mt. Angel, OR; July 30, '94, **Bert Cook** (Agriculture), Endwell, NY, Mrs. Diana DoBell reporting; With survivors, Aug. 5, '94, **Beatrice**

**Greene O'Rourke** (Arts), New Canaan, CT, son Jerry O'Rourke survives; Aug. 14, '94, Dr. **John A. Bealor** (Arts), Remington, VA, son Benjamin Bealor survives; Nov. 8, '94, **Robert H. Mehnert** (Arts), Oceanside, CA, wife Elizabeth survives. These were just recently received by me and may or may not have appeared in the "Alumni Deaths" column. ♦ **Marjorie Chapman Brown**, PO Box 804, Old Town, FL 32680.

**34** Among the classmates who have relocated, **Dorothy Hyde Starzyk** now lives in an ell of the home of her daughter Carol and husband Bill Emerson in Action, MA, where she keeps up with "senior activities (tai chi, reading), visiting shut-ins, and correspondence with family and friends." **Janice Buckley Lynch** has moved from the Watertown, NY snowbelt to Greenwich, NY, near a son and family, where she finds pleasure in studying genealogy and the history of the nearby Saratoga battlefield.

**Margaret White Wilke** found an alumni trip to the Canadian Rockies to be "perfect" for "Cornellians and spouses who are fun to be with." **Ruth Fielden Jacobs** and husband **Thomas, PhD '35** are "looking forward to more trips and less quakes" after finally finishing home repairs last November from the January 1994 earthquake. **Mary Terry Goff** writes of travels with a group she belongs to—through the Panama Canal, four times to the Caribbean, train and bus trips to Sacramento and Las Vegas.

**Margaret Pfeif Frank** reports a Royal Viking *Sun* cruise, taken last summer with husband Paul, from London to Bergen, Scotland, France, and Portugal, which they enjoyed, especially an evening at the Edinburgh Tattoo. My offer to help find misplaced addresses for classmates still stands; let's keep in touch. ♦ **Cleo Angell Hill**, 4270 Ridge Rd., Elba, NY 14058, telephone (716) 757-2907 until Nov. 1, '95.

According to Laura Toy of Athletics Public Affairs, there has been an increase in the momentum to raise funds for the **Bob Kane** Memorial Track, and many hurdles involved in getting the project started have been crossed. **Charlie Moore '51** was an involved volunteer before he became Cornell's new athletic director, and our class officers plan to be a part of the campaign when it is finalized.

**Bill Kaskela** still resides in Whitesboro, NY year around and reports good health with no aches or pains. He is enjoying his retirement to the fullest. Having sold the Christmas tree farms to their children and their old homestead, **Bob Boehlecke** and wife **Olive (Griffin), MS '47** have moved to a new apartment at 170 Wygant Rd., Horseheads, NY. Both are well and enjoy visiting their eight grandchildren scattered from San Diego, CA to New York City.

Dr. **Duane Gibson** recalls that in the early 1930s, a voice frequently called down in the late afternoon in the area of the men's dorms, the cry, "Yea, Lovejoy!" If



## The Lady's an Engineer

Gladys Tapman Blum '33, CE '34

**I**n an article in 1940, *The New York Times* wrote, "Among the hundred or more engineers and draftsmen turning out designs for details of the East River Drive, Miss Gladys Tapman was conspicuously the only woman when she began her work last fall in the bureau of design in the Office of the Borough President of Manhattan. But in the six years since she received her degree of civil engineering she has become accustomed to surprising fellow-workers, and to meeting, and even overcoming, discouragement."

"Even before then," the article continued, "a conversation she had with the dean of the College of Engineering at Cornell University was typical. He pointed out the difficulties in the way of a woman engineer. In reply, she quoted the motto on the university shield which promised instruction in any subject. She was, she found, the only woman in the class, but mathematics, physics and chemistry held much greater interest for her than the courses she had been studying." So Tapman finished the engineering program in

3-1/2 years, graduated, and her career flourished.

She became Gladys Blum when she was married in 1940, and went on to have two children. But she

never stopped working. She worked on the design of lend-lease power plants and on the design of aluminum pontoon bridges used in World War II. After the war, she says, "We landed in Roslyn, on Long Island, where I was offered the job of superintendent of public works, complete with a gold badge." She was also a consulting engineer on high rise buildings in New York City.

"My husband was the owner of a large furniture factory and invited me to join the firm. So, for 13 years, until the business was sold, I learned a lot about the design and construction of furniture. We made the new carrels for Olin Library. When I went to Ithaca for the installation it was a thrilling experience."

Blum lives today in La Jolla, California. She adds, "My mother must have been a premature feminist. She always exhorted me never to be dependent on a man."

—Paul Cody, MFA '87



any members of our class know who Lovejoy was or why he was being cheered, please write Duane at 2467 Arrowhead Rd., Okemos, MI 48864. **Sid Leopold** is still enjoying retirement in Lake Worth, FL, where horseback riding, swimming, and gardening are his major interests.

**Max Dercum** and wife Edna continued their winning ways in the 1994 world skiing competitions. In the Internationals, at Park City, UT, class 80-years-plus, Max scored two second-place finishes in the giant slalom against Austrian and Japanese skiers. In the US Nationals at Big Sky, MT, Max scored firsts in the 80-plus class in the downhill, slalom, giant slalom, and the combined, as did Edna in her class. Both Max and Edna were named to the 1994 US National Masters Ski Team. In July 1994, Max attended INTERFOREST 1994 (the International Forestry Congress) held in Munich, Germany. ♦ **Hilton Jayne**, Carter Point, PO Box 29, Sedgwick, ME 04676; telephone 207-359-8562.

**35** During these hot, humid days the refreshing breezes come from **Allen Robinson** and his legendary treks.

He went again with the Retired Rangers to the Mountaineers' Snoqualmie Pass Ski Lodge (in Washington), their headquarters for hikes to adjacent Kendall Peak and the many lakes and small mountaintops. His Christmas 1994 photo shows Red Mountain looking like a "giant's skateboard" from the Pacific Crest Trail. Allen is able to see his family more often now, Katie and family in Anacortes and Tom and family on Mercer Island where they grew up. Allen is active as president of his condo group and the homeowners' association and chairs his church's finance committee.

**Florence Groiss** Van Landingham is well but "terribly slowed down in getting around." Her listed activities indicate she hasn't slowed down much: she drives a car,



goes to the office and church, plays bridge, and is researching the fourth Van Landingham genealogy booklet. She was at the Class of '35 table of ten when President and Mrs. Rhodes were honored in Palm Beach, FL. Florence keeps in touch with **Louise Kreuzer** Montgomery's daughter Nancy M. Beebe, who is secretary of the board of directors, Friendship House and Faith House, Portland, ME, established by Louise for the homeless and generously aided through the years by your help.

**Richard** and **Marian Katzenstein** celebrated their 50th anniversary on the M/V *Royal Viking Queen*, leaving Fort Lauderdale, FL on April 22, '94. They stopped in Bermuda to visit friends, then went on to the Azores. In Gibraltar they found their 1990 spot for picture-taking and repeated the shot. They disembarked in Monte Carlo and flew back home. After attending the USS *Long Beach* deactivation in July, they booked passage on the M/V *Vistafford* for a trip to Greenland and Iceland in August with stops



in the British Isles. In October they boarded the M/V *Sagafjord* to sail along the coast of South America to Brazil to get on the centerline of the moon's shadow so they could view the November total eclipse which lasted four minutes. Dick and Marian have traveled the world to see eclipses, 11 of them, so far. Otherwise, they're active in Cornell Clubs, American Nuclear Society, and Naval Architects.

With this writing I'm adding an EX to my title of class correspondent. It has been a satisfying score of years, mostly because all you '35ers have been so faithful in sending your news and sparking the column. So, many thanks and keep well. ♦ **Mary Didas**, 80 N. Lake Drive, Orchard Park, NY 14127.

**36** **Ann Sunstein Kheel** and husband **Theodore '35**, LLB '37, and many of their family returned in the fall of 1994 from the Dominican Republic, where Theodore was awarded the Heraldic Order of Christopher Columbus by President Balaguer for encouraging tourism there. **Carol Forbes**, widow of our classmate **James**, wrote from Ohio about the death of **Stephen Hildebrandt** in March. Two of the sons of Carol and James are Cornellians, and she still keeps in touch with **David Amsler** and his wife in the summer in Skaneateles.

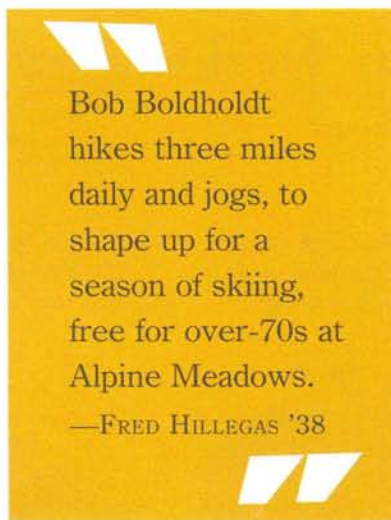
**Charles Scott**, in Tuscaloosa, AL, wrote that since the 55th Reunion he and wife Addie have visited Nova Scotia and Narashino, Japan as representatives of Tuscaloosa in a sister-city visitation. They have both spent some time in a hospital and a retirement home for a year. They are well now and look forward to the 60th Reunion. They have visited with **Virginia Phillips Godley** and husband **Grandin** several times. Charles wrote, "Gran has taught our Sunday school class, and he has in the past flown us over parts of Alabama." Charles's latest co-authored book, *Small Business Management*, came out in 1993.

**Helen Wright** lives in Zephyrhills, FL, but came up North for 1-1/2 months last summer, spending a week in Ithaca and a day with **Olive Taylor Curvin** in Auburn.

**Leanora Schwartz Gruber**, New York City, returned to Cornell in October 1994 with husband Irving, a '36 grad of City College of New York. It was her first visit to Cornell in almost 20 years. They were invited to attend the symposium in honor of Prof. Carl Sagan's 60th birthday. The tribute was a very moving one, she said, as Dr. Sagan was lauded by his many friends and colleagues all over the world. Leanora and her husband are still practicing law in NYC. They make frequent short visits to Berkeley, CA to see daughter **Judy Gruber '71** and her husband, Joseph Houska, and two grandchildren.

Everyone seems to be celebrating, or has celebrated, an 80th birthday. Dr. **Harold Wright** wrote of his 80th celebration on the entire Columbus Day weekend of 1994, with all members of the family participating. The Wrights live in "beautiful Cape Porpoise" (part of Kennebunkport, ME) near son Charlie. They took a trip to Alaska, also.

**Harold Deckinger**, in Pompano



Beach, FL, had his 80th in January. Harold and wife Norma spent April 1994 in Australia and New Zealand (in the area from World War II). There was to be a big party with family and friends for his 80th.

**Robert Saunders**, in Jacksonville, IL, hit 80 in 1993 and entered the Illinois Senior Olympics for the first time, winning a gold medal for the mile walk, a bronze medal for miniature golf, and a fourth-place ribbon for bowling. As he said, "Almost as much of a thrill as when I won my varsity 'C' for boxing in 1936." He also had great satisfaction to represent Cornell in the inauguration of a new president of Illinois College in October. ♦ **Allegra Law Ireland**, 125 Grant Ave. Ext., Queensbury, NY 12804-2640.

**37** For over a half-century since his play *Home of the Brave* opened on Broadway, **Arthur M. (Levine) Laurents** has been an influence in the American theater as writer and director. The books for *West Side Story* and *Gypsy* have been called "signature works of Broadway's final golden era" in the 1950s. Yet his latest work, *Jolson Sings Again*, premiered not in New York City, but at the Seattle Repertory Theater. Art is deeply committed, together with old friend and collaborator Stephen Sondheim, to making the New York theater district "safe again for 'the new American play.'" A lead *New York Times* column in February focuses on Art's efforts to bring theater owners, union leaders, and others together to deal with mounting costs and production problems which have already driven even mainstream writers to appear off-Broadway. Art, no stranger to controversy and himself blacklisted during the McCarthy era, apparently isn't above using "delicate blackmail" to further the cause. A late-May open forum meeting promised to be very interesting!

**Joseph M. Mandel** concluded a 39-year association with the Bayshore Federal Savings Bank following a merger last fall. He had served as a director, chaired the executive committee, and chaired the board. He and Rosalind enjoy traveling—Turkey in 1993, Mexico and Italy last year, and Great

Britain recently. Enthusiastic about the 55th reunion of his Law school class, where he "swapped tall tales" with classmates, including **Al Moscowitz**, **Alex Gossin**, **Bert Ziff**, **Manny Rosenheck**, and **Eleanor Raynor Burns**, he's already planning for the 60th in 1999. Don't forget our '37 60th in 1997, Joe! ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd., N., DeLand, FL 32720.

**Marion Bean Parnell** has 14 grandchildren and one great-grandson, five of whom are beyond college, while four currently attend Wellesley, U. of Michigan, Washington State, and Washington U. Bridge is her hobby, and she joins the large number of our classmates who volunteer for a variety of things.

**Jeanne Bredbenner Hull** is an art docent at the U. of Arizona Museum of Art. She takes groups of children and adults through the museum, explaining the works of art and aiming for participation. She finds this work particularly exciting, as she is reminded of the wonderful art history lectures of fine arts Prof. Donald L. Finlayson at Cornell so many years ago. She and husband **Robert, PhD '45** keep in touch with Cornell through the Tucson and Southern Arizona Cornell Clubs.

**Shirley DeVoe Corney** reports three children (Mary, George, and Ann) and three grandchildren (Elizabeth, Raymond, and Daniel). Her travel in 1994 included Kansas, Florida, Cape May, and Canada. Shirley is a volunteer at *Stages*, a program sponsored by NY State and Park Ridge Mental Health. She works and plays with 9-to-11-year-olds from dysfunctional homes who are at risk for addictions. **Emma Curtis Elliott's** daughter **Essie** is married to **Peter Humphrey, DVM '76**. The Humphreys have son David and daughter Kate. Emma went to an Elderhostel on Seabrook Island, SC last September and took a trip to Branson, MO, and nearby Arkansas, which she found rather unique. It made Ithaca seem flat and level. She finds retirement as busy as one's working lifetime. Don't we all? ♦ **Gertrude Kaplan Fitzpatrick**, PO Box 228, Cortland, NY 13045.

**38** **Ray Palmer's** ramblings've included Branson, MO, and he reports that, though not a country-music fan, he found it enjoyable and the "fantastic development there a real eye-opener"; a daughter and granddaughter are Cornellians. **Len Roberts** is still working with "tolerant partners" but "lower back tolerates only weekend golf." **Maynard Boyce** finds one advantage of snow-country living: if you have a July hip-replacement, you don't need to mow the lawn and the white flakes will mask it soon enough to let you have a whole winter to recover fully.

Even at this late date, if you've put off signing on for the '38 "mini's" luxury cruise in September, an inquiry to **Bill and Elsie Harrington Doolittle** might disclose a vacancy. (Sometimes, you know, "older folks" do have sudden illness or for other reasons are forced to cancel out.)

**Bob Shaw** continues to bike and spend time in the Adirondacks, but "most effort is spent trying to keep up the old homestead, which shows the ravages of time and grand-



children (seven)!"

Take a hike? Swap yarns with **Bob Bodholdt**, who tramps the Tahoe area; also, a four-day reunion at Las Vegas with other retired pilots; Bob prefers hometown Reno; hiking three miles daily and jogging to shape up for a season of skiing, free for over-70s at Alpine Meadows.

**Phil Wolff** enjoyed Reunion 1994 on campus with wife **Elsie (Hughes) '39**. **Howard Simons**'s wife of 55 years, Pat, died in August 1994. **Julian Silverman**'s been on the route of a granddaughter's U. of Virginia graduation and a grandson's Florida high school diploma-getting; and then there was travel to the Caribbean and Venezuela. **Dave Serby** puts it succinctly, "Nothing new." Another **Dave, Russell**, is more loquacious, i.e., "No news is good news."

**Steve Roberts** has a new (August 1993) wife, Ruth, at whose Bath home there's a pasture, and—guess what—they have two horses, wherewith Steve adds, "Still play a little polo!" ♦ **Fred Hillegas**, 7625 E. Camelback Rd., Maya Apts. #220-A, Scottsdale, AZ 85251.

**Ferdinand "Ferdy," MCE '38** and **Betty Ladd Tate** report their children are based all over the US, but get home for frequent visits with their parents, as health problems limit the Tates' own travels. They now have their first great-grandchild. **Trudy Johnson** Thomas and Everard celebrated their 50th anniversary with their four children and offspring in attendance.

An Elderhostel took **Pat Prescott** Hok to Russia for three weeks. Other recent activities included a week in Ireland, participation in a recorder workshop, and a big family reunion on Tomales Bay. **Wilhelmina "Willie" Mazar** Satina and Al fill their busy days with musical activities: the Phoenix-Scottsdale orchestras, teaching (Al), the Art Museum, Costume League, and writers and toastmasters clubs (Willie). Last year they visited many arts and crafts museums in the East, along with the Metropolitan and the Corning Glass museums, finishing with a flourish at the Binghamton Balloon Festival!

**Carol Young Whitehill** made a good recovery from cataract and knee surgery, and continues to enjoy her watercolor painting. She and **Dick '39**, Vero Beach residents, divide their time between Florida and the North. Another watercolorist is **Grace Johnson** Crosby, who winters in Hawaii, with home base in Northville, MI. One of her paintings appears in a recently published book, *The Artistic Touch*, by Chris Unwen, featuring the works of 65 nationally-known artists. Contact me if you'd like more details. ♦ **Helen Reichert** Chadwick, 225 N. 2nd St., Lewiston, NY 14092.

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April is lovely here in Virginia as I prepare this column, which will reach you when Cornell has a new President, Hunter R. Rawlings III. Frank H. T. Rhodes steps down after 18 years.

Many of you mention gardening as a favorite hobby, bringing to mind our Remembrance Garden at Cornell Plantations. Chairing the project, **Madeleine Weil** Loewens thanks all of you who supported it in

1994-95. Madeleine is also membership co-chair for the Cornell Club of Long Island. She keeps busy with two houses to maintain (in Point Lookout and Woodmere), as well as her "wonderful little grandson," age 2, who keeps her "feeling younger."

**Alice Scheidt Henry** and husband **Harold, '35-37 SpAg**, are still at the family farm and greenhouse operated by sons **Bill '73** and **Mark '76**. Alice is a 25-year member of the local Federated Women's Club, now celebrating its 100th anniversary. They all enjoy sing-alongs at the home of **Betty "Luxie" Luxford Webster** and the piano playing of Luxie's husband, **Bill '42**. (Do you remember the 55th Reunion sing-alongs?) Alice's oldest son teaches music, and the youngest daughter-in-law is a Cornell graduate and comes from a family of Cornellians. A daughter and her husband "travel the world for IBM." The Websters keep fit playing tennis year-round. They took an Adirondack canoe trip last August, went to Las Vegas for a World War II fliers' reunion, visited Washington, DC, attended an Elderhostel in Kentucky. ♦ **Ella Thompson** Wright, 7212 Masonville Dr., Annandale, VA 22003-1630; (703) 573-5403.

How about 53 years of perfect Rotary attendance! This is the record set by **Clarence "Benny" Bent**. He still finds time for bowling and golfing, assisting less fortunate friends and relatives, and doing lots of church work. **Ben Dean** still practices law in Owego, NY and continues his voluminous writing, including one volume detailing four years of politics in the Cornell boathouse world. **Ned Gregg** is still consulting in the high-tech distributor field, but is careful not to let business interfere with pleasure, as evidenced by a trip to the Bahamas on a neighbor's boat. Lots of volunteer work keeps him off the streets.

Retirement hobbies for **Harvey Scudder** include work in paleontology, sanitary engineering, marine science, cognitive sciences, mosquito control, environmental management, and computers. His fax machine and computers make his home office quite a place. **Jim White** reports a 12-day yacht trip in Greece. Your correspondent also knows he has been doing a lot of writing.

This year marks the 80th birthday and 50th wedding anniversary for **Lawrence "Phil" Young Sr.** He's back in the north-west corner of Arkansas, where wife Wyoma was raised. Thinking about retirement, but still going strong as a consulting engineer, is **Ivan Bogert**. Three of his six grandchildren are in college, two of whom accompanied him and Jane on a recent trip to Spain and Morocco.

Managing the family hotel in Bemus Point, NY still keeps **John Johnston** busy during the summer. Retired as chief psychologist at the Boston Veterans Clinic, **Frank Boring** divides his time between sailing in Maine and playing bridge with his 108-year-old mother, **Lucy Day Boring**, PhD '12.

Tidbit: The person who first said "spend" your vacation never knew how right he was. ♦ **Russ Martin**, 65 Woodcrest Ave., Ithaca, NY 14850; (607) 273-0188.

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All classmates recalling those beautiful chimes we heard all through our Cornell days will be interested



in this "pitch" by **Albert Podell '58**. He has produced a video called "Lift the Chorus," the first-ever Cornell music video. Seems it also included a group photo taken at one of our Reunions, plus 28 great Cornell songs and more than 1,600 other images (still and moving) of Cornell's history from founding to today. It is on sale in the Ithaca area and can be ordered from Far Above Films, c/o Chuck Hunt, 85 Greenridge Rd., White Plains, NY, 10605. What is so good about this effort is that proceeds from the sale of "Lift the Chorus" are being donated to Cornell—to the chimes, the music department, and the university archives. Call (212) 730-1369 weekdays, after 11 a.m., with any questions.

A few new addresses: **William Miller**, in Brazil, has a new retirement (?) home—1028 Cove Cir., Anderson, SC. Also, Lt. Cdr. **Angelo Frosolone**, retired, 10 Mingay Ct., Jenny Lind, 6897 Harding Rd., Valley Springs, CA.

A belated note from **J.W. and Barbara Warner Brown** ("Wink" and "Bobby.") They have a second great-grandchild. Wink plays golf, and I've seen the beautiful garden work Bobby did around their home in Arvada, CO. My second great one is named Tyler, but definitely not after my cat!

**Carrie Hunt** Knack from Virginia Beach, VA, "Spent three weeks attending an Elderhostel in Spain last May and greeted my third great-grandchild, a little girl." Not any greats yet, but **Muriel Glick** Brill from Scarsdale reports six grandchildren. The latest one was named Kenneth for her deceased son, **Kenneth '70**. The baby's father is **Jonathan '78**. Brills want all six to be Cornellians!

**Edward Griffin Jr.**, from Peoria, IL, was widowed in January 1994. He stays well playing tennis year round, plays bridge, and goes to Kiwanis meetings. He manages to get in a few cruises, too! He has five grandchildren. **Leigh Grimes** Colver, Woodstown, NJ, loves the Pacific Islands, especially Maui. She spent February and March 1994 there and hoped for the same in 1995.

Dr. **Allan Vogel** writes from Goshen, MA: "After selling my practice in 1975 I have had several years at work with the State Health Service, five years at U. of Massachusetts, and now I am at Smith College as director of the animal care facility. There was world travel between jobs." Thanks for writing. **Carolyn Medl** Schwarz writes that her interest in fine arts continues. She no longer teaches, but is active in the National Assn. of Arts and Letters as well as her local art associations, where she often has her own watercolors and acrylics on display. Husband Roy spent 40 years breeding and showing dogs and is now retired. They are enjoying a lot of travel together.

Haven't heard from **Leroy Flesher** before this. He is a widower living in Edinburg, NY at 87 Lakeside Ave. He retired from Alco Engine Division of the White Motor Corp. as manager of marketing and application en-



gineering. Thanks for the note.

Please send me a note on your News and Dues form—and get your name in print. News always makes me happy! ♦ **Carol Clark Petrie**, 18 Calthrope Rd., Marblehead, MA 01945.

**41** Thanks to Christmas letters from **Barbara Benson Mansell** and **Marjorie Lee Treadwell**, I can first report that Barbara is now an officer in the Military Order of the World Wars and went to the national convention in Tacoma, WA last July. She was stationed in Seattle during World War II but reports after seeing it again that nothing looks familiar. Other travels in 1994 included a three-week trip to the South Pacific with daughters Kitty and Pat and other family members, starting in Hong Kong and ending in Bangkok; and a Witte Museum Camel Corps trip to Turkey, starting at Ankara and ending at Istanbul. Barbara, who says she is rushing to do her traveling before body and money give out, plans jaunts to San Diego, Panama, and Louisville this year. In between trips she still practices law in Texas. I am happy to report that all six felines are doing well.

The Treadwells, Marjorie and Don, divide their year between Naples, FL and Grosse Ile, MI, with travels in 1994 involving a cruise along the coasts of Belize and Guatemala, a trip to the Galapagos Islands, and a fascinating trip with British friends on their "narrow boat" through 40 locks to Oxford on the Thames and back. That really sounds like fun!

Enjoy the summer. ♦ **Shirley Richards** Sargent, 15 Crannell Ave., Delmar, NY 12054.

**Radford "Sev" Severance** is forming a strong 55th Reunion committee. Veteran **Ray Kruse** is in charge of dining and entertainment. **Bill Webber**, who lives in nearby Rochester, will handle housing and select class sweater or jacket. Old reliable **Lou Conti** will account for finances. Do your part by making your plans to attend. Good news for '41 football players and fans: all old films have been copied on videotape. Credit **Howard Schuck** for doing the work and visualizing the need to save films. **Chuck Lake** has been notified by new Athletic Director **Charles Moore '51** that the fifth-down game film is being sent by Dartmouth.

Classmate **Ben Nichols** must have a case of mixed emotions. As mayor of Ithaca, he is seeking \$2.6 million. Cornell is tax-exempt but contributes to the city. Nichols claims Cornell should give more. In June 1995 Bill Webber was to attend the Class of '40 Reunion to check the facilities and procedures.

**Irv Drantch** keeps good company. When President Frank Rhodes visited San Francisco in 1994, Irv and wife Lily sat at the head table. Irv is in his 40th year at Pacific View Produce and says, "I could not have done it without Cornell Ag."

Received a welcome letter from **Tom Shreve**. He makes sense by recommending that we "soft pedal" the discussion on "The Great Class." I agree. Each of us has an opinion and there is no need to cause hard feelings this late in our lives. The class

officers have named Ray Kruse "Chairman Emeritus for Life" for all Class of '41 Reunions. Ray writes that Debbie and he plan a May canal barge trip in France. Please keep our 55th Reunion in mind. ♦ **Ralph E. Antell**, 9924 Maplestead La., Richmond, VA 23235.

**42** We have just added cruises to the banquets, parties, and balls with President **P. R. "Dick" Thomas's** letter suggesting the **SS Norway Big Band Cruise**, Nov. 25-Dec. 2, as a class project. The response in just the first four days has been terrific. **Hal Hazen** (Ft. Myers, FL) and his wife made reservations. Hal will take along four friends, as well as his clarinet to play on board. When Hal retired from the restaurant business he became a musician full-time, playing at circuses and concerts. He is at this moment performing in Czechoslovakia, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II. Hal reminded me he was in that wonderful swing band that played at our 50th Reunion.

**Ruth Naitove Sherman** (Lynbrook, NY) and Treasurer **Liz Schlamm Eddy** also joined me in signing up. Did I mention the fine swing dance hosts? **Dick Wagner** and **Jerry Asher** from Boca Raton, FL are interested. Call me—or Reini Jenken at (415) 892-2933—if you have not as yet made a reservation.

**Roy Hughes '45** says that when he reported to Frosh Camp in 1941 he was influenced by '42ers including **Fred Guterman** (New York City), coxswain of the crew, **Gus Vollmer** (Butler, NJ), and **Bill Paty** (Haleiwa, HI). He remembers you all warmly and would like to hear from you: 5229 Del Roy Dr., Dallas, TX 75229. Roy served on a carrier in World War II before graduating from Harvard business school.

**Robert and Lois Slater Cassel '44** (Weston, CT), who are both MDs, have traveled to the Dominican Republic, Greece, and Kenya. Bob dropped falconry and has taken up writing poetry and African art as hobbies. Lois retired as chief of outpatient department at her hospital, but Bob, unable to stand his retirement, now works part-time in a community health center as an internist/rheumatologist, describing his work as "absolutely delightful."

**Paul Barden** (Ripley, NY) retired and now volunteers as Chataqua County director of AAA. He chairs the Board of Review for Assessments-Zoning Board of Appeals and is an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He and Virginia have five children, including **Wally '66**, a retired pilot. They travel for weddings and sports activities of their 11 grandchildren, notably Cody, a PGA golfer and head golf coach at Pepperdine U. Paul collects antique silver and served as president of the county historical society.

Energetic **Dorothy Clark Hulst** (Modesto, CA) leads a busy life volunteering for the United Church of Christ and League of Women Voters activities. Summers she enjoys restoring her family's home in the Adirondacks and visiting her 19 grandchildren. She also paints watercolors, makes quilts, and participates in water exercises.

**Edith Sheffield Lesure** (Altamonte

Springs, FL) is into the information age. Their eight children and eight grands are busy putting all family files, recipes, and photos on discs. It does seem everything now is destined to be preserved unto eternity.

But for the present, I look forward to just hearing from you. Get on board! ♦ **Carolyn Evans Finneran**, 2933 76th SE, #13D, Mercer Island, WA 98040; telephone (206) 232-3092.

**43** **Joseph Hickey** resides nowadays with his Ithacan wife of 51 years in Falmouth, ME, where he mini-reunions from time to time with **Allan Drake** of Lake Placid, NY. According to my *Cornellian*, some of Joe's days on the Hill were spent as pomologist and boxer, which I can take to mean pugilist and Aggie. Not some mind-bending position crating apples.

Having sold his company, **Armstrong Pharmaceuticals**, to a British firm, **Medeva PLC**, **Herman Shepherd** took the money and ran to found the **Albert Sabin Vaccine Foundation**, a non-profit organization dedicated to the development and delivery of vaccines here and abroad. His hope and mission—with the help of his team of scientists, pharmaceutical executives, physicians, and public policy analysts—is to reach an informed consensus on worldwide medical needs and to advance Dr. Sabin's vision of preventing illness and death due to infectious diseases through the development and use of vaccines. He done noble.

**Dr. Richard Fish, DVM '43** writes that last June found the Fishes in Attica, NY to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of Flora and **Richard Parmelee, DVM '43**, who retired from federal meat and poultry inspection in 1986 and much earlier from veterinary practice in Slippery Rock, PA. All those animals breaking bones because of the poor footing.

This from N. Miami Beach and **Fred Meyer**: "Have been flyfishing on Cape Cod and Florida Keys with eldest son, Donald, a Massachusetts psychiatrist with two daughters. Younger son Steven is doctor of clinical psychology at Ohio State. Daughter Marjorie, having received her MBA, is back in school studying to get her RN. Sold Eagle Industries Inc. almost four years ago and work full-time as consultant and technical expert in the courts. Have a newly developed product moving successfully on QVC. Developed new process in Germany for regeneration of plastic scrap and direct re-extrusion for industrial use. Have two plants in Bombay and one in Miami with further expansion on the drawing board." Other than that, Fred, how do you keep off-streetoutoftrouble?

"After working as a metallurgical engineer for DuPont since 1943," writes **Philip Permar**, "corrosion tests, evaluation of first titanium metal, development of metallic fuel and target elements for the Savannah River Reactors to produce tritium and plutonium for Uncle Sam, and acting as a promoter/salesman for the neutron-producing radioisotope Californium-252, I retired in 1982 to Aiken, SC. Since then I have produced a number of tolerable watercolors, done some traveling in Alaska and the entire Mediter-



anean, and shoveled very little snow. Doris and our three daughters agree that my career and retirement have been great. A special treat was our 50th Reunion and seeing once again all my fellow chemical engineers." ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968.

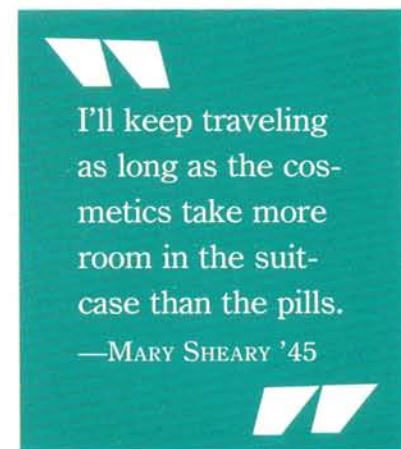
It boggles my mind that many of you send in your dues—but no news. It is disheartening. Thank you to those who write of their doings. Nelson and **Bobette Rosenau** Leidner and Nelson went to Portugal last May on an alumni trip. She was the youngest alum. Says something for seniors! A granddaughter of **Rosemary Williams** Wilson and Phil, **Carol Wilhelm '98**, is in Arts and Sciences. She continues a family tradition, being a fourth-generation Cornellian. Two of her great-grandparents, two grandparents, and both parents are Cornellians. [She was listed incorrectly as a third-generation Cornellian in the "Legacies" section of the June issue. A correction will be printed in a later issue.—Ed.]

**Jean Hammersmith** Wright writes, "It saddens me to have to accept the reality of the loss of Frank Rhodes as president of our university. I will deeply miss him and his marvelous ability to spin a tale. I am proud to have known him and Rosa."

**Barbara Hesse** Emerson last year spent a couple of weeks in Cancun checking out Mayan archeology; touched down in Florida, where a Dade County Quaker group is working to revive a low-income community devastated by Hurricane Andrew; took in spectacle of "sheets of bluebonnets everywhere" on a quick trip to Texas. Barbara sings in the 85-member Chapel Hill Community Chorus and works nearly full-time as a volunteer librarian/horticulturist in North Carolina Botanical Garden's library. Busy woman!

**Dottie Lou Brown Murphy** writes, "Bob was killed in November 1993 from a fall from his bicycle. He was in the College of Engineering and worked as an engineer at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, Allied Chemical before entering Princeton Theological Seminary and the ministry. He served churches at Larsons Corner, NJ, Titusville, NJ, and Pluckemin, NJ before retiring to our home on Canandaigua Lake (NY)." Dottie has four children and nine grands, four of whom are in college. Brother **Dick Brown**, from Denver, spent Christmas holidays with her. She and Bob had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and 50th Cornell Reunion in the year he died. ♦ **Helene "Hedy" Neutze** Alles, 15 Oak Ridge Dr., Haddonfield, NJ 08033.

**44** Praise and appreciation for the 50th Reunion keep coming. Fifty-one years have now passed since our graduation; World War II slowed the start of our careers, yet many classmates are still working. **Max Stierstorfer**, MD practices medicine 70 hours a week in Allentown, PA. **Bill Wood** of Bornego Springs, CA writes that he is "back in harness with the company that bought me out ten years ago—the beat goes on." **Ed Johnson**, finishing a four-year term as mayor of Bayhead,



NJ, says "Business is still too much fun to retire." He's happy with his second year of a second marriage involving a combined family of ten children.

Part-timers include **Kenneth Kander**, who practices fire protection engineering in Issaquah, WA. He and Jo went on a "fantastic" alumni-sponsored Alaska trip (*World Discoverer*) last summer. **Elaine Smith** Feiden has operated an antiquarian book business for 20 years in Mamaroneck, NY. Since her husband became a part-time employee at his old firm in New York City, she runs the business from her home, by appointment. They travel, especially to visit six grandchildren. **Robert Simpson** calls himself "semi-busy," doing free-lance editing of crossword puzzles (a lifetime addiction) for Random House. "It helps to keep the brain from turning to mush in these golden years."

And then there are volunteers. **Frank Reynolds** retired in 1982 from National Teen Challenge Office and currently serves as president, Citizens Advisory Board for Probation and Parole Southwest, MO; board president, Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship at the Southwest (MO) State U.; and member of the Springfield advisory board for community development. **Don Crandall** retired also in 1982 from FMC R&D in Middleport, NY after 22 years with the company. He is now active in Medina, NY in VFW, American Legion, Lions Club, and Methodist Church, where he serves on the administrative board and sings in the choir. **Jim McTague** soon completes six years as a board trustee for Catholic Charities, USA which has 1,400 agencies (the largest private charity in the US). His work involved trips to Virginia, California, Wisconsin, Minnesota, etc. **Carl Hayssen** served on the Board of the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology for 32 years, 27 of them as secretary. He claims 25 years of perfect attendance as an active Rotarian. Skiing and tennis are his hobbies. His daughter was recently married in England. After an educational cruise to Greece and Crete, **Bill Wheeler** and Jo spent a week in England visiting their son and his wife and three children.

**M. Dan Morris** was honored by the Society for Technical Communication, which elected him an associate fellow for 30 years of

contributing to the profession. Son **Gregory '87**, marketing editor for *Chemical Week Magazine*, was named Journalist of the Year by the UK Chemical Trades Assn. **Ruth Caplan Brunton** was elected to the Arizona Hall of Fame by the Arizona Home Economics Assn. and has been presenting her book *Parenting Plus* at various conferences. She and Bob claim second-term Washington State Senator Dwight Pelz, as son-in-law, and a Minnesota-born great-granddaughter.

Adult University (CAU), reports **Joel** and **Henrietta Pantel Hillman '47** took the Mediterranean and Aegean cruise, also Dublin and London theater with **Betsy Kalnay** Fennelly and Donald. **Fred Law** attended Abraham Lincoln's Washington and **Alex Hutchinson** studied Maine's natural history. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell, 1800 Old Meadow Rd., #305, McLean, VA 22102.

**45** What a Golden Reunion it was! No time to print details now, but next issue will update the unfortunates



on what they missed. **Sylvia Epstein** Blatt (Pymble, NSW, Australia) offered a good excuse for her absence by having a mini-reunion with our hard-working class directory publisher, **Ed Cohen** (Binghamton, NY). Poorer defenses were offered by **Frank Swingle** (Boynton Beach, FL), who "stupidly arranged a trip to Alaska with grandchildren," and **Nancy Godfrey** Van deVisse (Aurora, CO), also in Alaska (Petersburgh) with her grandson. If an Alaskan reunion is better than an Ithaca one, we'll expect a full report from Nancy and Frank.

**Mary Sheary** (Largo, FL) is also heading for Alaska in August, after a European grand tour. She says she'll keep going "as long as the cosmetics take more room in the suitcase than the pills." Not quite so fortunate is **Edwin Whiting** (Bethlehem, PA), whose travel is quite limited owing to a recent quintuple coronary bypass. Ed, who retired five years ago from J. T. Baker Inc., sends his best to the classmates with whom he's lost touch, as does Dr. **Saul B. Appel**, who's had to leave his El Paso, TX home for the UCLA Medical Center at Encino, CA, for aggressive treatment of esophageal cancer. "Lawson" was sorry to miss our blast, but is looking forward to resuming his medical practice soon. We missed both of them and send best wishes!

Sorry to report that **Philipp W. Binzel** (Cary, IL), who had signed up early to attend Reunion, passed away in March.

Other tidbits culled from recent replies reveal regular roaming as well as increasing numbers of 50th wedding anniversary celebrations. Our aforementioned absentee, Nancy Godfrey, took eight weeks on hers, touring Australia and New Zealand before cruising to Los Angeles via eight South Sea Islands. **Elayne Sercus** Friedman (Rye Brook, NY and Delray Beach, FL) did hers at the Club Med (Caribbean) in a group 16 strong, including nine grandchildren. She's planning a trip to India next. **Jacqueline Frost Knapp** (Iowa City) has strapped on her traveling shoes after many years of caring for aged parents. Jackie and L. W.



"Pete" '51 are heading for Germany and Poland for time out from maintenance on their 1860 house, which is "aging faster than we are."

**George Karp** (Mamaroneck, NY), on the other hand, took on a second home in Palm Beach Gardens, FL, which he can enjoy when not journeying around the world with his travel-agent wife.

**Robert Anfanger** (Birmingham, AL), another inveterate wanderer, found a month's tour of Hong Kong and China the most interesting ever. He reports that in all nine cities the hotels were outstanding, with superior service, but that Chinese food is unlike that found here and sub-par. **Alexander Dann** (Memphis, TN) is still litigating, representing heavy construction firms in disputes with governmental agencies. He reports "enjoying every minute of it, too good to retire." Wife Mimi has a fine national reputation as a ceramics teacher and artist, with works displayed in numerous museums and galleries. Nevertheless they, too, headed for Italy just before Reunion and enjoy visiting their four children. ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 317 Warwick Ave., Douglaston, NY 11363-1040.

**46** We'd like to extend a fond farewell to Frank H. T. Rhodes, the ninth President of Cornell, who served 18 years (only Andrew Dickson White and Jacob Gould Schurman served longer). One-half of Cornell's living undergraduate alumni don't remember a Cornell without him—89,000 graduated during the Rhodes era. We alums remember him with affection for being down-to-earth, and our respect has been translated into generous financial support for Cornell. May you and Rosa have a healthy retirement and may Cornell always share a part of your hearts.

At the same time, we'd like to welcome our new President, Hunter Rawlings III. Frank Rhodes has known him for more than six years and calls him "the perfect match for Cornell." We hope he will serve as long and be as loved as Frank Rhodes. Do all of you realize that at age 49, he is young enough to be our son, and that at six foot, seven inches, we will all have to look up to him? If you don't get to meet him in the coming year, attend Reunion, June 6-9, '96, when he will probably greet our class personally on our 50th anniversary. ♦ **Elinor Baier Kennedy**, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607.

I recently entered the world of cyberspace and signed on with America Online. For anyone who wishes to correspond with me on Internet, my address is (now, don't laugh) capwilly@aol.com. I look forward to your e-mail. Our alum from Paradise, Honolulu, HI, **Franklyn Meyer** writes about the big tsunami scare they had on Oct. 4, '94. Franklyn said schools and most businesses closed and there was no traffic on the roads, awaiting the "big" wave after an 8.2 Richter quake in Japan. Nothing of consequence materialized, and the wave was a mere 18 inches high. Franklyn's disappointment was that he lost a day in Paradise. That couldn't have been related to the Kobe, Japan quake, which

occurred in January.

Another reunion booster from **Donald Ironside**—"I hope to see all the EEs and other friends at the Reunion." **Lucius Johnson Jr.** reports the sad news that he lost his wife of 43 years and the good news that his youngest daughter is engaged to be married around June 1995. We hope to see you at Reunion, Lucius, when you can give me the low-down about our old neighborhood in Portola Valley. **Sholom Shefferman** became a fellow of the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers in 1994. He is still an avid golfer, tennis, and tournament bridge player.

**Sam Miller** retired at the end of 1993 and continues as a part-time consultant. Pat and Sam are contemplating a permanent move to Marco Island, FL. Sam says "It's time to put our toe in the water and decide whether we want to move here (Marco Island) for most of the year." Here's a challenge for **Jack Rasch**. The Millers are expecting three grandchildren at once. TRIP-LETS. I think that's a first.

As I write this, the tragedy in Oklahoma City, which happened only a few days ago, is on my mind. It gives me pause to be thankful for what we have and for our Cornell alumni friends. ♦ **Bill Papsco**, 3545 Clubheights Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

**47** Well, this is a rest period for **WBW**. Deadline for this column is tomorrow and I ain't got nothing about you all in front of me. Sorry about that. Class column content feeds on material gathered from or submitted by members, even other folks; not a peep said or sent in recent times.

If schedules hold I will have returned from some three weeks of European Rotary business on July 1, and needless to say would appreciate having class column duty thrust upon me. Will you be one who communicates? ♦ **Barlow Ware**, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1266.

**48** This column begins with the last of our year-old news and starts with the items sent in with this year's dues. From **Art Hiltbold**, PhD '55, Auburn, AL: "Retired professor, agronomy and soils. Discovered another branch of Hiltbolds in Illinois and found a cousin not known since childhood. Built deck on back of house. Replaced old asphalt driveway with concrete. Got car to shop with broken tie rod. Would rather be completing tax form. Have observed sun here in Auburn at 81 degrees June 21, 35 degrees Dec. 21, which explains summer and winter. One summer measured 71 degrees on June 21 at north side of Lake Erie, explaining curvature of earth. This was all figured out by Eratosthenes more than 1,000 years ago." C. A. "Art" **Rosenberger Jr.**, BS AE '49, Ashland, NH: "Retired 1983 from FMC Corp.—Materials Handling System Division. Three married daughters, seven grandsons and one grandgirl! Past five years traveled to Spain, Portugal, Morocco, Caribbean, Panama Canal, New Zealand, Australia, Canadian Rockies, Alaska, Scotland, Ireland, Canadian Mar-

itimes—more pending. Between trips I hibernate and displace snow. Have been wading through income tax returns with assistance of **TURBOTAX**. Government should cut spending, lower taxes, and stop making idle threats to foreign political factions."

**Jane Bowers Bliss**, Contoocook, NH: "Real estate broker. Took 3-1/2-week trip to Southwest with **Ted '46** and houseboat-ed on Lake Powell for a week. Highly recommended!" **Roberta "Bobbie" Caverno Roberts**, West Chester, PA: "Spend time taking care of horses and riding in an indoor ring next door. Son Tom (MD) now president of Western Montana Clinic in Missoula. Very busy seeing patients. Visited him and wife (MD, ob/gyn) and two grandchildren last Christmas. Also had a great time renewing old friendships at 45th Reunion. Daughter **Christine '75** remarried in Alameda, CA. Had lovely time celebrating a great new addition to our family. Keep learning and listening."

Now for the newer news, with much more to come in future columns: **Shirley Ringholm** Longstreet, Jupiter, FL: "Bill and I and 16 children/grandchildren cruised Alaska Inland Passage on *Windward* of the Norwegian Cruise Lines. Great fun. Attended a three-day high school 50th reunion at New Trier High School in Winnetka, IL." **Bob Lohse**, Pasadena, CA: "Do volunteer work for SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) sponsored by SBA and at Center for Health Care Rights (California HICAP Program) helping senior citizens with their Medicare problems. I chair the board of directors for the agency. Clinton's reform program was too complex and bureaucratic. An extension of Medicare ("c") would take care of many of the uninsured."

Prof. Emeritus **Jack Lillich**, W. Lafayette, IN: "Interim director of affirmative action, Purdue U." **Charlie Lewis**, Columbus, OH: "Have seven children, only one grandchild—please advise. I was president of Feather River State Bank in Yuba City, CA, but moved here in 1993 and am vice president of 'Farmer Mac.' Plan to drive downtown tomorrow and watch the people." Dr. **Ed Lanigan**, N. Babylon, NY: "Summer 1994 to be remembered. Had four children and spouses and grandchildren, five in diapers, feeding five to 16 for various lengths of time. Still recovering."

**Bill Jeffreys**, Danville, PA: "Don't go barefoot in the basement. Wasps sting!" ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050.

**49** Are all you golfers having fun? **Jerry '51** and **Helen Osborne Jenkins**, Akron, OH, visited St. Simon's Island, GA in April with golfing buddies to prepare for the great Akron golf season. Did you see **Rodney G. "Rod" Miller** on the course? Helen is still a docent at the Akron Art Museum. Jerry is consulting for Bartell Machinery Corp. in Rome, NY, after retirement from National Standard Co. in February found the Jenkinses in beautiful Hawaii.

**John M. Gale**, Middlebury, VT, is local coordinator for AARP Income Tax Assistance, membership chair for Friends of Ilsley Library, active with the Red Cross



blood program, in church choir, etc. He has three grandchildren—all girls. **Betty Rich Sheldon**, Bergen, NY, has 16 grandchildren (I won't ask!) and is interested in genealogy, especially descendants of cousin Laurence Woodcock of Maine.

Still working full-time and planning to continue *ad infinitum* is **Robert W. "Bob" Blumenthal**, Charlotte, NC. Can't use the "R" word here! His spouse passed away in October 1990, but as of January 1994 had no plans for remarriage. All his Cornell memories are good ones and he hopes to return—it's been 43 years.

**Lawrence S. Smith** retired in 1984 from a career in wildlife management with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Now is Southwest representative and secretary for the National Wildlife Refuge Assn. As historian for the Ninth Bomb Group, he was working on a history for their 50th Anniversary. In 1945 the Ninth Bomb Group was based on Tinian and flew 73 missions in B29s against Japan.

Quite a few '49ers are into second careers. **Elaine Tobkin "Toby"** Pelavin has a bookstore, after having consulted for the San Francisco Unified School District for 25 years. Toby and Al own "a rustico in Italy that remains a delight, retreat, a place of joy and tranquility, with time to discover parts of Tuscany both secret and magical. We continue to go there for a total of six weeks a year for renewal, feasting, and visits with a growing group of Italian friends."

**Dr. Albert G. "Al" Moat**, Glenside, PA, retired after completing 16 years as head of the microbiology department at Marshall U. medical school in Huntington, WV. "Picked up sticks and moved back to suburban Philadelphia, nearer children and grandchildren. Only ties to the science scene are a third edition of a textbook on microbial physiology due to be published this May. Had our bouts with ill health, but now okay and looking forward to the 50th. Best regards to everyone!"

The wife of **John S. "Jack" Lawrence** writes that Jack is in a nursing facility at their Life Care Retirement Community in Columbia, MD. She reads *Cornell Magazine* to him, which he enjoys—of course! The Rev. **Walter G. Hillis** finally officially retired July 1994, 42 years after his ordination and following 30 years as minister of the Bridgewater, NY church. He is living in the old family home in Davenport, NY.

Last year was a big one for **Ken M. Gellhaus** and Mary, who became empty nesters with the graduation from SUNY, Binghamton of their youngest son; they celebrated their 35th anniversary with a trip to France—Normandy, Loire Valley, and Paris. Did a quick brush-up on 45-plus-year-old French.

The **Schmecks**, **Harold "Harry" '48** and **Lois (Gallo)** said they planned to move and they did—last December, to Chatham, MA. A week before the move Rockefeller U. had a book party for *The Hostage Brain*, written by Harry with a researcher. Targeted audience—any literate adult or student. We all qualify! Next project, an addition on the house to get everything out of storage.

A note came from **Robert R. Johns** to say he had received word that **John Paul "Jack" Wollam** had died. Jack had been the

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—CHARLIE LEWIS '48

best man at Robert's wedding in 1951 and will be missed.

**Betsy Dunker Becker** says **Fran** retired from the bench Dec. 31, '94. Two more grandchildren since Reunion—now have 15! **Dorothy "Dee" Mulhoffer** Solow moved from San Diego to the East. She's been tripping to Florida and New York this spring. The **Lloyds**, **Clara Ann (Newell)** and **John W. "Bill"** Fairport, NY, thought Reunion was great. Sign them up for the 50th. They cruised through the Panama Canal in early March. **Constance M. "Connie" Williams**, Horseheads, NY, says "Retired and enjoying life!"

Hope you are having a super summer! ♦ **Mary Heisler Allison**, 470 Chandlee Dr., Berwyn, PA 19312; telephone (610) 640-1387.

**50** Class Reunions offer a wonderful opportunity to catch up with classmates, a more in-depth exchange of news than a class letter. However for those unable to attend Reunion, here's news from the best and brightest of our class. **Martin Harrison** writes from Hacienda Heights, CA that he is still enjoying great health and a great retirement. Tennis helps to keep him fit. Martin volunteers one day a week in curatorial care at a local small museum. He finally joined the ranks of grandparenthood last June 13. Martin enjoys ceramics as a very absorbing activity.

**Dr. Jack Richard** reports that he is now working half-time for NY State Dept. of Health while continuing in the private practice of endocrinology. His Cornell activities include membership on the Adult University (CAU) advisory board. He served on the Medical College liaison committee to the search committee for the new university president. He connects with many classmates at University Council meetings, including **Nels Schaeen**, **Jim Hazzard**, and **Dick Silver**. Jack made a trip to Turkey in 1994 with **Morty** and **Margo Canton Berger** and **Max '49** and **Lois Kraus**.

**Marion Steinmann** is involved in a new book project with doctors at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, U. of Pennsylvania. This book is on infectious diseases: what to do when your child has chicken pox; when

to call your doctor, even in the middle of the night, etc. **Richard Gordon** lives in E. Northport, NY, buying a house there after having rented for 18 years. Richard enjoys sailing, house projects, listening to music, reading and writing essays. For more fun, Richard cruised in Narragansett Bay in his 33-ft. sailboat along with ten other boats in a cruising group.

**Edward Magee Jr.** and wife **Karen** also enjoy the water, and paddled a rubber raft down the Colorado River. A fabulous experience, he reports. **John MacNeill, Jr.** is working as a consulting civil-sanitary engineer. He is active in Rotary Student Exchange and the Cortland County Chamber of Commerce. Son **Allen '74** teaches biology at Cornell. In January of this year, John and wife Betty spent three weeks in South Africa.

**David Inkeles** of Middle Island, NY is enjoying retirement in a condo on a nine-hole golf course. **Stan '48** and **Joan Cohen Halpern '51** live in the same development. David and wife Eve spent two weeks in Italy last July and in August sailed to Block Island and Mystic Seaport with the Halperns. David is treasurer of the Setawket Yacht Club in Port Jefferson, NY.

**William Dryden** writes from Salem, OR that he has sold his business and works part-time eight to ten weeks a year. He met with **Reginald Hartwell '49** and his wife **Lynn** when they came through Salem in the summer of 1994. William enjoys Reno two or three times a year and has nine grandkids to keep up with. **Jonathan Ayers** is currently singing in two barbershop quartets and one chorus. He is president of the International Nonsuch Assn. (sailing), and president and treasurer of the local homeowners association. He is also a trustee and police commissioner and deputy mayor of the Village of Huntington Bay. Jonathan and wife **Cynthia (Smith) '52** had a short visit with **Pat Dexter Clark '52** on their cruise on Buzzards Bay; "Also saw **Pete '53** and **Jean Thompson Cooper '52** while singing at a Strawberry Festival for the Lions Club last June. Wife Cynthia is a travel agent and won't quit!"

**Lawrence Greenapple** is still practicing law in New York City and also does pro bono legal work. He and wife Emily have purchased a vacation home in Pittsfield, MA and enjoy mountain walking. ♦ **Jocelyn Frost Sampson**, 10983 Twin Cubs Trail, Littleton, CO 80125; telephone (303) 978-0798.

**51** **Sabra Baker Staley** sent along a copy of the *Staley Standard*, December 1994 issue outlining her activities, which are varied and include lots of volunteer work. Last summer she volunteered for a two-week slot as a camp grandma at Camp Brethren Woods near Harrisonburg, VA, the job to be interpreted pretty much as she pleased. Obviously she pleased, and at camp's end was presented with the distinguished Cool Grandma Award! Sabra's GREAT-grandmother status has been assured by the birth of two great-granddaughters.

**Burton Saunders** and wife **Lucille (Fein) '54** fly around the country in their Beech Baron. They experienced some real



## Political Prisoner

A. Tawab Assifi '54, BCE '55



fter graduating from Cornell with a degree in civil engineering in 1955, A. Tawab Assifi returned to his native Afghanistan to work with The Helmand and Arghandab Valley Authority (HAVA). In 1973 he was appointed governor of Herat Province and finally became Afghanistan's minister of mines and industries. Then the communists staged a coup d'etat in 1978, and A. Tawab Assifi went to jail.

"The communists," says Assifi, "executed thousands of innocent people and imprisoned many more. Their first target was western-educated people. About 62,000 prisoners were listed as executed in the Kabul City prisons. Within the first three years of communist rule, close to a million people were killed throughout the country, including those killed in the villages from Soviet bombardment."

Even after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in late 1979, the Afghan rebels fought a fierce war of resistance. The Soviets eventually withdrew in 1988. Assifi was released from prison after 22 months and says, "I came out alive, smuggled my family, and then myself, out of communist-controlled Afghanistan in 1980. In September of 1981, we were fortunate to be able to take refuge in America."

Today Assifi is principal engineer for the Irvine Ranch Water District in Southern California and lives with his wife in Orange County. "We enjoy the freedom, excitement and experience of living in the United States." He knows Orange County, California is a long, long way from an Afghan prison cell. He adds, "We consider ourselves fortunate."

—Paul Cody, MFA '87



rental car visiting the towns along the Inside Passage, plus towns inland from Barrow to Homer. Saw plenty of mountains and trees, plus a lot of snow and ice. Received the Jack Franklin Award from the US Rowing Assn. for lifetime achievement as a referee." **Steve Rounds** has been asked by his company, Eastman Chemical, to "stay on until we find a replacement." In anticipation of retirement, Steve has taken up rowing with the Carnegie Lake Rowing Assn. and uses Princeton U.'s facilities. He sees the above-mentioned Howie Smith at regattas.

**Joan Hartford Ferreira** writes, "Hope all our classmates who have not sent in their News and Dues to date will get them in the mail soon. Thanks to all those who have responded. Looking ahead to our 45th Reunion, Reunion Co-Chairs **Margaret 'Pepper' Dutcher** Fluke and **Bill Reynolds** planned to attend Reunion this June as guests of the Class of '50.

"Class council members will meet in Ithaca on Sat., October 14 at the Statler for a luncheon meeting before the Cornell-Bucknell football game. Hope all Upstate New York council members will attend.

"**Bill Phillips** has made reservations for a pre-Reunion reception and dinner for Sat., Jan. 27, '96 following the annual Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) midwinter meeting in New York City. Invitations will be sent to classmates in the metropolitan New York area in the fall.

"Last October, **Peg Healy McNulty**, my husband **Mannie '53**, MBA '54, and I spent a wonderful weekend with **Barb Burke** Whitman and husband **Bill MacDonald**—a Dartmouth alum—at their home in W. Lebanon, NH. Barb and Bill are very active in their community and travel extensively." ♦ **Bob and Joanne Bayles Brandt**, 60 Viennawood Dr., Rochester, NY 14618; telephone (716) 244-6522.

**52** Third-generation news: Class President **Sidney's** and **Phebe Vandervort Goldstein's** daughter Carolyn, who has been a visiting professor at Cornell, was the subject of a feature article in the *Cornell Chronicle* in March. She has been doing a study of the history of home economics and nutrition. A most appropriate subject for one whose maternal grandmother was the late **Helen Bull Vandervort '26** (Mrs. **John '23**), one of the college's most active alumnae. Carolyn will become curator of the National Building Museum in Washington, DC when she finishes her work at Cornell.

**Mary Rowley Forthoffer** and husband **Frank** attended two sessions of Adult University (CAU) in 1994 (New Orleans and Alaska/British Columbia), and went to Australia and New Zealand last summer to attend the International Comanche Convention (a pilot organization). That's a whiz-bang year. They winter in St. Petersburg, FL. I wonder what they're doing in 1995 to top those travels.

How about meeting classmates in Syracuse to attend a basketball game at the Dome? That's a suggestion from **Albert J. Beard Jr.**, who lives in Milford, NY but re-

excitement on a trip to Ithaca in June for Reunion. From Burt: "After landing at Tompkins County Airport, we saw smoke coming out of the right engine. Thankfully, we were safely on the ground, but we hadn't realized that a bird had built a nest in the rear area of the engine compartment. The heat of the engine ignited the nest, but while in the air the force of the wind kept blowing the fire out. When the propeller stopped

turning, the nest ignited, the fire flared, caused a lot of smoke and caused a little excitement, to say the least. The fire was put out with a hand-held extinguisher and the damage was minimal. The rest of the weekend was somewhat anti-climactic, but very enjoyable."

**Howard Smith** wrote concerning his recent activities. "Spent a month in Alaska last year. Traveled by plane, train, boat, and



cently purchased a future-use winter retirement home in Calabash, NC. **Mark H. Stratton**, Wyckhoff, NJ, is chairman and CEO of Stratton Travel. Perhaps he'd like to help set up that trip (or some other destination) for classmates. Suggestions?

**Robert L. Bull** is on my most-favorite list because his handwriting is completely legible. He is a market development consultant who spends much of his own time on child injury prevention, "fighting the epidemic of childhood injuries that are easily preventable, but which have become the number one killer of kids." This work was inspired by critical burn injuries suffered by his youngest son. Bob also puts on school programs about our cultural heritage from Native Americans. He lives in Temple, ME and recently took his 12- and 14-year-old daughter and son to South Africa on a combined business/vacation trip.

**Dr. Roger and Joan Ganders Glassey** are staying on in Berkeley, CA, as Roger is retired but still teaching and consulting. He's "busier than ever." (Sounds familiar.) Last year they spent a week on Grand Cayman with son Colin and his family, and then a week sailing with Roger's siblings in the San Juan Islands of Washington. Joan still plays the cello and is active on the tennis court. They were happy to see **Anne Baldwin** Tenney when she was in Berkeley to welcome a new granddaughter.

A cruise through the Panama Canal was the latest vacation of **Frederick W. Fuess III**. He has turned his hobby of refinishing antique furniture into a part-time job. If you are ever near Normal, IL and like antiques, look him up. Antiques of a special type were the full-time hobby of **Irwin Sitkin**. He had a collection of handmade wooden tools. After retiring as vice president of corporate administration at Aetna Life and Casualty in Middletown, CT, Irwin and his wife decided to divide their time between Cape Cod and Florida. The tools, all 600-plus of them, were made in Connecticut, and Irwin decided to donate the entire collection to the Hall of Connecticut Industry in Middletown.

If any of you are in Ithaca during the summer, drop in on your class correspondents! ♦ **George and Gayle Raymond Kennedy**, 9 Maplewood Point, Ithaca, NY 14850; telephone (607) 272-3786.

**53** Now that the last child has been married off, **Webster David** (Wilmington, DE) finds that the house that was too small for 34 years is now the best size for a couple with two cats. In retirement, Webb finds more time for volunteer work with the Hagley Museum and its operating 1870s machine shop in a restoration of the DuPont black powder works. "Shades of Rand Hall," says he.

**Al Quinby** (Sarasota, FL) has joined Clarke Advertising and Public Relations as a senior advisor which, he says, "is sort of like of counsel." It makes him more available for tennis and sailing with, for instance, old roomie **Will White '50**. Retiring dentist **Dick Angeloni** (Oradell, NJ) looks forward to travel, computer courses, skiing, and visiting grandkids. Orthodontist **Joe Gryson** (San Rafael, CA), musing on retire-

ment, speaks proudly of the careers of daughter **Karen '86** and son David. Registered nurse **Joan Osborne Lautenberger** (Lafayette, CA) reports hospital census down and free time up. So, she says, more fun and games: politics. Family. Community activities. Trips to the Right Coast and to the American Nurses Assn. in San Antonio as a delegate. Their children threw Joan and **Walt '54** a 40th anniversary party which included a treasure hunt (for parking spots in San Francisco).

**Robert Stafford** (Colorado Springs), still practicing internal medicine, is kindling thoughts of retirement. He counts five grandchildren. Landscape architect/consultant **Joe Alfredo** and Joann (Rye, NY) have five sons and a daughter after 36 years of marriage. Joe's thinking the unmarried sons ought to get hitched pretty soon: "They live too good a life at our Ponderosa." Retired since 1986, **Mel Atwater** (Olympia, WA) reports lots of travel and an eye on a South Pacific cruise. Mel keeps busy helping with voter registration "as needed" and five nearby grandchildren, needed or not. Neighbor **Charlie Ackerman**, a retired stockbroker, has the best of two worlds, he says. He and Barbara, his wife of six years, divide their time between Olympia and Boca Raton, FL. Besides travel (to New England and Alaska), he does some teaching of investments in a local college.

Retired teacher **Dorothy Palmer** (Newington, CT) travels but also savors the sand and sea at her Rhode Island beach house. She tells of visits with Tri-Delt sorors **Joie Hubbert**, **Gayle Hodge Smith**, **Fay Bissell Hession**, **Elizabeth Ramsey '54**, and **Margy Horsfall Schadler**.

Psychiatrist **Arthur Liebeskind** (New York City) is putting more time into private practice after leaving the directorship of the MICA (Mentally Ill Chemically Abusing) program at the Manhattan Psychiatric Center. He hopes to do more reading and writing, he says. **John Allen** (Avon Park, FL) looks back on more than a quarter-century as a Michigan State U. food marketing teacher. John and **Linda (Cone) '58** get to see France, South Africa, and Hungary and are exporting citrus products to Japan. "Too busy, too leveraged, too entrepreneurial to even contemplate retirement," says John, "But for certain we'll evolve in new directions as the world spins."

Community volunteer **Nancy Van Cott** Jones has been running outdoor concerts at home in Unadilla, NY and has sung Bach's *B-Minor Mass* in Canterbury and Rochester, England with the Berkshire Choral Inst. She's planning to take up residence at Kendal at Ithaca (after 2000).

See you at **Clark and Claire Moran Ford's** pool in Westport, CT, July 15? How about Homecoming, Sept. 23? ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009.

**54** Tired of the constant rains, I took off the end of March for the British Virgin Islands, where I spent nine sun-filled days sailing with **Bob '53** and **Lou Schaefer Dailey**, Max and **Rosamond Peterson Bassett**, **Bill Bellamy '53**, **Phillip Harvey '55**, **Charles "Chick"**

**Trayford**, and a few others from Penn and Georgetown. The trip was pure relaxation, filled with great discussions and good fellowship. The weather perfect, seas a bit calm, water crystal-clear, the colorful fish great fun to swim among, and most importantly, no rain. A great idea for mini-reunions away from any semblance of organized time.

**Harold Eaton** and wife Mary-Lou are both retired, which enables them to head south to their new condo in Naples, FL. Also residents of Naples, at least when it's cold in Ohio, are **Reg '52** and **Sallie Capron Marchant**. Sallie wrote that she and Reg, along with **Don '53** and **Eloise Mix Unbekant**, joined the Adult University (CAU) "Beauty of Italia" trip last September, and were dazzled by the country and the magnificence of the antiquities. It was truly an overwhelming cultural experience.

**Stanley Worton** of Miami Beach left Florida last fall for three weeks of touring Australia and New Zealand, and in January took off for the slopes of Aspen and Vail. Traveling south to Central America, Antigua, Brazil, and Argentina were **Charlotte** and **Daniel Sherman**. The Shermans have created a new business named Chardan's. They plan to publish a newsletter, including items relating to investments and travel, topics many of us can relate to at this age.

**Robert** and **Susan Morrison** were off for a week of sailing around Tonga in May with **Peter** and **M. "Sharlie" Howze Eising '55** and **Peter Downey '53**. Included in their South Seas itinerary were visits to Fiji and Samoa. **Steven Baran** is doing volunteer work with VOCA through the US-AID. He spent two months during the winter of 1993 in Volgograd, Russia, where he discussed with bankers and agricultural leaders the possibility of privatization along with the potential growth of their wine industry. He traveled to Egypt after our Reunion to consult with grape growers and extension people regarding improvement of their cultural practices and the quality of their fruit production.

**Ivan La Fave** sent along a delightful communiqué. It was partly news of his activities and partly that of the antics of the urban wildlife a lot of us find in our neighborhoods. Ivan has "retired," but still feels there is not enough time to do, see, read, explore all that is available. Amen. In the "do and see" mode, he is doing very selective consulting in such places as Sumatra, Indonesia, Montreal, and, presently, mainland China.

Correction department: In my April column I wrote that **Bob Friedman** was elected president of the International Society of Interferon and Cytokine Research—that should have read Cytokine Research. He kindly wrote and said that for all he knows, cytokines may be beautiful trees, but cytokines are regulatory factors for immune response and cell growth. Cytokines are finding ever-increasing use in the treatment of a wide variety of diseases. So, by misreading some of your handwritten notes I receive more kind notes and an education. Thanks, Bob. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus Reed**, 17 Hillside Av., Kentfield, CA 94904; fax (415) 925-9404; e-mail LJReed@aol.com.



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This can be regarded as a column in limbo: written six weeks before Reunion, to be read by you at least six

weeks after the festivities are over. What I can say from this vantage point is that it's shaping up to be a spectacular 40th Reunion, and from the list of those who've signed up so far, it looks as if we'll have a great turnout. The post-Reunion report will reach you in the September issue.

Thanks for your response to the latest request for News & Dues. Without your input I'd have no source material for the column, and I really appreciate those who take the time to write. **Howard '52** and **Joan Epstein Maisel** traveled to New Zealand and Tahiti with **Judy Winter Burger '52** and her husband, Robert. "It was an exciting trip, even though we did not bungee jump!" Joan adds. **Bob Malatesta**, still doing his doctor thing at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, says he spends as much time as possible at Schroon Lake, NY; skiing at Gore Mountain in winter; and boating in summer. I like that well-balanced life. **Jerry Glick**, another physician on our '55 staff, is pleased to report that his older son is completing his surgical residency at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. The younger son is in law school at the U. of Chicago; one daughter is in the US Foreign Service, the other is an officer in the Israeli Army. Two of Jerry's four are Cornellians.

**Joan Groskin** Promin rode the famous white horses of the Camargue in southwestern France last year, and earned two AKC obedience titles with her Cairn terrier. Joanie also imported the first South African Boerboel dog to the United States. Having written us that his "single best moment" at Cornell was "acing" an organic exam, **Al Blomquist** has now confessed that not even his mother believed he would consider that his best achievement. In a more truthful vein, Al said his "best moment" was either wrestling **Lenny Oniskey**, chasing two coeds home after leaving Obie's Diner (one was **Anne Morrissy Merick**), or throwing **Mary Martin Van Buren '56** into **Len Ladin's** shower.

I believe I saw **Roger Burggraf's** name on the list of those expected at Reunion. If so, he came a long way—from Fairbanks, AK, where he is still in the mining business. The winter before last, they operated an underground drift mining operation, which necessitated drilling and blasting frozen gravel and hauling out the pay dirt for processing in the summer. "Have found lots of nice gold nuggets in the process, and we are anxious to wash our ore pile to determine the extent of our clean-up."

When **Malcolm Whyte** and his wife arrived in Sydney, Australia after a 15-hour flight from San Francisco, they were met by **Gill Boehringer**, bearing flowers! Gill is dean of the law school at McQuarie U. in New South Wales, and was able to give the Whytes a tour of the Sydney area and many tips for visiting Tasmania, where they "saw those little devils!"

**Lorens Persson** is doing well after surgery for prostate cancer, which was discov-



We ate and drank  
our way across the  
countryside like  
Sherman marching  
through Georgia . . .

—MARTIN WOHL '56



ered early, and he urges all men over 50 to have a yearly PSA test. "Meeting and marrying my wife, **Virginia (Johnston)**," was Larry's single best moment. The Perssons are now enjoying making new friends at the Cornell Club of Cape Cod and traveling: last fall to England, to rent a house in the Cotswolds. **Ron Bush** has what he calls "a small museum"—he collects antique trucks, tractors, sleighs, buggies, and garden implements. Ron's spent the last 32 years in commercial, residential and industrial real estate in Patchogue, L.I. The newsletter from the International Executive Service Corps, based in Stamford, CT, mentions that **Tom Reed** will be assigned to the Inst. for Low Temperature Physics in Ukraine. **Dick Shriver** was also affiliated with IESC, if I remember correctly.

**Ken Sanderson** reported several "best moments" from his years in Ithaca: "an honors banquet of Pi Alpha Xi held at Taughannock Falls; a football game delayed by a 14-inch snowfall; an ag engineering field trip to Seneca Pump (where men really worked and only lived to be 55); and the pranks of **Ed O'Rourke, PhD '55**." **Stan Shetler** recalls his pride in being named first marshal of the Ag college Class of '55, and going to the platform to accept the diploma from President Deane Malott. A final note to contemplate: **Gordon White's** description of himself these days is "over the hill and picking up speed!" ♦ **Nancy Savage Morris**, 110A Weaver St., Greenwich, CT 06831.

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Class members who attended Adult University (CAU) courses: **William Abramson** and Madeleine, "The Play's The Thing: Theatre in Dublin and London"; **Jack Wootton**, "Family Matters"; **Carlyn Wagner Johnson** with Daniel, **Carol Pearson** Whalen went to the Cape May weekend; **Joseph Libretti** and wife Beverly were in Alaska; and, finally, **Tom Parks** and Eileen went with CAU to Sicily.

Class writers: **Syrell Rogovin Leahy**, writing as Lee Harris, had a recent reading of her newest murder mystery, *The Christmas Night Murder*. Syrell's detective is Christine Bennett. The publisher is Fawcett. Dr. **David Ellison** is still teaching at Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst. and has published

another book, *Healing Tuberculosis in the Woods: Medicine and Science at the End of the 19th Century*, publisher: Greenwood Press. **Allan Bean**, in Tolland, CT since 1984, is self-employed as an industrial advertising copywriter; plans to keep doing that for another year.

Newly-wed **Herbert Bernhardt**, Baltimore, MD, on Sept. 2, '94, to Karen Pearce—with many congratulations.

**Alan Butterfield**, living in Brazil, writes that he bought a new plane . . . does lots of flying . . . and his recent hobby is ikebana.

**Annette Spittal Huene**, Fresno, CA, active in her local medical society teaching (creatively) abstinence for teenagers. Dr. **James Larrimore**, Vienna, with the International Atomic Energy Agency, did another round-the-worlder for his BIG SIX-0H.

**Phyllis Miller Lee**, Manchester, VT, is a painter—small scale narratives—and is currently involved in a study program called One on One with Robert Reed at Yale University.

**Milton Lendl**, Delmont, PA, retired in 1992 from Agway Petroleum Corp. He is active with the Christmas-in-Salem-Crossroads Program, featuring a trip through Bethlehem with live vignettes and a cast of hundreds of people plus animals . . . à la Bethlehem at the time of Christ's birth. His hobby at his farm in Upstate New York is collecting and restoring old tractors. Milton now has six in perfect working order. He's also restoring a 1950 Ford two-ton truck. Sounds like fun for transporting us around campus at our next Reunion.

From **Martin Wohl**, St. Louis, MO: "Since I accepted a 'golden handshake' from Monsanto last year and joined the ranks of the happily retired, Sue and I have done our level best to keep TWA solvent. Our frequent-flyer account continues to grow (at my expense now, rather than Monsanto's) as we continue our world-perambulations. Last fall we rented a villa in a small hill town outside of Florence and spent a month exploring Tuscany and Umbria. We ate and drank our way across the countryside like Sherman marching through Georgia . . . this spring we spent a month traveling in northwestern France. We stayed at a Renaissance chateau in the Touraine and a seaside resort in Brittany . . . we are currently in the process of organizing a five-week tour of New Zealand and Australia." Martin concludes with this: "Had I known that retirement was this much fun, I would have done it much sooner."

**James Sterling**, Hermosa Beach, CA, regional director—metro traffic control, providing traffic information to more than 1,100 radio and television stations in the US and UK. ♦ **Phyllis Bosworth**, 8 E. 83rd St., Apt. 10C, NYC 10028.

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**Betty Quinn Lewis** had a visit with **Carol Gehrke Overton** a while back. Carol flew in from California to see her son, who is doing graduate work at Dartmouth, and she and Betty attended a tennis camp at Killington, VT. Betty has been volunteering full-time for a Ronald McDonald House in Portland, ME which opened last spring. It was a year ago that **Barbara Flynn** Shively toured Ireland with



the Morris Choral Society, but the memories are more recent as the trip was videotaped. When she's not singing (or writing limericks), Barbara is a technical editor and writer in Convent Station, NJ. **John '56** and **Roberta "Bert" Grunert De Vries** are building a new house in Ocean City, NJ and expecting visits from Cornell friends. Bert is on the board of the Philadelphia Zoo, and also serves as secretary of the national board of AZAD (Assn. of Zoological and Aquarium Dockets). **Bill Konstant '74** and **Tom Dolan '48** are also active with the Philadelphia Zoo. **Ruby Tomberg Senie** has been involved with the President's Council of Cornell Women and helped to plan the Celebration of Cornell Women that was to be held on campus last April. There is also going to be a weekend seminar for all women graduates of classes in the '50s on November 4 in New York City. There will be more information in upcoming issues of *Cornell Magazine*. Ruby is an epidemiologist doing research in the field of breast cancer. More specifically, she studies the factors that relate to the risk of developing the cancer, as well as the factors that influence survival among breast cancer patients.

In the grandchildren department, **Elaine Meisner** Bass has five, with more on the way. She and her husband visited China and Japan last fall and are spending the summer at their place in Great Barrington, MA. **Sue Breslow Dillon's** daughter, **Eleanor Dillon Petigrow '87**, presented Sue with a granddaughter last year. When Sue is not busy teaching sixth grade, she serves as "first lady" to husband Marty's presidency of the Kiwanis Club in Merrick.

News notes are almost gone, so drop me a line directly with your updates. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #1109, Bethesda, MD 20816.

**58** From the back of the alphabet comes a group of duespayers from late 1994, including the Rev. **Jack Walters**, continuing psycho-spiritual renewals for many at IAM, Jack's and colleagues' counseling and retreat center near New Albany, PA. Jack is re-editing his book, *Healing the Fractured Self*, heading toward republishing, while also going through the demanding process of becoming a fellow in the American Assn. of Pastoral Counselors. He's had a busy winter.

Other duespayers include: **Hank Wallfesh** at Whale Communications in Stamford, CT; **Dr. H. Jayne Vogan**; **Paula Finkelstein Thier**; **Allan Tessler**, executive, now from a new address in Wyoming (1100 Pine Siskin, Jackson, WY); **Robert Task**; **John Tallman**, a manager with Dresser-Rand in Houston; **Russ Taft**, still engineering with Rockwell in Hawaii; **Robert Purcell**; **Ralph Prescott Jr.**; **Barbara Kummer Orphanides** (Mrs. Christos), still in retail with her Cookery Ware Shop in Peddlers Village, Lahaska, PA; and **Thomas, DVM '58** and **Carolyn King Nytech** in Vestal, NY. We'll hope to see news from these folks (with dues, too, hopefully) in 1995-96.

**Lois Cohen Tucker** has completed eight years as counselor/program coordinator for formerly battered women and chil-

dren in the Rochester area. Lois writes also that both daughters have returned to grad schools; Amy at Stanford and Belinda at Harvard. The Tuckers planned to attend the Arizona Adult University (CAU) program in May 1995 and then to continue to enjoy their summer home in Sandwich on Cape Cod.

Some 'mates deserve extra thanks for additional class contributions in their dues: **Don Gleklen**, a corporation officer for Mediq Inc. in Pennsauken, NJ; **Hugh Gunnison** from Crown Point, NY; and **Chuck and Janet Arps Jarvie**—thanks for the extra help.

And a nod to microbiologist **Linda Hansman Hanson**, writing from Louisiana State U. in New Orleans, for her annual dues, triggered by a recent *Cornell Magazine* cover. Linda and husband **Bill '55** still reside in Pearl River, LA.

**Paul Tilly** is self-employed these past 15 years in the P. F. Tilly Agency in Lima, NY and has become a partnership this year (with his daughter, particularly). The agency has grown every year, and Paul's enjoying it greatly. **Fred Sharp III** continues as a business executive in human resources with Western Union in upstate New Jersey, as wife Linda keeps busy in Westchester County housing sales, and four grown children ranging from 18 to 32 make their niches in the world. The two younger boys are at Syracuse U. and Kent School, respectively. Fred has an interesting summer project on one of the islands of North Carolina, conserving loggerhead turtle breeding grounds. **Carmon "Beaster" Molino** continues teaching school (did his students give him that nickname? or does that go 'way back?) in Groton (NY) Central School. Last summer, daughter **Terri-Lynn Molino Lauchle '90** was married in Ithaca.

**Jack Weaver** has a new job as research director for the American Inst. of Chemical Engineers. Jack has responsibility for six technical centers dealing especially with pollution prevention and chemical process safety. Jack and Linda still live in Meadowbrook, PA, but also have an apartment in Manhattan near the UN and would like to renew acquaintances with Cornellians in New York City. They would like to catch up particularly with **Len Harlan** (who last reported from Princeton, NJ), who may now be in the NYC area, at least part-time. An old note from **Lois Bates** Walnut reports, with her dues, that she and husband Thomas enjoyed trips to Ithaca from Syracuse to visit both children when they overlapped on the Hill. **Susan '93**, the elder, was considering grad school in history last fall (at where else?), and **Stephen '97** is in Architecture. **Robert Flynn** is still in Southfield, MI, but has moved to a new residence at 26000 W. 12 Mile Rd.

More old duespaying names emerged from somewhere, and these good folks also should be acknowledged—next time with some news, maybe: realtor **Hugh Hartzberg**, with offices in the Buffalo suburbs; finance executive **Dick Hanson**, still with Merrill Lynch Business in Princeton, NJ; **Dick Haines**, from Stockton, CA; **Dr. William Herbold III**; **Dave Hoffman**; **Howard Holtz**, an engineer with The Aerospace Corp. in El Segundo, CA; **Mike Hor-**

**ner**, another Californian; **Jack Ingley**, program manager with the government in Virginia; and **Linda Schneelock Jones** from Greenwich, CT. **Joel Justin** reports from Devon, PA that he is now retired, so we'll look for travel news from Joel and **Nancy (Easton) '59** soon. **Richard Felner** now lives in NYC at 200 E. 57th St., having come in from the New Jersey 'burbs of Mamaroneck in late 1994. **Kathy** (now Katie) **Davis Fishman** is a writer, self-employed, in Brooklyn as her two grown daughters continue advanced studies, one in anthropology at New York U. and the other in law at Yale. The Fishmans enjoyed a trip to Morocco last year, celebrating Linda's having finished the first draft of a new book about child psychotherapy. It was to be published about now, so, therapists, watch for it in your local bookstores under the title *Behind the One-way Mirror*. Enough for now; enjoy your summer, 'mates. ♦ **Dick Haggard**, 1207 Nash Dr., Fort Washington, PA 19034.

**59** Great news: thanks to an increased number of duespayers, we have been allotted more space—up to 1-1/2 columns—for class news. Not-so-great news: classmates are not providing enough material to regularly fill this space. Please write or telephone me with information on travels, jobs, avocations, homes, and families.

**Natalie Shulman** Cohen and husband Don are on leaves of absence from their jobs—she, as assistant professor of molecular pharmacology and toxicology at the U. of Southern California School of Pharmacy, and he, as professor of applied math at Caltech. They're living in Santa Fe until mid-September, where they have a house "with a fabulous view of Santa Fe and the ski basin." Natalie has been writing papers and proposals and Don is a consultant at Los Alamos National Laboratory, where last year he served as director of the Center for Non-linear Studies. Natalie writes that she keeps in touch with John and **Martha Wennerberg** Kiessling, who have recently retired and moved to Palm Coast, FL, where they've built a home.

The Grandparents Club: **Ed Tavlin** and wife **Beth (Streisfeld) '62** became grandparents last August when their daughter gave birth to a red-haired, blue-eyed daughter named Lauren. Ed, a stockbroker with Fahnestock and Co., continues to draw a second salary—the munificent sum of \$1.00 per annum—as mayor of Bay Harbor Islands, FL. **Fred '57** and **Joan Ellis Jones** welcomed their first grandchild, Sarah, on Feb. 26, '95. Joan is nutrition site manager and volunteer executive director of the Senior Activity Building in Ithaca, MI, a new facility financed by private donations and profits realized from several group activities.

The latest book from **Ruth Chima-coff Macklin** of Riverdale, NY is *Surrogates and Other Mothers* (Temple University Press, 1994). For the past year, Ruth has been serving as a member of President Clinton's Advisory Committee on Human Radiation Experiments. The committee's report is scheduled to be pub-



lished later in 1995. **Sam Schoninger** of Colorado Springs, CO has been phasing out his law practice and is devoting his energies to repositioning shopping centers. He missed last year's Reunion because he and his wife were cruising the Baltic Sea countries. After the cruise, they headed to Scotland, then went to Oxford for a course in English mystery writers.

**Gladys Kessler**, US district judge for the District of Columbia, traveled to Israel under the aegis of the New Israel Fund to study the status of women. She writes: "The problems are very substantial in terms of violence against women, unequal employment opportunity (especially in the military), and grave discrimination against women in the granting of divorces and property settlements by the religious courts. However, I was deeply moved by the visit, the beauty of the country, the dynamism of the people, the complexity of all issues and their relationship to historical experience, and the ideals of social justice which still seem to motivate most Israelis."

**Paul and Doty Isaacs** Winick of Hollywood, FL "very much enjoyed" an alumni trip to Montana and western Canada last summer. "As has been our experience in the past, the trip and the people on it were great!" writes Doty. **George and Cynthia Vernardakis** of Murfreesboro, TN fell in love with Sydney—"the most beautiful city in the world"—during a trip to Australia and Tahiti. The highlights of a cross-country trip taken by **Andy '61** and **Sallie Ann Sook Joachim** of Delmar, NY included visiting friends, such as **Joan Gerring Warriner '57** in Charlottesville, VA, and **Faith Jackson Crittenden '60** and husband **Jack Kelman** in Los Angeles. Attendees at the summer 1994 wedding of **Dan '56** and **Patricia Lasky Rathmann's** son included **Nancy Iams Walsh**, **Ann Sundermeyer Hill**, **Gary Kirby '56**, **Ray Rissler '50**, and **George F. Hays '60**, BME '61. Attending the wedding of **Harold Kaiser's** son **Hal** were **Ron Butz** and **Dennis Jakobson '58**.

**John Hitzel** of Edgewater, MD has developed a home-office sideline: accounting, tax preparation, and payroll preparation and reporting. "I have 2.5 more years working for the US Congress before Uncle will pay me not to work. Then I may expand my sideline," he says. Address changes and corrections: **Fred Harwood**, 206 Doe Trail, Morganville, NJ; **Robert Rich**, P.O. Box 6099, Cherry Creek Station, Denver; **Col. Ross Schmoll**, (USAF, Ret.), 1137 Player Way, Herndon, VA; **John White**, 105 Marlborough St., Boston, MA 02116.

**Jim '54** and **Marge Holeyton Weaver** now divide their time between 1605-A Spoonbill Lane, Naples, FL (Oct.-April) and 613 W. Chesapeake Ave., Towson, MD. Jim retired from Merrill Lynch after 30 years, giving him more time for tennis and golf. Marge works part-time for a travel agency and is doing lots of travel, including five cruises in the past two years. ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; (203) 792-8237.

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By the time you read this column in mid-summer, the 35th Reunion will be part of Morris Bishop's "union of memories" that "help make us all Cornellians . . ." That's hard to believe when writing this column during one of the Midwest's spectacular spring thunderstorms! The September column will include a full account of the Class of '60 at Reunion 1995.

**Lenna Davis Kennedy** enjoys sharing special times with her grown children. Daughter **Linda** was just admitted to the Maryland Bar, and son **Liam** is educational director of the Maryland Science Center. Son **Sean** and his wife live on the Eastern Shore. **Marianna Giacalone Goodheart** and husband **Bill** live about 15 miles north of San Francisco and thoroughly enjoy a beautiful natural area and having their two sons living nearby. She teaches classes in chalk pastels at the College of Marin and Fort Mason Art Center. She also works in fabricated steel, and recently joined two other sculptors in a warehouse studio to expand their work. Her works have been in seven exhibitions this past year, "one with a title my family felt was very amusing, 'Women of Steel.'"

**Bob Aldinger**, retired two years ago from the Navy, teaches seventh-grade math in Alea, HI. **Bob Tapert** has a new address: 28363 Forestbrook Dr., Farmington Hills, MI. He "helped downsize local government" by retiring from his city planning job in March 1994. **Lee Soule** reports that son **Jonathan '94** began post-graduate studies at the U. of Illinois-Champaign in September.

**John Lincoln**, an Ontario County (NY) dairy farmer, was elected president of the 25,000 member New York Farm Bureau last December. He is the first Western NY farmer to head the state's leading farm and rural advocacy group in over a quarter of a century. **Fred Wehran** reports from Mahwah, NJ that he started Wehran Engineering in 1968 and built it into an international environmental engineering firm employing 325 and specializing in solid and industrial waste management. The firm merged with Emcon, a publicly traded company, in 1994, and Fred is currently seeking new business opportunities. **Henry Bienen**, president of Northwestern U., was elected to the Northwestern Memorial Corp. board of directors in January.

**Carol Roberts Blodgett's** "full-time job" since moving to Cincinnati four years ago has been the building of a timber frame house. The Blodgetts have rented six homes in the course of the project, and currently rent a floor in the home of **Kenneth Richardson '62**—"It's like a return to the communal living of college days." Carol works part time as an Outside Sales travel agent and may resume counseling once the building project is completed. She will be in Bermuda in October and plans to join **Eric Peniston** and family for dinner while there. Her son **Clifton Edwards '85** works in computer graphics as a product manager for a science bureau in Portland, ME. **Marci Martindale Braden** and family are still living in London. Youngest daughter **Jeni Braden '98** "reminds [them] that there are



a few changes on the Hill since the olden days. How nice that Class Notes and *Cornell Magazine* find us eventually and keep us updated on some of these changes!"

**Sue Avery Wood Brewer** joined **Don '59** for Reunion 1994, dividing her time between '59er events and those of her father, **John Wood '24**. "I talked with **Judy Thompson Hamer** at the '24 events, where her father also was celebrating his 70th Reunion. Reunion was followed by a brief visit in Binghamton with **Tom '59** and **Sue Laubengayer Cowing**, who were preparing to move to Australia for a sabbatical year.

More news to follow in September's 35th Reunion column! ♦ **Gail Taylor Hodgess**, 1257 W. Deer Path, Lake Forest, IL 60045.

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We have received notice of the April publication of **Ed Ochsester's** *Allegheny*, a book of poems described as follows: "These dozen poems are very wry and insightful. The language is direct, loose, and most of all, real. The edition is limited to 350 copies, letterpress printed in hand-set Goudy Oldstyle on Mohawk Letterpress Text, wrapped in Americana and hand sewn." Place your order with **Adastra Press**, 101 Strong St., Easthampton, MA 01027.

That does it for news—PLEASE WRITE! Both **Alan Metcalf** and I look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Nancy Hislop McPeck**, 7405 Brushmore, NW, N. Canton, OH 44720; telephone (216) 494-2572 (H); (216) 438-8375 (W).

# 62

Welcome to those of you who don't regularly see this magazine. We hope you'll return! Recent duespayers include **Priscilla Snow** Algava, **Alton Atkinson**, **Jeremy Banta**, **Margaret Sandelin Benson**, **Bill Brozowski**, **John Burke**, **James Gantor**, **William Chandler**, **Nancy Williams Clark**, **Alan Cohen** and **Robert Dedrick**. Also **Stephen Ettinger**, **Judith Leach Evans**, **Judy Slostad Franz**, **Hamlin Gilbert**, **Gary Grunau**, **David Hill**, **Tom Holland**, **Neil Irving**, **Linda Gilinsky Klineman**, **Dr. Martin Kolosky**, **Paul Manowitz**, **Linda Zucchelli Martinelli**, **Joanne Trupin Marx**, **Joseph Miller**, **David Palmer**, **Gabe Paul**, **Chris Protos**, **John Pruitt**, **Ken Richardson**, **Charles Slutsky**, **Bruce Steele**, **Arthur Steffen**, **Mary Thomas Strickler**, **Willa Radin Swiller**, **Vuko Tashkovich**, **Nancy Terrell Weight**, and **David C. Wright**.

New address for **Duke and Pat Padgett Wellington** is 686-B Midway Dr., Silver Springs Shores, Ocala, FL. The Wellingtons plan to divide their year between Ocala and their summer home in Claryville, NY. Pat hears from **Karen Palmer Anderson**, who just stepped down as mayor of Saratoga, GA. Karen's and Einar's two sons were both married last year.

Other new addresses include **Gary Grunau's**: PO Box 479, Milwaukee, WI. Gary is president and CEO of the Grucon Corp., a contractor-developer. His project, Schlitz Park, received awards from both the Council of Urban Economic Development and the Urban Land Inst. Endodon-



tist Dr. **Gary Gross** has moved to 17927 S. Dick Dr., Oregon City, OR. **George Cohen** is an engineer with Scott Paper, and resides at 8217 Cadwalader Ave., Elkins Park, PA.

"It's a boy!" crackled over the phone line from Migori, Kenya, where our first grandchild made his entrance. Son Larry and his wife are doing volunteer work in a clinic on the shore of Lake Victoria. Larry's twin sister Valerie heads for Thessaloniki, Greece this summer, where she'll be public affairs officer at the US Consulate. Her previous foreign service assignment took her to several cities in China. Their parents' motto: "Have passport, will travel." **Bob '59** and I enjoy having Will, our youngest, a Portland CPA, closer to home.

**Jane E. Brody** Engquist's latest "baby" is *Jane Brody's Good Seafood Book*, published last fall. It's a complete guide to seafood selection and cookery, including 230 low-fat recipes. Their son Lorin was married last fall in Pasadena. His twin brother, Erik, was wed in May at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

Austin Corporate Properties of Westchester was featured in an article in *Real Estate Weekly*. **Carl Austin's** firm, celebrating 25 years in the commercial real estate field in Westchester, has a small, hands-on practice with focus on office brokerage, hotel, golf course and retail development. Carl notes that his firm has grown along with the county and has handled many of the major transactions there. It's an impressive resume!

There's been no harvest report yet on the winter wheat crop planted on 20 acres of **George Slocum's** "Cayuga Lake Farm" by **Mike Duesing**. Mike is director of engineering corporate relations at the College of Engineering. His office facilitates networking between companies and the college. Both Duesing daughters are into soccer. Wendy as assistant coach at Colgate, **Amy '95**, All-Ivy and most valuable player.

Also in Ithaca are **John and Lynne Snyder Abel**. John is professor of civil engineering at Cornell. Dr. **Donald Burgett** is director of student services, Ag and Life Sciences.

**Geoff Nunn** is president of California Domestic Water Co. in Whittier. He and Patti live in LaHabra. **Stu Rosenwasser** is also a Californian, in Rancho Santa Fe.

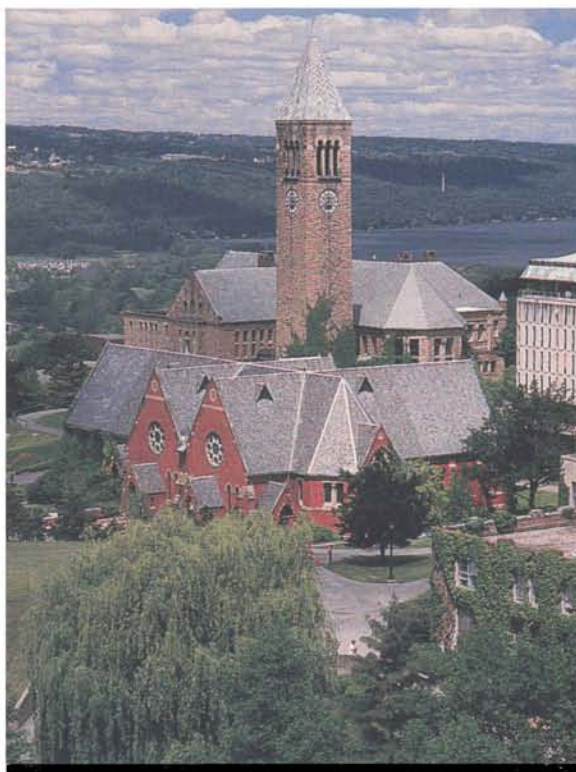
The varied occupations of our classmates run the gamut of experiences: **Dick Bornstein** is president of the Huntington Twp. (NY) Chamber of Commerce. **Bob Adamowski** is CEO of Pietro's Corp. (pizza) in Bothell, WA. He and Joni live in Bellevue. In Fort Lauderdale, FL, **Michael Egan** is CEO/chairman of Alamo Rent-a-Car. **Chris Berry** is a market researcher with AccuData in Memphis, TN. Your FedEx missives may be piloted to their destinations by **Tom Tasar**, who's in Belle Mead, NJ, when on the ground.

**Larry Gilliland** is treasurer of Summit County, CO, and lives in Silverthorne. **Helen Zesch Ward** is an interior designer. She and **John '60** live in Owings Mills, MD. Hotelier **Ramesh Khanna** is with the Holiday Inn in Bombay. **David Har-rald** manages environmental affairs for

Calaveras Cement Co. in Walnut Creek, CA. At Goddard Space Flight Center, **David Mengers** is instrument manager for NASA. **Carol Cooper Keil** (Mrs. **Otto '59**) is a wholesale florist in Huntington, NY. **Miriam Littman** Ciochon manages the library for the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

You'll be receiving an easy-to-return news postcard soon. Please just do it. ♦ **Jan McClayton** Crites, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97035.

**63** With summer upon us, I hope all of you are taking advantage of these beautiful months, wherever you are. **Dick Lynham** writes from N. Canton, OH that he is pleased with the progress of the foundry he bought several years ago after many years with big business. He feels small business is the real world. Wife **Betty (Card)** is leading a successful effort to restore a magnificent pipe organ in the local Congregational Church. Dick also wants us



## Closest Thing to Being There

**T**he Ivy Room, catching rays in the gorge, the Campus Store — above ground, the Arts Quad. What we wouldn't give for those days back at Cornell. Ah, but you *can* return to Cornell. Become a Class of 1962 duespayer and receive your subscription to *Cornell Magazine* — your tie to happenings on the Hill, news of classmates and friends. How? Send your check for \$40, payable to Cornell Class of

1962, to Cornell Class of 1962, P.O. Box 6582, Ithaca, NY 14851-6582. Or call (607) 255-3021 to charge your class dues to your credit card. And thank you to all classmates who have already sent in their dues for 1995-96. See you on campus!





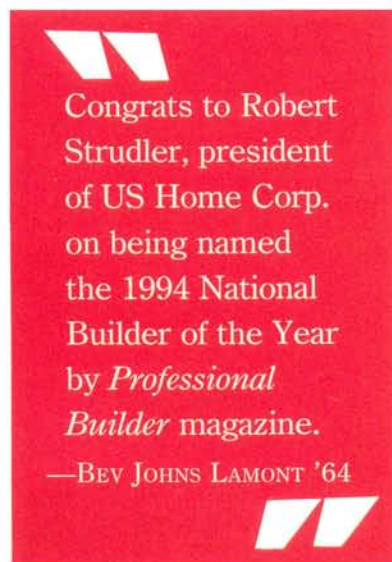
to note how well-represented the Class of '63 is in Cornell affairs—five classmates on the board of trustees, with **Jules Kroll's** recent election. For those of you who didn't know, our own **Laing Kennedy** resigned as Cornell's director of athletics and physical education. He had accomplished a lot in 11 years. The renovation of Barton Hall and Schoellkopf Field, expansion of the Gruman Squash Courts, construction of the new Equestrian Center were funded through the Robison Fund Committee, on which he has been a volunteer for 20 years. Good luck with your future career choice, Laing.

**Dick "Gibby" Gibson** and wife Caroline are in Hingham, MA, where Dick is district manager for Kimble/Kontes Glass. **Doris Grayson Kitson** writes that **Robert Filner** won re-election to the US House of Representatives from San Diego. Doris attended a Manhattan fundraiser for him last fall. **Dick '61** and **Sara Hart Olson** have moved to Upper Montclair, NJ, where Dick is now working for Schering-Plough in Liberty Corner. Son **Dan '96** is in ILR. Daughter **Liz** will be a sophomore at Earlham College, Richmond, IN.

**Margaret Pitkin** is a busy person with adopted children John, 5-1/2, and Elizabeth, 4, and two cats and two dogs. She is finishing an MPA in accounting at Georgia State U. and plans to embark on a second career. She received the John W. Cook Scholarship at GSU in 1993. She schedules annual summer getaways with **Terry '61** and **Vicki Scoble Oldberg** and **Helen Perry**. Dr. **Thomas Newman** has been a urologist in the Tucson area for 20 years. He is on the board of directors of Carondelet Health Care Corp., Health Horizons IPA, and Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona. He sends his best to his freshman-year roommate, Class President **Craig Peterson**.

**John Remmer** is senior editor of IC Master in Garden City, NY. Daughter **Sharon '95** spent her junior spring semester at York U. in England. **Judy Branton Wilkins** is a volunteer with "Music in the Mountains" in Grass Valley, CA. Husband **Paul** is a mediator with American Arbitration Assn. in northern California. **Pamela Gold Schreiber** is a psychotherapist in private practice in Philadelphia. In the summer of 1994, her husband was keynote speaker at an international conference on immunology in Japan, which also took them to Thailand. Their older daughter is at U. of Pennsylvania's medical school, and the younger daughter has graduated from Germantown Friends School.

Cornell sent word of the death of our classmate, **Harold Sallada**. Condolences to his family. News from Dr. **Gary Smith** would take up a whole column—he has an expanded family including wife Patricia and eight children, ranging in age from 27 down to 2 months. Patricia works in Gary's office; they are distributors for Rexall Showcase International, a company which produces health/wellness products. Gary is active with the local Cornell Club, hospice chapter, and Right to Life Party. He saw **J. B.** and **Carolyn McArdle** at the Cornell Club—New York. ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke**, PO Box 1675—Eurocentre, Racine, WI 53401-1675.



**64** A big thanks and whew! to you all, as your latest news has arrived with your dues in time for this column and several subsequent. Keep it coming! Now, let's start off with new marriage news: congrats to **Jane Fennelly** (4326 Park Paloma, Calabasas, CA) who was married in January 1994 to Dr. Jay Allen Brent (new address coming, Jane?). Jane is an attorney, a partner in the law firm of Bronson, Bronson & McKinnon. Both Jane and her husband enjoy golf and skiing.

Similar congrats to **P. Alan Loss** (2645 Stagecoach La., Lancaster, PA) who, name notwithstanding, gained a bride (name, please, Alan?) last April. The couple then honeymooned in Hawaii (and only five weeks previous, he was in Israel). The move may or may not have been prompted by his attending the wedding of **Barrett "Buddy"** and **Carolyn Rosen's** daughter in Nashville last August. Alan is a certified financial planner to closely-held business owners, specializing in planned-giving strategies.

The foregoing Cupid-esque nuptials may or may not have been influenced by Dr. **Richard Nemiroff**, who with daughter **Rachael** participated in the National Target Archery Championship. Congrats are also en route to Dick, as he received the Lifetime Achievement Award in Teaching Obstetrics and Gynecology for his career as an associate professor of ob/gyn at U. of Pennsylvania's medical school. Dick lives at 748 Stonehouse Rd., Moorestown, NJ. Congrats also to **Robert Strudler**, president of US Home Corp., on being named the 1994 National Builder of the Year by *Professional Builder* magazine. He and wife **Ruth** live in the Houston area, and have recently built another home in Tarpon Springs, FL.

News from **Pat Hammond Pearson** is in this column for the very first time. A registered nurse in psychiatry, Pat is a contributing author to *Nursing Diagnosis Reference Manual*. Her activities include tennis and teaching Sunday school. Pat and

husband **Nils** live with their teenage son and daughter at 5301 Wesbard Cr., Bethesda, MD.

**William Sibal** reports a new address: 1243 Wellesley Ave., #6, Los Angeles, CA. **Nathan Isikoff**, wife Susan, and their family have also moved to Georgetown, 3230 Volta Pl., NW, Washington, DC. Youngest child **Alissa '98** (ILR) followed **Andy '91** (Arts) to Cornell. Nathan chairs the board of Carey Winston Co. of Chevy Chase, MD, a real estate firm.

Physician **Robert Zager** and wife Barbara have moved, as well, in-town to 40 Kent Dr., Roseland, NJ—a townhome, as both sons are now on their own. Their interests include boating and traveling.

**Michael '61** and **Alice Fried Baker** sent the address of the home they built: 5 Nesting Way, E. Sandwich, MA. Alice is an instructor at nearby Bristol Community College. She visited sister **Lucy Fried Koster '62** in Santa Monica, CA in January to help her celebrate her birthday, and was "... in time for the January rains."

**Gary Kurz**, who with wife Nancy owns Rosy Tomorrows Restaurant in Danbury, CT, recently opened a new eatery: Maggie McFly's Restaurant in Middlebury, CT, which he describes as "great food, antique and fun decor, friendly staff and clientele." Son **Dan '94**, the eldest of their four children, became the third generation of his family to graduate from Cornell. The Kurzes' home address is Box 196, Candlewood Isle, New Fairfield, CT.

**Elizabeth Gibbs O'Donnell** would have liked to attend Reunion last year, except: (a) she has a new job, as assistant to the executive director of the Abnaki (ME) Girl Scout Council; (b) the June graduation from Northeastern U. in Boston of one daughter; (c) the September marriage in Dallas of her other daughter. Liz says, "Needless to say, there were neither vacation time nor dollars for Reunion." When Liz does get home, it's to 80 Baldwin Dr., Bangor, ME.

Dr. **William Lacy** returned to Cornell last August for the first time in 30 years—as an associate dean of Agriculture and director of Cornell Cooperative Extension. He and wife **Laura (Robinson) '65** now live at 528 Warren Rd., Ithaca. Their son is on his own, and their daughter leaves for college soon.

**Jill Waxman Polymeropoulos** (65 Donaldson St., Highland Park, NJ) has left AT&T for a new job: vice president, telecommunications and advertising research, Response Analysis Corp. of Princeton.

Finally, a correction: My April column contained an item about **Mitchell** and **Jessica Waldbaum Bender**. The referenced classmate should have been **Carl Bender**. Classmate **Mitchell** died in 1990. My apologies to the Benders.

Let's keep that news coming! ♦ **Bev Johns Lamont**, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL, 60015.

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With our 30th Reunion still fresh in our memories, we especially want to thank all those whose hard work



and dedication made it so successful. While the Reunion column will appear next month,



there were several pre-Reunion gatherings throughout the country which deserve mention. On January 25, in Boston, **Torrence** and Rosemarie **Harder** hosted an evening for **Gary** and Jane **Ash**, **Fay Thomas Bakhr**, Arthur and **Judith Russell Davidson**, Dr. **Bruce** and **Judith Eissner**, **Elizabeth Fowler**, Dr. **Walter** and Linda **Gadkowski**, **Phillip '62** and **Madeline Gell Handler** and son Michael, **Joan Hens Johnson**, **Christopher** and **Janice Langenmayr Mabley**, **Andrew Newman**, Dr. **Kenneth** and Rosemarie **Peelle**, Stephen and Ann "Christy" **Reppert Sacks**.

On February 23, in San Francisco, CA, **Bob** and **Judy Huret** hosted another gathering; attendees included **Alan Harris**, **Leslie Doran Katz**, Tom and **Elizabeth Williams** Moffett, **Marshall Salzman**, Paul and Sherri **Siegel**, and **Donald** and **Margaret Sullivan**.

**Barry** and **Marika Cutler** were hosts on April 1, in Washington, DC; guests attending were **Richard '63**, **JD '66** and **Florence Douglas Bank**, **David Brockway**, **Lelia Foa Dyer**, **David Jacobsohn**, **Carol Greenwald Bender Kessler**, **Karen Jernstedt Kuiper**, **Diane Reitman Levine**, **Stanley '64** and **Grace Hershberg Morgenstein**, and **Nancy Gibbs Pannier**. Please let us know if there were other such events and faithfully promise to continue to send us your news from now until our next Reunion!

It gives me great pleasure to continue this first post-Reunion column with a personal announcement I've waited 30 years to make: one of my sons will continue the Douglas/Bank tradition as a third-generation Cornellian. **Brian** (Middlebury '91) is to enter the Johnson Graduate School of Management this August, and Richard and I are proud and delighted.

To go on to more news, we have received word that **James R. Y. Rawson** has joined the General Electric Research and Development Center as a biochemist. Prior to joining the R&D Center, Rawson was a professor at the U. of Georgia in Athens, 1972-84, and a senior research associate with British Petroleum in Cleveland, OH, 1984-93. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, American Society of Microbiology, and the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. He and wife **Judy** have sons **Don** and **Dave**, and live in Clifton Park, NY. News comes to us from Lehigh U. that **John Paul** has been promoted to the rank of professor. John, who specializes in auditing and management accounting, joined the Lehigh faculty in 1974 as an instructor. He was promoted to assistant professor in 1978 and to associate professor in 1984. He was the first recipient of Lehigh's Touche Ross Accounting Research Fellowship, and has published numerous articles in auditing and accounting journals. He and wife **Revelly** reside in Bethlehem, PA.

From California, **Paul J. Siegel** writes, "I continue to love living in San Francisco—such a civilized lifestyle. All of my triplets are beginning to think about college—starting in 1996. Hopefully at least one will become a Cornellian, Class of 2000!" Paul continues that wife **Sheri** works with him as vice president/administrator in their Hedge

Fund-Hollis Capital Partners Management. Triplets **Lauryn**, **Ross**, and **Lyndsay** are 17. A member of the cultural endeavors committee for the university, Paul is also actively involved with the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and with Jewish Family and Children's Services. In 1994, he took an 18-day safari to East Africa, Kenya, and Tanzania.

**Judy Alpern** Intraub, the science coordinator for School District 26 in Queens, NYC, and husband **Saul**, an electrical engineer for the NYC Transit Authority, reside in Bayside with children **Sandi** and **Daniel**. With interests in environmental education, birdwatching, and hiking, Judy serves on the board of directors of the Elementary School Science Assn., Alley Pond Environmental Center, and Temple Israel of Jamaica (Rabbi **Ronald Millstein '52**). She had a reunion with former roommate **Barbara Epstein** Gordon and her daughter **Jenny** last year in Killington, VT. ♦ **Florence Douglas Bank**, 6420 Goldleaf Dr., Bethesda, MD 20817.

**66** Here's some news held from an earlier issue. For all of you who head South for part of the year, **Barbara Ann Lawrence** writes that she bought a townhouse near the beach at 1401 NE 9th St., Unit #3, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. She works for a marine generator manufacturer and is now membership chair of the Cornell Club of the Goldcoast. Congratulations to you on your new home. **Judith (Solomon)** and **Gary Baum** write from Hewlett, NY that they recently had a short family reunion. Seventh-grader **Lawrence**, who is now King of the Hill at home, saw brother **Lee**, who flew in from the Midwest, where he was to graduate from U. of Illinois law school in 1995. Brother **Eric** drove up from his teaching job in Winston-Salem (a year off between Amherst College and medical school), and brother **Josh '98** came home from Cornell, where he was a freshman in Ag. Imagine having three in school at the same time.

**Dotty Hoffman Fine** writes from Boston that she took second in her age group at the Dartmouth relays, with a time of 5:50 for 1,500 meters, and won a Dartmouth beer mug. She took her rehabilitation nursing exam and is now certified, still working in home health care in Dorchester, MA. Husband **Bill '65** was with her at Homecoming last year; they stayed at Seal & Serpent.

**George Kingsley** writes from Winchester, VA that he moved from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia in August 1987, but did take a quick trip back for the Gulf War. He is now the division trial attorney for the US Army Corps of Engineers, Transatlantic Division.

Mrs. **John Roberts Jr. (Helen Martindale)**, lives in Wynnewood, PA and wished all of us a happy year!

Recently received a copy of **Ira Sadoff's** last book, *Uncoupling*, which I enjoyed very much. This is Ira's fourth book, after *Settling Down*, *Palm Reading in Winter*, and *A Northern Calendar*. The book jacket tells us that Ira's short stories have appeared in numerous magazines and in the O. Henry Prize volume of 1976. Ira, keep in touch. Send us your new address; I'd love to drop you a line.

News from busy attorney **Bruce Berg-**

**man**, who chairs the foreclosure department at Certilman Balin Adler & Hyman, is that he has been named to the faculty of the School of Mortgage Banking, Mortgage Bankers Assn. of America. Bruce frequently lectures and writes on the subject of foreclosure issues, and we congratulate him on his new appointment. **Sally Nolin** writes from 76A Lakeside Dr., Millburn, NJ that she recently moved to the suburbs and would love to hear from Cornellians in the area. Her new home number is (201) 912-8797. To **James B. VanHouten**, Orangeburg, NY, we offer our congratulations. He and his wife received a wonderful Christmas present last year from their son and daughter-in-law, a book on grandparenting. Sounds like their first.

**Walter Pronsky** wrote from Pottstown, PA that he and wife **Zaneta (Deutsch) '70** had celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. We wish them many more. **John Richert**, MD is a professor of neurology at Georgetown U. medical school, and was listed in the 1994-95 edition of *Best Doctors in America*. Congratulations, John.

**Gary Schoener** wrote that he co-authored a new book, *Assisting Impaired Psychologists*, and continues to lecture in England, Canada, etc. He read recently that **George Alexis, JD '65**, a law student whom many of us knew, had passed away. Gary has many fond memories of spending time with George.

**John Monroe** writes from Palo Alto, CA that he has had a busy year with two seniors; one at Princeton and one at Palo Alto High School. The younger was considering Cornell; in fact, they visited in the spring of 1994 and enjoyed snow, rain, and sun all on the same day. That's the typical weather we all remember. One of the highlights of their trip was a visit to Prof. **Richard Warkentin, PhD '89** and the Hybrid Electric Vehicle Project. John writes that he was very busy last fall playing with the Redwood Symphony and San Jose Wind Symphony. He was proud to be playing with son **Chuck** in the California Youth Symphony concert in November. On the career front, HP's computer business is booming in a super-competitive market, and his quality-management job keeps him hopping. He visited Japan, Thailand, and China in the spring of 1994 to survey Asian manufacturers. John writes that wife **Margaret (Warne), MS '68** continues to plan for the City of Burlingame, her Dad, and the rest of the family, and is as busy as he is. ♦ **Bill Blockton**, 18 Leatherstocking Lane, Mamaroneck, NY 10543.

**67** **James E. Munger**, 5171 Wayne St., PO Box 355, Mexico, NY, visited Cornell last summer: "It was refreshing—visited the Johnson Art Museum. Recently thought I should have been a Cornell bus mechanic (lotto winner)." Meanwhile, James's teaching science and life science to the seventh grade at Mexico Middle School and sings in the Oswego Festival Chorus. He and wife **Mary Jean** have children: **Keith**, 22, and **Maureen**, 18.

**G. Edward DeSeve**, 2204 Decatur Pl., NW, Washington, DC, has moved on from a post as chief financial officer at the US Dept.



## Outward Bound Insiders

Winston Lo,  
MS '67  
and Bill  
Phillips '51



**L**ast fall, more than 150 delegates from 26 countries convened in Hong Kong at Outward Bound's Fifth International Conference. The theme was "Diversity—Our Strength," and Chris Patten, the governor general of Hong Kong, opened the five-day conference. During the proceedings, Winston Lo, MS '67, who chairs the executive committee of Hong Kong Outward Bound, and Bill Phillips '51, who serves on the International Advisory Board of Outward Bound, realized that both had gone to the same school on the same hill in Ithaca, more than halfway around the world. Phillips (center) and Lo (right) are pictured with Governor General Patten.

—Paul Cody, MFA '87

of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to serving as controller of the Office of Management and Budget, OMB to inside-the-Beltwayites. As Ed puts it, he'll be able to say he was "CFO of America." Lunch at the big house with him enabled me to run into departing Deputy Domestic Policy Advisor **Bill Galston**, who's returning to the U. of Maryland. Wrapping up the White House news front, **Kristl Bogue Hathaway** adds: "In addition to hearing about **Samuel "Sandy" Berger**, I see **Henry Kelly** has shown up as White House chair of a science and technology committee."

**C. Bruce Tarter**, PhD '67, who shared our time on the Hill, has been appointed deputy director of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory by the regents of the U. of California, which manage the laboratory for the US Department of Energy. Previously, he had been the associate director for physics, and joined the laboratory way back in 1967.

**Larkin Douglass Watson IV**, 5 Hope Ave., Waltham, MA, married **Lyndsey Hopkins** in January. He's a counselor in the addiction treatment program at Waltham/Weston Hospital and a leader of Native American Medicine Ceremonies. The *Boston Globe* reported that the couple will reside in Watertown, MA.

**Ann Sommers Tucker**, 365 Heathem La., Key Biscayne, FL, is the architect project manager at Miami International Air-

port. Son **Tristan** is 15. **Carol Farber Wolf**, 2920 Buchanan St., #6, San Francisco, CA, says she "moved from Nyack, NY and love it! Who else from our class is in the Bay area?" Carol's director of marketing, school division, Addison Wesley Publishing Co. She reports having seen **Meryl Chodosh-Weiss** in New York City, **Delba Winthrop Mansfield** in Cambridge, MA, and **Myron London**, Sonoma CA.

Class President **Margie Greenberg Smith**, 42 Oxford Blvd., Great Neck, NY, is back working full-time as women's division coordinator at the Children's Medical Fund of NY, raising funds for Schneider Children's Hospital at the Long Island Jewish Medical Center. Margie is also working full-time at finding some of you to work on the 30th Reunion which is only two years away: call her at (516) 482-5178.

**Panayiotis C. Anoussis**, 140 E. 63 St., NYC, manages the Hotel Barbizon and reports having seen **Eugene Ference**, 262 Lyons Plain Rd., Weston, CT. **Alexandra Kaufman Raine**, 248 Treetop La., Rye Brook, NY, was promoted to vice president and account manager at Amen & Associates, the corporate/investor relations subsidiary of Ketchum Public Relations, Greenwich, CT.

I regret to report the deaths of **Jonathon Ehrenreich**, late of Long Beach, NY, last November 28; **Charles J. Strohmeier Jr.**, of Garden City, NY, on Oct. 9, '93; and of **Dr. John M. Funt**, Nashua, NH, on Nov.

16, '93. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008; telephone (202) 667-6481.

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This is the season for Cornell's award-winning Adult University (CAU) programs, and a number of our classmates have attended in the past. Among them are **Richard Cross**, **Lauren Kingman**, **Diane Schneiderman**, **Tom Weiss**, **Marianne Moschel Wiedemer**, **Merry Runsdorf Mendelson** with husband **George '67**, and **Scott Reines** with wife **Patricia (Beck) '69**.

**John Stambaugh** lives in El Toro, CA. **Marilyn Gubin Smallman** lives in Villa Park, CA. **Richard Smith** lives in Bow, NH. **Linn Jensen Smyth** lives in Dallas. **Jim Montanari** continues to work with **Cushman & Wakefield** in NYC. **Robert Cane** lives in St. Augustine, FL. **Andrew Droit-cour** lives in Warwick, RI. **Judy Gichner Kauffman** lives in N. Bethesda, MD. **Tracy Suor Peterson** is vice president for business development and chief financial officer, Washington Dental Service in Seattle, WA.

**Richard Johnson** lives in Darien, CT and is in the consulting business. My college roommate, **Paul Joskow**, lives in Brookline, MA. Paul chairs the economics department at MIT. I hear wonderful things about his outstanding contributions to economic scholarship and advice to corporate boards. **Gail Karlitz** owns a nanny placement agency called **Blue Ribbon Nannies**, based in Stamford, CT. **Howie Kaufman** is an attorney in Washington, DC.

**Ed Kemp** is a veterinarian and realtor in Falmouth, MA. **Todd Kiplinger** is involved in asset management activities. His office is at Kiplinger Publications in Washington, DC. **Mike Kirschen** is an attorney with the NY State Court of Claims in Rochester. **Laurie Koerber** lives in Simi Valley, CA, while **Dr. Barry Kohn** lives in Carmichael, CA.

**Charlie Kohn** is head of a company called **Semi Test Inc.** in Billerica, MA. **David Weisbrod** is head of the credit audit group at Chase Manhattan Bank, responsible for assuring quality of the bank's credit risk exposure. This involves international travel. David, wife **Margaret (Simon) '66**, and family live in Greenwich, CT. **Elliott Meisel** is an attorney with **Brill & Meisel** in NYC, having started the firm about 15 years ago. Elliott is now serving with **Michael Sillerman** on the NYC Bar Assn. committee on land use, planning, and zoning. "Michael" Sillerman is actually my old friend **Tracy Sillerman**, who was a government major and 150-pound football player. Elliott Meisel worked with **Frank Robinson**, director of the Johnson Museum, to explore opportunities to dedicate a memorial there in the name of Elliott's mother, **Grace Moak Meisel '41**. His father **Sidney '37**, his cousin **Roger Moak '69**, and other friends and relatives have already helped with contributions.

We had a delightful brunch two weeks ago with **Steve Weinberg** and wife **Sharon (Lawner)**. Steve is an attorney with the **Kronish, Lieb** firm in NYC, and Sharon is a professor of statistics at New York U., who



has received international recognition for her writing and research in the field. The Weinbergs' daughter Allison, my goddaughter, is entering her senior year at Harvard, and sister Carolyn will be a freshman there in September. **Doug Wallace** lives in Atlanta, GA. **Dan Weinberg** is a freelance writer in Ann Arbor, MI. **Julia Ho Wang** lives in Concord, MA.

That's all for now. I took forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, Putnam Investments, 1 Post Office Sq., Boston, MA 02109.

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Whether you're enjoying the lazy, hazy days of summer or racing from one warm-weather vacation activity to another, I hope you're having a terrific time. Please take a moment, if you haven't already done so, to complete your dues forms with news of your lives. Lots of it! **Ellen Isaacson** Goldman is a teacher, businesswoman, and novelist looking for an agent or publisher. Her novel "Is It Summer Yet" has been compared with *Up The Down Staircase*. If any classmates are interested, e-mail **Karen Randle** Donnelly Smith '63 at us3d0gs@aol.com. She is the book's co-writer. **Ellen's son Brent Goldman '98** is in Arts. The Goldmans live in Greenbrae, CA. She, **Ellen Press Murdoch**, **Kathy Teetor Bowen**, and **Linda Jones** Docherty hold a mini-reunion every summer at various locations around the US.

**Diane King** is a medical technologist in Syracuse. **Judith Lehr** and husband **Rusty Russell** live in Riverside, CA, where she is a research office director at the U. of California. Judy spent an incredible weekend with **Emily Miller** Budick, where they not only caught up on their lives, but "even better," reflected on their time at Cornell. **Ken Rubin** lives in Bethesda, MD and returns to Cornell several times a year to attend advisory committee meetings for the Center for the Environment or to lecture at the Johnson School of Management.

**Joseph Miller** is a consultant for Oxford Health Plans and lives in Needham, MA. Son **Charlie** attends the U. of Wisconsin and plays saxophone, and second son **Aaron** is in high school and plays trumpet. **Ruth Nallett Pearce** is a consultant food technologist in San Jose, CA, where she enjoys the flexible schedule her work allows so she can help in her 10-year-old son's school. **Charles Pearson** is an engineer with the Ford Motor Co., responsible for insuring the quality of air conditioner and heater systems on F-Series pickup trucks and Broncos. He lives in Dearborn Heights, MI.

**James Miller** is a global studies teacher at Corcoran High School in Syracuse, where he chairs the local Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) committee which interviews more than 200 applicants each year. He is in touch with **Ed Wilson**, **Dick Lloyd**, **Doug Soat**, and **Jim Hider '71**.

**Sima Chaikin** Maitland (an old friend from my freshman corridor in Balch) is an elementary school teacher in Acton, MA. The renovation of her 1710 house was recently featured on the television show "This Old House." Sima has three children, ages

12 through 7. **William Marston** is an architect in Philadelphia, where he lives with wife **Emily (Barry)**, MA '72, who teaches and is curriculum director at The Philadelphia School. They have two teenage children. Bill is very active with the American Inst. of Architects. **Stewart Cramer** lives in Pittsford, NY with his wife of 25 years, "Cornell Sweetheart" **Sue "Sunshine" (Golden)**. Daughter **Jen '97** is in Ag. **Earl Armstrong** is a physician specializing in pulmonary and critical care in Washington, DC, where he lives with wife Patricia and their three children. ♦ **Suzy Sacks Zeide**, 100 SE 5th Ave., #304, Boca Raton, FL 33432; (407) 393-5322.

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We're sure to have had a wonderful 25th Reunion in Ithaca, thanks to **Christine "Buzzi" Brueckner** McVay, **Hank Brittingham**, **Hsiao-Ping Liu** Katz, and **Susan Linden** Friedlander! Bravo! Hopefully we are still basking in the glow of a great weekend with new and old friends as we read this. Our special Reunion report will appear in the September issue.

**John Komarisky** currently chairs the board of the Fire Commissioner of the Sennett (NY) Fire District. The district recently completed a new million-dollar fire station and community center outside of Auburn. John has also held the elected position of Town of Sennett assessor for eight years.

In May, **Neil Murray** (CSI LI-67A, SUNY, Albany, Albany, NY 12222) presented a paper in St. Goar, Germany at the Fourth Workshop on Theorem Proving with Analytic Tableaux and Related Methods. He also presented in June at the Great Western International Conference on AI in San Francisco.

**Murem Sakas Sharpe** and husband **Tim '69** planned to be at Reunion with **Emily**, 13, and **Eric**, 10. After 18 years in Stamford, CT, they were to move to Michigan shortly after their trip to Ithaca. Murem has a new position as vice president—Kelly Management Services for Kelly Services, the international staffing company. She feels it is a great opportunity to head the company's initiative in the emerging, high-growth outsourcing industry. Tom will continue in financial management, especially in the technology application area. In September, **Emily** will be in eighth grade and **Eric** in fifth at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills. Other Reunion attendees expected were **Carol Peacock** and husband **Thomas Gagen** (Harvard '68), who joyfully announce the addition to their family of daughter **Katherine Lin**. Tom traveled to Wuhan, China in January 1995 to adopt her. She joins **Jonathan**, 12, and **Elizabeth**, 2-1/2. The family is completed by a golden retriever pup and two cats. **Carol** continues in part-time private psychotherapy practice and Tom still writes with the editorial board of the *Boston Globe*.

**Richard "Moon" Barron** recently changed jobs and is now head of advertising at Prudential Insurance. He says that **John Macionis**, author of several best-selling sociology textbooks, and **Steve Di Fabion**, who lives with his wife and son in Mantua,

OH, have agreed to meet him at our 25th (this is written in April so I hope they all were with us in Ithaca!). **Robert Jackson** continues to conduct research related to nutritional anemias and has published several articles detailing these studies. In the past year, he has traveled to several African countries, including Ghana, Guinea, Cameroon, and Egypt. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355.

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The weather in northern California this winter and spring has reminded me of Ithaca: rain, rain, and more rain. **Robert Mauro** is managing partner at the law firm of Meyer, Unkovic and Scott in Pittsburgh, PA. Bob's practice focuses primarily on commercial real estate and corporate lending, real estate acquisition and development, debt restructuring, and commercial leasing. Bob was selected to the "Best Lawyers in America" list. Some of you might remember him as quarterback of the lightweight football team. Dr. **Nancy Roistacher** is a cardiologist on the staff at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center with an academic appointment at Cornell Medical College. Husband **Wayne Merkelson '73**, JD '75 is an attorney with the Sandoz Corp. The family lives in Manhattan with sons **Randy**, 16, and **Jeremy**, 15.

Poet **Gilbert Allen** was featured on a special radio series on South Carolina Educational Radio. He appeared on a segment, "Appalachian Life." Gilbert's poems have appeared in more than 20 journals, and he is the author of *In Everything*, a volume of poetry. His work is also included in *45/96: The Ninety-Six Sampler of South Carolina Poetry*. Gilbert is a member of the faculty at Furman U. in Greenville, SC. **Gary Truhlar** is director of human resources information management at U. of Pennsylvania. He co-presented a session on emerging technology at the CUPA Eastern Region Academy for Human Resource Excellence with **Lyman Flahive**, who is director of human resource information systems at Cornell. Cornell links are evident in Gary's work life at Penn. He was responsible for staff relations and worked closely with **Kathy Rick '69**, **Don M. Jacobs '55**, director of hospitality services, and **Dan Updegrove '70**, associate vice provost for computing.

My wife, **Judy**, attended the bar mitzvah of **Brian Baum** in Ithaca in April. Brian is the son of **Trudy** and **Larry Baum**. Also attending were Brian's brother **Ari**; **Bruce McGeoch**, spouse **Cynthia**, and daughter **Lauren**, 13; and **Mike Milley '71** and wife **Cathy**.

**Mary Townner** resides in San Diego. I received a phone call recently from **Tom Beadleston**. Tom is a tax attorney in Newport Beach, CA. While visiting Upstate NY recently, Tom talked with **Peter Borzilleri '71**, who lives in Fredonia. **Steve Ash** is vice president and chief financial officer, LIR Inc., which is the US operation of a French cosmetic packing company, in Melville, Long Island. Business takes him to France several times a year, plus working on an acquisition in Mexico. Wife **Beth** received her master's in reading education at C.W. Post and is teaching reading and language arts to sixth-graders at the East Meadow School



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District on Long Island. Son Jason, 16, is a high-school sophomore, playing on the soccer and lacrosse teams. Daughter Courtney, 13, recently celebrated her bat mitzvah.

**Barbara Besser** Kay works full-time in the real estate industry in Madison, WI, after many years of working as an administrator for the state. She and husband Robert have son Joshua, 17. The Kays love to travel and recently visited the Middle East, Europe, Mexico, and the Caribbean. Barbara would love to hear from any former classmates visiting Madison. Dr. **Mark Windt** is a physician in Hampton, NH. **David Hird** is an attorney and a partner at Weil, Gotshal and Manges, where he practices environmental law. David is married and has a daughter, Allison, 5. **Danelle Molphy Jones** and husband **Steve '71** reside in Calhoun, GA, a small town in the Georgia mountains one hour north of Atlanta. Danelle is a computer consultant and trainer. Steve is vice president of finance at Carriage Carpets. Son Brad is a senior at Florida State U. majoring in hotel and restaurant administration. Daughter Rebecca is a junior at Duke, majoring in public policy and communications. Danelle proudly reported that Rebecca was America's 1993 Junior Miss. Also in the state which will host the 1996 Olympic Games are Dr. **Howard Schub** and wife **Susan (Brachfeld) '73**. The Schubs live in Atlanta.

Dr. **Alan Lisbon** is an anesthesiologist at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. **David Long** is a computer systems programmer for Emerson Electric in Maysville, KY. He is busy with what seem to be constant upgrades to software and hardware. David plays French horn in the community band and enjoys watching daughter Allison in the high school marching band. Allison, a sophomore, plays clarinet and suffers through her father's stories about playing tuba for the Big Red Marching Band. In the summer of 1993, Allison spent several days in Jackson, IL filling sandbags during the severe flooding in the Mississippi Valley. Son Owen is in the fifth grade. He reads, is in the baseball and soccer leagues, and takes tennis lessons. Wife **Barbara (Phillips) '73** juggles freelance work and substitute teaching, along with community band and church and social activities.

Dr. **Elliott Lieberman** is a urologist in Plainview, NY. **Larry Saret** is a patent attorney in Chicago. **Jerry Goldman** is a CPA and heads the corporate tax practice at Ernst and Young in NYC; he also keeps busy as president of the Larchmont Little League. Send news! ♦ **Alex Barna**, 1050 Eagle Lane, Foster City, CA 94404.

**73 C. Charlita Galanthay '72** sends us the sad news that her former roommate, **Sarah "Sally" Elfrieda Ruetenik Osborn** lost her battle with cancer on March 31, '95. Sally double-majored in electrical and mechanical engineering at Cornell. She knew languages and loved bicycling and sewing. She left husband David Lanick and daughter Betsy behind to mourn her. The alumni office also notified me that **John Thomas (Hotel)**, Cedar Run, NJ, died in February 1992.

**Douglas Aspros**, DVM '75 writes that

he and wife Dee are enjoying life with children Matt and Emily in Pound Ridge, NY. **Stef** and **Kathy Cassella** stopped by the Aspros house last summer on their way to camping in Maine. Douglas admires their enthusiasm for tenting with small and medium-sized children.

**Sheldon Austin** is now the press attaché at the American Embassy in Brussels, Belgium. He has contacted the Cornell Alumni Association there and spoke at their bi-monthly meeting last December. He expects to be active in the group. (Cornellians are everywhere.) He sends news of **Christina Kallas**, who recently opened a law office with a colleague in New York City.

**Marc Berk** writes from Gaithersburg, MD that he and Helene have celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary. They have children Rachel, 15, and Joe, 6. Marc is vice president at Project Hope, where he directs the Project Hope Center for Health Affairs. Marc would like to hear from the guys at 301 Eddy St. **Richard** and **Jacqueline Preziose Bower** sent news from Danville, CA. Rich changed jobs earlier this year and is now director of technical and production services at 21st Century Foods. Oldest daughter Carrie was applying to the Ag college. Jacqui is still technical director at Micro Filtration Systems. She recently joined the Beach Watch volunteer program with Gulf of the Farallones—NOAA. She surveys beaches in Northern California every four weeks with the program. Rich saw fellow Kappa Delta Rho brother **Jon Kaplan** at the Cornell informational meeting they went to with Carrie.

**Bernice "Bunny" Cramer** is active in Cornell work from her home in Newton, MA. She is currently serving as co-chair of the alumnae leadership committee of the President's Council of Cornell Women (PCCW). She also chaired the US-Japan Women's Summit in Boston last October. **Laurence Dunham** also helps out with alumni affairs. He is the treasurer of the Alumni Association of Greater Rochester, where he also interviews applicants. **Tony Delgenio** let us know about life in W. Babylon, NY. Let us know if you received a NYHESC Fellowship for graduate study in speech pathology at Adelphi U. this year. Tony was also honored with the first teaching prize awarded by graduate students at the Columbia U. geological sciences department. **Jean Buist Earle** writes from Summit, NJ that she and husband **Terry '72** had another daughter, Abigail, in March 1994. Abigail joins Morgan, 5, and Casey, 15. Jean and Terry saw **Tom '72** and **Jan Wagenhals Harvey** of Portland, OR and **Sharon Brook** of San Jose, CA last year.

**Daniel Eastman** of Wellesley Hills, MA was promoted to vice president and manager of the Daiwa Bank, Ltd., Boston branch. He is responsible for development of commercial loan business throughout New England for the bank. **Cheryl Covey Evans** sends news from Rochester, NY, where her life is "amazingly stable, we're all a year older, but basically the same." She did, however, have a brief visit from **Gretchen Lornell Preecey**, who began with the Class of '73 but moved to England and graduated from Leeds U. Gretchen is still in

England with her husband and three daughters, where she works in social services with abused children and their families.

**Doug Farrow** writes from Plymouth, MN that son Tony was joined by a sister, Ellie, last year. Doug was named corporate intellectual property counsel for Graco Inc., a major manufacturer of fluid-handling equipment. Last year Doug saw **Eric Ebner**, who has a medical practice in Marshall, MI. Send your news to me and see your name in print! ♦ **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, 1531 Woodside Dr., E. Lansing, MI 48823.

**74** Our industrious class officers are already looking ahead to our 25th Reunion. One idea is to produce and distribute a short video that would get classmates "pumped up" about attending Reunion. At this point, we are asking for ideas and people who have expertise in video production. Please contact me at the address below. I received a note that **Andrew Peck** has been appointed a magistrate judge for the US District Court for the Southern District of New York. Prior to this appointment, Andrew was a lawyer at a New York City firm, specializing in entertainment and commercial litigation. He lives in NYC with wife Karen and son David, 7. **Mary Berens** received a Christmas note from **Alison Dreizen** in Moscow, where Alison is a partner in the NYC-based law firm of White & Case. At that time she was heading to Pakistan to visit a friend. She anticipated a return to the States "at the start of baseball season." The *Ithaca Journal* recently visited the sixth-grade Home and Career Skills class of **Deb Yelverton Stokes**. Deb also coaches track at Boynton Middle School. She has 11 years of experience in working with adolescents, including teaching stints at schools for troubled teens. Deb lives in Ithaca with her 4-year-old son.

**Patti Englander Henning** was on campus last April to participate in a panel discussion, Ethics and the Law. The seminar was in conjunction with the meeting of the President's Council of Cornell Women. Patti is a circuit court judge in Fort Lauderdale, FL. **Mary "Mi" O'Connell** is returning from Minneapolis to her home town of Ithaca in May. Mi will be director of human resources for a division of BMC located in Cortland, NY. Welcome home, Mi! Also on the move is **John Foote**, who has moved to San Diego, where he is managing Syntonic Inc. Previously he was dividing his time between Philadelphia and Australia.

**Ilene Greenberg** and **Alice Brown** bumped into each other while on family ski vacations in Alta, UT last winter. Ilene was there with husband Michael Maynard and children Lauren and Jamie. Alice was there with husband Peter Brest and children Matthew, Phillip, and Eric. Believe it or not, some classmates are seeing their children enter the hallowed halls of Cornell. **Laurie Musik Wright's** daughter Jamie and **Kimberly Christy Gordon's** daughter Susanna expect to enter as freshmen this fall. They join **Chris Allen '98**, son of **Mark** and **Wendy Zurn Allen**.

Here are some snippets gleamed from Dues (without News) forms: **Diane Behar**



lives in NYC and is a marketing professional with the NYC Economic Policy and Marketing Group. **Cheryl Aldrich** is a physician with The Bronx Health Plan in the Bronx, and **Domenico Mignone** is a physician in White Plains, NY. **Melinda Babcock** is a lexicographer with the Oxford University Press in Oxford, England. **Charlene Fisher Baxter** is teaching at the U. of New Hampshire and lives in New London. **Kathi Weiner Bruce** is a health administrator with Concord Family Practice in Clayton, CA. She lives in Concord, CA. **Craig Champion** is a real estate developer with C. Brewer Homes in Honolulu, HI. Craig is married to **Barbara (Peterson) '75. Debra (Goodman)** is an attorney in Irvine, CA. Debra is married to **Amihai Glazer. Robert Hoff** is in marketing with Smiths Industries in Grand Rapids, MI. **Andrew Levy** works for Corometrics Medical Systems in Wallingford, CT, where he is a senior product manager for obstetrical systems. **John Tyler** lectures in the electrical engineering department at Texas A&M in College Station, TX. John is married to **Barbara (Petrini) '75. Dave Wolfthal** is a veterinarian in Lakeville, MA and lives in Randolph with wife **Susan (Franklin) '76.**

Two new addresses (as of approximately a year ago): **Ken Brown's** latest known address is c/o General Electric of Mexico, SA DE EV Blvd Manuel Ayte Camacho, 11510 DF Mexico, Mexico. Ken is CEO of General Electric of Mexico. **Ignacio Ober-to's** change of address was Oberto, Sosa, Vazquez & Asociados, Av. Francisco De Miranda, Edificio Menegrande II, Piso 2, Oficina 22, Urb. Los Palos Grandes, Caracas, Venezuela.

We regret the passing of **Fred Bosch** of Devon, PA last April. Our sympathies extend to **Gina (Setzer)** and their three children. ♦ **Betsy Beach**, 4 Thoreau Dr., Chelmsford, MA 01824; e-mail, bbeach@mod.com.

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No column this time, but be sure to check this space in the next (September) issue for a full report of our 20th



Reunion. Along with a description of all the festivities enjoyed by classmates back on the Hill, the names of new and continuing class officers will be announced, including class correspondents to whom you can send your late-breaking news. In the meantime, send news to the Class of '75, c/o Cornell Magazine, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1266.

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I received a phone call from **Seymour "Skip" Newman** recently. He was wondering if I had gotten his letter and photo which was sent a while back. Having found both pieces, we talked about the time lag due to publication deadlines, space allotted for the column, and the amount of news that we get from the News and Dues forms, the publication of which must be spread out over an entire year.

Skip wrote that brothers from the Sigma Epsilon Class of '76, with wives, 13 kids, and lots of "stuff" in tow, vacationed together

for a week last summer on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. They rented three houses in the resort community of Corolla Light. Great weather, plenty of water and land sports, and an endless supply of cold brewskis kept them occupied the entire time. **Mitch and Lucy Stern, Nate and Robin Treat Peck '77, Tim and Nancy Cox, Jim and Jan Ricciuti, John and Robin Grebe Phillips '76,** and Skip and wife Rhonda looked very happy in the picture Skip sent.

A news release from Sedgwick James of New York Inc. and Sedgwick Environmental Services (Nashville) reported that **Suzanne Avena Darby** was appointed as an environmental risk consultant. She will be responsible for environmental services in the New York Metropolitan Region and will serve as a resource to the firm's environmental unit on a national level.

The alumni office finally got **Stacey Savin's** address right (9 Juniper Rd., Bloomfield, CT), and she wrote with her first news since graduation. Stacey graduated from Georgetown U. Law Center in 1976, married fellow law graduate Robert Chatigny, practiced law in California and Connecticut, and started a business called Fax-Pax USA. They distribute educational picture cards to museums and historic bookstores. Son Peter Robert was born in 1988. **Susan Most Armstrong** attended Stacey's 40th birthday celebration. It was a great day also because Stacey's husband, Bob, had just been nominated by US Senators Dodd and Lieberman to be a US district judge for the District of Connecticut.

**Neil and Carolyn Levine Coplan** and family were at another Big Red—the Big Red Disney Boat—and went to the Bahamas and Disneyworld. They had a great time. Daughter Stephanie attends school at Eagle Hill, Greenwich, CT. Ali started at The Chapin School. The Coplans went to **Gil Gleim's** wedding in January 1994.

Writing from her home in the Shenandoah Valley, **Deidra "Deedee" Dain** says that her family is enjoying the quiet and beauty of the outdoors. Commuting 70 miles every day to Washington, DC to work in organizational development and management consulting has left her trying to create some new solutions to work so that she can be at home more. She has two boys, Scott and Daniel. Husband Michael has a more flexible schedule as a contractor, and has been contributing immensely to the family's development by staying home while she works.

**Janet Kruszona Monroe Daloz** is interested in hearing from old friends—she lives in Peterborough, NH and has room for guests. She works as an RN at Pheasant Wood Nursing Home and as a school RN at St. Patrick School. Jan has sons William and Joel and is divorced, but is co-parenting with **Charles Daloz, PhD '87.** Charles is a horticultural science and natural resources teacher at Conant High School, also in New Hampshire. He is a certified organic plant grower, and grows organic vegetables and flowers in the summer and lives in Hancock.

**Elizabeth "Liz" Browne Davidson** has, in the throes of a mid-life crisis, taken up long-distance running. In 1993, she ran in the Los Angeles Marathon and runs races in distances five kilometers to marathons.

She was training with former Olympian **Laseo Tabori** at the San Fernando Track Club with hopes of qualifying for the 1995 Boston Marathon. Husband Mark is a professor of journalism at California State U. Although not a runner, he is at the finish line with a stop watch and Gatorade. After 14 years at CBS, **Lawrence Epstein** left to become vice president and chief financial officer of Primestar Partners, a joint venture of some of the country's largest cable companies in the direct-broadcast satellite business. He is at the company's Philadelphia headquarters. Wife **Karen (Hasby) '77** continues her journalism career as the medical correspondent for WPIX-TV, NYC. They have children Michael and Katie.

**Jeri Frank** has been teaching adult basic education. She and husband **Sherwood "Woody" Lane, PhD '84** love living in the trees in rural Douglas County, OR and go contra dancing in Eugene, Corvallis, Portland, and Ashland. **Thomas Garr** is a vice president in the institutional equity sales division of Salomon Brothers. He and wife Darlene have son Bradley and live in the northern suburbs of Chicago.

**Steven Gillman** and wife Gillian Siegel were joined by Mikela Nicole, born in January 1994. Steve practices labor and employment law in Chicago. ♦ **Lisa Diamant**, 31 Ingleside Rd., Lexington, MA 02173.

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I was pleased to hear from **Laurie Anne Robinson**, who announced that she is now married to Douglas J. Green, a Congressional minister and family therapist. Her family now includes her children Jonathan, 15, and Amanda, 11, and Doug's children Rebecca, 17, and Matthew, 14. Laurie works for Cornell as director of volunteer and staff training development for the public affairs division. Laurie asked that we inform classmates who knew **Peggy Newcomer Pollack** that two Cornell funds have been established in Peggy's memory. Peggy was a dedicated Cornellian who was involved in Sage Chapel Choir, where she was elected president her freshman year, a member of the Kappa Psi sorority, and a member of the women's field hockey team. Following graduation, in addition to a successful career in publishing, Peggy maintained her ties to Cornell as a member of the President's Council of Cornell Women. In remembrance of Peggy's commitment to education and love of Cornell, the family asked that any donations be made to two Cornell funds established in Peggy's name: the first, the **Peggy Newcomer Pollack Memorial Oak Tree Fund**, was established to plant a tree next to Sage Chapel as part of the Garden Avenue renovation project, with a funding objective of \$5,000 and plans are to dedicate the tree during our 20th Reunion; and second, the **Peggy Newcomer Pollack Scholarship Fund**. Anyone wishing to contribute to either fund can send checks made out to Cornell University to Laurie Anne Robinson, c/o University Development, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850. You can also designate part of your regular Cornell giving to either of these funds.

Sad to say, I have been asked to an-



nounce the establishment of another fund, this one in memory of **Emily Read Wood**. Emily died unexpectedly from a coronary artery dissection while driving from Massachusetts to visit her sister, **Jennifer Read Cambell '81**, in Virginia. She was alone in the car with children Jessica, 8, David, 6, and Allison, 3. Fortunately, she was able to pull off the road and the children are okay, at least physically. Friends have set up the Emily Read Wood Children's Trust Fund, and donations can be sent c/o Safety Fund National Bank, 21 E. Main St., Westboro, MA 01581. Jennifer is also putting together a scrapbook for Emily's children and asks that anyone who might have pictures, letters, or stories of Emily to send them to her at the above address.

On a happier note, **Diane P. Freedman** wrote to announce the publication of her new book, a collection of essays on Edna St. Vincent-Millay published by Southern Illinois University Press, *Millay at 100: A Critical Reappraisal*. Diane has been back and forth from Ithaca for years, getting a master's degree several years after graduation and returning to Ithaca again years later as an administrator in the Freshman Writing Program. Diane is now at the U. of New Hampshire. Over the winter, she attended the annual Modern Language Assn. convention in San Diego and met up with classmates **Michael Levine** and **Sharon Dolin**. Michael teaches at Yale and has a new book out from Johns Hopkins University Press, *Writing Through Repression: Literature, Censorship, and Psychoanalysis*. Sharon is at Cooper Union and has a book of poetry forthcoming from Sheep Meadow Press.

Recent dues forms brought news from other classmates in academia. **Jeffrey Lehman** is a dean at the U. of Michigan law school and **Michael Livingston** is a law professor at Rutgers. Michael writes that son Benjamin, 4 is already a regular at Ivy League football games. Michael recently saw **Eric Kober**, who is married to Laurie and has a baby daughter Hannah. They live in Queens, NY, where Eric is an official with the NYC Planning Department.

Up in the Finger Lakes region is **Stephen Billings**, who with wife Joanne and daughter Ashley operates the Blue Stone Bed and Breakfast on the east shore of Conesus Lake. I live in Washington, DC, where the summers are hot and muggy, and the brochure from the Victorian B & B makes me wistful for Upstate New York. Steve is also employed in the Livingston County Extension Office as a 4-H agent and recently received his ten-year pin from Cornell Cooperative Extension.

**Marie Sterbenz Lindell** left her career as a dentist in 1988 to pursue a flying career. In order to meet her ultimate goal of being a commercial pilot, she worked as a flight attendant, taught flying, and flew as a co-pilot on a commuter airline, Sunaire Express, in St. Croix, USVI. She is pleased to announce that she is now a pilot at United Airlines! While at Sunaire Express, she met husband Andy, who was the first captain she flew with. They were married Feb. 20, '94 in NYC and in attendance were Millie and **Tom Legenhausen '76**, **Brad Hoak**, **Gary Loesch '74**, and **Mike DiMattia '75**. They



also had a second wedding in Sweden, her husband's home. To quote Marie, "It's been a fabulous year!" ♦ **Lorrie Panzer Rudin**, 14833 Botany Way, N. Potomac, MD 20878; (202) 752-6104 (W), (301) 251-2968 (H).

**78** As I write this, the News and Dues forms for 1995 are arriving in your homes. This means that most of the news I have now is old. I'm sorry if any of these items are outdated—consider it a challenge to update us this year. The first item is not so old. At the start of this year, **Nina Silfen** became a partner in the 25-attorney firm of Brauner Baron, Rosenzweig & Klein in Manhattan. Nina practices estate planning and trusts and estates, so think of her as you accumulate wealth.

**Brian Ochs** and wife Joan welcomed second son Matthew Jay in April 1994. Matthew has brother Randall, 4. Brian and Joan are both attorneys in Washington, DC. Nearby in Arlington, VA, **Jody Katz Gibbs** is raising sons David and Michael. Capturing the mood of most parents, Jody wrote, "Sometimes they are fabulous, and sometimes I am not!" Perhaps Brian and Jody run into **Dale Rosenthal**, who lives in Bethesda, MD, but develops affordable multi-family housing in the Washington area. Dale's first child, Sarah Rosenthal Cutler, was born in February 1994.

Moving north, **Brian Blauvelt** became director of sales and marketing for Edlon Products Inc., a chemical process equipment manufacturer, after ten years at Exxon. Brian lives in Avondale in southeastern Pennsylvania. **Bruce Schneider** has remained with Citibank in NYC since graduation. He has been responsible for implementing a general ledger for all of domestic Citicorp. Having encountered Citibank in Seattle, I know that must be a massive job. **Jeanne Arnold Schwetje** and husband John are both teachers on Long Island, and take students to Europe each year. They have already convinced daughter Katherine Jeanne, 11, to study at Cornell. **Michelle Berke Hatch** is a buyer for Fire-Lite Alarms, a manufacturer of electronic fire alarm systems. Michelle, husband Alan, and kids Rebecca, 9, and Joshua, 3, all live in Northford, CT. **Stewart Morrison** is chief investment officer of Keyport Life Insurance Co. in Boston.

Heading south and west, **Roger Strauch** is president and chief executive officer of Teknekron Communications Systems in Berkeley, CA. And farthest away this month: after years with Campbell's in the Northeast, **Danny Lynn** is now the director of marketing for Campbell's de Mexico. "Ummm, Ummm, Bueno!"

We're looking forward to your 1995 news! ♦ **Henry Farber**, 6435 289th Ave., SE, Issaquah, WA 98027.

**79** **Liz Harriman** and **Gary Mercer** still live in Wilmington, MA with children Nathan, 6, and Lindsay, 2. Gary is a water-resources engineer with Camp Dresser and McKee in Cambridge, and Liz is doing research at the Toxics Use Reduction Inst. at U. of Massachusetts, Lowell. Liz visited with **Sally Weir Fundakowski** and her family in Atherton, CA recently. Sally and husband Dave have children Jeanne, 7, and Terri, 4. Sally is in marketing at Intel. Liz also writes that **Beth Silverman** is hard at work organizing the Society of Women Engineers' annual conference, which will be held in Boston this summer.

**Jeff Rothstein**, wife **Monica (Rogers) '80**, and sons Jeremy, 7, and Ethan, 3, moved to Westport, CT last summer. There they discovered **Nancy Ilberman Gold '76** across the street; **Dave Kauffman** and **Jodi (Wiener) '81** with daughter Melanie, 2-1/2, in their backyard; and **Joyce Blum Mortner '81** nearby. Jeff works for AIG Trading Group in Greenwich. They stay in touch with Dr. **Joanne Reisch Bach** in Stamford, **Diane Lurensky Alpern '80** in Northampton, MA, and Dr. **Julie Gould LeClair** in Ithaca.

**Jane Kornfeld Bessin** is spending most of her time at home with children Julie Ilana, 5, and David Andrew, 1-1/2. She is taking time off from consulting to volunteer at her daughter's nursery school and for Cornell. Jane attended a Cornell fund-raising event in San Francisco and sat with **Wayne Buder**, **Janice Garvey**, and **Glenn Aaronson**. Jane plans to return to consulting this year after a trip to Cancun with husband Bob. **Terry Mady-Grove** writes that she and her husband have children Eddie, 2-1/2, and



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Charlotte Lea, born Nov. 21, '94. Terry is busy with her children and practicing at a law firm located in Jericho, NY on Long Island. **Robert M. Kruger** lives in Rockville, MD with wife Sue and children James, 4, and Madeline, 2. Robert is director of litigation for the North American Anti-Piracy Campaign for the Business Software Alliance in Washington, DC.

**Cindy Greenberger** Osofsky writes, "Finally I have the California dream: big Pasadena house; beautiful pool and gardens; plus my husband Chuck and I adopted a little girl, Emily Irina, who turned 2 on Aug. 9, '94. We traveled to the Arctic Circle in April 1994 to get her, where she had lived in a Russian orphanage for the first 20 months of her life. It was the most rewarding experience of our lives, and she is wonderful. I highly recommend it!" Emily joins big sister Amanda Caitlyn, 6-1/2. Cindy is vice president and manager of corporate banking for PNC Bank, a Pittsburgh, PA-based bank. Cindy often sees **Tom and Abby Perr Baker**, who live in Pasadena and are raising sons Philip, Joey, and Jacob. **Wendy Weisbard** Gottlieb and **David '78** continue to live in Gaithersburg, MD with children Jason, 12, and Cheryl, 10. Cindy also writes that **Ken Furry** is an attorney in NYC and **Lynne Ripple** Peterson '78 lives in Dallas and has recently stopped working to spend time with children Christine, 5, and Michael, 3-1/2.

We also have some news that has been "gathering a little dust," but we want to share it and hope that it is still reasonably accurate. **Louis Zambello** and wife **Lindsey (Rustad) '80** are in Maine with daughters Erika, 5, and Mary, 3. Louis is a vice president for L. L. Bean, which means he can practice his favorite hobby, flyfishing, and can always be up-to-date on the best fishing spots. Lindsey finished her doctorate in bio-geo-chemistry six years ago and is consulting and working as a part-time research professor affiliated with the U. of Maine. **Bill Minnock** is the father of children ages 10, 9, 7, 5, and 2. Bill has been doing cross-training at Marriott and is general manager of the Bethesda Marriott Hotel. He is also president of the Washington, DC chapter of the Cornell Society of Hotelmen. Bill saw **Michael Doyle** and his family when they visited Washington 18 months ago.

**Dwight Bush** is working in Washington, DC, where he is vice president of business development for SallieMae. Previously, he was manager of Chase Manhattan Bank's Washington, DC Global Power and Project Group Finance Office. **Seth Klarman** is an investment advisor working in Cambridge, MA. He and his wife have children Ilana, 9-1/2, Aleeza, 6, and Jeremiah, 2-1/2. **Michael Kokola** is a commercial banker at Chemical Bank in Atlantic County, NJ and is working toward an MBA degree at Temple U. **Chris Felden** and wife Vicky are practicing law together in sunny Naples, FL. They have children Megan, 7, and Kimberly, 3-1/2.

In closing, I am sad to report the deaths of three classmates. **John Lanson**, who was in Arts and Sciences, died on Jan. 25, '94. We have also received word that **Jeffrey Cudlipp** of the Engineering college has

passed away. Lastly, classmate **Frank Santamaria**, who worked for PNC Bank in Pittsburgh, was one of the victims of the USAir crash in September 1994. Frank was married and had two young daughters. We extend our condolences to the families and friends of these three classmates. ♦ **Cindy Ahlgren** Shea, PO Box 1413, E. Hampton, NY 11937 and **Kathy Zappia** Gould, 924 Meadowcreek Way, Richmond, VA 23236.

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Just when I tried to ease out of the column-writing business, my persistent and tireless "Class Notes"



editor, **Elsie McMillan '55**, telephoned (two weeks in a row, mind you) looking for news. Well, for the first time in 15 years, my well had run *completely* dry. One call to the alumni affairs office, and Elsie stirred up a fresh batch of news from Robin Preston of the Membership Solicitation Program.

There are two other reasons I thought last month's column was my last. I'm hoping new classmates step forward to write this column and put a different spin on the news, quoting different people than I fall back on in a jam. And, unfortunately, I wasn't at the June Reunion. Coincidentally, I was invited to speak during the same four days at a national conference of investigative reporters and editors in Miami. Now how could I pass that up? In Miami, they'll pay. In Ithaca, I'd foot the tab. Do you blame me? I am disappointed, though, that I couldn't follow up on my invitation to ballroom-dance with **Sophie Farago**. I'll have to catch her and **Tina Ogden** in New York City the next time I head south.

And now to the latest news: **Robert S. Miller** got a new job in January working with Oracle Systems, consulting in the Chicago area. He had just returned home from a Florida vacation. He wrote, "The four kids keep us busy, only to return home to get some rest after vacation." Their children are Taylor, 5, Brynne, 4, Connor, 3, and Hunter, 1. Last fall, Robert traveled to Paris, the French Alps, and Indonesia, all work-related, "but a nice change from the usual."

**Dorothy Fearn** Houlihan says she and husband Kevin moved to the Chicago area in late 1991. She is now at home full-time with adopted children Joseph Thaddeus, 3 in July, and Alice Rose, 2 in June. They are about to adopt their third child. **Marjorie Werner** Stein is the mother of boys ages 3 and 5. She's a radiologist, and her husband is a urologist. Hey Marjorie, do you remember me from Chem 207 lab? I was the struggling writer who actually thought he could become a doctor.

**Robert W. Reardon** of Clifton Springs, NY and his wife had a girl, Rose Caroline, in March 1994. "She is driving her 5-year-old brother, Dexter, crazy," Robert writes. "He is rather possessive of his Power Ranger toys, and Rose would much rather play with them than her dolls. Rose also follows Dexter everywhere, so he can't even play on the computer in peace." The Reardons still have a pick-your-own strawberry operation, but the time demands of family and work are making it difficult to grow straw-



berries properly, he says. Robert says he's a glutton for punishment, having decided to run for the school board in Phelps-Clifton Springs. He also received an MBA in finance accounting in June 1993 at the Simon School of Business, U. of Rochester.

**Karen Benz** Merns of Park Ave., NYC is working as a clinical psychologist in an outpatient mental health clinic. She has children Jillian, 12, Daniel, 10, and Olivia, 7. **June Hori** Yamasaki has been sending news every time with her dues, but says it's never been printed. "Let's hear it! Let's see it!" she writes. June is the full-time mother of Laura, nearly 6, and Karen, approaching 2. "I love being at home, and have never been so busy in my life," she says. "I'd very much like to hear from old classmates, especially any who were with me in the International Living Center, 1977-80." June lives at 1413 W. Granville Ave., Chicago, IL 60660. June, if this item doesn't get in its entirety, you can blame Elsie and others on the Hill.

**Diane Cini** married Rob Dowling on Labor Day weekend, 1994. They first met in 1987, when both were working at Harrah's Casino in Reno, NV. Diane's been at Cini-Little International for six years, working for her father. **Robert B. Holzer** is president of Chick Master Incubator Co., a manufacturer of large incubators for the poultry industry. He and wife Viviana have daughter Gabriela, 2.

**Robert Gaut** moved to Ardmore, OK in January 1994 with two dogs and a 6-month-old son. He's still working for Michelin, but at one of the Uniroyal/Goodrich plants Michelin bought a couple of years ago. Robert says he's disappointed his plans couldn't include our 15th Reunion. Instead, they planned to attend his parents' 40th wedding anniversary, his dad's and father-in-law's 65th birthdays, and his sister-in-law's wedding. Yeah, I don't think you could've wriggled out of those invites, Bob. Robert hopes **Niel Golightly** and Tony J. (I'm guessing he means **Anthony Johnson**) participated in the Reunion Row. ♦ **Jon Craig**, 213 Wellesley Rd., Syracuse, NY 13207.

**81** It's summer and life somehow seems more relaxed this time of year. Our family is looking forward to spending a fun week on Cape Cod—an opportunity to get away from meetings, faxes, phones, e-mail, and deadlines! This summer column serves to update you on your classmates' careers. Classmates are doing wonderful things all across the nation. We have three veterinarians to report on: Dr. **Lisa Dietrich**, at the Nassau Veterinary Clinic in Nassau, NY; Dr. **Lora Miller**, at the Animal Hospital of Berlin in Kensington, CT; and Dr. **Joseph Parisi**, at St. Francis Animal Hospital in Buffalo, NY.

Dr. **Edward Hellman** is an orthopedic surgeon in Carmel, IN, while Dr. **Paul Dale** also practices orthopedics at Alexandria Orthopedic Associates in Alexandria, MN. In health care administration, **Paul Gleichauf** works at Anna Jaques Hospital in Newburyport, MA; in Durham, NC, **J. Erik Engberg** manages Northwood Manor, a nursing facility.

Among classmate physicians are **Marc**

**Greenwald**, a surgeon at North Shore Surgical Specialists in Great Neck, NY; Dr. **Steven Goldenberg**, a gastroenterologist in Lake Success, NY; **Donald Figliola Jr.** in Tampa, FL; **Julie Henry**, a dermatologist in Burke, VA; and **Charles "Chip" Swersky**, in Merrick, NY. Chip and wife Betsy have children Alyssa, 7, Heather, 3, and Adam Greg, 1-1/2.

Forecasting the weather across the country are meteorologists **Kevin Williams** at WROC in Rochester, NY and **Sylvia Reeves Dake** in Minneapolis, MN. Forecasting the state of the economy and financial markets are: **Patricia Yeh**, a business manager for Salomon Brothers in NYC; **Timothy Rogan**, at New York Life in Dallas, TX; **Michael Strauss**, chief economist of Yamaichi International America Inc., in NYC; **Matthew Grady**, a commercial banker at First Union National Bank of North Carolina in Raleigh; **Li-Lin Sung**, financial director of Oceanic Industries in the Ivory Coast, West Africa; **Christopher Sorrentino**, a financial analyst for Silgan Containers in Woodland Hills, CA; **Vivien Fung Lim**, an investment manager for Greenwich Management in Alpharetta, GA; and **Andrew Ritwo**, director of revenue operations at Oncor Communications in Bethesda, MD.

Many of us are human resource managers, including: **Michele Chape** Hanss at the Commonwealth of Massachusetts personnel administration department; **Richard Lustig** at SONY in Park Ridge, NJ; **Judith Orland Lorenz** at ELS Educational Services in Culver City, CA; and **Pamela Star-sky Kogan** at Candle Corp. in Santa Monica, CA. Two architects who have ventured into their own practices in NYC are **Alison "Bonnie" Spear** and **Natan Bibliowicz**. Having worked for Skidmore, Owings & Merrill for 12 years, Natan now focuses on corporate clients, but also does retail and residential projects. Meanwhile, **Patricia Murray-Keetz** is a fiber artist in Schenectady, NY.

In engineering, **Susan Boyd** is a senior systems engineer for GE Medical Systems in Milwaukee; **Steven Goldstein** works for DeSimone, Chaplin & Dobry in Coral Gables, FL; **Melissa Storne** Maina is a validation engineer for Dupont Merck Pharmaceutical in Billerica, MA; **Peter Snell** is a scheduling consultant in S. Salem, NY; and **Lawrence Hall** is a consultant at Aeronomics Inc. in Atlanta, GA.

In the hospitality industry, **Mary "Mel" Hagen** is director of catering and convention services at the Stouffer Harbor Place Hotel in Baltimore, MD. **Sandra Waring Holloway** is a caterer at Tasteful Connections in Rochester, NY.

**Dawn Debuvoitz** is a coordinator of student employment at Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica, NY. At the U. of Colorado at Boulder, **Wayne Citrin** is a professor of engineering. **Carol Schaffer** is an assistant dean at the Parsons School of Design in NYC. **Sally Lawrence** is a teacher at the Special Children's Center in Candor, NY. In Smithtown, NY, **Thomas Rodgers** is a supervisor for the Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind, while **Barbara White** Apseloff is a social worker in Arlington, VA.

In the marketing and advertising world,

we have the following professionals: **Ricardo McKay** at Posadas USA in Dallas, TX; **Douglas Perlman** at Colgate Palmolive in NYC; **Deborah Matthews** Loveland at IBM in Endicott, NY; **Esther Lee** at Deutsch Inc. in NYC; **Michael Hoard**, our class president, at American National Can in Norwalk, CT; **Grace Jenkins** at Motorola Inc. in Arlington Heights, IL; and **Miriam Rogers** at Johnson & Johnson Consumer Products Inc. in Skillman, NJ.

Please take a few moments out of your busy life to send us all your news. Enjoy the rest of the summer! ♦ **Kathleen Philbin** LaShoto, 114 Harrington Rd., Waltham, MA 02154; **Jennifer Read** Campbell, 14824 Hunting Path Pl., Centreville, VA 22020; **Robin Rosenberg**, 2600 Netherland Ave., Apt. 201, Riverdale, NY 10463.

**82** **Howard S. Lee**, PhD '89 and wife **Suzanne Usiskin** '84 have settled in Santa Clara, CA after an eventful few years. They spent three years in New Jersey, Howard at the US Army Research Labs, Suzanne at AT&T Bell Labs. Then they moved to France, where Howard earned his MBA in 1994 and son Ryan Yi-Fan Lee was born on August 30 in Paris. Now the family is in northern California, where Howard is product manager in the physical vapor deposition division at Applied Materials Inc.

**Donna DeSilva**, who had been senior attorney in the chief counsel's office, Office of Thrift Supervision, now is an assistant bar counsel for the board on professional responsibility, District of Columbia Court of Appeals. Jobs in Washington, DC seem to have longer titles than most.

Sorry, that's it. The letter bag is empty. In the absence of more news, we will donate the rest of our space in this issue to other classes and hope our mailboxes fill up again soon. ♦ **Neil F. Best**, 207 Dellwood Rd., Metuchen, NJ 08840; also **Nina M. Kondo**, 323 W. 82nd St., Apt. 4A, NYC 10024.

**83** **Mark Terry** sends news from Boulder, CO that **Douglas Braunstein** had his first child, son Zachary Steven, in August 1994. **Jennifer Pullano** is currently chief resident in family medicine at the Medical U. of South Carolina. Jennifer completed her four-year stint in the US Navy, including two years on board the USS *Holland* as the general medical officer, and now lives in Charleston with her husband of five years, Karl Kibler, and two beagles.

**Elizabeth Kim** writes from . . . Ithaca! She's here finishing her thesis for an MFA from Cornell. She currently teaches English 280 (Creative Writing) and Writing from Experience. Those course names should bring back memories for more than a few of us. Also in Ithaca, **David Raimon** writes that he married Lillian Demko and welcomed daughter Maxine in July 1992. **Eric Hanson** and his wife **Gwen (Sharyl)** '82 have three daughters, ages 4, 3, and 6 months. Eric is an assistant professor at the U. of Florida and Gwen recently completed her residency in family practice medicine. The Hansons live in Gainesville, FL. **Adam**



**Metz** writes from Glencoe, IL that he and wife Martha had their third child, Emma, in September 1994. Emma joins brothers Sam, 3, and Harry, 18 months.

**Scott Cole** recently completed his master's in public administration at the U. of Maine. He is currently employed as town manager in Standish, ME. **Barry Horowitz** and wife Nancy welcomed their second son, Benjamin, in December 1994. Benjamin joins brother Maxwell. The Horowitz family lives in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, where Barry is in private practice as an endocrinologist.

**Jeff Dallas** works in New York City for Kenneth Leventhal & Co. as a real estate consultant. Jeff is in touch with **Paul March**, who is working for CB Commercial. Jeff returns to campus periodically to recruit at the Hotel school and at the Johnson school. **Kathleen Orr** Pomerenk is living in Washington, DC and recently received her professional certification designation of CAE (certified association executive). Kathleen and her husband visited **Sue Hurban** Amberg and husband Larry last summer in Manhattan Beach, CA. Sue and Larry had just begun the process of building a new home—we can only hope that it is now complete! **Peter Nicholson** lives in Morgantown, WV, where he is an emergency room physician. He plans to begin his residency in radiology later this year.

**Michael Schonberg** writes from Lutherville, MD that he and wife Shelley welcomed their first child, Alison Michelle, in February 1994. In June 1994, **Joe Sarachek** and his wife welcomed son Jake. The proud father writes, "He's tall and strong and can't wait to go to Cornell!" That would make Jake a member of the Class of '16—we can only guess what tuition will be by then! More baby news—**Daniel Kaplan** and wife Amy announce the birth of daughter Sophia in January 1994. Daniel, Amy, and Sophia live in Glen Ridge, NJ.

**Layne Lieberman** Anapol is a nutrition consultant to a 47-store grocery chain, who frequently appears on local TV and in news articles. She also consults with chefs to develop heart-healthy menu marketing. She lives with husband Jonathan, sons Benjamin, 4, and Alexander, 2, in the Hamptons on Long Island. **Ruth Coomber** Matt welcomed her first child, Peter, in June 1994. Ruth lives in Portland, ME and works as an investment consultant for a newly-formed local bank, Atlantic Bank, formerly Citibank.

**Ron Muzii** is a senior vice president for Construction Inc., a French real estate developer in Miami, FL. Ron had the opportunity to work with world-famous architect Michael Graves on his newest project—a luxury condo and retail center in South Beach, FL. **J. "Ralph" Russek** was recently promoted to municipal division chief at G. Edwin Pidcock Co. in Allentown, PA. He also was promoted to lieutenant commander, USNR(R). Ralph is clearly a Big Red football fan, as he writes that he, his wife and two children—Erin, 5, and Erik, 2—attended last season's victory against Lehigh and heartbreaking loss to Penn.

**Benjy Goldman** is currently an ob/gyn working at North Shore Hospital, and is assistant professor at Cornell Medical College. Benjy and wife Sara welcomed their second

child, daughter Jessie, in July 1994. Jessie joins brother Daniel, 3. Benjy writes that **Chris Lofaso** and his wife recently welcomed a baby girl. The Lofasos reside in Upstate NY. Barry also informs us that **Bob Bollinger** graduated from law school and is a partner in a law firm in Florida.

**Melanie Krebs** Baran writes that she married husband Philip in October 1993. They live in Whiting, IN, with daughter Kathleen. Melanie currently works for Methodist Hospitals in northwest Indiana.

♦ **Nancy Schlie** Knowles, 5 Elmcrest Cir., Ithaca, NY 14850; also **Matthew Tager**, 14055 Tahiti Way, #208, Marina del Rey, CA 90292, fax (310) 305-8877.

**84** **Leo V. Redmond** was promoted to managing associate at CSC/Index, an engineering consulting company in San Francisco. He has seen fellow alumni **Rob Moon '85**, with whom he shares an office, and **Anne Goldberg '82**

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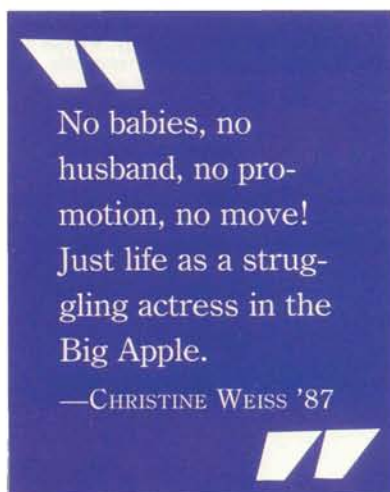
at a wine tasting in Napa Valley. **Herb Ribband** and **Janine (Thomas)** have a 1-year-old daughter. They live in Madrid, Spain! **Anne Sharbaugh** Sherrill married classmate **Jim** on New Year's Eve 1993. **Lynah Sherrill '58**, **Trish Kaneb**, **Jennifer Sheehy**, and **Hanna and Nick Groos** assisted with the bride's dress and festivities. What a great way to ring in a new year! **Beth Corliss** Silvestri was married in October 1992, lives in San Francisco, and had her first child in September 1994. She has seen **Patricia "PK" Keller**, **Karen Metz**, **Darci Jorgenson**, **Trish Kaneb**, and **Jenny Schiff Berg**.

**Catherine Wagner** quit her job with Godwins, Booke & Dickenson and has returned to school to become a chiropractor. **Tomas Alvarez** is a senior designer with Kohn Pederson Fox Associates in New York City, where he has been working as an architect for nine years. He has been traveling to London, Atlanta, Ga, and Buenos Aires. **Carol Kuntz** was married last July to an old friend from graduate school, **Rod Fabrycky**. She is still working for the US Dept. of Defense, most recently on a project involving NATO.

**Linda Bell** is working for Xerox Business Services as managing editor of employee publications and communications, based in Rochester, NY. Her job provides much opportunity to travel around the US and Europe. **Judith Brant** is still working as a lighting/sound technician for Celebrant Singers. She did a mini-concert for Mother Teresa and the sisters at the Mother House in Calcutta! **Laura Sheffield** just finished her seventh year teaching English at Brookline High School in Massachusetts. She is also painting and exhibiting her work at a local cooperative gallery. After **Abel Hughes** received his MBA from Harvard, he married a "lovely Brazilian architect" and took a job with Eli Lilly in their international division. He and wife **Diana Girardi Karnas** are now in Sao Paulo and invite everyone to come visit!

**Nancy Sutley** is special assistant to US Environmental Protection Agency Administrator **Carol Browner**. Nancy is the program and policy advisor for air and radiation issues. **Lisa Rosen** Sonek is working as a business partner sales manager for Lotus Development. She and her husband have daughter **Rebecca**, almost 2. Lisa reports that **Andrea Pohl-Gordon** lives in Boston and has an 18-month-old boy. **Stephen Silverman** married **Emily Bromberg '86** in 1991 and works at the White House as special assistant to the President for cabinet affairs and the deputy cabinet secretary. He saw many Cornellians at **Matt Schneider's** wedding, including **Billy Schiff** and **Robin Abrams '86** with their son **Craig**; **Glenn Kerner**; **Jeff Pine**; **Kurt Abrahamson '83**; and **Peter Storck '82**.

**Scott Kominkiewicz** and wife **Teresa** have children **Scott**, **Corinne**, and **Constance**. Scott works at UPS's information services division in Mahwah, NJ and is investigating the field of politics. Dr. **Jeff Gershenwald** married **Donna (Jacobson) '86** last summer after their having dated at Cornell, lost touch, and then being reunited by Jeff's sister **Tami Gershenwald '89**. Many Cornellians were part of the celebration, in-



cluding **Bill** and **Wendy Thomas Taussig** (both '86), **Nadine Berg Fialkow '86**, **Neil** and **Beth Goldstein Weissman '85**, **Risa Bernstein '86**, **Page Ward Seville '86**, **Jim Ritchey '85**, **Steve Schwartz '85**, and **Reuben Rosof '97**.

**Martha Hover Schwingel** had second child **Anna Nicole** in December 1993, and writes that her career is on hold for now. Husband **Bill '82** is doing a post-doc at the Kennedy Space Center. **Amy Weingart** Rothman had son **Evan** in July 1993. **Anne Gumkowski** Pierce earned her MBA from the Wharton School and was married in April 1994 to **Glen**, a fellow Wharton School graduate. Anne has been working for Gemini Consulting since 1990. **Tom "Bo" Codella** married **Lisa LaRoss** in September 1993. Cornellians in attendance were **Frank Codella '49**; **Sam Codella '53**; **Chris Codella, PhD '84**; **Leo and Louise Codella Shanley**, both '83; **Colin Rehkugler '81**; **Bob '83** and **Rosalie Clary Hawley, MBA '87**; **Steve Putscher '83**; **Al Locker**; **Jack Ebel**; **Rob Edwards '85**; and **Pete Blauvelt '85**. Bo and Lisa had son **Spenser** on July 4, '94; Al and Elise Locker had son **Alexander IV** on June 6, '94. ♦ **Karla Sievers McManus**, 1465 Hooksett Rd., #299, Hooksett, NH 03106 (klorax@aol.com); also **Guy Donatiello**, 321 N. Ithan Ave., Rosemont, PA 19010 (gdonatello@aol.com).

**85** **Kimberly Wagner** has faithfully sent me mail over the years saying, "Still in graduate school. I'll finish someday!" Well, folks, that someday is here. Kimberly "brought the bound and boxed copy of [her] thesis, along with the requisite paperwork, to the [Harvard] Registrar the Friday before Labor Day," in 1994 and she is now the proud owner of a PhD in biochemistry and a job with the Boston Consulting Group. Kimberly says she is enjoying the change from student life to "the real world."

**Jill Gaydosh**, senior vice president of sales at **Arbour Financial Corp.**, underwent her own metamorphosis from fiancée to

bride when she wed **Michael Kafka** in a New York City ceremony attended by **Ann Ginsburg**, **Dana Andreas**, and **Betsy Daniels** ("all the way from Tokyo!"). Congratulations, Jill!

Congratulations are also due to **Geoffrey Koester**, who celebrated his fourth anniversary with wife **Meg**, "a U. of Rochester grad who comes from a long line of Cornellians dating back to **Howard A. Stevenson '19**, former editor of the *Cornell Alumni News*," and to **Laura Gibaldi Pise**, who celebrated not only her tenth anniversary with **James '84** but also the birth of second child **Julia Marie**, who is "adored by brother **Daniel Joseph**, age 3."

Like **Laura**, **Stephanie Weill Green** has also added to her brood: daughter **Jillian**. Erin joins big brothers **Matthew**, 6, and **Benjamin**, 3. Stephanie notes that her family "spends a lot of time with **Bobby** and **Phyllis Simon Gusick** and their two adorable kids, **Alison** and **Douglas**."

**Antoinette Robbins**, senior special counsel with the NY Stock Exchange, spends a lot of her time on Cornell activities. When not practicing law or pursuing her LLM in corporate law at New York U., Antoinette serves as president of the Cornell Black Alumni Assn., and as a member of the President's Council for Cornell Women, University Council, and the Alumni Federation. (Antoinette, when do you sleep?)

**Kathleen Dillon** evidently sleeps a lot better now that she has moved to Connecticut to join **Marketing Corp. of America**, a consulting firm in Westport. She writes, "I love the change of pace—it's a relaxed company, and we can wear jeans or casual clothes every day!" Other classmates in marketing (though perhaps not dressed in jeans) include: **Susan Rosenbaum**, who says she works in "marketing research;" **Kulsoom Klavon**, in the American Airlines marketing department; **Melissa Josephson**, in marketing and business development with **Camp Dresser & McKee Int'l. Inc.**; **Eugene Chen**, director of marketing at **Applied Medical Resources** in Laguna Hills, CA; and **Dawn Viapiano Bierschwal** at **Procter & Gamble**.

Though not in marketing, other classmates are also working in consulting, having a great time getting paid to tell other people how to run their businesses. They include: **David Friedman** and **Craig Stanley** (who lives in Larchmont, NY with wife **Cecilia Schulze-Stanley '87**) at **Andersen Consulting**; **Katherine Byrne** and **Gerard "Sam" Kamel**, with **McKinsey & Co.**; **Michael Jones**, with **Booz Allen & Hamilton**; **David Bonalle**, a "management consultant in Atlanta;" and **Robert Wadsworth**, business strategy consultant with the **Blue Cross Blue Shield Assn.**, who recently wed **Linda Allen, MBA '90**.

Always one to facilitate networking opportunities through the class column, I should note that if the marketing and consulting folks listed above are interested in client development, they may wish to contact some of our '85er management and/or corporate communications executives, including: **Michael Liess**, Western region director of **Oce'USA**, a Dutch office equipment manufacturer; **Kate McManus**, distributor



manager of the Cryovac division of W.R. Grace; **Laurie Love**, sales manager of Wellfleet Communications; **James Good III**, vice president of corporate communications for the California Water Service Co., "the largest investor-owned water utility in the Golden State;" **John Gabel**, general manager of distribution and value-added operations for Capstone Electronics, who has "responsibility for all of our company's physical operations and facilities in Denver and Kansas City;" **Jessica Stein Diamond**, in corporate communications with First Empire State Corp., a publicly traded bank holding company; **Thomas Bowden**, process operations manager of the James River Corp.; **James Hank**, senior vice president of Montgomery Elevator Co.; **Jim Ritchey**, district manager of Instron Corp. in Dallas (where he says he is "still two-steppin' and enjoying the folks and the weather"); **Kathleen Rowe**, assistant director of media relations at MIT; **Linda Glassberg Fears**, senior editor, *Ladies Home Journal*; **Kirsten Coffen**, chief of community planning for Hartford County, MD; **Barbara Moore**, president of the Henahan Restaurant Group; and **Mitchell Sacks**, chief financial officer of Tri-State Radio Co.

Best of luck to all of you movers and shakers, brides and grooms, and new mothers and fathers, and many sincere thanks for sending your happy news my way. ♦ **Risa Mish**, 611 Briarcliff Dr., S., Ossining, NY 10562.

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It's a dark day for the Class of '86 when I have to rely on other classes for news to fill our column. **Mike O'Hara '88** wrote via e-mail that **Anne Cowie** had left Planned Parenthood to assume the position of associate director in the development office at Dana Farber Cancer Inst. He also reports that **Karen Hurlbut** has been promoted to assistant director in leadership gifts for our alma mater. Her duties include being primary coordinator for the regional campaign events with (1) good ol' Frank H. T. "Hot Truck" Rhodes, (2) former Cornell Trustee Chair (and still a "macher") **Austin Kiplinger '39**, and (3) "other dignitaries around the country."

In other Ithaca-related news, **Andrew J. Wallenstein** and wife **Karen (Purcell) '87** had daughter Beverly Anne in February 1994. Andy is the associate publisher of *Cornell Magazine*, which means he is responsible for the magazine's business affairs and still gets to enjoy Johnny's Hot Truck cuisine. He encourages classmates to buy and make use of the e-mail directory (being published this summer) when getting in touch with university staff and faculty, class officers, and other alumni.

It seems as if most of what news I do receive from classmates pertains to weddings and births. What a trend. **Donna Jacobson Gershenwald** writes that in June 1994 she married **Jeff '84**, MD '90, a former acquaintance at Cornell to whom Donna was reintroduced by her buddy (and maid of honor) **Tami Gershenwald '89**. Bridesmaids were **Alexandra**

"Wendy" **Thomas Taussig** and **Nadine Berg Fialkow**, and attendees included **Bill Taussig**, **Risa Bernstein**, **Page Ward Seville**, **Jim Ritchey '85**, **Steve Schwartz '85**, **Beth Goldstein Weissman '85** and **Reuben Rosof '97**. After honeymooning in Corsica and Paris, the couple resumed their lives in New York City, where Donna works for American Express and Jeff is a resident in surgery at the Cornell Medical Center.

**Dana R. Lindquist** kept her maiden name when she married high-school sweetheart Chris Peterson on Jan. 1, '94. Hope you didn't rush things, Dana. They now live in NYC. Also in the Big Apple, **Kai Bloom De Hernandez**, who had a son in the fall of 1992. She visited Risley with **Oona Stern**, and reports that their former room in Risley still had the glow-in-the-dark stars they had put on the ceiling—meaning the room hadn't been painted since 1983. **Emily Citrin** and **Mark Glasberg** are proud parents of daughter Hana Brittany Glasberg, born Sept. 12, '93.

Finally, **Mary Rinko Oefelein** is an internist in Chicago. And that's all I've got unless and until y'all send some news. We are still looking for someone to serve as Reunion chair for our Tenth Reunion next June. If you or anyone you know is interested, call Class President **Steve Brinkman** at (516) 767-1370. ♦ **Jeffrey W. Cowan**, 1114 6th St., Suite 10, Santa Monica, CA 90403.

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It is with reluctance that I inform you that this will be my last column as class correspondent. More than eight years have passed and nearly 30 columns have been written since I excitedly accepted the position, to become the Cornell equivalent of Rona Barrett. I have really enjoyed my stint, but it is time to move on, as other priorities in my life are taking center stage. In January, I started my MBA part time at Babson College in Wellesley, MA. I love the program, but hate having to put down my expected year of graduation: sometime between the years 2000 and 2002. Anyway, life has turned into a balancing act, and I need one less thing to balance. As outgoing correspondent, I leave you in the able hands of **Caryn** and **Risa Weinberger**, who will finish out my term. Caryn and Risa, thanks for stepping up to the plate!

It was great to hear from all the physicians (and other practitioners) out there. I think they finally had time to fill out their News and Dues forms. After a "long, long journey of studying," writes **Iona Malinow-Maceo**, "I will start a real job as a pediatrician in Brockport, NY." We heard from **Mary Ellen Boname**, a doctor of optometry, who is an associate at Hillsborough and Green Brook Vision Centers in New Jersey. **Debra Eisenberger** is still doing her ob/gyn residency at Medical College of Pennsylvania. She keeps in touch with **Karen Alter** and **Sharon Pohoryles**.

Not to exclude doctors who prefer their patients to be on the furry side, **Karen Clifford Gendron** is a veterinarian at the Mud-dy Creek Animal Care Center, a successful animal hospital/kennel in Rowley, MA. In my

continuing attempt to vicariously live the life of a doctor without having to pay back medical school loans, I shadowed **Avery Katz** while he did his neurology rounds at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx. It was quite an experience! Avery has one year left in his neurology residency at Albert Einstein. This was my third time participating in the "hang out with your friend who's a doctor" program. On previous occasions, I have tagged along with a GI (classmate **David Kalman**) and an ob/gyn. If you are a doctor and would like to host me for a day, please let me know.

Congratulations to **Ken Romley**, who recently sold Burl Software, the company he co-founded with **Dave Babson, MS '88**, for \$13.5 million. Ken, has Cornell contacted you yet about the new building they would like to construct on the Engineering quad? In other entrepreneurial news, **Brian Saltz** left the law firm of Kreitzman, Mortensen and Simon to start a solo labor and employment law practice. Good luck, Brian!

The Class Stork was busy in 1994, particularly in the month of December. **Susanne Kraszewski Wesnofske** writes that son Richard Jr. has a new playmate: sister Emily Elizabeth, who was born on December 15. Congratulations to **Melissa Weiss Bausano** on the birth of Gabrielle Florence on December 22. **Adam Klein** reports that he and wife **Melanie Smith, MS Ag '90** welcomed their first child, Jordan Samuel, on May 5. On a professional note, Adam has become active in the tobacco control movement, and currently represents disabled individuals subjected to tobacco smoke in the workplace.

Psychiatrist **Karen Miller** also joined the ranks of parenthood, as she gave birth to Jessica Anne just over a year ago (June 2, '94). And, this news just in . . . Class Correspondent **Gail Stoller Baer** and husband **Michael '88**, MBA '89 welcomed their second child, daughter Rachel Caryn, on April 8, '95. Mother, father, and baby are doing just fine in Washington, DC!

"No babies, no husband, no promotion, no move! Just life as a struggling actress in the Big Apple," writes **Christine Weiss**. She has been appearing in some productions at the Off-Broadway Ridiculous Theatrical Company in NYC. ♦ **Richard Friedman**, 32 Whites Ave., #2205, Watertown, MA 02172; **Tom S. Tseng**, c/o International Public Affairs, 55 Brown Road, Ste. 220, Ithaca, NY 14850-1266; **Gail Stoller Baer**, 3215 Tennyson St., NW, Washington, DC 20015.

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Ah, summer! I sure miss long summer vacations when responsibilities, though seemingly important, really were minimal. Now take a look at us! Navy Lt. **T.V. Wallace** reported for duty with Training Squadron 28 at the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi, TX, last November. Currently serving at the US Embassy in Managua (Nicaragua) is **Bonnie Glick**. She married fellow diplomat Paul Foldi in July 1992 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Bonnie previously worked in Ethiopia and at the United Nations. She writes, "It is an exciting place to be, with political and economic reforms struggling



on a daily basis. Overall: fun, hot, dusty, third-world."

**Lisa Pasquale** Semmes is assistant product manager for A.H. Robins. She and husband Ben recently moved back to the "cold and snowy Northeast" from Virginia; they bought a house in Upper Montclair, NJ. Attending their housewarming: **Rob and Pat Cook Rosenberg '89**, **Rod Recker '87**, **Ellen Levin**, **Janet Bartels**, **Jake White**, and **Judy Burton Gaines**. Judy and husband **Greg '89** moved from New Jersey to Nashua, NH. She is working toward her New Hampshire certification for both elementary and early childhood education.

**Heather McKelvey** writes from Boston that she has completed her first year on Boston U.'s master's of social work program. She spent the last six years on Long Island. And yes, Boston does have a Spirit of Zinck's night! **Audrey Berg** is marketing manager for Citibank in Washington, DC. She misses hanging out and seeing friends "all the time." **Mike Shih** is a litigation attorney at New York City law firm Kaye and Scholer. Mike sends news of many Cornellians: other graduates at his firm include **David Soskin '90**, **Marla De Gaetano '90**, and **Kelly Lawson '90**. **Linda Gadsby** is an attorney at Allied Signal in New Jersey. **Steve Robinson** is at UCLA law school, and **Dale Fuchs** is an "ace" reporter at the *Palm Beach Post*. **Robert Hano** married Karla Beatty last October, and they live in Boston (although they may move to Chicago). **Steve Katz '89** is an attorney at Deloitte and Touche in NYC, and **Charles Yee** is in the PhD program at U. of Michigan. And that's all, according to Mike!

**Hollie Bowles** married Sean Reddington on Oct. 29, '94. Both received their MBA degrees from Columbia. Hollie is an assistant treasurer at Credit Lyonnais, a French bank. **Traci Nagle**, a project editor at W.W. Norton & Co. (book publishing), married Sumit Ganguly last October. Sumit is a political science professor at Hunter College and at City U. of New York's graduate school.

**Mike Texido** is an investment banker for Merrill Lynch at the World Trade Center. He has seen **Mike Troiano** and **Chris Hahn**. Any tips for your fellow classmates, Mike? **Andy Wallenstein '86** forwarded over the internet news that **Renee Schloupt** completed her PhD in horticulture at the U. of Illinois in June 1994. She is now an assistant professor of sustainable agriculture at Delaware Valley College in Doylestown, PA.

As for me, husband Phil Wing and I have purchased a beautiful house in southern California. So far no earthquakes, no nasty landlords, and the beach is within walking distance. However, I do miss "real" seasons, Ivy football (or at least the tailgating!), and the Cornell campus. So please keep the news coming, I have been using outdated News and Dues forms—from April 1994—for the information provided. Happy summer! ♦ **Diane Weisbrot-Wing**, 727 Anita St., Redondo Beach, CA 90278; **Wendy Myers** Cambor, 610 W. 110 St., #9B, NYC 10025; **Alison Minton**, 333 E. 56th St., #11B, NYC 10022.

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Last month presented you all with the opportunity to re-kindle old friendships and re-tell old stories from your

Cornell years half a decade ago. I hope you were able to find those friends and classmates who have patterned memories into your hearts and souls for the long run. And for those memories that you'd rather forget about, I trust no '90 alums went rolling down Libe Slope in a retaliatory spin. I'm sure it was a good time! A report of Reunion will appear in the September issue.

Upon seeing your classmates, news of their whereabouts and whatabouts may be old news. But for those who don't know, **Carole Moran** married her high-school sweetheart, David Krus, a NASA rocket scientist (literally!). **Alisa Gilhooley** was a bridesmaid. Carole is in a PhD program in macromolecular polymer science and engineering (whoa, that's a mouthful) at Case Western Reserve U. Other weddings are flooding my Class of '90 in-basket. **John Pohja** married Mary Agro last September and they honeymooned on Cape Cod. **Susan Portman** and **Robert Price** married in November 1993. **Elizabeth Gelfand**, now an attorney in Atlanta, married James Rankin. **Christopher Depuy**, ME C '90 married Catherine Blednick and headed to the US Virgin Islands to celebrate. Christopher is an engineer with Hill Environmental Inc. **Amy Leventhal** was married to Todd Stern. Since leaving the Hill, Amy has received a master's from the U. of Pennsylvania and is a doctoral candidate at U. of Massachusetts, Boston. And Dr. **Sandra Lithgow**, a resident in internal medicine at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, married Dr. Pedro Ramirez. They both received their MD degrees from Albert Einstein medical college.

Classmates who are completing service in the military include **Jon Rodgers**, a Navy lieutenant assigned as a recruiter for the Navy's officer programs. **Robert Beaumont** is also a Navy lieutenant and has served aboard the ballistic missile submarine USS *Ohio*. **Mary Hoke** is a Navy lieutenant in the Naval Education and Training Center, and Navy Ens. **Douglas Lareau** completed the Officer Indoctrination School there.

**Sharon Bender** said so-long to the skyline of NYC after a year and a half and has been working at an NBC affiliate in Plattsburgh, NY, which is way, way upstate. She's the producer of the 6 and 11 p.m. newscasts, which cover all the news that's fit to talk about in Upstate NY and across Lake Champlain in Burlington, VT. "Life's a lot different up here," she says. Farther downstate, **Audra Gerty** of Gardiner, NY was named to the board of directors of Gateway Industries.

New England Cornellians include **Laurie Logan**, who earned her JD degree from Boston College law school in 1993 and is with the law firm of Peabody & Brown as an associate. **Kirsten Spille** is pursuing a master of education degree with a concentration in Waldorf education at Antioch New England Graduate School in Keene, NH. Prior to grad school, Kirsten worked at the Hur-



ricane Island Outward Bound School in Maine.

Right about now I could use an Outward Bound trip. Is anyone else out there burned out? After five years, is your calendar getting more action than you'd like? I'm a bit tired of having every hour of every day penciled in with anti-leisure activities. **Melissa Vera** seems to have her priorities right, however. She writes, "**Tricia McNamara** comes down to the Jersey Shore to party with me, **Cyrene Awan**, **Bethlam Forsa**, and **Terri Lombardi**. Southern Jersey is beautiful, [and it's] very nice by the beach." Melissa has been trying to become a tennis pro. That's it. I've got to re-prioritize. It's summer!

Everyone have a beautiful and relaxing summer! ♦ **Regina Duffey** 82 Lois Lane, Ithaca, NY 14850; e-mail, rmd5@cornell.edu.

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In keeping with the theme of summer and for lack of a better way to begin this month's column, I'm going to dive right into the news. **Julie Pearlman** wrote with an update. She graduated from The American U. in May 1994 and is now working as an attorney at a labor law firm in Washington, DC. Then in September 1994 she married her "Freshman-year sweetheart," **Matthew Schatz '90**. **Mindy Blitzer** was a bridesmaid. Cornellians also in attendance were **Mike** and **Joan Kochan Schade**, **Sally Mason**, **Jillian Luther '90**, **Will Dow**, **Rich Kowalczyk**, **Anne West '89**, and former Associate Dean of the Ag college **Ken Wing '58** and his wife, Sharon (Sperry Hall Faculty-in-Residence). After a honeymoon cruise to Alaska, Julie and Matthew moved to Silver Spring, MD.

**Lisa Epstein** also sent me a ton of news about other classmates. First and foremost, Lisa was married on Dec. 31, '94. **Rachel Laiserin** and **Tina Hohn Schissel** were bridesmaids. Now Lisa is working at New York U. as an academic advisor. Other Cornellians who attended her wedding were **Alex Temel** and **Jennifer Gold**. Both are in St. Louis, MO, where Alex is finishing up law school at Washington U. and Jennifer is in medical school. **Steve Schuller** is working in Dallas for Windham Hotels. **Naresh Patel** will be completing his residency at Mt. Sinai in neurosurgery. **Rita Landman** is staying in NYC after finishing at NYU medical school for her residency at Cornell Medical Center. **Varman Samuel** will be in Chicago for his residency after finishing up med school at NYU. **Ashley Gravelle** is at Johnson State in Vermont getting her master's degree in special education. **Tammy Kahn** is in her final year at Albany law school. **Linda Keenan** is working in NYC for Bloomberg TV.

In other news, **John House** is in Cyprus, Greece, where he is a lecturer at an intercollege. John said the Cornell Society of Hotelmen Reunion of the European Chapter in March 1993 in Cyprus was an absolute success. In another part of the world, **Liv Gussing** is working at Dusit Hotels and Resorts in Bangkok, Thailand. She said she was recently joined at the same property by classmate **Will Thompson**.

Meanwhile, **Kevin Yam** is an interface analyst at Apache Medical Systems Inc. in



Virginia. **Jacob Swiller** is a fundraiser for the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC. **Megan McNealy** is self-employed as a tutor and co-owns a private educational tutoring business called Custom-Crafted Tutoring in Del Mar, CA. **Victoria Macheski** is a retail kitchen manager at Hay Day Inc. in Westport, CT. **Chris Casieri** is a program coordinator in economics at the MacArthur Federation in Chicago, IL.

**Jane Gibson** is an account executive at Edmondson/Quest in Austin, TX. She moved from Baltimore, MD to Austin, where she had grown up and still has family. Jane says she enjoyed exploring other regions of the country, but "there's no place like home." **Mark Hiddessen** is an assistant manager at Quality Inn in Woodbury, Long Island. He says that last summer he went to California to attend the wedding of **Bryan Anderson '89**. While he was there, he also saw peers **Jim Zaun** and **Jon Shrager**.

**Kristen Trapp** is in sales at Astra USA in Westborough, MA. **Deborah Herendeen** is a membership system administrator at The Society of the Plastics Industry in Washington, DC. **Debbi** shares her dream of someday opening up her own restaurant and studies restaurant management in order to prepare herself. **Robert Hill** is a district supervisor at ACDI Foods in Valparaiso, IN, while **Kay Lillibridge** is a senior bookseller at Waldenbooks in Saratoga Springs, NY.

**Carolyn Barnes Lawson** gives news about the birth of her baby girl, Kathryn Elizabeth on Oct. 2, '93. Congratulations! Carolyn adds that she received her master's degree in education from Nazareth College of Rochester in May 1993. Meanwhile, **Angela Shope** Stiefhold is a city planner for the City of Allentown (PA). **Jean Signorelli** is a group sales manager at The Bon Ton Stores Inc. at Pyramid Mall in Ithaca.

Of those peers pursuing advanced degrees, **Cristos Goodrow** left his consultant position at Andersen Consulting in San Francisco to attend Lehigh U. as a PhD candidate in mathematics. **Jenna Goldstein** was in investment banking before entering U. of Pennsylvania's Wharton School. Meanwhile, **Lori Giuffre** says she is "still" a vet student at Iowa State U. and plans to graduate in May 1996. **David Brown** is a grad student in the physics department at SUNY, Stony Brook, and **Douglas Fambrough** is in the grad program at U. of California, Berkeley.

Well, one more year till the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, but the Class of '91 always continues to "go for the gold." Keep sending news so I can boast about our classmates. And please note, once again, my new address in Manhattan. ♦ **Melanie Bloom**, 315 E. 85th St., #2C, NYC 10028.

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As I write this column I am in the middle of law school exams, but as you read it, I hope to be sitting by the pool! I hope everyone is having an enjoyable summer. Congratulations to those newly graduated from graduate schools around the country. Please keep us posted on your future plans. (This invitation, of course, extends to everyone.) Speaking of recent graduates,

## Mary, Mary, How Does Your Garden Grow?

Mary Cockram '89, MPS '93



**M**ary Cockram's garden grew high up in the air, as it turned out, and far, far away in St. Petersburg, in Russia.

From April until October of 1993, Cockram was in Russia under the sponsorship of the Center for Citizen Initiatives, a private organization that seeks to foster understanding and cooperation between the United States and the former Soviet Union. She built a garden on the flat roof of the Lengiprovdokhoz Institute of Soil Amelioration and Drainage, to introduce the potential of roof gardens to urban Russia. Using a space of just over 150 square feet, Cockram raised 30 different kinds of flowers and vegetables, including lettuce, beets, cucumbers and beans.

And in a country beset by political turmoil and occasional food shortages, the idea of Cockram's roof garden received wide coverage in Russian newspapers and television. It was a green spot of hope in a country happy to welcome new energy and ideas.

—Paul Cody, MFA '87

**Nicole Cunitz** writes that she, **Mariela Markelis**, and **Vivek Chopra** graduated in May from Georgetown law school. She also noted that **Eric Elbogen** will be attending the law and psychology PhD program at the U. of Nebraska at Lincoln starting this fall, and that **Michele Benton** is still working for Smith Kline Beecham and has recently moved from Poland to England. **Carol MacDonald** wrote from Saipan, which she notes is "a small island about the size of Nantucket," where she has been for the last two years. She is moving this summer to Vietnam to help open a restaurant in Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon), where she will become the food and beverage director. She would love to hear from any visitors who are in her "part of the world."

Another recent law school graduate, **Amy Adams**, e-mailed me from American U. law school, where she and **Robert Leni** received their JDs. She also notes that **David "Chuck" Manson** graduated from U. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill law school, and that **David**

**Wenzel**, who received his MA in communication last year, is now at the U. of Iowa in the Writer's Workshop, working toward his master of fine arts in poetry. Amy also writes that she, along with classmates **Leigh Chandler**, **Kim Huang**, **Melanie Bleyley**, and **Wendy Landman**, attended **Milla Kaminisky's** wedding last September. (Milla is now Milla Krasnopolsky). Leigh works in Boston for a company that does continuing legal education, Wendy is attending New York medical school, and Melanie lives and works in DC. Thanks for the info, Amy!

Some more wedding congratulations are in order. **Dana Aron** writes that she was married to Michael Weiner on June 10. Dana and Michael will be living in Chicago where Dana will continue in Northwestern U. medical school's doctoral program in clinical psychology. **Jennifer Cutler** writes that she and **Jon Cohodas '91** were married Nov. 26, '94. Jennifer and Jon live in Blacksburg, VA, where Jennifer teaches high school English full-time while finishing her



masters in education. Jennifer also adds that **Brian Sagrestano** graduated from Notre Dame law school this year. **Geoffrey Hill** and **Allison Satter '93** were married in New Hampshire in March. Geoffrey is the director of sales and marketing at the Harvey Hotel Co. **Heather Gallagher** and **Jeff Nagel '91** were married in NYC on May 28, '94 and currently live in San Diego, but are planning to return to NYC this summer. Congratulations to all the newlyweds! **Lisa Chin** writes that she, **Cheryl Knopp**, **Andrea DelDuca**, **Danielle DeMaio**, and **Lisa Slow** recently visited Cornell. Lisa notes that they went back to "visit Joe's, the Hot Truck, and **Kenny Potash**, who is attending Cornell Law school." Lisa is working for Nabisco Inc. as a market development manager in New Jersey while attending Stern Business School part-time. Cheryl graduated from Brooklyn law school this spring, and Danielle is working for Price Waterhouse in NYC, having just returned from an overseas assignment in Amsterdam. Andrea is in her second year at Fordham law school, and Lisa is working as a production assistant in NYC.

More on the job front . . . **Michael Rhee** writes that he was appointed by the US Senate last year to the subcommittee on oversight of government management as a Jacob Javits fellow. Michael writes that he "plunged into the work by organizing a contract mismanagement hearing on the Military Sealift Command." **John DeKorte** is a research associate for Easton Consultants in Stamford, CT, **Eva "Alli" Frank** is an assistant account executive with Anderson Lembke in San Francisco, and **David Krein** works for Merrill Lynch in NYC as a senior programmer/analyst for financial systems. **Steven Thomas Ringkob** is a special events coordinator for the Peppermill Hotel Casino in Reno, NV, **Elena Razza** is an actuarial analyst for Kwasha Lipton in Fort Lee, NJ, and **Alex Nussbaum** is a staff writer for the *Pottsville Republican* in Pottsville, PA.

**Joshua Wang** writes that since graduation he has worked a year overseas in Hong Kong, and is currently living in Ann Arbor, MI and working for General Motors Powertrain in Ypsilanti, MI. **Brian Nowicki** is working as a mechanical engineer in Boston, and **Eileen Rappaport** is working for Capezio Handbags in NYC as an account executive handling the Southeast. Eileen reports that she is constantly traveling south, and hanging out with fellow Cornellians in NYC between trips.

Congratulations again to those brides and grooms and graduates. Please keep us up to date on your busy lives. Remember, e-mail is a great way to stay in touch. Enjoy your summers. ♦ **Debbie Feinstein**, 1260 21st St., NW, #109, Washington, DC 20036; telephone (202) 785-5176; e-mail, debf@gwis2.circ.gwu.edu.

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I'm going to jump right in with a plea for News (and Dues). If you noticed that our column seems shorter lately, you're right. There are two reasons for this: one is that we have fewer subscribers now; the other is that we (your class correspondents) don't have much news to



report. So write to us! Send in dues! Encourage your friends to subscribe! Many thanks to **Gregg Paradise** and **Susie Curtis** for most of the news you see here. Gregg has just finished his second year at Fordham law. He is spending the summer working for Kenyon & Kenyon, a patent law firm in New York City. He occasionally gets together with other Cornellians in NYC, including **Rich Gorrio**, an associate editor at Phillips Publishing, and **Erica Fishlin**, who has a new job in strategic planning at Ogilvy and Mather. **Allison Weiss** also got a new job in marketing at *Time*. **Jay Drezner** enjoys working for DMB&B Advertising. He is sharing an apartment with **Rebecca Chapa**, who works at Montrachet, a "trendy downtown restaurant." Rebecca reports that **Cindy Rushmore** runs her own firm doing environmental consulting for hotels. Gregg also heard from **Alicia Alonzo**, who recently visited **Deb Kump** in Hawaii. Deb is a biology teacher and Alicia is working on a PhD at Cal Tech.

Susie reports that **Jan Merrick** is finishing a graduate degree in plant pathology at Michigan State U., while **Adam Byrne** is bird-watching in the Upper Peninsula. **Kathy Wells** works at the zoo in Lincoln, NE. **Susan Winkhart** and **Jose Soliva '94** are in Minnesota. Su is a grad student in public health at U. of Minnesota and Jose works with an architectural firm in Minneapolis. **Kate DeBruin** finished her MEng at Cornell and is now working on a PhD in biomechanics at Duke.

I heard from **Todd Rethemeier**, who was finishing the six-year BS/MBA/MEng program at Cornell. He was looking forward to a job as an associate at Booz Allen & Hamilton in NYC. **Rosa Kim** wrote from southern California, where she is working for Hughes after completing an MS at U. of Southern California. **John Alred** was recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marines while serving at Officer Candidate School, Quantico, VA.

**Allison Satter** married **Geoffrey Hill '92** in New Hampshire. Allison is manager

of corporate accounts at Corporate Lodging Consultants in Wichita. Her new husband is a director of sales and marketing at the Harvey Hotel Co.

Enjoy your summer! I look forward to seeing everyone at Homecoming in the fall. ♦ **Jennifer Evans**, 305 Michelle Lane, Apt. 201, Groton, CT 06340; telephone, (203) 445-1301; e-mail, jevans@gdeb.com.

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At the time of this writing, many of our classmates were breathing a sigh of relief that first-year grad school finals were over. Writes **Tandy O'Donoghue**, "Right now I am looking forward to a summer trip to Europe, which will include a two-week excursion to Italy with one of my favorite members of the Class of '94, **Jennifer Avitabile**. Then it is off to Greece and Ireland for summer school." From her perch at Tulane law school, Tandy also provided the inside scoop on Mardi Gras festivities back in February. She had several Cornellians stay with her, and adds, "We ran into lots of Cornellians at the parties and parades."

It's good to hear that the Class of '94 sticks together. **Lance Casler**, now a business analyst for Toys-R-Us, reports that he is sharing an apartment with two classmates in Weehawken, NJ. Roommate **Andy Abramowitz** is working for Branin Investments, a small Wall Street investment bank, while roommate **Pete Shephard** makes the daily commute to Chemical Bank in Manhattan. The trio often meets up with **Mike Laurenti**, who works in the labor planning department at Toys-R-Us. Lance reports that the toy company recently sent Mike to Paris for a month. Do you guys get free toys, too?

**Trish Wesley** is putting her undergraduate concentrations in plant science and communication to work as an editorial intern and advertising assistant for *Horticulture* magazine. "I'm going to be published for real!" she enthusiastically wrote. "My first official article will appear in *Horticulture* sometime in February or April 1995, complete with illustrations and everything. (Of course, I haven't been paid yet for it.)"

Several of our classmates in the armed services recently completed their initial training and are off, as **Erin Iverson** put it, "keeping our country safe." As of February, she was off to her first duty assignment as an Army second lieutenant in Orlando, FL. She reports that **Kurt Henninger**, same rank, is stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO. **Anne Keith** signed up for the Navy as a surface warfare officer in January, and by now is floating on the high seas. **Steven Conlon** also recently completed training at the Surface Warfare Officers School Command, according to a Navy press release. After doing some work as a political consultant in Upstate New York, **Brian Williams** is serving as an intelligence officer at Goodfellow Air Force Base. Marine 2nd Lt. **Michael Boorstein** has completed training at the Marine Corps Combat Development Command in Quantico, VA. Navy Ens. **Keith Barton** graduated from the Port Hueneme, CA Basic Civil Engineer Corps Officers School in December, and has started a three-year tour at the public works de-



partment of the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA. He reports that **Brandon Bigelow** is in Yokosuka, Japan, serving on the USS *Curtis*, and **Adam Burks** is in Misawa, Japan with the Naval Security Group.

**Geoff Raynak** took a break from working toward a PhD at the U. of Washington Center for Bioengineering to send me an e-mail with a long list of happenings amongst his widely-scattered friends. At Princeton, **Geoff Cowles** is "showing the world how to do fluid dynamics," working toward a PhD. On the opposite coast, **Matt Podolsky** is working on a doctorate in electrical engineering at U. of California, Berkeley. Working folks include **Pete Cirino**, "working as a product manager at Amp Technologies," and **Abhinov Singh**, who is working for Paraetric Technologies in Boston. **Mark Youghouse** is "traveling the world" on behalf of Motorola, having already visited Austin, Chicago, and England in the line of duty. Geoff also writes that he and **Joe Wong** ("catching some rays in San Diego while working for Hewlett-Packard") and **Kris Bolte** ("busy working on her PhD in biomechanics at the U. of Iowa") are planning to converge upon the home of **Tim Simpson** ("studying manufacturing at Georgia Tech") in Atlanta for the 1996 Olympics. He adds that he is quite happy in Seattle: "sailing in Puget Sound, skiing in the Cascades, hiking on the Olympic Peninsula, and the occasional concert pretty much fill up my 'free' time."

After a year of working, several of us have decided to head back to the ivory tower of graduate school. **Glenna Berman** is finishing up her time as a sales analyst at Maidenform in New York City, and should be starting business school full-time at Columbia U. **Elizabeth Klose** is hoping to start graduate school for social work. And I, myself, fit this category, starting at Georgetown Law Center in the fall. Your letters and e-mail would be a welcome break from the grind of studying! ♦ **Dineen Pashoukos**, 5012 45th St., NW, Washington, DC 20016; e-mail, dineen@naicu.edu.

**95** Here it is, summer already, and by now many of us have settled into our new jobs or have been having as much fun as possible before grad/med/law school starts. Amazingly enough, I finally have a job in a management program with Charles River Computers and am living in New York City. So, for all you alums living in the Big Apple—please give me a call or stop by and visit! I'd love to see more familiar faces in this enormous town!

Of course, many of you have already told me that you're in (or will soon be in) NYC—the group includes those working, those trying to find work, and those continuing their educations. Like myself, **Jess Shevitz** is working for a computer consulting firm, Galaxy Systems, where she is involved in human resources. **Harry Surden** is similarly employed, and wondering just what a government major is doing working with computers, anyway. **Claudia Trujillo**, **Beth Camesano**, **Scott Klein**, and **Brad Pulver** all work for Andersen Consulting, and **Heather Zeller** is working as an assistant to the vice presi-

dent of Atlantic Records.

Then there are those Cornellians who said they'd planned on coming to NYC, and since I haven't heard from them since May, I figured I'd mention them in hopes that they will get in touch and let me know whether their plans worked out. **Michael Bergelson** wrote several months ago that he was planning to go to NYC to find work, saying he hoped that "all the Chis in NYC are ready for a couple more." Also, **Caroline Kim** and **Sandra Digilio** said they were looking for jobs or internships in Manhattan, **Holly Plummer** said she planned to work for one of the "Big 6," **John Cokinis** said he planned to work on Wall Street, **Mindy Goodman** had hoped to work as a consultant or financial analyst, **Amy Leitner** wanted to work here for two years before going back to school for her MBA, and **Lisa Perlman** last wrote that she was going to "move to NYC and suffer." So what happened, guys? Are you here?

I also know there are a lot of you attending medical school here in the city, for example, **Melissa Held** at Cornell Medical College. But I'm sure there're many more I didn't know about when I wrote this column in April! So, again, fill me in.

Looking to the other side of the US, **Eric Frew** is at Stanford, **Blythe Westbrook** is working in technical marketing somewhere on the West Coast (although she never said where, exactly), **Teresa Gonzalez** planned to work as an engineer in her hometown of San Diego, **Ara Weiss** wanted to get a job with a Hollywood studio, and, last I heard, **Erik Berkule** was still seeking his fortune out there.

In Oregon is **Daphne Christopher**, who moved there with husband **Filemon "Fil" Gemil '94** shortly after their wedding at the Plantations in April. **Mandy Wagenman '93** wrote to tell me about this, saying that the couple spent their "honeymoon" packing boxes for their big move. She also wrote that it was great to see old friends again, including **Dan Gabay** and **Vicki Tromanhauser**.

Finally, I wanted to share a story I was sent that has nothing whatsoever to do with jobs or where members of the Class of '95 now live, but does carry a message similar to Mandy's. It's a Senior Year Spring Break story from **Erika Frey**, who joined 13 other Cornell students on a trip sponsored by a group called Community Unity. She writes, "We had a 12-hour drive to a small town called Pocahontas, situated in the hills of Southwest Virginia. Two other seniors were on the trip—**Betsy Shea** and **Shana Silverstein**. We worked hard all week restoring the historical landmarks of Pocahontas, which used to be a bustling center for coal-mining. We left Ithaca as strangers and came back as great friends!"

I hope that those of us who may still be strangers, but who are trying to make it on our own in the same city, will soon meet each other and carry on our connection to the Cornell Class of 1995. I wish the best of luck to all of you in your new lives, whether you've just started your job, you're getting married, or you're about to enter another year or two (or more!) of the next level of schooling. Keep me posted! ♦ **Alison Torrillo**, 54 Gannet Dr., Commack, NY 11725.

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# Alumni Deaths

'15—**Merrill A. Fairbank** of Syracuse, NY, Dec. 16, 1994; retired excavating contractor; active in religious affairs.

'18 BA—Irene M. Gibson of Holley, NY, Nov. 17, 1994; retired editor and former teacher of Spanish and French; served in the WAC during World War II; active in community and alumni affairs. [See also page 37, this issue.—Ed.]

'18—**Lynn M. Ripley** of Owasco, NY, Dec. 17, 1994; retired salesman, Hoffman Seed Company, Skaneateles, NY; former salesman, Skaneateles Realty; co-founder and honorary chief, Owasco No. 2 Fire Department; active in community, civic, and religious affairs.

'21—**Winslow Foster** of Henniker, NH, Dec. 22, 1994; retired employee of Jeffrey & Foster, NYC.

'21-22 Grad—**Alfred R. Patthey** of West Hartford, CT, Nov. 26, 1994. Alpha Psi.

'21—**Abraham Toplitt** of North Hollywood, CA, July 31, 1994. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'23—**Jay T. Brooks** of Ithaca, NY, Jan. 8, 1995; retired employee of GLF (now Ag-way), Ithaca; active in religious and community affairs.

'23 MCE—**Norman A. Eager** of Hamilton, Ont., Canada, Nov. 22, 1994; retired president, Burlington Steel Company, Hamilton; former employee of Shawinigan Water & Power Company, Montreal; active in civic and community affairs.

'24—**Francis H. Ludington** of Pelham Manor, NY, Nov. 26, 1994; retired chairman and chief executive officer, Chase Bag Company, New York City. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'24 CE—**Mead Montgomery** of Tucson, AZ, Dec. 16, 1994; former employee of Quaker Oats Company; active in alumni affairs. Zeta Psi.

'26 BS HE—**Beatrice Boyer Beattie** (Mrs. Charles) of Johnson City, NY, formerly of Scarsdale, NY, Dec. 1, 1994; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'26, BA '27—**Rachael Childrey Gross** (Mrs. Richard D.) of Roseville, CA, formerly of Huntingdon Valley, PA, Dec. 16, 1994; retired social worker; active in community and religious affairs; benefactor of the university.

'26-32 SpAg—**Myra Emerson Ryan** (Mrs. Walter F.) of St. Augustine, FL, formerly of Silver Spring, MD, Jan. 4, 1995. Husband, Walter F. Ryan, PhD '37.

'26 BS Ag, PhD '33—**Arthur J. Pratt** of

Ithaca, NY, Dec. 14, 1994; professor emeritus in Department of Vegetable Crops, College of Agriculture & Life Sciences; researcher who developed new varieties of potatoes and specialized growing methods for peppers; former owner/operator of Perry City Farms; author, *Gardening Made Easy* (1955); recipient of many awards, among them the State Honorary Empire Degree from the Future Farmers of America and the Outstanding Professor Award; co-founder of National Junior Vegetable Growers Association; was active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Terrace (Morgan) '31.

'27 BA, JD '29—**Warren M. Caro** of Englewood, NJ, formerly of Norwalk, CT, Jan. 1, 1995; retired executive, The Shubert Organization, NYC; former executive director, Theatre Guild-American Theatre Society; a founder New York chapter, Academy of Television Arts & Sciences; was advisor to the National Cultural Center (now Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts), Washington, DC; and formerly chaired the American Academy of Dramatic Arts; recipient of two Tony awards for service to the theatrical industry; active in professional and alumni affairs. Pi Lambda Phi.

'27 BA, MD '31—**William H. Cassebaum** of Englewood, NJ and Nantucket, MA, Nov. 19, 1994; retired physician, former medical director of Rockefeller Center Inc., New York City, former trustee and director of surgery, New York Polyclinic Hospital; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'27 BA—**Howard V. Conkey** of Tequesta, FL, December 11, 1994. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'27, BS Ag '38—**Edward S. Hancock, Jr.** of Sanitaria Springs, NY, Nov. 12, 1994.

'28, BA '29—**Foster J. Datri** of Osprey, FL, formerly of Bridgewater, NJ, Nov. 27, 1994.

'28 BS Ag—**Claude E. Heit** of Geneva, NY, Nov. 19, 1994; retired seed technologist at Cornell's Geneva Agricultural Experiment Station; author or co-author of 160 publications on seed testing and propagation; active in community, religious, and professional affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'29 ME—**Henry Gichner** of Chevy Chase, MD, formerly of Washington, DC, Dec. 29, 1994; retired president, F. S. Gichner Iron Works, Inc., Beltsville, MD; founding member and former chair, Greater Washington Industrial Council; former chair, DC Recreation Board; active in civic, religious, community, and alumni affairs; benefactor of the university. Beta Sigma Rho. Wife, Isabelle

(Saloman) '29.

'29 BS HE—**Constance E. LaBagh** of Venice, FL, Nov. 27, 1994; retired social worker, Middletown Hospital, Middletown, NY.

'30, BA '31—**Howard O. Aigeltinger** of Tyler, TX, Dec. 14, 1994; retired pilot, Eastern Airlines; active in alumni affairs. Chi Phi. [See also page 39, this issue.—Ed.]

'30 EE—**Robert E. Conrath** of San Francisco, CA, Dec. 30, 1994; retired vice president of sales, AT&T; former president, United Nations Association; active in religious and community affairs; benefactor of the university. Lambda Chi Alpha. Wife, Dora (Wagner) '30.

'30 PhD—**Max H. Fisch** of Los Angeles, CA, formerly of Indianapolis, IN, Jan. 6, 1995; retired professor of philosophy, Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis; editor and author of several books, including *Pragmatism: Essays by Max H. Fisch* and *The Autobiography of Giambattista Vico*, which he translated from the Italian.

'31 BA—**Katherine Reed Ganzenmuller** of New York City, Dec. 29, 1994.

'31 MA—**J. Theodore Hughes** of Rhinebeck, NY, Dec. 18, 1994; retired educational consultant for the State of Iowa; former administrator and faculty member, Parson's College, Fairfield, IA; former dean, Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, PA; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'31 MD—**Alfred Lilienfeld** of New York City, Jan. 7, 1995; psychiatrist in private practice; former associate clinical professor in psychiatry, New York University Medical Center.

'31, BS Ag '32—**John D. Warner** of Sun City Center, FL, Aug. 28, 1994. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'32 CE—**Arthur W. Eustance** of Pine Bush, NY, Dec. 10, 1994; professional engineer and land surveyor; charter member and past president, Circleville Fire Company; active in religious, community, and professional affairs.

'32-41 Grad—**William A. Higinbotham** of Gainesville, GA, formerly of Bellport, NY, Nov. 10, 1994; senior physicist and consultant, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island, NY; former group leader in electronics for the Manhattan Project, Los Alamos, NM; leading advocate for the control of nuclear weapons who helped found the Federation of American Scientists, an arms-control organization; inventor credited with more than 20 patents on electronic circuits.



'32 MS—Robert B. Whittredge of Naples, FL, Sept. 5, 1994.

'33 BA—Francis M. Kegel of Flushing, NY, Dec. 22, 1994; retired teacher of English and department chair, Forest Hills High School, Flushing; former examiner, Board of Education.

'33—Elizabeth Lockhart Engdahl of Mill Valley, CA, formerly of Washington, DC, Dec. 16, 1994; retired head of field operations division of visa office, US State Department; former Foreign Service officer who served in Shanghai, Teheran, Paris, and Vienna; active in professional affairs.

'33 BS Ag—Daniel A. Paddock of Gettysburg, PA, Nov. 8, 1994; retired farmer and county supervisor, Farmers Home Administration.

'33-34 SpAg—Katherine Wicks Bagen-sie (Mrs. Frank) of Malverne, PA, Jan. 3, 1995; active in community affairs.

'34 BA—Jerome Brock of Buffalo, NY, Dec. 23, 1994; retired businessman and owner, Max Brock Co. Inc. and Buffalo Bale, Tie, & Wire Co., Buffalo; active in community and religious affairs.

'34 BA, LLB '37—John R. Carver of Big Flats, NY, Nov. 15, 1994; former senior vice president, Allegheny Airlines; benefactor of the university. Psi Upsilon.

'34—Charles B. Knowles of Cleveland, OH, Nov. 4, 1994. Delta Tau Delta.

'34, BS Ag '36—Elmer L. Olsen of Edmonds, WA, Dec. 29, 1994; active in community affairs.

'35 BA—Mildred Evans Jeffery (Mrs. Earle F.) of Utica, NY, Dec. 4, 1994; former mathematics teacher, Whitesboro Central School District; active in religious, community, and alumni affairs.

'35, BArch '36—Roscoe W. Marshall of Sea Island, GA, Jan. 15, 1995; retired architect.

'35 BA—Frances Weil Reid (Mrs. Edward N.) of New Hartford, NY, Nov. 6, 1994; retired schoolteacher, Depew and Williams-ville, NY school districts; active in religious, community, and alumni affairs.

'35 BS Hotel—M. Mack Weiner of Livingston Manor, NY, Sept. 18, 1994; owner, Monticello Travel Service, Monticello, NY. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'36 BA, MD '40—Alvin M. Cahan of Brookline, MA, Nov. 25, 1994; physician and inventor who held several patents.

'37 BS Ag, MS '48—Hollis R. Davis of Melbourne, FL, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Jan. 13, 1995; professor emeritus in agricultural engineering at Cornell; active in civic, professional, and alumni affairs. Wife, Margaret (Sullivan) '38.

'37 BS Ag, PhD '53—Clifton W. Loomis

of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 2, 1994; professor emeritus of farm management in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell, where he retired in 1975; active in alumni affairs.

'38, BA '39—Roberta Sumner Cutler (Mrs. John H.) of Duxbury, MA, Jan. 11, 1995; editor, the *Duxbury Clipper*; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'39 EE, MEE '49—Nelson H. Bryant of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 22, 1994; professor emeritus of electrical engineering at Cornell; consultant with Powers Manufacturing Company, Elmira and Ironics Inc., Ithaca; co-author of the popular text *Electrical Engineering: Theory and Practice*; active in community and alumni affairs.

'39 MD—Frederick J. Knocke of Troy, MI, Nov. 13, 1994; retired president, chief executive officer, and orthopedic director, Hunterdon Medical Center; former president, New Jersey Orthopedic Society; co-author of *Orthopedic Nursing* (1951); active in professional and community affairs.

'39 BS HE—Helen Doughty Lamb (Mrs. William H.) of Lafayette, NY, formerly of Greene, NY, Nov. 7, 1994.

'39 BA—William H. North of Shaker Heights, OH, Nov. 15, 1994; retired president, Ferry Cap & Set Screw Company, Cleveland, OH; active in professional, civic, and community affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'39-40 SpAg—Harry Petersen of Johnstown, NY, Dec. 8, 1994.

'40 BS Ag—Charles H. Byrne of Bluff Point, NY, Dec. 28, 1994; retired employee of General Foods Company, Tarrytown, NY; holder of several patents on frozen food processes; active in religious, community, and civic affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'40 BA—Robert W. Caldwell of Chapel Hill, NC, formerly of Falls Church, VA, Dec. 20, 1994; retired administrator, US Foreign Service, Washington, DC; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Delta Rho.

'40—J. Kraft Vorreuter of Auburn, NY, Nov. 24, 1994; president, Julius Kraft Company Inc., Auburn; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'41 BS Hotel—George H. Becker, Jr. of Fayetteville, NY, Jan. 14, 1995; retired accountant and partner, Peat Marwick Mitchell, Syracuse, NY; active in religious, civic, community, and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Tau. Wife, Harriet (Howell) '41.

'41 BA—Joseph S. Hilbert of West Hartford, CT, Jan. 4, 1995; retired teacher of Latin and French, Weaver and Hartford school systems; former coordinator of foreign languages, Hartford High School; active in professional, religious, community, and alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'41 PhD—Earl G. Planty of Boca Raton, FL, Dec. 19, 1994; founder and director,

Senior Seminars in General Management, Bloomington, IL; former dean, College of Business Administration, Haile Salassie I University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; professor emeritus of commerce and business administration, University of Illinois; author of books and articles on training and management; active in professional affairs. Wife, Marjorie (Shaver) '35.

'42 BA—Glenn M. Hedrick of San Antonio, TX, Dec. 12, 1994; retired supervisor, Braniff Airlines; assisted in opening airline bureaus in Cuba, Panama, and Bolivia.

'43 BS Ag—George M. Holliday of North Springfield, PA, Jan. 14, 1995; owner and manager, Hollidays' Crooked Creek Farm, North Springfield; active in community affairs. Wife, Sigrid (Henley) '44.

'43 MA—Z. Eleanor Horn of Rydal, PA, formerly of Plainfield, NJ, Dec. 14, 1994; retired teacher, Plainfield High School; active in religious affairs.

'43 BS HE—Mary Lou McCutcheon Milburn (Mrs. Richard W.) of Middletown, NY, Dec. 22, 1994; retired dietary director, Horton Memorial Hospital, Middletown; active in religious, civic, and community affairs.

'43 DVM—Donald C. McKown of Unadilla, NY and Winter Haven, FL, Jan. 6, 1995; practicing veterinarian, Unadilla; former town supervisor, Town of Sidney, NY; named Man of the Year in 1989 by Delaware County Chamber of Commerce; active in professional, religious, and civic affairs. Alpha Psi.

'44, BEE '43—Richard L. Best of Wayland, MA, Nov. 9, 1994; retired chief engineer, Digital Equipment Corp., Maynard, MA; active in community and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Tau.

'44 PhD—William Montagna of Beaverton, OR, Nov. 16, 1994; retired director, Oregon Regional Primate Research Center, Hillsboro; author of more than 30 books on topics ranging from the biology of skin to the study of primates; winner of several science and humanitarian awards; active in community affairs.

'45, '44 BA—Eugene Lessere of Farmington, CT, Nov. 28, 1994; president of Eugene Lessere Company Inc., Farmington.

'46 BA, MD '51—Donn R. Quinn of Allentown, PA, formerly of Easton, PA, Jan. 16, 1995; physician in private practice, Caston, PA. Wife, Kathryn (Hiscox) '47.

'47, BS HE '46—Patricia Allen MacDonald (Mrs. James F.) of East Falmouth, MA, Dec. 15, 1994; retired schoolteacher, Norwell. Delta Delta Delta.

'46, BA '47, MS '53—James M. Hartshorne of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 17, 1994; founder of Finger Lakes Runners' Club and Finger Lakes Cycling Club; major promoter of masters track and field competition in the Northeast; organizer of many local sporting



events, such as the Ithaca to Marathon Run, the Cayuga Lake Bicycle Tour, and the Masters' Mile (now called the Hartshorne Mile in his honor) held every winter in Barton Hall.

'47 BArch—Walter P. McQuade Jr. of Great Neck, Long Island, Dec. 26, 1994; editor and writer, *Fortune* magazine; former staff member, *The Architectural Forum*; former member of New York City Planning Commission; author of several books, including *A City Fit To Live In* (1971) and *Architecture In the Real World* (1985); awarded the gold medal for architecture criticism by the American Institute of Architects. Wife, Ann (Aikman) '49.

'47 BA—Mary E. Noonan of Stow, OH, Dec. 24, 1994; retired employee of Good-year Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, OH; active in religious and community affairs.

'48 PhD—Charles O. Fitzwater of Chevy Chase, MD, Nov. 21, 1994; retired branch chief, US Office of Education, Washington, DC.

'48 B ChemE—Ransom Hammond of Ogdensburg, NY, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Jan. 15, 1995; retired pastor, First Congregational Church UCC, Ogdensburg; former pastor, First Congregational Church of Ithaca. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'48—Pierre K. Plantinga of Longmont, CO, March 9, 1994; computer programmer, IBM Corporation, Boulder, CO. Delta Phi.

'48 MD—David E. Rogers of Princeton, NJ, Dec. 5, 1994; Walsh McDermott university professor of medicine, Cornell Medical College; vice chairman, National Commission on AIDS; senior advisor, New York Academy of Medicine; former president, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; leading advocate for AIDS research and programs to benefit the disadvantaged and improve the delivery of health care; recipient of the Greater New York Hospital Association's Lifetime Achievement Award.

'49 BS Ag—Charles L. Bernstein of Woodridge, NY, Dec. 7, 1994.

'49 MA, PhD '53—Dorothy E. Grosser of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 9, 1994; retired head of Romance Language catalog section, Cornell University Libraries; former librarian, Columbia University.

'50 BS Ag—Richard C. Corwith of Water Mill, NY, Jan. 8, 1995; owner and manager, Corwith Farms Inc. Wife, Marilyn (Palmer) '52.

'50 BCE—William G. LePard of West Chester, PA, formerly of Ardmore, PA, Sept. 13, 1994.

'51 BS Ag—Wesley Engst of Aurora, NY, Nov. 23, 1994; owner and operator, Frogmore Dairy Farm; active in professional and community affairs.

'52 MNS—Carl Monder of Teaneck, NJ, Jan. 5, 1995; senior researcher, Population

Council Center for Biomedical Research, Manhattan; adjunct professor in pediatric biochemistry, Cornell Medical College; active in professional affairs.

'52 BS—Harold E. Singer of North Syracuse, NY, Nov. 27, 1994; retired manager, NY State Job Service, Oswego; former personnel manager, Continental Can Company; active in community and religious affairs.

'53 BA—Frank W. Conti of Glenside, PA, Jan. 10, 1995; director of food service, Wood Company and Twining Village Retirement Community, Holland, PA; former owner and manager of several Philadelphia restaurants; active in civic and religious affairs. Sigma Pi.

'53 BS Eng—Henry Robinson of Coral Gables, FL, formerly of Akron, OH, Jan. 2, 1995; self-employed certified public accountant, Miami, FL; former vice president and director, Robinson Clay Product Company, Akron. Chi Phi.

'54 BA—A. James Hall Jr. of Kensington, MD, formerly of Wyandotte, OK, Nov. 25, 1994; retired executive with King Press Corporation, Joplin, MO; formerly employed by Web Press Corporation, Seattle, WA.

'54 BS Ag—Lewis J. Jansen of Trumansburg, NY, Dec. 31, 1994; retired employee, Cornell Steam Plant Facility; active in civic affairs.

'55 DVM—Frederick M. Holmes of Cazenovia, NY, Dec. 5, 1994; veterinarian and owner, Cazenovia Animal Hospital; served on board of examiners of the Veterinary College at Cornell; active in professional and community affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'57 JD—Robert R. Hrabchak of Watertown, NY, Jan. 13, 1995; partner, Hrabchak & Gebo, Watertown; former partner, Quimby Gosier & Hrabchak.

'58 PhD—Dana C. Goodrich, Jr. of Melbourne, FL, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 10, 1994; professor emeritus of marketing, Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell.

'59 BA, MBA '65—Robert D. Stubblebine of Concord, MA, Nov. 21, 1994; president, Stubblebine Company, Concord; founder of Real Estate Collaborative, Wellesley; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Delta Phi.

'60 BA—Kathleen Walls Horelick (Mrs. Brindell) of Baltimore, MD, Nov. 12, 1994.

'62 MRP—George A. Ferguson of Ft. Myers, FL, Oct. 5, 1994.

'64—Dena B. Rapoport of West Buxton, ME, formerly of Chittenden, NY, Jan. 13, 1995; paralegal, Portland, ME; active in religious affairs.

'68—Larry B. Davis of Hector, NY, Feb. 15, 1995; officer, Cornell University Department of Public Safety.

'69 BS Ag—Gregory G. Pogson of Ithaca,

NY, Jan. 3, 1995; schoolteacher, Ithaca City School District; self-employed accountant; former vice president, Cortland Line Company; active in community affairs. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'71 JD—Gordon L. Rashman Jr. of Buffalo, NY, Nov. 15, 1994; former president, L. L. Berger Inc., Buffalo; member of board of directors, Planned Parenthood of Buffalo and Erie County; active in community and professional affairs.

'74 BA—Nathaniel Blandon of Danville, VA, Dec. 30, 1994; pharmacy technician, Children's Hospital, Washington, DC; active in professional and community affairs.

'74 BA—Garrick L. Kwok of Cupertino, CA, formerly of San Jose, Dec. 7, 1994; marketing manager, Lanquest Group, San Jose; former manager, Software Connections, Inc., Santa Clara, CA.

'74 PhD—Dennis E. Peacock of Kirksville, MO, formerly of Chicago, IL, Dec. 22, 1994; director of assessment and testing, Northwest Missouri State University, Kirksville; former dean of Graduate College and director of institutional research, Columbia College, Chicago; active in professional affairs.

'77 BA, MA '80—Elizabeth M. Rose (Mrs. James K. McKnight) of King Ferry, NY, Dec. 25, 1994; owner and operator, Backbone Hill Farm, King Ferry; active in community affairs. Husband, James K. McKnight '77.

'81—Jane Rickman Wright of Dryden, NY, Dec. 8, 1994; self-employed computer consultant; active in community affairs.

'86 BS Ag—Susan Samson Marash (Mrs. Kenneth T.) of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 14, 1994; assistant to director of women's programs in Engineering at Cornell; co-founder of Ghostwriters Inc., Ithaca; former public information specialist, New York State Integrated Pest Management Program; published writer and poet. Husband, Kenneth T. Marash '72.

'87 BS Ag—Moirra C. O'Neill of Warsaw, NY, Dec. 24, 1994; staff writer, *Western New Yorker*, Warsaw; active in community and religious affairs.

'87 BS, BA '90—Pamela A. Richardson of Nashville, TN, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Nov. 19, 1994; graduate student, Vanderbilt University's nursing school. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'90 PhD—Deborah J. Robertson of Virginia Beach, VA, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 19, 1994; owner and president, Robertson Sensor Technologies Inc., Ithaca.

'93 BS Eng—David H. Liu of San Jose, CA, formerly of Phoenix, AZ, Nov. 13, 1994; product designer, Studio Red, Redwood City, CA; graduate student in engineering product design, on leave from Stanford University.



# The Hope of Tomorrow

In late April the trees were coming into leaf in New York City's Central Park, and in the loft apartment of Peter Yarrow '59, near the west side of the park, hope was in full flower. More than 100 alumni and friends of the university gathered in the folksinger's home for a Tuesday evening of supper and song to benefit the New York City HOPE Scholarship, which stands for Help and Opportunity in Public Education. The scholarship endowment provides assistance to Cornell students who are graduates of New York City public schools and whose families are struggling financially.

"In a world of violence and hatred," Yarrow told the gathering, "this is one of those times when we can, in the words of the song, 'Weave the hope of a new tomorrow out of the falling rain.'"

Alice Katz Berglas '66, scholarship chair of the Cornell Club-New York, co-sponsor of the event, told of arriving at Cornell in a time when there were still curfews for women students and leaving four years later in blue jeans. "It was a time of great change," Berglas said. She noted that one of the biggest changes at the university in recent decades has been the more diverse spectrum of students able to attend Cornell, regardless of their financial need.

Vice President for Student and Academic Services Susan H. Murphy '73, PhD '94 told the gathering a story about Paul Brenner, a trustee of the Louis Calder Foundation. While visiting Ithaca with his son, who was applying to Cornell, Brenner was struck by a newspaper account of the

Cornell Trustees' reaffirmation of its need-blind admissions policy. Brenner got in touch with Murphy, and the Calder Foundation has since pledged \$1 for every \$2 the university raises for the HOPE scholarship. Thus far, the Calder Foundation has provided more than \$500,000 in scholarship money to Cornell.

Richard Marin '75 established an endowed scholarship in his parents' names, Ludmilla (Uher) '37 and Irving Jenkins '37, and another scholarship will be named in honor of Yarrow's mother, Vera, who was a public school teacher in New York City for 30 years. In all, donations and ticket sales for the evening of Supper and Song raised \$125,000 for the HOPE scholarship.

"A few years ago," says Katy Noonan '81, the university's director of student aid development and stewardship, "we realized we had some 1,300 New York City students enroll at Cornell each year, and we discovered that about 200 of those students, kids who were accepted to the university because of their great promise, might not be able to attend because their families had a very low income. To go from, say, a New York City public housing project to a place like Cornell was a great leap. And the HOPE scholarship makes that jour-

ney possible."

After a buffet dinner, Peter Yarrow stood on a chair in front of his living room fireplace, and for more than an hour, regaled his audience with songs. Yarrow, who is celebrating his 35th year with the folk trio Peter, Paul & Mary, sang "Puff the Magic Dragon," which he recalled writing, in part, while still an undergraduate in Ithaca. "I waited on tables to help get through college, and sang in Goldwin Smith," Yarrow remembered. "And I'm honored to be again with so many Cornellians tonight."

Many of his guests had gray hair and looked like they would be more at home on Wall Street than a Greenwich Village coffeehouse, but the sound of Yarrow's voice and guitar rose and filled his apartment, and most people in the room sang and seemed to know all the words—to "Blowin' in the Wind" and "If I Had a Hammer," to a medley of spirituals and, finally, to "We Shall Overcome."

"My mother," Yarrow said, "was a progressive with a capital P. She believed deeply in the possibility of a more just society. She died four years ago, at the age of 89, but I know that she would have enjoyed a night like this."

—Paul Cody, MFA '87



PHILIPPE CHENG

Peter Yarrow '59 in his New York City apartment.



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July 30. Sixth annual summer send-off for the Class of 1999 at Bear Brook State Park, Allenstown, NH, 2-5 p.m. Call Chandler Burpee (603) 497-2059 or Nancy Law (607) 255-3517. CC/New Hampshire.

July 30. Send-off picnic for alumni, entering freshmen, current students and their families. Details to be announced. Call Rik Clark (508) 428-5262 or Nancy Law (607) 255-3517. CC/Cape Cod.

August 5. Summer send-off picnic 1-3 p.m. at Shelburne Farms, Shelburne, VT. Rain space in the Coach Barn. Tentative evening plans include a Mozart festival concert after the picnic. Call Kevin O'Donnell (802) 985-8498 or Nancy Law (607) 255-3517. CC/Vermont.

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August 19. *The King and I* Saturday matinee at Broadway Palm dinner theatre. Call Christina Lurvey (813) 495-8576 or Nancy Law (607) 255-3517. CAA/Southwest Florida.

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July 22. The annual splash—a casual picnic for alumni, family and friends to send off entering freshmen. Call Steve Kane (708) 984-2124 or Kathy Nelsen (607) 255-3516. CC/Chicago.

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## AUTHORS

# Critic Taubman Saw it All

*Horowitz handling hamburgers; Fontanne hemming hankies*

**H**oward Taubman '29 has given the university a cache of rare music scores gathered from his years as a music and theater critic for the *New York Times*. Some of the encounters and adventures which produced such memorabilia, and a rich gallery of impressions, are shared in his recent book, *The Pleasure of Their Company* (Amadeus Press). Discarding his critic's mantle, the now-retired journalist remembers the people who remain vivid from his 42 years as a critic.

Among them are people few have heard of, for example music editor Will Chase, the unassuming eccentric who was Taubman's first mentor at the *Times*. The career which took a young Cornellian to every great music center of the world as the ear of the *Times* had its beginnings under the tutelage of this New Hampshire gentleman farmer. Chase, an old-style newspaperman who knew the Metropolitan Opera ushers as well as he knew its impresarios, kept his heart in the White Mountains. His family property there was a haven to many artists and refugees from big-city noise and stress.

Taubman's book, however, is anything but an "I Was There" autobiography. Even in recording the years of World War II, which Taubman experienced as a draftee, the focus remains on relationships and personalities: the Hindu lion-tamer in his training group, small-minded officers and large-minded generals, the irrepressible Mama Mia in the kitchen of a Naples billet. He draws word portraits which lodge in the memory.

At Cornell, Taubman studied English, not music. But growing up in New York City he knew the way to the 25-cent seats for New York Philharmonic concerts at Lewisohn Stadium, and was hardly a musical illiterate when Will

Chase took him on. There were Carnegie Hall debuts to cover, and seasons at the old Metropolitan Opera. There were arts features to write for the *Times Sunday Magazine* and other periodicals. Over the years his beat expanded to more great cities: Bayreuth, Belgium's Festival Mondiale, Salzburg—all of them feeding his appetite and sharpening his criticism as artists came and went.

Reminiscence permits what reporting must exclude: the periphery of a visit, the color of hospitality, the infinite variety of human response. To be sure, the pleasure, the fun, of people's company was not necessarily a constant—and always there was the unexpected.

To read him on Casals and Marian



Anderson is to be clear that the music world is Taubman's first love, though his years as theater critic produced their share of memories. He identified the greats and the not-so-greats on stage, but kept the journalistically-necessary distance from his subjects. The reminiscences finally are more concerned with developments than with accomplishments. If

his reviews either built or damaged stage careers, the evidence is not here. Possibly his greatest contribution to the area of theater arts was as adviser to Exxon in bringing "Great Performances" to the vast audiences of the television screen.

Hardly a chronological account, these reminiscences are like a long chat shared, as names emerge from the author's memory. The worlds of the orchestra maestro and the theater director are similar, but as different as the personalities which inhabit them. While it's true that a representative of the *New York Times* approaches any assignment with an advantage, it takes a special writer to emerge with anecdotes of the racetrack, of Horowitz handling a hamburger at Shea Stadium, of Lynn Fon-

tanne hemming handkerchiefs.

From Richard Burton to Laurence Olivier, from Heifetz to Toscanini, Taubman's *The Pleasure of Their Company* moves effortlessly among some of the great performers and performances of nearly half a century. The language may be that of a journalist, but the portraits are those of an unusually gifted and generous observer.

—Beatrice MacLeod



## Recently published

**The Way of Strategy** by William A. Levinson, MS '81, ME Ch '82 (ASQC Quality Press). Strategies for applying military principles to business management.

**Sloss Furnaces and the Rise of the Birmingham District: An Industrial Epic** by W. David Lewis, PhD '61 (University of Alabama Press). A history of the steel industry in Birmingham, Alabama, and its effect on the lives of the city's workers and residents.

**Low-Fat Living for Real People** by Linda Rosenwald Levy '63 and Francine Grabowski (Lake Isle Press). An easy-to-use guide to low-fat eating.

**Clinical Manual of Psychiatric Diagnosis and Treatment: A Biopsychosocial Approach** by Ronald W. Pies '74, MD (American Psychiatric Press, Inc.). Addresses the major issues psychiatrists encounter in clinical practice.

**Healing Tuberculosis in the Woods: Medicine and Science at the End of the Nineteenth Century** by David L. Ellison '56, BA '57 (Greenwood Publishing Group). Using the career of Edward Livingston Trudeau, a leader in the American crusade against tuberculosis, Ellison examines the development of medical science as a human process.

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**John P. White '59**, who was recommended to President Clinton for the position of deputy defense secretary by defense secretary William Perry. White was director of the Center for Business and Government at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

**A.R. Ammons**, the Goldwin Smith Professor of Poetry, who won the 1995 Ruth Lilly Poetry Prize. The prize is sponsored annually by *Poetry Magazine* and comes with a \$75,000 award to "honor a United States poet whose accomplishments warrant extraordinary recognition."

**Gilbert A. Rosenthal '77**, an architect with Wallace Roberts & Todd, whose design project, a master plan for the redevelopment of the Richard Allen Homes public housing development in North Philadelphia won a citation in *Progressive Architecture* magazine's 42nd annual design competition.

**Stefan Goedecker**, a post-doctoral associate and researcher at Cornell's Theory Center, who was awarded the 1994 Gordon Bell Prize in large-scale scientific computing from the International Electronics and Electrical Engineers Computer society. The prize recognizes achievements in the application of supercomputers to scientific and engineering problems.

**Stephen B. Silverman '84**, who was named deputy assistant to the president for cabinet affairs by President Clinton's chief of staff, Leon Panetta.

**Elaine S. Povich '75**, Capitol Hill correspondent for the *Chicago Tribune*, who won the \$5,000 Everett McKinley Dirksen award for distinguished reporting of Congress, given by the Dirksen Congressional Center. Povich's winning articles focused on congressional action in health care reform.

**Paul F. Cole**, University Trustee, who was named by President Clinton to the national skills standards board. Cole is the secretary-treasurer of the 2.3-million member AFL-CIO.

**Ronald G. Ehrenberg**, the Irving M. Ives Professor of Industrial and Labor Rela-

tions, who was named acting vice president for academic programs and planning by Provost Malden C. Nesheim, PhD '59.

**Brian Finch '97**, who won the top prize of \$500 in Hum Ec's annual Elsie Van Buren Rice public speaking contest.

**Chris Zingo '94**, who signed a contract to play with the Shreveport Pirates in the Canadian Football League. A linebacker, Zingo holds the Cornell career record of 512 tackles.

The **Cornell Asian Alumni Association** (CAAA), which raised \$7,500 at its annual Lunar New Year Banquet for the Benson P. Lee Tradition Fellowship. Lee '63 is a university trustee.

**Jeffrey Marcus '95**, who is a recipient of a Winston Churchill Foundation scholarship to Cambridge University. Marcus will pursue a master of philosophy degree in genetics.

**Steven Segaloff '92**, the coxswain in the men's heavyweight crew which won a gold medal at the Pan American Games in Argentina in March.

**M. Arthur Gensler Jr. '58**, who was named Cornell's 1995 Entrepreneur of the Year. In 1965 Gensler founded a small design firm that has grown into Gensler and Associates, in San Francisco, which employs 650 people.

Former President **Frank H.T. Rhodes**, for whom the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation established the Frank H.T. Rhodes professorship in environmental science in the Arts college. As president, Rhodes oversaw a number of initiatives directed at furthering and strengthening the study of environmental science at Cornell, including the establishment in 1991 of the Cornell Center for the Environment.

Prof. **Norman T. Uphoff**, director of Cornell's International Institute for Food, Agriculture and Development, who was awarded the 1994 Founder's Prize by the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics. Uphoff was recognized for integrating "work in the natural sciences with that in the social sciences," according to the prize committee.



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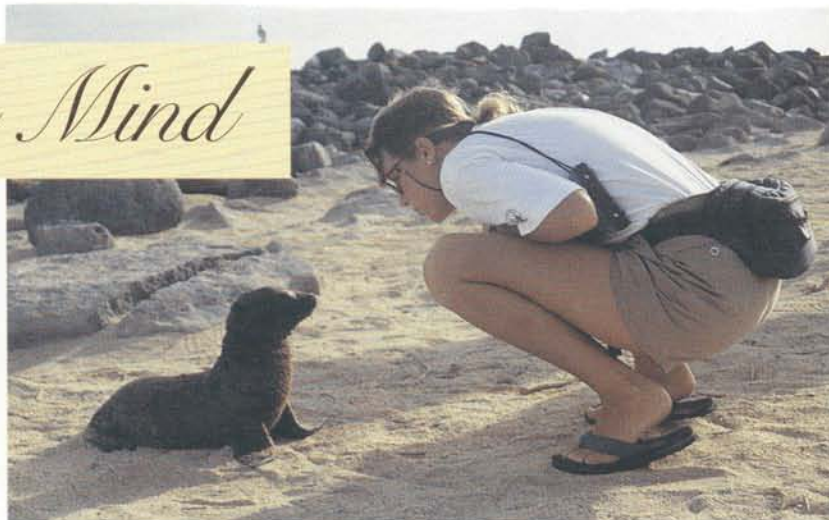
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