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Stevens on November 16 and has done the same for all other concerned alumni. I hope that Dr. Stevens and all alumni will share in the pride of the Medical college's accomplishments in its second century.

*John J. Caronna, MD '65
President, Cornell University Weill
Medical College Alumni Association*

I WAS DUMBFOUNDED BY THE LETTER in which Alexander Stevens criticized the renaming of the Medical college in honor of the largest gift Cornell has ever received. I can hardly imagine Ezra Cornell, who founded the university with a gift of \$500,000, calling the university by any other name. Nor can I imagine John Harvard, Buck Duke, or Leland Stanford naming the universities they founded any other name.

Institutions of higher learning have named buildings, libraries, and endowed professorships for the people who, through their generosity, have helped the institutions maintain their high levels of education and research. An example of a fine medical school doing this is that of the University of Chicago, which twenty years ago was renamed the Pritzker Medical College. The only way Cornell's Medical college can maintain its prestige as a leading educational and research center is by the support of loyal and generous alumni and friends. I take my hat off to Joanie and Sandy Weill.

*Jay D. Hyman '55, DVM '57
Delray Beach, Florida*

ON TOLERATION

THOUGH PRESIDENT RAWLINGS HAS claimed that racially motivated harassment is "totally intolerable" (From the Hill, January/February 1999), there have been two instances recently when a whole edition of the *Cornell Review*, a student newspaper known as the conservative voice on campus, has been stolen and burned by minority activists while administration officials stood by and took no action. Evidently, at Cornell, racial harassment can only come from the right. When minority groups destroy property and disrupt campus life, that's "tolerable"? It wasn't when I was in school.

*Richard Reade '51
Setauket, New York*

ON BEEBE LAKE

"NO MAN IS AN ISLAND," BUT THE ONE in Beebe Lake honors one. What your article called the "yet to be named" island at the eastern extreme of Beebe Lake has been named Werly Island for many years ("The Best Place by a Dam Site," January/February 1999). Cornell Plantations, which manages the lake, named the island in honor of Charles M. Werly '27. Mr. Werly, who lives in Duxbury, Massachusetts, is the brother of two Cornellians, the father of Jane E. Werly '59, and a longtime supporter of the Plantations and athletics.

*Dorothy Reddington
Cornell Plantations*

I WAS PLEASED TO SEE GOULD Colman's article on the history of Beebe Lake and particularly his mention of the old Cornell terms for local movie theaters: the Near (Strand), the Far (State), and the Armpit (Temple). A form of this usage became codified in the 1960s when Flick Reports delivered by pledges became standard routine at the Deke house. Thus, we had the Near Near (Strand Theater, 310 East State), the Far Near (Temple Theater, 114-116 West Seneca), the Near Far (State Theater, 109 West State), the Far Far (Ithaca Theater, 413 West State), and the Way Out (Cinema Theater, Tripphammer Shopping Plaza), all distances being measured from the lodge of Delta Kappa Epsilon at 13 South Avenue.

The hastily memorized Flick Report was delivered by a pledge to the brotherhood during the dessert course of the evening meal. This recital detailed the name of each theater, using the above terminology, the title of the main attraction, the names of the principal stars, the curtain time, and the pledge's assessment of the movie on a scale of one bell (inferior) to four (outstanding). A "four count 'em four bells" rating was unusual as, by custom, the entire brotherhood was obliged to attend the feature that very night.

*H. William Fogle, Jr. '70
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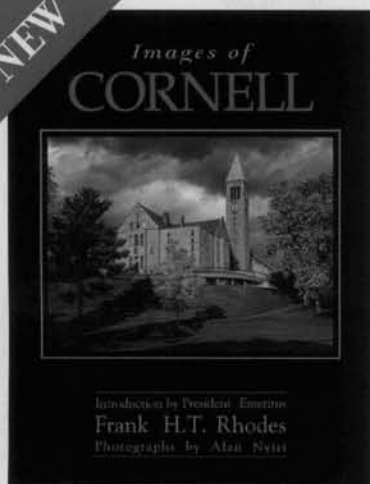
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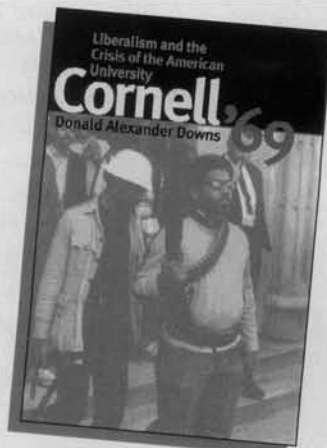
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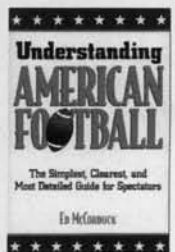
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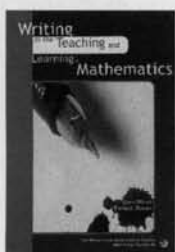
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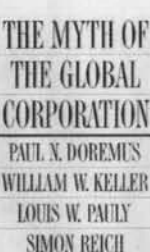
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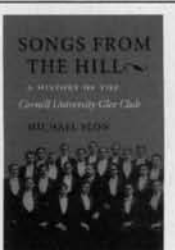
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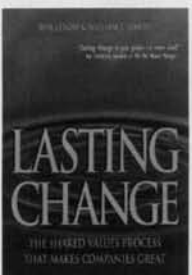


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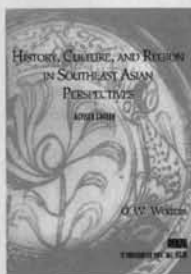
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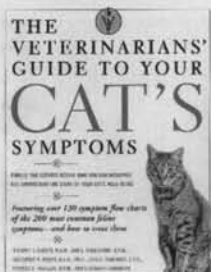
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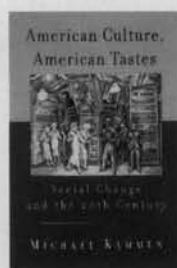
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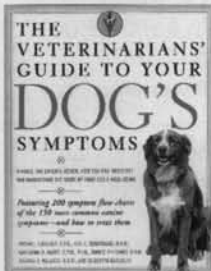
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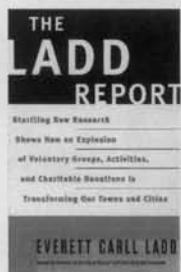
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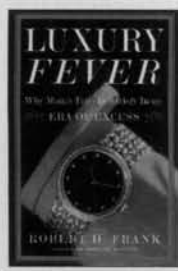
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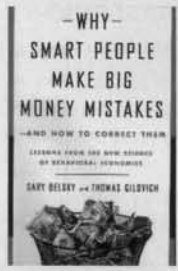
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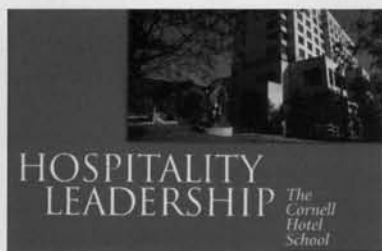


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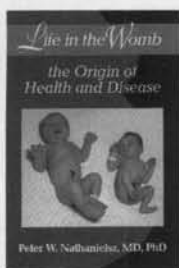


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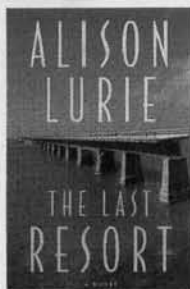


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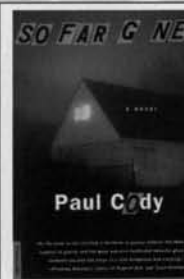
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KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN

Linda Rayor likes teaching. She seems fond of her husband. But

she's simply mad about spiders. "Look at this cutie," the entomology instructor says, leaning down to admire a

green-blue bottle in a glass case. "Is this a pretty spider, or what?" She moves on to a Chilean rosehair, then a Mexican redrump. "People are so scared of spiders," says Rayor, who owns seventy, mostly tarantulas. "I just don't understand it."

Rayor is touring room 2109 in Comstock Hall, where a twice-a-semester open lab for Entomology 215 has set up shop. Every surface is covered with boxes, bottles, and glass cages, and eight-legged creatures outnumber their two-legged fans twenty to one. Many of the specimens are alive; others are mounted with pins or preserved in alcohol. Under a cardboard

box, a brownish scorpion glows luminescent green under black light. Nearby, a student scrutinizes a collection of mounted tailless whipscorpions, which, despite their name, are more closely related to spiders than they are to scorpions. Across the room, a young man is counting out crickets destined to be someone's lunch. "Nothing dies in my lab," Rayor says, "without going to science, one way or another."

The two-credit course is called "Spider Biology: Life on a Silken

THE FEMALE MONTEVERDE TARANTULA,
ONE OF RAYOR'S SEVENTY SPIDERS



Thread." Rayor founded it in 1994, on the gamble that a few entomology majors might be interested. Forty students from all over campus signed up, and Rayor now has a consistent enrollment of fifty-five to eighty-five each fall semester. One of only a half-dozen undergraduate arachnology courses in the country, the class is devoted not only to spiders but also to their relatives, from scorpions to whipscorpions to vinegaroons (acid-spraying cousins to the scorpion, found in the Southwest). And it has gained a certain cachet on campus because, as part of their course work, students adopt and study their own pet spiders; about a third opt for tarantulas. "I wanted to make it as hands-on as I could," Rayor says. "I didn't want students to come out intellectually knowing about spiders but not being able to recognize them."

Rayor didn't recognize many spiders herself until relatively late in life. She grew up in Denver—"really high, really dry"—and doesn't remember even seeing many insects as a child. She earned an undergraduate degree in molecular biology from the University of Colorado, Boulder, and went to the University of Kansas, Lawrence, to pursue a PhD in systematics and ecology. ("When Kansas starts looking really lush to you," she says, "it's sad.") But it was there that she first started noticing spiders. She brought the most attractive specimens to an equally attractive entomologist, who she would later marry (her husband, Cole Gilbert, is a professor of insect physiology on the Hill). "They were really interesting and beautiful," she says of the arachnids, "and I didn't know anything about them."

Although she founded a grad student group devoted to spiders, she did her dissertation on the topic she'd originally intended, the social organization of prairie dogs. But when 1,500 of the prairie dogs died of a type of bubonic plague, she decided to switch to a field in which she'd be less emotionally attached to her individual research subjects while still pursuing her interest in such issues as social groups and repro-

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duction—and wound up addicted to spiders. Now a behavioral ecologist, Rayor is concentrating on studying wasp predation in caterpillars, as well as the social and predatory behavior of tailless whipscorpions. But, she says, “spiders are my love.”

While ubiquitous, the arachnids remain comparatively mysterious; just 37,000 of the estimated 170,000 spider species have been identified, and research in the field has blossomed only within the past twenty years. In Entomology 215, Rayor tries to pass on her affection for the creatures to her students, a few of whom take the course specifically to conquer their fears. “The more exposure they have and the more enthusiasm they encounter, the more likely they are to get over it,” she says. “Everybody comes out of the class less frightened than they started, but some of them come out spider aficionados.” Still, even Rayor—who’s been on teaching and research trips to Mexico, Costa Rica, and the Amazon—doesn’t have any desire to man-handle tarantulas. “You don’t cuddle your fish,” she says. “I tell students not to cuddle their spiders.”

In addition to keeping their own eight-legged pets (giving them the chance to observe such behavior as predation and grooming), Rayor treats her students to a viewing of the film *Arachnophobia* and guest lectures on subjects from the strength of web silk to spiders’ sex lives. “I talk to them. I even ring the dinner bell,” says Etienne

Kingsley '00, an ecology and systematics major who took Rayor’s course in the fall of 1998 and was inspired to adopt several spiders, including a funnel-weaver and a Trinidad chevron tarantula. “Feeding them is the best part. It’s exciting, because you never know what’s going to happen. Sometimes it takes hours, but sometimes it just takes seconds.”

— Beth Saulnier

MR. COOL

In its December 7 “Builders & Titans” issue, Time magazine profiled the 100 most influential business minds of the century. It included this piece on the air-conditioning inventor Willis Carrier '01, written by Texas-based scribe Molly Ivins.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO write about Willis H. Carrier?” “And who the hell might he be?” “Man who invented air conditioning.” “A lifelong hero of mine!”

And what a splendid fellow he was too, in addition to being such a benefactor to mankind (unless you want to hold all the Yankees who have moved to the South against him). A perfectly Horatio Alger kind of guy was Willis Carrier, struggling against odds, persisting, overcoming. Slapped down by the Great Depression, he fought back again to build an enormous concern that to this good day is the world’s leading maker of air conditioning, heating, and ventilation systems.

And think of the difference he’s made. As anyone who has ever suffered through a brutal summer can tell you, if it weren’t for Carrier’s having made human beings more comfortable, the rates of drunkenness, divorce, brutality, and murder would be Lord knows how much higher. Productivity rates would plunge 40 percent over the world; the deep-sea fishing industry would be deep-sixed; Michelan-



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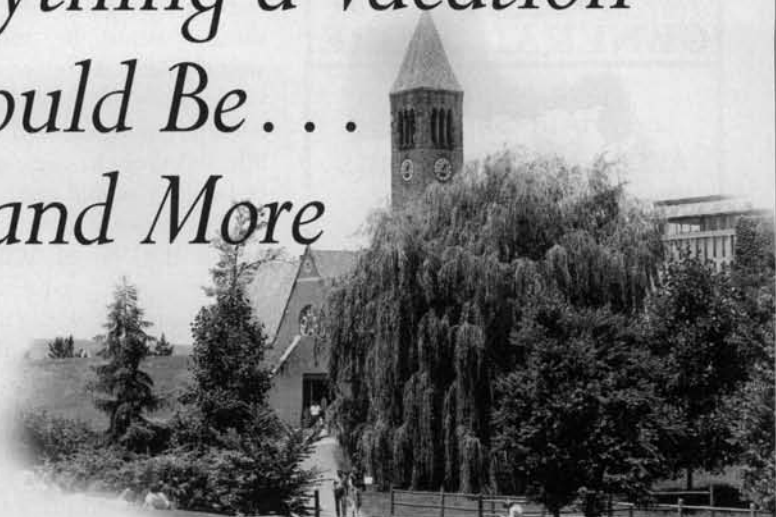
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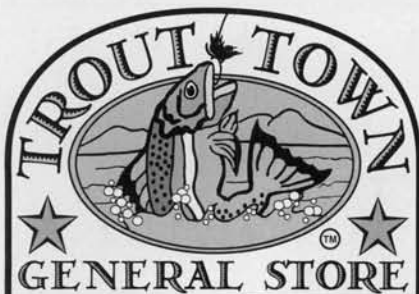
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gelo's frescoes in the Sistine Chapel would deteriorate; rare books and manuscripts would fall apart; deep mining for gold, silver, and other metals would be impossible; the world's largest telescope wouldn't work; many of our children wouldn't be able to learn; and in Silicon Valley, the computer industry would crash.

The major imponderable in the life of Willis Carrier is whether he was actually a genius, which depends, of course, on the definition. Engineers will tell you that theirs is a craft more of persistence than inspiration. Yet Carrier was without question the leading engineer of his day on the conditioning of air (more than eighty patents). Carrier was also an exceptionally nice man, according to all reports, modest and sometimes droll, and a farsighted manager—he devoutly believed in teamwork and mentoring decades before the management consultants discovered it. One of his other management precepts, born of his own experience, is that time spent staring into space while thinking is not time wasted.

Carrier was the offspring of an old New England family—in fact, his many times great-grandmother, who was known for her "keen sense of justice and a sharp tongue," was hanged as a witch by the Puritans in Salem. The son of a farmer and a "birthright Quaker" mother, Carrier was the only child in a houseful of adults, including his grandparents and great-aunt. He seems to have been a born tinkerer and figurer-out of problems. Unfortunately, he was seriously handicapped by lack of wherewithal. He worked his way through high school, taught for three years, and finally won a four-year scholarship to Cornell.

I picked up some of these nuggets from a wonderfully dated biography by Margaret Ingels (*Father of Air Conditioning*, 1952). The introduction to this respectful book was written by a Chicago banker, Cloud Wampler, who helped

bail out Carrier's firm during the Depression and later became its CEO. Wampler wrote, "The stage was set for my unforgettable first meeting with 'The Chief.' I had already been told that Dr. Carrier was a genius and that his talents lay in the field of science



"A BORN TINKERER AND FIGURER-OUT OF PROBLEMS"

and invention rather than in operation and finance. All the same I wasn't prepared for what happened . . . Right off the bat Dr. Carrier made it clear he had a dim view of bankers . . . I remember so well the ring in his voice when he said to me that day: 'We will not do less research and development work'; 'We will not discharge the people we have trained'; and 'We will all work for nothing if we have to.'

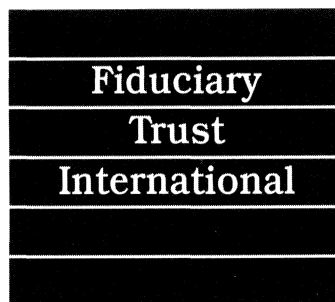
The Father of Air Conditioning's first job was with a heating outfit, the Buffalo Forge Co. In appropriate young-genius fashion, his research had soon saved the company \$40,000 a year, and they put him in charge of a new department of experimental engineering. At Buffalo Forge he met Irvine Lyle, a gifted salesman and ultimately his partner in Carrier Corp. We'd all know the name Buffalo Forge today if the company hadn't decided in 1914 to kill off its engineering department. Disillusioned, Carrier, Lyle, and five other young engineers left a year later to start their own operations.

Air conditioning did not begin life

as a cooling system for homes and offices. Nor did it begin life as a system. Carrier's first customer, in 1902, was a business with a production problem: a frustrated printer in Brooklyn whose color reproductions kept messing up because changes in humidity and temperature made his paper expand and contract, causing a lot of ugly color runs. Carrier could solve this problem by controlling humidity. But in '06, a cotton mill in South Carolina gave him a new challenge—heat. "When I saw 5,000 spindles spinning so fast and getting so hot that they'd cause a bad burn when touched several minutes after shutdown, I realized our humidifier was too small for the job."

One industrial challenge after another led Carrier to make refinement after refinement in his systems. In the early days of Carrier Corp., one of its testing grounds was wet macaroni. The company had guaranteed a pastamaker it could fix a moisture problem. Suddenly there were 10,000 pounds of macaroni on the floor, in millions of bits, none of it drying worth a damn. The Chief was called in. The Chief arrived. Long trip, cleanup at the hotel, dinner, back to the macaroni factory. All night long, The Chief paced, The Chief thought, The Chief would suddenly leap up and march off down the corridor. By dawn The Chief had a plan: he started with a forty-eight-hour drying time and continued to shorten it until it reached the minimum at which macaroni dried satisfactorily. "We ruined a lot of macaroni," reported one of his associates.

For the first two decades of air conditioning, the device was used to cool machines, not people. Eventually, deluxe hotels and theaters called in Carrier. Three Texas theaters, I am pleased to report, were the first to be air-conditioned (the claims of Grauman's Metropolitan in Los Angeles in this regard are to be ignored). The hot air generated by Congress was cooled by Carrier in 1928-29—and needs it again today. But it was not until after World War II that air conditioning lost its luxury status and became something any fool would install, either to appeal to customers or to increase the efficiency of employees. Willis Carrier, who read and sought out knowledge



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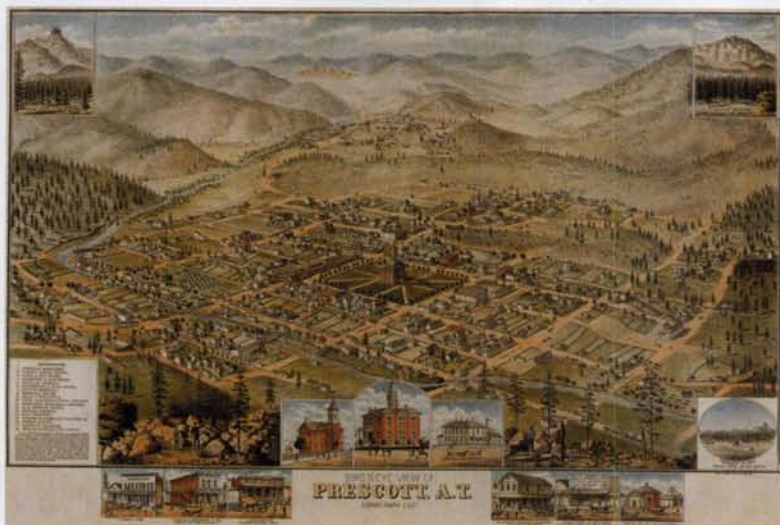
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BEFORE AIRPLANES AND WIDESPREAD URBANIZATION, ENTERPRISING ARTISTS traveled the U.S. drawing imaginary aerial views of some 2,400 cities and towns. Their work, which first appeared in the 1830s but was most popular between the Civil War and the end of the nineteenth century, was both a source of civic pride and a way for towns to market themselves to the world. Those lithographs—drawn from a perspective achieved through painstaking sketches and sheer creativity—are the subject of *Bird's Eye Views*, a new book by professor emeritus of city and regional planning John Reps, MRP '47. Many of the drawings (like the image, above, of the Arizona Territory town of Prescott, made in 1885) included details not only of landmark buildings and natural features, but of businesses whose owners paid for the honor.

As Reps notes in his introduction, the sales tactics of the viewmakers and their agents were both consistent and clever. First, they'd spark interest by having the local newspaper announce that a drawing of the town (or perhaps of a nearby rival) was being considered. A second story would mention the artist was at work and accepting orders. A final piece would praise the finished product's beauty and accuracy—adding that the publishers happened to make a few extra copies “that could be purchased by those who acted quickly.”



BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, 1850



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until his death at seventy-three, married three times (twice a widower) and adopted two children, neither of whom survive. In classic American-businessman fashion, he was a Presbyterian, a Republican, and a golfer.

Alas, there is a downside to this tale. Scientists now believe the chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) used in refrigeration systems are largely responsible for blowing a hole in the ozone, and that will cause potentially zillions of cases of skin cancer, cataracts, and suppressed immune systems. That's quite a big Oops! for our exemplary Horatio Alger figure.

The First Rule of Holes is: When You are IN one, Stop Digging; and that is what Carrier's namesake has done. In

1994 the company, now part of giant United Technologies, produced the first chlorine-free, non-ozone-depleting residential air-conditioning system. It has since announced the production of two generations of chlorine-free cooling units, well before the Montreal Accords or the still unratified Kyoto Accords have come into play. Much in the fashion of its founder, the company is trying to fix all this without a grand scheme, but simply by doing the next right thing.

On the whole, the premise that technology got us into this mess and technology will surely get us out seems to be a dubious proposition. But if you had your druthers, wouldn't you really want to see the biologists backed up by

engineers? Rachel Carson backed by Will Carrier: The Chief really did know how to get things done.

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VEGGING OUT

TCOLIN CAMPBELL HAS GOOD news and bad news. The good news: we can almost eliminate our risk of cancer, heart disease, and diabetes. The bad news? No hamburgers. In fact, no meat at all, not even chicken or fish. And no eggs or milk. That means no cheese, no frozen yogurt, and no cream in your

coffee—not that you should be drinking coffee in the first place.

Campbell is the Jacob Gould Schurman professor of nutritional biochemistry at Cornell, as well as co-chair of the World Cancer Research Fund. He bases his findings on the results of the China-Oxford-Cornell Diet and Health Project, a two-decade-long study of thousands of villagers in mainland China and Taiwan, one of the largest and most wide-ranging nutrition studies ever done. Altogether, Campbell's research indicates that 80 to 90 percent of all cancers, heart disease, and diabetes could be eliminated for people under ninety years of age through adoption of a strict plant-based, or "vegan," diet. In fact, he calls those illnesses "diseases of affluence"—problems that strike people as they move up the economic food chain. Poor people, by comparison (as long as they have a wide variety of plant foods available), have avoided those ailments.

But aren't there people who naturally lean toward the "hunter" part of our hunter-gatherer heritage? "Hogwash," says Campbell. "There now are a growing number of paleontologists who are beginning to say that we were more gatherer-hunters, not hunter-gatherers. There are also good arguments emerging to show that our anatomy and physiology are more akin to eating plants than eating animals."

The Cornell-China-Oxford study began in the early 1980s, when two events occurred relating to cancer and nutrition. First, a U.S. National Academy of Sciences report suggested a relationship between diet and cancer because rich Western diets were strongly correlated with some cancers, and migrants moving to Western countries acquired the higher cancer risk regardless of their ethnic backgrounds. Almost simultaneously, the Chinese government published an atlas that showed that cancer rates varied greatly from village to village, much more than in the United States. The reason: Chinese villagers tended to live in one place all their lives and eat the same diet, which could be radically different from that of an otherwise identical village down the road.

A team of researchers from

Oxford, Cornell, and the Chinese Academy of Preventive Medicine spread out across the country to follow up on the published death rates, and more than 10,000 adults were surveyed over the next few years. The results, according to Campbell, were clear: those who ate less meat and dairy were healthier than those who ate more, and those who ate none at all were the healthiest. The vegans ate more calories than their omnivorous neighbors, yet had lower body weight, less heart disease, and fewer cancers (except colon, liver, and stomach cancers, which the study linked to certain infections and consumption of a toxic metal). The study also disproved a common misconception that vegan diets are nutritionally incomplete. "Vegans who consume a wide variety of plant-based foods (roots, stems, leaves, flowers, seeds, etcetera) need not worry," Campbell says, "especially if those foods are organic."

But Cornell isn't turning its research cows out to pasture just yet. There is a great deal of skepticism in the scientific community about some of Campbell's conclusions. Some suggest that it is dangerous to recommend that people eliminate dairy products from their diets. "There is a significant proportion of the American population, and especially women, who do not get enough calcium," says food science professor David Barbano. He suggested that dairy products, particularly the reduced-fat variety, will remain a critical part of a balanced diet for some time.

Campbell hardly set out to prove that the vegan diet was ideal. He was raised on a dairy farm and did his PhD dissertation on ways to produce animal protein more efficiently. He

became a convert in the mid-seventies,



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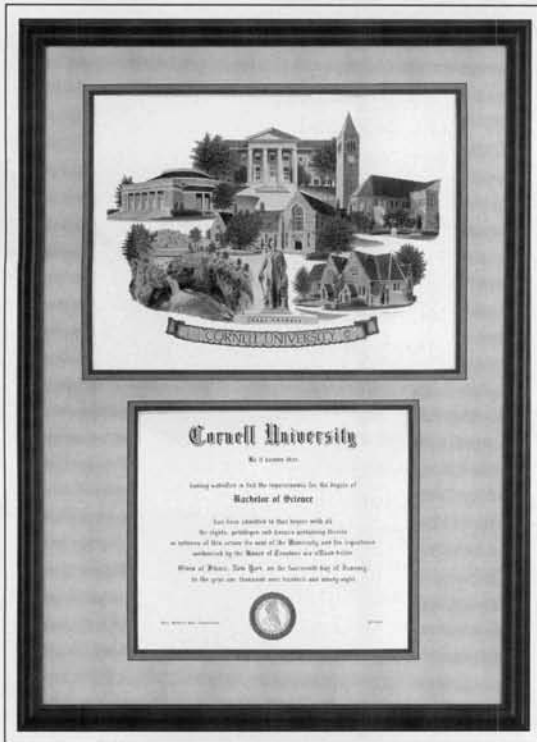
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after he spent time in the Philippines coordinating a program to aid malnourished children. He discovered that his early assumptions about the need for a protein-rich diet were incorrect—the difference between malnourished and healthy children didn't lie in protein consumption but in the greater amounts of vegetables they had access to. By the mid-1980s his entire family, including his wife and five children, were close to being total vegans.

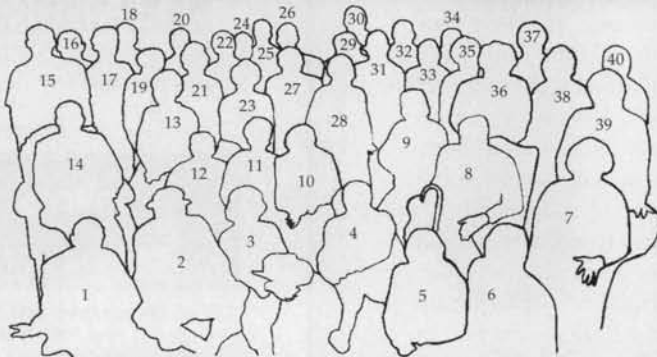
And as his opinion of meat and dairy products was taking a turn for the worse, he discovered soy beans. Like other lentils, soy beans provide fiber and protein. They can be made into soy milk, curdled into tofu, and fermented into miso and tempeh—all staples of many Asian diets. Those foods may not appeal to the American palate, but Campbell says that what makes it worth it, especially for women, is that soy beans seem to greatly reduce the risks of breast cancer and ameliorate the effects of menopause.

Campbell, whom *Self* magazine called one of the twenty-five most influential people regarding food habits in the United States, believes that converting to a vegan diet is especially important for kids. The first indications of heart disease, fatty deposits in the coronary arteries, begin appearing by age three in children eating a typical American diet. By age twelve, nearly 70 percent of children are affected and early stages of disease are found in virtually all young adults by the age of twenty-one. As a result, one out of two children born today will develop heart disease and one out of three will get cancer.

Fortunately, according to Campbell, much of the damage caused by a high-protein diet can be reversed. More research needs to be done on the issue, but he reports that even elderly people who switch to a vegan diet live longer than they would have otherwise. "Dr. [Benjamin] Spock, with whom I collaborated in the last few years of his life, is one example," he says. "At eighty-eight, he was not well. Then he switched and lived quite well until ninety-three. He told me that he felt much better."

— Maria Korolov Trombly '90

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THEIR BIG HEADACHE

BEING FROM CHICAGO, I'D heard of Iowa's Cornell College, the small liberal arts school in the heart of the heartland. And being a graduate of the other Cornell, I wondered how often the two get mixed up. I decided some research was in order.

Cornell College's official website (www.cornell-iowa.edu) has the usual array of options—President's Welcome, Fast Facts, Tour. But then there's this: "Not in Ithaca." Along with a "Primer on How to Differentiate the Two Cornells" (they have two national wrestling titles, we have four resident Nobel laureates), there is a brief history of how Cornell College got its name. It seems that a Methodist minister, the Reverend George Bowman, founded the school as the Iowa Conference Seminary in 1853. Four years later, it was re-opened as a four-year college and renamed after a prosperous New York iron merchant named William Wesley

Cornell, a devout Methodist who had made a small contribution to the Iowa Conference Seminary. He was also Ezra Cornell's fifth cousin once removed.

But while Ezra is celebrated in statue at his university, William Wesley never even visited the Iowa campus, irked that he wasn't consulted about the name change. "In the past," concludes the website history, "Cornell University has requested that Cornell College change its name. But what would we become, Bowman College, perhaps? Besides, as we have politely advised our younger cousin, we came first."

In addition to the misdirected press releases that have to be sorted out at the Cornell College alumni office, the dual Cornells make for some regular headaches on the Iowa campus. At the athletic department, for instance, prospective students often inquire about Big Red sports (say, lacrosse) that the Rams don't offer. "Oh, yeah, all the time," says sports information director Darren Miller. "They have the number to

Cornell University taped to the phone in our P.E. office."

A few observations:

- Cornell College has a publication called the *Cornellian*, but it's the student newspaper; the yearbook is called the *Royal Purple* (admittedly more impressive than Big Red).

- Cornell College's president has been known to get extra-special treatment at hotels, the hosts thinking he represents the famed Hotel school.

- When students in Ithaca sent sexist jokes across the Internet a few years back, Cornell College got some nasty phone calls.

- And, according to campus legend, an international student once applied, was admitted, enrolled, and went to Iowa—only to realize he was at the wrong Cornell when he looked for the engineering school. Cornell College doesn't have one.

There are plenty of other differences, of course. They're affiliated with a church, we with a state. Twenty-six percent of their students come from Iowa; in Ithaca, the number of Iowans is about

twenty-six, period. Their student body is just over 1,000; at our Cornell, some courses are more densely populated.

When it comes to comparing and contrasting the two schools, however, no one is more qualified than Philip Lucas. He earned a PhD on the Hill in 1983, and promptly got a job teaching history at Cornell College. What's the most significant difference, I ask. Is it the locale? The intimacy? The environment? "I miss the hockey," he says from his home in the tiny college town of Mount Vernon.

No, not *that* Mount Vernon.

— Brad Herzog '90

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journalists reel from their latest embarrassments, which have made the public trust them less than used car salesmen or lawyers. Incidents of fabrication (a *New Republic* writer who made up scores of stories); red-faced retractions (CNN and *Time* magazine's "nerve gas" non-investigation); plagiarism (*Boston Globe* columnist Mike Barnicle); and outright theft (a *Cincinnati Enquirer* reporter's pilfering of corporate voice mail) have been topped by the spectacle of such respected outlets as the *Wall Street Journal* and *Newsweek* being "scooped" by such reporting bottom-feeders as Internet gossip Matt Drudge and pornography publisher Larry Flynt.

Americans are accustomed, and a bit bemused, by the media's self-referential cycle of mistakes, agonized self-flagellation, and then repeated misconduct. (After Princess Diana's death, we'll never hound a celebrity. Right, Monica?) But in other parts of the world, things are a bit more serious. You can't scan a front page or turn on the nightly news these days without encountering some fresh international violence—and in much of the world, reporters risk death for covering these stories, not just red faces for failing to do so.

Some recent examples: a Southern Russian newspaper editor murdered for her outspoken opposition to dictatorship in Kalmykia. A Colombian television editor killed in a drive-by shooting for exposing drug trafficking. A Sri Lankan correspondent tortured for exposing the police's role in selling bootleg liquor. A Bulgarian crime reporter blinded in one eye after being doused with acid. An Associated Press television producer killed and two colleagues injured by Sierra Leone rebels. Zimbabwean journalists tortured for refusing to reveal the sources of a story "capable of causing alarm and despondency."

The Committee to Protect Journalists is the foreign correspondent's watchdog, tracking the fate of some 500 endangered reporters at any given time. With fifteen full-timers and a \$1.8 million annual budget, the agency fights back—and sometimes wins—with cell phones, faxes, e-mail, government contacts, press releases, and show-downs with despots. "There's a lesson

here for those of us who are comfortable in the privileges provided by the First Amendment," says Judith Light Leynse '61, a former *Daily Sun* night editor who became the CPJ's first media relations director in 1996. "The courage and perseverance of our colleagues abroad in the face of horrific threats never ceases to amaze me."

Leynse and her colleagues try to ease reporting restrictions not only in the interest of free speech, but for future political and economic stability as well. Press freedom has become an important barometer for investors and foreign aid programs, and even the toughest tyrant welcomes U.S. support and investor confidence in their regimes.

For Leynse, the job "brings together all of the threads of my career: journalism, international experience, education, and public information." After Cornell, she earned a master's degree in journalism at Columbia and worked as a *Chicago Daily News* reporter. Then came a U.S. Information Agency posting to Seoul, and a two-year project filming the fishing village of Ullung-do, on a remote island 200 miles east of Korea. She spent nine years teaching news-writing and reporting at Washington State University and seventeen years in Columbia's Office of Public Information, where she oversaw the annual announcements of journalism's top honors, including the Pulitzer prizes. (Her son, photojournalist Jim Leynse '89, is a former *Daily Sun* editor.)

CPJ's efforts to free imprisoned journalists can take years. Agence France-Presse correspondent Ruth Simon, for instance, was jailed for twenty months without formal charges for reporting that Eritrea's president had said his soldiers were fighting alongside rebels in neighboring Sudan; she was let go soon after winning a CPJ international press freedom award. But Simon's release was a rare bit of good news: in 1998, the organization counted thirty-seven journalists killed (twenty-four directly because of their work) and 118 imprisoned. And as CPJ released its latest "Attacks on the Press Report" in March, six newsmen had already died this year in the line of duty.

— Bill Kirtz

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AIR CAMERON

THE BALLOON-MAKER'S "ORBITER"
ORBITS THE EARTH

THE TWO EUROPEANS who became the first to circumnavigate the globe by balloon owe their success to skill, good weather—and Don Cameron. Cameron, MIE '63, owns Cameron Balloons Ltd., the firm that built the *Breitling Orbiter 3*. The propane-fueled, 180-foot-high craft took off from Switzerland on March 1 and crossed the finish line over Mauritania twenty-seven days later. As Cameron told *Time*: "It's magical what pilots can achieve."

FRANKLIN LONG, 88

PROFESSOR EMERITUS

FRANKLIN LONG, A professor emeritus of chemistry who taught on the Hill for four decades, died February 8 in Pomona, California. He was eighty-eight. Long, who served as the university's vice president for research and advanced studies in the 1960s, came to national prominence in 1969 when he was nominated as director of the National Science Foundation. But his



CAMERON'S CRAFT OVER THE EGYPTIAN DESERT, MARCH 21

nomination was blocked by President Nixon because of Long's opposition to the antiballistic missile system, a controversial part of the nation's nuclear defense strate-

gy. "Frank stood for scientific sanity," said Judith Reppy, professor of science and technology studies.

Long was born in Great Falls, Montana, in 1910. He

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These Cornellians in the News

E. Linn Draper, PhD '70, chairman of the American Electric Power Company, appointed by President Clinton to the President's Council on Sustainable Development.

Kenneth Birman, professor of computer science, named a fellow of the Association for Computing Machinery.

P. Chris Hammel, PhD '84, a condensed matter physicist at Los Alamos National Laboratory, elected fellow of the American Physical Society.

Professors **H. Kern Reeve, PhD '91** (neurobiology), and **Venugopal Veeravalli** (electrical engineering), winners of U.S. Presidential Early Career Awards, the highest government honor for young scientists.

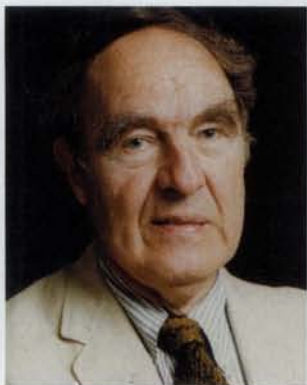
Stephen Glickman '69, nominated by the White House to serve on the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

David Hurd '59, nominated by President Clinton to be a U.S. District Court judge for the Northern District of New York.

Bruce Arena '73, head coach of the U.S. men's soccer team, appointed to the Baltimore-Washington regional bid committee for the 2012 Olympics.

Wendy Knight '87, whose book *Managed Care: What It Is and How it Works* was named Book of the Year in its category by the American Journal of Nursing.

came to Cornell in 1937, after earning bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Montana and a PhD in chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley. He was chairman of the chemistry department from 1950 to 1960 and a



FRANKLIN LONG

faculty representative on the Board of Trustees in 1956-57. His national service included membership on the President's Science Advisory Committee under Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson. Long's wife, Marion, died in 1992. He is survived by two children.

CARL KROCH, 84

'BARON OF BOOKS'

CARL KROCH '35, the founder of the Kroch's & Brentano's bookstore chain and a university benefactor, died



CARL KROCH

March 6 in Chicago. He was eighty-four. The son of an Austrian immigrant who owned a German-language bookstore in Chicago, Kroch entered Cornell as a chemical engineering major, but eventually heeded President Livingston Farrand's advice that he follow in his father's

footsteps and transferred to Arts and Sciences.

Known as the "Baron of Books" to publishers and authors, Kroch opened his Super Book Mart in the Loop in 1952, selling a then-record 15,000 titles. His transformation of modern bookselling, which included innovations in store design and book display that are now common throughout the industry, prompted the Library of Congress to name him a "hero of American culture" in 1986. Kroch's & Brentano's grew to become the largest privately owned bookstore chain in the country but closed in 1995, following Kroch's retirement.

Also a writer and columnist, Kroch co-authored *So Red the Nose or Breath in the Afternoon*, a 1935 collection of the favorite cocktail recipes of famous authors; in 1981, the Library of Congress published his memoir *American Booksellers and Publishers: A Personal Perspective*.

Kroch's extensive gifts to Cornell included the endowment of the university librarian's position in 1982. In 1991, he gave the principal gift of \$10 million for the \$25 million underground library, named in his honor, that houses Cornell's Rare and Manuscript Collections.

GOOD SPORTS

A PANEL'S REPORT

A TASK FORCE ON improving Cornell athletics made its recommendations to the Board of Trustees in March. The panel, chartered last spring, was made up of board members whose work included interviewing students, faculty, coaches, and alumni. Its recommendations, which President Rawlings will ad-

dress in an upcoming plan, include: investing \$8-10 million to improve such facilities as Schoellkopf Field and the boathouse; expanding or replacing Helen Newman Hall; and raising an endowment to support intercollegiate athletics.



ANN HARCH

STAR QUALITY

NASA SAYS THANKS

IN DECEMBER, astronomer Ann Harch helped save NASA's \$150 million asteroid-study mission after the agency lost contact with its probe. Four months later, she got a thank-you gift from the International Astronomical Union: a celestial body named in her honor. Asteroid 9251 Harch (formerly known as minor planet 4896 P-L) is located between Mars and Jupiter, 236 million miles from the sun.

TUITION NEXT

UP ABOUT 5 PERCENT

TUITION INCREASES have been set for the statutory colleges for 1999-00. Undergraduate resident tuition: \$10,330, a 4.9 percent increase over 1998-99; undergraduate non-resident tuition: up 5.3 percent, to \$19,900.



EXIT THE DRAGON

THE MYTHIC BEAST MET ITS TRADITIONAL DEMISE on the Arts Quad March 18. This year's festivities featured a dragon with stylized wings, and revelers in *Braveheart*-inspired garb. Among the casualties: students charged with possession of a truckload of stolen toilet paper.

R&D

Money and career influence who cohabits and who marries, says sociology professor Marin Clarkberg. Couples with secure jobs are more likely to cohabit; however, affluent men are more likely to marry, whereas affluent women most often cohabit.



City buses and airplanes may be responsible for the worldwide increase in tuberculosis deaths, says statistics professor Carlos Castillo-Chavez. He attributes the increase in disease transmission to the proximity of passengers in public transportation.



Cornell plant breeding professors Susan McCouch, PhD '90, and Steven Tanksley have located genetic factors that will significantly increase the rice yields of the world's poorest farmers.



Sociology professor Phyllis Moen found that marriage partners with highly demanding jobs report the lowest quality of life among working couples. Men and women in these couples report frequent incidences of stress and conflicts between work and personal life.



Biological and agricultural academic journals may soon disappear due to the high, profit-motivated price of subscriptions, a Cornell task force has concluded.

SCHOLARSHIP SUIT

GRAD SEEKS DAMAGES

ANUTRITION RESEARCHER who earned her PhD on the Hill four years ago has filed a multi-million dollar lawsuit against the university and one of her thesis advisers. Antonia Demas, MPS '90, PhD '95, alleges that David Levitsky, a professor of nutritional sciences, took unfair



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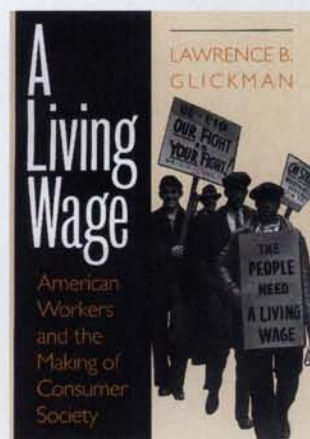
credit for her work, and that Cornell failed to take proper action when she sought redress through the university grievance system. In a complaint filed on March 19 in Tompkins County court, Demas charges Levitsky and Cornell with fourteen causes of action, including misappropriation, fraud, negligence, defamation, and intentional infliction of

emotional distress. She asks for compensatory damages of \$2-10 million for each charge, and punitive damages of at least \$20 million.

For her doctoral dissertation, Demas conducted research on how elementary students can be encouraged to eat healthy foods through classroom-based programs. She now alleges that Levitsky elbowed his way onto her thesis committee and claimed credit for her research by, among other things, leaving her name off a federal grant application and failing to cite her when giving lectures on the topic. The three original members of Demas's thesis committee have supported her position.

Levitsky has consistently denied the allegations, however, and four internal investigations found him guilty only of insensitivity and carelessness. "The university is resolved to vigorously defend the litigation," said University Counsel James Mingle. "The procedure the university followed in dealing with this dispute between two researchers complied fully with all legal

requirements." Although Levitsky has declined to speak to the media due to the pending litigation, in a 1998 *Cornell Magazine* story he said that any undeserved credit he might have taken was unintentional. "If there was any misdoing," he said, "it was not out of malice."



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PUBLISH VS. PERISH

REGARDLESS OF ITS content, *A Living Wage* by Lawrence Glickman is a groundbreaking work. Published in March by Cornell University Press, it is the first in the world to be printed on paper carrying the Forestry Stewardship Council logo. That emblem (a tree with a check mark) certifies that the paper was made from wood grown under strict criteria for sustainable timber management. Less than 1 percent of U.S. timberland owners volunteered to have their property inspected by the council, so it took two years to publish the first certified title. "It fits into our environmental policies," said Deborah Bruner, the press's design manager. "There is a marginal increase in the cost of the paper."

PIZZA à la PUCK

CELEBRITY CHEF Wolfgang Puck visited campus

in March to host a banquet in the Statler ballroom as part of the Hotel school's Guest Chef Series. On the menu at the \$100-a-plate meal: seared black bass, chocolate truffle cake (being prepared, above), and Puck's signature gourmet pizzas. The chef was accompanied by his brother Klaus Puck '93 and sister-in-law Amanda Larsen-Puck '92, MPS '93, co-managers of Spago-Chicago.



ROBERT BARBER / UP

ROAD SHOW

LOOK WHO'S TALKING

A SAMPLING OF VISITING lecturers who were on campus within the last two months:

- David Macauley, author of the best-selling *How Things Work* book series, gave an Olin lecture on "Seeing Things: Confessions of a Bookmaker."

- As part of the Preston H. Thomas '74 Memorial Lectures, noted architect and Harvard professor George Baird spoke on what constitutes "public" space in post-industrial America.

- Bassam Shkhashiri, a professor of chemistry at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, who is best known for his annual PBS program "Once Upon a Christmas Cheery in the Lab of Shkhashiri," gave an evening of "magical" chemistry demonstrations.

- David Macdonald, head of the Wildlife Conservation Research Unit at Oxford University, spoke on "The Ecology of Carnivore Societies" as an A. D.

'THE LEGACIES'

NEW STUDENTS who entered the university in 1998 and who are descendents of Cornell graduates would normally be listed in this (or an earlier) issue of *Cornell Magazine*. "The Legacies" will appear instead in July. Descendents of Cornell graduates who enter in 1999 will be listed in a spring 2000 issue.



ACTIVISTS DENOUNCED THE NOBEL LAUREATE, ON CAMPUS TO PROMOTE HIS AUTOBIOGRAPHY.



FAR LEFT: BILL WARREN / ITHACA JOURNAL; LEFT: CHARLES HARRINGTON / UP

White Professor-at-Large.

- E. Sterl Phinney, professor of theoretical astrophysics at Cal Tech, gave a talk on "The Search for Black Holes" as part of the first Edwin Salpeter Lectures.

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A BOOST FROM THE NSF

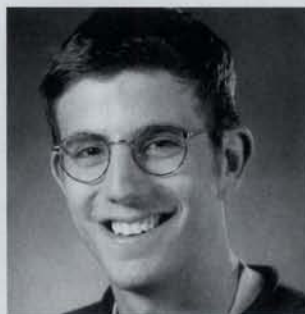
THE UNIVERSITY'S particle accelerator has been awarded \$88 million from the National Science Foundation. The funds, to be distributed over the next fifty-four months, will allow improvements to the accelerator for more research into fundamental particle physics. The facility receives 3 percent of the agency's funding for particle physics; its research accounts for 18 percent of papers in the field.

YOUNG SCHOLARS

AWARD WINNERS

A SENIOR IN THE College of Arts and Sciences has been awarded a Winston Churchill Foundation Scholarship, and a junior in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations has won a Harry S. Truman Scholarship. David Liben-Nowell '99, a double major

in computer science and philosophy, will spend a year doing graduate work in computer speech and language processing at Cambridge University. Jonathan Adler '00, a Cornell Tradition fellow, will receive up to \$30,000 to be used for his senior year of college and three years of graduate study.



ADLER (TOP) & LIBEN-NOWELL

DE KLERK AT NEWMAN

A SPEECH, A PROTEST

FORMER SOUTH AFRICAN President F. W. de Klerk was greeted by dozens of protesters dur-

ing his first visit to Cornell in mid-March. The activists opposed de Klerk, who shared the 1993 Nobel Peace Prize with Nelson Mandela, on the grounds that he ended his nation's race-based system only when the international community forced him to. But in his lecture to an audience of about 1,400 in Newman Arena, de Klerk argued that the rest of the world can learn from South Africa's past. "My country has a great deal of experience in dealing with intractable ethnic conflicts," he said. "We managed to pull back from the abyss and resolve our long-standing differences."

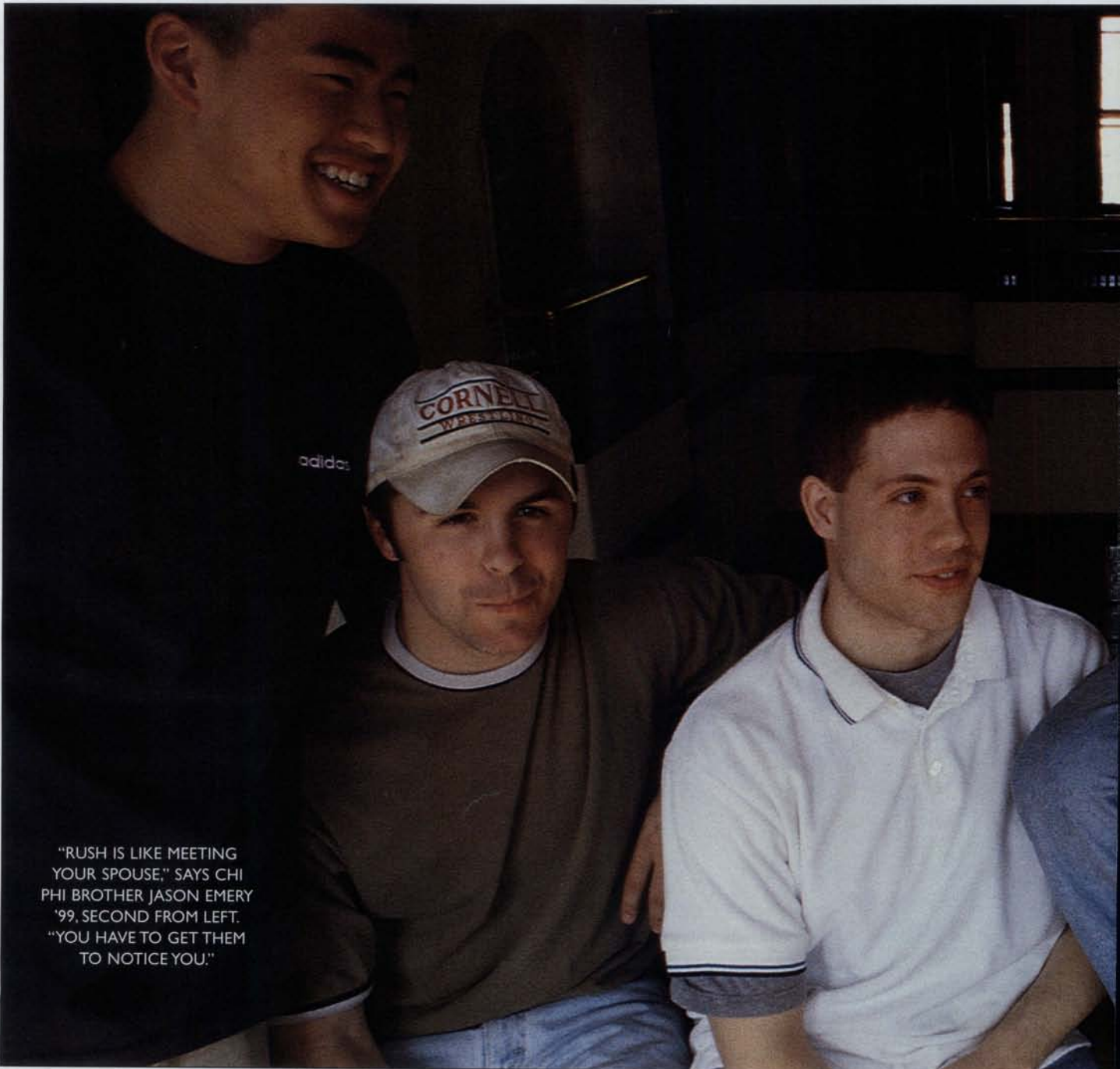
WALTER SOUTHWORTH, 95

FRIEND TO THE MAGAZINE

WALTER SOUTHWORTH '25, whose "Class Notes" columns have been enjoyed by readers of all ages in recent years, prepared a "swan song" back in December 1998, then submitted the March/April column to use in its place. He died on April 6, just over a month after his ninety-fifth birthday. His final column appears in this issue. He is survived by his daughter, Ann Southworth Smith '58, and her family.

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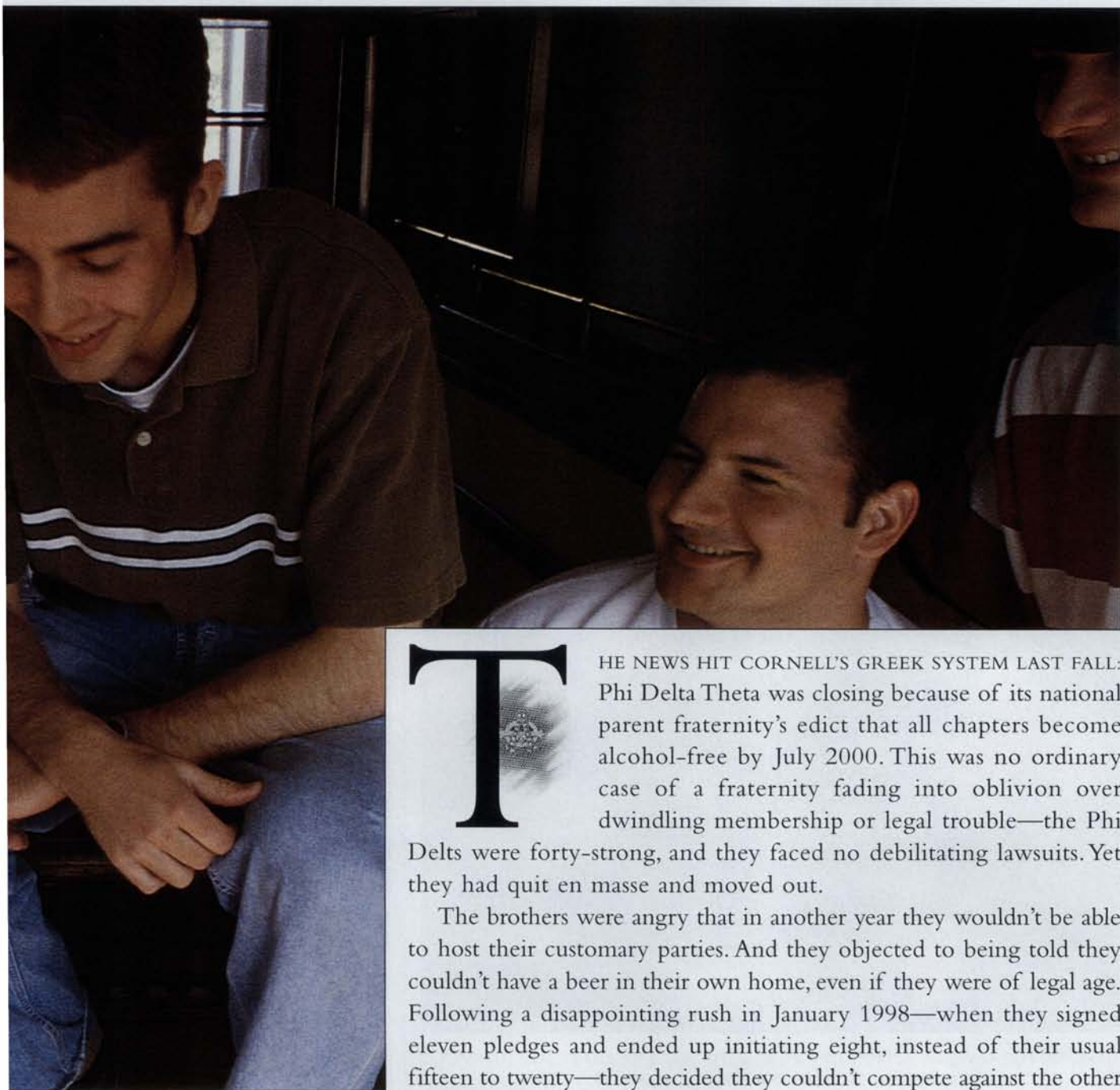


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FRATERNITIES EVER



BY SCOTT CONROE



ROBERT BARNETT / UP

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HE NEWS HIT CORNELL'S GREEK SYSTEM LAST FALL: Phi Delta Theta was closing because of its national parent fraternity's edict that all chapters become alcohol-free by July 2000. This was no ordinary case of a fraternity fading into oblivion over dwindling membership or legal trouble—the Phi

Delts were forty-strong, and they faced no debilitating lawsuits. Yet they had quit en masse and moved out.

The brothers were angry that in another year they wouldn't be able to host their customary parties. And they objected to being told they couldn't have a beer in their own home, even if they were of legal age. Following a disappointing rush in January 1998—when they signed eleven pledges and ended up initiating eight, instead of their usual fifteen to twenty—they decided they couldn't compete against the other

thirty-nine fraternities. Drinking, they said, is just too much a part of student life, and too much of a rush tool, to do without.

So they asked the university and their alumni if they could become a local chapter, severing ties with national headquarters in Ohio until more fraternities at Cornell also went dry. The university said yes, but the alumni said no. They didn't want the liability. So the officers resigned in late November, and the brothers, split between those who said "it's over" and those who wanted to try rush, gave up their fraternity affiliation. At the end it felt like an ugly divorce. The brothers blamed each other and denounced their national's vision, even as they got through finals and moved out. A few of them damaged the house to the tune of \$15,000, prompting the alumni to send a van and take the furniture from the Great Hall, fearing the plush couches and chairs would be destroyed.

In January, as formal rush shifted into high gear, two of Phi Delta's national staff moved into the house and waited, with alumni and some Colgate Phi Deltas, for rushees to show up. Few freshmen stopped by the first week, so the staff decided they'd have to try again in the fall. Then, to their surprise, information sessions over the next two weeks yielded seventeen pledges, with

more prospects for next year.

These are difficult times for Greeks, whose traditions are being changed by societal forces, both at Cornell and around the country. The rise of lawsuits against the organizations has placed a high cost on the follies of youth. The campus has become much more of an ethnic and cultural mosaic than it was a generation ago, and only a third of students are interested in pledging. In addition, university faculty and administrators nationwide are becoming less sympathetic to the Greek system, and are questioning its relevance to campus life. In February, Dartmouth, that fraternity bastion where the *Animal House* legend was born, became the latest school to effectively dismantle its Greek system when it announced all houses would have to go co-ed. At Cornell, Greeks are preparing for the move of all freshmen to North Campus over the next few years. This may leave fraternities near West Campus—long considered prime recruiting ground, with its allegedly more social atmosphere—working harder to keep their numbers up to pay bills and to weather attrition.

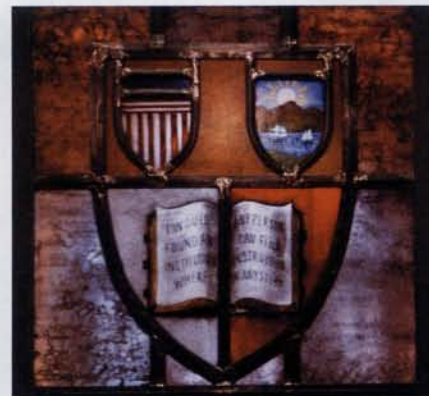
But the news hasn't been all bad. At Cornell in the past two years, one fraternity (Sigma Pi) and one sorority (Alpha Phi) have revived from low numbers, another fraternity (Kappa Sigma) has resurrected itself after having its

charter taken away in 1996, and still another (Phi Kappa Psi) has built a multi-million-dollar house. Last winter's rush drew almost eighty more pledges for Interfraternity Council's chapters than a year earlier, and in March two traditionally minority sororities (Phi Theta Chi and Alpha Kappa Alpha) announced they would join the Panhellenic Association. A strategic plan for Cornell's Greeks, announced in 1997, is slowly taking hold. Requiring an increased connection to academics and more faculty and alumni oversight, the plan is designed to help the Greek system strengthen itself through better self-governance, sounder financial and facilities management, and more responsibility for its members' behavior.

CRITICISM ABOUT their purpose and methods—and pressures to change or even disappear from campus—have accompanied fraternities and sororities since their founding after the Civil War. Many universities thought about banning fraternities at the turn of the century, when their usefulness in providing housing for male students began to be outweighed by their growing campus



DRESSING FOR A WEEKLY FORMAL DINNER AT SIGMA PHI (ABOVE AND OPPOSITE PAGE), WHOSE MEMBERSHIP HAS REBOUNDED IN THE PAST FEW YEARS



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influence (especially in their emphasis on hedonism) and their powerful alumni clout. They were the first student group to continue beyond graduation. In his *A History of Cornell*, Morris Bishop '13, PhD '26, wrote that the university's first president, Andrew Dickson White, a Greek man himself, welcomed fraternities. A decade later, however, President Jacob Gould Schurman viewed them as havens for the idle rich whose practices went contrary to Cornell's academic mission.

Greeks faced another major change shortly after World War II, when the G.I. Bill enabled thousands of veterans to attend college. Depending on the fraternity, these men either said no to the traditional hazing that came during pledging—a practice rooted in medieval university customs, in the English pub-



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HOME FURNISHINGS: HOOPS, FOOSBALL, AND STAINED GLASS WINDOWS



TOUGHER LAWS AND A NEW STRATEGIC PLAN ARE CHANGING LIFE IN FRATS (LIKE DELTA CHI'S TUDOR RESIDENCE ON THE KNOLL).

lic school tradition of subservience by younger boys, and in the military camps of the Civil War—or they intensified the hazing with what they'd learned in boot camp. At the same time, some men began to ask why their chapters were closed to Jews, Asians, and African-Americans. Through the 1960s, fraternities pushed their nationals to drop discriminatory clauses. Nationally, in the late 1960s and early 1970s, Greeks struggled to attract members because they were seen as symbols of the Establishment, but they grew again in the 1980s.

Many national Greek leaders fear the system is again on the wane, as studies show that the number of interested students is slowly decreasing and Greeks are struggling to attract a more

diverse population. "It depends on where you are around the country, but overall, there's less interest," says Richard Mckaig, director of the Center for the Study of the College Fraternity and dean of students at Indiana University, Bloomington. In a survey of incoming freshmen conducted by UCLA, the number who said there was a very good chance they'd become Greeks has dropped: 16.5 percent in 1996; 15.8 in 1997; 14.4 in 1998. "Sororities have recovered slightly," Mckaig says, "but I'd say Greek life is still a tough sell."

At Cornell, Greek houses have been a staple of student life since January 1868, when (as their histories have it) men who wanted to start chapters of Zeta Psi and Chi Phi flipped a coin to see which would go first; Zeta Psi won

and is older by a day. At the time, fraternities became the only residences for men except for boarding houses. Today, the system shows no signs of facing the drastic change taking place at some colleges in the region, Dartmouth being the latest. Other schools have deferred pledging until sophomore year (Colgate, Hobart, St. Lawrence), taken away the fraternities' houses (Hamilton), or moved to make them coed or to ban them entirely (Middlebury, Amherst). "The social context is ever-changing," says Tony Cashen '57, MBA '58, who chairs Cornell's Fraternity and Sorority Advisory Council. "Today, a lot of students are arriving on campus not having belonged to a group like the Boy Scouts or 4-H." Unless they were in student government or played a sport, students

don't have a traditional understanding of what joining and belonging to a group means, he says, and they may not identify with Greek life.

Cashen, a member of Delta Upsilon, says alumni wonder what engages students now beyond coursework and partying. He and other alumni believe in the Greek system; they raised \$1 million to endow the position of associate dean of students for fraternity and sorority affairs, named for Robert Engel '53 and currently held by Suzy Nelson. These alumni treasure the time they spent in their fraternities and sororities, learning to live among others, to lead a large group, to have fun. They understand that Greek life can "at its worst, in terms of behavior, have nothing to offer, and at its best, be emblematic of what young people could be," Cashen says. They know, too, that Cornell's current Greeks chafe under the steady increase of rules and demands—rules designed to protect the Greeks from themselves, as well as to protect the university from lawsuits.



NELSON'S POSITION WAS ENDOWED BY GREEK ALUMS

LAST FALL, FOR EXAMPLE, the administration announced new limits on fraternity parties, forbidding outdoor bashes, advertising, and open-door policies. Although the Greeks claimed to hear the message, fraternities evaded the rules in various ways (such as making up a guest list consisting of the entire undergraduate student body) and the parties continued. Still, the university is determined to wean fraternities from using alcohol as an integral part of rush and of Greek life, and is providing more staff to assist with facility and budget management. Susan Murphy '73, PhD '94, Cornell's vice president for student and academic services, stresses that the administration wants the Greeks to live up to the ideals of personal and social growth that were established by their founders, to

become better citizens and to de-emphasize partying. A Pi Beta Phi sorority sister herself, Murphy says Greek chapters continue to provide not just social outlets and friendship but leadership opportunities. "Some of our fraternities and sororities are quarter-million-dollar businesses," Murphy says, involving human

resource, volunteer, facility, and food and beverage management.

But the university wants the present system to police itself better. In recent years, Murphy says, Cornell has faced about \$60 million in lawsuits stemming from fraternity incidents. Most of the cases have been dismissed, but fodder for new lawsuits is a possibility on any weekend. Last November, after a freshman plunged to his death in Fall Creek Gorge, police discovered his blood-alcohol level was .25, more than double the legal standard for intoxication. In tracing his path that night, investigators looked to parties at fraternities and in Collegetown, establishing that he'd visited an after-hours bash at Alpha Delta Phi but had been asked to leave. Alpha Delta Phi canceled the fall edition of Victory Club, its twice-annual charity ball, in deference to the tragedy.

The incident spotlighted the fact that, between fake IDs and private parties, drinking is as much a part of campus life as ever—legal age or no—and lies at the center not just of student life but of Greek recruitment. Although fraternity parties are regulated by sober monitors among the brothers (and by caterers who check IDs, issue bracelets to those able to drink legally, and dispense the beer), administrators fear every party is a gamble. "Wouldn't you be nervous about giving a party for 400?" asks Murphy. "I'm nervous about giving a party for fifty, even with a caterer."

Alcohol matters less to sororities,

whose national rules forbid booze on the premises at all times and strictly control how much contact sisters have with prospective pledges before the one-week rush period in January. It matters a great deal, however, to the frats. Their formal rush is a two-week period of smokers, contacts, off-campus games, and Collegetown parties, preceded by five months of meeting and bonding with freshmen in sports, classes—and parties.

All the Phi Deltas wanted was a chance to compete for pledges on a level playing field, said Alex Harrison, the junior who was president last fall. Cornell men who fit no particular image—with athletes, engineers, and future businessmen among their members—they liked their parties, particularly their Christmas bash and spring Medieval Madness. The Phi Deltas began to think about becoming a local, as the

fraternity had in 1970, when its national rules forbade pledging non-whites. The chapter had re-established its ties to the national a few years later, when that rule ended, but it was never the same; they felt less connected.

While they tried to persuade their parent organization to give them a reprieve in going dry (something that



MURPHY WANTS BETTER CITIZENS, LESS PARTYING

Sigma Nu and Fiji eventually received), the Phi Deltas examined the idea of going local and told last year's rushees that they were confident it would happen. The Phi Deltas were crushed when their alumni corporation said no, because it couldn't assume liability for what went on at parties. "It was no problem if we went dry along with others," Harrison said, "but not if we were one dry house out of forty. We decided to end it instead of changing the character of the house."

He said this on a Saturday afternoon in December, when the house was quiet as brothers watched football or prepared for finals week. Some had already begun to move their belongings to apartments. They were tired of thinking and talking about what had happened,

Harrison said. Over the next week, conversations with brothers showed a gamut of emotions, from anger to sadness to apathy. Many juniors and seniors didn't care. Sophomores said they were bitter about pledging just months earlier and now losing their fraternity. The Phi Delt's were upset with the alumni but grudgingly understood that this was life in the litigious 1990s. They were angrier with their national for not listening to their pleas for more time. "We're the first casualties of war," Harrison said. "We're one of the first successful chapters to say to our national, 'No.' Maybe this [dry houses] is the wave of the future, but it's too early. National is being stubborn."



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More and more nationals are considering dry houses. Sororities are talking about forbidding their chapters to have mixers with fraternities that allow alcohol in their houses. "This move toward going dry, while some say it's unrealistic, is growing," says Mckaig. "Some deadlines are fluctuating, but there's still pressure to get undergraduate drinking and behavior under control. It's unrealistic to think we can eliminate drinking, but we can lessen it. It's difficult to take a fraternity with an alcohol-drenched culture and make it change, but you can do it with pressure, until the people who come in five years later are more aware of alcohol issues."

Just over a month after the Phi Delt's moved out, Troy Bartels and Mike McDearman of Phi Delt's national staff sat under huge portraits of the founders in the house's newly-cleaned Great Hall and talked of a fresh vision of fraternity life, one where drinking would be less important and would be done outside the house. This was in the midst of rush, but few freshmen were visiting Phi Delt despite a full-page ad in the *Sun*. The low turnout had the two men resigned to wait until the fall to offer bids. But when they decided to give it one last

try by staging information sessions for freshmen after rush ended, dozens of prospects showed up. They signed seventeen pledges, who elected officers and began learning Phi Delt's secrets from the alumni.

Bartels and McDearman were pleased that Phi Delt's new philosophy was catching on at Cornell as it had on other campuses; they said their headquarters was receiving more donations since the move to go dry, and that the Cornell chapter had been the "first group to quit on us." McDearman said his chapter at Tennessee Tech was stronger in numbers than before and, with a \$20,000 incentive from national, had built a computer lab in its

house. At the University of Mississippi, he said, Phi Delt signed sixty-six pledges last fall. "If Cornell is thirty percent Greek," McDearman said, "then seventy percent of the men aren't finding what they want."

GIVING STUDENTS what they want was the key to reviving Kappa Sigma. After alumni asked the national headquarters to pull the fraternity's charter in 1996 because of dwindling numbers and weak organization, six students (one of whom had been a pledge when the charter was pulled), recruited new members with a promise to eliminate hazing. National recognized the chapter again in the spring of 1998, when it initiated twenty-eight men.

"It's very hard," Cashen says of the effort to show students that their source of relaxation is also an *organization*. It was easier to see in his era, when fraternity parties were smaller, women were supposed to visit the houses only with

chaperones, and students who got staggering drunk were the exception. The legal drinking age "has led to a very perverse way that alcohol has a role in social life," he says. To pay for caterers at their parties, fraternities need to attract hundreds of people. "So many students have fake IDs that it's a sham anyway. They have lots of exposure to alcohol in high school or prep school. We never thought we could ban alcohol (in the Greek system). Instead, we have emphasized safety and well-being."

Tom Roerden '83, a Syracuse attorney and Zeta Psi member who serves on the house corporations for the Cornell and SU chapters, recalls that when he was on campus, the house didn't even have liability insurance. "We were so exposed to everything, yet we didn't think about lawsuits. It never came up." Then a student slipped on an icy sidewalk and injured his hand while leaving a Zeta Psi party, and sued. "We got insurance in 1988, and in the next five years we got sued three times, for millions of dollars." National Zeta Psi conventions used to be primarily social occasions, he says, but now "they're all about risk management. One lawsuit could close an entire international fraternity."

Senior Jason Emery remembers the dread he sometimes felt when, as president, he had to patrol parties at Chi Phi. He had to make sure not only that students were behaving themselves but that the caterer was enforcing the rules. "A lot of guys in this house think the president will get in trouble, not them, so they don't have anything to worry about," he says. "They won't do things to hurt me but they won't think about it." Emery knows that the university administration wants fraternities to leave parties out of rush, but he doubts it can be done. "Rush is like meeting your spouse," he says. "You meet because you like his or her looks, then you get to know him or her. You have to get them to notice you."

Tony Cashen is concerned not just about drinking, but about how Greeks can connect with students. He's sent six children through college, two through Cornell (neither went Greek), and he talks to students as much as he can, so he feels he's in touch. But he puzzles



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CORNELL'S THIRTY-NINE FRATERNITIES ARE TRYING TO BALANCE TRADITION AND CHANGE, FORMAL RULES AND INFORMAL FUN.

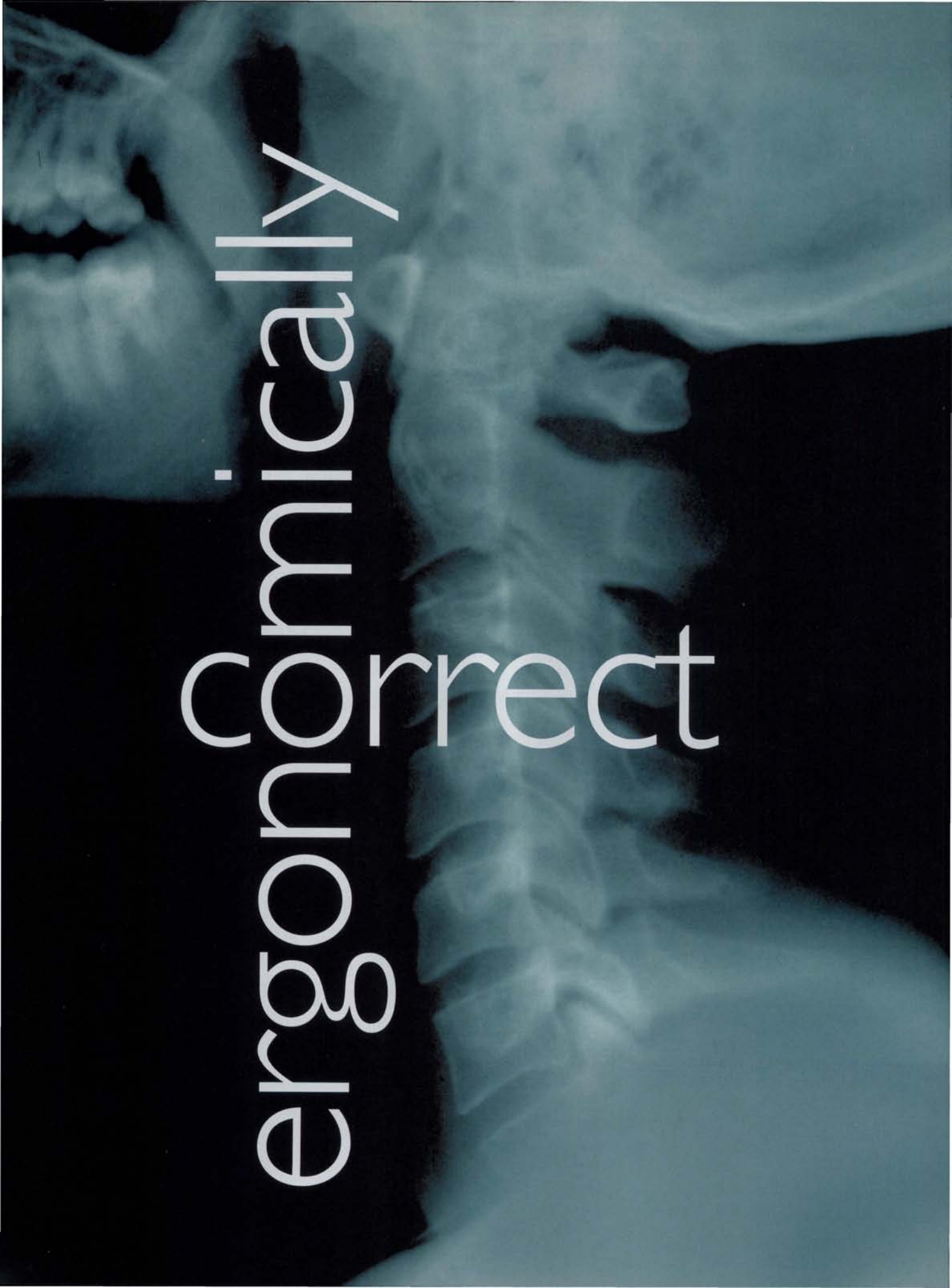
over how to get students, who interact differently than they did in his day, to understand the value of a group. Fraternity alumni are often confused or dismayed by the young men who have inherited their legacy. Current students, in return, shrug and say that alumni come from a different culture.

But Cashen doesn't doubt that fraternities and sororities are at a crossroads, perhaps the final one. "We've told the students, 'Either you take control of this or others will'—the police, the university," he says. "I don't know if we have a chance to save something we value. We know that if we don't do something, it'll go away."

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IT'S THE DARLING OF THE MARKETING INDUSTRY, SLAPPED ON EVERYTHING FROM TOOTHBRUSHES TO TORTILLA CHIPS. BUT JUST WHAT IS ERGONOMICS, ANYWAY? A (LOW-STRESS) LOOK INTO THE SCIENCE BEHIND THE SLOGANS

BY BETH SAULNIER & AMY WANG. PHOTOS BY FRANK DIMEO

dEEP IN THE BASEMENT OF MARTHA Van Rensselaer Hall, an innocent chair is doing hard time. It sits in a windowless room, shut inside a heavy wooden box secured with a padlock, as top secret as office furniture ever gets. The chair comes from a company that once produced the hulking metal desks and swivel chairs that filled the offices of many a film noir private eye. Now the firm is designing for the twenty-first century. And in chairs—as in keyboards and toothbrushes and even tortilla chips—the buzzword is “ergonomic.” The new chair is supposed to be a model of comfort, usefulness, and good posture. But with millions at stake, the company’s latest ergonomically friendly design will stay under lock and key, as researchers test its effect on the human body.

That it is on campus in the first place is due in large part to the work of one scientist: Alan Hedge, a Brit who was lured to the Department of Design and Environmental Analysis in the College of Human Ecology in 1987 to overhaul Cornell’s presence in a field most people had never heard of. For decades, ergonomics was practiced out of the public eye, essentially confined to the worlds of combat and industry. But with the advent of high technology—specifically, the personal computer, which suddenly exposed many people to the perils of poor equipment design and brought carpal tunnel syndrome into the mainstream lexicon—ergonomic principles are now being applied to everything from supermarket scanners to nasal strips. “Essentially what we’re looking at is how to improve the design of work, and work is any purposeful, goal-oriented human activity,” says Hedge. “Ergonomics is rooted in a number of subjects: anatomy, biology, psychology, organizational behavior, design, engineering. It’s a very interdisciplinary discipline, and you can apply it to almost any and every aspect of life.”

Even to the act of sitting down. The chair in a locked box in the ergonomics lab is part of a study that Hedge’s teaching assistant, graduate student Tim Muss, is helping to run, comparing the ergonomic benefits of several different models. The most exotic specimen on view: a

\$1,000 chair that offers adjustable armrests and lumbar support, plus breathable upholstery. The stacks of videotapes in the corner will be used to make hours of recordings on three different cameras, with each chair tested by two dozen people. “Anthropometrics,” Muss says as he sinks into a chair that adjusts to his every move, “is a big deal in ergonomics.” He’s talking about the science of

body measurements; the chair study will include volunteers representing a wide range of human sizes, from a small woman (the fifth percentile) to a large man (the ninety-fifth). That span of 90 percent of the population is the target for most consumer products; a car seat, for instance, is designed to be adjustable to accommodate all but the shortest and tallest drivers.

For the study, volunteers will have their arms marked with reflective dots at various stress points, and wear sensor gloves to record their wrist posture. They’ll be asked to type on a standard

keyboard while sitting in each of the chairs, after it has been adjusted to fit them most comfortably. The videotapes will then be painstakingly analyzed and the results fed into a computer that calculates the angles of various body points, which can then be translated into potential for injury. The study is looking at overall body posture, which can lead to a variety of ailments, from back problems to varicose veins. For workers who type a lot, one of the more common problems is bad wrist position, which has led to the carpal tunnel epidemic. In typing, many people work with their hands at the wrong angle—tilted up, for instance, or twisted to the left or right. That pressure can lead to inflammation of the nerves that run through the carpal tunnel between the bones of the hand and arm. And although wrist rests can help, Muss describes them as less a solution than a band-aid to bad workspace design. “What we stress is that the environment fit the person,” says Muss, “not the person fit the environment.”

Muss, who earned a bachelor’s degree in environmental



In Cornell's ergonomics lab, test subjects wear sensor gloves to record their wrist posture as they type on different keyboards.

studies from Binghamton University before coming to study with Hedge, is doing his master's thesis on a new kind of computer keyboard. The prototype, which looks a bit like an accordion married to a video-game control, is split down the middle and mounted vertically. Users type with their hands perpendicular to the desktop, a more natural and relaxed position; unfortunately, it's only an option for good touch-typists, since sneaking a quick peek at the letters isn't an option.

Although the keyboard looks futuristic, the science behind it goes back to early in the century. The first study on typing, which looked at the effect of room temperature on productivity, was conducted in New York State in 1914; the first "alternative" keyboard was designed in Germany in 1926. But it wasn't until the 1980s that typing injuries became widespread. Before then, typing was done mostly by trained professionals; now nearly everyone spends time at a keyboard. And with the rise of PCs came the end of activities that made typing more varied, and therefore less

physically harmful: loading a new sheet of paper, hitting a lever to return the carriage, stopping to correct a mistake. Computer users can keep their hands in the same position for hours on end, to the tune of fifteen mile's worth of finger movements per day. And if that position is an unhealthy one—whether for keyboard users or for workers in other repetitive-motion jobs, like processing poultry or running a supermarket scanner—it can lead to debilitating injuries, sending people into surgery or even ending their careers. "As ergonomists, we're not interested in the 99 percent of people who are happy and comfortable," Muss

says. "We're interested in the 1 percent of the population that aren't, because they're at risk for injury." Or, as Hedge puts it: "We like to get the bad news."

The field of ergonomics was officially founded in 1949 by the British admiralty (the name comes from the Greek *ergon* for work and *nomos* for laws), but it traces its roots to 1857, when a Polish scholar named Wojciech Jastrzebowski coined the phrase in a treatise on the science of work in the journal *Nature and Industry*. But the field didn't come into wide practice until World War I, when the British government created the Industrial Fatigue Board to study the effect that environmental conditions and shift work had on productivity in munitions factories. Meanwhile, on the other side of the At-

lantic—where it was known as Human Factors—Henry Ford was considering similar issues in designing assembly lines.

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HE FIELD EXPANDED DURING WORLD War II, when large groups of previously untrained soldiers had to learn to run radar and sonar systems—which, Hedge says, "required you to maintain high levels of concentration on extremely boring tasks"—and to control planes and tanks.

"Suddenly, you had people who were using quite sophisticated technology making mistakes, and sometimes dying as a result," he says. "People realized you had to consider the human being as part of the system."

Back then, the military focus was mostly on psychology, studying the best cockpit conditions for fighter pilots. Simultaneously, civilian scientists were doing time-and-motion studies at industrial sites,

most notably McDonnell-Douglas and other aircraft manufacturing companies, and eventually the two streams of research converged. (There were, however, various ergonomics studies going on around the U.S. and Europe—including the Cornell Kitchen, designed on campus in the 1930s as a model layout for domestic efficiency.) Later, when the space program began, ergonomists were on hand to address the human factors issues facing astronauts. It has since branched into areas from consumer products to the design of major systems like nuclear power plant controls. "Anything that people touch and do and think about, anything that



In his keyboard study, Muss used two "ergonomic" chairs: the Steelcase Criterion (left and bottom right) and the Ergomax.

makes their lives easier, anything that you can think of that people interact with," says Muss, "it's all ergonomics."

American ergonomists now have a national organization, the California-based Human Factor and Ergonomics Society (with 5,000 members and thirty university chapters, including one at Cornell), as well as an international society with twenty-seven member countries. The U.S. organization's membership reflects the field's make-up: about 40 percent have a background in psychology, 20 percent in engineering, and the rest in such fields as computer science, industrial design, and medicine. "It's really unlimited, the applications of human factors," says society director Lynn Strother. "You can study the way people sit in a chair and do computer work—what goes

on mentally and physically as they interact with the chair, the desk, the computer itself, the software."

At Cornell, recent research projects have included the computer mouse, snow shovel, walking cane, and floor mop. The real underpinning of the program, however—and what sets it apart from the engineering-based ergonomics programs at other universities—is its environmental perspective, its emphasis on creating what Hedge calls a "healthful, comfortable, productive" workplace. That can involve factors from indoor air quality (Muss and other graduate students have collected dust samples in Martha Van Rensselaer and dissected the building's venting system) to such issues as noise and lighting. "Let's suppose that you're working at a computer and you've got glare on the screen," Hedge says, citing one example. "Now, the engineering approach would be redesigning the screen. Our approach is, well, the screen's already here. What can we do to change the lighting and the environment, or cover the screen with another product that acts as a barrier to protect against glare, or teach the person about where to put the computer to reduce the chance of glare? I think that's the unique flavor of the program we have here."

Hedge earned his bachelor's degree in zoology from Sheffield University in Yorkshire, England, and got a master's there, studying the vision of octopi. "They're the most intelligent invertebrate," Hedge says. "They're probably smarter than a rat." He then switched to applied psychology and got another master's from Aston University in Birmingham and a PhD from Sheffield, studying information processing. He went

on to teach ergonomics at Aston for eleven years before coming to Cornell to revive its moribund grad program and start an undergraduate major; recent graduates are analyzing the usability of phone and voicemail systems for Sprint PCS, working on website ergonomics for Yahoo!, and studying camera design for Kodak.

Ergonomists lament that modern inventions often don't have practical roots, seeming to be made more for aesthetics or economy. Hedge recalls seeing a rudimentary 3-D game made by Nintendo, and instantly realizing the product would bomb. Why? Its display was entirely red on black, which might have looked cool—but had obviously been designed with utter indifference for the fact that a child could only play the

game for a few minutes before experiencing after-images and other visual problems. "There are many examples where engineers do things for convenience," Hedge says, "but they create something that really isn't usable."

Hedge cites one high-profile accident to show how straightforward engineering can translate into bad design: the death of singer John Denver. Denver's experimental plane had two fuel tanks located behind the seat; to check their levels, he had to look in a mirror to read the gauge, then mentally reverse the information, unbuckle his safety harness, and reach over his left shoulder to switch from one tank to the other. By the time Denver got through the complicated process, Hedge says, he ran out of fuel and crashed. "You can't design technology out of context," he says. "When an ergonomist looks at a car, he doesn't see it as a machine, but as a person-technology system. You could have a really great car that's very well designed, but if you put an unskilled person in the car, the system isn't safe. You could have a really skilled driver, but put them in an old car, and the system isn't safe. Let's not look at the car or the driver, but let's look at the *system*. What does the system have to do to be safe and effective?"

The first mainstream ergonomic product was the Reach toothbrush, introduced by Johnson & Johnson in 1977. It was designed for comfort and efficiency with a rubberized grip and angled head; now the old, flat models are about ready for the Smithsonian. But like "low-fat" and "eco-friendly," "ergonomic" can be just another sales tool. The word is now the darling of the marketing industry, trotted out to work its charms not only

on toothbrushes and computer keyboards but also on desk lamps, mattresses, scissors, steam irons, golf grips, and pastry bags. There's no government regulation of the term, so advertisers can slap it on just about anything, regardless of whether any serious research has gone into improving a product's design. In his office on the second floor of Martha Van Rensselaer (where his books and papers are strewn about, but his keyboard and mouse are at a scrupulously correct height), Hedge keeps a manila folder filled with suspects from his ergonomic rogues gallery. One of his favorites is a label from a bag of Kettle Tias tortilla chips, which claim to be designed with a "unique ergonomic shape," the words being both underlined and bolded. "There is an indented base for an easy



The conventional flat keyboard (top) and an experimental split version, which allows users to type in a more natural, relaxed position.

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stovetop 101

(DON'T TOUCH THAT DIAL)

ALL STOVES ARE ESSENTIALLY THE SAME, AREN'T THEY? WRONG. A LOOK AT FOUR DIFFERENT MODELS FROM AN ITHACA appliance store shows that controls, indicators, and safety features can vary widely. The four stoves on these pages have three different "control-burner layouts." And the two with the same configuration (Stoves 1 and 4, whose four knobs running from left to right correspond to the same four burners on the cooktop) have their oven controls in different locations. That may not be a problem most of the time. But injuries in kitchen mishaps often occur because during an emergency (the cooking oil is burning, the pasta water is boiling over), people often get confused and try to control the stove according to how the *first* one they ever used was laid out. They might turn the wrong burner to HIGH instead of shutting the right one off. "When you panic, you resort to your basic expectations," says ergonomist Hedge. "Everything you've learned goes out the window."

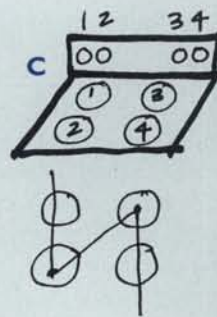
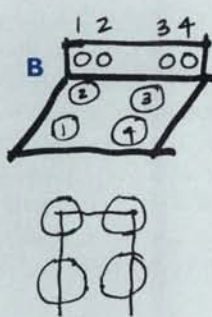
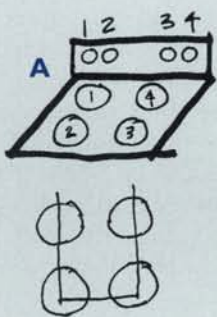


1 Putting controls on the back keeps them away from children but creates a hazard by requiring users to reach across burners to turn the stove off. There's a better way to make stoves safe: model the knobs after child-proof caps that have to be pressed and turned simultaneously.

This dial disrupts the spatial composition of the knobs and burners. It's offset to the right and the same size as the other knobs, but controls a device (the oven) which is located on an entirely different plane.

Coils can be very hot without turning red. With just one small indicator light located across the stove (possibly blocked by pots), there's not much visual warning that something's hot.

Most stoves have a moving scale and a fixed pointer; this one has a moving *pointer* and a fixed *scale*. Ergonomists have shown that this system (like a clock, which has stationary numbers and moving hands) is easier to use.



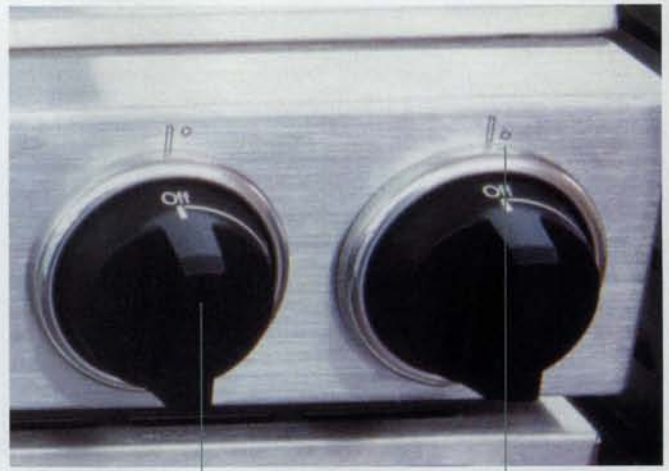
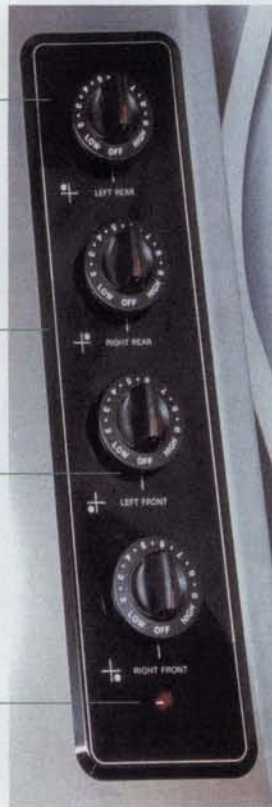
FOR DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL Analysis 651, grad student Tim Muss and classmate Rachael Fonda analyzed the "control-burner" relationships of fifteen popular stove models. They divided them into three basic configurations and tested the success that people had at

2 Controls on the right side are safer than on the back—as long as you're right-handed. Left-handers have to reach across the burners to use them. Also, the controls can be perilously close to a large pot boiling on the stove.

The knobs are marked with grids to show which burners they control, and the white dots contrast well with the black background.

On this stove, the OFF position is at the bottom; on the other three, it's at the top. That could cause safety problems if people are used to the more common configuration of having OFF at the top, or twelve o'clock.

This indicator light is on the correct plane (where the user is looking, unlike Stove 4). But it doesn't show which burner is on.



3 On a gas stove, the user lights the burner by turning the knob counter-clockwise (opposite of electric stoves). This violates the "clockwise for increase" principle; people assume that turning a knob clockwise (like a volume control) makes something louder, brighter, or hotter.

The icons, while stylish, aren't very useful. The black paint against the silver background makes for poor contrast; and without a grid, it's hard to tell what burner the dot is meant to indicate. Furthermore, their location, on the front, makes them difficult to read while using the stove.



Having the knobs on the front is the most common layout, but it presents a problem: since they are on a different plane from the burners, it's hard to indicate clearly which controls which.

Indicator lights are bigger than on Stove 1, but not very useful since they're in front, and the user is looking at the stovetop. Also, the TOP light doesn't denote which burner is on.

The OVEN light may not aid safety, since it is often designed to go on when the oven is heating up and off when it hits the right temperature. A "rinning" light would be better.

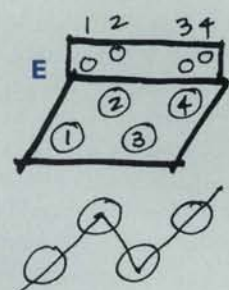
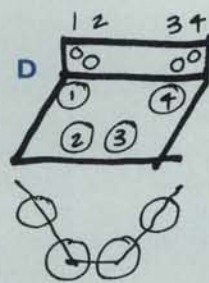
4 A four-part grid is a good way to indicate which burner is selected, but the marker shouldn't be red. Apart from the low contrast against the black background, red is the universal color for danger (it implies that the stove shouldn't be turned on) and is better used on warning signals.

The "linkage lines" connecting the knobs on the front to the diagrams on the top are a good idea because they reinforce the relationship between knob and burner, but they shouldn't be red.

Unlike on Stove 1, this oven control is at the end of the row of knobs. A user accustomed to having it in the middle of the panel could turn on a burner by accident.

figuring out which knob controlled which burner. They found that Configuration A had the highest error rate: new users made mistakes 60 percent of the time. (Configuration B had a 42 percent error rate, and C had 44 percent.)

But they also tried two experimental designs, which lowered the error rate to 2 percent (Configurations D and E). The key is "pattern matching": the burners and the knobs that control them are laid out in the same geometric patterns, allowing users to tell instantly which controls which.



thumb and forefinger grip," the label continues, "and no sharp corners."

Hedge's folder of shame also includes an ad for a Westclox Sonata AM/FM digital clock radio, which features not only a musical wake-up option and snooze button, but a "compact ergonomic design." (Even Hedge has no idea what this means.) Then there's a page from the Levenson catalogue, a high-end supplier of reading and writing tools. It offers a set of three "Ergorasers," spoon-shaped erasers that sell for \$18.95. There's also an "ergonomically superior" laser pointer, an Eddie Bauer eyeglass holder promising "advanced ergonomic design for maximum comfort," and a stapler that claims its "stylish ergonomic design" makes it easier to use—as though normal staplers required an engineering degree. "There are many so-called ergonomic products that are pretty well useless," Hedge says. "It's become a band-wagon term."

But it's one thing to pitch a redesigned product to consumers interested in their own well-being. It's another to pitch expensive new equipment, a major workplace renovation, or a significantly revamped procedure requiring re-training to businesses that might cut payroll before profits, even though workplaces are a leading source of ergonomic problems. "There are a lot of checks and balances between how much you really can do and how much the client wants to spend," says Muss. "Often a budget overrides the humanity." So he and Hedge integrate the concept of potential risk when dealing with business clients, emphasizing the financial benefits of injury prevention. They have the data to back themselves up. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics keeps tabs on the number of repetitive stress injuries suffered by the nation's workers; in 1997, the latest year for which figures were available, that number was 276,600.

So when Hedge speaks of applying ergonomics theory to real life, he's able to drop names such as Wegmans, the fifty-seven-store supermarket chain based in Rochester, New York. As it happens, the Bureau of Labor Statistics cites scanning groceries as a major cause of work-related injuries, because of the cashiers' repetition of the swiping motion. So as visions of workers' compensation and disability leave dance in executives' heads, Hedge is helping redesign checkout counters to reduce injuries to cashiers. In general, though, employers often deal with such issues only after the fact. "Unfortunately, it seems to be a hindsight problem," Muss says. "We want to bring ergonomics into the front end, rather than just putting out fires."

Muss, for his part, has gone on reconnaissance missions to Sears and other home appliance stores to examine stove design to see how easy (or how difficult) it is for cooks to figure out which knob controls which burner. An ergonomic stove, in this context, would be one that anybody can figure out how to operate with one glance. But there's no standard "control-burner layout," as Muss calls it—which means cooks

have to re-learn a stove's design every time they use a different one, and often the diagrams aren't clear. "When you're in a stressful situation," Muss says, "you revert back to the first one you learned, so if this stove isn't the first one you learned on . . ." There are obvious solutions—using color-coding so a green knob controls a green burner, or simply drawing a line from a knob to the burner it operates—but for some reason, manufacturers have rarely adopted them. "These are just silly design changes, obvious design cues, compared to the amount of money in insurance or the loss of life."

bUT ERGONOMISTS DON'T JUST WORK IN the real world; lately, they've turned their attention to the virtual realm as well. One of Hedge's particular interests is the application of ergonomic principles to website design. Projects include work on the Human Ecology site, the university's Library Gateway, and the ergonomics program's own presence, CuErgo (www.ergo.human.cornell.edu). Like any ergonomic issue, Web design has to be focused on the user, Hedge says, comparing a well-crafted site to a town with logically laid-out streets and clear road signs. "But you go to a badly designed website and you wonder, 'How do I know what to click on, how do I know where to go?' Sometimes you end up in cul-de-sacs and you say 'How did I get here?' You can waste a huge amount of time."

The difference between unhealthy and ergonomically correct (be it in a keyboard, a stovetop, or a workplace) can be subtle, and relatively inexpensive to fix. Take the problem of carpal-tunnel injuries in poultry-processing plants. Many of those workers can be spared not through a radical plant redesign, but by simply giving them a knife with a curved handle so they can hold it in a more natural position.

But although Hedge notes that ergonomics has become an integral part of industrial and workplace design in Europe—something consumers and employees demand—Americans tend to give their designers more credit for creating user-friendly products than they probably deserve. "Here, there's more of an implicit belief that the manufacturer has got it right," he says, "and there's legal recourse if they get it wrong."

And when they do get it wrong, it's often because manufacturers and ergonomists approach the design process from disparate standpoints. Even though their goals should be the same—creating the best product for the user—the fact is that one wants to make something that works; the other wants to make something that works *well*, and for most everyone. "It's like there are two different approaches. They're designing for the product," Muss says. "We're designing for people."

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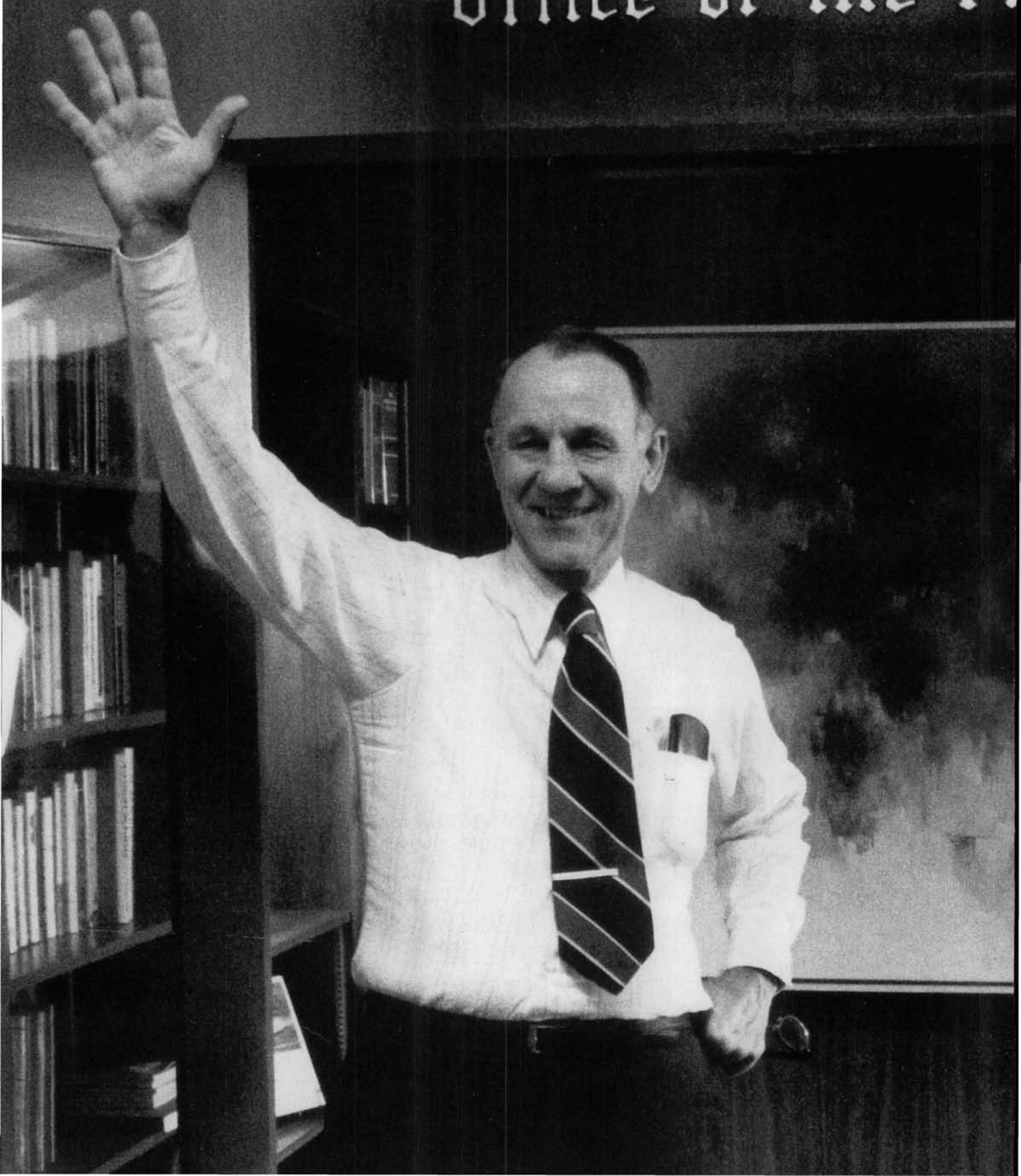
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THE MAN WHO WOULD BE PRESIDENT (really)

BY EDWARD HERSHEY & CAROLE STONE

AFTER TWO DECADES OF PAYING LITTLE notice to a man who rescued it from the brink of disaster, the university will honor its eighth president this fall with a national colloquium on the future of American higher education. President of Cornell from 1969 until 1977, Dale Raymond Corson led the university through its most trying years. He stemmed a tide of faculty resignations in the aftermath of the wrenching spring of 1969 and guided Cornell through a minefield of unrest and recrimination during a tenure that left the university positioned for new growth, its faculty and alumni reassured and public confidence restored.

While many who have had direct contact with Corson have long admired him, the larger community has been much less aware of his contributions—and the public careers he fashioned before and after

DALE CORSON,
RACIAL CONFLICT,
AND THE
REBUILDING OF
A UNIVERSITY

HAPPY TO BE HERE: CORSON IN HIS DAY HALL OFFICE, CIRCA 1969

his twenty-one years on East Hill as engineering dean, provost, and president. Why is recognition coming so late? In a new book on the 1969 crisis at Cornell, historian Donald Downs '71 notes that in 1948 Corson received the Presidential Certificate of Merit from Harry Truman, "a fellow Midwesterner whom he resembled in looks, temperament, and style." Like Truman, Corson was an accidental president who, in retrospect, becomes a better one with each passing year.

Although he had the résumé to lead the university and his manner reflected the egalitarian principles on which Cornell was founded, Corson is not the sort of man Cornell trustees have usually chosen as president. He is mild-mannered and modest with a style as understated as his successor's is grandiloquent. In 1969, however, he was not only the right man for the job, he might have been the only one. "What Dale did here from 1969 to 1977 was rebuild the university from the inside," says Walter LaFeber, the Marie Underwood Noll professor of American history, who chaired the history department in 1968-69.

"There probably was not a worse job in higher education in the United States in the spring of 1969 than the presidency of Cornell, and it could have gotten a lot worse. But people pulled together, and that was because of Dale."

Reflecting on that tumultuous time, Corson says his most important asset was his experience "running big things" during World War II. "I spent three years in the Pentagon working for a general as his technical and scientific adviser on all the new radar

and electronic developments," he says, seated in his office on the sixth floor of Clark Hall. "I was responsible for everything from getting scarce materials to building things to monitoring the development and construction of aircraft instrumentation. So I had experience in dealing with people, and some very difficult people."

There's a revealing story about a meeting of The Circle, a campus lunch club whose members were expected to deliver a talk or invite someone to do so. One day, entomologist Bill Brown transfixed the group with tales of his twenty missions as a World War II reconnaissance pilot flying out of Chungdu in Szechwan, China, to search for downed Allied planes in Japan. Corson replied that in his opinion, six of eighteen planes were lost on Brown's first mission because commanders refused to rely on radar reference points. The next day, he sent Brown the original bombing plans through campus mail. "Better destroy these," he said in a note about the plans he had drawn up during his Pentagon days. "They're probably still classified."

But physics was Corson's first love. The son of a truck driver, he attended the College of Emporia in his native Kansas, then pursued graduate studies at Berkeley in what he calls "a physics nirvana," the radiation laboratory of Nobel laureate Ernest Lawrence. In 1940, at twenty-seven, Corson discovered astatine, one of the last missing elements on the Peri-

odic Table. He left Berkeley for MIT, where he collaborated on the wartime development of radar—some call it more important to the Allied success than the atomic bomb—and then went to Washington to oversee its application. Near the end of the war, he served at Los Alamos and then organized the Sandia National Lab (now the nation's largest federal research facility) in nearby Albuquerque. Coming to Cornell in 1946, he played a role in the design and construction of the Wilson Synchrotron

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AT GRADUATION IN 1977
WITH WIFE NELLIE (BELOW);
LECTURING ON
PHOTOGRAPHY (RIGHT) IN
THE SUMMER PROGRAM



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It might seem to those who meet him that Corson knows something about everything. He can assay the quality of concrete, having mixed and poured his own for the home he owned in Ithaca. His photography is so good that visitors to Corson Hall assume the pictures in the lobby are there courtesy of the Johnson Museum, not the former president's darkroom. He designed and built the Engineering Quad's sundial, one of the most accurate in the world.

and General Electric's Langmuir Lab, an early example of corporate and campus partnering.

CORSON SAYS THAT HE chose Cornell primarily because of the physicists who gravitated to Ithaca after the war—researchers such as Hans Bethe, Boyce McDaniel, Lyman Parratt, Richard Feynman, Kenneth Wilson, and Robert Bacher. But he was happiest in the classroom, especially with students who had come to Cornell after military service. “They had seen some terrible things,” he says, “and they knew what they wanted.” He served as chairman of the physics department from 1956 to 1959 and was ready to return to his lab when, after an announced successor to longtime engineering dean Solomon Hollister got cold feet, President Deane Malott summoned Corson to his office. He recalls how Malott gave him the news, one Kansan to another: “When I walked in, he said, ‘I need a dean and you’re it.’”

Malott did not have to spell out that Corson would be an agent of change. “Cornell Engineering was essentially an undergraduate school,” Corson says. “It was famous for producing engineers who ran the chemical industry in this country. Monsanto, Dow, DuPont—all their CEOs were Cornellians. And there was still a fairly strong feeling that the primary purpose of the college was to produce more industry leaders. I didn’t believe that. I thought I could foresee technical problems getting so complicated that there was no way that an engineer with only an undergraduate education would be able to manage them.”

Corson set about to strengthen graduate study and research, but not without resistance. “Those who resented him, the old-line engineers, said, ‘What’s a physicist doing here anyway?’” recalls Julian Smith, an emeritus professor of chemical engineering. But Corson was not really an outsider. He held a dual appointment as a professor of engineering physics and had broken bread with most of the faculty. “Mechanical engineers ate with the mechanical engineers, chemical with

chemical, and so on,” Corson recalls, “whereas I’d move from table to table from one day to the next.”

Corson attracted new talent (the number of faculty with doctorates rose dramatically) and funding (more than \$4 million from the Ford Foundation alone) and emphasized emerging disciplines such as materials science. That period is now seen as a turning point at the college, though feelings were bruised at the time. “Some very good people left and immediately became chairmen of departments elsewhere,” Smith says. “I think Dale learned from the experience. He wasn’t always political or smart about the way he went about doing things.” However, by the afternoon in 1963 when Cornell’s new president, James Perkins, walked into an Engineering faculty meeting with the news that he had appointed Corson provost, Smith says, “the general feeling was of regret that we were losing Dale.”

Perkins, new to Ithaca with training in political science and little patience for administrative routine, saw an alter-ego in Corson—a highly organized physicist who knew Cornell so well he called on everyone by name at faculty meetings. For reasons Perkins would come to regret, it was probably the savviest move in his aborted term as president. “Perkins didn’t stay up in Ithaca very often and it was Dale who ran the store,” recalls LaFeber. “Department heads never went to Perkins. You’d go to Dale. Everybody trusted Dale.”

Corson used his authority to focus on what he saw as a key to the future: a multidisciplinary approach to education and research. He launched the Einaudi Center for International Studies, enlarged the program in materials science, and formed the Division of Biological Sciences to link programs in specialized areas such as plant breeding with basic work in cell and molecular biology and

research in the Vet and Medical colleges. Yet for all these initiatives, Corson’s most telling impact would be how he anticipated and responded to events starting in the spring of 1968, when black student activists disrupted a class in economic development taught by a visiting lecturer, a Catholic priest from the Philippines whom they accused of racism.

In the early days of his presidency, Perkins had established the Committee on Special Education Projects to enroll more minority students and give them educational and social support. But the university’s best intentions exceeded its ability to deliver and minority students were growing restive. In December, after members of the Afro-American Society occupied Perkins’s office, libraries, a clinic, and a dining room, disciplinary charges against the protesters became the focus of further disruption. In one incident, two black students grabbed Perkins by the neck and pulled him from the podium at Statler Auditorium

as he convened a conference on South African apartheid; in another, demonstrators stopped recruiters representing a bank believed to have Afrikaner ties from interviewing at the Johnson School.

Corson called an emergency meeting of the faculty in March 1969. Expressing “grave concerns” over the drama unfolding on the cam-

pus, he chided the faculty for playing an “ad hoc, indirect, and sometimes ex post facto” role. “The message I wish to communicate today is simple,” Corson said. “I am convinced the period ahead of us is more critical than any we have ever faced. If stability is to prevail, I believe that faculty involvement must now become direct and continuous. There are standards of academic freedom and of scholarly behavior which are commonly held and these must be expressed clearly, publicly, and frequently.”

Cushing Strout, the Ernest I. White professor of American studies and hu-

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mane letters emeritus, remembers that day well. "Dale had a strong sense of what an educational institution should be and how it should behave in a critical time," Strout says. "His instincts were always to try to preserve some kind of institutional integrity." Downs notes that Corson was well-positioned as a voice of reason because he was dedicated both to Cornell (he hadn't taken a sabbatical leave in living memory) and to social justice for blacks. "He sensed that the university could crumble," Downs says in *Cornell '69*, "unless the faculty and the administration rallied in a serious, sustained way around the principles of liberal justice and liberal education."

BUT THE CALL WENT unheeded. While faculty members applauded Corson's plea, their subsequent debate and vote of 306-229 in support of the university's judicial process revealed a deep division and helped turn his warning into a prophecy. Within a week, three white students were attacked by men whom witnesses said were black; one victim was beaten so severely he lapsed into a coma and suffered brain damage. Days later, after a cross was burned in front of a black women's residence, black students seized Willard Straight Hall and an outraged fraternity failed in an effort to retake it. No shots were fired and no blood was shed, but brandished guns were enough to convince alarmed administrators to negotiate at any cost.

The takeover ended, but it was resolved in a way that extended the controversy when students emerged wearing ammunition bandoleers and holding rifles, and the faculty learned Cornell had promised amnesty to the protesters. In the tumultuous week that followed, with the *New York Times* covering the drama on its front pages, classes were suspended, some professors fled their homes for motels after being threatened, local law enforcement developed plans to occupy campus, and a still-divided faculty voted first to reject nullification of disciplinary action in the name of academic freedom and then reversed itself to avert violence. "I cannot adequately

describe the level of tension on campus," says Richard Polenberg, Goldwin Smith professor of American history. "It was palpable. You'd walk across the bridge and it was like walking into a steam room."

Dozens of faculty members sent letters to the trustees urging them to dismiss Perkins and replace him with Corson. LaFever did not have to write. A young historian who was one of Cornell's

rising stars, he was on a first-name basis with trustees and alumni leaders and told them that only one thing would keep him at Cornell: Dale Corson as president. "I was within twenty-four hours of buying a home in Chevy Chase and going to the University of Maryland," LaFever recalls. "My wife and I went down there and took a train back up to Manhattan on a Saturday. The early edition of the Sunday *New York Times* carried a story saying Dale had been named president. I turned to my wife and said, 'I guess we're not going to Maryland.'"

Keith Johnson '56, a former editor at *Fortune* who spent four years researching a history of post-1950 Cornell, credits Corson's calm demeanor with putting the university back on course. "This guy is really the best of the Midwest—open, honest, candid, seemingly without guile, very democratic in the small 'd' sense," he says. "He's on cordial terms with campus cops and Nobel Prize winners. He treats everybody the same."

When Corson took office, he and his wife, Nellie, remained in their home on South Hill rather than move into a ceremonial presidential residence. "He was one of us, a professor who'd risen through the ranks," says Strout, who had urged Perkins to resign and called on the trustees to appoint Corson. "We needed someone to stabilize the university and in his character he represented stability." Not that it was easy. Protests continued through the mid-Seventies

and some faculty wounds never healed. In 1970, when government professor Clinton Rossiter committed suicide, campus tensions were partly blamed for his death.

But despite some significant defections, particularly in the government department, where Walter Berns, Andrew Hacker, Allan Bloom, and Alan Sindler left, a torrent of threatened faculty resignations never happened. Neither did

a budding backlash by some trustees. "Perkins had aspired to the national scene," recalls W. Donald Cooke, an emeritus professor of chemistry who was Cornell's vice president for research from 1969 to 1983. "He wanted to be Secretary of State; he had that Swarthmore background and was among the social elite. Well, it turned out that what the university needed was a Kansas farm boy."

Things would never be the same, but slowly the university got on with its business. Enrollment rose. Government, corporate, and private gifts increased. Budgets were balanced after the usual hand-wringing. Outstanding faculty signed on. Facilities were planned and built. Measured against any other eight years in its history, the period was relatively unremarkable—and that might be the most remarkable accomplishment of all.

A turning point came in 1972, when students occupied Carpenter Hall to protest military research. Instead of negotiating, Corson sent Cornell's lawyers to court for an injunction ordering the building vacated. It was a gamble because if students defied the order, it would have been enforced by rural sheriff's deputies from the countryside surrounding Ithaca—the very police Corson hoped never to see on campus for fear of the sort of violence that happened at Kent State a year later. But the protesters gave in, and Cornell has used

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THE CRISIS AND ITS AFTERMATH

LESSONS FROM 1969

The confrontation with history at Cornell in 1969 brought forth the best and the worst in individuals across the board. Heroism and decency coexisted in the same breasts with cowardice, thuggery, and the inability to forgive; ethical neatness is not to be expected when such dividing lines are crossed.

The crisis and its aftermath raise a fundamental question. Can racial understanding and sensitivity exist without forsaking the intellectual freedom that is necessary to both the pursuit of truth and constitutional citizenship? The experience at Cornell reminds us of the teachings of the civil rights movement: that freedom, the commitment to truth beyond politics, and justice go hand in hand. When freedom and justice claims pry themselves too far from respect for truth and the right of others to disagree, drives for power are loosened from their moorings in morality.

It is precisely here that the university, dedicated to the principles of liberal education, offers hope for a society that

stands in need of honest discussion. As Ellis Cose said in a recent book on race relations, "Something tragic is in the offing unless Americans learn to connect with one another and talk about race in an intelligent way." Such discussion cannot occur if groups can veto or restrict what is said about them in the name of the politics of identity or recognition or any other worthy end, for such moves represent concessions to power or empowerment rather than to the process of discovering or debating the truth. Such pedagogy thwarts understanding by making controversial (and therefore often innovative) thought taboo and by undermining the assumptions of ultimately common reason and common ground on which discussion and moral appeal can take place.

Censorship in the name of the self-esteem of individuals and groups throttles the drive for justice in three fundamental ways. First, it limits our intellectual options. Second, it reinforces cynical complacency by freeing us from the strenuous task of reasoning together in the presence of our differences, which is the very basis of democratic politics. Freed

from having to engage in the give-and-take of democratic politics we retreat behind the shibboleths of our respective camps, growing intellectually lazy. "Identity politics makes life easier for everyone," Tamar Jacoby writes. "Black students live in black dorms—and life goes on as usual on campus."

Third, this process undermines the intellectual rigors that are essential to sustained equal constitutional citizenship. Hannah Arendt once taught that the Enlightenment had the relationship between equality and citizenship backwards: rather than equality being the basis of citizenship (as the Enlightenment taught), it is citizenship that bestows the right of equality. And citizenship entails accepting provisionally the common standards of legal obligation that balance rights with such responsibilities as respecting the rights of others and the integrity of the democratic-constitutional process. Liberal education is one important means to this end, as its best practice develops individuals who think for themselves with broad yet critical minds.

From this perspective the Perkins administration got the racial issue half right. Opening Cornell's doors to new black students was a historical imperative, and Perkins deserves credit for being a pioneer in this domain. Yet the administration was betrayed by its own loss of faith in (or inability to defend) such cardinal principles of liberal education as intellectual freedom, the commitment to truth above all other endeavors, and common standards of reason and law. Failing to uphold basic principles of the rule of law was both patronizing and counterproductive, to say nothing of what it meant for those (especially minority students) who dissented from the militant agenda. Given the tensions of the time, perhaps no one could have fared any better; criticism is easy for those who have not had to make responsible decisions in the face of such pressure. But the stunning collapse of liberal principles at Cornell was paradigmatic for its time and ours.

In the name of morality, Cornell forgot the subtle yet inescapable connection between morality and the commitment to the open-minded pursuit of truth that is the university's distinctive obligation. As Jonathan Rauch argues in *Kindly Inquisitors*, governments and universities have special obligations to protect freedom of speech and inquiry, "governments, because their monopoly on force gives them enormous repressive

powers, and universities, because their moral charter is first and foremost to advance human knowledge by practicing and teaching criticism. If governments stifle criticism, then they impoverish and oppress their citizenry; if universities do so, then they have no reason to exist."

The dragons of racial hatred and the fear of challenging ideas have proved hard to slay in everyone's breast, regardless of race. After all the historical congratulations have ended, we remain beset by parochialism, racism, racial polarization, and, above all, by mutual misunderstanding. To move forward, the fostering of equal respect based on intellectual and moral integrity is imperative. But progress is stillborn, killed by a lack of faith in our ability to find common ground within our profound differences. Universities can help only by

nourishing what is best within our intellectual consciences, that which seeks to understand the true nature of the world and our embattled lives.

The Cornell story beckons us not to abandon recognition and identity but to pay much greater heed to the liberal and constitutional principles that began their descent in the university at Cornell. It shows the dangers of ignoring racism and racial claims and of severing the quest for racial justice from the moorings of liberal education and freedom. The races must listen to one another, but this cannot and should not happen in the presence of balkanization and intolerance of dissent as such conditions allow victory only to those with situational power as opposed to those who would persuade.

Two key lessons emerge from Cornell in this regard: (1) the principles of liberal education need strong, publicly proclaimed support from campus lead-

ers who actually hold such principles dear, and (2) professors, administrators, and students must have the courage to speak out against the forces that would compromise these principles in the name of whatever moral vision holds sway. But such voices must do so in racial good faith, lest their preachings be exposed as insincere and therefore unworthy and unable to provoke meaningful change. Liberalism must maintain its racial conscience, but it must also regain confidence in its commitment to individual freedom if the drive for social justice is to recapture the moral authority of the constitutional order. If liberalism remains silent through guilt, embarrassment, or simple historical exhaustion, we are lost. The university can lead us out of our respective caves only by being true to itself.

— Donald Downs '71

PERKINS GOT THE RACIAL ISSUE HALF RIGHT. OPENING CORNELL'S DOORS TO NEW BLACK STUDENTS WAS A HISTORICAL IMPERATIVE. YET THE ADMINISTRATION WAS BETRAYED BY ITS LOSS OF FAITH IN THE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERAL EDUCATION.

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similar strategy in the face of campus disruption ever since.

Following his term as president, Corson became enmeshed in government pursuits so completely that he and Nellie rented a house in Washington, D.C., for three years. He founded the Government University Industry Research Roundtable and led efforts by agencies such as the National Academy of Science, the National Science Foundation, and the World Bank to encourage more university, industry, and government collaboration; to study whether exported technology threatens national security; to modernize science in China; and to examine the practicality of using space satellites to produce solar energy.

When the Corsons returned to Ithaca for good, they set about pursuing an old dream by helping to establish the Kendal at Ithaca retirement community on the old Savage Farm property in Cayuga Heights. A half-century earlier, they had picked the site as a perfect place for their dream home, but they couldn't build because of local concerns about rezoning the open land for housing lots. The prospect of a retirement village met with no such resistance—prosperous retirees in such communities pay far more in property taxes than they demand in services—but New York State law barred Kendal-style arrangements for lifetime care. As head of the board of directors, Corson worked with developers and Ithaca-area legislators to change the law.

Corson is somewhat of an elder statesman at Cornell, but except for his

role in founding Kendal, he has stayed out of the spotlight. He and his wife have remained fixtures at the Cornell Plantations and at campus concerts, however, and last November they went to Ohio to watch craftsmen strike one of Cornell's three new chimes. Their four children—two of whom hold posts at Cornell—donated the bell in honor

an early alarm on universities' need to control costs and limit expenses, and was quick to identify new programs that deserved investment.

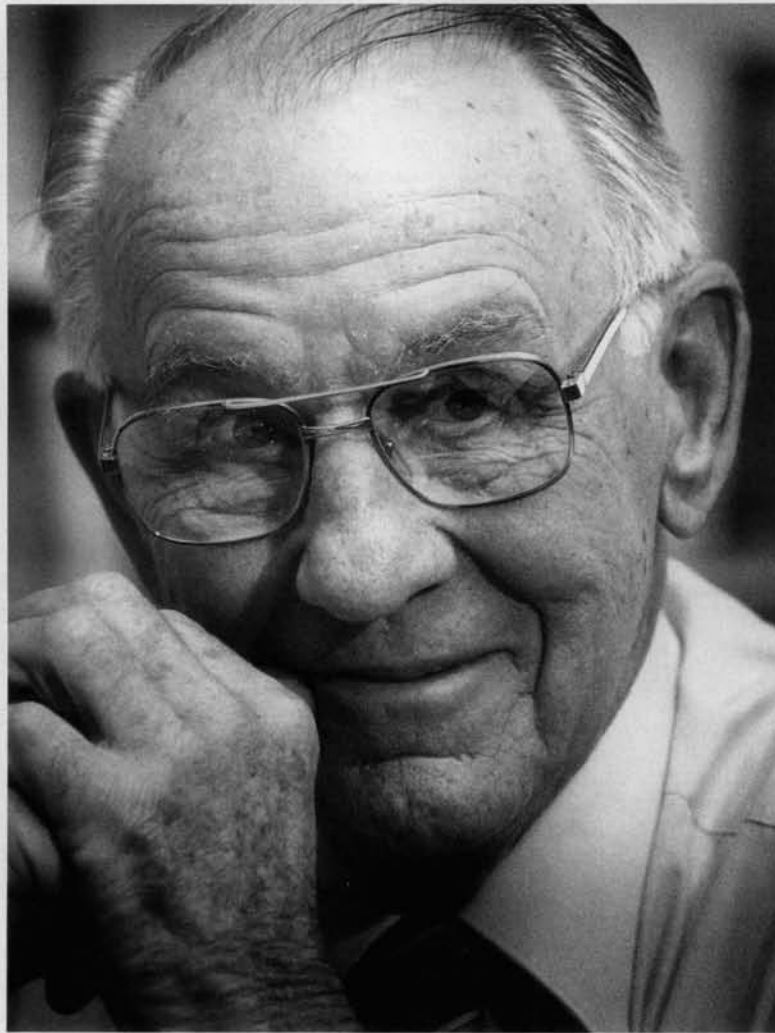
Consider materials science. From a present-day perspective, Corson's role in positioning Cornell as a leader in the field was crucial. He traces his vision to a trip he made to Washington, D.C.,

nearly forty years ago. "At that time the nuclear power industry was finding that materials didn't hold up in the high-radiation, high-temperature atmosphere they had to live in," Corson explains. "I had a friend on the Atomic Energy Commission who told me what was going on. So I visited the AEC and talked to some of my old friends in the Defense Department. When I came back I went straight to Day Hall and said, 'Here are the possibilities and here's what we ought to be doing.'"

Cornell has been a leader in the field ever since and is about to erect Duffield Hall, a new materials science building that is expected to be the epicenter of multidisciplinary scientific research on campus. But few at Cornell today are aware of Corson's

role. "A few years ago Carl Sagan won the highest award of the National Academy of Sciences," LaFeber says. "There was lots of excitement and, of course, the list of previous winners was published. It was only then that many people around here realized that Dale had won the same award a few years before. Hardly anyone knew."

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of their parents' sixtieth wedding anniversary.

Frank Rhodes's presidency was twice as long as Corson's, and he is usually associated with good news—particularly the large sums of money he raised for Cornell. Corson, on the other hand, is identified with a time most Cornellians would like to forget. But if he is most remembered for steering the ship through troubled waters, Corson is also credited with charting a shrewd course. He sounded

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Cornell 6:27.5, Michigan 6:32.4

MEN'S J.V. HEAVYWEIGHT CREW

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MEN'S FRESHMAN HEAVYWEIGHT CREW

Cornell 6:41.7, Michigan 6:52.1

WOMEN'S VARSITY CREW

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WOMEN'S J.V. CREW

Cornell 7:46.2, George Washington 7:56.7, Ithaca 8:26.5

WOMEN'S NOVICE CREW

Cornell 7:44.0, Ithaca 8:07.2, George Washington 8:12.0

GOLF

Cornell 1, Columbia 5

MEN'S LACROSSE

Cornell 5, Massachusetts 4 • Cornell 12, Colgate 8 • UMBC 10, Cornell 7 • Maryland 11, Cornell 6 • Yale 7, Cornell 6

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Cornell 10, Ohio State 8 • Cornell 10, Lafayette 7 • Cornell 14, Columbia 6 • Cornell 20, Stanford 6 • Cornell 14, Pennsylvania 6

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MEN'S TENNIS

Cornell Winter Invitational • Cornell 6, St. John's 1 • Cornell 4, West Virginia 3 • Cornell 6, Temple 1 • Cornell 6, St. Bonaventure 1 • Cornell 4, Navy 3 • Cornell 4, Bloomsburg 3 • Cornell 7, Colgate 0 • Cornell 7, Providence 0 • Cal Poly San Luis Obispo 5, Cornell 2 • Cornell 4, Portland 3 • UC Irvine 7, Cornell 0 • DePaul 4, Cornell 3

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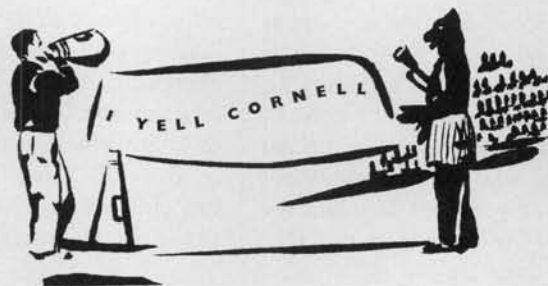
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MEN'S TRACK

Long Beach Invitational • Cal Poly 190, Cornell 178, Boise State 163, UC Irvine 84

WOMEN'S TRACK

Long Beach Invitational • Cal Poly 203.5, Cornell 167.0, Boise State 162.5, UC Irvine 112



BIG DAY AT DAYTONA Dyson Racing, owned by Rob Dyson, MBA '74, won the thirty-seventh Rolex 24 at Daytona International Speedway on January 30, his second Daytona victory. The final margin between the winning Riley & Scott Mark III and the runner-up Ferrari 333SP in the rain-soaked twenty-four-hour race was less than two laps. The winners averaged 104.9 mph over 2,520.54 miles.

MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS It appears that Chad Levitt '97 will be back in a pro football uniform this season after signing a contract in January with the St. Louis Rams. Levitt, second on the all-time Big Red rushing list, spent his rookie season, 1997, with the Oakland Raiders, starting the final two games. He was cut during the 1998 preseason and went unsigned for the remainder of the year. The Green Bay Packers and Tampa Bay Buccaneers also made offers to Levitt in January, but he says he considers St. Louis his best bet to earn a starting job.

PHILLY DEBUT On March 4, the day Joe Nieuwendyk '88 tipped in an overtime goal to give his league-leading Dallas Stars a 3-2 victory, Jean-Marc Pelletier '99 made his National Hockey League debut. Pelletier was called up from the American Hockey League's Philadelphia Phantoms (where he was MVP of the AHL All-Star Game) to the parent team, the Philadelphia Flyers, debuting on his twenty-first birthday.

SQUASHING THE COMPETITION Olga Puigdemont-Sola '02, a native of Blanes Girona, Spain, can claim to be the best player in the brief history of Cornell women's squash. She led the Big Red with a 15-5 record over the winter, including a 12-4 mark at the Number One position. She entered the U.S. Women's Intercollegiate Squash Rackets Association Individual Championships as a seventh-seed in the sixty-four-player draw, winning her first three matches by 3-0 scores before losing in the quarterfinals.

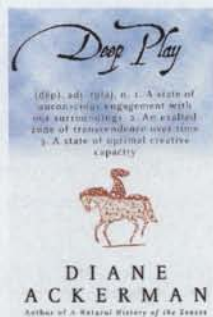
MAT MATTERS Two wrestlers, heavyweight Seth Charles '99 and 174-pounder Joe Tucceri '00, grappled their way to individual championships at the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships in early March. Both wrestlers defeated foes from Brown to take their titles. Cornell placed second at the competition, 31 points behind Penn.

DR. J When Seattle SuperSonics forward Vin Baker found himself shooting a dismal 16 percent from the free throw line one month into the 1999 NBA season, he got advice from all quarters. Even Dr. Joyce Brothers '47 chimed in. "I would ask him for a place where he's been when he felt warm, comfortable, and safe. A beach, maybe," she explained. "He should go to that place in his mind when he's about to take a free throw and not think about what he's doing."

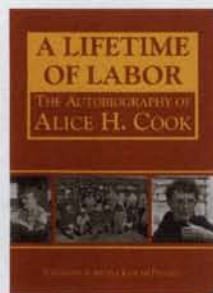
CORNELL COMMODORE In January, Anita Krook Brenner '87 was named associate director of athletics. A four-year member of women's crew, Brenner was commodore her final season. Brenner replaced Dianne Murphy, who stepped down in November to become the director of athletics and recreation at the University of Denver.

In Brief

DEEP PLAY by Diane Ackerman, MFA '73, PhD '79 (Random House). In her latest nonfiction work, the author of *A Natural History of the Senses* explores the phenomenon of play and its role in the development and survival of animals and humans. In examining how pastimes can become passions, Ackerman's travels take her as far away as the Antarctic.



A LIFETIME OF LABOR by Alice Cook (Feminist Press). In an autobiography completed shortly before her death in February 1998, the ILR professor emerita reflects on a lifetime of social work, labor organizing, foreign service, and feminist activism. The memoir follows Cook from childhood through her education, family life, teaching, and the landmark study that capped her career: a trail-blazing treatise on the state of working mothers.



TRAMPS LIKE US: MUSIC AND MEANING AMONG SPRINGSTEEN FANS by Daniel Cavicchi '88 (Oxford University Press). Cavicchi, a long-time Springsteen buff, turns the spotlight from "The Boss" and focuses it on his audience. He draws on personal experience and three years of ethnographic research to ponder what exactly makes a Springsteen fan. An American history professor at Rhode Island School of Design, Cavicchi also analyzes the role of "fandom" in modern society.



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Non-Fiction

AMERICAN SCIENCE IN AN AGE OF ANXIETY: SCIENTISTS, ANTICOMMUNISM, AND THE COLD WAR by Jessica Wang '88 (University of North Carolina Press). A look at the pressures in the scientific community during a time of both scientific revolution and political crisis.

THE SECRET HISTORY OF GENDER: WOMEN, MEN, AND POWER IN LATE COLONIAL MEXICO by Steve Stern '73 (North Carolina Press). Stern, a Latin American historian, conceptualizes the history of the gender struggle.

THE ENGINE OF VISUALIZATION: THINKING THROUGH PHOTOGRAPHY by Patrick Maynard, PhD '70 (Cornell University Press). Maynard argues that once photography is viewed as a technology, insights about technology may provide a perspective on photography.

MORE NATURE IN YOUR BACKYARD: SIMPLE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN by Susan Schneider Lang '72, BS HE '71 (Millbrook Press). Lang, a senior science writer for Cornell News Service, offers twenty-one activities that illustrate natural concepts.

THE FABRIC OF SELF: A THEORY OF ETHICS AND EMOTIONS by Diane Rothbard Margolis '55 (Yale University Press). In this work of social theory, Margolis argues that the ways of viewing the self change when social environments change.

DISPARATE LADDERS: WHY SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY POLICIES DIFFER IN GERMANY, JAPAN, AND SWITZERLAND by Arnold Heidenheimer '50 (Transaction Publishers). A political scientist, Heidenheimer explores how government influences higher-education policy.

REMEMBERING DEIR YASSIN edited by Daniel McGowan '66 and Marc Ellis (Interlink). A collection of essays on the future of Israel and Palestine.

CULTURAL NORMS AND NATIONAL SECURITY: POLICE AND MILITARY IN POST-WAR JAPAN by Peter Katzenstein (Cornell University Press). The W. S. Carpenter Jr. professor of international studies at Cornell, Katzenstein describes the development of Japan's non-violent conception of security.

THE DOMESTICATION OF DESIRE by Suzanne April Brenner, PhD '91 (Princeton University Press). Focusing on a Javanese city, the author shows how "modernization" often has debilitating effects on traditional communities.

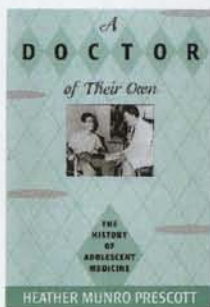
THE DEEP, HOT BIOSPHERE by Thomas Gold (Copernicus/Springer-Verlag). The Cornell astronomy professor emeritus proposes radical new ideas about the origins of life on Earth, including the concept that a vast ecosystem of primitive bacteria still exists deep beneath the planet's crust.

THE AMERICAN CENTURY COOKBOOK by H. Jean Anderson '51 (Clarkson Potter). More than 500 recipes illustrating the changing tastes of the 1900s.

SORTING OUT THE NEW SOUTH: RACE, CLASS, AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN CHARLOTTE, 1875-1975 by Thomas Hanchett '78 (University of North Carolina Press). A history of Charlotte's development in the early twentieth century from courthouse village to financial hub of textile manufacturing.

DELICATE MARKERS: SUBTEXTS IN VLADIMIR NABOKOV'S INVITATION TO A BEHEADING by Gavriel Shapiro (Peter Lang). The chairman of Cornell's Russian literature department examines Nabokov's novel, including differences between its Russian and English versions.

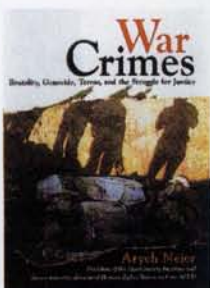
A DOCTOR OF THEIR OWN: THE HISTORY OF ADOLESCENT MEDICINE by Heather Munro Prescott, PhD '92 (Harvard University Press). A chronicle of the emergence of adolescent medicine from the 1950s to the present through oral histories, patient records, popular advice literature, and letters from teens to their parents. Prescott, a professor of history at Central Connecticut State University, also examines changes in the American family and youth culture.



AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 YEARS: NEWSROOMS, SOUND STAGES, PRIVATE ENCOUNTERS, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS by Ted Berkman '33 (Manifest). In his autobiography, the globe-trotting journalist and writer makes observations on public figures from Ronald Reagan to Doris Day, and issues ranging from the founding of Israel to the heyday of Hollywood.



WAR CRIMES: BRUTALITY, GENOCIDE, TERROR, AND THE STRUGGLE FOR JUSTICE by Aryeh Neier '58 (Times Books). Fifty years after the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was written, Neier—a Holocaust survivor and activist—examines recent war crimes and ponders the possibility of justice. Drawing on his investigation of the conflicts in Rwanda, Yugoslavia, Cambodia, and the Middle East, the former director of Human Rights Watch ultimately argues for the establishment of a permanent global tribunal.



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AND BABY MAKES FOUR by Hilory Federgreen Wagner '86 (Avon). A guide to the challenges of having a second child, from pregnancy to integrating the new arrival into the family.

THE GOLEM AT LARGE by Trevor Pinch and Harry Collins (Cambridge University Press). Pinch, a Cornell professor of science and technology studies, and his co-author, a sociology professor at Cardiff University, explore the "trusting" relationship between people and the technology they rely on.

TODAY YOU ARE MY FAVORITE POET: WRITING POEMS WITH TEENAGERS by Geof Hewitt '66 (Heinemann). Lessons in writing poetry by a longtime teacher of the art.

WHO OWNS AMERICA? SOCIAL CONFLICTS OVER PROPERTY RIGHTS edited by Harvey M. Jacobs, PhD '84 (University of Wisconsin Press). Professor of urban and regional planning at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Jacobs collects essays from experts in law, history, anthropology, economics, sociology, forestry, and environmental studies.

UNNATURAL SELECTION: THE YANOMAMI, THE KAYAPO, AND THE ONSLAUGHT OF CIVILISATION by Linda Rabben, PhD '81 (University of Washington Press). Human rights advocate Rabben assesses how the two groups, indigenous to the Brazilian Amazon, have reacted to contact with the developed world.

EVALUATING RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS by Nicholas Schiavetti '65 and Dale Evan Metz (Allyn and Bacon). A textbook on research design and analysis for graduate students in speech pathology and audiology.

PROJECTION DISPLAYS by Matthew Brennessoltz '69, M Eng '78, and Edward Stupp (Wiley and Son). A technical work on electronic projection displays that is the third volume in a series.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION TO CLONING: TRACING 50 YEARS OF RESEARCH by Robert Foote, PhD '50 (Cornell University Press). The professor emeritus of animal science describes the research performed in his lab and those of his mentors in the 1930s through 1950s.

WHO SPEAKS FOR AMERICA?: WHY DEMOCRACY MATTERS IN FOREIGN POLICY by Eric Alterman '82 (Cornell University Press). The journalist and historian explores the public's role in U.S. foreign policy.

STRATEGIC BRAND MANAGEMENT: BUILDING, MEASURING, AND MANAGING BRAND EQUITY by Kevin Lane Keller '78 (Prentice Hall). An examination of the art and science of brand building by the Dartmouth marketing professor.

WHY SMART PEOPLE MAKE BIG MONEY MISTAKES by Thomas Gilovich and Gary Belsky (Simon & Schuster). The first general-audience work on the emerging field of "behavioral economics" by Gilovich, a Cornell psychology professor, and Belsky, a financial journalist.

WOMEN THROUGH WOMEN'S EYES: LATIN AMERICAN WOMEN IN 19TH-CENTURY TRAVEL ACCOUNTS by June E. Hahner, Ph.D. '66 (Scholarly Resources). First-hand accounts of the lives of women including nuns, plantation workers, slaves, daughters of wealthy land owners, and a heroine of the independence movement.

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CLASS NOTES

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Grace H. Smith wrote last fall from Conway, NH, where she receives mail at PO Box 292. "I now reside at the Clipper Home in N. Conway, though I retain my former residence at 34 Washington St. in Conway. Volunteers read and attend to my mail with my help."

The only other news of classmates came from Dorothy Frontiero, the daughter of **Albert Zeiger** of Raleigh, NC, reporting his death on Dec. 13, '98. "He was ill for less than a day," she said.

Please send news. ♦ Class of '21, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

REUNION

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One of the most popular and active of our classmates was a handsome young man from St. Louis, who, from his freshman days on, was deeply involved in track, numerous undergraduate committees, and social groups. He was remembered for his warm, outgoing personality, and his friendly charm. His name? **Thomas Carey Hennings Jr.**

Tom studied law after leaving Cornell, became chief prosecutor of St. Louis, served as naval officer on the staff of Admiral Nimitz in the Pacific during World War II. After representing Missouri in the US House of Representatives during the 1930s for several terms, he was elected to the US Senate in 1950, and overwhelmingly re-elected in 1956. Unfortunately, he lived for only four years after that and passed away in September 1960.

Several of Tom's closest Cornell friends were so deeply saddened by his early demise that they decided to organize a campaign to raise money from his classmates to establish "The Class of 1924 Memorial Fund" in his honor for scholarship aid to deserving Cornell undergraduates, preferably descendants of the Class of 1924. **Alfred Rauch** (now deceased) of Philadelphia chaired the committee, and **Bob Hays** (now deceased) of Cleveland was one of his most dedicated committeemen. Within a few years, the group raised over \$50,000 for the memorial fund. Since then its scope has widened considerably and contributions to it have increased many times. Today its market value is more than half a million dollars. For the 1997-98 and 1998-99 school years, the fund has provided scholarships for seven deserving undergraduates, and such awards will continue ad infinitum. Long will the Class of 1924 be remembered for this be-

quest to the university and deserving students.

Another of our most popular classmates was a good-looking young fellow from Minneapolis by the name of **John "Jack" Odell Todd**. Jack played the saxophone and, as many from the 1920s classes remember, was leader of "Jack Todd's Cameelions Orchestra," which played for many Cornell hops in the gymnasium, as well as for fraternity and sorority dances. Jack was a member of Psi Upsilon, one of the chauvinistic fraternities that forbade social association with Cornell coeds—but he fell in love with a Tri-Delt by the name of **Katherine "Kay" Cone**, to whom he was happily married for some 70 years. Jack had a fabulously productive career in life insurance and was a member of the Million Dollar Round Table for 64 consecutive years. What an accomplishment! Jack was also the accomplished author of several books and numerous magazine articles. In one of his letters to me he wrote, "I have often found that when I try to express myself, I do it better in verse than in prose because it forces me to be less verbose." Jack died quietly in his sleep last November at his home in Evanston, IL. According to his son John, "Dad's heart simply gave out." It was his birthday. ♦ **Max Schmitt**, W. Cundy Pt., RR 5, Box 2498, Brunswick, ME 04011-9632.

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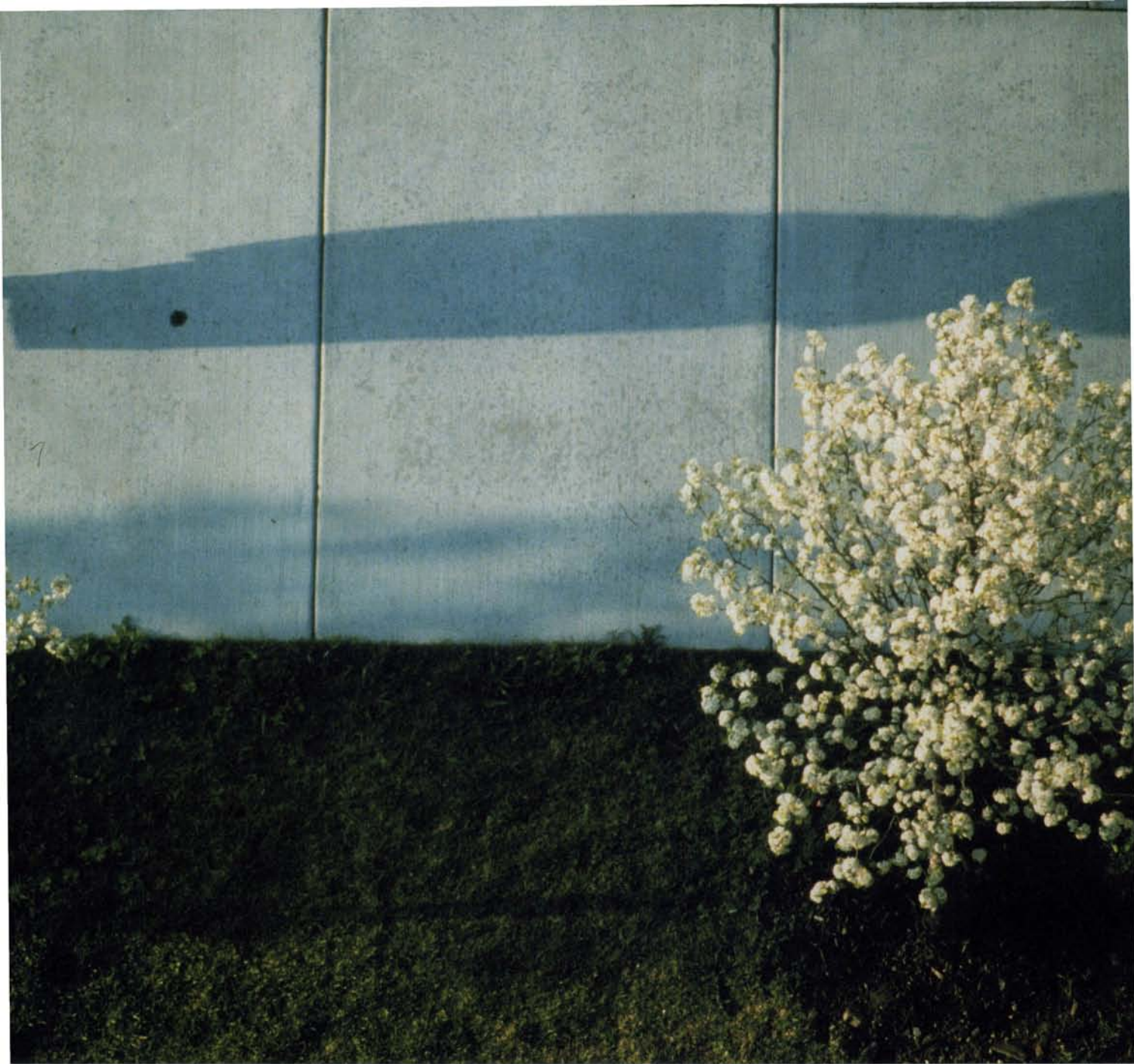
If printer, post office, and pacemaker perform, this should be in your hands not long after my 95th birthday. Time to retire. **Joe Nolin** got me to take over as class correspondent starting with the *Alumni News* of September 1989. For several years it was fun; enough news came in from classmates to fill a column within the space allotted by the editors, especially for an issue or two following the annual News & Dues letter; and I was able usually to compensate for a dearth of news with my own reminiscences of our days at Cornell. Sadly, the news from classmates has just about disappeared; as of the deadline for this issue I was advised that the only replies to October's News & Dues letter contained news which you'll find in the department immediately following "Class Notes." So the source of news, together with the principal market for the reminiscences, has practically ceased to exist, along with your correspondent's supply of reminiscences, which is an entirely different thing.

Meanwhile, correspondents of recent classes, with their thousands of new graduates annually, are apologizing for their in-



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ability to find room in current issues for all the news they have on hand from their classmates. Time to get out of the way. I would note my thanks to **Elsie McMillan '55**, associate editor and principal editor of "Class Notes," for having found time, during recent years, to supply me with copies of more or less ancient material from the magazine's and her personal files; and to **Elaine Deutsch Engst, MA '72**, university archivist, for things not available even to Elsie. *Ave atque vale.* ♦ **Walter Southworth**, 744 Lawton St., McLean, VA 22101; e-mail, walters669@aol.com.



BRUCE WANG / LP

TO READ [THIS]. BY THEN, SPRING WILL HAVE ARRIVED, THE FLOWERS SHOULD BE IN BLOOM, AND WE WILL BE READY FOR OUR 65TH REUNION. ALL

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Last December **Beatrice Benedicks Wille** wrote from her home in Rio Rancho, NM, that at age 95, "I'm still hanging on. I still teach (volunteer) at our Senior Center, still run my home, supervise my help (cleaning ladies, etc.), pay bills, budget accounts, and am a lay reader at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Rio Rancho. My family includes three children, one deceased, seven grandchildren, all adults, and six great-grandchildren." She belongs to American Assn. of University Women, American Assn. of Retired Persons, and the local Democratic Club.

She lives year round in New Mexico, and adds, "can't go anywhere at present." Bea's late husband, **John J. Wille Sr.**, died in 1983.

A newsy note came from **Laura Pedersen** Menconi-Henninger, also in December. "One of my happy memories is of Beebe Lake and the ice skating and tobogganing I enjoyed so very much. Not another university has such a beautiful location of a lake right on campus—one of the many privileges of going to Cornell.

"I am fortunate in my retirement home, also on the top of a hill, to face west and look out through fir trees to Puget Sound and then

to the Olympic mountains.

"How Old Are You? Age is a quality of mind/If you have left your dreams behind/If you no longer look ahead/If your ambition's fires are dead/Then you are old./But if from life you take the best/And if in life you keep the jest/If love you hold/No matter how the years go by/No matter how the birthdays fly/You are not old.

"For 1999, I wish you health, contentment, friends, and send love to each of you."

Please send your news. ♦ Class of '26, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

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When **Walter Muir** sent dues last December, he wrote, "My wife, Dorothy, died April 26, '94, and now I live alone. All my friends and relatives have passed on, with the sole exception of **Helen Saunders Engst '37**, MS '65, my sister-in-law, who visits me about three times a year. She lives in Ithaca and keeps me informed about affairs there.

"You asked for news! Well, all of it is in my autobiography, which was published in 1997, entitled *My 75 Year Chess Career*. It is really a history book of the 20th century and my part in it. In a nutshell, I was the third US Correspondence Chess (CC) player to get the International Correspondence Chess Federation (ICCF) title of chess master—but the first who was native born. I was also the first US CC player to defeat a Russian, who was their champion, as well. For the rest of the story you must see my book.

"I am very fortunate to be in good health. I get three enjoyable meals each day and can still drive my auto on local errands. In addition, I continue to play some 50 CC games, which gives my mind plenty of exercise. Having made it this far, I hope to see the year 2000 come in." Walter sent copies of letters announcing that last September the 1998 International Correspondence Chess Federation, at its meeting in Riga, Latvia, had elected Walter Muir an honorary member of ICCF for his outstanding dedication and service to international correspondence chess.

A letter from the late **Sid Hanson** Reeve's daughters, Ruth Reeve Gau and **Syd Reeve** Leach '60, includes news from a number of alumni, some of whom had written to them upon learning of Sid's death. The letter begins, "Our many thanks to all of you wonderful 'ladies in blue' and friends of the Class of '27 who have sent us such heart-warming letters and contributions to the Class of '27 Memorial Scholarship Fund. Please keep the news coming."

Stacey Neuhofer Silberzweig '87, a former class clerk at '27's 60th Reunion, reported she is working in the Dept. of Health Policy at Mt. Sinai Hospital and husband Jeff is on the staff at New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center. They have a son, Ian, 15 months.

The Cornell Club of the Greater Capital District describes Sid as "Mrs. Cornell" for her numerous efforts on behalf of the university and extolled her community leadership and role modeling for what a woman with spirit and energy can accomplish.

Orpha Spicer Zimmer wrote of her second TIA and says her memory is growing less reliable, but her efficient aide keeps track of her mail. She said, "Thank you, dear Sid, for all the years you've kept us all aware and loving." Orpha added that she was expecting word from Cornell in regard to her granddaughter's application.

Betty Em Vhugen of Washington, DC, believed to be the daughter of a Class of '27er, reported a "beautiful little granddaughter, Natasha Virginia Elizabeth, born Sept. 19, '98 to Darryl and Jann. And, **Shirley Stewart**

McGrath '50 (who will celebrate her 50th Reunion in 2000) of Alaska, and formerly of Schenectady, had a six-day visit to McNeil River State Game Sanctuary, where she viewed brown bears in the wild.

Sally Stone Slattery, daughter of the late **Ruth Hausner** Stone sent a lovely photo of her grandchildren, Dylan and Caitlin Kennedy. On April 25, **Margaret Plunkett**, PhD '30, was to celebrate being 93. **Barney Savage '51**, the son of **Carmen Schnieder** Savage, wrote after returning from a trip with his family to Australia and New Zealand. His son, Brad, is at DePaul's entrepreneurial graduate business school and works part time for his father.

M. "Polly" Enders Copeland wrote that Cornell had once told Sid that when they found an alumna of their era whose class affiliation was in question, they always put her in '27 because the '27 women were such a coherent group, thanks to Sid's hard work.

More next time. Please send news. ♦ Class of '27, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

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Our classmate **Alyne Fenner** Brown was unable to attend our 70th Reunion as she was in the hospital. She recently

celebrated her 90th birthday at her home at 220 Cobb St., Ithaca, NY 14850.

How about sending me news of yourself between now and the next time the magazine prints. ♦ **John B. "Bud" Mordock**, 640 Winnetka Mews, #107, Winnetka, IL 60093; tel., (847)446-4298.

REUNION

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Salutations to the Ex-Generation! **Chas Roth** notes that many of us are ex-golfers, ex-dancers, and ex-card players.

He suggests it may be age-related.

With so much of our personal activity in the past, more of us fill in the "class news" space on the form letter by telling about our progeny. (Good idea.)

An example: **Ted Heine** describes the varied career of his son **Ted '54**. At Cornell he studied Russian under Nabokov, then joined the Air Force. Afterward, he taught accounting at a college in Iowa, retiring recently as a professor. Now he serves on the national board for ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease).

Ted's daughter **Elizabeth Heine '60** (Harvard PhD '65) was editor of *E. M. Forster's* works in Cambridge, England, and later followed up an interest in the poet Yeats.

Ted recalls some good times flying around over Ithaca with **Sam Vuille** (now deceased), who had his own plane. I recollect an incident where a dummy was thrown out of a plane over the Quad. (It wasn't Ted.)

The people who make it to their 70th Reunion are a brave and hardy lot. **Frank Schaefer** and I have received several notes saying "maybe." To them we say: Hope for the best! ♦ **Don Layton**, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

We are saddened to hear of the death of **Mary Pratt** Schavier recently. Her daughter, Chris-

tine Doebele, of Canandaigua, writes that she was alert and gracious to the end and looking forward to reunion. We are also saddened by the sudden death of Ernie Gay Jr., husband of **Rosalie Cohen** Gay. The Bible says that the blind cannot lead the blind or both will fall into the ditch. Rosalie and Ernie proved it wrong. For many beautiful years they lived together alone in their charming home in E. Hartford, CT, where they shared their many talents generously with the community.

We were pleased to hear from **Agnes Gainey** Williams, BS HE '30, our class treasurer, and send her our sorrow at hearing of the death, last November, of her brother **James '35**. Agnes writes that the time has come, the walrus said, to speak of many things, among them the dissolving of the treasury of the women of the Class of '29 which amounts to \$2,360. Agnes suggests giving it to the **Marge Rice** Scholarship Fund, the Cornell Fund, the University Library, and the Plantations. Sounds fine! And I and the board of directors can authorize it. I have spoken recently to **Linnea Peterson** Ceilly, **Edith Stenberg** Smith, JD '31, and **Marian Walbancke** Smith and they are all fine. I called **Jo Mills** Reis recently about Ernie's death and understand Rosalie is doing quite well.

I think it's time to honor some notable Cornell women. We'll start with you and me and then go on to photojournalist **Margaret Bourke-White '27**. She lived on my corridor in Risleys when she was just Peg White; Supreme Court Justice **Ruth Bader** Ginsberg '54; the late Nobel Prize winner **Barbara McClintock '23**, PhD '27; and A. D. White Professor-at-Large novelist **Toni Morrison (Chloe Wofford), MA '55**; Dr. **Joyce Bauer** Brothers '47. And let's also include Betty Friedan, Jane Goodall, and Frances Perkins, all of whom taught at Cornell for varying lengths of time. ♦ **Agnes "Tib" Kelly** Saunders, 106 Spence Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563; e-mail, tib106@aol.com.

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Dear friends, as I write this, Ithaca is having its first real snow of the year, after a whole January of thawing. We always expect to get it, sooner or later. Even this will melt in two days. (Later. It did.)

Dora Wagner Conrath is finding it hard to adjust to country living, after many years of San Francisco activity. She would surely appreciate a word from classmates at 3310 Estates Dr., Fairfield, CA 94533. **Ruth "Dora" Smith** Wilson signed her name on a Christmas card from Harvest Village, Apt. F 112, 114 Hayes Mill Rd., Atco, NJ 08004. How I would like to have news from Ruth, and from **Helen Lipschitz** Glick and **Gertrude Goldman** Tucker, all unfinished stories. They all should have news for us.

One who did write was **Evelyn Reader** McShane. She is kept busy at Emmaus Court, as editor of "The News Letter," where she is helped by a "top notch" staff. Although a little slowed by a health problem, she plays bridge with novices and experts, and attends book and current affairs discussions. Her three sons

and daughter-in-law gave her a special family dinner on her 90th birthday. Our best wishes to you, Evelyn.

Your check for dues is much appreciated, but then you may only sign your name and not one word of news. If only you'd start thinking of early years, some little memory would occur to you. Let me tell you an incident I've never told you before. As I was leafing through some old issues of *Cornell Magazine*, I was stopped by bold print on a cover: "William Strunk Jr. and **E. B. White '21**—The Elements of Style." Of course, I immediately read the article about what E. B. White had done to refresh Prof. Strunk's Little Book, and then sought my own copy of it to read once again, remembering all the pages I had laboriously inked, striving to gain a word of praise from him. And then, as one thing leads to another, I remembered what I had never told of my last meeting with him. On the final day of our small class in Usage and Style, in June 1930, Mr. Strunk gave us a brief farewell, and added, "Miss Porter, please remain seated." The others left. Mr. Strunk said, "Miss Porter, may I walk home with you?" Full of wonder, I agreed. We chatted mildly on our way toward Balch. On our point of parting, he reached in his brief case and brought out a book, handing it to me. He said shyly, "Miss Porter, all term I've looked at you and thought you looked like a picture in this book. I want you to have it." I was astounded. I don't know how I thanked him. We shook hands and parted. In the book was a picture of a handsome duchess by Sir Thomas Lawrence. Perhaps we were alike in having dark hair, parted in the middle . . . That book remains a treasured possession. As you may know, Mr. Strunk went on to retirement, then helped Hollywood produce the movie of *Romeo and Juliet*, and still later, to Washington, DC, as head of a Shakespeare memorial.

A News and Dues letter may have reached you by this time. Do please be inspired and write something! Good cheer to all! ♦ **Joyce Porter** Layton, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

31 Did you read, in the November/December issue of this magazine, the laudatory book review of *Silent Thunder: In the Presence of Elephants* by **Katy Boynton Payne '59** (Simon & Schuster)? Halfway through the review the author is described as the granddaughter of famous bird artist (and Cornell instructor in ornithology) the late **Louis Aggasiz Fuertes 1897**, and the daughter of (the late) Ag college pomology professor and our classmates **Damon Boynton, PhD '37**, and Ithaca music teacher **Mary Fuertes Boynton**. We've all read about elephants "trumpeting," but Katy discovered that most of their communication is done in tones too low for the human ear to hear. She evidently liked big animals (she also studied and recorded the songs of southern right whales.) It sounds like an interesting book by the scion of a distinguished and multi-talented family.

Our "Live to be 100" candidate, and Class Cornell Fund Rep **Ed Mintz** (Edward J.,

1560 Sand Hill Rd., #205, Palo Alto, CA 94304), was honored by the chief executive officer of the NY Life Insurance Co. at a banquet for 700 guests in London, England, for his 60 years of sustained achievement at a recognized high level of production (read "sales of insurance") and high professional standards. He is the first agent in the company's 153-year

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— WILLIAM VANNEMAN '31

history to achieve this distinction. And every day he keeps adding to the record, with the encouragement of his wife of 57 years, Dorothy. Charge!

Another of our distinguished achievers, **Eugene "Gene" Rochow, PhD '35**, (1499 Brandywine Cir., Ft. Myers, FL 33919) reports that he is "addicted to travel," but evidently with a purpose. He says he has crossed the Atlantic 79 times and the Pacific five times, and then lists "a conference on silicon in Norway" for last June, and "an international symposium on organo-silicon chemistry" in Japan this year, as representative of his destinations. Doubtless, he continues to present learned papers wherever he goes.

Len Gordon (1371 Broadway, #2B, Hewlett, NY 11557-1322) who, though retired from his law practice, continues to sit as a judge of parking violations for the City of New York, and who faithfully shows up at the annual Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) luncheon in NYC, worked last summer on his other avocation, golf, by attending the "Golf Clinic" at Adult University (CAU). I hope he got more out of this than a couple of old oarsmen like **Bliss Clark, MD '37**, (5401 Palm Valley Dr. S., Harlingen, TX 78552) and I would have out of "The Rowing Clinic," another course offered by CAU. On reflection, I think at this age we all should stick to courses like "The Wine Class," or "Which Cradle of Civilization—The Ancient Greeks or the Maya?"

The above two alternative courses picked out of the attractive list offered by CAU were NOT chosen at random. Your correspondent did some traveling in 1998, and could have profited from both. I started the year with a so-called "Western Caribbean Cruise." I had no interest in cruising as such, having been warned about the over-aged, over-fed, "single" devouring, dowager-witches on such vessels, but two side trips did intrigue me, so I went along to see Taikal and Chichen Itza—two quite different and fascinating Maya civilization centers. Now I wish I'd started years ago, so I could make a hobby of visiting all of them. In the summer, I took another cruise, but this time with my son, **Reeve "Ting" Vanneman '67**, up the Inside Passage to the glaciers, Kodiak, Homer, and Anchorage, Alaska. At this stage of life, the combination of two weeks with your son and Alaskan sights

and scenes is absolutely unbeatable. Then, this January, I took off for Australia with Ting and his wife **Jane (Wallace) '68**, to see my second great-granddaughter, Emma Kiesling, born Dec., 4, '98. (Because of the incomprehensible magic of the International Date Line, I learned of her arrival on December 3!) Seeing her and her mother (Stanford '91—"the one that got

away") was thrill enough, but we also got her started on the right track by driving up to the Hunter Valley wine country for a few days. We even met a very hospitable Cornelian, Dr. **Donald D. Francois, PhD '62**, who had retired to a hillside vineyard with a magnificent view over the broad valley and a small but excellent "hand made" wine-producing facility. (Aussie wine is great; try it, you'll like it!) I returned just in time to hurry down to NYC, ostensibly to attend the CACO Annual Mid-Winter Meeting, but even with the attraction of speakers President Hunter Rawlings and President Emeritus Frank Rhodes, the real attraction for me was my newest great-granddaughter, Abigail Rose Klein, granddaughter of my other son, **Bill Vanneman Jr. '65**, and daughter of my granddaughter **Kara (Vanneman) '89** and **Kenneth Klein '87**. Abigail arrived on January 6, which happens to be the 118th anniversary of the birth of my father, **C. Reeve Vanneman '03**. Perhaps that's a good omen for a fifth-generation Cornelian! ♦ **William M. Vanneman**, Thirwood Pl., #250, 237 N. Main St., S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2079.

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Some of you may remember the stir caused by an article entitled, "Ivy Envy" in the Sept./Oct. 1997 issue of this magazine. In general, it dealt with the assumption by some that Harvard, Yale, and Princeton were "real" Ivy League schools and Cornell a sort of poor relative which lacks the cachet of the other three. As must have been foreseen, the article brought forth a number of letters from Cornellians whose loyalties and sensibilities had been violated.

Now, more than a year later, I received a letter from **William R. Bagby, BA '33, Esq.**, of Lexington, KY. He enclosed a letter he recently wrote to the Hon. **Isadore A. Honig '33** which had been inspired by an item about Judge Honig in a recent Class Notes column by class correspondent **Henry Horn '33**. Bill put a handwritten note on his letter saying: "Dear Jim: . . . not offered to be published . . . but it was good to see Iz's name . . . he's an old pal." I hereby ignore Bill's instructions and quote excerpts from his letter to Judge Honig (in the expectation, of course, that lawyer

Bagby would not sue an old man like me):

"I had attended Marshall College a year and my uncle wanted me to go to Harvard. A professor at Marshall, a Cornell grad, encouraged me to apply to Cornell and I did. It was late in the summer.

"I heard from Cornell . . . then waited a while and, not hearing from Harvard, I accepted my admission to Cornell. Harvard later accepted me."

About three days after I received Bill's letter, there came in the mail another envelope with a note saying,

"Dear Jim, I forgot to include proof that Harvard did accept me . . . but too late . . . Thank Heavens." The enclosures were a copy of a telegram sent from Cambridge, MA, Sept. 18, 1929, saying, "Admitted Harvard Provisional Sophomore. College opens Sept. 23rd." There is also a letter from Henry Pennypacker, chairman of the

copy, which cut off some of the writing along one side. This is why I urge you to send your news directly to me. ♦ **Martha Travis Houck**, 421 Monroe St., Bridgewater, NJ 08807; tel., (908) 526-7417.



It is moving for this secretary to record the passing of his predecessor, **Marjorie Lillian Chapman Brown**, on Sept. 21, '98, in Old Town, FL. A resident of Florida for the past 25 years, Marjorie was born April 16, '11 on her grandmother's farm in Newfane, Niagara County, NY. She went to school in Middleport, and graduated from Cornell in 1933 with a BS in Home Economics. She obtained her MEd degree in 1970 after attending SUNY, Brockport and U. of Connecticut. In 1937, Marjorie married Emmett Brown of Buffalo, NY, and three children

lecture to the Navy Preventive Medicine National Staff. He has moved from San Diego to Kimball Farms, a retirement community in Lenox, MA (235 Walker St. #275, Lenox 01240). It will take some time to get unpacked. Son **Mike '63** is now in Bangkok, but his twin, Tom, lives about 50 miles away. **Isadore "Oscar" Belloff** and wife Agnes celebrated their 60th anniversary of marriage on Nov. 23, '98. Eleven grandchildren and 14 great-grands give them great pleasure. He gives credit to his training with the track team under Jack Moakley. Golf and bridge keep his body and mind active. Same address.

Fran Rosevear, PhD '37, and wife **Ruth (Fisher) '36** made the 65th Reunion their vacation. Son Allan, of Irvine, CA, retired from his aerospace physicist job early. Son Lloyd is a grade-school music teacher on Long Island. By the way, Lloyd is editor of the Long Island Traction Society publication, *Litrac*, and has been active in the Shore Line Trolley Museum at Branford, CT. One night a week, Fran acts as a scoutmaster; another night comes the Queen City Concert Band (saxophone), and still another, the Cincinnati Civic Orchestras (oboe). Ruth is much involved in nutrition consulting and demonstrations. She is on the committee to seek a new pastor of their church. Reach them at 527 McAlpin Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45220.

Stephanie Brandstetter Smart '67 writes that her father, Dr. **Frank X. Brandstetter**, died suddenly on his 60th wedding anniversary last November. His last work before retirement was as academic dean of Erie Community College, Buffalo, NY. He and wife Helen had retired to Largo, FL. **Dorothy Katzin** Greenfield left their family house, where she and her late husband lived for 58 years, and moved eight blocks into a retirement home (Apt. J425 333 Elmwood Ave., Maplewood, NJ 07040). Dot says she is happy there mixing with other several Cornellians.

Edward Burton "Ted" Moebus died Oct. 2, '98 in Salt Lake City, UT, where he and his wife moved in 1994 after a very active civic life in Garrison, NY. He served with distinction in World War II, where he rose to the rank of major (2478 E. Havenlane, Salt Lake City, UT 84117).

Beatrice "Bea" Alexander Weingart writes, "Sorry I missed the reunion but am planning to be there for the 70th. I just returned from a boat trip in Russia with the Smithsonian Inst. Travel Group. There were six of us from Cornell. My next trip in February will be to New Delhi and Agra, India, then on to Nepal to several elephant camps to view the tigers. All in all, the trip will be three weeks, just a small group of 12. My son is still traveling to Third World countries, projects of the UN Winrock Fund-World Bank, etc., to plan renewable energy projects. My daughter is now an assistant city attorney, advising the Los Angeles city attorney. I have several other trips planned for 1999: parts of Alaska and the Arctic I haven't seen, and a walking trek through Northern France and then into Belgium. My best wishes to all my classmates." Find her at 13452 Debby St., Valley Glen, CA 91401.

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— ELEANOR MIRSKY BLOOM '34

Committee on Admissions, saying, among other things, that Bagby was to be a candidate for a degree of S.B. instead of A.B. He could, however, qualify for an A.B. if he successfully completed several semesters of Greek. And that is the story of why Bill Bagby came to Cornell and became a very nice fellow instead of an S.B.

Paul Brenn writes from Adel, GA, that his life savings were stolen by an "investor" and that he, Paul, is now broke. In addition to this unhappy news, Paul says that he suffered from heat stroke last July and was improving slowly. Sounds like a frightful year. On a more cheerful note, **Robert S. Jonas** went on an Elderhostel in Scandinavia last summer and spent a week each in Denmark, Sweden, and Norway. He adds that the Norwegian farmers have it made. He visited a 90-acre farm with equipment sufficient to run 1,000 acres and all paid for with government funds. ♦ **James W. Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.

Vera Sherwood Davies, who says she has been known as "Pat" for many years, was married to Harry for 60 years and 3 months when he died and she thought her life was over. Suddenly she found someone much like Harry—he is also a colonel in the military, and he keeps her laughing! Pat adds: "Since we're all in the same ball park in regards to age, would you believe someone guessed my age at 60? I credit it to daily exercise and 17 great-grandchildren. God has been good and I've been lucky. Our door is always open if any Cornellians would like to visit."

"Pat" returned her News & Dues form in good time—as it is stamped Nov. 16, 1998. But I just received it on Feb. 2, along with the reminder of the deadline for this column. Even then, I didn't receive the original, but a

were born to them. After teaching home economics and first grade for 23 years in NY State, Marjorie retired to Spring Hill, FL, in 1973, and in 1983 moved to Old Town.

Ever an activist, Marjorie was involved in environmental protection, education, garden and women's clubs, journalism, and library work. She traveled extensively in the US and abroad, and attended numerous Elderhostels. She is remembered for her energy, brave spirit, and enthusiastic interest in life. She is survived by her sister Charlotte York, Rochester, NY; brother Howard Chapman, Johnsons Creek, NY; former husband Emmet Brown, Tillson, NY; daughter Pamela Brown; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Friends can write to Pamela Brown, PO Box 921, Stone Ridge, NY 12484. Thank you Marjorie, for a fine life close to all of us.

Katherine Long Bobbitt's communique got lost in the last two issues, but is found again. She was coming to our reunion but couldn't, at the last moment. She spent Christmas 1997 with her son and daughter-in-law. **Bruce Bobbitt '73** (BS HE) went on to earn his PhD in clinical psychology at the U. of Minnesota. Later, he held an administrative position with United Behavioral Systems. His wife, Signe, is working toward a PhD in psychology. She is also a therapist. Her interesting Norwegian family lives in South Dakota. Kay enjoys ballet at the Kennedy Center and is active in the AARP. She is a member of the Cedar Lane Unitarian Church, the Alliance, and the Women's Suburban Democratic Party. Write her at 10500 Rockville Pike, Apt. 410, Rockville, MD 20852.

Abram S. "Bud" Benenson, MD '37, says he has finally come to the point where it is time to quit—the day after he gave a two-hour

❖ **Henry E. Horn**, 49A Trowbridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138; tel., (617) 876-8633.

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This is being written on a gloomy day in February—and my hope is that the sun is shining when you get to read it.

By then, spring will have arrived, the flowers should be in bloom, and we will be ready for our 65th Reunion! All come!

Ruthanna Wood Davis and husband **George, PhD '37**, take a cruise every year to celebrate their wedding anniversary. What a good idea!

Sophie Jacobs Drezen is so active that reading about her activities can leave you breathless. She personally runs her own travel agency! Now that is the way to conquer aging! Unfortunately, **Mary McCarthy Emslie** lost her husband, **Alfred, PhD '33**, of 64 years, but she has many happy memories of their years together.

Shirley Stapleton Fries lives in New Mexico, but came East and visited **Mary Jewell** Willoughby on a trip to keep in touch with her New England heritage. **Margaret Pfeif** Frank enjoyed two graduations this past year—a grandson's, from college, and a granddaughter's, from high school. Those are always welcome events.

Alberta Francis Young says that everyone should go to Washington and visit the Franklin D. Roosevelt memorial. Seems like a good idea. After all, he was the first president we were old enough to vote for!

Alice Goulding Herrmann has a new address: 84 Trout Brook Rd., Cold Spring, NY 10516.

Be well and I hope to see you in June in Ithaca. ❖ **Eleanor "Dickie" Mirsky** Bloom, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209; tel., (718) 836-6344.

The following (as of January) have indicated their participation in our 65th Reunion, June 10-13: **Robert Boehlecke, Marcus Breier, JD '36, Saul Cohen, Charles Day, H. Carl Fairchild, Donald Hanford, Hilton Jayne, BA '35, Edward McCabe, Howard Peterson, William Robertson, Louis Rosenthal, Richard Rozelle, Karl Schmidt, Jacob Shacter, Norman Thetford, MD '38, Hubert Westfall, Philip White, Ralph Wilkes, and Carl Allen.** "Possibles" are **John English, Robert Kitchen, BArch '35, BLA '36, Lloyd Lovitt, J. Howard Nulle, Lauren O'Kain, and Allyn Chandler Taylor.** Your Reunion Chairs **Winifred Saltzman** and **Edward McCabe** encourage them and all other classmates to make every effort to attend this important reunion. The class will present its gift to the Johnson Museum, and will be recognized for its part in the Kane Track Complex project—we gave about \$175,000 to that. The field lighting is dedicated in honor of our class. Furthermore, we hope to break the record for dollars raised by a 65th Reunion class and possibly some other 65-year records. It should be an exciting reunion.

James W. Bruner, Corning, NY, and wife Louise celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last year with their three daughters and loved ones present. Their daughters, **Karen Bruner** Hull '63, MS '65, (PhD '75, Iowa State and Law '82, Capitol U.); **Lynne L. Bruner** Pitree '65 (PhD '69, Johns Hopkins; MD '82, U. of California, Irvine; '78 Residency at Portland); Holly E. Bruner-Cellatto (BA '67, Douglas College; BS '70, North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and Law '74, U. of Maine). Jim, you and Louise are all set for retirement with a doctor and two lawyers to take care of your needs!

Donald Hanford, Holiday, FL, writes: "We have sold our property at Sheldrake on Cayuga Lake and are now at our winter home in Florida. We shall also sell this place while here and move to a continuous-care place in Cincinnati, OH." **Max Dercum**, Dillon, CO, is still planting trees—60 Douglas fir underplanted in an Aspen grove—after returning from a three-week tour with the Society of American Foresters to Norway and Sweden this past May. He is now assembling videos of this learning experience to help educate Americans about productive, sustainable forest practices abroad. Included in the video are his experiences from field trips to Germany, England, and Switzerland. "Proud of my 'Baby,' Keystone Resort," he writes, "now developing as a top international spot."

Hilton Jayne, Annapolis, MD, writes: "Fran and I are both fine for the shape we are in. Settled here for the winter in a comfortable retirement community after a great summer and fall in Maine and on Cape Cod. My grandson, **Nicholas Everdell '01**, is enjoying all aspects of life 'on the Hill,' including classes and extra-curricular events. Fran and I are looking forward with much enthusiasm to our 65th Reunion."

News just received: **Jim Allen**, our Class Fund Representative, died suddenly this past January. He served the class for about 25 years and through his good work attained record fund marks for the class in several of our reunion years. Active in class affairs, reaching the heights of his profession, and a generous benefactor to Cornell, he will be greatly missed. He leaves a daughter and two sons, all Cornellians. We extend our deepest sympathy to them.

I am looking forward to greeting you all in June. ❖ **Karl F. Schmidt**, 4780 Mount Rose Way, Roseville, CA 95747-8279; tel., (916) 771-4734.

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In our January/February 1999 column I reported that our classmate, **John Sullivan Jr.**, BArch '36, of Dayton, OH, had been honored for 50 years of outstanding community service. It now appears in *The Dayton Engineer* (December 1998) that John, as a member of the Dayton Engineers Club since 1945, has earned his rightful place on the roll of our beloved VALLEY OF THE GIANTS! Among John's major architectural projects were the Dayton International Airport, Kettering Memorial Medical Center, Cox Heart Inst., and three "GIANT" Wright State U. buildings. Congratulations, "GIANT" John!

Jean F. Mitchell, who recently moved to Sun West Village at Hemet, CA, is rightfully proud of his son John, who as a science teacher (grades three through six) was one of three to receive a national award as an outstanding new teacher. Just what our country needs—more good teachers! **Marie Shriver** Manson, of Lansing, MI, has written and self-published a book about her family. Marie has also taken writing courses at Lansing Community College. Our intrepid traveler, **Vivian H. Melliss**, PhD '41, of Lake Jackson, TX, although no longer driving at night, is planning a trip to my old stamping ground in South Africa and "the good Lord willing," plans to be at our 65th Reunion in 2K AD!

Lillian Bassen Moss and husband **Morris '31**, MA '32, live in New York City and have a summer home in Hampton Bay, Long Island, where Lillian has a vegetable and flower garden. In August 1998, they attended an Adult University (CAU) course on architecture with "two wonderful faculty members." Their son, **Franklin '68**, and an 11-year-old granddaughter, Joanna, attended the program for parents and children.

John W. Todd, Jr., of Sewickley, PA, writes that his dear wife, Polly, has been suffering from Lyme disease for over a year and "is now in a chronic state—any suggestions would be gratefully received." (Blackburn Rd., RD#4, 15143). **Ninetzin Reyna White** and husband **Philip '34** of Mecklenburg, NY, are still very active in the nursery business, hybridizing *Hemmercallis phostos* and as sponsors of the Cornell Plantations. They have one son, one daughter, and mention six great-grandchildren.

Thomas S. Foulkes '52, BME '53, (of Cornell's Office of Planned Giving) wrote that Virginia Einwechter of Bryn Mawr, PA, widow of our former Class Treasurer **William S. Einwechter** (who died in 1984), has made two recent gifts to the university which will result in the establishment of the Einwechter Family Fellowship, to support master of Engineering candidates, in honor of Bill, **Peter N. Einwechter '76**, BA '83, and Virginia D. Einwechter. Bill was a devoted alumnus, outstanding student, loyal friend, and dedicated class officer whose name should long endure, especially with students who benefit from this fellowship.

William C. Haynes, PhD '46, of E. Peoria, IL, retired in 1975 from the US Dept. of Agriculture. In spring 1998, he and wife Dorothy drove to Fargo, ND, to attend a memorial service for his sister. Otherwise, Bill is busy keeping up with the graduations of his grandchildren, like many of our generation.

Anne Shulman Sonfield, widow of **Edwin C.**, has moved from Great Neck, NY, to Oakland, CA, to be near her daughter **Carolyn "Lynn" Sonfield '69** and granddaughter, Niki.

E. Allen Robinson, of Bellingham, WA, changed from Elderhostels to a tour agency in September 1998 and bussed through French Provence, which included Aix-en-Provence, St. Remy, Draguignan, and Grand Canyon du Verdon. During the tour, he was toasted on his

birthday, No. 85; "the oldest by far," he says. Aren't we all, Allen?

Esther Major Batchelder, of Williamsburg, VA, widow of **William P. '34**, a world-wide traveler, was planning a Greek Island cruise in September 1998. While at home, she volunteers at the hospital and other agencies and still corresponds with classmates. **Paul H. Reinhardt**, of Palo Alto, CA, did not provide a complete address (only "850 Webster"). He did say that he has retired, his wife's name is Ellen Jane, and that he has five grandchildren. Let's hear more from you, Paul.

Catherine "Pat" Pennock Predmore, Durham, NC, due to a hip replacement in November 1997, regrets not having traveled to California to visit her oldest son at Christmas, where she also likes to see classmates **Betty Williams** Stavely and **Lois Coffin** Arcott. However, she swims regularly, and in July 1998 visited her youngest son and family in Tacoma, WA. ♦ **Ed Miller**, 10101 Grosvenor Pl., #1515, Rockville, MD 20852.

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My heartfelt thanks go to those of you who have paid your dues and included news of your lives—greatly needed

for this column.

Ellen Hopkins Morgenstern wrote from Lakewood, NY: "We have a grandson, born Oct. 1, 1997, Samuel Grant Coppedge, in Richmond, VA. He is called 'Grant' in honor of his great-grandfather, Prof. **Grant Hopkins 1889**, DVM 1893, of Cornell's Veterinary college."

Donald Houpt, BArch '37, MArch '38, living in Lower Gwynedd, PA, wrote two full pages about his life. While at Cornell he waited tables at fraternities and won three first places in the track meet with Syracuse and Colgate. Cornell gave him a position with Eleanor Roosevelt and her National Youth Administration when he left campus in 1938—architectural work on Pennsylvania Ave. in Washington, DC. Cornell had given him summer positions with the National Park Service in the North and South and East, with parks, camps, and the Appalachian Trail. About 1970, he and his wife, a graduate of U. of Minnesota, established "pooled life income funds" for their two universities, \$30,000 each, giving them good interest and low-tax income. Soon the universities will be giving out the sums for scholarships for new students. His last several positions were with educational facilities and low-cost housing around the US and South America.

Capt. **Fred E. Illston**, in Fort Worth, TX, wrote in October 1998 that he still runs patrols for the Coast Guard Auxiliary on Eagle Mountain Lake, where they live, and also does vessel safety checks. He and wife Dot have been married 61 years and enjoy the active lives of their four children, and 11 grandchildren. They were expecting a great-grand in July 1999. Dot has osteoporosis, so they stay close to home and enjoy local activities. There are quite a few active and retired American Airlines pilots in the area and they enjoy talking about the "good old days." He retired 25

years ago and misses the "fun of sailing along at 500 or 600 miles per hour over different parts of this little planet."

Paul Mattice, JD '38, and **Martha (Rogers) '39** live in Freehold, NY. Paul wrote that Martha had most of her left leg amputated, but, "is in full command of the rest of her faculties." They no longer travel to distant destinations, but they live in a beautiful area and have excellent help.

Sarah Jane "Scary" Wilder Silcox wrote that all five grandchildren are now married. One great-granddaughter is 3-1/2 years old. Her mother has a master's degree and is working on her PhD at the U. of Wisconsin.

Margaret Morgan Lawrence, MD, in Pomona, NY, now has seven grandchildren. In August 1998 she sailed up the Hudson River with Rockland County Cornellians.

Constance Lebar Percy, in Rockville, MD, wrote that she is now 84, but still working full-time for the National Cancer Inst. and revising for the third time a cancer nomenclature book, of which she is the author. One daughter, Connie, is a teacher and the other, Norma, is a TV producer in London. Her latest program, "Israel and the Arabs" was to be shown in the US in January on Public Broadcasting System stations. She said it was very successful in Europe.

David Amsler, MME '37, wrote from Sarasota, FL, in late October. He said, "Despite being Florida residents, we still look forward to enjoying summers at our cottage on Skaneateles Lake." **Raymond Blumer** wrote from Bayonet Point, FL, "All pretty quiet here on West Coast of Florida. Ellen and I keep busy with travel, golf, church, exercise, and reading." Their oldest granddaughter is studying to be a doctor, starting three years as intern in a hospital in Michigan.

Ernest Cole, MS '59, wrote from Palm Harbor, FL: "We sold the house and are living in Stratford Court, a retirement community in Palm Harbor owned by Marriott. We are finding this very good for us and it makes life easier. Health-wise we are about the same except a year older. Alberta uses a wheelchair to go out but uses a walker in the apartment. We have a two-bedroom, two-bath apartment with a nice living room and dining area, a kitchen, and a screened balcony. Stop and see us if you are in the area."

George Rankin and his wife of 54 years live in Cavendish, VT. He left Cornell in the fall of 1941 to serve four years as a Naval Reserve officer. After retiring as a landscape architect, they now live on an old Vermont farm. They both keep active in community affairs such as the historical society and town government. They keep in touch with **Midge McAdoo** Rankin '35, his sister-in-law, who keeps them up to date on Cornell happenings.

Elsa Meltzer Bronstein and husband Arthur live in Oakland, CA, where they moved 11 years ago. They continue to do all the things they've been doing, but the years are adding up and they are grateful for their continued activity. For her, it's dancing, jewelry design, courses, and trip planning for elders; for Arthur, it's continuation of

scholarship; for both of them it's family activity with their children and grandchildren. No time for travel except to Massachusetts for the summers.

Robert Saunders, in Jacksonville, IL, took part in Illinois Senior Olympics in five of the last six years. He wrote: "This year, at 85, I won four gold medals in bowling, miniature golf, walk race, and discus. Altogether, I have 16 medals and ribbons to attest to my fitness program. I was a varsity boxer at Cornell." ♦ **Allegra Law** Ireland, 125 Grant Ave. Ext., Queensbury, NY 12804-2640.

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John T. Barton has moved from the Finger Lakes to a home in Holly, MI, where he will be living near his son, **George '68**, MBA '70. A Montour Falls native, Johnny was active there in community and civic affairs, including service on the town planning board, the environmental management council, and the Southern Tier Regional Planning Board. Professionally, he was president of Seneca Engineering. His wife, Ramona, also a concerned environmentalist, died last October. The latest Cornellians in the Barton clan are grandchildren **Emily '00** and **George '02**.

In the cancer ward and at radiation oncology in the Boca Raton, FL, County Hospital, Dr. **Morris Siegel**, DVM '37, is a familiar visitor. Twice a victor over cancer, Morry is a volunteer three days a week encouraging and counseling patients to have a positive attitude toward "the Big C." Retired, he's been bringing his message of hope for the past ten years.

The Binghamton Rotary Club has recognized Dr. **Wilbur M. Dixon**, MD '41, for his leadership and support of a major scholarship fund which assists four nursing students at Binghamton U. and Broome Community College each year. Will is a retired doctor of obstetrics and gynecology. Since our last report on **Thomas B. Kelly**'s family, the great-grandchild count has risen to seven—and five "grands." Tom, of Orange, TX, enjoys golf, gardening, and travel. The latest journey was a fascinating train trip from London to Rome via Paris and Geneva.

When **Arthur J. Poelma** retired from farming last December, it was the end of a 101-year story which began when Art's father came from Holland in 1897 to farm near Albion. Art, who was teaching vocational agriculture in Highland, inherited the farm in 1944 and worked the land for another 54 years. For several years he combined farming with teaching agriculture at the high school, sharing farming responsibilities with his grand-nephew. Since the farm was sold to **Gary Davy '75**, Art's grand-nephew and partner in recent years, it's still in the family. The Poelmas live in the original farm home during the "good growin' time" and winter in N. Ft. Myers, FL. Granddaughter **Kristen Potter '01**, a bio-engineering student, continues the Cornell tradition. ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd., N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

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Plaudits and kudos are frequent in the column information sent to us by guys who attended the 60th, among them

the thought from **Dick Williamson** that the campus has so many changes that he's thankful to still have Barton (The Drill) Hall as a reference point to minimize getting lost. The **Howard Disslys** have a new address: 5830 E. McKellips, #89, Mesa, AZ 85215.

The **Harry Lee Smiths** topped off the 60th with a stay at a New York City Elderhostel; this included "walks all over" Coney Island, Brooklyn, and Central Park—well, maybe not "all" over, but at times it can seem like it. **Bob Cloyes**, reuner, says he and son Bill "enjoyed every minute," which probably helped reverse his earlier plan *not* to run for president (yes, of the US of A). He is dickering to make his campaign headquarters in the Drill Hall men's lounge or, if too crowded, in the Old Armory.

Harold Segal, who's had good success with books on law office efficiency, took another tack with a Gannett Newspapers article on reminiscences of World War II, including one in which he was in a unit whose more-than-a-few members were sent around the world only to be greeted by the raised eyebrows of commanders who said they had no need of said reinforcements and hadn't requested any.

Norm Anderson and wife Millie (who, but don't tell him who told you, consistently beats him at golf) observed the new year's arrival by planning a couple weeks of golfing at their Arizona resort condo and a Mediterranean cruise.

Adult University (CAU) attendees from the Class of '38 include: **Francis G. Crane**, the Antarctic; **Seymour Kaplan**, London theaters, and **Clara Rhodes Rosevear** with husband, **Robert '37**, Disney World.

Joe Antrim thought up a great name for the trophy he donated to those intrepid sailors who would follow in his 1994 pioneering "lonely sailor" trip to Hawaii from San Diego: "The Race Against Aging." Unfortunately, as of the last report, the nine empty brass nameplates below his remain empty. Here's a new address for **W. John Neff, Jr.**, JD '42: 49 Young Rd., Orwell, VT 05760.

Tom Rich says his five golf courses in Florida "are ready to welcome Cornellians; three are at Venice; two at Port Charlotte. Tell 'em **Helen (Brew)** sent you." **Ray A. Miller's** new address is 251 Buck Hill, PO Box 115, Poland, NY 13431.

Dan O'Neil, PhD '66, expresses his enjoyment of Reunion and wonders where he can ask for a list of those who attended. (The answer from this desk is, "Not here. Try the Alumni Office.") Francis G. Crane calls his aforementioned Antarctic CAU experience "fantastic; it's easy to understand why President Emeritus Frank Rhodes is known internationally as a geologist." Fran was in the Reunion Run and treasures his two medals: oldest competitor and fastest above age 70. Back home, he chaired and emceed a high school class reunion, and he's a full-time consultant to

fruit growers.

H. Joe Pendergast enjoys his bi-weekly golf course tours; 1998 included a 55th wedding celebration. **Gerald Bauer**, "finally made 85 years of age, thankfully in good health, still at the same address after 56 years." **Bob Hickey**, MD '42, moved from Houston to 3964 Plymouth Cir., Madison, WI 53705. ♦ **Fred Hillegas**, 7625 E. Camelback Rd., Maya Apts., #220-A, Scottsdale, AZ 85251.

Dorothy Hopson Wells says the days are all too short for her many interests. Her three adult children, now rearing families of their own, are all Michigan State U. graduates; that's where Dorothy's husband chaired the mathematics department for a number of years. Since his death, she's continued an ac-

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— HELEN REICHERT CHADWICK '38

tive member of her church choir and the local community chorus, and has also earned a master's degree in painting from MSU. In addition, she went to school and became a professional clown! She donates her talents and time to charitable causes, raising money and creating public awareness of the many needs of children and the elderly in nursing and retirement homes. "Making other people happy makes me very happy!" she says.

From April to December, **Catherine Robinson** Klaus still goes horse-and-buggy riding in the countryside about Clinton's Corners, where she and Larry have shared nearly 60 happy years together. Among their frequent wildlife guests are turkey, deer, foxes, and racoons. Last year was a time of re-adjustment for **Sigrid Persson Reger**, whose husband **Mason, MS Ag '36**, died Jan. 2, '98, shortly after the birth of their first grandchild. More recently Sigrid has spent time in Florida with daughter Susan and family, attended a Chautauqua program, and enjoyed a Panama Canal trip. **Grace Johnson** Crosby is spending her usual three months in Florida, escaping Michigan's winter cold. The spring of 1999 will see the publication of her sixth book on art. **Jane Ridgway Lawrence** wrote of the death of husband **W. Mason**, PhD '41, last summer. She continues to live in Brooktondale, NY, and would welcome Class of '38 visitors.

Thelma "Tommy" Lainhart Beatman says she enjoyed the many familiar faces at reunion, even though the names escaped her! Did anyone else have the same difficulty? Only I? Out in Washington, **Irene Moran** Van Doren spends her days baking goodies for her granddaughter, who is working as a Senate page on Capitol Hill for five months, knitting very special socks for her son, and playing Mah Jongg several times a week with her daughter and an old friend in a rest home. ♦ **Helen Reichert** Chadwick, 225 N. 2nd St., Lewiston, NY 14092.

REUNION

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What an honor for **George R. Johnson!** Last August he was inducted into the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame.

Among his many contributions to agriculture was that of chairing the animal science department at Ohio State U. from 1958-83. He was "hung" in the youth building at the Ohio State Fair complex. Your correspondent best remembers him as his partner during initiation into Alpha Zeta fraternity. Remember that, George?

Sam Whittlesey, BS AE E '40, has had a hectic year. A heart valve replacement was a big success, but the medicine given sent him for a loop. He's doing fine now and is getting back into his regular swimming schedule. Betty's turn came next, when she had her 21-

year-old hip replaced. All this was accomplished during their 20th year in Florida, the hottest on record.

John D. Hull sends word that Dr. **E. C. "Bud" Batchelar** has been bedridden and blind for some months. Although he does not want visitors, he would enjoy your note at 5710 Lynne Haven Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15217.

Still busy with his swimming, competitive, and as an official, is **Frank Tillotson**. He is not sure about making our 60th, after having seen no one he knew at our 50th. This should be a call to all who knew Frank to make a special effort to be in Ithaca next June.

Participating in recent Adult University (CAU) programs were **John Knower** and **Frank Reese**, who recommend that more of us take advantage of these activities.

Dan Kops and **Barbara Babcock** Payne, MA '70, are spearheading our 60th Reunion Fund Campaign, hoping to beat the all-time \$2.54 million record for a 60th Reunion set by the Class of '36. Likewise, we need to complete the funding of our Class of '39 Tradition Fellowship, a living reminder of our years at Cornell. Please consider designating a portion of your gift to this very worthwhile effort. We have always gone the extra mile, be it on the football field, Board of Trustees, or other areas of leadership. Let's keep it up. In addition to all this, Dan and wife Nancy took time off to spend two weeks in London, carving out a weekend going to Paris by chunnel.

When asked for an up-to-date address on a classmate, **W. Harry Johns** mentioned only one, for a coed he met at a Delta Upsilon houseparty whom he saved from an inebriated Chi Psi.

Now adjusting to what he calls a somewhat boring retirement after many years of a solo ob-gyn practice, **Ray Simmons** brings us up to date on the three children. The girls take after Ray and Jean, who was a surgical nurse when they met. One girl is an MD at the

U. of Miami, another a nurse practitioner at Florida International U., and a son is in AT&T sales. Ray keeps in shape by swimming laps and with workouts in the gym.

Robert S. Taylor, BA '40, is happy to announce his marriage to Fay Golden last August. They intend to remain in Syracuse and the Finger Lakes Region, their favorite spot on the planet. **Bob Latimer**, MS '42, and **Ruth (Phelps)** '45, MS '46, interspersed a week of family reunion on the Pacific Beach with a

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— CAROLYN EVANS FINNERAN '42

tour of Eastern Europe in the company of a group from Princeton.

Tidbit: The mind is like a parachute; it works much better when it's open. ♦ **Russell D. Martin**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850.

In response to my request for names of classmates who had military service in World War II, **Mary Strong** Irish reported that she was in the Navy and is enrolled in the World War II Women's Memorial. In October 1942, she was in the Navy WAVES first midshipman class, studying communications at Northampton, MA, and was commissioned ensign. She was then stationed at Philadelphia and Cape May. After nearly 50 years on the Irish family farm, she has recently moved to a small ranch near Albany. She mentioned that **Margaret Gist McLellan** had also served in the WAVES during World War II and that **Doris Stead** was in the American Red Cross in Italy during World War II.

Our Class Co-President **Elizabeth "Betty" Shaffer Bosson** and husband **Albert**, BME '41, have completed four happy years at the Seabury Retirement Community in Bloomfield, CT 06002. Fellow retirees include several clergymen and a clergywoman. Betty comments: "We have added to our grandchildren: Hunter in 1996 and Taylor, a girl, in 1998. Their dad is **Steve Bosson** '71. We look forward to our 60th Reunion in June 1999. How did we last so long? Let's get together and reminisce."

Some of us are still traveling. **Hella Ratzke** Reeves recently took a 14-day trip to Thailand, where she went to witness a Thai wedding of her youngest nephew to a beautiful Thai woman. She also visited her 8-year-old Childreach foster child in a typical impoverished village in northeast Thailand. The whole trip was an enlightening experience, she notes.

We just learned of the death of **Elizabeth Gundlach Beckley**, DVM '39, in January 1998. ♦ **Ella Thompson** Wright, 7212 Masonville Dr., Annandale, VA 22003; tel., (703) 573-5403.

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Hello! Starting off with some "quickies." **Ward Goode-nough** from Haverford, PA, has a grandson who was mar-

ried this fall to Olga Kuznetsova. Audrey C. Hazel of Wilmington, DE, wrote that her husband, **Clarence "Buck" Hazel**, passed away in May 1998. He had a degree in chemistry. **Shirley "Sue" Benjamin** Feltman sent only her current address: 175 E. 62nd St., NYC. Another address: **Robert Shaw**,

Mountain Lake, PO Box 832, Lake Wales, FL. **James Bettman** lives at 143 Twin Oaks, S. Burlington, VT. He is retired and has lived in Vermont for many years. **George C. Davis Jr.** lives in Virginia Beach, VA. He attended the annual reunion of the 45th Infantry Division, World War II, held in Oklahoma City last September. He reports that the Memorial Roll Call continues to grow "alarmingly" each year. Now to more lengthy messages!

Harriette Tabak Simons lives in New York City, but in October 1997 rented a house in Prades, southern France. Quote, "A chateau, if you please." She spent two weeks in northern Spain to check out the new Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao. She adds, "There is too much walking required inside and not enough wall space for paintings. To avoid long lines, visit in mid or late afternoon." Harriet says it is a dazzling fairy-tale building from the outside!

Mary Durfey Hewitt, BS Ag '41, and husband moved into Kendal at Hanover, NH, in January 1998. They enjoy the many classes and activities available through Dartmouth and community colleges in the area. She took a course in watercolor painting and one in short story writing. For them, bridge and square dancing adds variety. John Hewitt sings in the Kendal choir and helps on many committees. They enjoy Elderhostel courses, too. Their son **Mark** '82 is registrar at Brandeis in Waltham, MA.

Classmate **Bob Ogden**, B Chem E '44, has been through a "tough" time. He and his wife sold their home in La Jolla, CA; bought another, promptly changed their minds, and finally moved into a house in Rancho Santa Fe, CA. The new address: 14135 Steeple Chase Row, PO Box 675384, Rancho Santa Fe, CA. What made it tough was Bob's health during this time: he had three aortas cleared by angioplasty and three stents. During this work, plaque was relocated and he lost kidney function. He was on dialysis for four months. Quote: "A dreadful ordeal. God and my nephrologist decided I'd had enough and my kidney started performing again." His wife was his strength throughout all of this. He was able to

tell her how to pick up 100-pound boxes, and where to put them! They are settled enough now to enjoy the beautiful Rancho Valencia Club very near their home.

Frances Tolins Waldman lives in Roslyn Heights. She serves as secretary of the Long Island zone of the NY State Retired Teachers' Assn. She also helps the blind by reading books onto tapes at the local library. She has enjoyed Adult University (CAU) trips, which are popular with our classmates. More Cornellians in her family: brother **Peter Tolins** '44, MD '47, his wife, **Gloria (Ellison)** '45, BSNurs, and Fran's second daughter, **Jane Waldman** '81, who lives nearby.

Charles "Chuck" Stewart lives in Gulf Stream, FL, with his wife **Patricia (Carry)** '50. They spent two weeks touring China recently. Their son, **C. Evan Stewart** '74, JD '77, was elected an alumni trustee. Chuck served in this capacity, also, as did Patricia. **Bob Bradley** writes from Monument, CO. He has worked as an agent for the New York Life Insurance Co. for the past 58 years. He is also a real estate broker with Woodmoor Realty at Monument. He and his wife go to Hawaii in January, then spend February and March in Manzanilla, Colima, Mexico. One son is an MD, family practice. Son Number Two is a United Airlines captain. ♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, 18 Calthrope Rd., Marblehead, MA 01945; tel., (781) 631-5238.

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The weekend of Sept. 25, '99, when Cornell plays Fordham on Schoellkopf Field, will mark a 60th reunion of the famous 1939 football team, as planned by **Lou Conti** and out-going Athletic Director **Charlie Moore** '51, BME '52. The event covers teams of 1940, 1941 and 1942. On the same weekend teams of 1948-50 also plan a reunion. These Lefty James teams, with a coaching staff including classmates **Al Kelley**, the late **Hal McCullough**, and Lou Conti, made up the last nationally-ranked Cornell team in Big Red history. (Information provided thanks to Lou Conti.)

Frederick E. Munschauer Jr., Egbertsville, NY, continues his excellent piano-playing hobby. Several times each month his professional musical coach Joe Mankowski, well known in the Buffalo area, assists on chords and arrangements. In 1992 Fred sold Niagara Machine & Tool Works, founded in 1879 by his grandfather. Fred served as chief executive officer and board chairman for 53 years and proudly adds that 12 Munschauer's have gone through Cornell.

William F. Peters III, BS ME '42, Indianapolis, IN, moved to a house with two rooms over the garage as a form of insurance for the future should he and wife Patty become less active. It would make an ideal apartment for a young nurse or college student. Bill recalls that back when he headed sales for Anemostat Products and the company had headquarters in a former gun factory in Hartford, CT. In the process of removing an office wall, there stood an old sign, "Give 'Em a Jolt with a Colt." Before retiring, Bill operated his own business in

industrial fans and air distribution.

William C. Flickinger, Cary, NC, qualifies as a world traveler. Last November he and wife Ginny cruised on the *Sky Princess* seeing much of Southeast Asia for 16 days of a month-long travel experience. Other journeys have involved steamboat stern-wheelers on the Mississippi and barge trips in France. Other places read like the *National Geographic*. Another world traveler is **Col. John R. Dowsell**, Colorado Springs, CO, . . . around the world in 1996 and this past January he and wife Doreen traveled on the *Norwegian Crown* through the Panama Canal and on down South America and around Cape Horn. One day a week John volunteers with Silver Key, an organization helpful to those over 60 years of age, providing transportation, home repairs, and even yard work. John drives for Meals on Wheels.

Albert L. Aschaffenburg, Metairie, LA, continues teaching public speaking at the U. of New Orleans. He comments that he "loves" teaching two courses with two sections each. Prior to his seven years in academia, Albert headed one of the South's most delightful hotels, The Pontchartrain, in New Orleans, operated during our undergraduate days by Albert's father, **E. Lyle Aschaffenburg '13**. ♦ Guest correspondent, **Robert L. Bartholomew**, 2640 SW 22nd Ave., #1106, Delray Beach, FL 33445.

Snow flurries and sunshine brighten Valentines Day at Cayuga Heights, as I report about classmates.

Kathren Clark Novak sent a letter with check in memory of her roommate in Balch Hall, **Mary Elizabeth "Betsy" Evans** Elder. Remembered as Cornell '41, Betsy left Cornell in 1939 and graduated from Hood College, MD. She served World War II years in the WACS, raised two daughters, taught school, and was a librarian in Kansas City. She died July 22, '98, from a heart attack. Kathren Novak raised three children, was in the acquisition section of Yale Medical Library for 26 years, and has traveled extensively in Europe, Asia, Mexico, and the US.

Jeanne Avery Gervais writes her work in the print shop at Baptist Hospital in Miami is fun, but her greatest joy is her art work. "I do watercolors, design and make Christmas cards, and hope to do some serious writing and illustrating." Many of her designs are from Costa Rica, where she and son **Jim Pollack, '79-81 Grad**, traveled last November.

Betty Niles Gray and husband John also visited Costa Rica, this past January. She notes "a splendid trip, great birds, wildlife, and rain forests, but the back roads are very rough." They traveled far and wide from their Durham, NC, home, flew to Belize, cruised the coast and up a river in Guatemala, where they did lots of snorkeling. They visited with relatives in Seattle, Phoenix, Chicago, the Adirondacks, and enjoyed an excellent Elderhostel in Prescott, AZ. John attended Learning in Retirement courses at nearby Duke U. and Betty organized duplicate bridge. Both are avid golfers. Betty kept in touch with former

roommate **Eileen Norton** Mahan, lunched with her a few years ago in St. Petersburg, FL. Eileen's lawyer sent Betty a letter telling of Eileen's death Oct. 19, '98.

Sad news from **Elizabeth "Betty" Savery Penoyer** who relates the death of husband **Oscar A., SpAg '38-40**, in April 1997, closing their 52-year marriage. **Gloria Brown** Mither's husband of 47 years, Joel, died in December 1997. Sympathy to both classmates. ♦ **Jane Webb** Acton, 459 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-4914; e-mail, 104374.67@compuserve.com.



Howie Williams (Hudson, OH), former tennis player, volunteers at the Hudson Community Chapel as missions chair and administrator. He is on the Christianity Today board, and chairs the audit finance committee. He also serves on the Cleveland City Mission and Concerts of Prayer boards, and chairs the Endowment Fund. He brags of his two grands.

Dr. **Ralph Kanders** (Palm Beach, FL) serves Cornell well as a member of the Florida Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN), East Coast Florida Cornell Club, and attends university investment meetings. He and his family enjoyed a Cornell Dedication Service luncheon with deans of the College of Arts and Sciences, the Hotel school, and the Johnson Graduate School of Management. They also met with President Hunter Rawlings. Son Warren married **Alison Merrill** Smith '89 and son **Alan '87** married Julie Rose. Daughter Dr. **Beatrice '79** has two sons.

Donald Kent, MD '45, (Palm Beach Gardens, FL), 60th Reunion chair, left his medical practice and now enjoys golf community living. He and **Madeline (Ring) '45** keep occupied with golf, bridge, painting, traveling, reading, computers, and harvesting oranges, limes, grapefruit, and kumquats. E-mail him at DSK5169@aol.com with your reunion ideas.

Madge Palmer Harper (Albuquerque, NM) was delighted to have the Cornell basketball team play at U. of New Mexico over Thanksgiving. **Dave Bliss '65** has been Lobos coach for ten years. The Cornell Club of New Mexico president, **R. Ed Maglisceau '60**, BME '61, MBA '62, and **Ann Sterling '60** (Santa Fe, NM) hosted the team at a dinner reception atop Sandia Peak.

Hal and **Charlotte Hazen** (Bradenton, FL) sent me a musical Christmas card on the Internet. **Doris Stone** Hanrahan (Montauk, NY) visited the Galapagos and Machu Picchu, claiming the altitude of that mystic place made her "giddier than usual." **Connie Caffrey** McMurray (Upper Montclair, NJ) visits Sicily again this year. Only 16 of **Art** and **Jean Fenton Potter's** 26 progeny made it to Washington, CT, for Art's 80th birthday. **Jean (Pardee)** and Jim Cole (New Canaan, CT) enjoyed the holidays in St. Louis, MO, and are looking toward happier times healthwise this year. This year I'm hoping **Pat (Maynard)** and **Jack Downing '40** (Concord, MA) will visit Seattle, where son John

has his own business.

Chuck Coffin would love to hear from friends. E-mail him at oppoc@aol.com. **Robert**, BME '43, MME '49, and **Nancy Jessup Underwood '43** (Manchester, TN) attended Nancy's 55 Reunion. He serves as secretary of the Lions Club and marvels that his second son has now retired. **Jim** and Pat **Kiernan** cleaned out the attic, cellar, and garage and moved lock, stock, and barrel to a condo in Morristown, NJ, that even accommodates their pool table. They play golf regularly and take golfing vacations in Florida. **Forbes Brown**, MS '47, (Caroga Lake, NY) has retired and is enjoying swimming, sailing, wood carving, and six grands.

After a series of operations, **Bob Forsythe** (Vernon Center, NY) is fine now. He retired as Vernon Town and Vernon Village justice. He's an active Gideon and member of his Methodist church and the Oneida City Extension Service. He and Pauline go to Myrtle Beach, SC, annually and boast seven children and ten grands, all actively engaged in keeping the economy going.

Leroy and **Ruth Wilson Long '44** (Center Harbor, NH) (email: lylg@together.net) are busy surfing the net, shoveling snow, and planning a trip to Australia. **Ray Dague** (Muskego, WI) (e-mail: raydaguesprintmail.com) enjoyed a visit from **A. Marcel Mulbury '39**, who has a big orchard operation in Clinton County, NY. Ray cruised to the Islands, Caracas, Panama Canal, and Mexico, loves to fish, and warns that none are safe from him in Lake Michigan or Florida.

We all grieve the passing of our lovely "Deedie"—**Prudence Sumner** Gamard. A fall in January was probably the culprit, as she never fully recovered. Deedie was a true Cornellian; her Dad, Prof. James B. Sumner, was Cornell's first Nobel Prize winner in biochemistry for isolating an enzyme when other scientists scoffed at the idea. Our class contributed \$20,000 to the Class of '42 James B. Sumner Lectureship. **Liz Schlamm** Eddy is sure Deedie would love to have contributions in her memory to it or to the Class Memorial Scholarship. I was fortunate to spend time with her at reunions. Perennially young, Deedie will be greatly missed.

Ignatius Lacombe (Peru, NY) wrote of the interesting career of **Bob Peacock**, the longest-serving mayor of Lake Placid, who recently passed away. Mayor for 34 consecutive years, he is credited with making Lake Placid well-known outside of the region. Owner/operator of People's Dairy, he was active with the NY State Committee of Mayors, a founder of the Lake Placid Ambulance Service, and an honorary member of the Lake Placid Kiwanis Club and Volunteer Fire Department. He also served on the bidding committee that brought the 1980 Olympic Games to Lake Placid. If you are into e-mail, write to all who include their addresses. They want to hear from you. Need Big Band Cruise info? Write or e-mail me. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 2933 76th SE #13D, Mercer Island, WA 98040; tel., (206) 232-3092; e-mail: ceefinn@juno.com.

Attended my first-ever Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in January. Heard our prexy emeritus, Frank Rhodes, speak once again, always a treat. He acknowledged his standing ovation with: "Thank you. I didn't deserve that. But then I have arthritis and I don't deserve that either."

Earlier I gazed skyward to tell the towering President Hunter Rawlings that for him following Dr. Rhodes's act would be a slam dunk. In his address he assured the 576 alumni assembled that the university would focus anew on making Cornell the country's best undergraduate school, that undergrads would no longer eat in the children's dining room (my words) while graduates and faculty were off on their own dedicated to publishing research papers. He reminded us that Ezra Cornell invented student financial aid, and he promised that Cornell would once again lead in that arena. We came away feeling, as this column gallops apace toward the front of the book, that the university might still be here after we are not.

Mary Louise (Snellenburg) '45 and I dined delightedly and delightfully that Friday night with **Kyoko** and **Shig Kondo**, Marie and **Larry Lowenstein** (newly retired from fundraising at Horace Mann School), Jane McCarthy and **Roy Unger** (who still flies almost weekly to Atlanta home of Simmons Mattress), Jan and **Dick Nickerson**, and literary agent **Knox Burger**, sporting his new but rebellious hip replacement. Jan had just engineered the sale through Sotheby's of a supposedly worthless oil (it was a Murillo) owned by their church in Holyoke for the unholy sum of \$360,000. A big day for the collection plate, even if you feed it in slowly. Saturday night some of us joined '44's mini-reunion dinner chaired by **Art**, BA '49, and **Dottie Kay Kesten**, BS HE '43, who left next day for the Amazon. River, not web sight.

Early in February we drove up to Holyoke, MA, to visit the Nickersons and **R. Parker Smith**, whom I had not seen since 1943. Parker had gone from sports editor of *The Cornell Daily Sun* to the ETO. War over, he had wanted to get a job in Paris, but the English language publications were fully staffed: *Yank*, *Stars & Stripes*, *The International Herald Tribune*. He did get an interview with a line lieutenant at Armed Forces Radio. It went like this: "I guess you know a lot about radio." "I listen to it." "Then what can you do?" "I think I can write radio scripts." "What else?" "I was sports editor of my college paper for a few months." "What else?" "I can type." "What else?" "I can drive a jeep." "What else?" "I can fire a 155-millimeter howitzer." "OK, you've got a job." It lasted six months, at which point he went to *The Detroit Free Press*, then to *The Herald Tribune* as news editor (until it died), to sports editor of *Newsday*, and 19 years later retired to Valley Cottage, NY (renamed "Apron Pocket" by his equally sardonic mother), and now—with original wife Joan—to a life-care residence in Holyoke. My grandson was wrestling next day at nearby Choate. Nickerson while on the Hill had been captain of wrestling

team, and somehow we got to the time **Dave Mertz** upset national intercollegiate champ Jimmy Miller, then of Wyoming Seminary and later for many years Big Red coach. When I e-mailed our conversation to Dave, he answered: "If had kept on wrestling I'd now be governor of Florida. ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968-0164; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.

Annette Jackson Young still toils happily in real estate in Washington, VA. Can you believe, no "fast food joints" in Rappahannock County—which boasts the largest number of B&Bs in the state, and the famous Inn at Little Washington.

Elizabeth Porter MacCallum attended Adult University (CAU) last July, where she found the course on Buddhism stimulating. "Professor Jane Marie Law's knowledge was impressive and her enthusiasm provocative." Elizabeth and her late husband, **Robert**, were married in Sage Chapel 55 years ago.

Beatrice Ciolli Lodermeier reports that granddaughter **Sarah B. Smith '02**, of Clearwater, FL, entered Cornell last fall, and will study for a degree in environmental engineering. **Barbara Prescott Arnold** wrote that son Carl III purchased the Richelieu Hotel in San Francisco to follow in the footsteps of his late dad, **Carl D. "Sam" Jr.**, in the hotel business. He will be housing United Airlines personnel from SFO airport.

Barbara and former Theta roommate **Jean Hammersmith** Wright had a golfing reunion last summer at Jean's home course in Somers, NY. **Jane Strahan** Davis, BS Ag '46, claims a "good life." Hunting, fishing, and tending her vineyard, orchard, vegetables, and flowers, "makes it." She is still painting and has joined several art groups.

Ann Boone Pendleton and husband **Dick '42** celebrated their 50th anniversary in June 1996. Present were **Robert Laben '42**, who had been their best man, and his wife **Dorothy (Lobb)**, and **Phil Wilson '42** and wife **Rosemary (Williams)**. The outdoor celebration took place at the home of **William H. '72** and **Amy Pendleton Simrell '78**. Sadly, Dick passed away in October 1998.

We note that **Laura "Betty" Sigman Bundy** passed away in November 1998. She is survived by husband **Don '42**, daughters Donna Loeffler and Beth McKeown, and four grandchildren.

Your correspondent welcomed a third grandson, Mason Thomas Alles, in January 1999. I am blessed. Write to me. Eventually you'll see it in print. ♦ **Helene "Hedy" Neutze** Alles, 15 Oak Ridge Dr., Haddonfield, NJ 08033.

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Many of us are "making a difference," as the saying goes. **Eleanor Johnson** Morse is still active with the Older Women's League (a national advocacy organization), serving as secretary of the Atlanta chapter. Her three children and four of six grands live nearby. Last summer, she and her husband returned to their roots in NY State

for two school reunions and visits with relatives and friends. **Barbara Palmer** Stewart, MS HE '48, serves on Governor Pataki's Advisory Committee to the NY State Office for Aging. **Joyce Cook** Wilson and her husband visit their home on Cayman Island four times a year, three weeks at a time. The rest of the year they "continue all sorts of political and artistic support endeavors in and around Wayland, MA." **Ruth Caplan** Brunton sent a two-page Christmas letter bristling with details of family activities and travels. She and Bob volunteer at Habitat for Humanity, church, and school (tutoring and parenting groups), and are active in Ecumenical Council, League of Women Voters (good government), Great Decisions (foreign policy), as well as take part in groups of city managers and home economists. They did two Elderhostels: one at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, on the topics of "Medical Update" and "Loons and Wolves," and the other, on Catalina Island, where they studied marine biology, botany, art, and Japanese cooking.

Anthony Prasil keeps busy as curator of the Hoffman Clock Museum in Newark, NY. He and his wife recently enjoyed visiting clock and watch museums in Switzerland. **Allen Albright**, BS Ag '47, writes, "In spite of my age, I'm still farming every day and playing golf twice a week." **Fred Allen**, BS Ag '47, says he's still consulting for the corrections profession (jails, prisons, and training schools) but restricting travel by becoming very active in local events again. **Fred Hannahs** says he still serves on the local fire commission in Tiburon, CA, where he has lived for 44 years with his wife of 46 years. They have two children, a physicist and an archaeologist, and two grands. "I still drive my 1954 MG-TF."

Joseph File, BME '43, sent a photo of three generations of Cornellians—grandfather Joseph File, father **Joseph C. File '67**, ME E '68, and **Charles F. File '02**, son of Joseph C. and **Karen (Novick) '69**. Other Cornell relatives include **Joan File Mangones '43**, JD '47, and husband **Robert J. '43**, and **Philip '71** and **Linda Watson Mangones '71**. **Marvin Huyck**, MD '47, claims two more Cornellian generations—son **Christopher Huyck '73** and grandson **Justin Huyck '01**.

Adult University (CAU) sent a list of classmate attendees at the programs between September 1997 and August 1998. **Norman Brandt**, BCE '47, and **Guinevere Griest** did "The Presidency, the Presidents, and Presidential Leadership from the Founding to the Present"; **Christopher Bull**, BA '43, MD '47, and **Joel**, BS Hotel '47, and **Henrietta Pantel Hillman '47**, BS Ag '49, took "The Study Tour and Cruise to Antarctica, South Georgia, and the Falkland Islands." (The Hillmans also studied "Flowering of the English Gardens.") **Elizabeth Kalnay** Fennelly signed up for "Treasures of the Isthmus: an Expedition to Panama and the Panama Canal" aboard the MV *Tempress Voyager*; **Nancy Maynard** Harlan learned about "The Gothic Cathedral"; **Robert**, BA '47, MD '51, and **Lillian Levine Hirsch '45**, BS Nurs '47, took the tour of Hawaii, Maui, and Lanai

("Volcanoes, Reefs, and Forests—Natural History"); **Sigmund**, MFS '48, and **Serena Ginsberg Hoffman** '47, MA '48, followed the "Footsteps of Lewis and Clark: Expedition to Idaho's Salmon River"; **Nancy Green Stratton** did "Antiques and Antiquing in the Finger Lakes Region"; and **Nanette Zorn Schneiderman** and **Julius** traveled to Walt Disney World Resort and studied Disney, his world, and modern America.

Bill Felver, BA '47, MA '50, of the Isle of Bute, Scotland, says he celebrates "International Zinck's Night" with the Cornell Club of London every year. Last year he visited New York City and Ithaca. "Today I achieve a life-long ambition by sending my dues the very day I received the notice"—May 29, '98. (He's getting recognition a year late.) When **Fay** and **Phyllis Dittman McClelland** '43 attended her 55th Reunion, she played the chimes just before they were taken down for retuning. "Some of the present chimesmasters were amazed that the 'old lady' could play them as well as she did." **Peter Miller**, MBA '48, wrote that he and **Jerry Levitan**, BA '47, MBA '48, were in the first class at the Johnson school who returned for their 50th Reunion last summer. "What a transformation" he says of the school, which is now housed in Sage Hall. **Robert Greenburg**, BA '46, JD '48, and **Edwina** got back to Ithaca in June for his 50th law school reunion. In July they visited family and '44 roommate **Pete Tolins**, MD '47, and wife **Gloria (Ellison)** '45, BS Nurs, and in September they cruised down the Danube.

Arnold Tofias, BS AE M '46, mixes work (what work?) and frequent vacations. This past year he and **Gloria** traveled to Tucson, London, Milan and Bellagio in Italy, and made three trips to St. Bart. Visiting 14 grandchildren also keeps them busy. **Art**, BA '49, and **Dotty Kay Kesten**, BS HE '43, had a wonderful Christmas vacation in Tanzania with son **Dale** '72, BA '75, and wife **Liz**, daughter **Lynn Kesten Coakley** '74 and her two children. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski Rundell**, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir., #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.

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Now that we're all computer-literate, these symbols must mean something to you: "C.u. Charitable Des=mo Pn dis." If they don't, see below!

We received word from **Shirley** that her husband (and my former Beta roommate), **William F. Pearson**, BME '44, MME '48, (Bethesda, MD) is not in the best of health and would love to hear from us. If you get to the Nation's Capital give **Bill** a call—he's in the phone book. From **Willow Grove, PA**, **Meta Flamberg Kuperberg** Cooper reports that she can't really fill out our news form because she can't remember what she was doing that morning, much less a week or a year ago, but does remember her grandson's graduation from Indiana U. and has learned that there are many good people left in the world. **Charles Holmes**, BS Ch E '44, MS '47, (Lexington, KY) has been leading a "great discussions" for-

eign policy group for senior citizens. Volunteer worker **Marjehne Andrae Hoefler** (Atlantic Beach, FL), with husband **Albert**, repairs books at their local library and helps out at Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville. Although she'd rather be ice-skating, another library helper, **Ann Shively Kalbach** (Bryn Mawr, PA), has been helping a 99-year old physician with his autobiography and is improving her bridge game. **Thomas Murphy** (Westport, CT) has agreed to chair Save the Children Foundation, upon his retirement from chairing Capital Cites/ABC, after it was acquired by the Walt Disney Co., of which he continues as a board member.

From Covington, KY, **James Monroe**, BS AE M '44, reports that he visited **Palm Desert**, CA and met with **Fred Gault**, BCE '48, (Northbrook, IL) and **John Rogers**, MD '47, (Ithaca), who were enjoying the non-winter weather there. **Madelaine Ring Kent**, BA '44, (Palm Beach Gardens, FL) and **Donald** '42, MD '45, advise that they are happy, even though moving out of their home in **Glen Head**, NY, involved waiting a long time for the furniture to arrive. On the way South, **Chickie** spent time with former roomie **Carol Senft Reiman**, BA '44, in **Williamsburg**, VA, and is putting up with the good work **Don** is doing in chairing his 60th Reunion in 2002.

Your class officers and others attended the January CACO (Cornell Assn. of Class Officers) meeting in New York. Among those present were **Stan W. Johnson**, BS Hotel '48, (Mantoloking, NJ), **Maxine Katz Morse** (Laconia, NH), **Jim M. Shaw**, BCE '48 (Amherst, NY), **Dick Frost**, BS AE M '44 (Pittsburgh, PA), **Gloria Urban** (Maspeth, NY) plus faithful **Minette Leister** (Cranbury, NJ), representing our late-lamented President **Ed Leister**, BA '46, **Ann Lynch Pape**, BS HE '44, (Garden City, NY), **Bill Berley**, BS Ag '48, (NYC), and **Gloria Marti** (NYC). The last two reminisced about their trip (along with **Isabel Mayer Berley** '47) to **Skytop** with **CAU** back in November 1997, studying the travails of Russia and Eastern Europe. We hope they made some sense of that, but in any case they had a good session and Reunion 2000 plans are well underway. You will shortly receive our revised news form (which will include a place for your e-mail address, so that we can include it in our next roster), and we trust you will let us know how you can help make our 55th a really great one. One of the projects will be to do more for our alma mater. One of the ways I found was to donate some old stock certificates which had increased in value. Rather than sell and pay Uncle Sam a big tax, I donated them to Cornell by purchasing an annuity which pays good, partially tax-free interest which every quarter is credited to my bank account with their report coming in under the mysterious symbols printed at the beginning of the column. You can credit the Class of '45 with your donation. It's great!

A mini-reunion was in place at the Princeton football game last fall with **Mary Lou "Woof" Rutan Snowden** (Barrington,

IL) joining **Mary Jane Dilts Achey** (Pennington, NJ), **Ann McGloin Stevens** '46, **Anna "Nancy" Aungier Beveridge** '46, and numerous others. "Woof" takes time off from her three daughters and five grandchildren to attend antique auctions in her role as a dealer, but claims that her interest in antiques is because "old friends are truly the best." **Ruth Henne Meyer**, BS HE '44 and husband **Warren** (West End, NC) are proud grandparents of **Bethany** '96 and **Robyn** '97; Ruth and Warren have been roaming about the US as well as doing Elderhostel sessions, but Ruth's traveling was reduced a bit for by-pass surgery. By now **Robert B. Wallace**, MD '47, (New Hartford, NY) will have attended his 50th Medical College Reunion with **Dave Cofrin**, BA '44, MD '47 (Gainesville, FL). While wintering in **St. Petersburg**, FL, Bob met with Dave after visiting son **R. Bruce Wallace** '71, who practices law in **Key West**. Meanwhile, **Walter MacFarland III**, BCE '48, and **Jean (Gehring)** '49, enjoy their brood of four children and eight grandchildren when Walt isn't working or "marveling at the stupidity of the American taxpayer." **Bernard Mayrsohn**, BS Ag '47, (Purchase, NY) says he has lots of news but will give it to us later. Come on, Barney, we're waiting with bated pen! ♦ **Prentice Cushing, Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; tel., (757) 716-2400; fax, (757) 716-2401; e-mail, cescoVA@aol.com.

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All Ears

CHARLOTTE COOPER GILL '46
AND JOHN GILL '77

Field of Dreams could have been set in Ulster County, New York. That's where Charlotte Cooper Gill and her husband, Jack, own a 1,400-acre farm in the Hudson Valley that produces 20 million ears of sweet corn a year, plus everything from popcorn to pansies to pumpkins. "Farming is a way of life," says Charlotte Gill. "Once you get into it, it's hard to imagine doing anything else." The Gills are the second-largest producer of sweet corn in New York, and in addition to selling their produce at two family-owned farm stands, they wholesale corn as far away as Texas. Although the Gills are semi-retired, they continue to act as advisors to son John, also a Cornellian, the current manager of the farm. What's one of the biggest advantages of rural life? "With a farm," Charlotte Gill says, "your husband gets to retirement age and doesn't get bored."



— Sandra Wintner '01

lage historian and president of the Buffalo Torch Club. He wasn't too busy to catch the Princeton game with several Alpha Omega Pi members and their spouses.

Remember our new service. We will publish class members' e-mail and/or web addresses in this column. Just e-mail your information to the address below. Be sure to include your name and your current city and state of residence.

See you on the Hill for our 55th—2001, An Ithacan Odyssey! Until then, send news. ♦ **Paul Levine**, 31 Chicory Lane, San Carlos, CA 94070; tel., (650) 592-5273; fax, (650) 593-2572; e-mail, pblevine@juno.com.

Ruth Rothschild Mayleas, BA '45, (New York City) is a member of the board of directors and vice president of the Theater Communications Group, the national service organization for the American not-for-profit professional theater. **Jean Krumwiede** Boek (Washington, DC) was awarded the International Humanitarian Award in October 1997. **June Cronig** Kapell (Teaneck, NJ) summers in Vineyard Haven, MA, where along with **Barbara (Bayer) '47** and **Jerry Silver '47**, BA '48, and Prof. **Mary Beth Norton '78** of Cornell's history department, she holds an annual Cornell Day. "We've had 20-30 people each year since we began two years ago."

Ruth Critchlow Blackman finally "bit the bullet" and moved to a retirement community in Newtown, PA. She wrote that the main population of her "old folks home" is one of the most active, diverse, and caring she has ever experienced. Eight of the residents are Cornellians. She is only ten miles from her old community so she has the best of both worlds.

Rayma Carter Wilson (Binghamton, NY) wrote that great-grandson Number Three arrived in August 1998. She traveled to Hawaii in November 1998 and is planning on Japan in July 1999. She hosted a German Friendship Force Ambassador last October and will have two weeks of home hosting in Japan with the same group. Rayma is an AARP community service chair and does home visiting for her local church. ♦ **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607.

47 Your reunion duo is at it again. The last two columns were fun to write. We are getting lots of e-mail news and some complaints. Our class home page is a little out of date. It still advertises our 50th Reunion. Sorry about that. We haven't gotten to 2002 yet. How about jump-starting us by sending us ideas and requests. Look at our home page and click on THE MAIL TO PETE link and tell us what you'd like to see. You can also send pictures and text that your Webmaster will be happy to post.

News from **Frank Parkin**, BS EE '48, in Florida tells us he's been attending the PGA National for 11 years, ruptured a disc 2-1/2 years ago, had another back operation six months ago, and is rehabbing two days and resting one. He sees **Char Bullis** Pickett regularly and had dinner with **Joe Coleman** in

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The class news forms are a little late in arriving so I'll share a little family history I wrote for my grandsons: In 1946, after my Army Air Corps experience, I returned to the Hill to resume my engineering studies. By spring term my dad had become a regular visitor to the massive, white, stucco house on Thurston Ave., the Pi Lambda Phi lair.

I know it was spring because Dad's fall weekends were booked. Dad was in the midst of setting an Ivy League record. He missed no Yale football game, home or away, for 53 years. For most of those years, he hosted local customers to the games, more than covering expenses with the orders he wrote for comforters. At Ithaca Yale-Cornell games you could count on his arriving with the domestics buyers from Rothschild's of Ithaca and Sheehan's of Elmira.

Dad was engaging, hard working, and hard playing, a living legend in his field. Most competitors felt he'd have no problem selling comforters in Equatorial Africa.

One young competitor continually pestered him for the magic secret to his success. Dad put him off for three years before setting the revelation date. When the young man cornered him and demanded the secret, Dad gave him the one answer he didn't want to hear, "Hard work!"

He bonded with my Pi Lam brothers and became the fraternity's Uncle Eddy. When, in June of 1949, I donned cap and gown for graduation, Dad, as O'Levine of 1909, toasted the

new graduates at the Pi Lam house with, "Here's to the '49ers. May the gold rush to their pockets. Let's take off our hats to the past, our coats to the future, roll up our sleeves, and go to work." **Adelbert H. Sahlberg** (e-mail, delsahlber@aol.com) of Elmira, NY, recently wrote "Chronicle of Operation Elmira," a 48-page booklet on the D-Day mission of the Glider and Airborne troops. Included are photos and copies of personal diaries of the participants. He and Adele are doing fine and playing lots of golf at the Corning Country Club, an LPGA tour stop. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last December 5 in Saratoga Springs with family and friends and planned a reprise in January for their many friends in Elmira.

Harry A. Griffith (McLean, VA) left Chemical Engineering in April 1943, for the US Army via the Enlisted Reserve Corps. After basic at Ft. Bragg, Griff entered the US Military Academy in 1945, graduating in 1949 as a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers. He served 34 years before retiring from active service as a lieutenant general, then worked three years for Sears World Trade followed by 8-1/2 years at Brown and Root until full retirement in December 1995. Harry married Ann Buckley in 1956. Since then, they have parented six children.

John I. Eckerson (Akron, NY) is thrilled to have acquired a 1917 Model T Ford in top condition. Finally, he has found a worthy replacement for the one he had in 1945-46. John continues to keep very busy as town and vil-

New York City at Christmas. He set up a Cornell Traditions Scholarship at our 50th, which is helping an electrical engineering student.

Herb Brinberg reports on our Class Tradition Fellowship. We have five recipients. **John Bradford '02**, I&LR, from Alexandria, LA; **Jeannine Brown '00**, Arts & Sciences, Bronx, NY; **Helen Y. Chu '01**, Arts, Villa Park, CA; **Caroline Simmonds '99**, Arts, Wyndmoor, PA. The trustees have voted to increase the award this year from \$2,500 to \$3,500, possible because of the strong financial markets and the effective leadership of the board's investment committee. This is the first increase in more than a decade. All of our recipients have sent us thank you letters.

Congratulations to **Shirley Yenoff Kingsley**, BS HE '46. She was one of six alumni to receive the 1999 Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award. This award is given in recognition of extraordinary service to Cornell. The recipients will be recognized at a banquet on Saturday, Nov. 6, '99 in Ithaca during the Homecoming Weekend.

E-mail from **Nancy Wigsten Axinn** tells us that she and husband **George H.** live in Tucson in the winter and E. Lansing, MI, in the summer and fall. George, although a professor emeritus in the resource development department at Michigan State U., and officially retired, still teaches. He does it live, on campus, when the weather is good there, and online, with a Virtual University class in the winter. If anyone is interested he'll send you the URL for the preview of the on-line class. George and Nancy finished a book on international rural development a couple of years ago, and while George is busy with his graduate students, Nancy is pulling notes together for, perhaps, another book. Their e-mail address is: axinn@pilot.msu.edu all year around.

E-mail from **Israel "Jay" Milner**: Jay and Edith have been traveling and swimming in the Yucatan, Cozumel, and the Bahamas. When he takes spring break from Temple U., where he teaches part time, they will go to Rome, Florence, and Venice.

We just received sad news from Susan **Cornett. Claude** died in January 1999. He was a retired management scientist in the petroleum industry; active in Kiwanis and church. Son **Jeffrey Cornett '72**, MS IE '73, and granddaughter **Ann Cornett '99** (earth science) continue the Cornell tradition. Susan and Claude attended our 50th Reunion at the same time son Jeffrey attended his 25th. During the 1980s, Claude would visit Cornell often, as he owned property on the lake. We send our condolences to Susan and her family.

Your official correspondent is busy busy with major Rotary activity. As co-chair of our Rotary district conference and chair of our International Rotary hosting program we've had to put off any vacation travel until the summer. Your unofficial correspondent says she's simply busy. We need more news. We have used EVERYTHING.

Thanks again to **Arlie Williamson** Anderson for her assistance with the column. Send news. Send your e-mail address and I'll post it here. Check out our class home page at

"<http://www.alumni.cornell.edu>." Then click on "Alumni Organizations," then "Classes," followed by "Class of 1947." ♦ **Peter D. Schwarz**, 12 Glen Ellyn Way, Rochester, NY 14618; tel. (716) 244-5684; fax, 716-244-1373; e-mail, PeterDSchwarz@compuserve.com.



[Word arrived as this was going to press that **Blanche Persons**, **Bob Person's wife**, died on Feb. 25, '99.—Ed.]

Please bear in mind that the following news was submitted last fall. **Paul Pinkham**, Carmel, CA: "I'm fully retired, playing golf, enjoying foliage season and vacation in New Hampshire and recently cruised the Caribbean with **Dick**, BA '49, and **Lee Harvey Bernard** of Miami."

Our hearts go out to **Lucy Woodruff** Groh and the three Groh children. Flags were lowered for three days last July throughout the State of Alaska when her husband, former state senator Clifford J. Groh Sr., died at home from cancer. Lucy and Clifford moved to Alaska in 1952 and Cliff organized and was the first president of Operation Statehood, lobbying Congress to make Alaska the 49th state. He served as assistant US attorney until 1955 and then went into private practice, founding his own firm. He worked to advance Alaska native land claims and in 1967 was named honorary chief by the Alaska Federation of Natives.

Eugene Littman, Newburgh, NY: "I own and manage two prominent and highly regarded lighting fixture manufacturing companies—Lightron of Cornwall and USA Illumination. Both make commercial, institutional, industrial, and some residential lighting equipment. I am a trustee, officer, and member of executive committee of the Cornwall Hospital and the Greater Hudson Valley Health System, a group of four hospitals in Orange County, NY. Am also a member of regional board of directors of Key Bank of Southeastern New York. I play golf often as possible and spend winters at our Southern home at Frenchmen's Creek, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, playing golf. Also traveled to Germany for the Hannover Fair and to Italy for 'Euroluce,' the Italian lighting show. Three of our children became 'third-generation lighting kids' and have their own decorative lighting companies. The fourth deserted the lighting industry and became a physician. I recently met and spoke with Dr. **Joyce Bauer Brothers '47**. We were in several psychology classes together. She was the guest speaker at a fund-raising dinner for the McQuade Foundation, a local live-in school for homeless and disadvantaged children. It was a pleasure to see her again after 50 years. My biggest problem today is how to improve the golf score. I think the world's most pressing problem is terrorism. Our company has acquired the knowledge to produce four bright beams of light from one 100-watt metal halide lamp, with each beam producing almost the full light output of the lamp. It is called 'Multi-beam 2000' and is used by

several prominent retail chains."

Dr. **Alan Van Poznak**, MD '52, Tenafly, NJ: "I practice at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center as attending anesthesiologist, professor of anesthesiology, professor of pharmacology, and as adjunct professor of anesthesiology at the College of Veterinary Medicine in Ithaca. After hours I'm involved in recording church music (choirs, organs, etc.) in Tenafly and at St. Thomas Church in New York City, some of which has been broadcast on National Public Radio and used by BBC. Plan to continue doing the same 'unto the last syllable of recorded time' (as MacBeth said). Daughter **Catherine**, MD '95, of whom I am immensely proud, has finished her medical residency at New York Hospital and has begun a three-year fellowship in hematology and oncology at Memorial Sloane Kettering Cancer Center. This is my 50th year at the Medical Center. I came here as a first-year medical student in 1948. Where did the last half-century go? I have given a lecture on uptake and distribution of inhaled anesthetics to the second-year medical students in pharmacology for the past 36 years and delivered it—probably for the last time—once again just a few days ago. The Dept. of Anesthesiology established a prize in my name a few years ago. My most pressing problem today is me and the almost impossible solution is to attempt to grow beyond myself. Of all the science I studied at Cornell, little remains in my rapidly senescing brain. But a course in poetry (which I took only because it would fit in a crowded schedule) remains the brightest spot of my undergraduate years, thanks largely to Professor Stearns. I would urge all undergraduates not to neglect the Arts and Humanities, which are ours to enjoy and treasure forever."

Jonathan W. Uhr, Dallas, TX: "I've chaired the microbiology department at U. of Texas Southwestern medical school for 25 years and am professor of microbiology and internal medicine. After hours I play tennis, swim, take dancing lessons, do a lot of reading and traveling. Recent trips include a safari in Kenya, a trip up the Yangtze River in China, a museum-sponsored tour in India, and scuba diving at Great Barrier Reef in Australia. I love my cancer research work and would not consider retiring. I am working on a blood test to diagnose cancer. I plan to go on trips to Prague, Berlin, India, Nepal, Tibet, and Cancun in between 60-hour work weeks! I have two daughters, five grandchildren, and was married twice (my first wife died). I would love to hear from old friends or even casual acquaintances from my years at Cornell. Would like to share memories of these special years. I was accepted at medical school early my senior year and immediately stopped going to classes. I then followed the football team for all games including away games. I brought back a huge section of goal posts after a great win over our archenemy, Penn, and sold pieces of it (usually to freshmen) for the next six months." ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050, NY; tel., (516) 767-1776.

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Packed yet for the big 5-0? I keep planning to lose weight—maybe next week!

My apologies to **Walt Peek** for the reference to his wife in the previous column. Theresa died on Easter 1998 after a valiant fight against cancer.

Marilyn Gruenberg Luebeck of W. Bloomfield, MI, returned from the South Pacific all native in a sarong, which, she adds, is priceless on her figure! “Still traveling with my original husband. Retired from glorious career as a social worker—last job, adoptions in inner city Detroit” **Jean Schultheis** Brechter of Shelter Island Heights, NY, was selling real estate on the island, but just to those who ask for her. She enjoyed a course on Vladimir Nabokov of *Lolita* fame at Adult University (CAU), having been in his Russian lit class at Cornell in 1948. She wrote that she had lovely visits with **Joan Dickey Hardie** and **Dave**, and **E. P. “Bud” Quinby** and Marilyn in the Ithaca area. “Shelter Island was deadly dull after New Year’s, especially for a widow. Always looking for skiers and sailors.”

Other CAUers: **Doris Lubin** Bass—tennis clinic; **James Mayer** with wife Lila—London Theater; **Walter Weiss** ’43, JD ’49, **Norman McIver**, **Marcie Shlansky** Livingston, **Sylvia (Hirschhaut)** and **Robert Frank**, and **Nat Myers**, BA ’51—The Presidents. Nat and wife **Frances (Goldberg)** ’51 are retired and the parents of a daughter and two sons, all successful Cornell graduates.

So many of us have children who are Cornell graduates! **Leonard Lehman**’s son **Jeff** ’77 married **Diane (Becker)** ’79 (lots of Cornell marriages, too. . .) and is completing his fifth year as dean of the U. of Michigan’s law school. Leonard’s other two sons live near N. Potomac, MD, and in suburban Washington, DC, and his daughter, a retired ballet dancer, is pursuing education at New York U.

Harry L. and Aileen Enright Moore ’50 have son **Mike** ’76, now an orthopedic surgeon, and two other accomplished sons. Harry and Aileen actually dated in high school. Some highlights of Harry’s life: Army private to major; officer in manufacturing, investment banking, and health care; unsuccessful business owner (got embezzled!); consultant for real money; nationally syndicated business columnist; and Pulitzer nominee (so he was told). After working up to 70 hours a week for 45 years, he has achieved his first goal—to be a bum, sitting in front of the TV, overlooking the third golf green. His second? To shoot his age (he’ll have to live to 110)! Third? To beat **Jerry Alpern**, MBA ’50, and **Jo Kessel** Buyske ’50 in tennis. He’s also been clipping coupons for the supermarket, drugstore, and fast food joints. It’s a wonderful life!

Two still working are **Ralph Mignone**, BArch ’50, and **Ed Koenig**. Ralph “punches the clock” on a more or less regular basis at his office in Babylon, NY, while Ed, of Bethesda, MD, works full-time in real estate investments and law practice. Wife Helena owns Grandtravel, but they don’t have time to travel with own grandchildren! **Donald Weiss** is active in investment banking as the founder of AVM

Financial Group in Chicago. Son **Jeff** ’79 is another alum. The Weisses see Lila and **Jim Mayer**.

Frank Davis and wife Mary still run their charming B&B, Danish Chalet, high on a hill overlooking Charlotte Amalie harbor on St. Thomas. Their inn is very popular with the charter boat industry. The late Alan Hale, skipper on “Gilligan’s Island,” was a regular guest. Frank says at almost 78 he is ready to turn the keys over to someone younger who can host guests from around the world and enjoy a fantastic climate.

Memories: **Mel Bennett** and wife Bobbi visited her cousins in Germany, Austria, and Slovakia. The highlight was a week in High Tatra Mountains in Slovakia, where Bobbi’s school had moved during World War II to avoid the Allied bombings in Modling (her former home near Vienna). The building where the students ate still stands after 53 years.

Marilyn (Mintz) and Bob Wasserman, PhD ’53, celebrated his retirement as James Law professor emeritus in the College of Veterinary Medicine with their daughter **Judith Wasserman** ’80, MLA/MRP ’86. They have also done an Elderhostel on Oahu and Kauai, spent ten days in Sarasota, and taken a business/pleasure trip to Austria and Italy. “Then reality set in with a buffer of an office and writing obligations.” Marilyn is busy with her jewelry business.

Besides singing in a choral group and a choir, **Stephen B. Profflet** delights elderly sick folks in a nursing home with his 12-year-old Yorkie, Pepper, through Pets on Wheels. Travel is out of the question, as wife Doris isn’t well. Steve says to give him a call at (301) 248-6173. **Herbert Schwartz** had a busy 1998: toured Turkey, worked out final details and contracts to take over full ownership of his company, and then rested in Naples, FL! **Jack Sheinkman**, JD ’52, NYC, is semi-retired, but is vice chairman of Amalgamated Bank of NY, the Council on Competitiveness, and the NYC Business Labor Community Coalition. He’s also president of Americans for Democratic Action and the Debs Foundation, and a trustee emeritus of Cornell!

Murray H. Goodrich, San Diego, practiced law for ten years in NYC and for 35 in California, but flying is his hobby. He has owned a number of planes throughout the years, and has flown to Europe from San Diego; around the world at the equator (36,000 miles); to the Bahamas, Mexico, Costa Rica, and hopes to fly to the North Pole. Wife Margrit is also a pilot, plus a retired clinical psychologist.

John Palmer of Harahan, LA, near New Orleans, keeps busy working out, collecting operas, traveling, doing art work, and working for a public broadcasting station. **Allen W. Smith**, B Chem E ’50, and wife Barbara, of Solana Beach, CA, are strong believers in, “use it or lose it,” so try to stay active. Their 1998 scoreboard: trips to France, Belgium, England, and French Polynesia, visit to the kids, reunion in Scottsdale, AZ, summer in Tahoe, and Barbara’s high school 50th reunion.

Ah, yes! Those last two words sound fa-

miliar. See you soon. ♦ **Mary Heisler** Allison, 1812 Puerto Bello Dr., Lady Lake, FL 32159; tel., (352) 259-0203.

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As you read this, it is my hope that you already have or will soon receive notice about events and registration for our big reunion in June 2000! Your class officers met in January to begin plans for the 50th and 29 of us gathered for a class dinner at the Cornell Club—New York. If you weren’t among them, we missed you, but be sure to register for the big bash on June 8-11 of next year. The class plans to have a Web page. If you have expertise in this field and would be willing to help, Class President **Barrie Sommerfield** would love to hear from you. Among those present in January were **Marion Steinmann** Joiner and husband Charles. Marion has recently published her fifth book, *The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia Guide to Common Childhood Infections*, by Macmillan. Marion says, “Little ones catch infectious diseases more often than we grown-ups. This book would be particularly useful for first-time parents and also for day care providers.” In addition, Marion tells of participating in a family reunion. “Ten of us went white-water rafting on the Colorado River last year. It was two days of hair-raising rides over rapids, alternating with idyllic floats on flat-water stretches.” Another at the dinner was **Jo Kessel** Buyske. She has moved from Mountain Lakes, NJ, to Princeton, NJ. She says it may be a temporary move, but she likes it quite well so far. She is now closer to her children and grandchildren.

We were especially pleased to have **C. Brate Bryant** and his wife Bonnie there, along with Brate’s brother, **John J. Bryant** ’46. They had read our class dinner announcement and decided to make a vacation trip to New York from Hartland, WI. They promise to be at reunion next year, as well. **Mary (Holcomb)** and Jules Haberman also joined us. They have somewhat retired to Hereford, AZ. Jules still does consulting work as a patent attorney. They travel around the US to visit their children and grandchildren. We were also pleased to have some of the next generation with us. **Stan Rodwin** attended with his son Brian, who was escorting **Hilary Nagler** ’91, BS Ag ’95, daughter of the late **Bob Nagler**, BS Ag ’51; and **Barrie Sommerfield** brought his son Peter. Sandra Borgenicht, wife of deceased classmate **Alan Borgenicht**, came for the first time. We were delighted to have these people join our class celebration. **Dave Dingle** entertained us with his piano music for a hearty Cornell sing-a-long. Others at the dinner were **Marge (Leigh)** and Gurnee Hart, **Jim Hazzard**, **Bruce Davis**, MBA ’52, and Bernadette, **Larry Greenapple**, JD ’52, **Sarah “Sally” (Wallace)** and **Ken Murray** ’49, **Sally Stroup** De Groot, **Bob Fite**, and **Jack**, MD ’54, and **Lil McLellan Rose** ’54 BSNurs. **Dan** and **Betty Rosenberger Roberts** were also with us. They are traveling less because they finally became grandparents. After a long wait they have two grands, a baby girl for their son and a baby boy for daughter

Jeri Roberts Appel '79, MBA '81. My husband, Bill, a Washington State U. alum, joined in singing many Cornell songs in preparation for reunion. We are eager to make non-Cornellian spouses honorary members of our class.

Abe Schweid, MD '53, Seattle WA, retired in 1996, and says, "We are gradually acquiring grandchildren and have also welcomed the recent arrival of relatives from Russia." **Ann Leister** Mayer, BS HE '51, has recently moved to Anacortes, WA, after 41 years in Woodstock, NY. Two grandchildren and the good weather convinced them. They are 80 miles north of Seattle, 80 miles south of Victoria, BC, and urge us to come visit. Take heed, those of you in that area.

There are still many of our classmates who have chosen to continue to be gainfully employed. **Mary Rita Saxton** Crittenden, of San Francisco, CA, says, "I flunked retirement so I am working as a psychologist in the pediatric department at the Lucille Packard Children's Health Services at Stanford Health Care." She also serves at the city's Children's Mental Health Center as supervisor/coordinator of child/adolescent assessments. Mary Rita says she only works for institutions with long names! **Robert Aguais** and wife Dorothy, of Cardiff-by-the-Sea, CA, write that he is still in full harness working in aerospace. He was promoted to senior vice president at Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC). He loves the West Coast, but will leave it to be with us in Ithaca for all the festivities in 2000. **Manley Thaler**, JD '53, of W. Palm Beach, FL, is active in law practice in estate and tax planning. He has three offices, in Stuart, W. Palm Beach, and Boca Raton. However, he found time to spend the summer of 1998 sailing from W. Palm to Sag Harbor, NY, and back to Florida in the fall. "Barrie Sommerfield crewed for me on the trip down Long Island Sound in the worst weather of the summer." **Mary Helen Sears**, Washington, DC, is also still practicing law and stays busy keeping track of her 91-year-old mother! **Harold "Hal" Busching**, who lives with his wife, Deborah, in Glen Head, NY, retired from Unisys Corp. in 1994, only to start a second career in business development at Telephonics Corp. in Farmingdale, NY. Our class may be close to 50 years out but we have many Type A personalities in our midst. And, of course, many of our retirees are more active and busy than when they were fully employed. Well, we're the Class of the Century! **G. Mike McHugh** and Stan Rodwin, reunion co-chairs, appreciate any ideas you have. Send them on and we will forward them. Keep your news coming. We love hearing from you. ♦ **Ruth "Midge" Downey** Kreitz, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; tel., (703) 860-2991; e-mail, ruthbill@erols.com.

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The '51 class council met following the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in Manhattan on Jan. 30, '99. Attendees were **Dave**, PhD '57, and **Anita Van Hassel Blauvelt**, **Robert "Rip" Haley**, **John Hollands**, MBA '52, **Jack**, BME '52, and

Betty Meng Howell, **Bill Kay**, **Bob Matyas**, BArch '52, **Peg Healy McNulty**, **Chuck Mund**, **Bill Reynolds**, MBA '55, **Steve Rounds** and **Sally Williamson** Williams. Planning continues for our 50th Reunion in June 2001. We will be housed on North Campus. We agreed that this would be the best place since the buildings are air conditioned and there will be a frequent shuttle service to the campus. Please plan to be there! Class of '51 was recognized for having had the highest percentage of Cornell Fund donors for a non-reunion year class between 25th and

issue of *Insight* magazine begins by saying, "Harold Bloom is the most read, most controversial, and, quite probably, the most influential literary critic of the latter half of the 20th century." During the interview, he said, "I still write out all of my books in longhand on a yellow pad using the clipboard that I bought when I was 17 and a freshman at Cornell." Many thanks to **Fred Hillegas '38**, class correspondent for the men of '38, who sent us the article.

Sabra "Piper" Baker Staley has retired from Close Up Foundation (a government

“I flunked retirement; am working as a psychologist in pediatrics.”

— MARY RITA SAXTON CRITTENDEN '50

50th reunions, at 38 percent. Thanks to the 38 percent who gave. To the rest of you: please think about how much you have benefited from your Cornell education. The **Richard M. Ramin** Class of 1951 Cornell Tradition Fellowship fund now has a market value of \$94,247. **Matthew Perkins '00**, in the Hotel school, received an award of \$3,500 from the fund this year.

Some of you may have heard about a recent campaign challenge for scholarships, which President Rawlings announced last October as Cornell's Number One priority. The campaign will have a critical impact on the overall caliber of students at Cornell, and enable the university to stand behind its vision of "any person, any study." An anonymous donor will match commitments to scholarships of \$37,500 or more on a 1:3 basis. Several individual members of our class have already endowed scholarships in recognition of this important campaign.

The Class of 1951 has elected to take advantage of this challenge, and has committed to raise at least \$37,500 by Dec. 31, '99, to add to our Class of 1951 Scholarship in memory of our beloved classmate Dick Ramin.

We are very fortunate to have two challenges to encourage us to meet our goal. In addition to the challenge mentioned above, a member of the Class of '51 has issued a second challenge, matching gifts to the fund on a 1:1 basis!

This means if we as a class raise \$37,500, we will be able to realize \$100,000 in endowment to add to the Richard M. Ramin Class of 1951 Tradition Fellowship. What a great opportunity! If you have questions, please contact Brenda Teeter, the Cornell Fund staff contact for Class of '51 at (607) 254-6169, or by e-mail at bls4@cornell.edu, or contact Chuck Mund, campaign chair, at (973) 284-1111.

Harold Bloom is university professor of the humanities at Yale U. and a professor of English at New York U. He is the scholar and author of more than two dozen books on literature. His recently published book, *Shakespeare: Invention of the Human*, consists of explanations of each of Shakespeare's 37 plays. An article on him in the Nov. 30, '98

studies program for high school students). She spent 17 days in April and May 1998 hiking with a friend from London on the new Length of the Thames Path. The 180-mile path begins at the source of the Thames in the Cotswolds. They took a day off in Oxford to do laundry and hear the choirboys sing from Magdalen Tower early May Day morning. The river meanders so much that four days were required to get through London to the tidal barrier. **Mary Ann Doutrich** Seipos, Sanibel, FL, is retired now but occasionally serves as a substitute teacher. She rendezvoused with **Mary Perrine** Johnson, **Sally Alspach** Anderson, and **Barb Mayr** Funk at Sally's home in Maryland last July. Sally is working for the Library of Congress. **Doris "Dot" Stilwell Rowe** and husband **Dick**, BS Ag '52, Orono, ME, suffered a five-day power outage in the January 1998 ice storm. Soon afterward, they started packing for a month-long trip to India and Australia. In November, they flew west to Idaho and Washington to visit family and friends.

Robert Morlath, BME '52, e-mailed this news: "I retired from a career in marketing for AIL Systems, a defense company, in 1993. My wife, Norine, died in November 1994. She was the village clerk for the small Village of the Branch in Smithtown, NY, and our house was and still is the Village Hall. Guess who's the clerk? I'm busier than ever handling this job." **Marcella Norgore** Janes, Issaquah, WA, has graduated from a cane to a walker because of her multiple sclerosis. She had to give up driving, but has found public transportation that will take her around in a special van which allows her to continue living at home. Marci enjoys her 2-1/2-year-old twin grandchildren who live nearby. Marianne and **Jim Corradi** are retired in Santa Barbara, CA. They had a family reunion with four children and seven grandchildren at Disney World around Christmas 1998.

Send your news! We enjoy hearing from you. ♦ **Jack** and **Betty Meng Howell**, 289 Ashford Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150-8563; tel., (716) 833-9543; e-mail, jack-howell@msn.com.

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We are very sorry to report the death of **Mert Meeker**, BEE '53, last January. Mert had been our class treasurer for several years, and all of us who worked with him will miss his cheerful and efficient way of dealing with this important job. Our sympathy to **Phyllis (Bivins) '54** and her family.

Thanks to all of you who sent news last fall. Many of you did so for the first time in several years, and that is where we'll start the reporting; but all of the news will appear, and if you send in something periodically, your most recent report will be an update and will allow us to be more current.

Law and teaching seem to keep more of our classmates un-retired than most occupa-

Glen Head, NY, and **Robert Squires**, BS Ag '53, is a dairy store operator in Massena, NY. **Jack Voigt**, a semi-retired manufacturers' representative, has down-sized his home (see address changes) for ease of maintenance for himself and wife Lydia. Best trip for the Voigts was to Costa Rica and the Panama Canal.

Former Class Correspondents **E. Terry**, JD '56, and **Dori Crozier Warren** sent welcome news of other '52ers. They saw **Dave Matson**, BME '53, who does some consulting in Ft. Wayne, IN, when he was en route to an Elderhostel in Schroom Lake, NY, with wife Zoe. **Bill Denton** and wife Nanette, who spend summers in Michigan and winters at Hilton Head, were returning from a South American visit to their son when the Warrens

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 ❖ **Bob** and **Jeanne Irish Lewis**, 34 Hickory Ridge Rd., Rochester, NY 14625-1809; tel., (716) 381-6370.

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Far above the busy humming of Grand Central Station, dedicated Cornellians assembled for the Midwinter Meeting of the Cornell Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) at New York's Grand Hyatt Hotel, Jan. 29-30, '99. CACO, among other things, helps presidents, treasurers, reunion chairbeings, and perhaps even class correspondents, serve their constituents better. A lunch bunch—somebody counted 577—heard two Cornell presidents speak.

Word was heard that fab fund-raisers **John** and **Lea Paxton Nixon** are among this year's recipients of the Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award (they are the fifth and sixth '53 classmates to be honored thus). Formal felicitations are forecast for Homecoming, Fri., Nov. 5, '99. Strike up a song for a couple who first met as alumni.

President **Claire Moran Ford** convened a '53 meeting at which it was agreed (among other things) to meet at the Fords' in Westport, CT, July 17, for the annual traditional class pool party, and to make proper note of Homecoming (vs. Yale). There was fine dining later in the company of the old geezers and geezettes of '52, and the callow kids of '54, at the Cornell Club—New York. **Dave Dingle '50** sat in at the piano. Songs of yore were perpetuated. Seen during the weekend: **Clark Ford** and Claire (Moran), **Bob** and **Louise Schaeffer Dailey '54**, **C. Rich Jahn** and Gracie, **Jane Little Hardy**, **Sybil Langbaum Stokes**, **Earl**, BArch '54, and **Polly Hospital Flansburgh '54**, **Judy Resnik Chabon**, **Lilyan Affinito**, **Lloyd** and **Joan Kanel Slomanson**, and **Gerry Scher**, JD '57.

Joan, whose contribution to Ithaca's Only Morning Newspaper stirred up the celebrated posture photos tzimmes-in-a-teapot when we were freshpeople, reminded us that she has been composing prose for fun and profit. Copies of her book, *A Short History: Thumbnail Sketches of 50 Little Giants*, is available at Barnes & Noble. Of course, **Jack Depew** (Dallas) is writing a biography of his father, **Richard Henry Depew '13**, an early-times flier, who was a founder of the Cornell Aero Club in 1910, shortly after his first solo in Paris. Then 19, he was the world's second-youngest pilot. In Ithaca, he and his flying friends soared in gliders off the hill from which the Crescent was to rise. Sometimes those aviation pioneers went airborne from Alumni Field with the aid of autos and ropes. Artist **C. Fredric Hobbs** (San Francisco) has been appearing on film and TV, at art exhibitions, and in galleries and museums.

Still working as a senior engineer, **Bob Dunbar**, BCE '54, MCE '58, (Columbus, OH), lists advantages, to wit: steady paycheck, retirement from 80 hours to 40, and no worries about meeting payrolls, now that he's sold his geotechnical engineering consulting prac-

“Many classmates aren't ready for the 'R' word yet.”

— NANCY SAVAGE MORRIS '55

tions. **Frederic Rubinstein**, BA '53, JD '55, a lawyer in New York City, and wife Susan, are renovating their Jupiter, FL, house with plans to retire there. The Rubinsteins' best trip was to a vacation house on the French Riviera, made special by the climate, food, wine, and ambiance. **Joan Hockert** Donnelly has moved from New York City to Sarasota, FL, where she plans to continue practicing law. She traveled to Hong Kong and Vietnam last December, and cites her best trip as one to Beijing with its history, culture, and people. **Bernard Gold** has been a lawyer in Los Angeles for 23 years and has appreciated the career opportunities and lifestyle there.

Among the teachers, **Leslie Knapp**, PhD '64, is a professor emeritus and still teaches ichthyology. He also participates in his wife's greenhouse and bedding plant business at home in Owings, MD, and volunteers with the Optimist Club. **Nancy Guttman Slack**, MS '54, (Mrs. **Glen**, PHD '56) is a professor of biology at Russell Sage College and took 24 students to Jamaica in January to study marine biology. She has taught an Elderhostel in the Bahamas and lists her best trip as one (?) to Baffin Island and the Yucatan Peninsula! **Harry Simon**, M Ed '53, is “partially” retired and is an adjunct teacher at Palm Beach Community College. He has enjoyed Elderhostel trips.

Philip Hankins, BME '53, is a “sort of retired” consulting programmer. With wife **Barbara (Schickler) '54** he has taken six Adult University (CAU) trips, a highlight being one to Greece with President Hunter Rawlings and classics professor Jeff Rusten. **Gary M. Siegel**, BCE '54, is an unretired consulting environmental engineer in Cleveland, OH, and **Robert Weinman** is a consultant/expert witness in Palm Springs, CA, his third career. **Ernest Mendel** is a farmer and cattle dealer in Midlothian, VA, and **Charles Sutton**, BA '53, publishes the *Vermont Country Sampler*, a monthly newspaper in Danby, VT. **Robert D. Petersen** is a business counselor in

spoke with them. **Mary “Mickey” Caughlan** Kelley was planning a 50-year gathering of her Pi Phi pledge class in Williamsburg, VA, this month. The Warrens visited **Matt**, BEE '53, and **Jean Sprott Zak** in Rochester, MI, where Jean still smiles through her MS struggle. They also saw **Helene “Holly” Buerger** Peck in La Jolla, CA. Holly has retired from her medical practice and enjoys having family nearby. As for the Warrens, Terry still practices law, but finds time to volunteer as a board member of Grand River Academy in Austinsburg, OH, and works with Ashtabula City Educational Partnership. He has taken a Caribbean bareboat sail for the last 20 years, and with Dori lists an Adult Univeristy (CAU) trip to Belgium and the Netherlands with the late professor emeritus of history of art, H. Peter Kahn, and his wife, Ruth, as the best ever. Dori consults with libraries and publishers and encourages cross-country drivers to catch them at 1436 Hidden Hemlock Dr., Austinsburg, OH 44010 (near I 90 and Ohio Rte. 45 Interchange).

Pat Dexter Clark, **Cynthia Smith Ayers**, and **Hazel Lowe** von Rosenvinge reported a great reunion last May at the Annisquam, MA, retirement home of Hazel and husband Ted. Jim and **Sarah “Sally” Ennis** Macklin were also in attendance, as were **Cliff Clark** and **Jon Ayers '50**, BME '51. The reporters mentioned enjoying beautiful ocean views, minor hikes, and major hilarity. Hazel is retired now and volunteers at the Salem Museum. Cynthia, who is still recovering from a long illness, enjoyed a recent Alaskan trip and lists her most special one as a Panama Canal trip from Aruba to Acapulco with a stop at the San Blas Islands.

Some address changes: **Sandy '51**, BCE '53, and **Joan Aten Beach**, Box 4335, Lantana, FL 33462; **Willard Keefe**, 24289 Verdant Dr., Farmington Hills, MI 48335, Jack Voigt, 713 Inverness Dr., West Chester, PA 19380. Look for our 1952 Web page at

tice and is himself an employee. "Sure beats a rocking chair," he observes, and adds that he continues to fly, switching from an aerobatic biplane to a Grumman Tiger. "Now I can travel, and take both a companion and a suitcase," he boasts. Future projects depend on two states, he explains: state of health and state of mind. **Pete Hallock**, MBA '57, runs businesses in E. Providence, RI, and Tiverton, RI, full time, flies his own plane, races sailboats around Cape Cod, MA, rows, and fishes. **Don Lathrop**, MD '57, (Los Altos, CA), is in his 35th year of pediatric practice and, "loves it." He and Jackie have 12 kids and stepkids and, at last count, 13 grandlings. Reunioners depose that he has the old touch for the old songs at the old keyboard. Work that began for **Dick Rosa** (Polson, MT) in Cornell's Aero school and engineering physics department in 1953 was saluted last year when he received the Plasmadynamics and Lasers Award from the AIAA in Albuquerque.

From **Charles Rufe** (Waynesboro, VA), succinctly: "Graduated from Cornell (BA) in 1953; Indiana U. (MA) in 1965; the Army (Lt. Col.) in 1975; Catholic U. (MSLS) in 1976; and the Commonwealth of Virginia in 1990 (assistant director, Waynesboro Public Library). **Ann Baskett Kaiser** (Wheat Ridge, CO), jazz buff, affirms that Denver swings a mile high. Life is good, she says, what with that groovin' music, dancing, hiking, grandparenting, and summer runaway to the Aspen Music Festival. **Elaine Cohen** Levitt and husband Joel split their time between Aspen and Philadelphia. She serves on the Dance Aspen board, in addition to skiing, rafting, golf, and hiking. In Philadelphia, she has been on numerous museum boards and is into community efforts such as teaching adults to read.

Back in Ithaca, **Pete Lent**, one of our older classmates, at 74, sails on over the waves of blue in Star boats. He says the boat, the gardening, and the housework keep him in shape. **Dick Thaler**, JD '56, maintains the Ithaca law practice. His daughters are grown and farflung.

E. Mac Burney Storm, who gives his maiden name as "Ellie Hawes," (you remember he went through sorority rush) reports: "Still sailing, still skiing, still partying," and he plans to continue all of the above. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009; e-mail, jhanchett@edit.nydailynews.com.

REUNION

54 With reunion one month away, I hope many of you are packed and ready to test your memory against the clock as we all once more play Retrieve that Name . . . that name that goes with that face that goes with all those great long-ago memories. **Jan Jakes** Kunz will keep the website up to date on those attending, so you will have time to check the yearbook and get ready to test those gray cells.

Prior to our dinner on Friday evening at the Straight we will have a reception to view the art of several of our classmates. If you have been lucky enough to attend some of their shows you know how fortunate we are to have them loan us their work for reunion.

Meanwhile I will give you a bit more info on what some of us have been doing over the past year or 45, as the case might be.

Two notes from classmates who entered Cornell in the fall of 1950 with a tad more maturity than most of us. **Stanley Titus**, BS Ag '53, entered Cornell on the GI Bill and remembers "as a freshman, running to change into my Reserve Officer's captain uniform, in order to drill my classmates taking ROTC." Stanley, now in his 80s, believes it is now time to attend his first reunion. A banner might be in order. Another class octogenarian is **Willard Schrag** of Mountridge, KS. Retired from his pastoral ministry, he and wife Ruth, who worked as a nurse in the infirmary while Willard attended Cornell, live a quiet life while helping others at the local Senior Citizen Center.

Patrick De La Sota has been appointed honorary consul of the Republic of Ireland for the Basque Country and also serves on the board of the Guggenheim-Bilbao Sponsors committee. Does that mean personal tours can be arranged for traveling classmates? **Paul Sternheimer** was in Philadelphia last fall accompanying son Philip as he entered the Wharton school. Paul, are you planning another trip in June via Ithaca to pick him up? **Mildred "Midge" Myers** Weiner has put farm management behind her and retired on the family farm in Spencerport, NY, thus allowing herself time to travel, most recently to California. **Stanley Sigel**, having retired from 40 years with Federal Service, has taken to substituting at the local high school in Braintree, MA, largely to keep harmony in the family, one imagines. Stan's e-mail address: levsigel@aol.com. I shall post it to the website, where the list is growing. **Jean Rowley**, MBA '59, has retired to Ithaca and loves all that it has to offer; i.e., the intellectual stimulation of concerts, theater, lectures, etc., along with the myriad of outdoor activities as both a spectator and a participant. I can vouch for all that, having had breakfast with him last fall. His message, "Try it, you'll like it."

Ed Rowehl is retired after 27 years with Bayer Corp.'s agricultural chemicals division in the field evaluation of new pesticides, now resides in Boerne, TX. After grad school he worked at the family homestead on Long Island and then over time gravitated to Florida and west to the Rio Grande Valley. Also retired in the Southwest is **Arnold Roland**. Arnold practiced internal medicine and nephrology in San Diego, CA, until 1993, when he moved to Santa Fe, NM. In Santa Fe he has become involved with Native American projects, including the Wheelwright Museum of the American Indian, the Museum of Indian Art, Culture and the Native American Preparatory School. He has also become a collector and private dealer in Native American art.

From **Peter Abeles** of New York City, comes a letter summing up his 45 years since graduation, hopefully in preparation for fleshing out the full story at reunion. To summarize: from Cornell to the Navy to MIT to Israel on a Fulbright to the "road to Mandalay" and back to NYC and the affordable housing

game. Along the way Peter acquired a sailboat and married Jonnet, who assisted in the production of two sons, Oren and Ethan. Peter, if you wrote more often it would be easier and you didn't explain the Sendi encounter. Must we wait another 45 years for that?

Carol Reid Lyons does the Eastern Seaboard Flyway from Somers, NY, to Sarasota, FL, with the geese twice a year. She lost her husband quite unexpectedly a year ago and is gradually adjusting to the change and building a new life. **Pat (Jerome)** and **Mason Colby**, BME '55, report travels to France and Italy, where Mason was singing with the Cincinnati Christian Chorale, and a tour of China the year before. But a month of sailing along the coast of Turkey with side trips to the interior via bus is their favorite. I think we have enough people that are Turkey fans that we could hold a discussion group at reunion. **Bert Rosen**, in his inimitable fashion, has done every inch of that fascinating country. Bert's travel saga this past summer was a couple of months circumnavigating the US. He drove quickly from NYC to Salt Lake City and there began his exploration of the West. If Bert would only e-mail his adventures I would post them, as they are a marvelous read. Last summer he was an extra in the movie *Runner*, camped above the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, visited with his cousin Tova, who produced *Varsity Blue*, haunted used book stores, and generally had one of his fabulous ventures beyond the confines of Manhattan. Corner him at reunion and you will have enough travel info to keep you busy forever. Luckily I am on his distribution list and I love it. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 17 Hillside Ave., Kentfield, CA 94904; fax, (415) 925-9404; e-mail, LJReed@aol.com; class website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954.

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There's nothing like getting together with classmates to revive old memories, exchange current news, and make plans for the future. Thanks to **Mike** and **Ilona Sena** for graciously hosting a post-game party at their Manhattan apartment after the Columbia football game last November 14. Those in attendance were **Otto** and **Barbro Schneider**, **Barbara (Loreto)** and **Lee Peltz '54**, **Arthur**, JD '57, and **Pam Kananack**, **Lynn Goldfine**, **Alfred Hellreich** and **Nina H. Friedman '77**, **Robert Gluckman**, JD '57, **M. David** and **Nancy Hyman** and **Dave's** brother **John Hyman '52**, **BCE '56**, **H. Robert**, **Barch '57**, and **Marcia Fogel Yeager '58**, **J. Brian** and **Monika Dillon**, and **Gerri Sobel** Katz and her husband, **Steve**. We understand that the football left a little to be desired, but the Big (now enormous) Red Band had all on their feet.

Your class officers met in Manhattan on January 30 to attend workshops, enjoy luncheon with speaker President Emeritus Frank Rhodes, and settle down to some serious class business. What serious business, you ask? For starters, we're looking for a new slogan as reunion gets ever closer. We used "'55—Coming Alive!" for the past few years—now it's

Tea Time

JOHN HARNEY '56, MICHAEL HARNEY '77, AND ELYSE HARNEY MORRIS '87

John Harney knows how he likes his tea. He steeps one teaspoon of loose orange pekoe leaves for exactly five minutes, and drinks it without sugar, lemon, or milk. The Hotel school graduate is CEO of Harney & Sons Fine Teas, which operates the nation's only tea-tasting room at its headquarters in Salisbury, Connecticut. "Tea is good for you health-wise and it tastes good," says Harney. "What a way to take medicine!"

Harney & Sons is a family business; employees include son Michael and daughter Elyse. Their mail-order products range from an Indian pellet tea (\$12 a pound) to rare gourmet varieties such as Assam Golden Tips (\$210). The company sells 200,000 pounds of tea a year, enough to make 40 million cups. Selling teas wasn't Harney's first choice. He bought the business in 1970 after a deal with an herb company fell through. "Tea chose me," says Harney. "I guess I learned how to do it by osmosis."



—Danielle Wood '98

time to retire that line and come up with a new one. My suggestion is " '55 in Y2K"—send me your ideas!

Elly Rohrlach Koeppl says retirement is wonderful, giving her more time for grandchildren, tennis, and travel, and visiting such old friends as **Margot Oppenheim** Robinson and **Eva Konig** Ray. **Nancy Taft** Whitman retired in 1997 after teaching music at the U. of Nebraska for 25 years. Now living in Lincoln, Nancy says that with 13 grandchildren under age 12 scattered across the country, she's traveling a lot. **Bart** and **Charlotte Reit Seager** are both retired: Bart from Moore Business Forms and Charlotte from her teaching career. **Peter Winter** retired after 17 years of chairing the anesthesiology and critical care medicine department at the U. of Pittsburgh medical school. Peter says he's "gratefully retired in this ugly period in the history of American medicine."

Ralph Greenlee, BArch '57, says "retirement is great," leaving time for him and Betty to take two-week cruises around the Caribbean and three-week trips to the British Isles. After 34 years with Exxon, **Neal Jordan** retired in July 1997 as manager of geophysical research. **Sylvia Dutra** Vatak is professor of anthropology at the U. of Illinois at Chicago. She and her husband, economist George Rosen, enjoy summers in Falmouth, MA. After 35 years with Merrill Lynch, **Erik Landberg** hung up his briefcase and spent 2-1/2 months with his wife, Michelle, in India, Nepal, and France, plus a brief time in Utah studying Navajo culture.

Don M. Jacobs has retired from his work at U. of Pennsylvania, "though I plan to continue to teach and meddle in others' affairs when paid to do so." Now that **Don** and **Fran (Walden)** '56 have bought a home on Kiawah Island, near Charleston, SC, Don says that "any Cornellians—those I know and those I hope to meet—who find their way to the Grand Strand to play golf, now have a place to play. I am looking for partners." Another nice invitation comes from **Jim Petzing**, who lives in Arlington, VA, and welcomes the return of spring and the boating season: "Anyone in the area is welcome to give us a call." Jim and Cheryl attended Hotel Ezra Cornell, where they saw **Phil Pistilli** '54, **Bill V. Eaton** '61, **Dick W. Brown** '49, **Tom Pedulla** '60, **Dick Kennedy** '56, and **Bill Caruso** '70, all past presidents, as Jim is, of the Cornell Society of Hotelmen (now, Cornell Hotel Society). Jim also saw **Allan Ripans** and **Henry Hirschy** recently, as well as **Pete Howell**, who's "still residing in Potomac, MD, and has not changed since our college days." The Petzings also see **Theresa (Savarese)** and **John Cini** '54. As for **Ray Trotta**, he says he's simply "going sailing," now that he's free to do so.

On the other hand, many classmates aren't ready for the "R" word yet. **Bill Doerler** says he's "still working and enjoying it." Bill won the Hall of Fame award from the National Landscape Assn. in Louisville, KY, last February. The Doerlers see a lot of **Dick Bulman** '56, MBA '57, and **Phil Griffen** '57 and their

wives. **Stephen N. Price**, MD '59, is still in full-time practice of psychiatry on Long Island, teaching at North Shore University Hospital, and serving as assistant clinical professor of psychiatry at the New York U. medical school. **Sally Stephens Logan** is holding off on retirement, too. Sally is director of retirement benefits for Sodexho Marriott. She and husband **Frank** '54, MBA '55, see **Marilyn (Brady)** and **Fred Jensen** '54, BME '55, who have retired to Chatham, MA, on Cape Cod, and **David Palmer** '54, JD '59, who works with Frank. **Marcus Reidenberg** continues as a professor of pharmacology and medicine at Cornell Medical College, and **Leonard Axelrod** is vice president of the Subway Sandwich Shop chain. **Susan Kent Mikul**'s interests include prison ministry. Her husband, John, is pastor at the Cloudercroft Christian Center in New Mexico. "Kitty" Turgeon-Rust (aka **Edythe Smith**, MPS HA '80) is a person we should get to know better. She's the executive director of the Foundation at Roycroft and does Elderhostel programs, leading tours to England and Europe, holding symposiums in NY State and California, and publishing a newsletter. And not only do the **Bernsteins**, **Caryl (Salomon)** and **George**, JD '57, still enjoy working, they especially enjoy working together. "We're finally in law practice together in Washington, DC." Who says togetherness is passe? Please note my new e-mail address below. ♦ **Nancy Savage** Morris, 94 Southfield Ave., #601, Stamford, CT 06902; tel., (203) 324-3606; e-mail, nsm99@aol.com.

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I want to assert my rights earned having written this column for over 35 years to announce the birth of my first grandchild, Margaret Upton Kittenplan Hubbard, born to **Amy Kittenplan Hubbard** '88 and **Joshua** '87 on Feb. 5, '99, in Boston. After reading about all of my classmates' grandchildren over the years, Gail and I would like to modestly announce that ours is the cutest!

Now, getting down to business, Gail and I gave a dinner party at our home in January honoring **Curt** and **Pamela Reis**. Curt was in town to attend the trustee meetings and we were very happy to see him. Attending the party were **Keith Johnson**, who is now living in Sharon, CT, and New York City, **John St. Clair**, the baron of Bethlehem, PA, **Judy (Cohen)** and **George Lowry**, she of Argosy Bookstore and he of the Swann Auction Gallery, and ourselves. It was also fun talking about our upcoming Adult University (CAU) trip to Turkey with the Reises, Lowrys, and my class correspondent cohort **Phyllis Bosworth**.

Ernie Stent sent me a very moving letter about his close friend from college, **Bob Preston**, who recently passed away after a long and difficult illness. Ernie spoke about his visit with Bob to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in Bob's lingering days. They had not been together too much in recent years until Bob invited Ernie from his home in Prescott, AZ, to spend a few days in New York City. They talked and talked and brought back all the old

names. I could not help but think of why our class is so special, as this scene is repeated again and again with other '56ers.

Barbara Krause and Chuck Schneider have created an \$800,000 trust benefiting the Los Angeles Music Center. Barbara's family has always been interested in music, so this was a gift of love. Chuck has served as head of the Music Center. They met at the Los Angeles *Times-Mirror* and have been in love ever since!

Dr. **Lonnie Hanauer**, MD '60, is a rheumatologist who lives at 143 Forest Hill Rd., W. Orange, NJ. He is the grandfather of five and recently took an interesting trip to the Yukon. **Diana Motycka** Herbert of 900 Wedgewood, Richardson, TX, is still retired but consults as an arborist and landscape architect. She recently went to the Czech Republic with her family.

Dixie Davis Curtice is married to **Walter '57**, PhD '62, and lives at 53 Commanders Dr., Washington Crossing, PA. She is a real estate broker with Coldwell Banker in Princeton, NJ, and is involved with a lot of Princeton activities. Last summer they saw **Art Gast**, BS Chem E '57, of Cape Cod, via Martha's Vineyard, where the Curtices vacationed with **Jim Blackwood '53**, B Chem E '54, and Sandy and **Bob Mann '53**, BS LP '54, BArch '57.

Joseph V. Libretti, MD, has retired and is taking beautiful trips to Hawaii, Texas, and California. He is a new grandfather and makes his home at 2115 Jody Ct., Mt. Prospect, IL.

Arthur C. Reimann of 3518 Barley Lane, Lakeland, FL, is in meat brokerage. He is very involved in Rotary and golf.

Shaun Seymour continues to work as project engineer for New Holland North America Research and Development. They recently supervised the building of a new community library in New Holland, PA, where he lives at 480 Wunderly Lane.

It is always nice to hear from **Richard C. Jackson** (5210 Village Way, Nashville, TN). He is on the NCAA certification committee and recently returned to Cornell for the Athletic Hall of Fame inductions.

James Plunkett, BArch '58, is proud to announce that his architectural firm has passed the 100-person mark. They specialize in health care, education, and office design. Jim may be reached at 8500 N. River Rd., Milwaukee, WI. **Alan Butterfield**, BS Ag '57, writes from Fazenda Gurercia CP121, 16700-000 Guararapes, Sao Paulo, Brazil 16700 that he continues in ranching, coffee production, soybean and corn planting. He visits the US (Portland, OR) twice a year.

Bonnie Smith Whyte of 1615 Greenbriar Ct., Reston, VA, has been retired from the US Dept. of Agriculture for some years and is now volunteering with emergency assistance and museum groups. She had a mini-reunion with former dormmates **Mary Malleson Briggs**, **Dorothy St. Clair Guild**, and **Nancy Lind Fitzsimmons**. She had a lot of fun.

Here's news from **P. E. "Percy" Edwards** Browning, our reunion co-chair: "Yervant Terzian, noted Cornell professor of

astronomy, has accepted our invitation to guide us through outer space from the launching of Sputnik (1957) to the anticipated landings on Mars (2002 and 2004). Join us for this exciting cosmic connection; our 45th Reunion, June 7-10, 2001! Also, a missing classmate has been found: **Mary Stockton Ahmadi** is living and composing chamber music on Martha's Vineyard. Her address is PO Box 2581, Oak Bluffs, MA, 02557; tel., (508) 693-4339; e-mail, amity@capecod.net. Mary was on my (Percy's) freshman corridor (of course) and is a fellow Pi Phi. Cheers!" ♦ **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., NYC 10128; e-mail, catplan@aol.com.



The Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) met in New York City at the end of January and the familiar faces around the table included **Marcia Wishengrad** Metzger, JD '60. Marcia has taken over the position of class historian from **Dori Goudsmit** Albert (who is handling the 2002 reunion with **Paul M. Gladstone**, BME '58, who couldn't make the meeting as he was baking bread at his new venture in Salt Lake City). If you're moving to a condo in the Sunbelt or just smaller quarters nearby and you come across any items which you think might be of interest to the class, contact Marcia at 264 Warren Ave., Rochester, NY 14618. The idea of a class trip was briefly discussed but with so much going on as we march to, move forward to, go onward to the millennium, it was felt we might want to wait another year or more.

There was quite a large turnout for Friday night's class dinner at a local NYC eatery. **Phoebe** and **George Banta**, **Charlie '56**, BME '57, and **Connie Kelly Fletcher**, and **Nancy Krauthamer** Goldberg were able to make the annual get together. One of the "seniors" among us will soon be a junior, **Judy Madigan** Burgess is pursuing a degree in fine arts from the U. of Arizona and it won't be long before she heads to Europe for that junior year abroad.

E-mail continues to be such a great way to keep in touch and that's how **Sue Nash** Malone caught me up on her latest. "Just wanted you to know that I've joined the ranks of the Now What'll I Do Club? I am officially retired from my third and last career, an incredibly rewarding 11 years as the ad director with *Acoustic Guitar* magazine. Thus ends a total of 24 gainfully employed years. Throw in the 16 years of some fairly heavy-duty volunteer work and of course the on-going Mom assignment, and I've pretty much covered the 40-plus years since graduation in a really wonderful way. Right now I'm delighting in living sans have-to, no alarm clocks, no Monday 9 a.m. meetings, no wardrobe decisions, no set meal times while enjoying the TIME to read and write without interruption." About that latter activity Sue wonders if anyone else who is enjoying that pastime would like to join in starting a Cornell Alumni Novel-Writer's Club? ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.

I know the brain waves get a little stretched as we age, but **Peter Cortland** may go over the edge by reporting that he has "lost track of my two oldest children." He still has his three youngest and Fedelia in sight, as he continues to teach at Quinnipiac U., where he shares an office in a "dance room in the gym" with seven other faculty members. **Gonzalo G. Ferrer**, BCE '58, who can miss winters from his vantage point in San Juan, has purchased a hideout in Woodstock, VT, so that he can enjoy some cold weather. He was pleasantly surprised when President Emeritus Frank Rhodes and Rosa Rhodes found out where he was and paid him a visit. (Maybe they need some counseling, also.) Gonzalo has also bought a 40-foot sport fishing boat and is active in decreasing the blue marlin population around Puerto Rico. Another move to the North that is more understandable involves **Michael De Nicola**, BEE '58, who in retirement has moved from San Francisco to the Canadian Rockies near Calgary. **Al Collard**, BEE '58, is also suspect, having spent some time in the Galapagos Islands flapping his arms at a wing-flapping blue footed booby bird. When not engaged in such juvenile activity, he and his son and daughter are involved in a patent and trademark law firm in NYC.

Brad Howes, BME '58, attended his Ithaca High School 45th reunion last summer, and while there visited with classmates **Bernie Snyder**, BME/MME '58, and **Denny Fiala**, BME '58, as well as his brother **Ray '55**. Speaking of other schools, **Tony Kovner**, MPA '63, didn't raise any dummies; daughter Sarah is studying Japanese literature at Columbia and daughter Anna is working toward her MBA at Harvard.

Dick Kirtland, BS Ag '58, continues his association with Run Recycling Inc., as a broker of recyclable material, and **Hank Goodman**, BME '59, is in somewhat of a similar role at Converse Network Systems, where he runs quality control. Speaking of cleanliness, **John** and Maureen **Follansbee** have moved to Singapore, where he heads up that part of the world for Kemper International Insurance. The first time he drops a gum wrapper on the street, he'll find out about the judicial system there.

Tony Leone has made a career change in Rochester, retiring from radiology and jumping into writing—with Norma—a weekly computer column for a local newspaper. **David Biddle**, also retired, doesn't have such a weekly responsibility, and has taken advantage of that fact to recently visit the Rhine, Cancun, and Tortola, returning to his home on the bay in Avalon, NJ, every now and then for R&R. **Mark R. Levy** has been in Venice and the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone in the last year, but found time to play the lead in *The Mikado* for the Schenectady Light Opera Co. **Ted** and Arline **Raab**, B Ag Eng '58, have left their boat at anchor for a little while to enjoy the dry land in Ft. Lauderdale. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477; e-mail, suitcase2@aol.com.

Roberta "Ronnie" Schantz Schwartz has recently retired from Huntington Hospital, where she was director of social work, but still maintains her private practice in psychotherapy and works part-time at a mental health center. She plans to "snow bird" in Big Pine Key, FL, then go back North to Centerport for the summer. **Edward J. Weinstein** is enjoying observing the Jewish holidays in the homeland. He built and decorated a sukkah outside their stone home, and dined in it eight days. He was reelected country chairman, Republicans Abroad, and is involved in persuading the world Jews can settle anywhere inland of Israel. He says his leisure activities are debating with those who disagree, swimming with his boys, and studying at Ulpan two mornings a week. **David A. Goldstein**, JD '60, lost a son in 1988 after a long illness and has a new son, born in November 1989. He is retired as chairman of New York City's Alcoholic Beverages Control Board, but still has a private law practice. He counsels families of seriously ill children and those whose children have learning disabilities.

A. Dick Caines, BS Ag '59, tours all over the world as his wife makes clothes for "American Girl" dolls and has shops and outlets throughout the country. (I have five granddaughters myself and I am very familiar with those dolls; wonderful!) He goes to Florida each winter for the Daytona 500 races and spends the summer months in Vermont and New Hampshire. He recently retired as vector control entomologist with the Oswego County Health Dept.. He loves hunting and fishing, is a NASCAR Winston Cup fan and a great Cornell sports fan! **Lois Pape** Dam moved to a townhouse last year and is still enjoying her job as an instructional systems designer with the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Network. She enjoys concerts, the theater, swimming, and, most of all, rediscovering the parks and zoo with her granddaughter. **Eileen Funcheon Linsner** sent me some pictures which could not be printed of a reunion last fall at Homecoming. Seems **E. C. "Chuck" Hunt**, **Dick Kay**, **Betty Ann Steer** Merritt, **Brad and Nancy Horgen Corbitt**, **Gladys (Lunge)** and **Peter Stifel**, and the Linsners all had a wonderful time. **Jerry** and **Eileen** had an eventful year with the arrival of their first grandchild and the wedding of their daughter. They are really enjoying retirement and Jerry hits the health club six days a week and is down to a sylph-like 195 pounds. They are still most active with volunteer work and, as always, Cornell activities! **Bill** and **Sandy Thomas Meyer** have retired from the Ocean Club of Florida and have a new job of "boating." Bill says his new job is the *Bountiful*, a 42-foot motor yacht. They cruised the Bahamas for the month of August and were planning a cruise to Key West for their "Fantasy Fest," tying up to the Ocean Reef Club and visiting with **John '57** and **Gigi Brooke**.

Albert Ives started as a partner with his father in 1958 and is now a partner with his nephew, operating the Ives family dairy farm

in Guilford, NY. The farm has been in the family since 1851. The milking herd numbers about 100, with young stock. **Joel Justin** retired from CIGNA and moved to his 120-acre farm. He says he now finds farming to be his career in retirement. He leases most of the farm to his daughter and she owns and operates a horse camp for girls on the farm. After working on the farm in the summer and helping with the camp, they go to their summer cottage in Maine from mid-August to October. The farm, by the way is in Tennessee.

David Goldstein, JD '60, was appointed New York City's tax commissioner by Mayor Giuliani and will serve until 2004. **Phil Marriott**, MBA '60, is senior vice president with KBC Advanced Technologies in London, England. He enjoys golf, tennis, and skiing, and spends December and January in Poipu Sands, Kauai. **Sandy Mosher** Merritt remarried in late December to a long-time friend in St. Cloud, FL. **Dick Wimmer** has written his second novel, *Boyne's Lassie*, and two sports anthologies, *The Home Run Game* and *The Fairway Game*, both due out in 1999!

That's about it for now. Seems we have a shorter column now due to fewer subscribers! ❖ **Jan Arps** Jarvie, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75240; fax, (972) 387-0160; e-mail, jjarvie386@aol.com.

REUNION

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This is the final column before our 40th Reunion on June 10-13! And thus my last opportunity to encourage everyone to attend what promises to be a fabulous event, a wonderful opportunity to renew your acquaintance with classmates and with Cornell. The wide range of achievements of classmates will be the focus of many class events, including the showcase of talents and passions, a tour of the **Stephen Friedman** Strengthening and Conditioning Center, and music at the Balch tent by **Bill Grover** and the original 1950s "Ivy Five." Coupled with university events that include everything from lectures and tours to music and sports, you'll never be at a loss for activities that appeal to your personal interests.

During the annual January meeting of the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) in New York City, classmates involved in planning reunion put finishing touches on the program. Those attended included **Nancy (Sterling)** and **Chuck Brown**, BME '60, **Bill H. Day**, BME '60, **Ron Demer**, BME '60, **Gwen Woodson** Frazee, **Barbara Benioff** Friedman, **Patricia Hurley**, **Marian Fay** Levitt, **Mimi Petermann** Merrill, **Harry Petchesky**, **Alan Rosenthal**, BEE '60, **Mary Jo Sigler** Tennant, and **Dick Vincent**. For last-minute program changes and other reunion information, check the '59 website at <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1959>.

Among the pleasures of checking my e-mailbox each morning is finding notes from classmates intending to attend reunion, such as **Alexander Levitan** (levit008@tc.umn.edu) of New Brighton, MN. Alex has retired from his practice of oncology and internal medicine and is now more actively involved in manag-

ing and constructing multi-residential real estate properties. Late last year he and wife Lucy traveled to Asia, where Alex did some teaching in Korea. He continues to help teach the hypnosis course at the U. of Minnesota, and he's writing a second book on coping with serious illness. "My first book, *No Time for Nonsense*, although still in print, has been so widely read as to be considered confidential." Alex has also been active in the Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) committee in Minneapolis, concluding that "from the caliber of the applicants I am meeting, I would never be accepted at Cornell these days." **Barry Huret**, BA '61, (battr1@ibm.net) sent an e-mail announcing his election as an outside director and member of the board of Lithium Technology Corp., Plymouth Meeting, PA, which specializes in the development and manufacture of lithium polymer batteries for portable notebooks and cellular phones. Barry also is battery track chairman for Portable by Design & Wireless, an exhibition and conference sponsored by Penton Publishing.

Due to the merger of Smith Barney and Salomon Bros., J. Paul Horne's work moved from Paris to London. "So here we are," wrote **Mimi (Niepold)** last year, as she and Paul were settling into 102 St. George's Square, London SW1V 3QY. "After 22 years in the same town, same neighborhood, same apartment, even, that is not, as the French say, 'evident!' To console ourselves, and hedge our bets, maybe, we are keeping a little 'foot-ground' on the Left Bank. Meanwhile, I've already enjoyed the Bonnard show at the Tate and a pretty good play and French dinner with **Diane Divers** Blair and both our spouses. Diane, you probably already know, is head of Public Broadcasting (public tv and NPR) and doing great things. I am full of admiration for our female classmates who combine outstanding careers with family life. I'm pretty much resigned to being support staff and cheerleader for JPH as he goes from pillar to post, though I do keep up my music and painting."

Roz Bakst Goldman received the 1998 Business Woman of the Year Award for community service from the Rochester, NY, chapter of the National Assn. of Women Business Owners. She and husband **John, JD '59**, celebrated his Labor Day 1998 retirement with a trip to Tuscany, where they rented a house with friends and did a red wine tour of the area.

Irena and **Steve Kahne**, BEE '60, live in a home they built at 3257 W. Holden Acres Trail, Prescott, AZ. Steve is a professor of electrical engineering at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical U. in Prescott. Now living in the same town are **Cynthia** and **Dave Hannum**, who retired to Arizona in 1997 after Dave put in more than 30 years in workers compensation insurance rating organizations. Dave is teaching part-time at a local college, and plans to travel extensively in the Western US during the next few years.

"I have no intention of retiring," writes **Paul Marcus**, MS '60, of Irvington, NY. Director of the food brokerage firm Paul Charles Ltd, Paul notes that if his 12-year-old son

Jacob gets accepted to Cornell some six years from now, the estimated four-year cost will be \$275,000—a good reason to keep working!

George Vernardakis of Murfreesboro, TN, has published his study, "Graduate Education in Government," which is based on interviews at a number of universities and institutes in England, France, and the US. Last summer George and his wife, Cynthia, visited London and Paris, as well as Limassol, Cyprus, the Mediterranean city he left some 44 years ago to come and study at Cornell.

Bourke Larkin Kennedy of Skaneateles, NY, opened her home as Kenlark: Center for Peace and Nature and is creating a natural garden as part of "an ongoing relationship with my piece of the planet." She hosts classes and gatherings in areas such as yoga, Zen meditation, vegetarian cooking, spiritual studies, tai chi, and painting and drawing. Bourke has made a number of trips to the Middle East as part of the Christian Peacemaker team. These trips focus on the practice of compassionate listening with Palestinians and Israelis and non-violent intervention work in the city of Hebron.

Stevan Bosses, BME '60, of Scarsdale, NY, has been practicing intellectual property law since 1963. During those years he has been involved in all phases of trademark, trade dress, and trade secret cases as well as pharmaceutical, chemical, and mechanical patent cases. He has been lead trial counsel in patent cases involving intra-aortic balloon catheters, pulse oximeters, taco shell fryers, mass spectrometers, and the making of beer. He has served on the board of trustees of the Federal Bar Council and has been active in many bar associations, including the Assn. of the Bar of the City of New York (patents committee) and the American Intellectual Property Law Assn. (chair, litigation committee).

Ira Brous, who together with wife **Anne (Sverdlik)**, PhD '81, and two sons owns Colegetown Bagels—Ithaca's popular five-store gourmet deli and bagel operation (including catering)—retired from Ithaca College after 20-plus years as a professor in the economics department. Anne is a therapist and teaches sociology at Ithaca College. Summers find the couple on Cape Cod, where they have a house in Truro.

In January the *New York Times* reported the sale of Jordan McGrath, one of the few remaining major independent ad agencies, to Havas Advertising, a multinational agency headquartered in Paris. Jordan McGrath was Case & McGrath when started in the early 1960s, and **Gene Case** was a founder. He is one of four original employees, and is still at the agency, serving as creative director on the Pharmacia & Upjohn and SmithKline accounts. **Paul Donohie**, owner-president of Valley View Produce Co. in Bird-In-Hand, PA, writes that his oldest daughter, Therese, and her husband and children are back from their 2-year stint in Morocco and living in Virginia, where Therese is a social worker. Daughter Kathleen, a book editor, and her family live in Maryland. And son John, office manager at Paul's company, is an avid golfer and fisherman, and still single. ❖ **Jenny Te-**

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Another successful Class of '60 party was held in late January in New York City, again sponsored by **Cathi Morgan** Hunt, BS HE '59, at her rooftop club on E. 56th Street. This year the weather cooperated, and more than 50 classmates and spouses enjoyed the great views over the city as they caught up on each other's news and shared thoughts about the process of turning 60. Among those attending were **Mike Abrams**, **Ken Ackley**, B Ch E '61, ME Ch '66, **Carolyn Carlson** Blake, **Geoffrey Bullard**, **John Burget**, BEP '61, **Bob Cohen**, **Bill Fisher**, MBA '65, PhD '68, **Joanne Isaacs** Froelich, **Gerry Gauland**, BCE '62, **Peggy Gordon**, **Harriet Harkavy**, **Ben Hehn**, BA '61, **Gale Sands** Jackson, **Julie Gentle** Jackson, **Linda Jarschauer** Johnson, MS HE '63, **Irene Kleinsinger**, **Stephen Kornreich**, **Carrie Warnow** Makover, **Madelyn Miller**, **Hushang Missaghieh**, BCE '63, **Jack Richards**, BCE '61, **Linda Wurtzman** Rosenheim, **Phyllis Yellin** Schondorf, **Louise Mohr** Schreiber, **Ginny Seipt**, **Ray Skaddan**, and **Carl Volckmann**, BCE '61.

Special thanks to attendees **Sue Phelps** Day, M Ed '62, **Phyllis Pugatch** Schecter, and **Bobbie Spelman** Josepher for their excellent party planning and hard work, and to Cathi Hunt, who took time off from her job as a corporate consultant on consumer relations to serve as host. For those of you who missed the event, we'll be planning another one for early 2000.

In keeping with all the discussions of our upcoming 40th Reunion, which was also the focus of the class officers' meeting the following day, Cathi provided a provocative list under the heading "You Know You're Long out of College When: "You're waking up at 6:00 a.m. instead of going to bed; you keep more food than beer in the fridge; you carry an umbrella and start watching the weather channel; the time you spend in front of your computer is for real work, not video games; and dinner and a movie are a whole evening's entertainment instead of just the beginning.." Be sure to mark June 8-11, 2000, on your calendar for our 40th Reunion. We're hoping for a record turnout. **Doris "Dodie" Bermudez** Eschenbach writes from her new digs in Hilton Head, SC, that while packing for the move South, she discovered a large stash of Cornell memorabilia from our undergraduate days, which she's offered to bring to reunion.

John Burget sent along the happy news that in November 1998 he became a grandfather for the first time—twice over within ten minutes—when son Craig and his wife gave birth to twin boys. John, who lives in Jersey City, NJ, has taken on some fascinating professional assignments lately, including some work for the United Nations Industrial Development Organization in connection with a proposed \$300 million African satellite telecommunications project, but still finds time to go

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sailing regularly. "I've now sailed the entire Northeast coast from Maine to the Chesapeake," says John, "but almost every trip is a new adventure—sometimes hair-raising, as when we ran into a violent, hail-filled thunderstorm on Labor Day."

Faith Jackson Crittenden Kelman reports from Rose Bowl environs in Pasadena, CA, that she has now completed 26 years of working for Kaiser Permanente, where she is director of chaplains and Hospice volunteers in the continuing-care department. In her spare time, Faith writes and publishes poetry. Her son Chris is finishing a PhD at the U. of Tennessee, where he teaches environmental ethics, her son Gudger graduated from law school in 1998 and is now in the district attorney's office in Los Angeles, and daughter Felicity is in the vegetarian restaurant business in Santa Cruz.

Mike Glueck's holiday greeting came with a picture of his family standing under a portico of the White House, no less. It was taken when Mike and wife Linda came from Newport Beach, CA, to see son Jeffrey, a graduate of Harvard and Oxford, who is spending this year as a White House fellow. Daughter Jennifer, a recent Stanford graduate, is now also in Washington, where she works as a consultant for The Advisory Board Company.

Belated congratulations to **Sarah Shean** Bollinger, BA '61, of Winchester, MA, who earned a master's degree in journalism in 1996 from Columbia. And kudos of another sort to **Bob Tripp**, BA '66, formerly of S. Chelmsford, MA, who has reportedly made a move to sunny Fountain Hills, AZ, which I hear is a very attractive place and certainly much warmer than the Boston area.

Carolyn Creamer O'Connor has expressed gratitude for the wonderful support she received from classmates and other friends after **Bill's** death. She is now finding solace in her work in the coastal community of Gloucester, where she and Bill lived for many years. She is active in groups attempting to save the local fishing industry, which is experiencing terrible difficulties, and working to preserve open space in the region. Carolyn feels deep commitment to her town, which she describes as "always struggling to survive the elements, the crushing government regulation, and the harsh economic realities." Classmates and friends of Bill O'Connor have begun a scholarship fund for the benefit of foreign students wishing to attend Cornell's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The university is planning to add monies to the fund when donors' gifts total \$37,500; anyone wishing to contribute should send a check to O'Connor Scholarship Fund, c/o Inge Reichenbach, 303 Day Hall, Ithaca 14853.

Send news! ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jwittenberg@neasc.org.



Attention all classmates! We have the first Cornell Class Club located on the Yahoo Search Engine. Classmates can exchange messages, inform others of latest news and family items, view photos of class

and personal events (e.g., see Columbia game in November and Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in January), view the Class Calendar of Events, and even chat on-line with other classmates.

Check it out by going to the following URL (note no www in address): <http://clubs.yahoo.com/clubs/cornell1961>.

To join the Class Club: (1) Go to website above and click on "Log-on," (2) click on "I'm a New User, Sign Me Up," (3) create your Yahoo! ID and password. If you need assistance, or if you have comments, send me an e-mail at dsk15@cornell.edu.

To the latest news. **Al Galves** is working as a psychotherapist in a community health clinic in Ft. Lupton, CO, 25 miles from Denver. He still lists his address at 2168 Sagecrest Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88011, and he would like to hear from classmates. **Dave Munson** is also into a second career as group human resources director for Sun Chemical in Kentucky. Daughter **Ann Munson Steines '87** (BS ILR) is working in nearby Cincinnati for Federated Dept. Stores.

Stephen Cole is medical director of outpatient services at the Brattleboro, VT, "Retreat." Stephen has been recognized as an exemplary psychiatrist by the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. He is married to writer Dalen Sciarra Cole and they have a 6-year-old daughter. **Madeline Riff Potash** writes that at least 50 Cornellians from many classes attended the marriage last year of son **Ken '92**, JD '96, and **Lisa Y. Chin '92**. Ken has joined the Seymour, CT, practice of his father **Arnold '58**, JD '61.

As chairman of the Richmond, VA, Joint Engineers Council, **Al McCrear**, BME '62, coordinated the activities of three-dozen local engineering groups during National Engineers Week in February 1999. **George Hoffman**, who is in the strategy and M & A advisory business in Surrey, England, sends *freundlichen grusse* to all from his main market in Germany.

We received a call from **Dave Drucker**, who is an obstetrician in Nashville, TN. He and his wife are doing well there, although Dave said he sometimes misses being on Long Island, where he started his career. Also corresponding from Nashville is our "struggling" class country music songwriter **Tony Seibert**. Hope you make the charts, Tony.

How about a special song for our next reunion? By the way, everyone should check out our new logo on our clubsite: the traditional '61 banner logo overlaid with "2001—A New Beginning." It's a dazzling graphic!

May Lee Ling, BS Nurs '62, and her husband, Chung-Li, continue to support charitable causes through their athletic endeavors. They rode a tandem bike 192 miles (Sturbridge, MA, to Provincetown) in two days to support cancer research.

Anita Hollmer Hodson and husband **Robert**, MS '63, took two family camping trips last year to the Virgin Islands National Park in St. John's and to Glacier National Park in Montana. The Hodsons live in Newark, DE. **Marlene Alpert** Tein and husband Arnold spent three weeks in Italy, Switzerland,

and London last year. She could converse in Italy, thanks to a U. of North Carolina course.

The Teins' daughter **Naomi '90** is coordinating migrant health care in Hammonton, NJ, while son Michael is a prosecutor in the Miami US Attorney's office. Marlene has a busy "career" as a volunteer tax preparer for the North Carolina branch of "VITA," sponsored by the IRS. Her VITA group received an award from the governor.

Janet Ballantyne, PhD '76, is returning to Washington, DC, this summer after a three-year stint with the US Agency for International Development in Moscow. She received visits from classmates **Judy Light** and **Ann Smyth** Marris last year. Dr. **Deanna Spitzer** Nass is now associate professor emeritus after retiring from City U. of New York. Deanna is interested in pursuing art and creative writing.

Meanwhile, **Bob Treadway Jr.**, has retired after 25 years in personnel work, and expects to be en route to China this summer to begin a new career as a teacher of English. **Stuart Bresnick's** retirement plans included a return to graduate school as a full-time student in nutrition at U. of California, Davis. Also, as senior program associate with "Freedom From Hunger," he's responsible for designing programs to eliminate chronic hunger in Uganda and Bolivia.

Bill and **Mary Ann Tower Rolland** moved from Maryland to Youngstown, NY, to take up new careers as owners of a family business that buys and renovates historic and architecturally significant residences in western Niagara County. They renovated an 1870 one-room schoolhouse, and Mary Ann designed a new Victorian carriage house to go with it.

Jim Moore, JD '64, isn't retiring for another five to seven years, but he and wife Shirley are nevertheless doing lots of traveling. From his home base in Rochester, NY, Jim completed a one-year term as president of the NYS Bar Assn. **Don Young**, BA '62, of Upper Montclair, NJ, sold his asset management company to AMVESCAP, a holding company for INVESCO that manages \$250 billion in investments. Don was named a global partner of his new company.

Rudolf Jacobson, BCE '62, and wife Gail are happily ensconced in their new Patagonia, AZ, home, the final work for which was handled by Rudolf himself.

A meeting of the class officers and class council members was held in January in the Grand Hyatt in New York City. Attending were President **Frank Cuzzi**, MBA '64, Vice President **Dick Tatlow**, BCE '62, Treasurer **G. W. "Walt" Cottrell**, BME '62, MBA '63, Reunion Co-Chairs **Sue Rand** Lewis, **Ginny Buchanan** Clark, **Jon Greenleaf**, and **Peter Greenberg**; former Class President **Carol Gittlin** Franklin, **Irene Su** So, **Judy Gubman** Goldfaden, **Ellie Browner** Greco, **Barbara "Bobbi" Horowitz**, **David S. Kessler**, BME '62, **Marshall**, BCE '62, and **Rosanna Romanelli Frank**, **Pat Laux** Richards, and **Ed Goldman**.

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BE AN AMBASSADOR

CAAAN Volunteers Needed

By Deanne Gebell Gitner '66

HAVE YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO help contact Cornell applicants but were a bit leery as to whether you could do it? Do not fear. The admissions office and your local Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) chairperson are always there to help you.

Here's how a CAAAN committee works. Volunteers are assigned to a CAAAN chairperson in their area. The chairperson then sends them the names of Cornell applicants to contact in person or by phone. Most

CAAAN chairpersons try to assign contacts geographically. The contact can be made at the volunteer's office, the applicant's home, or a public place, such as the local public library, whichever is easiest for the volunteer and the applicant.

The job of the volunteer is to be an advocate for Cornell, while the applicants tell the CAAAN member something about themselves. The CAAAN volunteer does not provide information about the chances of the applicant gaining admission.

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It's All In The Cards

Cornell VISA Card Supports Scholarships, Alumni Programming

WANT TO HELP A STUDENT afford college "far above Cayuga's waters?" Or re-live fond memories of all those 8 a.m. lectures on the Hill by hearing a renowned Cornell professor speak at your Cornell Club or Alumni Association? What about helping your local Cornell Club or Alumni Association sponsor a reception to encourage gifted high school students in your area to attend Cornell? All of these activities, and many more, are supported by royalties paid on the purchases you make with a Cornell VISA card. Since the Cornell VISA

card's inception in May 1997, more than 19,000 alumni have signed up for the only card that helps to support Cornell student scholarships and alumni programs.

Every time a Cornell VISA card is issued, renewed, or used to make a purchase, royalties are paid to Cornell. Thanks to proceeds generated by the Cornell VISA card program:

* twenty-three students received Cornell Alumni Federation scholarships this year;

* thirty-two Cornell professors have spoken to alumni at sixty-sev-

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THE D.C. JOB FAIR

Career Development Day A Success For The Cornell Club Of Washington

THE CORNELL CLUB OF WASHINGTON held its second Career Development Day on Saturday, February 27 at the DC Cornell Center. The event, the Club's major career activity of the year, provided a comprehensive program on the employment scene in the Greater Washington area and made the most of the Cornell connection.

The event "provided a forum for Cornell alumni from all units of the university to learn from one another and share career ideas," said the Cornell Club of Washington's programming chairperson, Chuck Shilke, JD'88.

This year's keynote speaker, Rick Merrman, JD'74, drew upon his twenty years as a career transition consultant to offer his insights into the process of finding the ideal career path. About forty DC-area alumni from all Cornell schools introduced themselves, and described their current positions and career goals.

The morning panel featured

three Cornellians offering specialized perspectives on major aspects of job searching. Juan Gonzalez '87, a human resources consultant with William M. Mercer, explained how human resource professionals select and assess candidates for different situations. Donna Wiesner '79, described the process of career networking, especially for political positions. Velan Thillairajah '83, director of sales for Kinetic Technologies, described the recruitment process for high technology companies.

Following a buffet lunch and informal networking at the Front Page in Dupont Circle, the participants returned to the Cornell center for afternoon presentations from a dozen career mentors, who each spoke for ten minutes on their own career paths. Particularly noteworthy were the inspirational stories of John Henrehan '71, a reporter for Fox TV, Kevin Klipstein '91, a sports market-

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS / MAY 15 - JULY 15

For updated information on Cornell Club events, call the Office of Alumni Affairs, (607) 255-3517.

NY/ONTARIO

CWC/Syracuse, May 15—Cornell Plantations tour and brown bag lunch. Call Janet Fallon, (315) 696-0167.

CWC/Cortland County, May 18—Maralyn Yaple on "Discovering Herbal Soap and its Benefits" at the home of Eileen Nelson. Call Dotty Sarvay, (607) 756-5955.

CWC/Ithaca, May 19—Annual meeting at the Lyman K. Stuart Observatory at the Cornell University Laboratory of Ornithology. Call Jennifer Engel, (607) 272-8401.

CWC/Batavia, May 22—Annual business meeting at the Best Western Batavia Inn. Call Mary R. Wright, (716) 345-9422.

CAA/Greater Rochester, June 4—First Friday happy hour at the Memorial Art Gallery. Call Stacy Geib, (716) 359-6445.

CAA/Greater Rochester, June 10—Annual dinner and cruise on the Colonial Belle, with Near Eastern Studies Prof. Gary Fendsburg, on "Egypt: A Trip Up the Nile." Call Robert Buhite, (716) 385-6099.

CWC/Syracuse, June 14—White elephant auction and plant sale at the home of Janet Fallon. Call her at (315) 696-0167.

CWC/Cortland County, June 15—Picnic and Cornell student send-off at the home of Esther Twentymann-Potter. Call Kathy Fox, (607) 756-6436.

CAA/Ithaca Area, June 19—5th Annual Cardboard Boat Regatta. Call Holly Heitzman, (607) 254-7181.

CWC/Batavia, June 26—Luncheon and program at The Place in Batavia. Call Mary R. Wright, (716) 345-9422.

METRO NEW YORK

CC/Northern New Jersey, May 26—Education Professor Emeritus Verne Rockcastle speaks. Call Rolf Frantz, (973) 829-4940.

CC/New York, May 27—Education Professor Emeritus Verne Rockcastle speaks. Call Kenneth Nagin, (212) 243-7757.

CAAA, June 4—Monthly dining club meeting. Call the Asian Alumni hotline, (212) 606-4072.

NORTHEAST

CC/Boston, June 4—Boston Pops concert. Call Amy Levine, (617) 739-0986.

CC/Boston, June 10—Young alumni happy hour at Flattop Johnny's in Cambridge. Call Cecily Tatibouet, (617) 557-4168 or cbt1@cornell.edu.

CC/Greater Hartford, July 14—Picnic and Chimes concert at Trinity Quad in Hartford. Call Sue Day, (860) 673-5958.

MID-ATLANTIC

Cornell Hotel Society/Washington-Baltimore chapter, May 17—Reception and discussion at the Capitol Hill Club featuring Jim Petzing. Cost, \$25. Call Phil Miller, (607) 255-2987.

CC/Washington, May 18—Annual dinner, with Prof. Stuart Blumin, at Tivoli, in Arlington, VA. Call Chuck Schilke, (202) 637-3314.

CC/Delaware, May 27—IRA Rowing Championships in Camden, NJ. Call Carl Werner, (610) 793-2675.

CC/Maryland, June 6—Bullpen Party and Orioles game at Camden Yards. Call Andy Baxevanis, (410) 465-5017 or e-mail,

cornell84@erols.com.

CC/Greater Philadelphia, June 15—Crab feast at the Sam Adams Brewpub in Center City. Call Sanjoy Biswas, (610) 917-6228.

CC/Washington, June 20—Annual Father's Day Picnic at The Kiplinger Farm. Call Chuck Schilke, (202) 637-3314.

SOUTHEAST

CC/Eastern Florida, May 16—Golf tournament. Call Cal Landau, (305) 893-7283.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Inc., May 22—Annual meeting and officer election. Call Bob Mark, (904) 249-4094.

CC/Miami & Florida Keys, June 27—Cornell Splash at Ocean Reef Club. Golf and bar-b-que with incoming freshmen. RSVP by June 11. Call Andy Nierenberg, (305) 251-2996.

NORTH CENTRAL

CC/Louisville, May 22—Annual meeting and dinner. Call William Hancock, (502) 451-4982.

MIDWEST

CC/Chicago, May 16—Community service with the Ivy League Alumni Club and the Seven Sisters Alumni Club. Call Natalie Cornell, (312) 223-6127.

CC/Chicago, June 6—Cornell Women's Chorus concert. Call the chorus office, (607) 255-2324.

CC/Southwestern Ohio, June 8—Cornell Women's Chorus concert. Call Susan Washburn, (513) 936-8337.

SOUTHWEST

CAA/Greater Houston, June 5—Mini Reunion for the folks who can't return to the Arts Quad. Call Liz Bello, (713) 218-6168.

WESTERN

CC/Oregon, May 18—Board meeting at Cassidy's in Portland. Call Morgan Rider, (503) 452-8162.

CC/Los Angeles, May 18—Annual meeting. Call (310) 373-9204.

CC/Arizona, May 20—English Professor Helena Viramontes speaks. Call Michael Perle, (602) 922-1963.

CC/Los Angeles, May 20—Young alumni Hollywood party at Coach N' Horses with Ivy and Seven Sisters schools' clubs. Call Connie Kim, (562) 900-6650.

CC/San Diego, May 22—English Professor Helena Viramontes speaks. Call Meredith Keller, (619) 495-7793.

CC/San Diego, May 23—Rock 'N Roll Marathon. Call Lisa Stewart, (619) 464-7211.

CC/San Diego, June 5—Volunteer at the Special Olympics. Call Lisa Stewart, (619) 464-7211.

CC/Las Vegas, June 17—Hotel School Lecturer Giuseppe Pezzotti speaks. Call Charlotte Carrier, (702) 896-6813.

CC/Oregon, June 18—Hotel School Lecturer Giuseppe Pezzotti speaks. Call Morgan Rider, (503) 618-4755.

CC/Western Washington, June 19—Hotel School Lecturer Giuseppe Pezzotti speaks. Call Leslie Schiedt Redd, (206) 545-1514.

Surf's up!



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Bowling For Dollars

The Cornell Club-New York "rolled" out its first event for the Undergraduate Scholarship Campaign on March 4, 1999. "We'll Bowl You Over!," an all-alumni event, was chaired by Alice Katz Berglas '66, Carol Leister '84 (above left), Ken Nagin '74, and Judy Sloan '84 (above right), and co-sponsored by the member associations of the Cornell Club Alumni Association Board. New York City alumni from the Classes of '45 to '99 "spared" no efforts to raise spirits and scholarship dollars for this new endowment.

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Typical in-person contacts take about a half hour, but can go longer. The students are encouraged to ask questions about Cornell. Sometimes a volunteer is able to elicit new information about an applicant which assists in the admission process. The CAAAN volunteer fills out a report form about the contact and sends it via snail mail, e-mail, or the CAAAN report website to the admissions office with a copy sent to the CAAAN chairperson.

The Cornell admissions office provides CAAAN members with a copy of the Big Red Book, which tells everything one ever wanted to know about Cornell. Other information provided to CAAAN committee members includes the CAAAN handbook, current Cornell brochures and web-accessible information such as the NCAA guidelines for alumni, the CAAAN report form, and college fair guidelines and evaluation forms. Recruitment materials are mailed to

CAAN members who participate in college fairs. In some areas of the country the admissions office regional coordinator also provides CAAAN training in the fall for CAAAN volunteers.

Should the volunteer have a question that needs an answer that is not in the Big Red Book, help is only an e-mail or phone call away. The volunteer can call the local CAAAN chair or log on to Cornell's website and e-mail the admissions office directly. The volunteer may also call the admissions office and speak to the regional coordinator for his or her area of the country.

Most of the 4,500 CAAAN volunteers find their contacts with prospective Cornellians to be rewarding and fun. If you would like to volunteer as a CAAAN member, contact Linda Mallett (lfm1@cornell.edu) or Colleen Chaffee (cbc8cornell.edu) in the Cornell Admissions office or call 607-255-5020.

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en Cornell Clubs and Alumni Associations nationwide in the past year as part of the Cornell Alumni Federation Faculty Speaker Series;

- * 1999 Reunion registration fees for all classes have been lowered;

- * thirty-four undergraduate student leaders were able to attend the annual Mid-Winter Meeting of Cornell's Association of Class Officers in New York City;

- * thirty-eight grants have been awarded to Cornell clubs, classes, and alumni associations to help increase membership, develop alumni

leadership, and recruit new students.

If you do not already have a Cornell Visa Card, the Cornell Alumni Federation encourages you to apply. If you already have a card, please remember that every purchase charged on the card means more revenue for these important programs.

For more information on all alumni programs, contact the Office of Alumni Affairs at (607) 255-2390 or visit the World Wide Web site at <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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ing consultant for ProServ Consulting, Courtney Stacks '97, a publications expert for the American Society of Association Executives, and Nancy Persily '64, assistant dean of the School of Public Health at George Washington University.

The program concluded with a rousing speech from radio personality Muriel Yilmaz, and a wine and cheese reception that enabled all participants to meet each other and talk about Cornell. The Cornell-in-Washington students were invited to attend the reception, meet the partic-

ipants, and get some career direction.

The event was chaired by Jeanne Naujeck '92, "an amazingly enthusiastic volunteer who was more than up to the task," Mr. Shilke said. "In addition, Cornell alumni were exceedingly generous in donating their time as panelists and mentors. I would recommend that Cornell Clubs in other cities try a career event with a similar format."

For more information about the Cornell Club of Washington, contact Chuck Schilke at charles_n_schilke@email.mobil.com.

Any Big Ideas? (we want to hear them!)

"ALMA MATTERS," THE CORNELL ALUMNI Federation's newsletter you are reading at this very moment, is seeking submissions for its upcoming issues. If you have any ideas, completed stories, or photos you would like to contribute, we'd like to see them. Please

send them to: CAF Communications Committee, attn: Meg Overstrom, Alumni House, 626 Thurston Avenue, Ithaca, NY 14850. This is a great opportunity to highlight both individual and group volunteer activities and participation, and we encourage you to help committee members identify stories of interest.



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reunion logo has been established. **Judy Ber-**
man Brandenburg has agreed to chair the class
forums. **Doug Fuss**, BME '62, has volun-
teered to help maintain the class website once
it is established through Cornell (separate from
the Club site). Pat Laux Richards will chair the
affinity groups, and requests that volunteers
help her in this area.

Ed Goldman will chair a committee for
the development of an updated class directory

**“I miss my youthful idealism—reality is
quite a contrast, especially today.”**

— LOIS COPELAND '64

to be sent out prior to the next reunion. A
bad-address list will be circulated to try to get
current addresses.

Carol and Rosanna agreed to review the
issue of a class gift for our next reunion and
will provide a recommendation by next year's
class meeting.

We will be arranging a fall class get-to-
gether to visit Kykuit, John D. Rockefeller's
home in Pocantico Hills. An appropriate date
will be selected, as well as a local “gourmet”
restaurant for dinner afterwards. Also on the
agenda for future events is a final reunion plan-
ning meeting in Scottsdale, AZ, tentatively set
for April 2001. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, 288 Lex-
ington Ave., NYC 10016; tel., (212) 696-
9203; e-mail, dsk15@cornell.edu.

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The Chief Seattle Council of
Boy Scouts of America has
recognized our own **Dick
Monroe**, BS Ag '63, with a
Silver Beaver Award, given annually to fewer
than 20 of the more than 10,000 volunteers.
When not piloting United Airlines planes,
Dick is camping and outings chair of the
North Lakes District in Woodinville, WA.
Myra Maloney Hart teaches entrepreneur-
ship to Harvard Business School MBA candi-
dates and executive programs for women busi-
ness leaders and HBS alumni. Husband **J.
Kent Hewitt '59**, BA '60, is very involved in
adult education for the Village Church in
Wellesley, MA, and also works with the Berk-
lee School of Music in Boston. They enjoy re-
laxing at their home in Narragansett, RI. Myra
and Kent enjoyed traveling to Turkey's Tur-
quoise Coast, England's Cotswolds, Mexico,
and Phoenix, Chicago, and New York last
year. In Boston, they enjoy granddaughter
Katie, almost 2.

Also enjoying a new granddaughter and
memories of a Turquoise Coast/Greek Islands
cruise are **Dave '61**, BA '60, and **Evelyn
Eskin Major**. Comments Evie, “Being a
grandparent makes me appreciate my parents
more than ever before. They were more toler-
ant and resilient than I ever acknowledged!”
She added that she “considered signing on as
the *Windstar's* cocktail pianist and enlisting
Dave as the ship's doctor.” Reality prevailed,

and they are back at work in Philadelphia.
Carol (Shaw) and **Fred Andresen '59**, BS
Ag '60, are also enjoying a new granddaughter.
All three of their children are married and liv-
ing in Atlanta, so we can assume that the road
from Greensboro, NC, to Atlanta is well-trav-
eled. Fred is an agribusiness consultant and
Carol an art coordinator. They enjoy getaways
to Smith Mt. Lake and Sunset Beach.

A smiling **Hax** clan **John '59**, BME '61,
and **Liz O'Connell**, BA '75) photo, taken at

their annual family week on Cape Cod, fea-
tures four grandchildren. John has been com-
muting to China and Liz covers the home
front and works part-time at Moore Tool.
They plan to attend John's 40th Reunion in
June. “The R word” has entered Jack and
Edith “DeeDee” McCoy Stovel's life.
DeeDee has retired from teaching (“I seem to
be able to survive without creating lessons,
grading papers, and attending endless meet-
ings”) to become a free-lance “foodie.” Her
girls gave her a mountain bike as a retirement
gift—and Jack plans to retire in June. Do you
suppose there is a connection? Daughter Kate
teaches at the U. of Washington in Seattle and
Meg is with Andersen Consulting in San Fran-
cisco. Meg's husband is launching an online
gift registry: check out Dellajames.com.

What a good looking photo of **John '60**,
BME '61, and **Helen Zesch Ward's** family!
John's widowed father and Helen's widowed
mother married some years ago, so the family
photo spans four generations, to include
Helen's and John's four children and three
grandchildren. They've enjoyed some travel
to France, Baja California, Florida, and Maine.
Bob and **Jonie Adamowski** are busy in
Bellevue, WA. Bob is providing investment
and advisory services to a variety of companies
and is senior executive for two of them, one in
food service and the other in proprietary
nutriceuticals (try www.pharmaterra.com).
Jonie has returned to work at their local hospi-
tal after a career in voluntarism. She's enjoying
genealogy research on the Internet in her off
hours. Their two children are close by and
loving the great outdoors of the Great North-
west! (This record rainfall translates to great
snow in the mountains.)

“Adorable Allie,” peers from the Christ-
mas card from **Larry '61** and **Nancy Law-
rence Fuller**. They expect to divide their
time in the coming year between Chicago
(Wheaton), London, and “adventure,” which
I suspect includes visits to granddaughter Allie
(and her parents) in Boston and a few rounds
of golf. **Marty Gregg** Mount's family grew
this year with the addition of a second grand-
son. **Jane Barrows** Tatibouet continues to
travel from home base in Honolulu to New
England. Although they've sold Aston Hotels,

Andre continues as CEO. Their son, Cartier,
operates EEC Swift Market on Cape Cod;
daughter **Cecily Tatibouet '95** is associate
director of Cornell's Northeast regional office.

Adult University (CAU) informs us that
classmates have been traveling again: **Bob '61**,
MD '65, and **Helen Hunfeld Pezzulich** and
Margaret and **Tom Koehler**, BS Ag '63, MS
'65, went to Borneo in February. **Michael '59**
and **Linda Goldberg Bandler**, BS HE '65,
attended the seminar on Greece, Rome, and
America presented by President Hunter
Rawlings and Professor Joel Silbey in Char-
lottesville, VA, last fall. If you've not partici-
pated in these programs, you should! **Bob '59**,
BME '60, and I look forward to cruising the
Turquoise Coast of Turkey with President
Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes, and Professors
David Owen and Yezant Terzian, as you are
reading this.

If there's no news from you when we re-
turn, you'll get the travelogue! E-mail, US
mail or telephone/fax all work, but only if
you're sending something! ♦ **Jan McClay-
ton Crites**, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Os-
wego, OR 97034; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

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Happy spring! Along with
spring comes your annual
News and Dues notice. Please
pay your dues promptly and

send in the News form with them, or send it
directly to me. I am running out of news, but
will use the bios from our 35th Reunion
booklet when I run out. **Francine Siegal**
Zieverink, an active participant and organizer
of our 35th Reunion seminar, has two busy
children. Daughter **Elizabeth Christine '98**
was recruited by Intel Corp. in Phoenix. Son
Harrison had been working for Bridge Infor-
mation Systems in London. Francine and hus-
band Bill live in Portland, OR.

A press release came from the employer of
Julian P. Rackow, Blank Rome Comisky &
McCauley LLP, announcing that he was elect-
ed to the American College of Real Estate
Lawyers. In addition to his law practice, Julian
is president of the Central Philadelphia Devel-
opment Corp. **Joan Travers** Barist and hus-
band Jeffrey took a 1998 trip to Thailand and
Cambodia. They found the Khmer ruins at
Angkor to be amazing. They met up with
Jennie Chua '71, who is general manager at
the Raffles Hotel in Singapore. She was at-
tending the opening of the new Raffles Hotel
in Viem Reap, Cambodia, which is on the
outskirts of the ruins at Angkor.

Renda Lindley McCaughan, MS '66,
and Peter moved to Georgia in 1998 from
“chilly” Minnesota. Pete is with Ceridian Em-
ployer Services and Renda has easy to transfer,
temporary clerical skills. **Madeleine Leston**
Meehan was at reunion. Earlier in 1998, she
enjoyed a *Cornell Widow* dinner in Wash-
ington, D.C., with **Richard McKee** and **Joel
Siegel '62**. She also had a visit from classmate
Judith Hirsch Stockov on St. John. Her
company, LGM International, represents
drawing and painting musicians and perform-
ers from around the world and exhibits in
Charleston, SC, for the Spoleto USA Festival.

Last year, **Howard Welt** was elected vice-president of the medical staff at his local Yardley, PA, hospital, as well as to the hospital board. Daughter **Susan '98, Grad**, stayed on for her MS Eng degree. **Lila Fox Olson** keeps busy as a docent for the Bowers Museum in Santa Ana, CA. In 1998, she led tours of an exhibit of exquisite jade artifacts from the Natural History Museum of Taiwan. She also visited the new Getty Museum in Los Angeles. She mentioned that the architect is a Cornellian! [See also page 32, January/February 1998 Cornell Magazine. —Ed.] Lila and husband **C. Brad Olsen '62** had a trip planned for last fall to Japan to visit their son **Eric '92**, who is teaching English in a small town near Mt. Fuji.

Jay "Lee" Leonard is now the dean of the Ohio Statehouse press corps in Reynoldsburg, OH. He is still reporting politics and government for the *Columbus Dispatch*. He traveled to South America last year with Gov. George Voinovich on a trade mission, and got to visit Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo, and Curitiba, Brazil, and Sanitago, Chile. **Thomas, BS EE '64**, and **Nancy Coles Hallinan** are in Fairbanks, AK. Tom is now professor emeritus in the physics department at U. of Alaska, Fairbanks. He continues to have an active research program studying the Northern Lights, a subject he was introduced to at Cornell. He is currently working on a joint project with a Cornell professor of electrical engineering, Paul Kintner. Tom's movies of the Northern Lights have been used in numerous TV shows and in a Hollywood adventure film called *Alaska*. **Judy Cohn Bloch** and husband **Jack, DVM '60**, sold their home in Canandaigua, NY, and moved to Longboat Key, FL. They enjoy tennis, golf, and their growing family. They are now building a home on Longboat Key, but spend summers on Canandaigua Lake. Since Jack built many animal hospitals around the Rochester area, contracting and building is not foreign territory for them. Their youngest daughter, **Danielle '92**, has recently married and is living in Sarasota. Judy and Jack enjoy summer programs at Adult University (CAU).

Ruth Opler Perry is professor of literature at MIT. Her specialty is 18th century English literature and culture. She was elected to the presidency of the American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies in 1998. Son **Curtis '87** is married to **Jaya Yodh '87**. He is assistant professor of English at Arizona State U. in Tempe, AZ, and his wife is assistant professor of biochemistry at Midwestern U. Ruth enjoys folk singing, swimming, playing guitar and recorder, and gardening. Joe and **Patricia Wolff Schubert, BSNurs**, had a wonderful trip last spring to the Far East to see son **Spencer Shubert '94** and his wife in Singapore. They are now renovating a log home on Barbers Island (near Boothbay, ME). They will spend summers there. Son Craig works at home in New Canaan. Son Derek is a civil engineer/landscape architect at Disney's Imagineering in California.

I am still using news forms that I received last summer. It would be fun to have more unsolicited news during the rest of the year. Looking forward to hearing from some of you

who may not have written for a long time. Happy spring. ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke, 42** Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, ickc@execpc.com.

REUNION

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Reunion's coming! Hope you made your reservations and will join us for all or part of the June 10-13 weekend. With all the news of other classmates you've received, you should be anxious to renew old friendships and acquaintanceships. Well, now's your chance. And here's even more news.

Susan Schifter LaBarthe, BS Nurs '67, completes her residency in internal medicine at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA, in June and is hoping to get someone to cover for her so she can join us for reunion. She hasn't determined where to go next, but is considering Alaska, where she did an elective last April, and Antarctica! Brrr to both! Her preference is for someplace exciting before settling into a traditional practice, perhaps back in Vermont. Susie, who has two grown sons, spends weekdays in Massachusetts and weekends in Vermont.

James H. Cohen, 2615 Park Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN, celebrates his tenth year as managing partner of a full-service law firm with a focus in Native American law. For ten years before that he focused on environmental law with various organizations in Washington, DC. Jimmy, who notes he's "still single," offers this advice to classmates: "Eat well, laugh often, exercise regularly, follow the paths of the heart . . . live long!"

Several classmates attended Adult University (CAU) last year, and you'll be anxious to hear of their experiences at reunion. They and their courses and/or travels were: **Clifton Daniel**, Ornithology; **Douglas Garland, BA '65**, Childhood; Robert and **Joan Page Gerring, MD '68**, at Skytop Lodge, studying Eastern European and Russia political systems; **Paul Kruger**, Finger Lakes Trail; **John Looney**, Gothic Cathedrals; Holt and **Halaine Maccabee** Rose, 12 days in Belize; and **Helen Schwartz, DNA**. Last year's Cornell Summer College had the sons of **Art Birnkrant** and **David Cobin, BA '65**, enrolled in seminars.

Retired doctor **Lincoln Lewis, MBA '66**, 2100 N. Pantops Dr., Charlottesville, VA, is now a certified personal trainer. Attorney **Jeffrey Bernbach, 6 Plymouth Dr., Scarsdale, NY**, has published a new book, *Job Discrimination II: How to Fight, How to Win*, the only current book written by a legal expert which covers all aspects of workplace bias. It is an expansion of his *Job Discrimination I* . . . published three years ago. Jeffrey, an employment law specialist, has for 30 years represented hundreds of clients, individuals and companies, in job-bias lawsuits. He has had his own law firm for the last 20 years. Jeffrey also has been a legal advisor to the National Labor Relations Board, a member of the New York State Governor's Advisory Council on Employment and Unemployment Insurance, and has been a member and chaired the audit and finance committee of the NY State Job Development Authority.

Stanford, JD '67, and **Phyllis Rivkin Goldman, MS '67**, 44 Coolidge Ave., Cambridge, MA, have dual careers: he is a lawyer with Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris et al. in Boston; she is a health-care consultant. Also in the area are **Bob, BEE '65, PhD '69**, and **Alice Dannett Friedenson, MA '71**, 109 Bellevue Rd., Andover, MA), another dual-career couple. He's with Lucent Technologies in W. Andover; she's a high school teacher in Salem, NH.

Peter Jessel, MS '66, is managing director and chief information officer at Towers Perrin in Stamford, CT. He and wife Rhonda live with their two teenage children at 40 Birchall Dr., Scarsdale, NY. They enjoy tennis and skiing; his Cornell activities include the Tower Club. **Charles Robinowitz** is a lawyer with his own solo practice, specializing in plaintiffs' injury and consumer claims, and maritime injury claims. Last year while attending his law school 30th reunion at U. of Virginia, he had a fun visit with cardiologist **Bill Freedman** and his wife, Lindsey, in Charlottesville. Charles and wife Selene live with their two teenage sons at 3032 NW Valle Vista Tr., Portland, OR.

Christian Stuhr, who lives with wife Lesley at 540 Hayes Dr., Swift Current, Saskatchewan S9H 4J1, Canada, still writes regular columns for the national magazine of Mensa Canada and for *Humanist in Canada*, this despite a brain disorder (normal-pressure hydrocephalus) which has left him disabled since 1994. He credits Canada's national health insurance system and a long-term, non-taxable disability policy with helping keep him going, and his writing with keeping him busy.

An audiologist at UCLA's medical school, **Marjorie Rosen Harris** and husband John live at 2478 Crest View Dr., Los Angeles, CA. Their recent travels were in opposite directions: to Hawaii and Normandy. Be on the lookout for **Nancy Dunhoff Mills's** new book, another written in collaboration with son **Kevin '93, Help, My Apartment Has a Dining Room**, coming out soon. Both she and husband **Bart** are well-known journalists/authors and active alumni: Nancy recently finished a term as president of the Cornell Club of Los Angeles and is active on the President's Council of Cornell Women; Bart is a Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) area chairman. Home is still 563 29th St., Manhattan Beach, CA.

Physician **Lois Copeland, MD '68**, 25 Sparrowbush Rd., Upper Saddle River, NJ, still has her internal medicine practice and diverse creative interests, including photography, art, and music. Professionally, she is still "fighting excesses of government and fighting for freedom for physicians and patients." Lois and husband **Richard Sperling, MD '70**, have one son and three daughters, and their recent travels included Aruba and Florida's Captiva Island during tornadoes in February 1998. Lois writes, "Time has passed! I feel wiser but not older; I do miss my youthful idealism—reality is quite a contrast, especially today!"

Stanley Morgenstein, BS ILR '65, an information technology executive, and wife **Grace (Hershberg) '65**, a guidance counselor, boast Cornellian children: **Mark '92**, now

with CBS in Denver, **Jonathan '94**, teaching in San Francisco, and **Elizabeth '98**, working in San Diego. A third son is still in high school. Grace chairs the Washington, DC, and Maryland CAAAN and Stan says, "We hosted about 50 people for the newly-accepted freshman reception." He has already confirmed their presence at reunion and adds, "... look forward to seeing everyone there." The Morgansteins live at 11202 Tack House Ct., Potomac, MD.

Alice Fried Baker and husband **S. Michael '61**, 5 Nesting Way, E. Sandwich, MA, took an Adult University (CAU)-sponsored Alaskan cruise in June 1997, headed by education Professor Emeritus **Verne Rockcastle, PhD '55**. Then, last March, they celebrated the marriage of their daughter with a "load" of Cornellians in attendance, including **Susan Buchman Vogel** (109 Old Orchard Lane, Boxborough, MA).

Please keep the dues and news coming. See you at Reunion! ♦ **Bev Johns Lamont**, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com.

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Mark the date on your calendars now for June 8-11, 2000, the date of our 35th Reunion!

We would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate all classmates with graduating seniors this year. At this time, we would especially like to extend kudos to Dr. **Thomas G. Giallorenzi**, ME EP '65, PhD '69, superintendent of Naval Research Laboratory's (NRL's) Optical Sciences Division, who was honored last December with the Roger L. Easton Award for Excellence in Engineering Achievement. Upon receiving this award, NRL's highest civilian award for engineering achievement, Dr. Giallorenzi was cited "for his leading role in developing the most effective multidisciplinary electro-optics research and development organization in the Department of Defense (DOD) over the past 20 years." The citation continued, "Dr. Giallorenzi has been the principal leader for the development and use of fiber-optics in DOD. He is recognized as the father of the fiber-optics sensor field, in which very high performance fiber-optic acoustic sensors, gyroscopes, and magnetic sensors have been realized. Under his direction, very large state-of-the-art reconnaissance focal planes have been developed. He has led the redirection of naval reconnaissance for tactical aircraft (F-14 & F-18) through the development of the Shared Advanced Reconnaissance Pod Program. As a direct result of his leadership and drive, the defense capabilities of the US have been significantly expanded." Dr. Giallorenzi resides with wife Mary in Springfield, VA.

Grace Hershberg Morgenstein and husband **Stanley '64** report with great pride that their fourth child, David, was accepted early decision to Cornell's College of Engineering. David follows in the family tradition of both of his parents, as well as his older siblings: **Mark '92**, of Atlanta; **Jonathan '94**, of San Francisco; and **Elizabeth '98**. For the past 16 years, Grace and Stanley have been resi-

dents of Potomac, MD, where Grace is an elementary school guidance counselor and Stanley is vice president for sales and marketing of a computer company. From Tiburon, CA, **Elizabeth Williams Moffet '66** writes that daughter **Anne Moffet '98** graduated from Arts, and son Tim is a junior at Yale U. Elizabeth reports that she recently earned a master's degree in clinical psychology and is a practicing psychotherapist in Marin County. She adds that husband Thomas is chief executive officer of Amsterdam Pacific Investment Bank. Dr. **Robert Bobrow** reports from Commack, NY, that he also has a Cornelian family, which includes daughters **Jennifer '93** and **Heather '99**. Robert and wife Ellen, a librarian, reside in Commack, NY.

Richard Paul Bogert, ME C '66, writes from Spring Valley, CA, that he is still a civil engineer in construction management, "doing what I enjoy most." He adds that he's been "involved in a challenging \$350 million construction program to create a Marine Corps Air Station serving both jets and helicopters from a Naval Air Station that was formerly the home of Top Gun in San Diego, all in the space of 2-1/2 years. When I finish, I can retire from federal service and become a partnering facilitator. Partnering, sometimes referred to as project teambuilding, has proved very successful for the Navy in the past seven-plus years." Richard says that joining a singing group would be one thing he would do again at Cornell, as it's been a great source of enjoyment for the past 18 years.

Patricia McElwee Webster informs us that she has joined the Audrey Edelman & Associates Real Estate team in Ithaca, NY. Patricia, who is the former executive director of Ithaca Rape Crisis and the Tompkins County Mental Health Association, currently serves on the board of directors of HOMES and Unity House. A third-generation Ithacan, she participates in the Ithaca Business and Professional Women network and is an avid fan of Cornell hockey. Her grandfather, **W. I. Myers '14**, PhD '18, was dean of Cornell's College of Agriculture. **Nicole Theresa Librandi**, MA '72, has begun a master's program in Italian at Middlebury College. Nicole and husband Willard reside in New Haven, VT, where she is an Italian teacher and he is an investor/cabinetmaker. Their sons Tibor and Willard, as well as daughter-in-law Tiffany, all graduated from Stetson U., and son Ben graduated from Empire State College. Nicole, who would like to hear from "any and all" classmates, says that if she could do Cornell over again, she would "study more, party less!"

Finally, we are proud to announce that **Edward M. Cabic '02** is the 1998-99 recipient of the Class of 1965 Scholarship. A freshman in the College of Engineering from Columbia, MD, Edward received the Distinguished Scholar Award, Creativity Award, Commended, National Merit Scholarship, and McMullen Dean's Scholarship. In his letter to our class, he says, "The decision to matriculate at Cornell was an easy one. From the first time my father [**Edward J. Cabic '64**, BS Eng '65, ME CH '66] showed me the campus

many years ago as he came back for Homecoming, I have been struck by the beauty of the campus and the surrounding areas. Over time, I also came to appreciate Cornell's reputation for research, quality education, and innovation. I am certain that Cornell will provide me with the tools necessary to achieve my dreams. Thank you for helping me realize my goals with your scholarship."

Attention classmates, our class website is up and running: <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1965/>. Please add your e-mail address and tell all your '65 friends to do the same. That way, you will be helping our class to reach its goal of 1,000 e-mails by 2000. ♦ **Florence Douglas Bank**, 6420 Goldleaf Dr., Bethesda, MD 20817; e-mail, rkbank@erols.com.

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Hello, classmates. It's good to hear from and about you! I have some letters which have been forwarded to me, that I want to share with you. First, a commercial: **Ralph Janis** sent me a note asking me to invite all of you to the Adult University (CAU) this summer. He guarantees that it will be superb. There is a list of programs a page and a half long, ranging from "Opera in the Southwest" to "Tortola and the British Virgin Islands." I'm sure he would like to hear from anyone interested in this summer's programs. His phone is (607) 255-6260.

Small World Department: one of your other correspondents, **Sue Rockford Bittker**, tells me that her son Josh has a girlfriend spending the semester in U. College Dublin, as a history major, junior year. So what? you ask; well, my daughter Martha, a junior-year history major, is also spending the semester at UCD! Also in the mail was a note from **Conrad Schweizer**, who is now a grandfather, and loving it! Sarah was born in Phoenix on Jan. 1, '98. Since Sarah's mom, **Amelia Schweizer Primiano '91**, is an alum, too, Connie figures that Sarah is likely to become a third-generation Cornelian! Conrad's wife, Leona, wrote a poem entitled "Waiting for ... Sarah." **David Simson** is still in Brooklyn, still at Merrill Lynch, and still married to Roberta (Sanford) (Elmira '68). **Carol (Rollins)** and **Mike Lynch '65** are in Midland, MI—3600 Valley Dr., to be exact. Mike is now a vice president of Dow Corning, after 29 years with Ford. They have two happily married children, and Carol is into golf, tennis, and bridge. **Judy Shannon Stickney** is at 56 Holman St., Portsmouth, RI 02871, with **P. Blaine '61**, BEP'62. Their daughter Elizabeth was married in Turin, Italy, and they had just attended son Mark's recital for his master's in music performance (tuba).

Susan Cassell is at 419 Lucille Ct. Ridgewood, NJ, where she is deputy chief of the civil division at the US Attorney's Office for the District of NJ. "My ninth grader is eyeing Cornell for the future!" It is now **Stan Kochanoff**, MCIP (Member, Canadian Inst. of Planners). He is in Falmouth, Nova Scotia. **Paul Luisada** lives in Alexandria, VA, and his daughter is in the Rhode Island School of De-

sign. **Marty Ecker** is an MD in White Plains, NY, "appreciating life." **Arno Spatola** is a chemistry professor at the U of Louisville. He had just returned from a Peptide symposium in Kyoto, Japan ("with \$7 Sprite!") when he wrote. He is also president of Peptides International Inc.

Judy Sandy Coleman writes that **Neil Lubow** died in a skiing accident last May 11 at Sunday River, in Bethel, ME. He was the associate provost for academic affairs at the U. of New Hampshire, and is survived by his wife, Mary. **Debra Kirschner Wolf** returned to Cornell for the 35th Reunion of her husband, **Marty '63**, BS Ag '64, DVM '66. "Many changes—new buildings, renovation, and a totally updated Collegetown. We had a ball!" They live at 216 Sunnyridge Rd., Harrison, NY. **John Deasy**, BS Ag '71, MS '72, is in Doylestown, PA, and is coaching a high school varsity basketball team! They'd made it to the playoffs by the time he wrote to me. John, how did you do? He is still flying his old Beech Bonanza airplane when time and weather permit. He reports on camping in Wyoming.

Richard, PhD '74, and **C. Nan Wendt Rideout** are at 708 Harbor Rd., Alameda, CA 94502, where they have moved to an island across from San Francisco (commuting by ferry). Nan commutes once a month back to Raleigh, where she continues to consult in health care. Richard is in treatment for a bad back; they are talking about staying West permanently. **Bill Kilberg** is in McLean, VA, with four children in college, and one in Country Day School. "I plan to remain in the practice of law for many years to come!"

That's all this month. Let me hear from you. ♦ **John Miers**, 5510 Huntington Pkwy., Bethesda, MD 20814; e-mail, miers@us.net.

67 "Just returned from an invigorating (or chilly, depending on one's perspective) weekend in Ithaca, having participated in Freshman Family Weekend, with our son **Jordan Erenrich '02**, who's planning to major in computer science in the College of Engineering," reports **Evelyn Schwartz Erenrich**, PhD '71, 9 Constitution Ct., E. Brunswick, NJ. "As a member of Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN), I am continuing to spread the word about Cornell by interviewing applicants. I am on the faculty of the chemistry department at Rutgers U., where I teach general chemistry, the course comparable to Chem 207, which our son is currently enjoying!"

Ruth Mazur Hart, 170 Via las Miradores, Redondo Beach, CA, is "still (24 years) at TRW" and "saw **Vivian Rosenberg** at our high school 35th reunion in New York City; it turns out we both live in southern California." (Ruth's address: 915 3rd St. #205, Santa Monica.) Ruth's older daughter, Erika, is a sophomore at Brown and younger daughter, Alison, is a high school senior.

G. "Ed" DeSeve, 2204 Decatur Pl., NW, Washington, DC, was nominated by the President to be deputy director for manage-

ment in the office of management and budget. Ed's served as controller and acting deputy director at OMB and earlier was chief financial officer at the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

Susan Goodman Feldman, 170 Lexington Dr., Ithaca, won the 1998 Excellence in Writing Award at the International Online meeting in London from Bell & Howell's UMI for her article, "It Was Here a Minute Ago!: Archiving the Net," in the October 1997 issue of *Searcher* magazine. She's helped conceptualize one of the world's first distributed digital libraries and the firm she founded, Datasearch, performs usability studies, analyzes, and writes about the Internet and other information technologies.

"Three children in college (will it ever end?)," asks **Kathia Slaughter** Miller, BA '68, 520 Murex Dr., Naples, FL. "Two are in U. of Florida grad school in computer science, one's a senior in engineering at Princeton; husband and I are still teachers (resisting early retirement incentives). Is there a whole world outside school for this family?"

Suspense novelist **Judith Edelstein** Kelman was married last November to **Ivan Wolff '66**, a venture capitalist. Her 11th novel, "After the Fall," is scheduled for publication by Penguin/Putnam in June. She has an MA in educational psychology from New York U. and one in communication disorders from Southern Connecticut State U.

Dianne Pilgrim Digilio, 1430 Manor Lane, Bay Shore, NY, teaches middle school in Centereach. Children **Susan Digilio '93** and **Sandy Digilio '95** are ILR alums and son John is a senior at Manhattanville. As recording secretary of Suffolk County AFCSE, Dianne saw **GINNY SNIDER** Shaw, RD #1, Richfield Springs, NY, at the New York AFCSE conference in White Plains last November.

"I married John Bennett in June 1998," writes **Ruth Burden** Bennett, 36 S. Canal St., Greene, NY, "ended my employment at Tioga County Dept. of Social Services and relocated to Greene, NY. I am thoroughly enjoying my 30-year 'work break.'" **Judy Klimpl** Blitz, 6150 Valerian Lane, Rockville, MD, heads the foreign language department at James Hubert Blake High School in Silver Spring, MD, and son **Brian Blitz '97** is in his second year at U. of Pennsylvania's law school, where he made Law Review.

Chuck Butler Jr., 6217 Canyon Ferry Rd., Helena, MT, is vice president of Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Montana. **Arlene Blutreich** Savitsky, 353 W. 56th St., NYC, has a new job as intellectual property counsel of Chanel. Dr. **A. F. Weitzman**, 34 Laura Lane, Morristown, NJ, retired from radiology last year and married Maura Zwerling. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

68 Hope you have had a good winter. **Joel Negrin** and his wife, **Linda (Schwartz) '69**, live in Mamaroneck, NY. Their daughter **Meredith '98** graduated with

a major in communications. Joel is an attorney with the Goodkind, Labaton firm in New York City. **Neil Vosburgh** lives in Toronto, Ont. Canada. **Fred Venables** is with Inter Pacific Management in Bothell, WA. **Doug Youmans** is a consultant with W.J. Schaefer in Billerica, MA, and lives in Winchester, MA. **Perry Odak** serves as chief executive officer of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream in Vermont. A recent article about Perry quotes him as saying, "I put on 20 pounds doing research and development." Perry then notes, "I've lost about half of it, but my running regime has certainly gotten much longer than it used to be." Any ice cream consumer would know that Perry has his hands full competing in the premium ice cream market. I look forward to trying new flavors in low fat yogurt and sorbet. **Joyce Davis** Sand is director of marketing and communications for the Jewish Federation in Los Angeles. Joyce reports seeing her college roommate, **Ronna Yosim** Kluger, her husband Ron, and their daughter, who currently live in Toronto.

Tom Horn is a physician with the Western Psychiatric Inst. Clinic in Pittsburgh. **Charles Kohn** lives in Needham, MA, and is president of Semi Test, an electronics company in Billerica, MA. Dr. **Michael Strong**, MA '79, PhD '83, lives in Berkeley, CA, according to the most recent address I have. He was previously based in Bangladesh, India. **Bernardo Mendez**, ME '69, lives in San Jose, Costa Rica. **Sara Straw** Winship is a pension administrator and consultant in Atlanta. **Fran Milberg** is an attorney in New York City with the Segal Co. **Dan McCall** is in the catering and restaurant business in San Francisco. **Dave McGee** lives in Saint Louis Park, MN.

Bryon "Bud" Wittlin is a physician in San Carlos, CA. **A. "Dan" Wolff** lives in Jacksonville, FL, where he is with Pella Window and Door Co. **Albert Wong** lives in Morris Plains, NJ. Rabbi **Jim Michaels** lives in Wilkes Barre, PA, and is affiliated with Temple Israel. Jim has traveled to Jordan with the Israel Bonds Rabbinic Cabinet, where he was the first person to read the Torah in Amman in 800 years. While in the Middle East, he spent a few days with **Mike Lahav**

Answers to crossword puzzle found in the March/April 1999 issue of Cornell Magazine.

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'69, in Jerusalem. **Steve Steinhardt** is an attorney with the NYS Department of Health in Albany and has guest-lectured at Cornell in health care law. **Kevin Bertrand '71** is a professor of biochemistry at Washington State U. in Pullman. **Sandra Parise** Bissell is an interi-

and is a commercial real estate broker in San Rafael. He has a daughter, Danielle, 16, and would love to hear from old friends. **Mike Lederman** lives in Venice, CA, but his business and much of his time is spent in Parma, Italy. Mike owns a professional Porsche Race

Marina del Rey, CA, and have children Max, 1, Lily, 8, and Joe, 6.

Rich Nalevanko was in Ithaca, last June, for the marriage of daughter **Megan '95**, Grad, to **Dan Falcone '94**, MA '96, in Sage Chapel. Bridesmaids included Rich's three other daughters, **Mandy '99**, **Katie '01**, and **Jillian**. Does anybody else have three children currently attending Cornell? **Eric Davis** is the lightweight football alumni association's Class of '69 rep, succeeding **Lyle Tuthill**, and would love to hear from any classmates who played lightweight football. Please write him at 4760 Woodview Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95405 or ericd@sonic.net. Eric is the deputy city attorney for San Rafael, CA, where he lives with wife Ann, a legal publication editor, and children Megan and Jack. **Peter M. Fried** and wife **Wendy Zisfein '71** live in Madison, NJ. Peter is manager of a development group at Advanced Technology Systems, a division of Lucent that was sold to General Dynamics. He lists son **David '98** (BSEE), Grad, and daughter **Lisa '95**, who attends Georgetown law school, as well as Stephen, who attends Stanford. **Tom Mitchell** now lives in Washington, DC, where he is vice president, human resources for Marconi Systems Technologies. He would love to hear from old classmates in the area. Tom lives in Gaithersburg, MD.

Dan Brothers, BS Ag '72, is an editor/photographer for *Outdoor Alabama* magazine and chief of media and public information with the Alabama Dept. of Conservation in Montgomery. He and wife Fran, a special education teacher, have four children. Dan is the author of *Alabama; Portrait of a State*, a 190-page coffee table book. ♦ **Suzy Sacks Zeide**, PO Box 2589, Breckenridge, CO 80424; tel., (970) 547-9816; e-mail, suzyzeid@colorado.net.



Finishing up news from letters I received in the spring of 1998, hoping that better late than never still works! **Ruth**

Sauberman Wachob was chosen Teacher of the Year at her school, a state preschool for the Cupertino Union School District. She has been working on her thesis for a master's in child development. During the summer of 1997, Ruth and husband **Harry '69**, PhD '76, took a four-week "Rick Steve's" tour of Europe. They covered six countries, took over 20 rolls of film, and enjoyed art, music, nature, and historic places. Their daughter, Rebecca, graduated from Santa Clara U. in June 1996 and is working in human relations. Son Sean is a networking programmer and bought a home in September 1996. Their e-mail address is: hwachob@exponent.com. **David Blitzer** (e-mail: dblitzer@mgh.com) is the author of *What's the Economy Trying to Tell You*, published by McGraw-Hill in 1997. The book is an investor's guide to understanding and profiting from the economy. **David** and **Gilda Klein Linden '71** live at 50 Partridge Hill, Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458. Son **Eric '02** is in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Simeon Gold continues as a corporate partner at the law firm of Weil, Gotshal and

“I put on 20 pounds doing R&D as Ben & Jerry's CEO.”

— PERRY ODAK '68

or designer in Andover, MA. Dr. **Tom Noble** lives in Blacksburg, VA. **Randy Hallstead Allen** works with Phillips-Van Heusen in Bridgewater, NJ.

Jim Greenberg lives in Princeton Junction, NJ. It would be great to hear from him. **Ron Altbach**, BA '69, chairs the board of Paul Sebastian Inc., in Ocean City, NJ. This company is a manufacturer and distributor of fine fragrances.

Paul Weigel is a professor and department chair, biochemistry and molecular biology, at Oklahoma U. **Peter Greene** lives in Skokie, IL. **Walt Schenker**, BA '69, lives in Pine Brook, NJ, and is a portfolio manager in investments with Glickenhau in New York City. **David Yesner**, BA '71, is a professor and archeologist at the U. of Alaska. He lives in Chugiak. **Katharine Riggs** Van Wie lives in Houston, TX. **Paul Chiu** is an engineer with Hewlett-Packard in Mountain View, CA. **Neil Chodorow** is an artist, author, and school teacher. He lives in Penfield, NY, and works in Rochester. **Dwight Collins**, MS '71, PhD '73, is a consultant with Chesapeake Decision Sciences in New Jersey. **Beth Deabler Corwin** lives in Belmont, MA. **Kristin Leigh Davis** David, BS Nurs '70, is a registered nurse and lives in Scarsdale, NY.

Alvin "Brad" Carruth is a trust officer at Cornell. **James Carney** is an attorney with Carney & Carney in Westlake, OH. **Calliope "Popi" Athanassiadou** lives in Bryn Mawr, PA, and is an architect. **Dan Weinberg** is an author and educator living in Ann Arbor, MI.

I look forward to hearing from you. Tell us about your most recent vacation. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, Putnam Investments, 1 Post Office Sq., Boston, MA 02109.

REUNION



Well, here it is, only one month to reunion. I urge all of you to attend. Reminisce and catch up with old friends... make new friends and new memories.

Jim Miller has two children at Cornell, daughter **Bevan '99**, (communications) and son **Ryan '02** (Agriculture), and a third, Jeffrey, applying to Engineering. Jim chairs the Onondaga/Madison County Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) committee and also serves on the CAAAN advisory council. He will be attending reunion and encourages all Sigma Pis to return "and to give \$\$ to Cornell—at least \$30.00 each for our 30th."

Peter Schubert lives in Tiburon, CA,

Team. **Jeff Gilbert** lives in Syracuse and is director of the NY State Affiliates of Planned Parenthood Inc. He is married to **Janet Epstein '72**.

Peter Kutner has returned to the U. of Oklahoma from Japan, where he held a Fulbright lectureship at Tohoku U. **Richard Kubach** and wife Mary live in Newtown Square, PA. Their son Richard III graduated from the Hotel school in 1998. Daughter **Heather '99** is also a hotelier. **Carol Maus Greenberg** is an artistic accountant in Port Matilda, PA. She and husband Howard have children Jon and Jesse. **Judy Burdin** Asuni is a consultant in conflict management in Lagos, Nigeria. Her three daughters are all in school in the US.

Alan Eade, BA '70, is an investment broker for New England Securities in Timonium, MD, where he lives with wife Connie M. Duff. Their oldest child, **Lauren '01** is in Arts and Sciences; Ethan and Katherine are in high school. **Ellen Isaacson** Goldman lives in Greenbrae, CA, where she is a teacher. Son **Brent Goldman '98** graduated last spring. Daughter Beth attends Emory U. and son Jason is in high school. **Robert Lustenader** moved to Schodack Landing, NY, in February 1998. He is the president of his own company, which manufactures magnetic iron oxide. **Arthur Nilsen** is the managing attorney of the largest personal injury firm in Georgia. He lives in Roswell with wife Donna Jean. They have four children. **Bill Robinett**, MRP '71, lives in Springfield, MO, and is a transportation planner with the Greene City Highway Department. He and wife Judy have three children.

Peter F. Rosen lives in Atlanta, GA, and is vice president of human services for Norrell Corp. He has two daughters. **Alan Cody** lives in Waban, MA, with **Elisabeth (Allen), MA in T '70**, a landscape designer, and their son, David, who is in high school. Alan is a financial consultant and director in the corporate finance group at Coopers & Lybrand. **Mike Smith**, BS Ag '70, lives in Watchung, NJ, and is an industry analyst specializing in property-casualty insurance with Bear Stearns & Co. He has son James, who attends Lehigh, and daughter Dawn, who is at the U. of Vermont. **Judy Braunstein** Bailyn lives in Boca Raton, FL. Her older son, **Jay Bailyn '02**, is in Arts and Sciences. She attended the bar mitzvah of **Pat Rappaport** Phillips's son Josh last fall in Encino, CA. **Richard Lysle** and wife Lori live in

Manges LLP in New York City (e-mail: simeon.gold@weil.com). He specializes in mergers and acquisitions, securities, and corporate restructurings and investment funds. His wife, Heide, is a residential real estate broker in the city. Their daughter, Jana, graduated from Brown U. in May 1998 and has pursued a career in publishing and fashion. Son Craig is now a sophomore at the U. of Pennsylvania and is interested in the media and communications. **Jeffrey Hubley** is now at 33 Columbia Ave. in Nashua NH 03060 and his e-mail address is: jeffrey.e.hubley@hitchcock.org. During the summer of 1998, **Jody Hall** Harrington and husband Mike (Yale '69) visited their alma maters with their two high-school-aged daughters, Averill and Jane. Averill is a senior this year and is interested in Cornell and Yale. Jody spent ten years in legal practice and has since enjoyed being a "stay-at-home mom." She has been very busy serving on boards of volunteer associations, doing consulting, and chairing committees for numerous community activities. Mike is a partner with the Houston law firm of Vinson and Elkins, where he handles mergers, acquisitions, and corporate securities work.

John Boldt (e-mail: john.boldt@tan dem.com) is still in love with Barbara Runser after sharing 22 years of unwedded bliss. There have been changes on the job front for them, as Tandem Computers was purchased by Compaq and Barb's employer, Octel Communications, was purchased by Lucent. John is now North American marketing manager for nonstop systems. As part of Barb's sabbatical (a Silicon Valley perk that is disappearing with the mergermania), they went to Africa for a month. They went on safari in Kenya and Tanzania, seeing more animals (types and numbers) than they ever imagined they would. Another week in Kenya included scuba diving off the coast and they finished with a week in the Seychelles Islands.

Ligia Corredor lives at 671 Love Joy Rd., Ogdensburg, NY 13669 and her e-mail address is: licha@northweb.com. She continues to work at the local psychiatric center, where she has been for 28 years. It has changed from a long-term care psychiatric facility to a rehab center and is now moving toward managed care. In January 1998, she experienced the "Ice Storm of the Century" and was fortunate to miss only four days of modern world conveniences and to have only minor property damage. In 1997, Ligia had the opportunity to serve as a nutritional consultant at the Creedmoor Psychiatric Center in the New York City area. Son Eric Paul Fishel, 26, is working for Global Asset Management in Manhattan and daughter **Suzanne Elizabeth Fishel '00** is majoring in animal science. Ligia also keeps active volunteering as Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) area chair, in the Ogdensburg Rotary Club, and in the local American Field Service chapter. In early 1998, **Stefan Gorkin** was promoted to vice president for global labor relations at Colgate-Palmolive Co. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355.

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We know what you are doing this summer: lingering by the mailbox awaiting the June 1999 Class News and Dues mailing. In anticipation of that joyous day, here are some saving remnants from last year's news deluge. Many classmates have children in college, including at Cornell. **Barbara Cohen Moses '02**, daughter of **Edward Moses**, BS Eng '72, PhD '78, is in Engineering. Massapequa veterinarian **Howard Schatz, DVM '75**, watched his oldest son, **Jason '98**, graduate from ILR, as son Eric continued the Ivy tradition at Dartmouth last fall. Howard enjoys Yankee games and his five children, of whom the youngest, Sara, is 8. **Sandy Auerbach**, a neurologist at Boston U. Medical Center, and wife Lynn, a small business owner, have sent son Jared off to U. of Colorado at Boulder. Daughter Halle has started Newton North High School.

Ted Urban writes from Silver Spring, MD, "I've been enjoying frequent trips to Ithaca and campus with our daughter, **Claire '01**, who [was] completing her sophomore year. It's been particularly interesting to contrast our daughter's experience at Cornell with that of our son, who is in his sophomore year at Middlebury. Both are enjoying college and doing well, with diversity, freedom, and endless opportunities to characterize Cornell."

Carol Siegel-Mamber is a psychiatric social worker at Hackensack U. Medical Center and also has a private practice. "We just celebrated the bat mitzvah of my daughter Aliza," she wrote last June. Five hundred people attended the service and luncheon at Temple Beth Rishon, in Wyckoff, NJ, where Carol's husband is the cantor. Their eldest child, Noah, started his junior year at Yale last September.

Eugenia A. Zuroski, daughter of **Greg '72** and **Patricia Yuan Zuroski**, is working toward a PhD at Brown U., where **Elisabeth Kaplan** Boas's eldest began freshman year in fall 1998. E-mail has been a boon to keeping up. Write to her at elisabet71@aol.com.

Some career notes: **Cynthia Hoover** and husband Dan have been running an antique store, Chidors Antiques, for 13 years in Seattle. They sell Asian porcelains, Roman antiquities, old Tibetan jewelry, rugs, African art objects, even a four-foot-tall 2,000-year-old Chinese pottery horse! **J. Byron Huff**, a Cornell golf team alum and freelance golf writer, has a new book out, titled *Be the Target*. Byron (three handicap) has appeared on various TV golf shows and has also created official posters for the US Open Golf Championship.

Susan Primmer reports, "I met with classmate **Nancy Miller** last spring. She writes for an environmental group out of Washington, DC (and lives in Arlington, VA). Susan continues, "My husband, **Bob Harris**, BS Ag '72, DVM '74, and I plod along, busily, mostly happy, always tired. Bob is a veterinarian by trade but a glider pilot by his heart. I'm still in private solo practice (one mile from my bed) in dermatology. Our 10-year-old Becky is still our number one delight!" **Donald Sherman**, BS Eng '75, ME C '76, is vice president for mar-

keting at HDR Engineering in Omaha, NE.

Joanne Trifilo, an immigration attorney, lives in a marvelous house in a historic district in Phoenix ("historic" there means 1929). She took son Nick and daughter Marya, a middle-schooler, to Spain in 1997, revisiting locales where Joanne had studied 28 years ago as part of a Cornell Abroad program. Last year, she and Nick weekendend in New York City in celebration of Nick's high school graduation. Recently, Joanne has taken up yoga.

The world-changing news of **Thomas J. Nally**, BArch '72, is the arrival of adopted son Michael Edward Nally on Oct. 6, '97. Says Thomas, writing from Brookline, MA, "Our work lives are as hectic as always and I try to keep up with my civic responsibilities, but we are holding down another new full-time job after all! Wouldn't trade it for anything!"

P. Vars Smith, fencer, vintage auto racer, and officer in his local (Camillus, NY) chapter of the International Assn. for Financial Planning, wrote to complain that he has, "never seen my name in print in alumni news of the Class of '71." Let's go to the videotape: news of Vars's 1997 marriage to Nancy Englebrecht Wells appeared in the November/December 1998 issue of this very column. It may take a while, but we get the job done! ♦ **Marsha Ackermann**, 1612 Waltham Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103; e-mail, ackerm28@pilot.msu.edu; **Joel Y. Moss**, 110 Barnard Pl., NW, Atlanta, GA 30328; e-mail, jmoss5849@aol.com, tel., (404)255-0565; fax, (404)255-0955.

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I have been writing this column for 14 years and most of the time it is an enjoyable experience. I get to write about classmates who are successful in their careers, who perform public service, and who have wonderful families. I enjoy receiving correspondence from you and then writing in the column about your marriages, the births of your children, and then the achievements of your children as they grow. But, occasionally I have the sad duty to report news that is not fun or enjoyable.

In late January, I received a phone call from **Ginny Hardesty Bucci '70** who informed me of the sudden and untimely passing of Dr. Donna Jean Levy, wife of our Class Co-Correspondent **Gary Rubin**. Donna, a much-beloved pediatrician in Westfield, NJ, an assistant professor at the Yale medical school, and a loving mother of Adam and Zachary Rubin, was only 46.

Since I did not know Donna personally, I asked Ginny to send me any articles that appeared in the local papers. In the *New York Times*, the attorneys and staff of Gary's law firm, Mazur & Rubin, said of Donna, "She was a brilliant and dedicated physician who will be remembered and missed by all who knew her. Her devotion to her husband, children, and parents, and her intellect and energy were boundless." A few days after Donna's death, the local elementary school held its annual play. A page was added to the written program in memory of Donna. In it, a neigh-

bor and friend wrote, "Many knew her as a loving mother, wife, and daughter. Donna devoted her professional life to her patients and their families. Her friends were the recipients of her constant support and kindness and her colleagues in the medical community held her in their highest esteem. Donna was a pillar of strength who always knew how to get things done for everyone in need of her help. She will truly be missed by all of us." **Chuck Reisen '71**, a colleague of Donna's, also sent me an e-mail about this tragic event. On behalf of the Class of 1972 and the staff of *Cornell Magazine*, we extend our most sincere and heartfelt sympathies to Gary, Adam, and Zachary, and Donna's parents, Eileen and Louis Levy.

Daniel B. Rosen, PhD, was appointed executive director of International Center for the Disabled (ICD) in New York City. ICD provides rehabilitation services to people with disabilities, with a focus on training and employment. Daniel had served as executive director of ARI of Connecticut for the past 13 years. He is well known in the disability field as an administrator, consultant, educator, lecturer, and advocate of legislation to enhance the lives of and protect the rights of people with disabilities. Daniel lives in Connecticut with wife Susan and son Jonathan. Their older son, Michael, attends U. of New Hampshire.

My daughter, Kelly, attends the U. of Oregon, where she is taking a double major in exercise and movement sciences and psychology. In her spare time, Kelly is a volunteer van driver for the school's "Safe Rides" program, and an athletic trainer in the physical education department.

Mary Myers married **Sylvan Cole '39** in NYC last December. Mary is a product-promotion and marketing consultant in NYC. Sylvan is the director of the Sylvan Cole Gallery in NYC, which specializes in American fine prints. Also taking a walk down the matrimonial aisle were **David Browde** and **Elizabeth Schub '89**, BFA, BA '90. David is a reporter for WCBS-AM in NYC and a television reporter and anchor for CBS News. I remember David as a radio personality at WVBR-FM at Cornell and as a decent intramural hockey player. Elizabeth directed *Cuba 15*, a short film that won awards at 12 film festivals. She also appeared on the PBS series "P.O.V." Elizabeth earned a master's in film from New York U.

David "Hoops" Hall '71 is starting his 25th year of employment with Coors in Colorado. A Denver Bronco season ticket holder, Dave is ecstatic over the team's second consecutive Super Bowl victory. Daughter Jennifer was to graduate from high school in June and starts at U. of Missouri in September, where she will major in broadcast journalism. Jennifer performed with the Arvada Civic Ballet and was an intern at the NBC-TV affiliate in Denver. Her younger sister, Melissa, is a high school freshman and a member of the Arvada Center Youth Ballet Co. and a violinist in the high school orchestra. Dave hosted **Bob Tausek** on a recent trip to Colorado. Bob and spouse Marjie both work for the General Services Administration in Philadelphia.

Another Coloradan and Bronco fan, **Gerry Roehm '69**, BS Ag '72, was named Yampa River coordinator for the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The Yampa is home to four endangered species of fish. "Mungo," or Gerry, wrote about his vacation in the remote regions of Costa Rica. His group encountered toucans, crocodiles, caimans, capuchin and howler monkeys, bats, and a herd of peccaries (wild pigs) that threatened the humans with snapping tusks and offensive musk. Poison-dart frogs were common and a green parrot snake devoured a bird right before their eyes. But the most bizarre beast he saw was a basilisk (aka Jesus Christ lizard) for its ability to walk on water. If seeing is believing, Gerry now believes. Sounds more exciting than an episode of "Wild Kingdom." **Bill Trommer** is an elementary school teacher in Maine, and wife Pat works for Androscoggin Home Health Services. Daughter Heather attends U. of Maine, Farmington and daughter Leah is on the high school cross-country ski team.

Mary Michael Shelley had a show of her painted low-relief woodcarvings at the Frank Miele Gallery on Madison Ave., NYC. Mary carves, then paints scenes of upstate New York life, using subject matter as diverse as diners and farms to comment on the themes of hunger, waiting, and nurturance. The carving pictured on the press release for her show is a familiar scene inside the legendary State Diner in Ithaca. Mary is a self-taught artist who has been working at her craft for 25 years and has produced more than 400 carved and painted pieces. Her work is low-relief carved on 1-inch-thick pine boards glued end to end. Once carved, the pieces are painted with acrylics. Mary's work is in the permanent collections of the Smithsonian Inst., the American Museum in Bath, in Britain, the Museum of American Folk Art in NYC, the New York Historical Society in Cooperstown, and the National Museum of Women and the Arts in Washington, DC.

In closing this column, I want to leave you with this thought. Before you go to sleep tonight, go to your spouse, children, and other loved ones—give them a hug and tell them that you love them. Life is too short.

Send news. ♦ **Alex Barna**, 1050 Eagle Lane, Foster City, CA 94404, or e-mail to: abarna@mail.arc.nasa.gov.



Those of you who know my news background understand how painful it is to be bringing you items which date from last summer, but such is the state of the art. If in your letters you could try to anticipate life events three to four months in the future, it would make the columns in this bi-monthly publication more timely.

The benefits of a Cornell education have been confirmed once again: Dr. **James Hudson '48** reports that after filling up at a gas station near Front Royal, VA, he sped off with his wallet on the trunk, scattering the contents along Route 340. Imagine his relief to receive a call from **Gary Martel**, director of fisheries for the Virginia Dept. of Game and Inland

Fisheries, who had followed the plastic trail and collected the contents. According to Dr. Hudson, what motivated Gary—beyond his sense of duty—was the presence among the credit cards of a Cornell 1998 wallet-size football schedule! I agree with Dr. Hudson that Gary deserves recognition, for demonstrating not only that many members of our generation were indeed raised right, but that Ivy League football can command respect.

Patrick Zimmer and wife **Arlene (Finkelstein) '75** in Cos Cob, CT, report that daughter **Jennifer '02** is a freshman in Arts & Sciences. Thanksgiving guests last year included three of Jennifer's classmates and **Kathy Kelley '76**. Their e-mail is jjzimme@aol.com. **Marcia Kramer** Taylor, BS Nurs '76, of Lake Oswego, NY, says her primary responsibilities now include taking Marissa, 7, Dahlia, 9, and Sean, 16, to ballet, soccer, Girl Scouts, and acting, while husband Steve travels. She describes herself as a "serf" to her children. We all understand, Marcia. Mine also demand a portion of the crops. She also has an excellent idea—since many grads our age are still in serfdom, how about making reunions for younger classes a week later, when school is out?

Larry Taylor, of St. Louis, MO, founded Aziotics, a consulting firm that develops Asian agri-business. (E-mail, Larrytaylor51@msn.com). **Sarah Lindsay** Smith is now in Jakarta with Lindsay, 14, Elizabeth, 8, and Zachary, 6. (E-mail, Rsmith8@mail.arco.com). **Jon Shure**, Ewing, NJ, (shuream@gateway.com), teaches New Jersey politics at Rutgers, and founded the New Jersey Policy Perspective to be a progressive voice on state issues.

Melanie Rodin Polk (mpolk@aicr.org) is recently divorced and living with daughter Emily, 16, in Rockville, MD, where she is director of nutrition education at the American Inst. for Cancer Research. "I would love to hear from classmates," she writes.

These columns make many of us feel as if we're marking time compared to the rest of the class, but **Susan Murphy**, PhD '94, (shm1@cornell.edu) has really raised the bar. She reports that Samuel Edwin Taylor III was born April 2—grandchild Number Two! He's the son of Samuel Taylor Jr. and **Sarah Thomas Taylor '86**. Sister Caitlin, 3, and aunt **Julia Thomas '89**, BA '91, also paid summer visits to the Ithaca homestead.

Tim Parry, Sharon, CT, reports wife Tris volunteers for senior activities, son Tim is a freshman at Gettysburg College studying economics and the Civil War, and daughter Katie started field hockey as a high school sophomore last fall. **Mike Maier** and wife Sally live in Webster, NY. (mafarms@aol.com.) with twins Tim and Stacy, 15. **Greg Kishel**, of St. Paul, MN, fulfilled his undergrad dream when the family drove to Ithaca last August to entrust daughter **Emily '02** to the Hill. **James Franklin** (Jef@us.ibm.com.) is an environmental engineer at IBM, living in Newark Valley, NY, with Ryan, 15, and Allison, 11. **John Zaruka** lives in Westlake Village, CA. Reach him at wedgewood@cwh.com. **Ted Edmonds** is in Glenwood Springs—the e-mail address says it all: ted@skitours.com.

Glenn Cantor is in Pullman, WA, teaching with wife Inge at the Washington State U. College of Veterinary Medicine. This year was his fifth time volunteering as trail veterinarian for the Iditarod, and daughter Alida, 13, joined him on duty in Nome. That compensates for the summer—which they spent visiting old Peace Corps friends in Ecuador. Reach him at gcantor@completebbs.com. **Shelley Spandorf** Buchsbaum lives in Rolling Hills Estates, CA, and has an e-mail address that brought back memories of New Math: j1j2j3etal@aol.com.

Your correspondent remains surrounded by water (and Microsoft millionaires) on Mercer Island, WA, with wife **Patti (Miller) '72** and daughter Caitlin, 15. I continue to host a morning talk show on KIRO Seattle and a CBS Radio commentary. Daughter Emilie, 19, is a sophomore at Gonzaga in Spokane, and is planning to study in Paris next year. This summer we'll be in Buxton, England, (Mary, Queen of Scots slept there) for the International Gilbert and Sullivan Festival, where I'll be singing Rudolph in *The Grand Duke*. We perform August 11 at 8:00. Come backstage and we'll close down the Old Hall Pub together. ♦ **David L. Ross**, 4231 90th Ave., SE, Mercer Island, WA 98040; tel., (206) 236-4231; e-mail, thedaveross@home.com; **Phyllis Haight Grummon**, 1531 Woodside Dr., E. Lansing, MI 48823; e-mail, grummonp@pilot.msu.edu.

REUNION

74 It's hard to believe but yes, a score and five years have passed since we left the drizzle and gray skies of Ithaca for the real world. Careers and kids, restlessness and relationships may have scattered us, but on behalf of all of the class officers, we invite you to return to the land of Louie's Lunch for reunion. For those of you who haven't noticed the gray hairs (or lack thereof) and the extra pounds, it will be 25 years this June. And for **Elizabeth "Betsy" Beach** and me, it's been ten years of doing these columns, with **Linda Meyers** Geyer pitching in for the last five.

I'm looking forward to reuniting with the Donlon and Grey Hill House gang, and trust that old friends **Jim Stone**, ME '76, **Bob Murton**, **Brad Buchanan**, and **John Ramsay** will be there, as well. There are a host of others I'm looking forward to seeing, but it seems old age and decaying neurons are responsible for my disremembering names. So to whet your appetites, the following is news from the recent notes of our classmates, and we trust the turnout in June will fill our news coffers for the next few columns.

Dave, BS Eng '75, and **Stefanie Norton Galey**, BA '75, sent a note to say that Stef just moved to Faegre & Benson, where she practices law as bond counsel and underwriters' counsel. Dave is director of engineering at Hammel, Green and Abramson, a multi-discipline architectural engineering firm with a national practice in building design. Children are Adam, 18, Elliott, 15, and Derek, 11. The Galey's have been in Minneapolis since September 1975 and it has proven to be a great

place to live and work, assuming a winter vacation can be worked in.

From Akron, OH, **John Guran**, BA '73, checks in, noting it's hard to believe this past year marked the second anniversary of Time Warner's launch of Road Runner, its high-

“Marty Lesser and son Lenny '01 became emergency medical technicians this year.”

— STEVE RAYE '74

speed online service employing cable modem in Northeast, OH. John serves as Road Runner general manager. Time Warner is launching the system in Ithaca and it should be deployed by reunion. Seattle is home to **Sam Hemingway**, who is director of a marine computer company. He's been in contact with **Stan Selig**, **Joe Sirico**, and **Keith Kennedy**, and is looking forward to seeing **Mike Hobbs** and **Donald "Russ" Kranich** next month. Stan Selig also reported in, saying he's about to complete his first year with Williams Communications as a senior sales executive. He runs into **Jeff Jacobson** in Atlanta on a regular basis and recently participated in the local phona-thon, encouraging all of the Atlanta Class of '74 members to attend reunion. He enjoys living in high-growth "Hotlanta" with wife Susan and sons Alex and Corey.

Florence Higgins, DVM '81, is continuing as a relief veterinarian in the Rochester, NY, area. She got an obedience degree with her Belgian sheepdog, Allie, last spring and is starting to show her golden retriever, Dreyfuss, in utility level obedience. She and husband **John Lebens**, MBA '82, PhD '88, and kids Greg and Zack took a family vacation to Utah last spring, where she rediscovered her fear of heights. Also in upstate New York, **David Schiller** is at Pyramid Real Estate Brokerage in commercial sales and leasing, and was looking forward to the bar mitzvah of his youngest child in May (he has three). **Joel Weisblatt** moved his arbitration practice office from Princeton, NJ, up the road a little to Skillman. He, wife Joan, and sons Will and Bobby are thriving on school, travel, soccer, and hockey. Also in Princeton, **Robyn Berger Notterman**, BS Nurs '76, MD '83, is busy with her dermatology practice, and husband **Dan '73** is a molecular biologist and pre-med advisor at Princeton.

"Still alive and well," are the words from **Doug Foy** in Singapore, trying to survive the economic crisis in Southeast Asia. New son Alexander joined the family in 1997, and along with sister Lauren, 3, they keep the family young. **Cecilia Hermann** LeBeau says that kids Laura, 16, David, 13, and Christopher, 11, are all growing tall. Cece is still teaching piano and is involved in book groups and church. **Lee Tole Lopez** and husband **Genaro**, PhD '75, live in Brownsville, TX. Their 18-year-old son is a freshman at U. of Texas, Austin.

Northern Michigan is home to Lisa and **Richard Mogergerman**. Their kids, Josh, Jill, and Justin, six horses, three dogs, two cats, and assorted bunnies, ducks, hamsters, and a pet hedgehog live in Ludington, where Richard is in orthopedic surgery. **Andrew Needle** has

practiced law in Miami since 1977 and has been elected to the board of governors of the Florida Bar. **Karen Reamsnyder**, DVM '77, notes from Taunton, MA, that she attended a veterinary seminar in Italy last year and visited Rome, Florence, Sienna, Venice, Pisa, and Milan. She reports a recent truism learned: "Don't sweat the small stuff; it took me a lot of years to understand this!" Ob-gyn specialist **David B. Schwartz** happily reports that son **Jason T. '01** is in Arts and daughter Amy is a junior in high school. The Schwartzes have a winter home in Vail, but Dave also reports he has taken up scuba diving. **Phil Terzian** and wife Kay live in Cupertino, CA, and report their two teenage daughters perpetually push the envelope. Phil is an eight handicap golfer, and has learned that the older his kids get the more he enjoys golf.

In Santa Monica, CA, **Harris Tulchin** and wife Carla write to say that daughter Skyler turned 10 and got her ears pierced. And just to show he's in step with the current generation, Harris got his done, too. He attended a going away party for **Richard Ades** who came to Los Angeles with Harris in 1975 and left recently to work in Washington, DC, as a cabinet-level speechwriter. Cornell couple **Fred '76** and **Pam Lockwood Bassette** live in Honeoye Falls, NY. They have four kids, with the oldest, Daniel, in his second year of college. **Leslee Carver** is still living in Chicago and loves it there. She is a clinical nutrition manager at a local hospital. She hasn't been back to Cornell in way too long, and hopes to be back in June.

Gary Canter lives in Portland, ME, where he is an independent counselor/educational consultant working with high school students doing college and career planning. He recently met and married **Annegret Baier**, who is a well-known New England percussionist. **K. Shelly Porges**, MPS HA '77, is executive vice president, strategic marketing for the Money Store, a subsidiary of First Union Bank. She just completed a two-year study program as a Wexner Fellow. Son Stephen, 12, organized a two-school "Trick-or-Treat for Unicef" drive, raising over \$1,000. Shelly launched an e-commerce business for the company which will be a \$100MM-plus company in 1999.

Andrew Cohen is a professor of architecture at Roger Williams U. in Rhode Island.

Hospitality Sweet

ROBERTO WIRTH '75

At the top of Rome's Spanish Steps stands an ornate building that has hosted celebrities ranging from Napoleon's sister to Woody Allen. Roberto Wirth is the current owner of the 120-year-old Hassler Hotel, having inherited it from his father. Although hospitality is the family business, Wirth was deaf at birth and had to prove to his father that he could manage a hotel. He attended the American School for the Deaf and Gallaudet University before coming to the Hotel school. (He now reads lips in English, French, German, and Italian.) The Hassler, a 200-year-old palazzo, is rich with history; Mussolini once renamed it Villa Medici to give it a more Italian flair. "Our clients consider the Hassler their home away from home," he says. "We take great pride in giving our guests this human warmth, as it used to be in the old days."



—C. Mina Hochberg '00

He has owned an architectural practice in Boston for the last 18 years and has taught in the Czech Republic every-other summer for the last six years. He keeps up with squash, but reports his skills have declined from his Cornell days. **Victor** and **Alice Johnson Fornari** hail from Great Neck, NY, where Alice is working on her doctorate in education at Columbia, and is an associate professor of human ecology at Marymount College. Victor is associate chairman of the psychiatry department at North Shore U. Hospital, and an associate professor of clinical psychiatry at New York U. Son Eric is a freshman at Colgate, and daughters Amy and Marci are still in public school.

Marty Lesser reports that he and son **Lenny '01** became emergency medical technicians this year. They joined the local volunteer fire department and have been rescuing people day and night. It's been satisfying, and his wife says that it is either keeping him from, or is, his mid-life crisis. ♦ **Steve Raye**, 25 Litchfield Dr., Simsbury, CT 06070; e-mail, sraye321@aol.com.

75 As our friends from the Class of '74 are preparing for their 25th Reunion, it's hard to believe that ours is not far behind! If all goes well, I may see many classmates and other Cornellians at '74's reunion in June... like **Pam Hanna**, who resides in Ithaca with husband Greg Manzenski and sons Matt, 11, Mark, 9, and Joey, 4. Between youth hockey, school, and scouts, Pam found

time to start her own business with Longaberger baskets and home decor. She's flown to Paris with her mom and the three boys, and visited with Kappa sister **Deb Yelverton '74** and her husband, **John Schabowski '74**, MEE '75, at their new home in San Jose, CA.

News from my fellow Delta Gammas is abundant. **Christine Curran** Williams, who lives in Potomac, MD, is looking forward to Reunion in 2000. We're both planning to take our kids back to spark their interest in becoming Cornellians. **Karen Leung** Moore has surprised us all by settling into Lawrence, KS, with husband Jim and their two sports-minded children. Karen enjoys her position as a key buyer with Payless Shoes. **Diane Kopelman** VerSchure '74 has stayed as busy with her Cornell events as she has with her children's activities and her business. Daughter Keri is a member of the award-winning precision skating team which we saw on NBC's "Today Show" in January.

Elizabeth Levenback Shamir enjoys her job as an equity research analyst at PNC Bank in Philadelphia while raising three children in Ft. Washington, PA. Liz writes that she's met some fine prospects interviewing Cornell applicants, and is already visiting colleges with her 16-year-old. Is Cornell on the list?

Other news this month comes from all corners of the country. From Hawaii, **Karen Lennox** writes that she may return to the Mainland if the right job offer comes up. Mother of two growing boys, she's presently working in the field of managed health care. **Mark Stepich** relocated to Seattle after two

years on the French Riviera, where he advised the French company AMADEUS SARL, the world's largest airline CRS. Sounds like a wonderful assignment! He's now consulting on Microsoft Travel website, EXPEDIA.COM.

Ann Welge Schleppey has moved to Las Vegas, earned her social work license, and is working as a hospice social worker. She and her family have enjoyed hiking in Red Rock Canyon, Zion National Park, and Sedona, AZ... all of which are on my list of favorite destinations! **Randy** and **Ellen Perry Dole** also enjoy the mountain view from their home in Boulder, CO. Busy parents of two, Randy is director of Climate Diagnostics Center for NOAA, and Ellen is an attorney for HUD. Daughter Becca, 13, is the star of soccer and piano, while their son, Chris, 12, is interested in piano, Star Wars, and Legos. Do we see Cornell in their future?

In the Midwest, **Louise Holzer** Sullivan balances a career as chief financial officer with Mr. Detail Signs in Bettendorf, IA, with being a soccer mom, cruising with the family to the Bahamas, delivering Meals on Wheels, and high school activities with her teenaged daughter. **Andrew L. Giacomini** is currently completing a 20-year military career in the US Air Force, and is starting a business called BJA Capital which will be an alternative funding source for business. He also volunteers weekly at the Lansing State Prison in Kansas, and teaches high school religious education.

A full list of activities also seems to be the order of the day for **Amyra Weissberg** Henry. From Highland Park, IL, she writes that she serves as a clinical social worker for behavior-disordered children and adolescents, is an eating disorder specialist, a Hebrew school teacher, and does civil advocacy work, as well. **Laurie Clemente** Milnor is in Illinois, too, where she works with partners **Nancy Kiesendahl** Bloch '71 and Jana Love, offering hotel sales evaluations for such prominent lodging names as Marriott Hotels Resorts and Suites and Ritz Carlton. Laurie is also busy with civic activities, interviewing applicants with the Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and keeping up with her sports-minded children, Ashley, 15, Evan, 11, and Kendall, 9.

In St. Louis, **Jeff Craver** is medical director for Quest Diagnostics LLC and Pathology Consultants of America. Jeff and wife Anne will be visiting Cornell frequently during the next few years as their daughter, **Mary Pat '02**, entered the College of Arts and Sciences last fall. Jeff also serves on the board of the local Cornell Club. New to Missouri in March 1998, **John A. Maiale** BS Eng '76, and wife Robin live in Kansas City with sons Max, 3, and Adam, 1. **Gale Climenson** Walters '76 has found that her Cornell connections have helped her meet professionals in her chosen field of food technology, while the education was thorough and forward thinking. Gale started her career at the Geneva Agricultural Experiment Station, and she's been at Monsanto in Mt. Prospect, IL for the past 12 years.

Don't forget to send or e-mail your news

to the class correspondents. By the time this is printed, we'll have a new home in the Washington, DC, area, so call, write, or visit. ♦ **Joan A. Pease**, 6767 Blanche Dr., Lorton, VA 22079; **Karen DeMarco Boroff**, 49 Fuller Ave., Chatham, NJ 07928; e-mail, boroffka@shu.edu; **Mitch Frank**, 6613 Crenshaw Dr., Orlando, FL 32835; **Barbara Foote** Shingleton, 43 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108; tel., (617) 227-7374; (617) 227-1617; e-mail, bfshing@aol.com; **Amy Cohen** Banker, 50 E. 89th St., Apt. 24-D, NYC 10128; and **Deborah Gellman**, 330 E. 79th St., #8G, NYC 10021; e-mail, gellman@bloomberg.net.

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It was fun to get to know **Marcia Pechenik** McCraw Horwitz via e-mail last summer, when we were commiserating over—or perhaps celebrating—our daughters' learning to drive. Marcia's daughter, Julia, is a gymnast, and her ability to drive relieves Marcia of a 40-mile trip to the gym in Seattle when Julia is home for the summer. Son Clifton started this year at Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire. Marcia wrote last summer, "Though I stopped working when I moved to Seattle in 1993 (I had practiced law and then was an administrative law judge for the NY State Dept. of Labor), I have stayed incredibly busy with volunteer work. My husband, Larry Horwitz, and I just co-chaired a major fundraiser for the Pacific Science Center in Seattle and raised \$215,000 (net)! It was the first time we had worked together on a fundraiser and was a blast. It was a black-tie dinner—with an alien theme—for 700-plus people. We invited the mayor of Roswell, NM, and his wife as honorary guests . . ." At that time, Marcia was president-elect of the Junior League of Seattle and was planning numerous trips on behalf of that group, as well as a trip to China with Julia's gym team. As a former Asian studies major who speaks Mandarin Chinese, Marcia was looking forward to that trip.

Edward S. Kris now lives in Lake Worth, FL, where he is a physician in a pediatric practice. **Deidra D. Dain** and her husband, Michael Sottosanti, operate a management consulting and marketing business out of their home in Front Royal, VA. Among other things, they run workshops in primitive technology and are partners in the Center for Outdoor Learning and Enrichment, a firm that runs custom outdoor adventures. Deedee says, "Come see us!"

John L. "Jack" Bramkamp and wife Kathy live in San Dimas, CA, with daughters Amber, Megan, and Kelly. They enjoy camping, weekends at bed-and-breakfasts, and AYSO soccer. Jack is a top sales representative for Target Specialty Products, which distributes landscape, pest and weed control, fertilizer, and aquatic chemicals and related safety and spray equipment.

Per J. Ostman lives in York, PA, and is vice president of global marketing for the air conditioning and refrigeration company York International. He writes, "World travel has its

challenges, but I manage to balance this with a deep commitment to my family and make almost all of the important school shows, football and soccer games, and church and Boy Scout events for my sons Per and David." Per Jr. was a student ambassador to Australia and New Zealand, and has also traveled in Europe. Per Sr. reports that on a trip to London he visited with **Albert S. "Jeep" Trefts** and his family.

Twins Ethan and Alexa joined the household of **Steven L. Gillman** and his wife, Gillian, last year. Steve writes, "Needless to say, some serious adjustments are taking place within the family. On the day the twins came home, their sister, Makaela, (then 4) declared, 'I am not getting enough attention.'" For the past 18 years, Steve has practiced management-side labor and employment law with Fox and Grove in Chicago. E-mail him at Sgillman@foxandgrove.com. More twins in the news: The duo of Adam Edward and Annalise Catherine joined **Catherine F. Baldwin** and her husband Edward Kit on Jan. 25, '99. Everyone is doing well, and sister Cassandra, 3, has taken a proprietary interest. Catherine is on leave for a few months from the couple's Los Altos, CA, firm, Software Development Technologies.

Beatrice LaMontagne Boes and her husband, David, live in Ithaca, where she is accounting manager with the CBORD Group. David is an x-ray technician at Convenient Care, and they have Jacob, 10. **Robert B. Lefferts** and **Katherine L. Kuhn** moved to Portland, OR, in 1981 after Bob finished his graduate work at Stanford and Kathy completed law school at U. of California, Berkeley. Bob is a device physicist at Lattice Semiconductor. Kathy left law after 12 years and has become a ceramic artist, a career that they say is "much more workable than law when three kids are thrown in." As of last summer, Rebecca was 14, Matthew, 12, and Wesley, 9. All are great soccer players, and the older two play clarinet and trumpet, respectively. The family sounds blissfully ensconced in Oregon for good.

Also on the West Coast, **Gabino Valentin Jr.**, MEE '77, says that after three years in Seattle he is finally getting used to all the rain. Gabe is the manager for test engineering at Innova, which makes millimeter wave radios for telecommunication companies; the company went public in 1997. Daughter Caitlin, 16, is interested in pursuing a career in theater arts.

Bruce J. Wais lives closer to the old stomping grounds, in Lafayette, NY. He works at Lockheed Martin in Syracuse as an airborne surveillance radar program manager. Daughter Christine is in her senior year of high school; son Derrick is a freshman. **Brian S.** and **Elizabeth E. Johnson Behm** have moved from Ohio to Minnesota with Brian's new job as a division president for SPX Corp. They live in Fairbault, 50 minutes from downtown Minneapolis, and hope that any friends passing through will give them a call at (507) 334-2750.

If you're having trouble tracking down a classmate, **Nicholas Calise** is your man. His

company, Nixx Investigations and Claims Service, based in Farmingdale, NY, handles auto and casualty claims investigations and trial preparation. He says that he is adept at finding missing persons, but also deals with security and assault claims, liquor law, lead poisoning, activity checks, and surveillance. Nixx works with defense counsel in preparation for trial and serves New York City and all the surrounding counties and New Jersey. Nicholas and wife Virginia have daughters, Nikki and Jamie. Appropriately, Nicholas enjoys fishing.

Sen Chen, BS Eng '77, moved last year from Cleveland, OH, to Basking Ridge, NJ. She manages all marketing activities for Air Products and Chemicals in Allentown, PA, a \$300 million packaged-gas business. She has been with the same company since graduating from Cornell, in various engineering, sales, and marketing positions. Her husband, Teddy P. Chung, works for Avery-Dennison, and they have Austin, now 8, and Jessica, 10.

Anthony D. Lewis, a commercial real estate broker in Atlanta, GA, reports, "I am now 'less employed' as I sold my three restaurants at the end of 1997." Tony and wife Michelle were planning a trip to Europe with daughter Ashley, a junior at American U. in Washington, DC, and son David, a star tennis player who is a junior in high school. **Leslie E. Liebman** works part-time as a community health nurse for Family Care Certified Services in Hicksville, NY. Her husband, Marvin Bernfeld, is a commercial artist for a package design firm in Manhattan. Son Jason is 13, daughter Elyssa, 7. The family lives in Melville.

After 13 years of commuting an hour each way to work, **Dennis N. Shepitka** decided to move closer. Now you can find him in Espanola, Ont., Canada, where Dennis says there is always room for weary travelers. Dennis is a manager for loss prevention. He and his wife of 13 years, Cheryl Kennelly, have sons aged 11 and 9. **Deborah L. Heiman** became Deborah Black in October 1997, when she married Roger Black. In attendance were **Amira (Elkodosi)** and **Jonathan Goldsmith '77** and **Kathryn Tucker Strough '77**. Congratulations!

From Brooklyn, **Amy Lubow** Downs writes that she is the mother of sons Ian and Keith. She is married to Daniel Lane Downs, an art teacher and professional wedding photographer. ♦ **Pat Relf** Hanavan, 6301 Windling Lane, Richland, MI 49083; e-mail, rlf@aol.com.

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Hi, classmates! Sorry I missed the last issue, but somehow, time seemed to get away from me. In addition, there seems to be a singular lack of news coming my way. Although we are among the classes with the largest numbers of subscribers to *Cornell Magazine*, I've received very little mail. At this point, the only recent information I have comes from ten class dues forms, one press release, and a list from the university of classmates who attended Adult University (CAU). In January, **Gretchen Haupt Jacobson**, MD

'88, and husband **Stuart, PhD '81**, attended a CAU class called Nature Primeval: Inland and Coastal Borneo. You know what you like to read about your classmates; please add a tidbit about yourself the next time you pay your dues. For example, I'm sure we would all be fascinated by a description from Gretchen of her trip to Borneo. Or you can write to me at the address below or on-line at rudin@erols.com. (Using the latter, I can just cut and paste your news!) The forms I recently received did, however, have a fair amount of information.

Here it is: **Mike Dohr**, BA '78, writes that he enjoys his life in Riverside, CA, where he teaches social studies and English in a public high school. Even after 19 years, he still enjoys the challenges and rewards that come with teaching. Mike and his wife, Mak Nai, have daughters Karen, 13, and Allison, 11. Like kids everywhere, the girls are involved in a slew of activities. Mike corresponds with Dr. **Larry Skoczylas**.

Peter Halamek lives in Bellevue, WA, and works at Boeing's Commercial Space Co., as part of the Sea Launch Program. (Boy, I would love to hear more about that; Peter, please write and tell us about your job.) Peter's daughter Stephanie is in first grade and his son, 2, is growing up bilingual in English and German. Peter makes frequent business trips to Russia and the Ukraine.

In the US, moving East from the West Coast, **Cindy Morris** owns and operates a "blossoming" flower shop in Boulder, CO, called the European Flower Shop. Cindy started her business from her kitchen eight years ago and now she has a beautiful shop in an upscale shopping area, with a mountain view, of course, and she employs 12 people. Cindy describes her life as peaceful and full of the magnificence of the Rocky Mountains. She says, "I feel content from extending to my staff and clientele my love of flowers, my flair for seeing beauty, and my understanding of the healing power of flowers." Cindy has won design competitions and is looking forward to extending her work in aromatherapy. Cindy says she was inspired by Prof. **Robert G. Mower '56**, PhD '61 (floriculture and ornamental horticulture). Cindy's interests are in the faerie realm, astrology, channeling, and intergalactic communication. Cindy is still close with her former Triphammer Road roommate, **Ginny Shulman**, but is looking for news from **R. J. "Jeff" Clinton** and **Bruce Schafer**, MBA '79. Well, Cindy, the fates are with you, for what should come in the same mailbag as your note, but word from Bruce Schafer! He lives in Maplewood, NJ, and summarized 1998 as having been a fabulous year with his wife and daughters, a good year for his work with ADP, and a less than ideal year with other aspects of his personal life. The Schafer family did have some great vacation travel—to Charleston, SC; Puerto Rico; San Diego, CA; and Maine. Bruce's main "hobby" is spending as much time as possible with his 3-1/2-year-old twin daughters. His "dormant" hobby is collecting ancient Roman coins. He has a wide range of coins that are more than 1,700 years old de-

pecting (what else?) twins Romulus and Remus.

Robert and **Helane Ansis Kipnees** live fairly close to the Schafers, in N. Caldwell, NJ. Rob is a partner in Greenbaum Rowe Smith, a law firm in Woodbridge, NJ. He specializes in white collar criminal defense. Helane is an attorney at Lasser, Hochman in Roseland, NJ, specializing in real estate transactions. They have children Josh, 14, Gabriel, 10, and Shira, 6. **Brenda Jacobs** is also a lawyer, plugging away at Powell, Goldstein in Virginia, representing clothing importers and foreign governments on trade policy issues. Brenda's work causes her to travel a bit. She has also been writing a lot of trade law and customs law articles for magazines geared to clothing manufacturers. Brenda writes a bi-monthly column called "Trade View" for *Bobbin* magazine and has written feature articles for *Textile Asia*, *ATA (Asia Textile & Apparel) Journal* and *China Textile and Apparel*. Brenda lives in McLean, VA. **Susan Seidler** Chambers is a partner in Carmody & Torrance, a law firm in New Haven and Waterbury, CT. She specializes in construction and employment litigation. Susan's two sons are avid lacrosse players, so it was with great pride that she was able to point out the name of Cornell's own **Eamon McEneaney**, BS Ag '78, when they visited the Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

Martha Sokol McCarty was elected for a third term as a trustee for the Village of Mamaroneck (NY), where she lives with husband Jim and children Matthew, 12, Joanna, 10, and Michael, 6. Martha stays in contact with **O'Myra Miller** Petroccino and **Karen Spiegel** Tashjian, BArch '81. O'Myra lives in Bayport, NY, and Karen lives in E. Concord, NY.

Mark Loo, MEd '81, describes himself as possibly the only representative of the Class of '77 still at New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center. His specialty is urology with an interest in diseases of the prostate. Mark lives in Scarsdale, NY, and has children, 10 and 5. **Christine Teel** Hall has a business-to-business marketing consulting business that bears her name. Her card describes Chris Hall & Associates as providing tactical marketing services, consulting in direct marketing programs, new product introduction campaigns, and customer retention and prospecting programs. Chris and marathoner husband Doug enjoy living on Boston's South Shore. They and daughters Jacqueline (musician and athlete) and Greta (comedian and athlete) summer on the Cape and ski during the winter.

Finally, the last item I've received of late is a press release from World Color, announcing the promotion of **Marc L. Reisch**, MBA '78, to the company presidency. World Color is headquartered in Greenwich, CT, and manages and distributes print and digital information. In his new position, Marc is responsible for managing World Color's sales and manufacturing operations as well as the MIS and mergers and acquisitions groups. Marc began his career as a CPA with Arthur Andersen. Marc lives in Chappaqua, NY, with his wife and daughter. ♦ **Lorrie Panzer** Rudin, 14833 Botany Way, N. Potomac, MD 20878; e-mail, rudin@erols.com.



Looking back, it's hard to believe that it is almost a year since our 20th Reunion. Remember all those classmates you were so excited to see and promised that you'd never lose touch with again? Do you, too, have scraps of names with e-mail addresses piled in a corner of your desk with a post-it note that says, "When I have free time?"

Well, it's time to get in touch with your class correspondents as well—and I apologize for the slightly stale news. **April Fischer** Kates writes from Prairie Village, KS, that she is a "24-hour-on-call child psychologist, cook, janitor, art teacher, playground monitor, laundress, and nurse (and that's just for my husband! ha!ha!)." She has two young children who are 22 months apart and comments that maybe a full-time job would be easier. **Elizabeth Figueroa** is a pediatrician in Greenville, NC, who has also decided to stay home and raise her family. She has an older son, Matthew, and twin boys, Nicholas and Jacob, who were born in June 1996. **Linda Beir** Goslin says she is a happily married mother of two daughters living in Brewster, NY. She left IBM after 15 years to become a full-time mother and part-time business manager for her husband's television production company.

Walter Milani writes from New Hampton, NY, that he managed the 50th Anniversary Tour of *Annie Get Your Gun* and then played Detective Shrank in the new national tour of *West Side Story*. **Richard Ranard** and **Ellen (Scheinberg) '80** live in Great Falls, VA, with their two boys. Richard is a gastroenterologist and Ellen is general counsel to a high tech company.

In other parts of the world, **Michael Cook** lives in Singapore with his wife and younger son. He is director, Biocide Asia. His major challenge is building Olin's first plant in China, near Shanghai. **Adnan Tuncel**, MEE '80, lives in Istanbul, Turkey with his mother. He had been living in Ithaca until 1996. **Mark Schlagenhauf** is still working as a petroleum engineer in Siberia. (Yes, Siberia; last winter the temperature got down to 50 degrees below zero!) After 17 years with the US Environmental Protection Agency, **Marcie Kleban** Eskin, of Evanston, IL, resigned from her position and returned to school to get her master's degree in library and information science. She confesses that it wasn't easy getting back into coursework and studying after 19 years and three children, but she finds it exciting. Marcie says husband Rick has been a great support to her in her decision to "start over" at age 40.

Jane Fishman, DVM '82, works for a medical cable network, America's Health Network, as its "veterinarian talent." She hosts a live, two-hour daily television show on veterinary medicine. For this opportunity, she left her seven-acre home, with a new house, barn, horses, and goldfish in Maryland to move to Orlando. She has been married 12 years "to a very understanding man," has a daughter, has written three books on animal care, and still can't figure out what aspects of veterinary medicine she likes best. **Anne Sierk** lives with her husband, daughter, and son in Shaker

Heights, OH, where she is in a full-time practice of general pathology.

George M. Timm and **Florence** “Rennie” (**Hirschberg**) and sons Adam and Jacob live in an antique cape on seven acres in Hancock, NH, with a large barn and a babbling brook. Rennie has been teaching sixth grade and George has been teaching the horticulture program in nearby Keene. They also started their own wholesale nursery. Comments George, “Nothing like going into your own business (especially farming) to learn what work is really like!”

As for me, in addition to running my own marketing firm in Phoenix, I’ve started up an Internet-based travel company (no money, great perks!). My husband, Mike, and I have been consumed with raising our three daughters—and then, just when there was a little breathing space, we got a little Bichon puppy who is fighting training with every ounce of his little three-pound body. Life is never dull, right? Please write to either of us with your news! ♦ **Eileen Brill Wagner**, 4649 W. Carla Vista Dr., Chandler, AZ 85226; e-mail, brillcon@aol.com; **Pepi F. Leids**, 7021 Boot Jack Rd., Bath, NY 14810; e-mail, pleids@aol.com.

REUNION

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As you read this column there is still a month left to make those reunion plans. Just think of it—Ithaca, NY, in good weather and with no other obligations but to have a good time. That sounds like something I always yearned for in the years that I was a student. I’m still holding a glimmer of hope that I’ll be attending as I write this column in February. Please sign up! If you haven’t received your reunion registration information or you’ve misplaced it, call Alumni House at (607) 255-7085 or send e-mail to dq11@cornell.edu. I hope to see lots of friendly faces there.

Henry A. Schiemann, ME EE ’80, MS ’84, writes from Wollstadt, Germany, that he hopes reunion will be an international event this year. He is planning to attend and would like to see other classmates that live abroad. Henry is the regional director for Europe of the Cornell Society of Engineers (CSE). He had the opportunity to have dinner with John Hopcroft, Dean of Engineering, last fall in Frankfurt, Germany. His objective is to strengthen the links between the CSE and the university. Henry is active with Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) activities in Europe, as well.

Also living in Germany for the past nine years is **Katherine** “Kay” **Stone**. She and her German husband have bilingual daughters, 6 and 3. Kay is writing computer manuals in English for a German company and teaching two English classes. In the summer, the family enjoys spending their free time riding their bikes on the extensive German bicycle network. She invites anyone who is near Cologne or Aachen to get in touch with her.

Laura K. (Hitt) and **Tim McCann** live in Thonex, Switzerland, where Tim is the marketing director for Europe of a group within DuPont. Laura has been working at the

World Health Organization for a year. The McCanns met **Celeste Sant’Angelo** ’80 in Milan, Italy, last spring. They also saw **Andrea (Holtzman)** and **Tod Drucker** over the summer. They are always happy to see friends and can provide a warm welcome to Cornellians in Switzerland.

Elizabeth “Libby” **Hoffman** Liebshutz writes that she and her family moved to Wellington, New Zealand, for eight months in January 1999. Her husband, David, was awarded an Ian Axford Fellowship to conduct public policy research in New Zealand. Their

daughters, Jennifer and Rebecca, are attending fourth grade and kindergarten in New Zealand. Libby hopes to pick up some work relating to electric utility deregulation since New Zealand just restructured its electric industry. She had previously worked on the NY Public Service Commission.

Robert Geffen, wife Yaffa, and children Idan, 8, and Aynat, 7, live in a new home in Israel. He is the chief agronomist for a seed company and his wife does custom sewing. They just returned from a five-day boat trek exploring the “lost city” of Petra in Jordan.

Closer to home, **Stephen C. Komor** reports that he has been appointed courtesy visiting professor at Cornell in the Center for the Environment. He is back in Ithaca after 18 years in Houston, TX, Bismarck, ND, Shoreview, MN, and Madison, WI. Stephen is divorced and has children, Anna, 10, Laura, 7, and Ben, 5. **Tom Cavataio** lives in Freeville, NY, with wife Lisa. He is a procurement specialist at Borg Warner Automotive.

Also in Freeville, NY, is **Andrea Simitch**. She is in a private architecture practice in Ithaca with her husband, **Val Warke** ’76, BArch ’77. They have children Eva, 8, and Dax, 5. In addition to their private practice, Andrea and Val are associate professors of architecture at Cornell. They will miss reunion this year because they will be traveling in Portugal, Spain, and France with 25 architecture students from May to July. They stay in touch with **Gianne Conard**, who is an architect in Philadelphia, **Rustom Cowasjee**, BArch ’80, who is senior vice president for London and Leeds Development Corp., and **Gary Handel** ’77, BArch ’79, the owner of Gary E. Handel Architects in New York City.

Margaret Raskopf Dodd writes that she is a frequent visitor to campus these days. Her son **Christopher Dodd** ’01 is studying astronomy. Daughter Catherine was to graduate from high school this May. Margaret lives in Aurora, IL, where she is employed as a cast member at The Disney Store.

Doug, ME CH ’80, and **Jan Reiser**

Nafis live in Mount Prospect, IL, with daughters Debi, 11, and Heidi, 7. Doug has spent 20 years at UOP, where he is a specialist in the hydrocracking and black oils area. He works with **Dave Lee** ’77, who just moved into a new house in Schaumburg, IL. Dave works in UOP’s refinery projects and services group. In his spare time, Doug enjoys coaching soccer and directing youth choir. Jan is busy as a Girl Scout leader, school volunteer, and PADS volunteer.

Another full-time mom is **Nancy McCarthy Klatt**. She lives in Middlebury, IN,

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— GEORGE TIMM ’78

with husband Larry and daughters Devin, 12, and Brianna, 9. She fills her time with volunteer commitments to Little League, Girl Scouts, and both daughters’ schools.

Cindy Cairns Pompelia and her husband, Mick, have kept busy with children Stephanie, 13, Andy, 10, Amy, 9, and Emily, 6. Cindy has recently earned her secondary education certification in math and chemistry, and is a high school math teacher in Ligonier, PA. She writes that she was saddened by the death of classmate **Valerie Jelich** O’Toole. Valerie passed away on Oct. 15, ’98 in Chester NH, after fighting a courageous battle against breast cancer.

Another teacher in our ranks is **Amy Fishelson Harned**. She teaches elementary school in Orlando, FL. She and husband **Fred** ’77 just celebrated their 18th anniversary. They are parents to children Greg, 15, Zach, 13, and Serina, 7, who was adopted from Bulgaria at age 3. Amy keeps in touch with **Derek Lent**, **Eddie Einhart**, and **Leslie Lewit**.

Spending the winter in Florida has become routine for **Terri Noyes**. She has a house in Longboat Key and a business in Hyannis, on Cape Cod, MA. She loves owning a seasonal motel. It gives her the opportunity to travel in the off-season, mostly in Europe, when not at home in Florida.

Another classmate who enjoys the hospitality industry is **Charlie Wilfong**, BS Hotel ’87. He writes that he is running a private city club, called the Metropolitan Club, in Cincinnati, OH. He has been married for 18 years to wife Linda, a Wells College graduate. Linda represents AuPair USA as a local coordinator and education director who places au pairs with families. They have children Katie, 14, Libet, 11, and William, 8 (Bear).

Patrick E. Culligan is the president of the Hospitality Consulting Group Inc. in Germantown, TN. He is married to Barbara, a U. of Pennsylvania graduate. The Culligans have children Patrick, 13, Cailan, 12, and Libby, 8. They also have two horses, four dogs, a cat, and a couple of newts.

Cindy Estis Green is doing marketing consulting for the hospitality industry in Potomac, MD. She is senior vice president with Business Intelligence there. Prior to this move, she had her own business, Driving

children Brian and Elizabeth. **Roberta Walter** Goodman e-mails, "On the professional side, I have been a managing director and equity analyst covering the managed care industry for Merrill Lynch since September

PhD '90, who has been promoted to associate professor of political science at Hofstra U., where she is currently editing a volume on the presidency of George Bush, and **Erica Rubinstein**—Leon who is an adjunct professor of nutrition at Westchester Community College. She started a nutrition consulting practice last year specializing in weight control and sports nutrition. Husband Jay Leon is vice president of research for Tribune Entertainment Co. in NYC. Son Robby, 6, is an avid computer whiz and is into swimming while daughter Rebecca, 3, loves gymnastics.

Nancy Brass e-mailed, "Nothing earth-shattering in my life, really. Finally met up with **Doug Couleur '79** at Enchanted Tower last summer. He seems like he's doing pretty well. I was working (as a family practice physician) for a big multispecialty clinic in Tucson for the last two years. The parent company declared bankruptcy and closed the clinic with a few weeks notice. I ended up going into solo private practice on Sept. 1, '98, so that's been keeping me busy. So far, it's going well. My airedale dog, Angus, turned 3 years old on February 6. Looking forward to reunion. Will it be safe to fly to Ithaca by the time June arrives with all the Y2K fiasco predicted? Just kidding."

Karen Stanton Clark says, "We moved to Rochester (it ain't New York), MN, because **Matt** got a great new job at the Mayo Clinic. He is happy, the kids—Lara, 12, Tim, 10, and Shannon, 8,—are happy and I am trying. I actually miss my little part-time job at Brown U.'s career services offices, where I worked with **E. L. "Betsy" Butler '89**. I used to love to tell students that I graduated in the 1980s, like Betsy. I also miss **Margaret "Digit" Degidio-Murphy '83**, coach of the Brown U. women's ice hockey team and a former teammate of mine. Matt actually served as the team's academic advisor last year, so we went to a lot of games. We hope to make it to the Brown and Cornell games at the U. of Minnesota later this month. We keep in touch with **Doug Henderson** and his family. We've been getting together with the Henderson clan for Memorial Day weekends for the past several years. Don't know where we'll meet this year, but Doug says he'd rather drive to Minnesota than ever again in his life to Rhode Island! I also keep in touch with my old roommate **Mary Whiting** Puckett, who is living in San Antonio with her charming husband, Jeff. They are really active—always off wind-surfing, skiing, scuba diving, or something."

Finally, and most fun for me, was what I thought was the perfect escape from my 40th birthday. On the weekend of November 13-14 (yes, I turned 40 on Friday the 13th!), we traveled to Lenox, MA, for the wedding of my freshman roommate and good friend, **Reggie Durden**, BS ILR '83, to his lovely wife, Deb. I can't imagine anyone who does not know Reggie. He was a fixture at so many places at Cornell, sometimes simultaneously! Besides practically putting The Connection out of business with his Friday Happy Hour popcorn consumption, Reggie was a star hurdler for the Big Red, a 150's football player, and an intra-

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— BETSY SILVERFINE '81

Revenue, in Dallas, TX. After eight years of ownership, she sold the business to Pegasus Systems. Cindy plans to come back to reunion this year with her three children, ages 2, 4, and 7.

In Arlington, VA, **Lloyd J. Goldstein** is the senior leasing director for the Mills Corp. The company is a developer of destination retail and entertainment shopping centers throughout the US. Lloyd lives in Gaithersburg, MD, with his wife and children Hallie, 4, and twins Max and Samantha, 1.

In closing, I hope to see you at reunion next month. Continue to send your news via mail or by using the class e-mail address, CU79@aol.com. The Class of '79's World Wide Web page can be accessed through <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1979>. ♦ **Kathleen Zappia** Gould, 912 Meadowcreek Dr., Richmond, VA 23236; **Cindy Ahlgren** Shea, Cattle Walk, PO Box 1413, E. Hampton, NY 11937.

80 It's been two years since we switched from ten issues per year to a bimonthly production for *Cornell Magazine*. What I like best is the less frequent columns to write, but the problem is also that it may be next reunion before some of the "old" news makes it in. To avoid having some folks reporting news at Reunion 2000 before it gets into the column, I'll begin here with some older stuff.

First, and probably most thoughtful, is a note from **Fred Burmann**, BS Eng '83. It probably reflects, with a few modifications, what a lot of us have experienced. Fred writes, "I've been things and seen places throughout the years, traveling an irregular career path and a variegated life road. I settled in the Capital District of New York about ten years ago and stayed because I found a gentle, nurturing environment. I remember Cornell fondly because of the profound changes its wondrous people effected in me. I came to Cornell, at 30, on a 'crash and burn' course in life. I left staggered by all I had learned about myself, about life, and even a little bit about engineering. Thank you all!" And thank you, Fred.

Douglas Waterman changed jobs about a year ago to Shur-Gain USA out of Syracuse and is the director of technical services. He still flies all over the country. **David Sprague**, BA '83, is a licensed psychologist in private practice in Webster, NY. He and wife Diane have

1997, a challenging and rewarding career. I had previously been a vice president in the Goldman Sachs equity research department for seven years. On the personal side, I was married Jan. 17, '99, to Lenn E. Goodman, a professor of philosophy at Vanderbilt U. in Nashville, TN. I have also gained a wonderful new family: Lenn's two daughters, their husbands, and their three sons (with another child on the way). Along with my two cats, we will be living in Nashville (my hometown, which I left 23 years ago to attend Cornell!). I sold my Manhattan apartment and I have started life as a telecommuter (continuing to work for Merrill Lynch). So far, the wonders of modern technology are working amazingly well and I feel like I am truly entering the 21st century in the right spirit!"

Diane Henke Drenkard has been with IBM for 14 years. She is currently with IBM Credit Corp. and about to move her office for the third time in four years. Distance from work is facilitated by telecommuting from home as many as four days per week. Her kids dominate the schedule these days. Elizabeth plays piano, flute, and softball; Adam plays piano and baseball; and Caroline plays all the time—she is nonstop activity. Husband **Hans '81** is completing his second year as a high school physics teacher after 15 years of engineering.

In various forms of newsprint and journalism are three classmates. **Audrey Dolar Tejada**, BA '82, has finished a nine-month term as the 1998 Hearst Fellow in Broadcast Journalism. She's currently training at WCVB, the Boston ABC affiliate. Previously, she had interned at ABC's World News Tonight in NYC and had worked at CNN in Atlanta. She and husband **Joseph Yu**, a consultant at Lotus/IBM, hope to relocate to New York City in the near future. **John B. Kendrick** recently became editorial director of On Target Media in Washington, DC. He and wife Emily, along with kids Chelsea and Wesley, are enjoying getting to know the nation's capital and their new home in Bethesda, MD. **Walter Peek** merged his newsprint brokerage business into Brown Paper Co. of Greenwich, CT. He and **Howard Seibel** attended the marriage of **Randall Scott**. Walter also won his third club championship in golf at Wykagyl Country Club in New Rochelle, home of the JAL Big Apple Classic of the LPGA.

Two in education are **Leslie Feldman**,

mural player for every other sport. Probably though, Reggie was most well known for attending every, and I mean every, fraternity and sorority party on campus. You see, by joining no fraternity, Reggie joined all fraternities. It was great to get North for a real Yankee wedding, the festivities for which went on for three days. Also in attendance from the Class of '80 was fellow U-Hall 2er **Denise Dodero**, BA '81. Other Cornellians included best man **Leo Naioti '81**, **Glenn Herman '81**, **Jim Feinson '81** and wife **Lyn (Marchessault) '83**, **Steve Romocki '81** and wife **Julie Mersereau '81**, Deb's cousin **Paul Skudder, MD '79**, and Reg's sister **Rebecca Durden, JD '88**.

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Here we are again in the beautiful spring of 1999! This winter turned out not to be so bad after all. (I can say that, living in NYC; if you're living in other parts of the country—or the world—El Nina might have played a little more havoc with you!)

Yes, once again I ran the New York City Marathon (26.2 miles) in November 1998 to raise money for multiple sclerosis in honor of my dad. I set a record-breaker in both arenas—I ran a personal best of 3:46:13 and raised more money than I ever imagined—more than \$20,000. And I MUST thank many of you! You answered my note and I treasured the warm cards and thoughts from you. A big hug and thanks to: **Rebecca Tayne**, **Bill Dunbar**, **Larry Firestone**, **Wendy Rosenthal Gellman**, **Robin Rosenberg Segall**, **Steven Ritchey**, **Diane Gnagnarelli**, **Ken Johnson**, **Beth Portnoi Shaw**, **Nancy Haas**, **John T. Hartman**, **Kathy Philbin LaShoto**, **Susan Levitt**, **Sheryl Eisenstein Lewis**, **Lisa Nilsson Gabler**, **Don O'Connor**, **Steven Plump**, **Marilyn Troutman Sugarman**, **Kenny Unger**, **Audrey Haddad Perrotti**, **Sandi Goldstein Karlin**, **Sondi Johnson**, BS HE '82, **Jim Hauslein**, MBA '84, **Rhonda Eisner Batt**, **Ed Berlin**, **Steven Barre**, **Fred L. Cohen**, **Patti Cohen**, **Sheryl Cohn Chiasson**, **Nancy McDonald Cousins**, **Michael Danzi**, **Doug Berk**, **Paula Kaplan Reiss**, **Jeffrey D. Klein '80**, MBA '82, **Gretchen Knoell**, **Theresa Kronik Wrobel**, **Fran Hoffinger**, **Martha Heagerty**, **Joyce Blum Mortner**, **Scott Schiller**, **Barb Amoscato**, **Karen Levine Whitman**, **Cathy Barto**, **Bert** and **Karen Prescott Dalby**, **Marty Jacobsen**, **Steve Silverstein**, **Amy Levinson Brener**, as well as at least 25 more Cornellians of other earlier and later classes. Both my dad and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Anyone else who cares to donate can still do it (through September 1999).

I also attended the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in January at the Grand

Hyatt and was joined by fellow class officers Steven D. Ritchey, Fred Cohen, Robin Rosenberg Segall, Wendy Rosenthal Gellman, and Heidi Fleischman. It was really great to see everyone again! **John Dunn '01** received Class of '81 Memorial Cornell Tradition Fellowship. He is a student in ILR. We had a class event at the Big Apple Circus's production "Happy On" at Lincoln Center, on Sat., Nov. 21, '98. Look who you missed: **Ed Baum**, **Diane Berney Gluck**, **Jessica Weill Bibliowicz**, **Lida Greenberg Exstein**, **Michael Troy**, **Terry Levin, MD '85**, and family (she had a fourth child!), **Robin Rosenberg**, **Marci Shapiro Silbert**, **Wendy Rosenthal Gellman**, and **Carol Geiger Wank, MS ILR '92**. Everyone had a wonderful time!

On other notes, **Bob Panzer** lives in Maplewood, NJ, with his kids. He is happy going to work, coming home, and hanging out with the kids. My how times have changed! **Theresa Crisafulli Kratschmer** moved to Somers, NY. **Rhea Floersheimer** Kaston moved to Holmdel, NJ, too, with her family. **Ellen Rosaschi** Linares moved to Charlotte, NC, and had a daughter, Anna, in August. **Eric Schaufert** returned to his home state of Pennsylvania from Lynchburg, VA. **Regina Rouso** moved from Cincinnati to Philadelphia to take the position of director of university housing at Temple U. Can't stay away from that college setting! **Beth Brodsky** married Amir Shaviv in October. We wish you the very best! The '81ers are certainly very busy these days.

On the baby front, **Linda Schechter** Giove had a baby boy in January who joins two sisters! **Terry Levin** Miller had a baby boy, London. London joins three others! **Cheryl Adler** Natbony had a daughter Emily Jennifer. She joins her three siblings! **Solange Cohen** and **Ely Bar-Ness** had a son, Jonathan! He is absolutely adorable. On an older note, **David Friehling's** son had his bar mitzvah. Guests included **Jay Friehling '76**, **Fred Leffler '73** and **Marge (Dember) '73**, **Rich Levin '71**, **Eric Alderman** and **Liz (Meller) '83**, and **Lorraine Aronowitz '82**.

Marci Shapiro Silbert moved to Short Hills, NJ, from Sydney Australia. She has been married for four years and has two girls. We're happy to have you back in the States with us, mate! On new career notes, **Amy Croudo-Fox** is now an office manager at an ob/gyn practice and lives in Verona, NJ. **Lynn Ciolino** Boyajian was promoted to Counsel at the law firm of Sharley & Fisher, PC in Morristown, NJ. **Susan Feinstein** Steinberg lives in Millburn, NJ, with her toddler, Sara. She sees **Susan Wasserman** Guerin '83, **Debbie Kottick** Abrams '84, and **Sivonne Hermann** Altschuler '88 at their local monthly working mothers' group meetings.

Anthony Boyadjis, JD '84, is enjoying raising his twin girls and says that he is still running after all these years. (Ready for a marathon? Or just running after the kids?) He shares a law practice with **Jeffrey S. Kluger, JD '84**.

Adult University (CAU) has certainly attracted many classmates: **Tamara Baker** attended the Swimmer's Clinic; **Meg Dillon**

Cooper, Natural Life in the Finger Lakes; **Karen Evert**, Ornithology; **Robert Hanss**, Hawaii; **Ginger Hardwick Lapidus**, Outdoor Skills; and **Meryl Lipton** Sitver, Tennis. I know that each of you had a fabulous time!

On the award front, **Joshua Fried** was the grand prize winner, Danish Broadcasting's Competition In Sound II. Wow! Kudos to you! **Richard Gibney** is president of Gibney Design Group Inc. and lives in Wading River, NY. He tells us that **Dave Golebiewski** received the Connecticut State Bungee Jumping Award! That's something that we can all "hang on to!"

Adam Petriella saw his buddies, **Peer Munck** and **Jennifer (Schachner) '83** at his 40th birthday party! He reports that they're doing great! Adam continues the national expansion of his Investment Services into the New York metro area.

The class wholeheartedly extends its deepest condolences to **Kathleen (Cullen)** on the loss of her husband, **Dean Harwood**, and to Virginia "Ginger" (Hardwick) on the loss of husband **Steven Lapidus**. Our deepest thoughts and warmest words to all of you.

Let us hear from you via e-mail, phone, even snail mail! WE LOVE NEWS! ♦ **Betsy S. Silverfine**, 1601 Third Ave., #4E, NYC 10128-3452; tel., (212) 534-3922; e-mail, runbets@aol.com; **Kathy Philbin LaShoto**, 114 Harrington Rd., Waltham, MA 02454; tel., (781) 899-5431; e-mail, KPL3853@aol.com; and **Jennifer Read** Campbell, 14824 Hunting Path Pl., Centreville, VA 20120; e-mail, RonJenCam@aol.com.

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Greetings from Arizona, where it's a beautiful spring day and it smells like orange blossoms everywhere. I hope you have all seen our original class newsletter, dreamed up by your class officers but created by YOU. This newsletter will give us more space to do in-depth classmate profiles, so if you have an interesting avocation, hobby, classmate reunion tradition, please let me know. We'll keep a list for future feature interviews.

Not too long ago, I planned an adventurous weekend with my 3-year-old nephew, included swimming, the IMAX theater, Batman waffles, and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. When we arrived back home, and his father asked him how his visit was, with hands on hips, he answered, "Your SISTER has an external modem . . . and she says YOURS is INTERNAL." That was when I realized that I am of the generation that wrote term papers without PCs . . . and that I am indeed pushing 40! Which brings me to my next question for all of you: What reminds you of this upcoming birthday? What do your kids do that definitely sets you apart? What do you catch yourself doing that you swore you never would? We'd love your anecdotes, as they will spice up this column and give the classes behind us something to anticipate.

Be sure to stay in contact with us via e-mail, as did **Loren Susser** (SusserL@corpore.nylcare.com). She writes, "After receiving my MBA in health care administration, I left

Mt. Sinai Medical Center in New York City, where I worked as a hospital administrator. I now work as a consultant for the Medicare risk and disease management programs in the Wall Street office of New York Life Insurance Co. (NYLCare Health Plans.) I work with **Tricia Kallett**, who is assistant general counsel. I also regularly see former roommates **Margie Grodd**, **Judy Silpe**, **Andrea Plattner**, and **Helen Presser**. **John Pisacane** (JMPDMD@aol.com) e-mails, "After a lengthy engagement, I finally coerced Teresa Newell into marrying me. Between us we have three children. Last year I moved my dental practice to a wonderful neighborhood in San Jose, CA, doing most of the renovation on the new office space myself. I was recently named editor of the Santa Clara County Dental Society newsletter and sit on the board of directors.

Mark Crovella (crovella@bu.edu) and wife **Linda (Harris)** (crovella@mediaone.net) welcomed twins in June 1998. Mark is assistant of computer science at Boston U., and Linda is a field attorney with the National Labor Relations Board in Boston. From Arthur Andersen comes the announcement that **Thomas R. Bruckel** has been admitted to the partnership, and is a key member of the firm's corporate and individual tax consulting practice. He is currently living in Avon, NY. **Elizabeth Wootan** (elizabeth_wootan@JH.com) still works as assistant vice president at J & H Marsh & McLennan in NYC. **Linda Guzylak** is sales director at the famous Phoenician resort here in Phoenix.

Dr. Whoopie? Yes, he was one of us, known officially as **Mark Stenzler**, this classmate recently joined The Fantastic Corp. as manager, professional services group. He lives in Greifensee, Switzerland (I wonder how you say "Whoopie" in German?), and can be reached at mark.stenzler@fantastic.ch. Mark also helped us locate lost classmate Shahin Kahn (**Hassan Khanmohammadbaigi**), who is working for Sun Microsystems in Beaverton, OR.

Thanks to **Susan Spira** Hakkarainen, MEE '83, in Bethlehem, PA, we learned that **Peter Poole** is in Alberta, Canada. **Kelly Terk Alexander**, in Gainesville, FL, linked us with **Peter Gelber** in Bell, FL. **Keith Forman**, BS Eng '83, in Glenwood, IA, helped us find **Andre Proulx**, BS Ag '84, in Orleans, Ont., Canada. We still have a long list of "lost" classmates. Here are a few names from the list to stretch the memory capacity of those old late-30-something brains and get us all reconnected: **Jacqueline Mc Donnell** Bangs, MBA '84, **Kyung-Duk Chae**, **Fabio DeSimone**, **Nancy Gibson**, **Rafael Hirschfeld**, **Derek Knorr**, **Samhara Martinez**, **John Ngai**, **Julia Porter**, and **Daniel Silver**.

Just a note, if you have lost touch with a classmate, please let us know. We can check the "flat list" and help you get in touch. And don't forget, the more you all write, the more we get to write! Just a few minutes gets you in touch with the pulse of '82. We are all doing some interesting things; please think of sharing some of them with us. ♦ **Monika Woolsey**, PO Box 11985, Glendale, AZ 85318-1985; e-

mail, azmoni@aol.com; and **Donna DeSilva**, 2719 Lorcom Lane, Arlington, VA 22207; e-mail, rjodmd@erols.com.



At the end of January, Scott and I attended the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting in New York City. It was a great opportunity to meet and strengthen our class organization as a primary source of information about Cornell for alumni. We met with Class President **Ellen Bobka**, Vice President **Lisa Esposito** Kok, Secretary **Sean Hennessey**, and Reunion Chairs **Jim Neville** and **Dave Tralka**. Be sure to check out our class website at www.classof83.cornell.edu.

Moving on to class news, we recently received several descriptive e-mail updates from classmates. **Judi Binderman**, MD, writes that she is back in school, full-time, pursuing an MBA and MHSA (master's degree in health services administration) at Arizona State U. She works part-time as a gynecologist at the Student Health Center, which she says helps maintain her sanity. Judi wants to help other physicians learn to run their offices more effectively and efficiently while maintaining quality of care for patients. She intends to pursue health care consulting and is looking for summer internships with one of the "Big Five" consulting firms.

Steven, MBA '87, and **Katharine "Kit" Palmer Antinozzi**, MBA '87, have lived in Burlington, VT, for ten years. Kit is at home full-time with son Leo Rocco Antinozzi, 3. She studies watercolor painting and takes an occasional class at the U. of Vermont. Kit finds it fascinating to talk with college-age students to see what they are doing and thinking. "In some ways, today's college students are very different than we were. Grunge is a far cry from preppy-ness, but they also think much more about the environment and have some different social considerations than we did. Of course much is the same, although I don't remember too many Cornell students driving BMWs or LandRovers in our day, and we have some here at UVM." Kit is in touch with **Lyle Mayne Owens**, who is married to **Gregory '84**. The Owenses moved to Wayne, NJ, in November 1998. Lyle is home with her children, Gregory, Charlie, and Christina.

Kevin C. Ambler writes from Tampa, FL, where he has worked as an attorney since 1986. He specializes in medical malpractice, personal injury, and real estate litigation. Kevin is also a major in the US Air Force Reserves and serves as a judge advocate assigned to MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa. Kevin is married to **Mindy S. Hanopole '82**. Mindy is a licensed commercial architectural designer and has her own home-based business called Paper Capers. She is also a consultant for high-end invitations and announcements. Mindy and Kevin have children Jason, 11, and Jami, 8. Kevin and Mindy co-chair the Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) committee for Southwest Florida and are actively involved in interviewing high school applicants to Cornell from that area. Kevin

also serves on the board for the Cornell Club of the Sun Coast. According to Kevin, there are more than 700 Cornellians in the greater Tampa Bay area and the Cornell Club is very active. Last year, members of the Cornell Club participated in the Annual Bucket Day (Ivy League Olympics) and last year Cornell captured the coveted Bucket (a silver champagne bucket inscribed with the name of the winning university). Look for an update of this year's competition in a future class column.

Phil Baxter reports that he has relocated with Tishman Co. to Los Angeles, where he works as regional vice president. Phil lives in Westlake Village and says he can be found at Beer Appreciation Night at BJ's in Brea on the first Tuesday of every month. Phil's phone number is (310) 649-7096. **Matthew Jenu-saitis** reports seeing **Eric Biederman**, BS HE '84, quite often. Eric recently completed a tour of the Middle East working with the UN weapons inspection team in Iraq. After being removed from his post as a result of the problems between the Iraqi government and the UN inspectors, he was able to spend a pleasant Ramadan with his family in Bedford, NY.

Congratulations for career advancements are in order for a couple of classmates. **Diane Barsky**, MD, was recently appointed medical director of the Pediatric Center for Dysphagia and Feeding Management at the Children's Seashore House of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. According to Diane, "Our program is one of the most comprehensive in the country; we integrate medicine, oral motor therapy, physical therapy, and behavioral psychology to help children with feeding disorders." **Anthony Targan** has been appointed director of data acquisition for The Polk Co. in Southfield, MI. He is responsible for negotiating purchases, partnerships, and exchanges of consumer and business data for The Polk Co. in support of the transportation and city directory business units. Anthony graduated from George Washington U. law school in 1985. Anthony lives in Southfield with wife Holli (Hart) and their daughters, Rebecca and Alexandra, who enjoy playing soccer on coach Dad's team.

After living in Israel for almost eight years, **Ricardo Freund**, BS Eng '84, MS AES '85, moved back to his native El Salvador in 1993. He was recruited by his family to work in the home improvement business and reports that retailing is fun, challenging, and very rewarding. "There is not much use for Cornell engineering down here, but I am forever grateful to Cornell for teaching me how to think and solve problems." Ricardo met and married wife Laura in Israel and they have a daughter, Shany, 3. The Freunds love boating and waterskiing, sailing, and windsurfing.

Elizabeth Emlen works for Montgomery County, PA, as a farmland preservation administrator. Her office buys development rights from farmers so that the land remains in agriculture in perpetuity. **Julius Alexander** lives in New Canaan, CT, and does systems integration work for Technology Solutions Co. He married Jackie Hata (Princeton '84) in 1988 and they have children Emi, 6, and Jack,

4. **Mark Spiegel** is busy with his stand-up act, performing edgy, topical jokes at various New York clubs. He has put together his own joke website. Call him at (718) 461-9600 to get the address.

Celebrating their 15th anniversary in 1998, **Lorena Lewison** Blonsky and husband Adam took an incredible trip to Israel to celebrate Israel's 50th Anniversary. Lorena is completing her tenth year of owning a recruitment business that specializes in information technology recruiting in the Chicago area. She has found that the best family vacation is camping with children Heather, 10, and Michael, 7.

We are sorry to announce the death of our classmate, **Dennis Drohan**, in December 1998. Dennis leaves his wife, Cindy, and children, Mike, 13, Jessica, 12, and Danny, 10. Dennis graduated from the Hotel school. Before his illness, Dennis had worked for DeYoung & Associates in Victor, NY, for four years as a marketing representative selling furniture and other supplies to the hospitality industry. Cindy left her job and spent most of 1998 taking care of Dennis because the medical treatments for lympho-blastic lymphoma left him housebound and unable to work. **Phil Miller**, director of Alumni Affairs for the Hotel school, informed us that although the family has some insurance, the costs of Dennis's illness over the last year and the absence of his future income place a significant burden on their resources. A letter written by some of Dennis's Cornell friends asks that financial contributions be sent to Cindy to help with near-term expenses and future college costs. You can also call or write Cindy with your remembrances of Dennis, to ease this difficult time for his family and provide valuable memories for his children. Her address: Ms. Cindy Drohan, 30 Woodworth St., Victor, NY 14564; tel., (716) 742-5494; fax, (716) 742-1796.

The Class of '83 scholarship was recently awarded to **Andrew Lee '99**. He is a computer science major and a member of the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity. Andrew wrote a nice letter thanking our class and said he hopes to start his own software company. Are you yearning for a 15th Reunion T-shirt? (It's a remake of our senior year T-shirt.) Is your yearbook missing in action? For more information on obtaining these items, contact Ellen Bobka at eb47@cornell.edu. ♦ **Jennifer Hughes** Kern, 1882 Yuma St., Salt Lake City, UT 84108; e-mail, jenniferkern@juno.com; and **Scott and Patty Palmer Dulman**, 109 N. Liberty St., Arlington, VA 22203; e-mail, bigascii@ibm.net.

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I've received some great news via e-mail over the past few months. Don't forget that you can always send me a quick e-note and let me know your latest news. I look forward to seeing you June 10-13 at our 15th Reunion! **Scott Kominkiewicz** and wife Teresa (Rutgers '88) are having a "blast with love, marriage, and family" in Scott's hometown of Sayreville, NJ. They have fun kids: Scott Jr., 9, Corinne, 6, Constance, 4, and John, 1. "They're very athletic; the youngest

can already get into a four-point football stance." As far as work is concerned, Scott is the internal communications manager for UPS Information Services, the technology division of United Parcel Service. He is also teaching a graduate course in corporate communications this year as an adjunct professor at Fairleigh Dickinson U.

Myra Karasik writes, "I am enjoying a beautiful January summer's day in Sydney, Australia, where I live with my husband, Stacey Jones, and children Samantha, 3, and Jake, 3 months." Myra works at Homebush Bay, helping to design the site for the year 2000 summer Olympics. She returns to the States regularly to visit, and attended **Laura Abramson** Winningham's wedding last June in Greenwich, CT. Also in attendance were **Linda Edelman** Bradley, **Laura Davidson**, **Meg Angleberger** Brisson, and **Mike Dawson '84**. She also caught up with **Debbie Kottick** Abrams and **Lisa Sotto**.

Maria H. Sekas-Krum and Edward Overton Krum were married on Sat., Jan. 23, '99, at the Cathedral of St. Paul's in Hempstead, LI, NY. Maria has been a member of the Catholic fellowship since 1985. She is a human resource consultant to GE Capital Headquarters, in Stamford, CT. Maria earned an MBA from New York U.'s Stern School of Business and is very active as an ILR alumna. Ted is manager, international equity research, for Northern Trust in Stamford, CT. He has an MBA in finance from the U. of Chicago and a BS from Yale. Maria and Ted live in Wilton, CT.

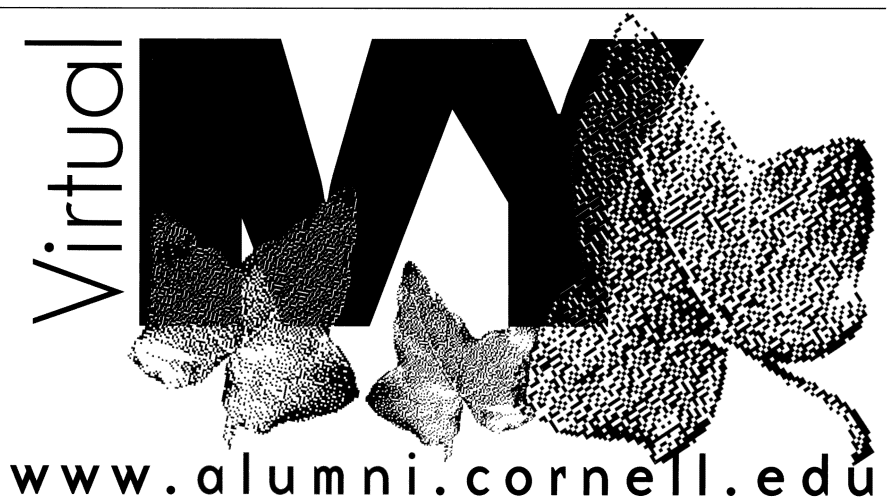
Dr. **Bill Zempsky** was recently promoted to associate director of pediatric medicine, Connecticut Children's Medical Center in Hartford, CT. He was featured in the *Hartford Current* and on local television for his research on how to lessen pain in children during medical procedures. Dr. **Amy Brooks**-Kayal and husband Rana Kayal have children Anjali, 7-1/2, and Zachary, 3-1/2. Their main activities are "shuttling children to sports, piano, and dance classes." Amy is an assistant professor of neurology and pediatrics at the U. of Pennsylvania's Children's Hospital in Philadelphia. Rana is vice president of corporate development for SPI Corporations and, she says, "travels too much."

Dr. **Michele Dyan** McMichael is a neonatologist in Hoboken, NJ. She and husband Todd have children Ryan, 4-1/2, Erin, 2-1/2, and Molly, 1. Meanwhile, Dr. **David Kim** and wife Susan are physicians practicing in Boise, ID. Their son, Zachary, is 4-1/2. **Cheryl Kessler** Bostater, BS Eng '85, is currently an investment banker for Chatfield Dean and Co., doing public offerings and private placements for growing companies. She and husband Ron have daughter Sydney, 2: "She is very bright and a lot of fun!" Dr. **Gil Bender**, BA '85, and **Gerrie (Some)** have Ashley, 9, Ryan, 6, and Juliet, 1. They live in Long Beach, CA.

Deb Taylor Beighley, MS Ag '86, and husband Mark have a golden retriever named McKenzie. They enjoy sailing, travel, biking, skiing, and jogging. Deb is a mentor for the Academy of Science Engineers Student Program and a certified coach for the Special Olympics. She is a civil engineer with the US Forest Service, Deschutes National Forest and was recently promoted to a position in the regional office in Portland, OR. **Donna Bardell** is the director of human resources for a small high-tech manufacturer with 35 employees. Her husband entertains children through his company, "The Learning Station." They have a boy, 7, and a girl, 1.

Kris Bagwell moved from Atlanta to NYC in 1997 after commuting there for four years! He was recently promoted to senior vice president and general manager of Nickelodeon-Media Works, which includes the online and magazine groups. Kris visited recently with **Rod Willson '83**, BArch '84, in Seattle, WA. **Ricardo Austrich** graduated from Cornell with a major in floriculture and ornamental horticulture. In 1991, he earned a master's in landscape architecture from the U. of Virginia. Ricardo was recently named an associate at Carr, Lynch and Sandell Inc., an architecture, design, and landscape architecture firm in Cambridge, MA. Last year, he and his partner purchased a home in Roslindale, MA.

Last spring, **Melissa Galt** was featured on the front page of the "Home and Garden" section in *The Atlanta Journal Constitution*, because her interior design business in Atlanta, Lifestyle Interiors Inc., is doing so well. Did you know



that Melissa's great-grandfather was famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright, her mother was actress Anne Baxter, and her godmother was award-winning costume designer Edith Head? For fun, Melissa teaches continuing education classes at Emory U. and went on a great Safari to Africa last April

Dr. **Catherine "Kitty" Cantwell** and her

“Dell Computers loves Cornellians! Hint!”

— JACK KENDALL '86

husband, Dr. **Kevin McCormick** are currently being entertained by their five children learning to ski. “You’ve never laughed so hard until you’ve watched your two 6-year-olds (Matthew and Patrick) and two 4-1/2-year-olds (Meg and Kate) learn to ski.” Their oldest, Nicholas, is 9 and going to ski camp this year. Kevin, who’s an MD with a PhD, just completed his fellowship in geriatrics at the U. of Rochester and started a university-affiliated practice in geriatrics. Kitty has a private ob/gyn practice in Canandaigua, NY. **Haskell Adler**, who started with the Class of '82, but graduated with us, earned a PhD in chemistry from U. of California, San Diego in 1991, doing his graduate work at the Salk Inst., studying how oncogenes cause cancer. He then received a National Institutes of Health postdoctoral fellowship to study genetics in Seattle. In 1998, at the Puget Sound Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Seattle, he led a team that discovered how specific proteins (HRX leukemic fusion proteins) cause cancer in humans. The solution to this biological problem is an important step toward developing pharmaceuticals for therapeutic intervention in these fatal leukemias. This last September, Haskell entered Yale's school of management in New Haven and is a candidate for an MBA in 2000. His goal is to obtain a managerial position in the biomedical industry. ♦ **Karla Sievers** McManus, 1465 Hooksett Rd., #299, Hooksett, NH 03106; e-mail, klorax@aol.com; and **Lindsay Liotta** Forness, 68 Blackheath Park, London, SE3 0ET, England; e-mail, 106064.1262@compuserve.com; class website address, www.cornell84.org.

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The countdown begins! For Reunion 2000, that is. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or would like to help out, contact Reunion Co-Chairs **Margaret Nagel** Gnegy (gnegy@wirefire.com) and **Jennifer Sidell** Cornelissen (cornelissen@mediaone.net or jms81@cornell.edu). Volunteers are needed to help register classmates, and to plan and host events and activities. It's an easy way to get some “facetime” and help out the class in the process. The reunion folks would also like you to bring your digital camera, so your pictures can be downloaded onto the Class of '85 website. Speaking of websites, you can obtain updates on all of the reunion plans and other

class activities during the year by visiting the class website at www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1985.

Sarah Willens Kass, BA '86, reported, from Israel, that daughter Valerie was born last September. Sarah also has sons Elliot and Jacob. Sarah plans to move back to the States this summer. **Leora Halpern** Lanz reported that

she left her position at Sheraton Hotels of New York to join HUS International as its director of marketing. HUS International is a firm in Mineola, NY, which specializes in worldwide hotel consulting and appraisals. Leora also proudly announced the birth of son Zachary.

The law firm of Jackson, Lewis, Schnitzler & Krupman announced that it had made **Frank Alvarez** and **Susan Fremed** Corcoran partners. Susan works at the firm's White Plains, NY, office and Fran, in Stamford, CT. The firm represents employers on a wide range of issues, such as discrimination, wrongful discharge, and workplace health and safety.

David Lustick, who teaches high school science at the American School of Sao Paulo, Brazil, earned certification from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). David is the first person to receive such certification while working abroad. The NBPTS assesses not only the teacher's knowledge about the subject he or she teaches, but the actual use of the teacher's skills and professional judgment in the classroom. David and wife **Doreen Marcks '87** have been living in Brazil for eight years and have three children. **Gregory Rubino**, MD '85, reported that he is developing a new program at the division of neurosurgery at U. of California, LA, called iMR, whereby doctors perform full neurosurgical procedures in a magnetic resonance imaging suite. With the iMR program, Gregory can obtain new images during surgery to see, in the case of tumor removal, when the whole tumor has been removed.

Sheri Wilensky, a director for volunteer outreach for the national office of the American Lung Assn., is an avid runner. She ran in the New York City Marathon last year, and her time of 3:43:17 qualified her for entry in the Boston Marathon. As this column was written prior to this year's Boston Marathon, but will be appearing in *Cornell Magazine* after the event, Sheri will have to update us regarding her time in the Boston race. Sheri's job involves traveling and she uses it as an opportunity to keep in touch with classmates, such as **Lisa Reznick**, who lives in Dallas, and **Patrick** and **Lauren Miller Collins**, who live in Wilmington, DE. Sheri and friends **Sheila Winik** Silberglied, **Dale Bornstein**, **Ronee Trosterman** Cowen, and Lauren Miller Collins have an annual tradition of getting to-

gether during the holiday season for a “ladies only” brunch. Their circle for brunch has expanded over the years to include Jane Spielberg, wife of **John Spielberg**, Jerilyn Prague, wife of **Ron Prague**, and **Bonnie Ratner** Klugman '86. Baroness **Alea Fairchild** de Vuyst d'Everghem wrote from Belgium that she keeps busy with her own technology market consulting business, doing part-time doctoral IS research, chairing, for Belgium, the Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAN), and being a step-mom to teenagers. Alea remarked, “Sleep, what's that?” Alea and her family moved into the former stables of the castle in her village in Belgium, built in approximately 1440 (the castle was built in approximately 1671). Alea reported that, luckily for her, the inside of these former stables was renovated in 1997.

Mitch Rosich, MEE '86, wrote that after spending 3-1/2 years as director of advanced technology with 3Com, he has changed jobs and is now the vice president of engineering for a small startup company in the networking industry called Omnia Communications. Omnia is a 60-person company which plans to introduce its first product soon. Mitch lives in Groton, MA, with wife Linda and sons Garrett and Gregory. Mitch keeps in touch with **Rich** and **Jeanie Kim Carpenter**, MHA HE '87, who became parents a little over two years ago and now live in suburban Philadelphia; **Mark E. Schmitt**, who is a professor at Syracuse U.; as well as **Michele Payne** Koch, BA and BFA '86, MBA '92, and **Mark Boyland**. Mitch also worked with **Terry Hussey** and **Bob Greenway '83** at 3Com.

Rosemary "Rosey" Stasek reported that she is still serving on the Mountain View (CA) City Council and “learning the tough lessons of politics.” Rosey is also working as a freelance website designer for high tech firms in Silicon Valley (rosemary@stasek.com). She had the unique opportunity of visiting Cuba as a member of a women's delegation and met with Cuban women activists and leaders. Rosey also traveled to Amsterdam and Paris for vacation. She reported that **Sheryl Lerner**, BS Eng '86, had an experiment that she had designed accepted for the space shuttle and it was to have been launched in December 1998. Sheryl should write and tell us all about it! In other business endeavors, **Debbi Neyman** Silverman's company, Events By Design Inc., is doing remarkably well, she reports, and has launched a new advertising campaign.

Our Class President **Jenifer Steig** announced that she was promoted to senior vice president at The Cheshire Group, LLC. Jen, who enjoys bicycling, went on a bike tour of Thailand last fall. Class Treasurer **Mark Sheraden**, MBA and MEI '92, reported that he had a busy 1998. Mark took two new jobs at IBM and, in June, moved with wife Chris, and daughters Alyssa, 5, and Meghan, 2, to New Fairfield, CT, in order to be able to spend more time together as a family. Mark is now in IBM's Enterprise Web Management Organization helping to harness the power of the Web for IBM employees. Mark occasionally sees **Don Haack**, who also works at IBM in

Global Services and lives in Redding, CT. Mark keeps in close touch with **Tony Lacke**, and is the godparent of Tony's daughter Marie Rose. Mark also saw Tony at the wedding of **Mark McCarthy '86**, BS Hotel '87, MMH '98, and **Renata Hartmanis '84**, the reception for which was held at the Fountainebleau Inn of Alpine, NY, owned by **John Van Soest '86**. Other '85ers in attendance were **Chris** and Diane **Slon**. Mark also heard from his freshman-year roommate, **Jeff Varker**, MEI '86, MBA '87. Jeff works in the information technology department at Procter & Gamble in Cincinnati, OH. Mark literally bumped into Jeff's brother, **Phil Varker '83**, who works for IBM, as well. Small world, isn't it?

The Washington Inn of Cape May, NJ, was featured during the holiday season on the HGTV program "A Victorian Christmas with Kitty Bartholomew." As you may recall from a previous column, The Washington Inn is co-operated by **Michael Craig** and David Craig and is a noted 152-year-old inn, known for its spectacular wine list.

Start looking in your attic or basement for your *Cornellian*, because reunion will be here sooner than you think. We are planning a future column devoted entirely to 1980s nostalgia. Send in your favorite memories, songs, and news stories. ♦ **Lisa M. Bluestein**, 5 Sun Valley Hgts. Rd., N. Salem, NY 10560; e-mail, lawfoot@aol.com; and **Linda Messinger** Manos, DVM, 2401 S. Downing St., Denver, CO 80210; e-mail, LMMderm@aol.com.

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Good things have happened for classmates since last I wrote. **Tom Barreca** was identified as an emerging business leader in Crain's New York's "Forty Under Forty" list just as he was named vice president of new business development at American Movie Classics Networks. When he's not being a family man with his wife and kids in Westport, NY, Tom will develop new formats and franchises for the network.

Bill Wickham is also in arts and entertainment, but for the younger set. He produces and markets children's videos, and his company recently produced three for the Vrrrooommm-Farming for Kids series: one each on vegetables, dairy, and apples. The videos are "fun and educational," he writes, and "have won several awards in national competitions." How do you like them apples?

Julie Janower directs films, and her computer-animated *Adam and Eve* won a screening over hundreds of competitive submissions at the 1998 SIGGRAPH conference. She lives in Santa Monica, CA, and has an artsy "swirly hand" business logo you'll have to write her to see.

Two other classmates wrote of their involvement with the computer industry. **Jack Kendall** moved from Virginia Beach, VA, to Austin, TX, to work for Dell Computers, where he forecasts incoming call volumes. "Sounds easy, but it really does take some skill," he writes. Jack let on that he hopes to "cash in on the 'money train' and become 'Dellionnaires' in a few years; then it's back to

Virginia Beach, with wife Mary Ann, as a young retired couple." Good luck on that, Jack. "By the way," he adds, "when one senior manager was informed I went to Cornell he said simply 'hire him.' Dell loves Cornellians! Hint!"

Pam Isaacson, BA '87, owns and runs her own computer training company with sister/classmate **Gail Greenblatt-Isaacson**, BA '87, in suburban Philadelphia. Life is full for **Marianne Borozny**, a "teacher and self-employed jeweler" living in Arizona. She wrote an astronomy unit for second- and third-graders under a Harvard Smithsonian-NASA grant in 1997 and then moved to a Navajo reservation, where she is working as a home-based teacher, getting her second master's in counseling psychology, and fine-tuning her creative writing and photography skills. She recommends that everyone read *The Color of Water* by James McBride.

Paula Arnet Bolio is as down-to-earth as it gets. When she isn't camping with sons Adrian, 4, and Gabriel, 1-1/2, she's a senior hydrogeologist and project manager for the cryptic CH2MHILL, an international engineering consulting firm. "If you're in the Bay Area look me up!" she exclaims; friends can reach her at pbolio@ch2m.com.

In international news: **Marjorie Strom**'s "got milk." She lives in southern Israel, and moved in 1997 from Kibbutz Lotan to Kibbutz Samar, where she resumed work as a dairy farmer after a two-year stint as a kibbutz treasurer. She's also a part-time economic analyst investigating dairy farms in the region. She has two children, Yael and Yotam, and recently took them around the world to Thailand, New Zealand, Hawaii, Los Angeles, CA, and New York.

Since earning his master's in international development and economics from Johns Hopkins in 1996, **Kurt Macleod** has worked for Pact Inc., an international development agency working to increase the standard of living among the poor throughout the world. His project to establish one of the first banking programs for the poor in Myanmar (nee Burma) was successful enough that he was promoted to the position of Asia regional micro-finance advisor at the agency, and is now working to develop a similar program in Laos.

Robert L. Gray, MS Ag '92, and wife **Caroline (Hartnett)**, MS Ag '92, recently returned to the States from a two-year stint in the Peace Corps in Ecuador and at the time they wrote were figuring out what would come next. Also repairing the world is **Laurie Miller**, an associate professor of psychiatry and director of the Inst. for Children at Risk at the New York U. Child Study Center. She was named last year to the board of trustees of Trail Blazers, a youth organization that provides mentoring and other services to disadvantaged children.

Rajat Bannerji, PhD '93, MD '95, is moving up the medicine food chain. He's completing his first year as a hematology-oncology fellow at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, having finished his internal medicine residency at Johns Hopkins last year. And **Ed-**

ward Decker, an ophthalmologist in Rose-land, NJ, is now making googly eyes at daughter Carly Paige, born Feb. 13, '99, to him and wife Laura. The baby got a glimpse of its future in **Evan "Babyface" Blum**, one of the first visitors to the new family.

That's all for this month. Let us know what's up! ♦ **Michael Berkwits**, 230 N. 22nd St., 12A, Philadelphia, PA, 19103; e-mail, berkwhits@mail.med.upenn.edu.

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This is the first spring Rebecca and I have spent in California, and we have enjoyed the mild climate in the past few months. I can definitely get used to not having to shovel snow in the morning. By the time you read this column, swallows should have returned to San Juan Capistrano and thoughts of Springfest should bring back fond memories.

I finally looked up former U-Hall 5 resident joke-meister **Charles I. Sukenik** (csukenik@odu.edu), who had completed his doctoral degree and postdoc stint and moved to Virginia. Charles wrote in his e-mail: "I'm sorry that I was unable to make it to the big reunion—the timing was just bad for me. But, don't worry, I have only fond memories of Cornell so I will be back in the future. I have kept in touch with **Doug Rademacher**. Doug is doing very well. He's a 'big wig' at American Power Conversion (APC), in Rhode Island, where his wife **Cindy Davis '86** also works. Doug and Cindy have a child named Max. I have been very busy here at Old Dominion U. this past year setting up a new research program from scratch and preparing large lecture classes in introductory physics. I am pleased to report that all is progressing smoothly."

I was surprised to learn that **Susan M. Lord** (slord@acusd.edu) was no longer at Bucknell U. It turned out that Sue, who earned her PhD from Stanford, had moved back to the sunshine and warmth of California. "Great to hear from you!" Sue wrote, "Certainly is a small world! Congratulations on your position at Stanford. I am also glad to hear that your wife was able to get a good job, too. Successfully managing the two-career couple situation is always a challenge. That is why we left Bucknell. I loved my job there but it was too hard for **Victor Chang**, BS Eng and BA '88. We moved to San Diego a year ago and are really enjoying living here. We actually just bought a house so we are starting to feel settled." Sue is an assistant professor at the U. of San Diego. She also told me that **Becky Greenberg** Jackson '85 (BecJackson@aol.com) lives in Menlo Park, now.

The Glee Club sang for over 300 alumni and friends this past January in Palo Alto, as they toured the Western US during winter break. **Katherine Stifel** (kgstifel@earthlink.net) came down from San Francisco and brought along **Heidi Duitsman '86** to help as ushers. **Rana Glasgal**, ME I '92, (rana@sherlock.stanford.edu), who is a policy analyst at Stanford, was also on my committee. I spotted old friend **Julia Cheng** (jucheng@us.oracle.com) in the audience. She reports she

is now “a senior manager at Oracle Corp., handling industry analyst relations. I work directly with the product marketing and management groups at Oracle, focusing on the database server software, and Internet/EC applications market analysts that track Oracle.” Julia lives in Mountain View, CA, after earning her MBA from Columbia in 1995. **Karl Townsend** (karlt@best.com) recently joined Handspring Inc., based in Palo Alto, a high-tech start-up that has reunited a number of people who worked on the original PalmPilot. Karl’s wife, **Karen Fann**, has returned to work at National Semiconductor after her maternity leave. We saw them and their new baby, Sierra, at a Cornell Club board meeting in December. Over at Berkeley, **Shari Posner** (sposner@mdbe.com) wrote last June to say, “Just finished my first year at a new law firm. Recently took a trip to a little seaside village in Mexico with **Joy Blakeslee ’88**. Visited **Rochelle “Shelly” Heit** and **Lauren Cramer ’88** in New Hampshire.” Shari has adopted an Australian sheepdog named Trevor. On the Pacific coast, **John Cremin** works at the Inst. of Marine Science at U. of California, Santa Cruz. He can be reached at (jdcrcmin@cats.ucsc.edu).

Down in southern California, **Lee Rosenthal** has been a production executive at Paramount Pictures in Los Angeles. He is also a screenwriter. He reported that he “attended **Kathryn B. Goldberg’s** wedding in Chicago, with **Kathleen Chopin** (who is a casting director in film), **Adam Gale**, **Jenifer Hartog**, and **Marlene Hollander**. We had a great time. Kathy will continue living in Israel with husband Kobi.” Also in LA, **Daniel W. Dubelman** (DRDANMS@aol.com) has been an executive producer for Internet websites for various entertainment clients such as FoxKids, Universal, and Boxtop Interactive. He also started his own web production company in 1998. Continuing the entertainment theme: **William “Bill” Pidto** can be seen on ESPN2, where he anchors “SportsSmash” and hosts the network’s “NHL 2Night” highlight show. During the football season, Bill reviews gridiron action on ESPN’s “NFL PrimeTime.” His bio and sound clips are available on <http://web20.starwave.com/editors/studios/bios/bp.html>. **Karen Sorrell**, JD ’90, of Orinda, CA, informed us that she and Duncan T. Weaver “were married on May 2, ’98.” Karen and Duncan went to Australia for their honeymoon, “hiked in the Blue Mountains, toured the Sydney Opera House, and SCUBA-dived off the Great Barrier Reef.” I hope you have something equally fun planned for your first anniversary! Classmate **Karen Purcell Wallenstein** (whose husband is **Andrew ’86**) was among many Cornellians attending the wedding.

Across the pond, **Genji Tohmon**, ME EP ’87, (g.tohmon@ieeee.org) sent this update: “The Tohmon family has a new addition. Thomas Koji Tohmon was born on Sept. 16, ’98. After two girls, it’s nice to have a male companion in the family, though probably not politically correct to say so. I just got back from a business trip to Beijing. Having been raised on anti-Communism rhetoric, I am happy to

report that capitalism is in full bloom in China.” Storks also visited **Andrea Wolga** Freeman, MEE ’91, (andrea@mjmr.com) in Stowe, VT: “Lansing Willard Freeman was born on Feb. 6, ’99. He weighed 7-1/2 pounds and was 21 inches long. Aside from being long and thin, like his Dad, he’s got very light brown hair and (so far) blue eyes. He has already figured out that one sleeps for four-hour stretches, once the sun goes down. Andrea is home and doing well.” And just as I am writing this column, an e-mail came in from fellow class correspondent **Debra Howard** Stern: “Veronica Pearlyn Stern was born on Sat., Feb. 20, ’99, at 5:02 a.m. at The New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center. She weighs six pounds, 12-1/4 ounces. Debra and the baby both are feeling fine.” Well, Debra, you certainly know how to meet the magazine’s deadline!

Sondra WuDunn (SWuDunn@yahoo.com) earned her MBA at Columbia last spring and moved to Stamford, CT, to work for Cendant Corp. In her e-mail she said: “Come visit! I’ve got a swimming pool, tennis court, and health club” in her apartment complex. Shortly after the new year, **Eric Braun** (BraunE@executiveboard.com) wrote about life after Navy: “Had a pretty busy last 18 months—left the Navy after nearly ten years, finished my master’s (finally) at SAIS, had a second child (Olivia, now 13 months old), jumped into the private sector (business research—also home to **Chris G. Miller**, BA ’88 and **Amy McLaughlin ’89**), and now I’m moving to the UK to work in my company’s London office. Wife and kids in tow, for a couple of years. Should be exciting. I’ll keep you posted. Also hooked up with **Adam L. Kushner** a few months ago. Still in school—this time at Johns Hopkins (he’s already finished his MD).”

Send news, letters, postcards, and personal checks. ♦ **Tom Smith Tseng**, c/o Office of Asian Relations, 301 Encina Hall, Stanford CA 94305-6076; e-mail, ttseng@stanford.edu; and **Debra Howard** Stern, 235 W. 108th St., #45, NYC 10025; e-mail, dstern@barnard.columbia.edu.



With nearly four years to go until our 15th Reunion, you might expect that your class officers are doing little more than twiddling their collective thumbs. Far from it! **Kelly Smith**, MBA ’92, **Alison Minton**, **Diane Weisbrot** Wing (and son David), **Doug Kaplan**, **Alan Riffkin**, **Rob Rosenberg**, **Chuck Snee**, and I took part in the annual Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting in New York City late in January. For two days, we became better acquainted, received officer training, discussed class goals, and began our planning for the next four years. One of our primary goals is to keep up the momentum from last year’s reunion. For Diane’s and my part, that means that we need you to keep sending us your news (e-mail works great, and you may see quicker results). In particular, we were agghast to learn that 347 of our classmates are “missing.” Please take a minute to visit the website

(www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1988/missing.html) to check and see if you know the whereabouts of any of the listed classmates. This would be a tremendous help to us.

Last fall, we asked, “Why did you miss Reunion?” In response, **Deb Shalvey** wrote: “I was unable to attend our reunion because I was living on the island of Saipan, in the Western Pacific Ocean. I have been living in this area since February of 1997. I currently work on Guam as a pharmacist for PacificCare, a California-based HMO. Moving out here was one of the best decisions I’ve ever made. You can’t beat the weather (except, of course, when the typhoons come through . . .). I never wear a jacket, I can SCUBA dive almost any day of the year, and in two years, I have been able to travel to places like Bali, Australia, Palau, New Caledonia, and Truk Lagoon.”

Jill Schiff Monoson, who was able to make reunion, e-mailed, “It was great to see everyone at the reunion—where I was seven weeks away from delivering my son, Harris, who was born on August 6. He joins the rest of my family, husband Seth, daughter Jackie, and cat Kitty. We are all doing well and look forward to the next reunion.”

Shortly after reunion, **John Sieger**, BS Eng ’89, marked his eighth wedding anniversary to wife Jennifer. They have a daughter, Hannah, 4, and son Jack, 2. “I’ve been transferred and promoted to senior financial analyst for the facilities division of Newport News Shipbuilding,” he wrote. John also notes that **Meg Bantley** Whiteford ’89 and husband Tom have a son, John, who turned 1 in the summer of 1998.

More recently wed were **Robin Barker** and Dave Tempero, on Feb. 8, ’98, on Maui. **Natasha Podleski** Brazil and her husband, Joe, attended the wedding, along with Robin’s parents, sister **Hana Barker ’86**, and **Dave DeMoupiéd ’91**, MEE ’92. **Grace Tanaka**, MBA ’93, was the maid of honor at the wedding of **Ginan Hamadeh**, who married Jon Hanson on July 8, ’98. **Madeline “Lynn” Tomlinson** was a bridesmaid in the ceremony, and **Wynne Richards** and **Melissa Miller** were guests. Grace lives in New York City, where she recently left the investment banking industry to begin a new career in journalism, writing for Japanese magazines and newspapers. Grace sent news that **Steve R. Brown**, MBA ’93, is working for Whirlpool in Italy and living just outside of Milan.

Caryn Abner Zweig, also a denizen of NYC, graduated last May from Columbia’s business school, where she attended classes with **Anna Weber**. Caryn continues her work as the president of Athena Equities LP and as a senior portfolio manager at Abner, Herrman and Brock Asset Management. Caryn married Joel Zweig on June 14, ’97.

Jay R. Goldman wrote from Phillips Exeter Academy, where he is teaching high school physics, coaching intramural soccer and basketball, and living in a dorm with 59 teens. He’s on a one-year leave from his position as a senior associate at Strategic Decisions Group, a management consulting firm in Boston, and he’s enjoying the break. “It’s a fun change from cor-

porate life," he wrote. **Jeff Matriccino** is also teaching, though in Charlottesville, VA. "I am a teacher for fifth-grade students," he writes. "This is my second career. I love it!"

Birth announcements continue to arrive. **Chris Ruggiero** and wife Jacqueline Abair celebrated the birth of son Robert Owen Ruggiero on New Year's Day of 1998. Nearly one year later, on Jan. 2, '99, Hannah Hardie Overstrom (ten pounds, four ounces, and 21 inches long) was born to **Meg Hardie Overstrom** and husband Derek. **John Wurzbarger** announced the arrival of baby daughter Brooke Sutton Wurzbarger, on Apr. 7, '98, in Cleveland. **Dave and Kimberly Gaver Mullarkey** welcomed their first, daughter Kara, on Dec. 8, '98. **Julie Lister** and husband Geoff Feinberg welcomed their new son, William Sage Feinberg, on Nov. 16, '98.

Paula Greeno wrote of her baby, Jordan Ubel Greeno, born on May 5, '98, weighing seven pounds, seven ounces. **Rob Rosenberg**, our vice president of membership, and wife **Pat Cook '89** proudly announced the birth of son Reed Alexander Rosenberg, born July 16, '98 at eight pounds, seven ounces. **Denise Filler Strauss** and husband Craig announced (in equally proud tones) the birth of daughter Emma Parnes Strauss on Apr. 15, '98. Jack Matanle Venden was born on Oct. 16, '97, to **Kristen Matanle Venden** and husband **Sean '89**, and Patrick Michael Neafsey was born on Jan. 15, '98, to **Mara Touey Neafsey** and husband **Terrence "Tad" '86**.

Laura Magid Lapidus and husband **Darryl '89** celebrated the birth of son David Charles on Mar. 23, '98, and they proudly introduced him around during reunion. Laura continues her work as in-house counsel at Sbarro Inc., where she handles all employment and litigation matters. **Marla Gottlieb** Zwaz is working in commercial litigation at Howard & Howard Attorneys in Bloomfield, MI, and says she "welcomes referrals from other Cornellians!" Marla also welcomed the birth of daughter Atara Esther on Feb. 2, '98.

Jon May is living in Boca Raton, FL, with wife **Juliana (Kelly) '89** and their son, Jake, "who is the best." Jon is currently vice president of concept development for Triarc Restaurant Group, which owns Arby's. **Phyllis Aschner Saltz** and husband **Brian '87** now have children Ilana, Steven, and Emily, who are keeping them very busy in Dix Hills, NY. Phyllis is teaching reading on a part-time basis, and Brian has his own labor and employment law practice.

Finally, our apologies (sorry!) to **Sung-Jin Chang**, who let us know that his name was incorrectly printed as "Jimmy C. Chang" in the last issue. Jin added that his wedding on May 30 in Chicago was well attended by Cornellians, including **Andrew Wechsler**, **Erik and Cheryl Jackson Carruth '89**, **Andrew Katz**, **Carey Jones**, **Jonathan Wells**, **Chris Suprenuk '89**, **Ying Shiau '89**, and **E. A. "Lisa" Carter, MS Eng '85**. ♦ **Larry I. Goldman**, 3019 Grove St., Denver, CO 80211; e-mail, lig2@cornell.edu; and **Diane Weisbrot Wing**, 727 Anita St., Redondo Beach, CA 90278; e-mail, axel3@aol.com.

Teen Scenes

ELIZABETH SCHUB '89,
BFA AND BA '90

Elizabeth Schub is fifteen years past adolescence, but it still fascinates her. The independent filmmaker has directed a student movie on the subject and is currently in pre-production for her first feature, a thriller involving teenage girls. "What I do best is make films about things I know," says Schub. "It is something I can treat with a lot of honesty."

After earning degrees in fine arts and philosophy on the Hill, Schub attended film school at New York University. Her most successful project to date also deals with what she calls "the fine-line passage from girlhood to womanhood": a twelve-minute documentary entitled *Cuba 15*, which follows a teenager through her coming-of-age ceremony, the *quinceañera*. The film, shot while Schub was a visiting professor in Cuba, has won a dozen awards, including the Best Short Film Jury and Audience prizes at the Berlin International Film Festival. "It's a look at a girl's life," Schub says of the movie. "It affords people a view of Cuba outside politics."

—Danielle Wood '98



REUNION

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Many thanks to those who sent news these past few months. I have enough this time that I may not have to make anything up! According to my notes, this column should be reaching you as we are packing bags in readiness for heading back for our 10th Reunion, so I hope to see you all there!

Julie Eskay Eagle will be attending reunion with new husband, Todd, and her parents **Dick '54** and **Marion Miller Eskay '54**. Julie currently works in venture capital with Lazard Technology Partners in New York City, while Todd is an investment banker with Goldman Sachs. They live on the Upper East Side of Manhattan. Also attending reunion will be **Sarah Peabody Downey**. Maybe she will bring son John, 1. Sara writes that she has "finally" left the hotel business and is now a sales executive with Brielle Gifts. She would be happy to assist any fellow alums in need of a corporate gifting salesperson.

Mark Upcraft is working for General Motors and living in Fenton, MI, with wife Teresa, whom he married in 1993. They have a son, born in 1997. Mark keeps in touch with **Joe Toscano, BS Ag '90**, who recently moved to Michigan with his wife and two children.

Peter Michel also keeps in touch with lots of '89ers. He lives in Boulder, CO, with wife Diane (a Duke grad), where he works as the worldwide MIS manager for CQG, a financial software company. Also in Boulder are

our good friends **Ted '90** and **E. A. "Betsy" Bernhard Pearlman '92**. This past September, Peter and Diane took a bicycling trip through Spain and Portugal, and have been doing triathlons for the past few years. This past December Peter was in NYC for the wedding of **Bob Tesler** to wife Karen. There he saw **Robert Rauch** and wife Emily. He also keeps in touch with **Charles Meyers** and wife Amy.

Staci Batler Kamp writes, "I just had my second daughter, Lainie Rebecca, last May. My older daughter, Tessa, was 2 in August. So I definitely have my hands full! I also have a part-time job as a human resources specialist with Tetra Tech EM Inc., an environmental consulting firm. I get lots of updates from **Izzy Rudzki Povich** and also talk to **Carol Pouchie Cipriani**. Carol is married to a Canadian and has a daughter, Juliana." Staci lives in Buffalo Grove, IL.

C. Robert Sturm sent news of a Cornell mini-reunion that took place this past October in San Francisco. **Sarah Soder** married Art Eidelhoch and an "enormous Cornell contingent was on hand to celebrate and ensure that a good time was had by all." The wedding party included **Karen L. Lawrence**, **Joy Higa**, **Kelly Canady**, **Rob Sturm**, and (a person Rob refers to as) **Mr. Fish '88** (could that be **Robert S.?**). They were joined at the wedding by **Janine Abbatecola**, **Jeff Bosley '88**, **Pam Burke**, **Richard Dinerstein '76**, **Regina Fernandez-Llanio, MD '93**, **Denise**

(Karrat) '90 and Peter Grant '90, ME C '91, Shannon Buckley Gleason, David Goldenson '60, Doreen Tonking Griffin, the Hon. Shervin Kheradpir '88, MS Eng '90, Robert Landau '91, JD '94, Victoria Margolis, Katherine McGee, Lisa (D'Alessandro) and Tom McHale, BS Hotel '96, Elizabeth Payne, and Elaine (Smith) '60 and Stuart J. Schwartz '58.

Lynn Weidberg Morgan and husband Randy welcomed their first child, Natalie Hope, into the family this past January. The Morgans live outside of Washington, DC, in Potomac, MD. Also born this past winter is

“If you are ever in Tokyo, look for a car with a Cornell sticker—it belongs to Keizo Tsutsui.”

— ROSE TANASUGARN '90

Daniel Evan Sacher, the second child of Allison (Freedman) and Jeffrey Sacher '87. Allison and her three “men” (son Jacob turned 2 this past December) live in NYC, where Allison is a radiation oncologist and Jeff is an investment banker for Goldman Sachs.

As we embark on the 11th year of our post-Cornell lives, I hope you all find yourselves happy, healthy, and full of good information to send in as soon as possible! ❖ Robyn Wesler Landow, 315 E. 68th St., Apt. 3H, NYC 10021; e-mail, drlandow@aol.com; Anne Czaplinski Treadwell, 105 Overlake Park, Burlington, VT 05401; e-mail, ac98@cornell.edu; Daniel Gross, 220 E. 60th St., #9B, NYC 10022; (212) 715-0158; e-mail, dgross6453@aol.com; and Stephanie Bloom Avidon, 5 Glenwood Rd., Plainview, NY 11803; (516) 935-8234; e-mail, savidon1@hotmail.com.



Summer is here and Reunion 2000 is only a year away. Cornell has some special events planned for the last reunion of the millennium. The Class of 1990 has also started the ball rolling on 10th Reunion planning. As I mentioned in the last column, the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) hosted Mid-Winter Meeting at the Grand Hyatt in Manhattan. Joining me at the meeting were Class President Kevin McManus, Reunion Chair Katrine Bosley, Cornell Fund Representative Paul Tauber, and Major Gifts Chair Jeff Bershad.

My Cornell letterman cardigan drew some good-natured teasing from a fellow class officer who thought I was at least a generation too young to be wearing such a spirited sweater, but I was thrilled when the keynote speaker President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes complimented, “I love your Cornell outfit!” Rhodes’s luncheon speech focused on the importance of financial aid to Cornell, its students, and the communities all over the world which benefit from student and alumni partic-

ipation in civic programs and activities. Over half of all Cornell students receive financial aid, he noted, but more importantly, financial aid recipients have been found to give back to Cornell and their local communities both in terms of volunteer work and financial contributions. As an example of this point, a challenge gift of \$50 million has been made by an alumnus who attended Cornell on a scholarship. I hope you will join me in helping Cornell reach its \$150 million scholarship goal by Dec. 31, '99.

Our best wishes go to Katrine Bosley, who starts a new assignment in Paris for Biogen this

month. Speaking from experience, carrying out one’s duties as class officer while living abroad is an added challenge, but with the help of dedicated volunteers, Reunion 2000 is sure to be a memorable one. For more information on Reunion 2000 or regional class events, join the Class of 1990 listserv (see www.alum.cornell.edu for more details).

Congratulations also go out to fellow Class Correspondent Regina Duffey and Martin Moravek. “I’m thrilled to tell you that I had a beautiful daughter on Feb. 7, '99, at 7:10 p.m. Her name is Micaela Charlene Moravek. She’s absolutely beautiful, weighed eight pounds, 11 ounces and is 20 inches long. She’s got really long fingers and gracefully slips her little hands under her head when she sleeps. She’s really strong, has held her head up from her first day and is a precious little thing! Mom and dad are doing fine, just majorly sleep-deprived.”

Joe and Wendy Barboza Middendorf of Cincinnati had their first child, daughter Dana Marie, on Dec. 14, '98. Anna Doyno Tague '91 and husband Barry “Skip” Jr. had their second child, Timothy, last November. Timothy’s sister, Caroline, turned 2 on Dec. 1, '98. Jacoba “Jacy” Channell Smith, district manager of H & R Block in Clintondale, NY, and husband Jeffrey W. '91 are to celebrate their daughter Marlee’s 1st birthday on May 11. Sam Price, born June 12, '97, enters a multiple Cornellian family. Mom and dad are Robert and Susan Portman Price of San Antonio, TX, and Sam’s uncle and grandfather are David M. Price Jr. '87 and David Portman '59, BArch '60. Dan Fried e-mailed me about two more Cornell babies, as well as his own “baby” of sorts: “Mark Borowsky '89 and wife Jocelyn Margolin welcomed son Jacob Nathan into the world on Jan. 17, '99, and Jessica Ruth was born on Feb. 9, '99 to Noel Spear '91 and Trish (Drobner) '89. “I am producing a feature film called ‘O,’ a modern-adaptation of Shakespeare’s *Othello* set in high school basketball. It stars Martin Sheen, Mekhi Phifer, Julia Stiles, Josh Hartnett, and others.

We started shooting in Charleston, SC, in March. I hope you enjoy the film when we’re done. My Zeta Beta Tau brother Rob Forster is practicing emergency medicine in Atlanta, GA, and called me recently in the middle of the night to say that he could tell there was a full moon out based on the people coming into his emergency room. Rumor has it Rob’s entrepreneurial side is beckoning him from medicine to the world of business. We’ll see what happens.” Thanks for sharing the news, Dan!

Lee Miller is another creative classmate who just finished writing his second book of fiction entitled “Welcome to the Wonderful World of Leebo.” This work is a collection of seven short stories and 70 poems. Last year, Lee finished a novel called “The Red Cloth of Guatemala.” He is looking for help to get these works published. If anyone knows a good literary agent, please contact Lee at Lee_Miller@gse.harvard.edu. Perhaps he could get a few pointers from Brad Herzog, a freelance writer, frequent contributor to *Cornell Magazine*, and a former U-hall 4 dormmate of mine. Brad’s article in the United Airlines in-flight magazine about Hidden Valley Ranch and its famous dressing kept me entertained during my trip to New York last November.

Another friend from my U-hall 4 days is A. F. “Andy” Bednar, a high school teacher and coach in Pittsburgh. His former roommate Dale Printy was in Pittsburgh for a year and their sons enjoyed getting to know each other. The Printy family moved to Cleveland last October.

I was pleasantly surprised to get a phone call from Renu Thomas, MEI '91, another friend from freshman dorm days. Renu moved to Manhattan last fall and still works for GE. I was hoping to catch up with her during CACO Mid-Winter Meeting, but business called her away to Hong Kong that weekend.

My freshman seminar classmate Linda Lee Yau wrote from Laurel, MD, to say that she and husband Thomas '89 became parents to Susanna in February 1998. Linda finished her internal medicine residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital and Thomas finished his residency in ophthalmology. Linda sees a lot of Cornellians at Johns Hopkins, among them Dr. Sydney Morss (internal medicine), Dr. Benjamin Lee (urology), and Dr. Cathy Sellner Colon Emeric (geriatrics).

James Goldstein asked us to send an apology to Ted and E. A. “Betsy” Bernhard Pearlman '92 in Boulder, CO. The Pearlmans were also guests at his wedding in October 1996. Sorry for the oversight! Meeta Kharbanda sent news about her Nov. 28, '98, wedding in Bridgewater, NY. Her husband is Timothy Arcuri, a Villanova alumnus. Cornellians at Meeta’s wedding were Abigail L. Rose, Deena Daggett, Betty Sze, Laura Talesnick Fogel, and Preston McGowan, BS Eng '91. Meeta looks forward to the 10th Reunion so that she can share the beauty of Cornell and Ithaca with Tim. She currently works in San Jose, CA, for Microsoft, which acquired her former employer Hotmail. Tim and Meeta live in the Marina district in San Francisco.

Of all the news and dues cards I received, I think **Keizo Tsutsui's** was the most entertaining: "I went to Spain during March 1998 (it was Spring Break—remember that?) and I saw **Eric Bernard '89**, ME I '90. He had a Cornell sticker on his car, even though no one seems to put stickers on cars there. (I have a Cornell sticker on mine, too.)" So if you are ever in Tokyo, look for a car with a Cornell sticker on it, and you will know that the driver is Keizo. He graduated from the Wharton School with at least 20 other Cornellians and began a position with Boston Consulting Group's Tokyo office. Keizo stays in touch via e-mail with **Ricardo Aparicio** (Minneapolis, MN), **Ajay Malhotra**, BS Eng '91, MEE '92 (Santa Clara, CA), **Al Eng** (San Francisco), and **Juan Mini '89** (Berkeley, CA). I think Frank Rhodes would agree with me when I say, "I love Keizo's Cornell spirit!" ♦ **Rose Tanasugarn**, 5419 La Mirada Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90029-1010 tel., (323)464-5915; fax (213) 623-4005; e-mail, nt28@cornell.edu; **Regina Duffey**; e-mail, rmd5@cornell.edu.

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Greetings from the Hill! We have lots of news, so let's get started! **Meredith Clark Sachoy** sends news from Cambridge, MA, where she works for Goldman Sachs after finishing graduate school at MIT's Sloan School of Management. She recently saw **Ruth Ann Keene**, JD '98, and **Lisa Dale**, BA '92, in Colorado, where they reunited for a week on the ski slopes. **Sandra Stroope Dupcak**, also in Massachusetts, reports she is still working on a doctorate in clinical psychology. Although it's a large state, **Kathleen Gapp** and husband **Matthew Sherman** can also be found on the Boston streets. Matthew is working as an engineer for a heavy construction company and the couple keeps in touch with **Jeffrey Loiter** and wife Aimee, who recently bought a home.

Nicole Bisagni Deltoro sends word from Florida, where she works as a consultant for Romac International in Ft. Lauderdale. As the president of the Cornell Club of the Gold Coast, Nicole sees tons of alumni every week! Alumni news close to her heart include that of two Cornellian births! **Tammy Blum** Ross and husband Mitch were blessed with baby Joely in April 1998; and **Sumaya El-Ashry** Ali and husband Asif had baby Zane in January 1998. **Jon Krumerman** and wife Caren are currently in Texas and announce the birth of daughter Mia. Jon is halfway through his training in a neurosurgery residency, busy as a new dad and resident. **Laura Fricke** Main and husband Doug send news from Newtown, CT, where their son Douglas celebrated his 1st birthday in April 1998! The couple enjoys being parents and Laura writes, "It certainly enhances work as a teacher and is extremely rewarding and fulfilling!" **Diane Roseman** sends news from Pasadena, CA, where she is currently taking time off from school to care for her 15-month-old son. Diane finds this job more "challenging and interesting than graduate school!"

Jennifer E. Green Seltzer and husband Cliff announce the birth of son Maxwell Jarred. **Elin Piorkowski** Barton and husband John announce the birth of daughter Zoe Karina, born in November 1997. Elin worked in Prague with **Deborah Michaels** and **Kirsten Lodge**. Elin left Prague two years ago, but Deborah and Kirsten are still there and loving it! Elin reports, "Being a mom is the hardest job I've held so far—but it is also the most fun!" **Lisa Epstein** Jay and husband Russell live in New York City and enjoy their son, Jaled Maxwell Jay, born Mar. 21, '97! Lisa is working part-time at New York U. in order to spend time with her son. The couple keeps in touch with **Linda Keenan**, **Christina (Hohn)** and **Scott Schissel**, and **Rachel Laiserin**, all living in the NYC area. We received an e-mail from **Alix Mellis** Brown and husband Jim announcing the birth of their second son, Maxfield Barrett Brown, born on Jan. 11, '99, at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in NYC. We hear that son James Sylvester Brown (aka Jack) is quite thrilled and excited to have a new little brother! Congratulations to our new families!

Wedding bells were ringing for **Megan McNealy** and Michael Graves on May 9, '98, in the California Wine Country. Cornellians in attendance included **Carla Johnson**, **Shay Livingston**, **Margaret Showel**, BS Eng '92, **Lisa Strobe**, **Donna Bosshardt** Abreu '90, BS Eng '92, **Alissa Moore**, MBA '98, and **Susan Sidner** Carlebach. **Sharlyn Carter** wed William Heslam (Middlebury '91) on Oct. 3, '98. Cornellians in attendance at the Hyannisport, Cape Cod wedding included bridesmaid **Cynthia (Lee)** and her husband **Jimmy Dow**, as well as fellow Delta Gammas **Amy Gellert**, **Debbie Fine**, **Hilary Nagler**, **Felise Feingold**, and **Stephanie Vroom '90**. **Kevin Drumm '92**, a law school classmate of Shar's, was a big hit on the dance floor! **David O'Connor** sends news of his marriage to Cathy Kray. The couple lives in Arizona and David is a financial analyst for Intel Corp. since completing an MBA at Carnegie Mellon U. **Matt Dorr** was part of the wedding party! Wedding bells were also ringing for **Paula Burdett**, MBA '94, and Gabriel Rusu in November 1997 in New Haven, CT, on the Long Island Sound. Bridesmaids included **Ann Szigethy '90** and **Tracey Malloy** Frazzetta '92. Among other Cornellians in attendance were **Jim Conti '88**, MBA '89, **Sameer Desai**, **Heather George**, **Samir Khanjar**, **Russell MacAdam**, MEE '92, **Bill Munze**, **M. Joseph Riordan**, **Karen Schmeidler**, **Joan (Kochan)** and **Mike Schade**, and **Gary S. Wojcik**. Congratulations to all of our brides and grooms!

Daniel Markofsky is currently in Boulder, CO, where he joined a new law firm in Denver, Thompson and Zall, LLC, and practices in commercial real estate and business. He skied with **Dave Schmier** in Vail and sat on the beach in Miami with **Horacio Gutierrez '92**! Attention all skiers! **Scott J. Peterson**, MPA '92, sends word from Vermont, where

he is currently a public relations manager at Sugarbush Resort! **Wendy Sievenpiper** Beck and husband Jeremy write from Williamsville, NY. Wendy started a new job as a dentist at Gowanda Correctional Facility in addition to her private practice. Wendy and Jeremy were wed in September 1997 and alumni in attendance included **Tara (Robinson)** and **Mike Barone '94**, and **Tiffany Robinson** VanDerWerf. **Karen Lauster-Berniker**, also living in NY, is currently a vocational counselor at the Epilepsy Inst. in NYC with an area of focus in cognitive rehabilitation. Karen married Mark Berniker on Sept. 20, '97, and is convinced that "life is 10 percent what happens to her and 90 percent how she reacts to it!"

Stephen M. Jones sends news from St. Louis, MO. He visited **Lisa Ryan** in NYC and saw **Susan Lipetz** in St. Louis before she headed to Melbourne, Australia, for a two-year job relocation. **Amy Lipetz** is also working in St. Louis for Ralston Purina Co. **David H. Ratner** is working as a senior software engineer at Software.com in Santa Barbara after graduating with a PhD in computer science from U. of California, LA in January 1998. David married Darcy Richardes in November 1997 and alums in attendance included **Tony DiRubbo**, **Dustin Moskowitz**, **Mary Ciotoli**, and **Jayme Ratner '84**. **Marc-David Seidel**, BA '90, MBA '91, is busy in Austin, TX, where he started his second Internet service, entitled A Bell Tolls, which provides impartial long-distance rate comparisons. He is also still operating his first Internet service, Airlines of the Web, where visitors can get free lowfare searches on most airlines in the world. David is also a professor of management at U. of Texas, Austin, and in his free time spends an afternoon with **Dave Quick**, MBA '92, sailing on Canyon Lake or keeping in touch with **J. Desloge '92** and **Peter Joson '93**.

Beth Bechky will be moving from San Francisco to Pennsylvania to start a new position as an assistant professor at the Wharton School, U. of Pennsylvania, after finishing a PhD in organizational behavior at Stanford U. Before leaving California, Beth met up with fellow alums on a day trip to Sonoma with good friends, lots of wine, and good food! **Tamar Cohen**, **Jason Rardin '92**, **Kate Reynolds '95**, and **Kevin T. Kennedy '94** were all up for the adventure! Beth may run into **Susan Geringer**, who will be starting an executive MBA program at Wharton! **Paul Caplan**, also in California, can be found working as a partnership manager for Centralink and in his free time is hanging out with **S. K.-Y. "Steve" Chang**, who is giving massage in San Francisco.

That is all the news we have room for! Thank you to everyone who mailed updates and alumni sightings! Happy 1999 and keep smiling, stay happy, and keep the news flowing! ♦ **Linda Moerck-Cisz**, 264 Carpenter Ave., Sea Cliff, NY 11579; e-mail, cisz_mark@jpmorgan.com; and **Kevin Le-manowicz**, 3 Byron's Way, Franklin, MA 02038; e-mail, kpl6@cornell.edu.

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Please, send in your news! With this column, my stash of news items is now depleted, so send me the news of what you've been doing. Here's what everyone else has been up to.

Kim-Chi Wakefield Trinh is now living and working in Hanoi, Vietnam, as chief representative of Aetna International Inc. and would like to know if anybody else from Cornell is also in that part of the world. **Jean-Paul Davis** finished a PhD in aeronautics at Caltech in October 1998, and was heading to Paris for a year on a Chateaubriand Postdoctoral Fellowship.

Mat Zucker is still in NYC, having taken a job as copy director at Blue Marble ACG, an online marketing company. He recently played in a squash tournament with **Ian Kutner** in Charlotte, NC, where Ian is teaching advanced placement English to high school students. **Karen (Diulio)** and husband **Rob Ceske '89** welcomed their first child, Marie Kathleen, into the world on Sept. 18, '98. Karen is taking the year off from teaching high school English and finding motherhood both challenging and very rewarding.

Matt J. Meyer is living and working in New York City as a corporate attorney for Pfizer. He sees classmates **Giles Cohen** and **David Varriale** who are also attorneys working in New York. Matt noted that **Carolyn Nash** and **Sean Melchionda**, BS Ag '93, are

both in San Francisco, where Carolyn works for a contract research organization and Sean is an architect. Congratulations to **Paulo Kaiser**, who was married to Karen Idra on Nov. 14, '98. Paulo is a product manager at Inter-world Corp., an internet software company in Manhattan. He earned an MBA from New York U. and is a candidate for a master's degree in information systems.

Caryn Poll is in her third year of Vet college at Cornell and has lined up some great externships at Sea World in Florida and the Brookfield Zoo in Chicago. She mentioned that **Leslie Bluman** has moved to Boston for a position at the Dana Farber Cancer Inst. **Cindy Caruso** works for Pepsi-Cola in Mesquite, TX. **Kim Blake** Prause moved to Center Harbor, NH, after living in Tucson, AZ, for six years. She is teaching English at Moultonborough Academy. **Lisa Anne Martin** has been in the litigation department at Gardner, Carton & Douglas for a year and a half and recently bought a condo in Chicago. **Tanya Kachen** wrote that she finished her master's at Harvard's school of public health last spring, and has been doing research on smoking and pregnancy at the Dana Farber Cancer Inst. She mentioned that **Terra Smolker** has moved to Boston. **Shannon O'Barr** married Michael Decker on Aug. 29, '98, and lives in Seabrook, MD.

Aaron "Rusty" Lloyd, BA '93, moved back to the Bay area from Minnesota and is working for Netscape doing e-commerce development. Also in the Bay area is **Greg Graff**, who's working on a PhD in environmental/agricultural economics. He sees **Kevin Schwartz**, **Hilary Altman '91**, MS Ag '95, and **Joe Grondahl** frequently.

Robert Arrieta earned his MBA from MIT and then started work as an investment banker with Chase Manhattan Bank last August. **Katherine Christiana** graduated from Boston U. with an MBA and an MS in management information systems, and now works in England. **Drew Ries** graduated from Thunderbird with a master's in international management and then spent six weeks exploring Southeast Asia. He now works for Enron in Houston and regularly sees Jen and **Joe Gatto**, who also live in Houston.

Having graduated from Temple U. medical school last spring, **Dave Stuhlmiller** and his wife, **Christine (Watters) '93**, moved to the Indianapolis area. Dave is in his first year of an emergency medicine residency at Methodist Hospital. Christine is working for an investment advisory firm. **Jennifer (Livingston)** and **Larry Schwartz '89** went on a belated honeymoon to Antigua last June, then returned to Hailey, ID, where they bought a townhouse. They own two restaurants; one in Hailey and one just outside Boise. Jennifer mentioned **Jill Johnston** lives in Atlanta and works for Harvey Hotels.

Caglar Ozden has a new position as an economics professor at Emory U. and reports he needs a vacation! Meanwhile, **Karen Maroli**, MBA '97, works in product marketing at Warner-Lambert Co. in Morris Plains, NJ. Congratulations to **Mary Vallett** Mariska,

who earned her PhD in behavioral psychology from the U. of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City last August. She said it was a very long five years and therefore she took a few months off to spend time with family and friends before beginning a job search.

David Wuosmaa was married in January 1997, and is a senior forest research specialist for Westvaco near Charleston, SC. On the other coast, **Samantha Gold** started business school at Pepperdine in California. **Minhaj** and **Romana Arastu** went on a trip through Agra, Jaipur, and Udaipur, India, and saw many red sandstone buildings and many beautifully painted townhomes. Back home in Columbia, SC, Minhaj teaches English and coaches the debate team at his old high school.

Matt Goldberg checked in with his travels since graduation. He completed a master's in international relations at the U. of Melbourne (Australia) in 1996. He worked for the office of the Governor of Illinois for six years, but left to pursue a JD/MBA at Stanford. He's also taken a two-month vacation through Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia. Matt mentioned that **Dan Gitner** is a prosecutor in NYC.

Kirsten Johnston Barker finished her master's of science in business at Johns Hopkins. Having earned her degree part-time while working full-time, she's ecstatic to "have a life again." Her husband, **Piers '91**, MD '95, finished his pediatrics residency at Hopkins, and they've moved to Ann Arbor, MI, where he is doing a fellowship in pediatric cardiology. They bought their first home and are anticipating experiencing Home Depot to the fullest over the next few years.

Jean Haggerty is in medical school at Eastern Virginia and was deciding on a residency path when she wrote in. Over the summer she enjoyed an exhilarating white-water rafting trip down the Cataract Canyon on the Colorado River. **Megan (Fee)**, MBA '93, and **John Torrance '90** both quit their jobs and are consulting independently in Michigan. Megan was playing hockey in a league, and noted that **Katie Hallada** Pinhey '83 is also in her league. **Chris Hart** is back in the Midwest and working as a recruiter.

Alex Heffess is a second-year general surgery resident at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. Meanwhile, **Kathryn Lancioni** was promoted to vice president, corporate communications, at Ogilvy PR (I'm uncertain of complete company name!) and took a trip to China recently. **Rebecca Greene** continues to work with the Bilingual Foundation of the Arts in Los Angeles. **Anthony Langone** is finishing up his internal residency at Baylor in Houston, and will be starting a fellowship in nephrology at Vanderbilt this summer.

I have my own big news to report: **David Toth** and I will be moving to Charlottesville, VA, at the end of June, where David will begin a fellowship in endocrinology at the U. of Virginia, having completed his internal medicine residency at Dartmouth. (Wedding details in a later issue.) If anyone is in the Charlottesville area, please e-mail me! And even if you're not in that area, e-mail me with your

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Hi, everyone! Much of my news comes through e-mail, which is great! Keep it up!

Lori Denenberg Herz writes, "I'm in my fourth year of grad school at Rutgers, working on my doctorate in chemical engineering, and I live in Branchburg, NJ, with my husband Eric." Last winter **Alison Ehrmann** wrote, "It's been only five years, but I've already had enough of working. I just quit my job in publishing at Time Inc. in NYC to 'travel the world.' I leave December 1 and expect to be gone for a year or so. Then . . . ? I'll be traveling mostly through Asia and Africa. I attended several Cornellian weddings: **Ed Groszewski** married Heather Kennedy at Cornell (Sage Chapel, then A.D. White House) in August. It was gorgeous! In attendance were **Allison Bobis**, **Evan III, JD '96**, and **Trica Tafe Williams**, **Anthony Cucchi '94**, **Chris Levine**, **Steve Haggerty**, **Caleb P. "Spuds" Powell**, **Brian Ott**, **K. G. Swan**, **E. M. "Ted" Berkery**, **John Busse**, **Pat Blair**, **Mike Jamin**, **Brian Bailey '92**, **Kevin McCarthy '92**, **Bob Kiesendahl '92**, **Seth Litwin '94**, **John '91** and **Lisa Munter Clarke '91**. Also married were **Leah Peterson** and Sloan Swanson, last October, in Connecticut. In attendance: **Allison Bobis**, **Evan** and **Trica Tafe Williams**, **Janet Hawkins**, **Kristin Fechner**, **Tina Masington**, **Tina Hennessey**, **Colleen Durham '92**, and **Candy Griggs '92**."

Nora Bensahel writes, "My big news is that I've just moved from California to Massachusetts. I have a fellowship this year at Harvard, at the Olin Inst. for Strategic Studies. The fellowship gives me a year to finish my dissertation, so hopefully I will be done with the PhD next year at this time. Leaving Stanford was really hard, but it is nice to be back on the East Coast again. I actually went to Ithaca a few weeks ago, to attend the wedding of **Lisa Capron**, one of my apartmentmates from senior year. I drove up with **Alyssa Frantz**, MRP '94, who is also in Boston, and we had a very nostalgic time—complete with playing the Cayuga's Waiters on our drive into Ithaca!"

Brian Diamond writes, "I live in Hawaii now. I am a resident physician for the time being. Winter swells have already been reported on the North Shore. Heavy avocados fall from laden trees, causing frequent guacamole contusions. Happy days and sweet dreams to my fellow classmates." **Damon J. Popovics** writes, "I graduated *cum laude* from New York Chiropractic College in December 1996 (accelerated); bought a chiropractic practice in June 1997 in Prescott, AZ; am owner and solo doctor of Hands On Healthcare in Prescott, AZ; and am Arizona Football League team physician studying to be a certified chiropractic sports physician (CCSP)."

Valerie Silensky writes that she is no

longer in Africa. "I had a wonderful few years teaching about health, nutrition, and disease prevention issues and I miss it dearly. However, I am back and having a great time. Currently I am living and working in Washington, DC, where I am a federal investigator (Dept. of Labor). I investigate embezzlements and electoral problems within labor unions." **Jason Halio** writes, "I am finishing up my first year of my MBA degree at the Tuck School at Dartmouth. I will be heading back down to NYC this summer to work on the equity trading floors of Goldman, Sachs."

More news was gleaned from class dues information. **Lillian Lee** wrote that she and **Jon Kleinberg** were married in September 1998 at the Johnson Art Museum. Being students at Cornell wasn't enough for them; now they are both enjoying their second year as assistant professors in Cornell's computer science department. **Vivek Krishnappa** is working toward his MBA at the Haas School of Business at U. of California, Berkeley. **Jason Scopp** is doing his residency in orthopedic surgery at U. of Maryland. **Loren Rosenzweig** is currently pursuing two master's degrees—an MS in nutrition communications, and a master's in public health administration—while working as a state nutrition specialist at the Massachusetts Dept. of Public Health. After three years with Booz-Allen, **Todd Rethemeier**, MEI and MBA '94, is now working in equity research with NationsBanc Montgomery Securities, covering companies in the wireless communications industry.

Jennifer Abeles married **Paul T. King '92** on June 13, '98, at the New York Marriott Financial Center and **Per Robert Jacobson** and **E. L. "Betsy" Wilson** were married on Aug. 22, '98, after nine years of dating. Betsy graduated from Harvard law school in May 1998 and is working at Moran, Lewis, Bachius in NYC, and Per is a senior art director with Leo Burnett, New York.

Late-breaking news—We have received a grant to aid us in establishing our interactive website. We are looking for volunteers to help develop and maintain the website. Please contact either of the correspondents and we will put you in touch with the right people. Finally, please be aware that we have lot of news and not a lot of room to write (more duespayers = more room). If your news isn't here, please keep an eye out or drop us a direct line; we are doing our best to get it all in! ♦ **Yael Berkowitz**, 310 W. 95th St, #7A, NYC 10025; e-mail, yberkowitz@buckconsultants.com; and **Gregg Paradise**, 96 Fifth Ave., Apt. 9E, NYC 10011; e-mail, gparadise@kenyonlaw.com.

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Lots of news and little space due to a decrease in paid subscribers; therefore, let me get right to business. **Brian Horvath** e-mailed the magazine recently to let us know he moved to Indianapolis from Philadelphia, switching companies (Merck to Eli Lilly, in bioprocess engineering), working hard to get his fellow classmates to attend Reunion '99 (June 10-13, and all of you should

be well aware of this by now!). **Jonathan Morgenstein** e-mailed to report he is indeed not a lost classmate! He teaches social studies in an inner-city high school in San Francisco and has been promoted to sergeant in the Marine Corps Reserves. Unfortunately, Jonathan won't be joining us at reunion but wanted to note that he has been to every lightweight football alumni game since graduation.

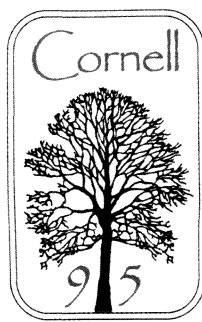
Erika Ozer continues as an associate at Testa Hurwitz and Tibeault in Boston in the labor and employment practice group, and is proud to report that she completed her first marathon in New York this past fall. **Camilo Ortiz** writes about his marriage to **Betty Wong** last May. **Ron Columbo** was his best man and **Eve Gardner** was Betty's maid of honor. Camilo writes that he was due to earn his PhD in clinical psychology from the U. of Massachusetts—Amherst this May. **Mary Kate Conroy Gutierrez** and husband **Ramiro** currently live in Washington, DC, where they frequently see **Kris Minor**, **Jason Stevens '93**, BS Eng '94, and **Tim Hallinan '93**.

From Florida, **Rosario Gonzalez** writes that last September, when she and her boyfriend, **Luis E. Rodriguez '93**, were moving in together, they decided to drop by the courthouse first and get married. The happy couple plans a church wedding sometime this year. **Amy Conner** VanHoose, BS Hotel '97, and her husband live aboard a Cal 35 sailboat, which they first sailed from Maryland to Key West, then docked for eight months before settling in Charleston. Amy reports that **Melissa Galluch** is working toward her DVM at Cornell and **Annie Kurz** George is getting her law degree at Boston U. Another grad student is **Michael Vest**, who is a second-year student at the New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. Also, **Michele Swerdloff** is in school for a dual master's in special education and social work at Columbia, and currently sings in an *a cappella* group named Treble with **Diana D'Agostino** and **Jennifer Dubin '95**.

Rob Stevens writes from Pittsburgh that he still works for an e-commerce startup called FreeMarkets Online. It began about 2-1/2 years ago with 16 employees and now has 100! Sounds like his company is riding the huge technology wave that's taken over the country and made lots of stockholders rich. Also in the tech field is **Kelly Snow**, who works as an independent Web developer in San Francisco.

Back in the grad school ranks, **Ari Rubenfeld** reports that he will be graduating from SUNY, Buffalo's medical school along with **Natalie Sikka**, **Racquel Thomas Januzi**, **Sanjiv Kayastha**, and **Jessica D. Edwards-Reich**. Another recent grad is **Carrie Skolnick** Rothfeld, who earned an associate's degree from Parsons and now works for an architect in NYC. Carrie reports that **Alisa Altman** Rosenblatt is a pediatric resident at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. **Yasha Rodriguez** recently completed a master's degree in archaeology, and works for an environmental firm involved in environmental assessments and project management.

In the professional world, **Diana Ortiz** is



The Class of 1995 would like to extend a sincere thanks to all our duespayers for the 1998-99 year. Through your support, the Class of 1995 is able to keep bringing you all of the latest activities and

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serving as a law clerk for the chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court. Another lawyer, **Tandy O'Donoghue**, works as an associate for Proskauer Rose in Manhattan, along with **Robert A. Cohen**. Tandy writes that **Jennifer Avitabile** is still in the middle of her JD/MBA program at Georgetown, and **Stacey Sayetta** is an associate at Wilkie Farr in Manhattan. Also practicing law in Manhattan is **Nicole Jerabek**, BS Ag '95, an associate at Shearman and Sterling.

On the Hotelie front, Kenley May (is this spelled correctly?) works as a national sales manager for the Westin St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco, and fellow Hotelie **Kimberly Moffitt** recently joined Sonnenbick-Goldman Co., a real estate investment bank in New York, as director of marketing. Also, **Debra Freckleton** currently works at the Omni Parker House in Boston, and recently went to Maine with **Rod Clough** and showed him how to eat lobster! **David Goodridge** also checked in. He works in San Francisco as a consultant for Cushman & Wakefield and lives with **Gus Warren**.

From Baltimore, **Valerie McGuire** works for a small landscape architecture firm and reports that she loves Baltimore, but it's not Ithaca, and she hopes to attend reunion this June. In Manhattan, **Christopher McFarland** is a promotional market manager for Chivas Regal, but his heart still belongs to acting and he asks for the assistance of any Cornell agents or casting directors!

I hope all of you enjoy reunion! ♦ **Jennifer Rabin**, 155 E. 29th St., Apt. 10C, NYC 10016; e-mail, jar1229@hotmail.com; also **Dika Lam**, 204 E. 90th St., #4-E, NYC 10128; e-mail, dikaesme@aol.com; and **Dineen Pashoukos**, 10135 Gate Parkway, N. #707, Jacksonville, FL 32246; tel., (904)



The countdown has begun! As your class officers **Allison Halpern** (one of our illustrious reunion chairs), **Anne-Marie Segaric** (our treasurer and wonderful webmistress), **Amit Mitra** (class council member), and yours truly realized at the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in January, we are well on our way to Reunion 2000! As I write this, the big weekend (specifically, June 8-11, 2000—mark it on your calendars, now!) is but a year away, and we have lots to do to get ready for it!

For us to have the best reunion ever, we'll need your help. If you are interested, please drop Allison H. an e-mail at ahalpern@students.wisc.edu. Reunion information will also be posted on our class website, at <http://www.classof95.cornell.edu/>. From here on in, this will be a great place to get the latest information on class goings-on and reunion, to vote for the kind of souvenirs we'll get at reunion, to find out about duespayer discounts on reunion and other things, etc. Also, did you know that there is room on our class council and advisory committee for more Class of '95ers? If you have ever been interested in assisting with class membership efforts or other

programs, we'd love to have you! Please send me an e-mail (address at the bottom of this column) and let me know in what capacity. We have openings in several areas, and could also use some energetic classmates around the country to serve as Class of '95 regional reps, especially for the planning and running of Reunion Kickoff/Countdown events and happy hours, which we hope to implement in major cities around the nation (the local Cornell clubs will be able to assist such efforts). Finally, if anyone is interested in becoming a Class of '95 officer at reunion, now's your chance to volunteer! Get involved now, either with Reunion 2000 or general class programming, or both! We'd love to have you on board.

Now, on to this month's installment of Where Are They Now—or something like that. First, the wedding update. From **Diego Valderrama**, a graduate student in Duke U.'s economics department, comes news that two of his best friends were married on Jan. 2, '99, on Long Island, NY. Fellow Cornell Summer College alums **Eric Feliberti** and **Anna Zakos** met at Cornell during freshman year (insert big collective "Awww" here) and are now living in wedded bliss in the Lone Star State, where Eric is finishing up his MD at the U. of Texas, Galveston, and Anna is earning a master's in public health at the U. of Texas, Houston. Writes Diego, "The wedding was beautiful and full of Cornelliens. We reminisced about the good old times at Cornell, remembering Spring Break trips together to Canada and Puerto Rico, and shopping trips to Wegmans and Pyramid. I was honored to be the best man, and **Hector Arce** was one of the groomsmen." Other participants included **Yosun Denizeri**, ME IE '96, **Vera Soltero**, **Edward S. Oh**, **Abra Benson**, **Helen McMenimen**, and **Tomo Kato**. Also invited, but unable to attend, were **Justin Mull**, who is in dental school at Tufts, and **Alex Vazquez**, ME CE '96, earning his MBA at U. of Michigan.

Another Texan, **Karen Cheng**, a sales engineer at Nortel Networks in the town of Richardson, writes that on Aug. 29, '98, her former electrical engineering lab partner and current co-worker, **Tina Chang**, PhD '96, married Joseph Chen in Knoxville, TN. Cornelliens in attendance were **Vivian Tso**, **Vic F. Stone**, **Matt Dobbins**, and **Kevin J. Wang**. And, **Andrew Slocum**, who lives in Houston and works as a senior specialist in energy risk management, brings news of a wedding he attended in Fort Collins, CO, between **Matt Snider** and **Amy Finkelstein '94**, BS Ag '95, also in August. He was joined by classmates including **Jon Kuhman**, **L. Tyler Hearon**, **Amy Duesing**, **Tasha Fleury**, **Oliver Guinness**, **Andy Stewart**, and **Jason Underwood '94**.

Moving on to the classmates in interesting places update, we have **Susanne Engler**, who spent two months not long ago in Nome, Alaska, working with the Indian Health Service. She has since graduated from Duke U. medical school with an MD/PhD. **Kathryn Alarie** lives in China, working for a Hong Kong interior design company. She writes, "I have been in Beijing for two years and plan to

stay one more, and then, maybe to Europe!" Speaking of Europe, **Chauncy Maddox** wrote, back in October, that she was relocating with her job at Credit Suisse First Boston to London for one to two years. Also in London is **Allison Krill**, with Merrill Lynch. And after a six-month break on an exchange program in Switzerland, **Chris T. Hill** is back in the States, specifically in Vermont, where he manages a dairy farm. He writes that **Kelaine "Kelly" Vargas** is managing a B&B and a store with her mother in Wilmington, NC, and is considering pursuing her graduate study in landscape architecture. Busy traveling around the country is **Gregory Norek**, who works in the sales and marketing department of Vistana Inc. in Orlando, FL, while **Jill Johnson** is a navigator on an aircraft in the Air Force, living in Charleston, SC.

Back North, we've got our ever-growing and changing New York City contingent. **Elissa Tolle** recently began a PhD program in counseling psychology at Columbia, and also works part-time at Baruch College as a counselor doing academic advisement. She also helps manage a research team on women, work, and family issues there. In a similar vein, **Meredith Rosenberg** is finishing up her graduate studies in school psychology at New York U.

The "suits" of Manhattan are keeping busy, as well, such as **John Cokinis**, who moved from Citicorp to Fleet Bank, where he is now an assistant vice president. **Greg Loeber** works for Landawer Real Estate Counselors. And **Ron Didner** works in management at the Guggenheim Museum of Art for Restaurant Associates.

In the media world, **Michael Mendelsohn** has been working with correspondent John Stossel at ABC news for the past few years, mainly doing pieces concerned with government largesse, while **Lynn Finamore** was recently promoted to senior marketing associate for print and on-air advertising at HBO. Out on the "Guyland," **Matthew Pasca** teaches high school English at Bay Shore High School, where he also coaches and teaches SAT classes. Another teacher, in Brooklyn, is **Kwame Nyanin**, who is a math instructor and writes, "it is a very challenging experience (which) I enjoy and would not trade for anything."

Finally, further north, in Boston, **Amy Levy** is an associate analyst for a research and consulting firm specializing in trends in information technologies. **Lecia VanDam** and **Debbie James** are both finishing their fourth year of medical school at Harvard and moving on to their residencies in their selected fields. **Megan Cleary** is finishing up her second year at Boston U. law school, while **David S. Kenny** finishes his third at Boston College in law. **Christopher Goodson** graduated from BC law school, himself, last May, and now works for the firm of Gallo Geffner Fenster in Hackensack, NJ.

That's the news for this month. Keep submitting those cards and e-mails (don't forget, those of you who have informed me of engagements and upcoming weddings, to fill me

in on details when they happen so I can print them in the column!) and keep watching for more news next issue. In the meantime, check out our website and feel free to give us suggestions on how we can make it better. And, if you can help out with Reunion 2000, or with the Class of '95 in general, please let us know! ♦ **Alison M. Torrillo**, 1330 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Apt. 819, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, amt7@cornell.edu.

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Andrea Stern, the young alumni coordinator for Chicago, reports that she sees a lot of Cornellians at her events. **Jeremy Miller**, **Cynthia Deruiter**, **Edward "Ted" Eigel '94**, **Neil Jain**, **Doug May**, **Greg Swender '94**, and **Adrian Boma '97** are just a few of the names Andrea mentioned in her letter. She encourages young alumni in Chicago to get involved by e-mailing her at andrea.stern@add.ssw.abbott.com. **Lukas Neckermann** claims that he is working hard to build up and maintain the Cornell Club of Munich. **Neil Sirota** and **Dan Charous** recently visited him in Germany: "After 12 hours of beer-garden-hopping, we took the train to Prague to sight see and party for three days. Back in Munich, we toured (BMW's) plant. . ."

As usual, many of our classmates are rediscovering the joy of higher education. **Joshua Holbreich** left his job at William Morris to study broadcast journalism at Columbia U. Watch out Geraldo Rivera—you've got competition. **Alison Conlin** is in her first year of medical school at Syracuse U., **Stephanie Schwarz** is a member of the Class of 2000 at SUNY College of Optometry, and **Jennifer Adams** Graziano is finishing up her DVM at Cornell. Having earned her MSW at the U. of Connecticut, **Lynda Duna** now works as an administrator at a health facility for women in Baltimore. **Laura Welch** will be starting her third year of medical school at SUNY, Brooklyn. After leaving Intel Corp. in California, **Felix Lung**, ME CS '97, drove across the country to take a job at DoubleClick in NYC. Many of his classmates are scrambling up the corporate ladder with positions in finance. **Anthony Annunziato** is the product manager for consumer debit card programs in Chase Manhattan's new product development division. **Jodi Erlandsen** is a legal administrator for NYC investment bank ING Baring Furfman Seiz. **Norbert Lou** now works at Elliott Associates, a \$2 billion NYC hedge fund.

Jason Ehrenberg is in his third year of law school at U. of Michigan and intends to work at a DC law firm—Morgan, Lewis and Bockius—after graduation. **Laura Bandini** will also graduate from the U. of Michigan. She has a job waiting for her at Miller and Chevalier in Washington, DC. "I'll be working as an employee benefits associate. I am very excited to graduate and begin practicing." She might run into **Suzanne Weidberg** at the American Insts. for Research, or Neil Sirota, who will be starting at Skadden, Arps. **Erica Gantner** reports that she's becoming more of a Steelers fan. She is currently a field marketing

manager for Gallo (where else?) Pittsburgh. **Jeff Leinbach** is working at Dir Products and Chemicals in Pasadena, TX. In Hampton, VA, **Juliet Bishop** is a contractor for Unisys at NASA's Langley Research Center. **Alex Ramos** is quitting his job with the Puerto Rico Dept. of Natural and Environmental Resources in order to study full time at the U. of Puerto Rico's Graduate School of Planning. He intends to get a master's degree in environmental planning. Former inhabitants of the Class of '18 Hall reunited for **Bill Hander's** wedding to **Gina DeMartini**. **Al Pizzica**, **Eric Sinoway**, **Jon DeCristofaro**, **April "Shen" Tan**, **Carin Lustig**, **Josh Silverman**, **Jeanine Schoen**, and **Edie Marshall** attended the festivities in Boulder, CO. **Michael Rantilla** writes that he recently married his Parisian sweetheart, Regina. He's now based in Durham, NC, where he is employed by an architecture firm in Chapel Hill. **Peter Maxfield** reports that he is traveling to Hong Kong and Tokyo with **Levina Wong**, MS E '98, and **Josiah Johnson** in February 1999. ♦ **Allie M. Cahill**, 519 Ninth St., Brooklyn, NY 11215; tel., (718) 832-7272; e-mail, tbrallie@aol.com; **Courtney B. Rubin**, 1727 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Apt. 403, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, crubin@washingtontonian.com; **Sheryl Magzamen**, 738 Stockton St., #2B, San Francisco, CA 94108; tel., (415) 397-3445; e-mail, magzamen@cardio.ucsf.edu.

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In keeping with the May/June theme, I'll kick this issue off by highlighting classmates who have tied the knot over the past few months. Don't worry, for those of you humbugs who would prefer to kick Cupid in the shins every now and then, there's plenty of non-romantic news towards the bottom! In December 1997, **Brent Gibson** (mp3558@medmail.mcg.edu) wrote that he had recently married Julia Dinello in Bombay and was studying medicine at the Medical College of Georgia. Brent appears well on his way to becoming a military physician, as he was awarded an American Medical Assn. scholarship. **Mona Walls** (mrw4@cornell.edu) is a web designer at Cornell.

Taking the next step on the road of life, **E. Alexander F. Alday** (alday@cwix.com), an investment advisor with Prudential Preferred Financial Services, and wife **Michelle Hernandez**, welcomed their first child, Kyle Alexander Alday, on Oct. 16, '98.

Some overdue news from **Neeral Shah** (nshah@aecom.yu.edu), who is nearly finished with his second year of medical school at Albert Einstein. Neeral spent the summer of 1998 at the London School of Medicine doing clinical research on malaria and hanging out with the cast of *Rent*. Neeral shared the following updates on his apartmentmates in May 1998: **Collin Pieper** was living in San Francisco and working for Apple Computer; **Evan Phillips** was teaching English outside Tokyo, Japan. **Paul Baranello** was working for Domino Sugar; **Geoff Butler** had completed his MS CE at Cornell. In Tokyo, **Ching-**

Ying "Kin-ei" **Lin** (kinei@interlink.or.jp) is working for Federal Express and has seen **Dan Jong '96**, **Yukari Matsuyama '98**, and **Jared Bjornholm '98**.

In Cincinnati, **Mary Gasco** (gasco.mc@pg.com), a product development engineer with Procter & Gamble, and **Paul J. Rogan** have gone back to school part-time to pursue their MBAs at Xavier U. Though work has her traveling quite a bit, Mary enjoyed her three-week trip to Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic over the holidays. She's seen **Bryan Hitchcock**, **Todd Wernicke** (both coworkers at P&G), **Mike Murdoch**, and **Todd Zion**, a ChemE buddy.

In Los Angeles, **Jonathan Matz** (jonathan.matz@gs.com) is an investment banker at Goldman Sachs and is "very much enjoying the sun and surf out West," while **Nick Halverson** (njh4@cornell.edu) took a job as an analyst at Goldsmith, Agio, Helms & Co., a private investment banking group in Minneapolis, MN. Over the past few months, Nick has caught up with **Larry Feinblum**, **Marisa Waldman**, **Amy Silino**, **Pete Martelli**, and **Matt Koerner**. **Hironi Ogawa** (ho11@cornell.edu) works at Sutton Suzuki Architects in Mill Valley, CA, building houses which are made specifically for no-snow weather (insert Ithaca weather joke here), and **Toby Sinton** was juggling two jobs: copywriting in San Francisco and researching geological information systems (GIS) in Berkeley. Also in San Francisco, **Jonathan Alferness** (jalfern@ds.caltech.edu) planned to spend summers working for small computer graphics companies while pursuing a PhD in computer science. **Laura Goddard** (lgoddard@ucdavis.edu) is working on her PhD in entomology at U. of California, Davis, where she studies viruses spread by mosquitoes and, in her spare time, trains horses for the UC, Davis polo team.

Last year, **Stacy Pultorak** (sjp10@cornell.edu) wrote that she was enjoying her experience as a human resources manager in Pittsburgh, and expected to be assuming management of the office following her director's departure. **Renu Giyanani** (rgiyanani@manu.com) ran into **Dilpreet Chowdhry** in Toronto, Ont., Canada. **Hotelies Amy Gust** (agust@davidsonhotels.com), based in Atlanta, GA, and **Chris Franklin** met up with **Will Kolbenschlag '96** in Phoenix.

After traveling in Vietnam and Thailand, **Michael Jan** (mjtiger@ibm.net) began a position at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter in the futures operations department. On Staten Island, **Jennifer Hedayati** (jsh14@cornell.edu) gave up the corporate world and is teaching in her own public high school, where she's started a costume-design club and portfolio workshop "for all those fashion/art savvy young ones!" Jen notes, "It's the most rewarding work I've ever done! I can't believe I'm getting paid for this!" In addition to her job, she's also studying art education and philosophy at Columbia's Teachers College. In Philadelphia, **Amy Blye** (amy_blye@mclaren-hart.com) is an assistant engineer for McLaren/Hart Inc., an environmental consulting firm, and lives with **Jason E. Cohen**, a paramedic at U. of

Pennsylvania. In August 1998, she shared the following: **Bindiya Patel** is working as an environmental engineer in Washington, DC; **Nikki Arvanites** is working for a marketing firm in NYC; **Rachel Chansky** and **Meghan Work** live in Brookline, MA, and work in Boston; **Katie Fallon** works in Seattle, WA; and **Jessica Adema** is working on a master's at U. of Virginia.

Jessica Siegal-Willott (jls12@cornell.edu) returned to Cornell after a semester at Purdue and is now enrolled as a PhD candidate in animal nutrition. While awaiting responses for admission to vet school for fall 1998, **Matthew Krupnick** worked as a veterinary technician in the East Orange Animal Hospital and took science classes at Seton Hall U. Outside St. Louis, MO, **Sara Kaminski** (Chiroptera @juno.com) is the program instructor for the Wyman Center where she teaches fifth-eighth grades about science and the environment. Sara notes that she found the job thanks to **Jon Richard '96**.

In Boston, **Dara Baker** (dbaker@fas.harvard.edu) began her pursuit of a PhD in history at Harvard last year. **Katherine Ball** (ball@helix.mgh.harvard.edu) worked as a research assistant in the pediatric psychopharmacology unit at Massachusetts General Hospital. **Kristen DiNorscia** (kris@mit.edu) began studying environmental engineering and toxicology in grad school at MIT. Also in Boston, **Michael Feinstein** (mlf5@cornell.edu) works and travels as strategic consultant with Gemini Consulting in Boston. In early 1998, Michael was writing a screenplay in his spare time and becoming known for his "rockin' after-hours parties" in the Back Bay. In February 1998, **Adam Hoeherman** (adam.b.hoeherman@ac.com) wrote that he had affiliated with ICE, Andersen Consulting's Internet division, and is enjoying his work there immensely.

Taraneh Tehrani (tehrani@jhsph.edu) was in South America this past year as part of her master's of health science program in the international health department at Johns Hopkins' school of public health. Meanwhile, on the other side of the world, **Michael Greenberg** is enrolled in the Class of '02 at Sackler School of Medicine at Tel Aviv U. in Israel. After living in Colorado, **E. Marc Weideman** (weids@frii.com) planned to enroll in the U. of Pennsylvania dentistry school as a member of the Class of '02. In New York, **Sarah Snelgrove** (smsnelgr@mail.med.cornell.edu) studies medicine at Cornell's Joan and Sanford I. Weill Medical College. Also in NYC for med school is **Jennifer Baskind**, at the New York Medical College. **David Misita** (dmisita@caribsurf.com) opted for a warmer climate; he's enrolled at St. Georges U. medical school in Grenada, West Indies.

Mark Benedetti (mbenedet@wvu.edu) is working on a master's degree in English and serving as a resident assistant in West Virginia U.'s finest residence hall, Boreman." Pretty dull, huh?," he adds. **Judson Reid** (pyj2reid@aol.com) is also making waves these days; in March 1998, he noted that he "recently learned to make some pretty good guacamole."

Keep the news coming! ♦ **Erica Broennle**, 1678 N. 21st St., Apt. #1, Arlington, VA 22209; e-mail, ejb4@cornell.edu.



As I sit at my computer and comb through news (keep it coming!) to write the '98 column two days after a most eventful Valentine's day, it seems as though everyone is getting married! Unfortunately, I can't print news of engagements, so those who wrote with wedding plans, PLEASE send us news after your big day. Thanks! I have, however, already attended a classmate wedding. On July 3, '98, **Michele Hill** married **Eric McCallig '93**, ME '95, in a beautiful ceremony in New Hartford, NY. Attendees included **Annie Laib**, **Emily Laib**, **Marie Laib '96**, **Josh Roseman**, **John B. Adams**, **Heather Blonstein**, **Jason Schatz**, **Lauren Grover**, **Bill Stets '94**, BS Eng and MEE '95, **Ginger Page**, **Anne Heyn**, **Jean-Marc Pelletier '99**, and yours truly. **Matt Wilkinson '95**, MPS Ag '97, was the best man, and **Heidi Godoy** and **Natalie Posteau** were bridesmaids. It was great!

News from campus this month came from **Amy Hargrave**, who stayed in Ithaca to work in organizational development at Cornell's Facilities and Campus Services Division. **Rebecca Halpin** is also on campus, working in a lab in Corson Hall, and **John E. Hayes III** is working on his master's and sees **Domenic Sposato** frequently. In Syracuse, **Jennifer Woodard** has started her master's at SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, and, in Albany, **Shannon Susi** is enrolled in a combined dietetic internship and master's program at Sage Graduate School.

Of course, the New York City contingent of '98ers is still going strong. I have heard from **Emily Weinstein** and **Heather Zises**, who seem to be keeping quite a social calendar with other classmates. Emily is working for KPMG Peat Marwick in the forensic and investigative services area, and Heather is a junior account executive at M Booth and Associates' consumer division . . . and recently appeared on the "Today Show" to promote one of their products! Speaking of TV, **Jessica Lutzke** is working for ABC News "20/20" and **Maria "Tess" Gamboa** is an assistant producer for FOX News. **Agustin Ayuso** is in working for **Gary E. Handel '77**, BArch '79, and Associates as an architect, and **Anne Mastroianni** wrote that she is working at Andersen Consulting with **Michael Marsico**, **Denise Chu**, **Joe Mancuso**, **Jessica Lopatka**, and **Michael Javid**. **Kate Pajonas** also reports that she is working at Andersen, and living with **Lily Huang**, **Keri Goldberg**, and **Amy Braunstein**. **Thomas B. Turner** is in Manhattan working for Citigroup as a currency trader, **Peter McCamman** is a mergers and acquisitions analyst at Securities Data Co., and **Divya Gugnani** is working in the investment banking division of Goldman Sachs. **David Haro** is teaching computer science at the Packer Collegiate Inst. in Brooklyn, and **F. Hollis Griffin**, BS Ag '99, is working in the publicity department of Pen-

guin Putnam Inc. **Gwenn Lazar** lives in Manhattan with classmate **Allison Davies**, and works for Ernst & Young, LLP. Also in the Big Apple, **Jennifer Rosen** is doing research at Mount Sinai Hospital and **Susan Master** is a first-year law student at Fordham. In the political arena, **Kardon Stolzman** is working for the NY State Senate Minority Leader Martin Connor.

Speaking of politics, those closest in proximity to the Clinton impeachment trial are probably relieved, including **Laurie Nelson**, who is working at the National Zoo on a desert tortoise nutrition project, **Oksana Yuzefovich**, who is working at the American Bankers Assn., and **Katie O'Donnell**, who is doing genetics research at the National Institutes of Health. Kudos to Katie for running the Marine Corps Marathon with **Heidi Hallman** last October 25. Heidi is a research associate at the Environmental Law Inst. in DC, and lives in Alexandria, VA, with **Parsa Sanjana**, **Jason Erwin**, and **Joseph Schatz**. Just outside of DC, **Courtney Stacks** works at the American Society of Assn. Executives, and lives in Arlington with **Ellen White**. In Baltimore, **Chris DiMattina** is working as a research assistant at Johns Hopkins U., and **Michael Turri** is working as a financial analyst for BT Alex Brown Health Care investment banking group and living with **Jeremy Shell**.

Encourage your friends to join the class as duespayers so we have more column space . . . and keep writing! ♦ **Molly Darnieder**, 3-1 F Winding Brook Dr., Guilderland, NY, 12084, (518) 452-8599; e-mail, mbd4@cornell.edu; and **Anna Sise**, E. Surry Rd., Keene, NH, 03431, (603) 352-2828; e-mail,



THE FACE BOOK. Those young, bright mugs. Anticipated majors. IDs-made-easy. "Ooh! I met a boy! Page 53 . . .

"Its tattered pages. The hobbies . . . In our apartment, the Freshman Register's worth out-values *Webster's New World Dictionary*, McMurray's *Organic Chemistry*, Locke's *Social Contract*, *The Starr Report*, and the *Holy Bible*. As we graduate and mature, can the *Comellian* ever take its place in our hearts?

The bow-tied and posed **Ed Morrell**, whose interests include creative writing and forensics, will be joining Cushman and Wakefield in the Sunshine State as a real estate analyst. "Bienvenedo a Miami!" (Did you know that Will Smith is Jess's half-brother? No joke!) Engineer **Sudhir Gopal**—chess maven—will be pursuing a master's in management information systems (MIS) degree at the H. John Heinz School of Public Policy and Management, Carnegie Mellon U. for a year.

Will the National Monument bring back fond memories of McGraw Tower? The semester they spent in the Cornell-in-Washington program seems to have had a lasting impact on **Amy Hetherington** and **Shannon L. Smith**. Both are headed back into the Beltway, but this time not as interns. Amy accepted a consulting position with American Management Systems in the environmental systems

group based in Washington, DC. Shannon and **Sarah Morgan** (from Clinton, NY) will be making a difference as teachers with Teach for America, a two-year appointment. And, **Andrea Reh** will be entering Georgetown U.'s school of medicine. Hoya! Hoya!

Joshua Benjamin, who came to us from Los Alamos with hopes of studying sports medicine, has decided instead to watch the

Wong, Brian Lee, Brad Korch, Brian L. Markowitz, and **Sonia Cheng** (and, she's eager to show off her furry jacket). The Big Apple will also be graced by **Eric Sullender**, employed by Arthur Andersen (not to be confused with the former) in the business consulting division.

Some engineers are sticking around their exalted quad, like "music and computers" nut

“For those of you humbugs who would prefer to kick Cupid in the shins every now and then, there's plenty of non-romantic news towards the bottom!”

— ERICA BROENNLE '97

stock market. As a financial analyst in the equities division of Goldman Sachs in New York City, Josh admits: "From New Mexico to Wall Street: it's a pretty interesting journey!" Maybe Wall Street can use a few good men who can also set stress fractures. **Stephanie Solomon**, who adopted Jess's goldfish Oscar through a *Sun* classified last fall, will be returning to the print medium of *Time* magazine. She'll join the consumer market division in NYC. Remember: two pinches of flakes a day!

Ballerina **Gabby Gellman** will be going back to school this fall in Philadelphia at Temple U. podiatric medical school. Hopefully, she'll learn how to examine feet without tickling her patients. **April Baker** plans to attend medical school at the U. at Buffalo. It's still early, but April's thinking about cardiology—an avenue aside from "aerobics and drama" to get the heart pumping! **Liz Pulverenti** has accepted a position in commercial lending with M&T Bank. She'll be training in Buffalo, NY, for a few months before going to her permanent branch in Syracuse, NY. **Kevin Cottrell** plans to work for American Express in Manhattan. He'll be putting all of his fabulous statistics skills to use as an analyst in cardmember services. **Joanna Weber** finished at Cornell work back in December, and now works for Saks Fifth Avenue in NYC as an assistant buyer.

Ninety-niners are definitely not lacking in style. But, you may need to set up an appointment to receive a consultation. **Emily Hoffman**, part-time engineer, part-time singer/songwriter, will be a systems analyst with Deloitte and Touche in NYC. She plans to live in the center of all things trendy, the Village. **Mary Catherine Lloyd**, aka "MC," and the "politics and people" person **Matt Wexler** will be getting jiggy with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Manhattan and Washington, DC, respectively. And they certainly won't be lonely in these destinations with the many Cornellians-turned-Andersoids working at Andersen Consulting next fall. The list includes, but is not limited to: **Brad** "thanks to my writing seminar I still know Bob Petrillose on a first-name basis" **Husted, Sandra**

Felix Rodriguez, who, bordering insanity, will spend next year pursuing an MEng in computer science. **Steve Chan**, admittedly even crazier, is ready to embark on an master's in chemical engineering. **Sean Holleran**, in the meantime, plans to flee not just the quad's rock garden but the States, spending next year in the mountains of Ireland before graduate school.

Margarita G. Rodriguez, better known as "Margiepie," has found sweet satisfaction in her job at Nestle in Fulton, NY. **Julia Zheng** prepares to enter the ranks (but hopefully not the ships) of Exxon in NJ. Ever play with Legos as a child? Or, do you still? (We do.) **Melanie Henderson** will be mastering the injection molding industry with Husky Systems. Husky molds plastic parts, kitchenware, pen caps, bumpers. . . . Tupperware party at Melanie's! Rooming with **Melanie, Vicki Hart**, high school SADD member, who will be working near Burlington, VT, for B.F. Goodrich Aerospace, designing the aircraft control systems which guide pilots in flight. We hope the two enjoy Ben & Jerry's land!

For those non-tinker types, future plans also await. Tour Guide extraordinaire **Jodie Hamill** will be attending Boston U.'s law school, *au gratuit*, as a Dean's Scholar. Think someone tipped them in on her stellar backward-walking skills? **Eleni Doufekias**, through the early insurance program at the SUNY Health and Science Center in Syracuse, has already known for a long time that she'll be entering their 1999 freshman medical school class this coming autumn.

We're not convinced that Carl Wolf Photography can capture the same magic of the potpourri of voluntarily submitted Face Book photos. Our hobbies and career plans may have changed, but our motley crew will continue to shine after the tassels are flipped and the caps thrown. ♦ **Jessica Smith**, 219 Eddy St., Apt. #4, Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 277-7736; e-mail, jas65@cornell.edu; also **Melanie Arzt**, 111 Dryden Rd., #3F, Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 277-9875; e-mail, mlda9@cornell.edu; and **Jennifer Lee Sheldon**, 101 Eddy St., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 272-3585; e-mail, jls33@cornell.edu.

ALUMNI DEATHS

'19—**Ellen Morris Erdman** (Mrs. George G.) of Lansdale, PA, formerly of Colmar, exact date unknown.

'19, BA '20—**Julius Livant** of Livingston, NJ, formerly of Silver Spring, MD, and West Palm Beach, FL, exact date unknown.

'24—**Edgar F. Bissantz** of Santa Barbara, CA, October 2, 1998; was associated with Handler Associates, Architects; photographer. Kappa Sigma.

'25 BA—**Lucille Severance** Nettleship (Mrs. Charles F. Jr.) of Woodstock, VT, formerly of Tucson, AZ, and several Eastern states, October 16, 1998; was president, American Association of University Women; active volunteer with the Red Cross, visiting nurses groups, and other charities; active in religious affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'26-27 SpAg—**Edwin J. Dietz** of Sun City Center, FL, formerly of Port Jervis, NY, August 24, 1998; retired owner of floral and greenhouse businesses in New York State; active in community affairs.

'26 BS Ag—**William J. Dupree** of Shoreham, VT, formerly of Chateaugay, NY, April 19, 1998; retired high school teacher of agriculture in New York State after 40 years. Theta Delta Chi.

'26—**Ethel Cole** Leffingwell of Sterling, VA, formerly of Canaan, CT, exact date unknown.

'26 BA—**Virginia Willits Merz** (Mrs. A. Russell) of Palo Alto, CA, formerly of Berkeley, exact date unknown.

'26 BS Ag—**Milo E. Thompson** of Sebring, FL, exact date unknown. Acacia.

'27 BS Ag—**Doris Detlefsen** Otteson (Mrs. William I. '28) of Scarsdale, NY, exact date unknown.

'27—**James E. Pollak** of Los Angeles, CA, exact date unknown.

'27 BA—**Katherine A. Tully** of Englewood, NJ, September 15, 1998; retired librarian, New Milford High School; former director, Wyckoff Public Library, and a librarian in Englewood, as well as an assistant editor, *McCalls* and *Women's Home Companion* magazines.

'28 BA—**Sylvia Vogel** Fine (Mrs. Al) of Tucson, AZ, July 21, 1998; retired jewelry and gift shop owner/operator.

'28 BS HE—**Helen Griffin** Lapp (Mrs. Robinson G.) of Kenmore, NY, and Golden, CO, Aug. 25, 1998; retired teacher, Kenmore and North Tonawanda, NY, schools; organizer of the Lincoln Memorial Child Care Center and the Kenmore area Meals on Wheels program; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'28, CE '29—**Howard E. Reid** of Wilmette, IL, formerly of West Palm Beach, FL, April 29, 1998. Seal & Serpent.

'28—**Margaret Humeston** Rogers (Mrs. James II '24, ME '25) of Clinton, NY, formerly of Glens Falls, July 16, 1998. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'29 BChem, MChem '31—**Orson C. Beaman** of Queensbury, NY, formerly of Glens Falls, September 20, 1998; retired manager in the chemical industry. Wife, Bernice (Morrison) '30.

'29 CE—**Roland K. Blakeslee** of Springfield, MA, May 9, 1998; retired from the aircraft industry.

'29 BA, '29-30 Grad—**William B. Gritman** of Ocean Grove, NJ, November 24, 1997; retired Methodist minister. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'29 BA—**Catharine Curvin** Hill (Mrs. E. Trevor) of Sarasota, FL, formerly of Siesta Key, FL, August 25, 1998; active in community and educational affairs.

'29—**Louis M. Karp** of San Diego, CA, September 7, 1998; active in alumni affairs.

'29—**Frank L. Newburger Jr.** of Elkins Park, PA, formerly of Rydal, August 30, 1998; partner, Newburger, Loeb & Company, Newburger and Company, and senior vice president and director, Advest Group Inc.; former president, Philadelphia Stock Exchange; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'29, BA '30—**Obie J. Smith** of Indianapolis, IN, formerly of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, September 23, 1998; retired secretary/treasurer,

O.J. Smith Realty, after 25 years; active in community affairs; veteran.

'30 BS HE—**Edith Nash** Blanchard (Mrs. John Paul '28) of Oriskany, NY, formerly of Indian Lake, NY, exact date unknown. Kappa Delta.

'30 BS Ag—**Irving H. Hulse** of Calverton, NY, July 22, 1998; retired vegetable and fruit farmer and commercial grain harvester.

'30 MD—**William D. Thibodeau** of Nashua, NH, 1998.

'31 BA—**Mary Snyder** Mumper (Mrs. John E.) of Gettysburg, PA, formerly of Scarsdale, NY, June 10, 1998; formerly associated with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'31 PhD—**Richard M. Saunders** of Toronto, Ont., Canada, July 25, 1998.

'31 BA—**Lenore Tobin** Schattner (Mrs. Meyer) of Englewood, NJ, formerly of Pound Ridge, NY, and Stamford, CT, September 1, 1998. Sigma Delta Tau.

'31 BA—**Dorothy Hepworth** Shaffer (Mrs. Earl E.) of Haverford, PA, formerly of West Chester, August 22, 1998. Alpha Omicron Pi.

'31 BA—**Robert Smith** of Boonville, NY, November 1997; psychiatrist.

'32 BA—**Helen Luschinsky** Ball of Shenandoah, PA, January 12, 1997. Chi Omega.

'32—**Mary Louise Pierson** Dickerson (Mrs. Frank S. Jr.) of Truro, MA, formerly of Concord, September 25, 1998. Delta Gamma. Husband, Frank S. Dickerson Jr. '36.

'32 BCE—**Frederick B. Ferris** of Jenkintown, PA; retired chemical engineer, who had been involved in the gas and oil industry. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'32 EE, MA '37—**Thomas J. Higgins** of Madison, WI, September 11, 1998; professor emeritus of electrical engineering, University of Wisconsin, Madison, and noted figure in the field of electrical engineering for more than 50 years; taught at several Midwestern universities in the 1930s and 1940s; author of 220 research papers; active in professional and civic affairs.

'32 BS HE—**Marion L. Hill** of Lantana, FL, formerly of Barrington, RI, exact date unknown; retired nutritionist.

'32 MA—**T. Margaret Jamer** of Huntington Station, NY, April 19, 1998.

'32 BS Hotel—**Thomas W. Martin, Jr.** of Gray, TN, formerly of Pine Mountain, GA, August 6, 1998.

'32, MA '33—**Samuel L. McCarthy** of

Arcadia, FL, formerly of Cincinnati, OH, October 14, 1998. Kappa Delta Rho.

'32—**Arthur M. Van de Water** of Sarasota, FL, formerly of Orient, NY, January 22, 1998. Psi Upsilon.

'32 **BA**—**Henry W. Willard** of Harwich, MA, formerly of Cape May Court House, NJ, exact date unknown. Chi Psi.

'33 **BS HE**—**Madaline Kahn Brody** (Mrs. Arthur L. '28, PhD '35) of Fairlawn, NJ, August 23, 1998; retired dietitian.

'33 **BS Ag**—**Joseph B. Farrar** of Charlottesville, VA, May 2, 1997.

'33—**Mary Welch Hubbard** (Mrs. John R.) of Gowanda, NY, exact date unknown.

'33 **BS Ag**—**Margaret S. Kopicki** of Glen Mills, PA, formerly of Moscow, PA, November 29, 1997; retired nurse.

'33 **BS Hotel**—**Richard H. Pew** of Brunswick, ME, formerly of Durham, NC, August 31, 1998; retired hotel manager, American Hotels Corporation; veteran; active in civic, professional, and religious affairs. Sigma Chi.

'33 **BA**—**Edward Siegel** of Sarasota, FL, formerly of the Plattsburgh, NY, area, September 30, 1998; retired ophthalmologist; active in civic affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'33 **BA**—**Joseph H. Stamler** of Stony Creek, CT, formerly of Summit, NJ, October 16, 1998; retired attorney in practice for 30 years, then served as New Jersey Superior Court judge, 1966-73; veteran.

'34 **BS Hotel**—**David M. Connor** of Truro, MA, October 15, 1995.

'34 **PhD**—**John T. Emlen Jr.** of Madison, WI, November 8, 1997. Wife, Virginia (Meritt) '33.

'34 **BA**—**Dorothy E. Foster** of Brockport, NY, October 20, 1998.

'34 **BA**—**John Burr Jenkins** of Chatham, MA, October 3, 1998; former advertising executive, who was associated with the realty business after retirement. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'34—**Clyde E. Johnston** of Springville, NY, August 30, 1998; retired from B.M. Pickham, Mobil Oil distributor; active in civic and community affairs.

'34 **BS Ag**—**Paul M. Kihlmire** of Venice, FL, May 20, 1998.

'34—**Samuel L. Kleinberg** of Getzville, NY, formerly of Brooklyn, April 7, 1997; retired from the New York City Board of Education.

'34 **BA, JD '36**—**Ernest M. Levinson** of

Scottsdale, AZ, formerly of Newburgh, NY, August 23, 1998. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'34—**Arnold C. Lindgren** of East Longmeadow, MA, exact date unknown; founder of Arnold C. Lindgren Construction Company.

'34-37 **SpAg**—**Claude B. Prussia** of Conneautville, PA, exact date unknown.

'34 **JD**—**Harold G. Reuschlein** of Media, PA, formerly of Bryn Mawr, August 18, 1998; retired professor of law, Villanova University and, formerly, at St. Mary's University of San Antonio.

'34-36 **SpAg**—**Harold W. Ricketts** of Allentown, PA, September 8, 1998; retired manager of Zollinger-Harned department store; was affiliated with Sears, Roebuck & Co. for 20 years; veteran; active in community affairs. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'34 **BS HE**—**Blanche Slaughter Loveless** (Mrs. Paul S.) of Topsham, ME, formerly of Spring Hill, FL.

'34 **BS HE**—**Elsie Cruickshank Wells** (Mrs. Horace D. '35) of Greenlawn, NY, formerly of Riverhead, September 8, 1998; retired from the Riverhead school district; active in alumni affairs.

'34 **BA, JD '36**—**Frank W. Williams Jr.** of Cuba, NY, August 23, 1998; retired attorney, after 50 years, from Williams, Hulbert & Brown; active in scouting, professional, and community affairs; veteran. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'34—**Kenneth Winetrou** of Hampden, MA, September 22, 1998.

'35—**James S. Burdick** of Lodi, CA, formerly of Buffalo, NY, September 15, 1998; retired plant manager, Union Carbide Corporation of Niagara Falls, after more than 30 years; was active in fraternal and religious affairs.

'35 **BS Ag**—**Gerald Diamant** of Elephant Butte, NM, July 30, 1998.

'35 **DVM**—**William E. Eggert** of Ocean City, MD; retired veterinarian and poultry inspector. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'35 **ME**—**Hugh A. Mason** of Rochester, NY, and Whispering Pines, NC, June 19, 1998; retired business owner/president.

'35 **BS Hotel**—**James A. Mullane** of Ithaca, NY, formerly of Longmeadow, MA, September 7, 1998; retired owner, James A. Mullane insurance agency, Longmeadow; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Wife, Viola (Henry) '35.

'35 **BA**—**Alfred (Sidney) Stern** of Lakeworth, FL, formerly of Roslyn, NY, August 6, 1998; active in cultural, community, and alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'35 **BS Ag**—**Chakratong Tongyai** of

Bangkok, Thailand, August 23, 1998; retired in 1977 as Thailand's minister of agriculture.

'36 **ME**—**J. Vernon Ashworth** of Nutley, NJ, July 28, 1998; retired after a career in the iron and steel industry. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'36 **BA, LLB '38**—**Samuel Allen Craft** of Moorestown, NJ, formerly of Bernardsville, February 4, 1999; retired general counsel of New Jersey Public Service and Gas Company; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'36—**Bettina Schutt Jennings** (Mrs. Howard K. '30) of Dryden, NY, formerly of Ithaca, July 1, 1998; active in alumni affairs.

'36 **BA**—**Norene Fischer Lasner** (Mrs. Sol I.) of Washington, DC, formerly of Pittsburgh, PA, exact date unknown. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'36 **BA**—**Beryl E. Slocum** of Marathon, NY, September 29, 1998; dairy farmer and officer of milk marketing cooperative; was active in civic affairs and served as justice of the peace; outdoorsman and conservationist. Acacia.

'36 **DVM**—**Frederic B. Thomson** of Robeson, PA, October 22, 1998; veterinarian, Big Spring Farm and Equine Hospital.

'37 **MS**—**Alfred K. Clark** of Stuart, FL, formerly of Williamsville, NY, September 30, 1998; retired colonel, US Army; was a research scientist, Cornell Aeronautical Laboratories, for 15 years. Chi Phi.

'37 **JD**—**William H. Dunham** of Manchester, ME, September 12, 1998; retired lawyer, former president Central Maine Power Company, trustee of Bates College; active outdoorsman.

'37 **ME**—**Robert A. Evans** of Santa Rosa, CA, February 15, 1997.

'37 **BS Ag**—**Victor C. Garman** of Albany, NY, formerly of Schoharie and Guilderland, September 17, 1998; owner, Westmere Sharpening Services, and retired president, Norman's Kill Farm Dairy Company, Guilderland; was associated with a number of dairies in the Northeast; active in professional affairs.

'37—**H. Theodore Kemp** of Roanoke, VA, formerly of Pottstown, PA, December 13, 1997.

'37 **MA**—**John F. Potts** of Denmark, SC, October 22, 1998; retired educator and former president of Voorhees College; director of two academic associations; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'37 **MA**—**Arnold L. Wilkes** of Baltimore, MD, October 4, 1998; retired public relations director, Greater Baltimore Medical Center and former radio and television producer and announcer; had taught drama, speech, and

television production at several universities; active in professional affairs

'37 **PhD—Hsien-Tong Yang** of Beijing, People's Republic of China, October 20, 1998; was vice minister in the Ministry of Agriculture.

'38, **BA '39—Robert John V. Abell** of Greenbrae, CA, June 25, 1998; retired national sales manager, milk carton division, Weyerhaeuser; was formerly with Kieckhefer Container Company; active in professional affairs; veteran. Psi Upsilon.

'38 **JD—J. Edward Collins** of Sarasota, FL, formerly of Paoli, PA, August 30, 1998; professor emeritus of law and former associate dean, Villanova University; veteran; active in religious affairs.

'38 **ME—Murray F. Crossette Jr.** of Nacogdoches, TX, formerly of Dallas, exact date unknown. Phi Kappa Psi.

'38 **MS Eng—Robert Erlenkotter** of Culver City, CA, formerly of Mendocino, 1983.

'38 **BA—Kenneth A. Fowler** of Fair Oaks, CA, formerly of San Jose, July 29, 1998. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'38 **ME—Alden W. McDaniel** of Washington, DC, October 8, 1998; retired airplane engine expert, Harry Diamond Laboratories, US Bureau of Standards; formerly worked for the Navy Department and the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

'38 **PhD—Henry T. Polk** of Clemson, SC, exact date unknown.

'38—**G. Robert Schermerhorn** of Union Springs, NY, formerly of North Tarrytown, October 1, 1998; retired vice president, production, American Home Products; active in community affairs.

'38 **BS HE—Elizabeth E. Tompkins** of Staten Island, NY, October 1998; retired social worker. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'38—**Geoffrey M. Weaver** of Ithaca, NY, October 12, 1998; retired partner, Weaver, Banfield, McNeil Insurance; veteran of Royal Canadian Air Force

'39—**Jean Powell** Billington (Mrs. Earle K.) of Fairport, NY, formerly of Rochester, September 15, 1998; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Wayside Aftermath. Husband, Earl K. Billington '40.

'39—**Mary Churchill Dodge** (Mrs. Richard B. '37) of Pinehurst, NC, August 27, 1998.

'39, **JD '42—Robert C. Gerwig** of Kewanee, IL, May 8, 1998. Zeta Psi.

'39 **ME—Gilbert Jeffrey** of Washington, DC, September 14, 1998; was associated with

United Engineers and Constructors. Delta Chi.

'39 **MD—Donald R. Morrison** of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, formerly of Hartford, CT, October 2, 1998; thoracic and circulatory surgeon; retired chief of respiratory therapy, Hartford Hospital; active in professional affairs.

'39—**John W. Sheffer Jr.** of Lower Gwynedd, PA, formerly of Morrisville, April 1, 1998; active in alumni affairs.

'40 **BA, JD '42—Robert L. Andrew** of Elmira, NY, December 24, 1996.

'40 **BA—Barbara Thro** Boyd of Eugene, OR, June 7, 1998; retired teacher, who had taught for 25 years in California. Alpha Omicron Pi.

'40, **JD '46—Robert H. Ecker** of Sun City West, AZ, formerly of Lakeland and Grenelefe, FL, March 16, 1998; retired judge. Sigma Chi.

'40 **MD—Thomas S. Harbin** of Rome, GA, August 30, 1998; ophthalmologist at the Harbin Clinic for 47 years; veteran; active in civic affairs.

'40 **ME—Norman H. Kessler** of Cedar Rapids, IA, July 13, 1998; retired engineer, Cedarapids Inc., a division of Raytheon.

'40 **BS Ag—Betty Keeney** MacKenzie (Mrs. Donald) of Groton, NY, October 14, 1998; retired elementary school teacher, South Cayuga Central Schools; active in community and religious affairs.

'40—**Eileen Farrell** Matturri (Mrs. Joseph) of New York City, formerly of Pelham Manor, NY, August 3, 1998.

'41, **BCE '42—Louis M. Acker** of Lewisburg, PA, exact date unknown. Delta Tau Delta.

'41 **PhD—Anson J. Pollard** of Denmark, ME, formerly of South Norwalk, CT, September 14, 1998; retired federal milk market administrator, after 30 years in the field; active in community and religious affairs.

'40—**James M. Robinett** of Beaumont, TX, formerly of Ponce Inlet, FL, October 2, 1998; was associated with E.I. DuPont de Nemours Company. Sigma Nu. Wife, Jeanne (Beilby) '43.

'41 **BS Ag—William J. Coates** of Mt. Morris, NY, August 5, 1998; life-long farmer. Sigma Pi.

'41 **JD—Donald T. Hillier** of Naples, FL, and Shelburne, MA, exact date unknown; former patent attorney.

'42—**Clayton G. Dorn** of Denver, CO, September 28, 1998; retired president, chief executive officer, and board chairman, Forest

Oil Company; veteran; active in cultural and community affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'42—**William J. Franke**, formerly of Little Rock, AR, exact date unknown. Sigma Chi.

'42 **BA—Kalter E. Godfrey** of Bedford, NY, September 7, 1998; retired vice president of Campus Sportswear Company. Tau Delta Phi.

'42 **BS HE—Elizabeth Church** Hammond (Mrs. Charles W.) of Evanston, IL, formerly of Wilmette, exact date unknown; had been associated with Illinois Bell Telephone Company. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'42—**John A. Mead** of Virginia Beach, VA, December 18, 1997.

'42 **BS HE—Patricia Colt** McCutcheon of Akron, OH, exact date unknown. Husband, Warwick '40. Alpha Phi.

'42—**Alfonse J. Mele** of Hilton Head Island, SC, formerly of Oswego, NY, July 13, 1998; was associated with the Holiday Harbor Hotel, Oswego. Seal & Serpent.

'42 **BS Ag—Richard F. Pendleton** of Ithaca, NY, October 9, 1998; retired extension associate in entomology, Cornell; active volunteer in a varied number of community activities and with the university. Alpha Zeta; Wife, Ann (Boone) '43.

'42 **DVM—Jesse P. Rieber** of Deerfield Beach, FL, exact date unknown.

'43 **BS Hotel—Joseph H. Baum** of New York City and North Salem, NY, October 5, 1998; noted restaurateur who created such theme restaurants as Four Seasons, the Forum of the Twelve Caesars, and La Fonda del Sol, and more recently Windows on the World, the renovated Rainbow Room, and his own restaurant, Aurora; was an executive and then president, Restaurant Associates, in the 1950s and 1960s; veteran.

'43 **BA—Robert E. Cushing** of Maplewood, NJ, September 24, 1997. Sigma Nu.

'43—**Daniel D. Patterson** of Jacksonville, FL, August 31, 1998. Sigma Chi.

'44 **BS ME—Stephen M. Gill** of Kennewick, WA, October 6, 1998.

'44 **BA, LLB '48—F. Thayer Sanderson** of Old Lyme, CT, formerly of Wellesley Hills, MA, September 12, 1998; retired executive vice president, Shawmut Corporation. Sigma Phi.

'44—**Lincoln R. Scafe Jr.** of Vashon, WA, December 8, 1997. Alpha Delta Phi.

'44, **BCE '48—Harry A. Scurr** of Salt Lake City, UT, formerly of Scottsdale, AZ, September 25, 1997; retired real estate executive, Scurr Messenger Lundquist & Associates, Scottsdale. Phi Gamma Delta.

'44 BA—**Arlene Smith** Smith (Mrs. Rex A.) of Palm Bay, FL, formerly of Elmira, NY, May 20, 1998.

'44 BA—**Iona E. Tyrrell** of Nichols, NY, September 11, 1998.

'44 BS ME, BME '47—**Raymond A. Van Sweringen Jr.** of Scotch Plains, NJ, exact date unknown; retired from the gas and oil industry; former building contractor; active in alumni affairs. Chi Psi.

'45 MD—**Robert C. Emmel** of Bloomfield, CT, formerly of West Hartford and Monterey, MA, October 1, 1998; retired obstetrician and gynecologist, after 36 years in his own office in West Hartford; active in professional, community, and religious affairs.

'45 MD—**Hugh Halsey II** of Southampton, NY, September 21, 1998; retired obstetrician and gynecologist, who had founded his private practice in Southampton in 1971 after serving on the staff of Southampton Hospital; active in local historical and genealogical affairs.

'45 BS Hotel—**David J. Hopwood** of Corona Del Mar, CA, September 16, 1998; president, Street Smart Saving; active in alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'46 PhD—**Chester R. Berry** of South Orleans, MA, formerly of Rochester, NY, October 9, 1998; retired physicist, Eastman Kodak Research Laboratories, Rochester; author and holder of several patents; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'46 PhD—**Ruth Hopson Keen** of Portland, OR, October 17, 1998.

'46 MD—**Jim F. Lincoln** of Loomis, CA, formerly of Oxnard, January 4, 1998; retired physician.

'46 BS HE—**Dorothy Iler Sanders** (Mrs. Joseph A. Jr. '47) of Nokomis, FL, formerly of Eggertsville, NY, October 16, 1998; retired supervisor of financial services, Gateway United Methodist Youth Center, Williamsville, NY. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'46 MS Ed—**Malcolm J. Van Oot** of Danville, VA, November 10, 1997; retired engineer for the Town of Culpeper.

'46 BS EE, PhD '59—**Paul F. Weaver Jr.** of Burke, VA, formerly of Kailau and Honolulu, HI, October 7, 1998; retired professor of electrical engineering, after 30 years, University of Hawaii, who had formerly taught at Cornell and worked at Bell Laboratories; active in professional affairs; veteran. Wife, Carol (Kellner), ME '65.

'47, JD '49—**Anita J. Short** of Lantana, FL, exact date unknown.

'47 BS HE—**Jean Paddock Spaid** (Mrs. John F.) of Palm Harbor, FL, formerly of Romulus,

NY, exact date unknown. Delta Gamma. Husband, John F. Spaid '49, MFS '60.

'48 MS—**Kermet H. Applewhite** of Houston, TX, formerly of Bassfield, MS, November 1997.

'48 PhD—**Kenneth C. Beeson** of Sun City, AZ, October 18, 1998; retired director, US Plant, Soil, and Nutrition Laboratory and professor of soil science, Cornell; author; active in professional affairs.

'48-50 SpAg—**Roger W. De Graff** of Adams Center, NY, October 20, 1998; former dairy and crop farmer, past president of the Dairy Herd Improvement Assn.

'48-51 Grad—**Dwayne H. Erickson** of Tacoma, WA, September 1, 1998; retired from Erickson Donut Inc.; veteran.

'48 BCE—**John H. Greene Sr.** of Wheaton, IL, exact date unknown. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'48 BA—**Anne Roark Karl** (Mrs. Ludwig) of Glenville, NY, formerly of Cortland, September 27, 1998; life member of USA Swimming and officer of local district.

'48 BCE—**Norman E. Woonton** of Skaneateles, NY, August 21, 1998; retired executive, Columbian Rope Company, Auburn. Sigma Chi.

'49 BS ILR—**Carl J. Anderson** of Sun Lakes, AZ, formerly of Phoenix, exact date unknown; retired from his association with Maricopa Colleges, Phoenix.

'49—**Leroy M. Goodyear** of Clarence, NY, and South Fort Myers, FL, October 16, 1998; founder, L.M. Goodyear and Company, Inc., selling and servicing X-ray equipment, and L&M Leasing Company.

'49, JD '52—**Walter C. Marshall** of Wantagh, NY, May 15, 1998.

'49 DVM—**Muriel Osgood Roe** of Washington, PA, September 10, 1998; veterinary practitioner. Husband, the Rev. Nathaniel C. Roe '47.

'49 BS Ag—**Max R. Stell** of East Bethany, NY, formerly of Batavia, July 19, 1998.

'50—**David E. Bond** of Maple Glen, PA, exact date unknown.

'50 BME—**Joseph M. Carter** of North Bend, WA, 1993, exact date unknown; mechanical engineer in the aircraft industry. Sigma Pi.

'50 BS Ag—**Peter C. Coates** of East Peoria, IL, November 18, 1997; associated with Peoria Fabricators Inc. Cayuga Lodge.

'50 BS Ag—**Charles J. Gimbrone** of North Port, FL, formerly of Clifton Park, NY, April

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11, 1998; retired administrator, New York State Dept. of Health; wife, Jane (Tily) '49.

'50 BEE—**Louis J. Hector** of El Cajon, CA, formerly of Rancho Palos Verde, exact date unknown.

'50—**James W. Hill** of Pennsylvania Furnace, PA, May 11, 1998; president, Xerox Corporation, Sicklerville, NJ. Sigma Chi.

'50 BS HE, PhD '65—**Suad Wakim Kesler** (Mrs. Carl C., MS Eng '61) of Fountain Valley, CA, exact date unknown; retired professor, California State University, Long Beach.

'50 BA—**Henry E. MacHirella** of Sea Girt, NJ, formerly of New York City, September 13, 1998; retired editor and former reporter, *New York Daily News*, after more than 30 years; veteran.

'50, MS '51—**James E. McCurry** of Mission Viejo, CA, exact date unknown. Delta Chi.

'50—**Carl C. Otto** of Centereach, NY, exact date unknown. Acacia.

'50 PhD—**William A. Packer** of Toronto, Ont., Canada, July 5, 1998.

'50 BA—**Martin S. Rothblum** of New York City, formerly of Freeport, August 6, 1998; associated with Rothblum & Mire Co. Tau Delta Phi.

'50 BA—**Victor D. Withstandley III** of Atlanta, GA, formerly of State College, PA, exact date unknown; retired physicist and astronomer associated with Maryland Procurement Office, Fort George Meade, MD; formerly a professor, Pennsylvania State University.

'51, BEE '52—**Lawrence N. Berkley** of Daytona Beach, FL, April 1998; was associated with General Electric. Phi Sigma Delta.

'51 DVM—**Coburn P. De Goosh** of Norway, ME, formerly of Terre Haute, IN, September 11, 1998; retired veterinarian and veterinary researcher specializing in veterinary parasitology; practiced large animal disease control for Maine's Department of Agriculture; veteran; active in fraternal, community, and professional affairs.

'51 BA—**Elizabeth Reed Hoffmann** (Mrs. Hans '51) of Vestal, NY, September 1, 1998; was a clinical psychologist in Binghamton; musician.

'51 BS HE—**Agnes Ronaldson Poole** (Mrs. Edward M.) of Sun City, AZ, formerly of Sewickley, PA, October 16, 1998; former self-employed counselor.

'51 MS ILR—**Edward V. Rittenhouse** of Los Angeles, CA, May 21, 1997; retired consultant.

'52 BS ILR—**Eugene W. Bushnell** of Orlando, FL, October 20, 1998; hospitality consultant, Walt Disney World Resorts; formerly associated with Martin Marietta Corporation.

'52-54 Grad—**John J. Hogarty** of Ithaca, NY, October 19, 1998.

'52—**Malcolm S. Jolley** of Philadelphia, PA, formerly of Wayne, exact date unknown.

'52 BS ILR—**Joseph A. Ioele** of Palmyra, NY, 1998; retired president, Employee Relations Association.

'52, BEE '53—**Reginald C. Marchant** of Chagrin Falls, OH, August 27, 1998; owner and chief operating officer, Towner Filtration, of Twinsburg; veteran; active in professional, community, and religious affairs. Wife, Sallie (Capron) '54.

'52 BS Ag—**Lewis G. Schaeneman Jr.** of Oldsmar, FL, formerly of Madison, CT, October 10, 1998; active retailing executive; former chairman and chief executive officer, Stop & Shop Supermarket Company, where he had been employed for almost 30 years; veteran; active in professional and alumni activities; university benefactor.

'52 BS Ag—**Frederick J. Scism** of Shaker Heights, OH, formerly of Toledo and Pepper Pike, September 24, 1998; retired consultant, former senior vice president and manager, estate loan department, Ameritrust Corporation; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Acacia. Wife, Carol (Kaserman) '53.

'52 BS ILR—**Robert E. Vanderbeek** of Detroit, MI, July 20, 1998; retired from CUNA Mutual Insurance Company. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'53 BA, MBA '54—**Henry Hinden** of New York City, formerly of Hartsdale, NY, exact date unknown; senior partner, Henry Hinden & Company. Beta Sigma Rho. Wife, Harriet (Schechter) '54

'53 PhD—**Gertrude N. Miller** of Piney Flats, TN, formerly of South Dakota, October 26, 1998; retired professor of biology and chairman, science and mathematics, North State University of South Dakota; was awarded Governor's Ambassador Award by the State of South Dakota.

'53 BS Hotel—**Edward J. Smith** of Wynnewood, PA, formerly of Paterson, NJ, December 21, 1997.

'54 BS Ag—**Herbert C. Hyde** of Whitney Point, NY, March 30, 1998; retired county supervisor, Farmers Home Administration, Binghamton, had worked for the Federal Government for 33 years.

'54—**Robert I. Coghill Jr.** of Satellite Beach, FL, formerly of Eau Gallie, 1995. Delta Chi.

'54 BS ILR—**Peter Contuzzi** of Livingston, NJ, September 5, 1997.

'54—**Arthur J. Groenendale** of Fort Collins, CO, exact date unknown.

'54—**Bernard J. Massari** of Somerville, NJ, 1987.

'54 BA—**Arthur W. Pellman** of Albany, NY, March 8, 1996; was in management with Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Slingerlands.

'54 BS ILR—**John J. Tolan** of Buffalo, NY, July 30, 1998; industrial relations executive, Kennecott Copper Company, North Falls.

'55 BS Ag—**Lothar Herz** of Greenwich, CT, formerly of Tampa, FL, August 23, 1998; formerly associated as an executive officer with ICEC, Intereore Corporation, and Occidental Petroleum; active in alumni affairs. Watermargin. Wife, Louise (Feinbloom), '54-55 Grad.

'55 BA—**Joan Epstein Maisel** (Mrs. Howard M.) of East Rockaway, NY, June 11, 1998; retired teacher of children with learning disabilities. Alpha Epsilon Phi. Husband, Howard M. Maisel '52.

'55 MA—**Lynn Flickinger Williams** (Mrs. T. Walley III) of Belmont, MA, October 24, 1998; retired professor of writing and literature at Emerson College; book reviewer; active in professional affairs.

'56—**Karl E. Barth** of Waverly, NY, formerly of Buffalo, September 2, 1998; retired from the Small Business Administration, Elmira office; formerly in restaurant management. Phi Kappa Tau.

'56 BS Hotel—**John W. Lauerman** of Escondido, CA, June 25, 1997; was active in the hotel industry.

'57 BCE—**Roger B. Dohn** of Venice, FL, formerly of Warren, OH, August 24, 1998; consultant with K.S.A. Consulting; formerly associated with Packard Electric of General Motors for 25 years. Chi Phi.

'57, BA '58—**Michael D. Raphael** of Gloversville, NY, exact date unknown; attorney in Amsterdam, NY.

'57—**Arthur Sosenko** of Weirton, WV, August 14, 1998. Zeta Psi.

'58 MD—**Louis Q. Pugsley** of Falls Church, VA, September 18, 1998; obstetrician and gynecologist in Falls Church for more than 30 years; active in professional affairs.

'59—**Arthur C. Brenton** of Buffalo, NY, formerly of Dallas, TX, May 15, 1998.

'59 DVM—**Roger A. Laundry** of Silver Spring, MD, October 6, 1998; retired veterinarian, Marymount Animal Hospital, for nearly 30 years. veteran; active in professional,

community, and alumni affairs.

'59—**Melford S. Weiss** of Brooklyn, NY, exact date unknown.

'60-61 SpLaw—**Douglas M. Alexander** of Worcester, England, July 1, 1998; was associated with March & Edwards Solicitors of Worcester.

'60, BS Ag '62—**Donald M. Gerhart** of Sexton, MD, formerly of Elkton, May 15, 1998; was associated with Brillion Iron Works, Brillion, WI; former owner/president, CFH Inc., Cecilton, MD. Sigma Pi.

'62 BS Hotel—**Peter N. Daly** of Minneapolis, MN, formerly of New Hope, April 23, 1998; retired owner, sales and marketing manager, Food Service Systems, New Hope; former president, Alto-Shaam Inc. Alpha Delta Phi. Wife, Carol (Coopersmith) '62.

'63 PhD—**Neale H. Mucklow** of Richmond, VA, March 8, 1995; professor of philosophy, University of Richmond.

'65 MD—**William P. McCabe** of Grosse Pointe Shores, MI, September 5, 1998; plastic surgeon, served on the staff of Detroit's Saint John Hospital; board chairman, Professionals Group Inc., and former board member, PICOM Insurance Company; active in professional affairs.

'65 JD—**Harvey R. Singer** of Endicott, NY, August 28, 1998; Attorney.

'67 BS Ag—**Ronald A. Navarro** of Ithaca, NY, exact date unknown.

'67, BS Eng '69—**Jerome E. Rivman** of Northport, NY, May 24, 1998; president, Semitronics, in Freeport, NY.

'69 BS Eng—**J. Keith Hospers** of Los Gatos, CA, formerly of San Jose, September 4, 1998; was associated with the computer industry. Kappa Sigma.

'70 PhD—**William H. Button III** of Sarasota, FL, formerly of Connecticut, September 24, 1998; retired professor in the School of Social Welfare, SUNY, Stony Brook; veteran.

'70 MBA—**Mark A. Seliga** of Brooklyn, NY, October 18, 1998; certified public accountant; comptroller for the Brooklyn Museum of Art.

'71 BS Ag, MBA '72—**A. Lee Knight** of San Francisco, CA, January 18, 1998; retired consultant, David Evans & Associates, formerly a consultant with the San Francisco Public Utility Commission.

'72 BFA—**Thomas R. Anderson** of Chicago, IL, September 19, 1998; was in business as Anderson & Company Caterers. Alpha Delta Phi.

'72 MBA—**Albert J. Plummer** of Fairfax, VA, formerly of West Hartford, CT, exact date unknown; had been in management, Travelers Equities Sales Inc.

'72—**Michael D. Woodall** of Enfield, NY, formerly of Ithaca, September 3, 1998; reference librarian at Cornell.

'72 BS HE—**Deborah Fink** Zigun (Mrs. Stuart B.) of Mt. Kisco, NY, formerly of Bedford, MA, September 25, 1998; sales representative, Tapestries of Bedford. Husband, Stuart B. Zigun '72.

'73 PhD—**Robert E. Goldwasser** of Chesterfield, MO, formerly of Andover, MA, June 6, 1998; senior vice president of Alpha Industries.

'73 BS Hotel—**William C. Sparks** of Milwaukee, WI, formerly of San Francisco, CA, January 8, 1995; worked as a chef and consultant. Kappa Alpha.

'74 PhD—**Diana E. Forsythe** (Mrs. Bern Shen) of Palo Alto, CA, August 14, 1997; associate adjunct professor, medical anthropology, University of California, San Francisco; formerly held academic posts at Stanford and the University of Pittsburgh; author; active in professional and humanitarian affairs.

'75 MPS HHSA—**Thomas L. Avery** of San Clemente, CA, formerly of Patterson, August 7, 1998; administrator, Del Puerto Hospital, Patterson; former president and chief executive officer, Maxicare Medical Centers Inc., Los Angeles.

'75, BArch '76—**S. Goodluck Tembunkiant** of Bethesda, MD, September 21, 1998; vice president, RTKL Associates and had created architectural projects in the area, including as principal designer, US Capitol Visitor Center; author.

'76 PhD—**Bor-Uei Chen** of Studio City, CA, 1995.

'76 BS Eng—**Patricia A. Fox** of Cheshire, CT, formerly of Buffalo, NY, exact date unknown.

'76, BS Ag '77—**Bruce Hagan** of New York City, September 7, 1998; an NBC television producer, who over 20 years had worked as well for several radio and television stations and the Associated Press.

'76 BS Hotel—**John W. Holt** of Hyannis, MA, formerly of Farmington, CT, McHenry, MD, Manitowoc, WI, and Chicago IL, August 26, 1998; hotel manager with Sonesta and Summitt hotels, MHM Inc., and Richfield Hospitality Services Inc.

'76 BS Eng—**Curtis S. Wolff** of Naples, ME, September 13, 1998; an income tax preparer and aspiring golf pro, who formerly was chief financial officer for Atlantic Cellular and, earlier, American Cablesystems and Con-

tinental Cable Vision; active as sports official; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'77, BS ILR '84—**William Flinchbaugh** of Rome, NY, exact date unknown; was an industrial relations executive, American Cyanamid Company. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'78 M ILR—**Joel B. Zucker** of Freeville, NY, 1998; training/development specialist, formerly worked at SUNY Ag and Tech College, Alfred.

'79 JD—**Alexander C. Black** of Rochester, NY, formerly of Pittsburgh, PA, March 14, 1998; attorney, was associated with Lawyers Cooperative Publishing, formerly associated with Pittsburgh Public Broadcasting.

'79 BS Eng—**Valerie Jelich** O'Toole (Mrs. Robert) of Chester, NH, October 15, 1998.

'81—**David A. Buck** of Seattle, WA, formerly of Belmont, MA, August 1998; former international buyer, Boeing Company, Seattle.

'83 M ILR—**Steven H. Fibich** of Milwaukee, WI, formerly of Houston, TX, April 4, 1995; personnel and human resources executive, Cooper Power Systems, formerly with Cooper Industries corporate office, Houston.

'81 BS ILR—**Paul R. Gavlick** of Middletown, NY, exact date unknown.

'85—**Cynthia K. Case** (Mrs. Marty Hyman) of New York City, exact date unknown; analyst, Mitsui Life Asset Management, USA, formerly with Paine Webber International Inc.

'86 BS Ag—**Scott S. Pitnick** of Carlisle, PA, exact date unknown.

'89 MBA—**Michael N. Kennedy** of Stouffville, Ont., Canada, exact date unknown; was associated with ALCO Engineers.

'89 BS Ag—**Darla L. Schwark** of Bloomsburg, NJ, formerly of Bernardsville, June 1998; was a researcher with Immunobiology Research Institute.

'90 BA—**David N. Meyerson** of Abilene, TX, formerly of Dallas, October 17, 1998.

'90 BA—**Lauren E. Pickard** of Paris, France, formerly of Andover, MA, October 22, 1998; was associated with Phases 4 Formation in Paris; formerly with Advantage Insurance Associates. Delta Delta Delta.

'94 BS Ag—**Joseph T. Jurgensen** of Carmel, NY, October 13, 1998.

'95 BS Ag—**Teresa R. Hoad** of Cameron, NY, exact date unknown.

'98 MS—**Hyun Joon Cho** of Ithaca, NY, August 28, 1998; PhD candidate in chemistry.



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If the truth is elastic, then stretch it a bit and consider this: Cornell helped save the world. In 1941, as the United States entered World War II, the U.S. Maritime Commission embarked on a massive expansion of the merchant marine fleet. The centerpiece of the program was a fleet of all-welded cargo ships, the first to be constructed through mass prefab building methods. Each measured 441 feet in length with nearly 600,000 feet of welded joints.

The first such ship was christened *Ocean Liberty*, and the War Department dubbed the new vessels "Liberty ships" after Franklin Roosevelt declared they

would bring liberty to Europe. More than 2,700 Liberty ships were constructed between September 1941 and September 1945 at a cost of about \$127,000 apiece. They were generally named after eminent Americans who had made significant contributions to the nation's history or culture—from

John Adams to Johnny Appleseed, Clarence Darrow to Carole Lombard, Lou Gehrig to Louisa May Alcott.

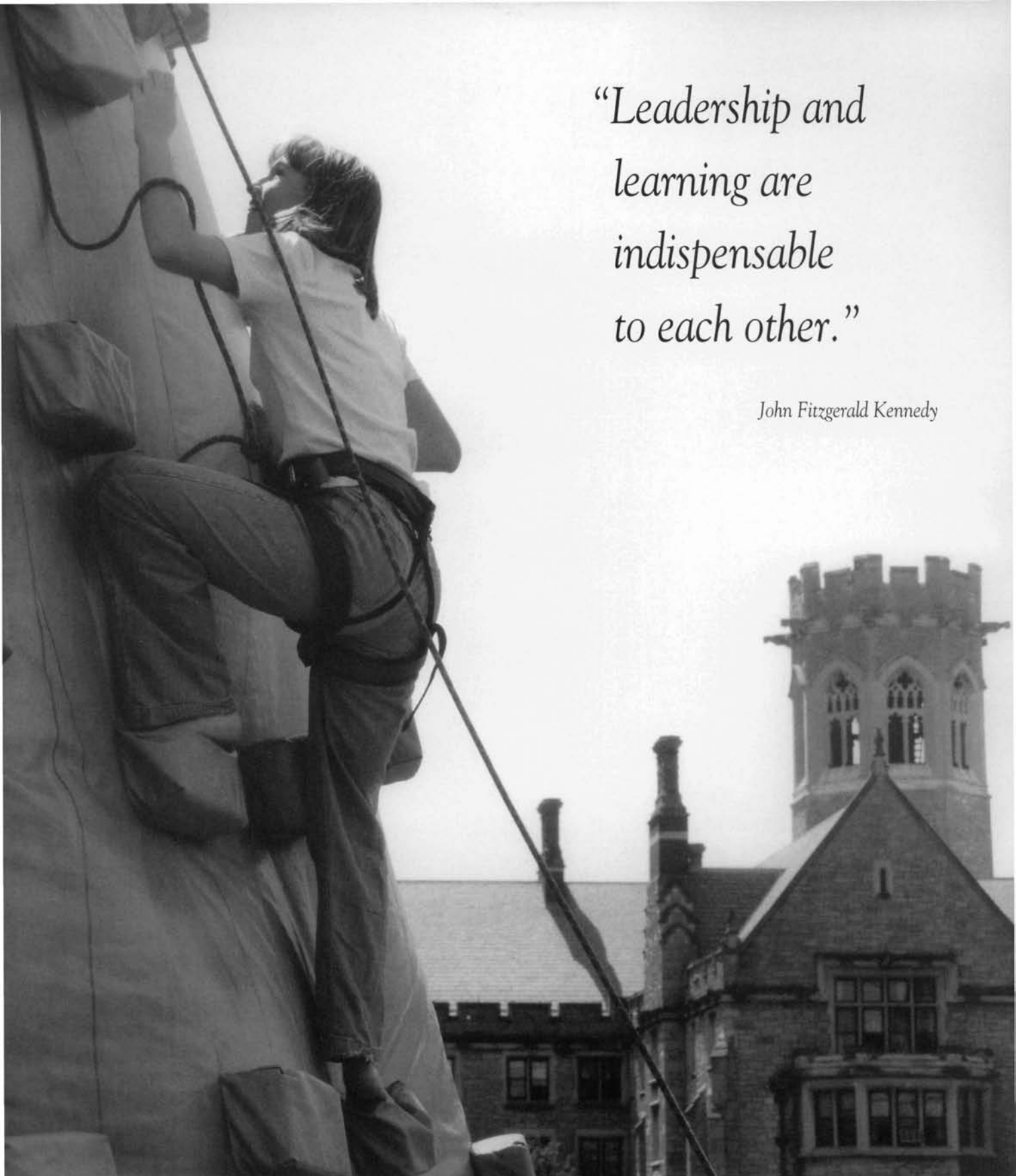
There were three Cornellians in the mix. The *SS Andrew D. White*, launched in January 1943 in California, was delivered to the U.S. Army a month later. Her voyages were secret during the war. The *SS Ezra Cornell*, launched five weeks later in Maine, made numerous trips to Mediterranean seaports. Finally, the *SS Carl E. Ladd*, named for the Cornell Ag dean (who earned an undergraduate degree on the Hill in 1912 and a PhD in 1915), was launched in July 1944. She left for New Guinea on her maiden voyage and put into many ports in the Pacific islands.

These ships carried everything from ore and ammunition to tanks and troops. They faced dangers from submarines, mines, destroyers, aircraft, and the elements. More than one in thirty-two merchant mariners died in the line of duty, and many historians believe the Allies might have lost were it not for what FDR called the "bridge of ships" stretching across the ocean. Also in action: the *SS Cornell*, a 16,000-ton tanker that cruised up and down the American coast, and the *SS Cornell Victory*, a cargo ship launched in March 1945 which had a longer expected life span than the "disposable" Liberty models.

The vessels met various fates. The *SS Cornell* was sold commercially after the war, renamed, and converted to a self-unloading cement carrier. The *SS Cornell Victory* was reactivated for Vietnam service. The *SS Andrew D. White* was scrapped in Portland, Oregon, in 1962. The *SS Carl E. Ladd* was dismantled in the same place five years later.

And the *SS Ezra Cornell*? After being renamed twice, she developed leaks in December 1967 and was abandoned to sink off the coast of southern Africa—meaning you can find Cornell at the top of a Hill and at the bottom of the South Atlantic.

— Brad Herzog

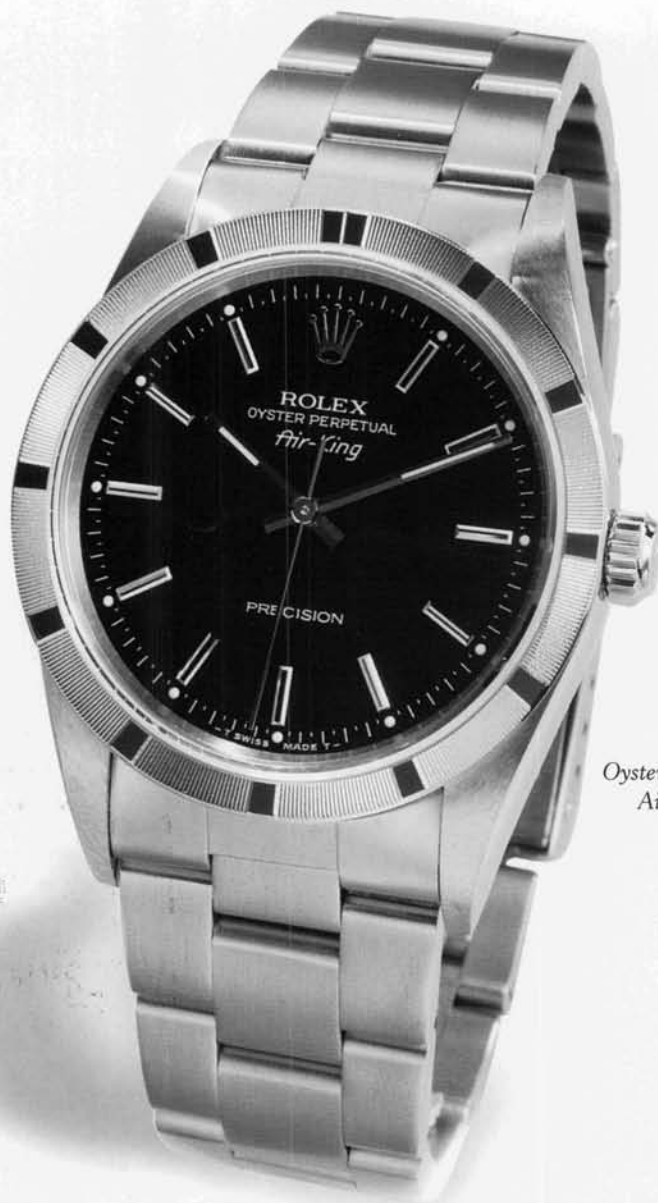


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