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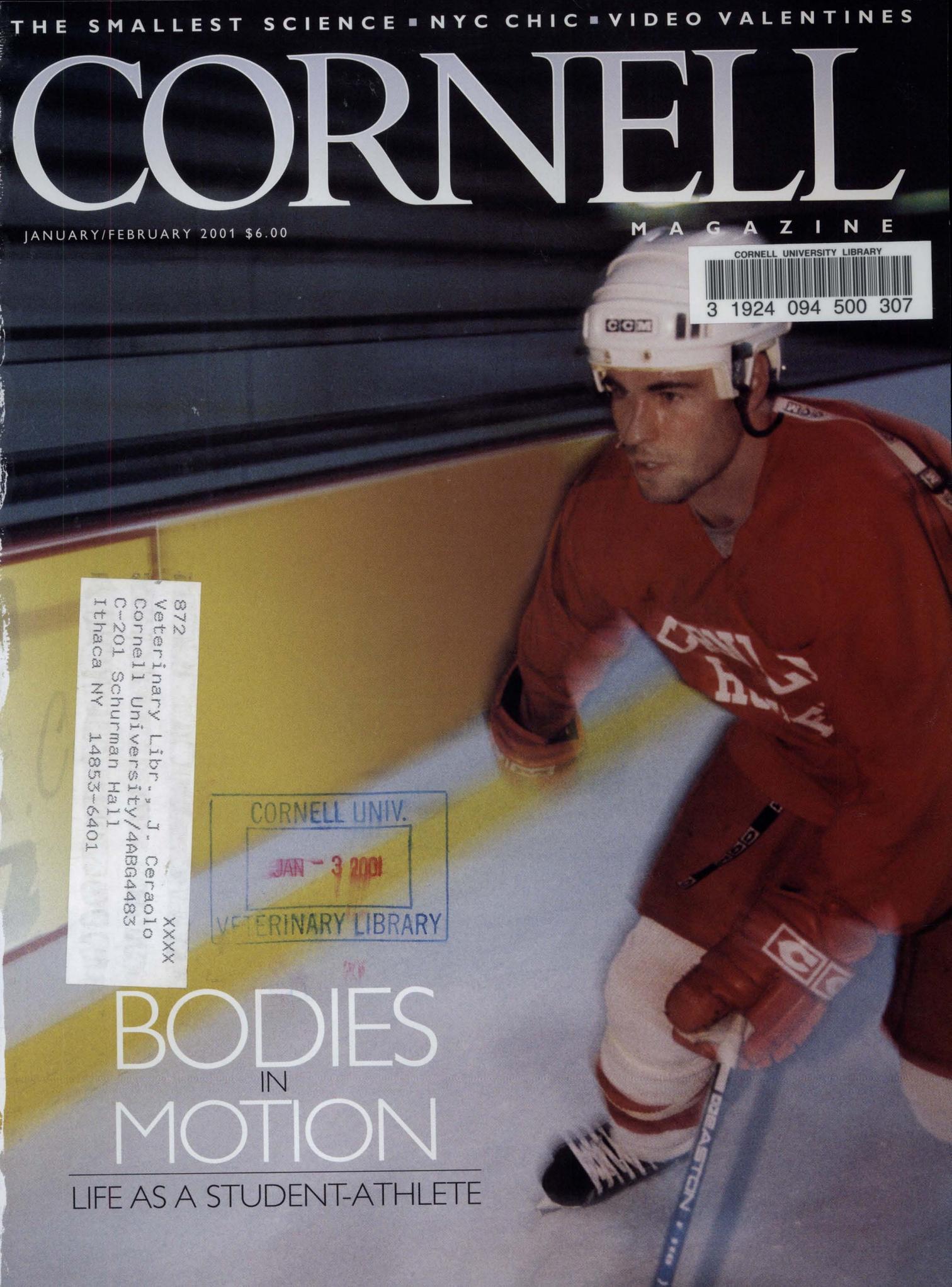
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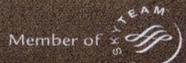


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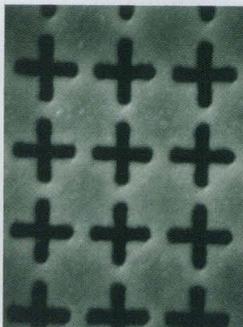
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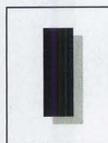
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LETTER FROM ITHACA



AN INDEPENDENT VOICE



IN OCTOBER, I ATTENDED THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHIEF editors of the Ivy League Magazine Network. Although the association was formed for the purpose of joint advertising sales, it also functions as a kind of think tank for the publications. Our group gathered at Princeton, where we saw a presentation on distance learning, pondered Web publishing, heard a talk on the humanities, and spent hours in discussion. One of the most animated exchanges focused on editorial independence.

The Ivy League has a long tradition of independent alumni publications, some of which (including the *Cornell Alumni News*) were established more than 100 years ago. Over time, the nature of editorial freedom at each magazine has been defined—and modified—in various ways. Some are no longer independent; at Columbia, for instance, the alumni magazine is now an official university publication. The other magazines have varying degrees of university involvement and financial support, but each has provisions to protect the editor's control of the content.

How this works is largely determined by the governance structure and (more important) the person in the editor's chair, who must exercise his or her judgment about the content of every issue. Each editor at the meeting had "war stories" about choices that had caused conflict with administrators, faculty, or alumni—sometimes for being too critical, sometimes for not being critical enough.

Ultimately, we concluded that if a magazine leans too far towards public relations—if it's constantly "cheerleading"—then it is not likely to be taken seriously when it offers sincere praise. Conversely, if it always assumes a negative tone, it may not be believable when it focuses on a real problem. There was consensus that a truly dispassionate editorial voice best serves our readers, and the institutions themselves. As editors, we must report facts and illuminate issues in a clear and accurate manner, and let our readers draw their own conclusions.

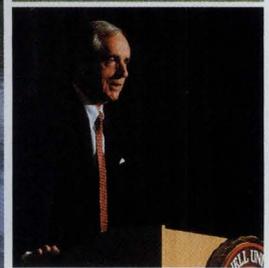
In his State of the University address on Trustee-Council weekend in October, President Hunter Rawlings made a similar point about the role of the humanities at a research university. "We desperately need critique—informed, disinterested, ethically based," he said, and in his view it is humanists who provide this critique. Yet, for a magazine editor, such critique can be tricky. The choice of sources or selection of quotes can make an article tilt—or seem to tilt—one way or another. Publishing one writer instead of another can appear to indicate bias. The Ivy editors agree that we need to be vigilant, providing the most balanced coverage we can to the "loving skeptics" (as a colleague characterized them) who are our readers.

The university as an institution is based upon reasoned discourse, and its alumni magazine ought to play an honest and honorable role in this exchange of ideas. If we fail to do so—out of neglect or fear or laziness—then we don't deserve our independence.

—Jim Roberts '71



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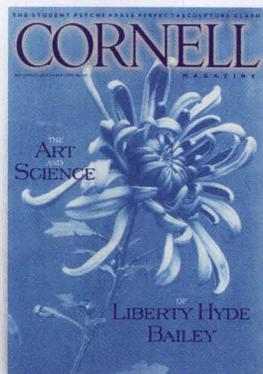
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HOOPS HISTORY

I FOUND THE ARTICLE BY RICHARD ISAACMAN '73 on the "basketball in the dish" hilarious and most reminiscent of my college days at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute ("Currents," November/December 2000). Having joked over the years that I prided myself on having turned down Cornell's admission offer, it appears that I most probably would have fit right in.

Bob Dvorak
Saugerties, New York



EDUCATIONAL VALUES

I WAS BLASTED BY JEFFREY RICHMOND '92, MD '96, for authoring the Salomon memo requesting better treatment for investment banking analysts ("Correspondence," November/December 2000). He suggested that people should be satisfied with their jobs if they are paid more handsomely than the average person that goes into academia, the Peace Corps, or the like. He claims that Cornell has "failed" in its mission to educate me, as I "learned the price of many things, but know the value of nothing."

Interesting. Perhaps I misunderstood the point of my four years at Cornell. Somehow I thought we were being taught to be leaders, to take a situation and try to make it better, and to avoid complacency. If Cornell "failed" by teaching me these values, then I disagree with Dr. Richmond's definition of success.

Paul Leung '00
New York, New York

MENTAL HEALTH

I CAN RELATE TO THE STUDENTS IN "A Sympathetic Ear" because I was one of them—one of the many who turn to Gannett for guidance and support (November/December 2000).

As I look back at college I see how my anxiety transformed itself into different "beasts." Freshman year I became engulfed by obsessive compulsive disorder. It became an outlet for my anxiety, a way to distract myself. As I was given increasing responsibilities, I became increasingly affected psychologically. I washed my hands until they were

chapped and bleeding. I restricted the clothes I wore, the music I listened to, the books and magazines I read, the shows I watched, the foods I ate. I became malnourished, introverted, and depressed. The problems compounded, until I learned to deal with them with the help of medication, journal-writing, psychologists, and a nutritionist.

After reading "A Sympathetic Ear," I felt I owed it to myself to respond—but more important, I owed it to the 19,000 students attending Cornell right now. Looking back, I realize that nothing in life is worth making yourself sick. If you don't get the A, you'll get the B, or the C, but you'll still be successful. It took me four years to become healthy. Don't let yourself take that long. Make changes now. If you need to talk to someone about your feelings, do it. There is absolutely nothing to feel ashamed about. Many people think of mental health services as something bad. Please don't make that mistake. Once you open up to someone, you see you're not alone.

Name Withheld '00

I WAS PLEASED TO SEE YOUR COVER-AGE regarding resources for students dealing with stress. However, the article may have created some erroneous impressions about Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)—that students who want the "talking cure" are sent to private practitioners, that CAPS primarily focuses on medications, and that there is a gatekeeping function designed to keep students out. These are not accurate.

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Philip Meilman, CAPS Director
Cornell University Health Services

CORNELL'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES indirectly determined my career as a medical science writer. I had become extremely distressed at the start of my sophomore year as a biochemistry major and was seriously contemplating a transfer to a different university. But first I made an appointment at Gannett to see a psychologist, who ascertained (correctly, as it turned out) that the main source of my unhappiness was a failure to become an integral part of Cornell aside from my demanding academic schedule.

At the psychologist's suggestion, I joined the *Cornell Countryman*, then a student-run monthly at the Colleges of Agriculture and Home Economics. By the end of my junior year I had become editor-in-chief. I woke up one spring morning with the realization that I loved magazine work more than anything. I changed my senior year program to include courses in journalism and went on to get a master's degree in science writing at the University of Wisconsin.

The rest is history: after two years as a general assignment reporter in Minneapolis, I joined the *New York Times* as a specialist in the life sciences and medicine and in 1976 was named the paper's first and only personal health columnist. Thirty-five years later, I'm still there and still loving what I do. I'm ever grateful to Cornell for the opportunity to find

my true love and to get paid to learn for my entire career.

*Jane Brody Engquist '62
Brooklyn, New York*

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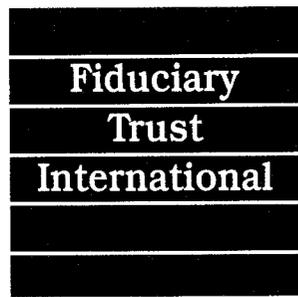
THERE ARE MANY FACTORS IN THE decline of your subscriptions ("Open Letter," September/October 2000). Very basic is the administration's political correctness. When I attended freshman orientation, I was a Cornellian, as in "You are all Cornellians now." Now there is orientation for minorities and separate activities for women and ethnic groups. From the get-go, interest and loyalty to Cornell is subservient to a persistent fostering of separatism. How many ethnic living units, even ethnic dormitories, divide the campus? How about ethnic "studies" as courses and as majors? As an active alumnus and father of two mechanical engineers, it has been hurtful seeing this fragmentation diminish the Cornell Spirit.

Your name change from *Cornell Alumni News* also hurts your efforts. Your magazine has never appealed to anyone more than alumni. This is not a literary magazine. It is informational. A Cornellian subscribes to read about what is happening on the Hill, not what is going on around the world, and not for erudite articles.

You ask how to reach out to alumni. You begin with freshmen. You have one orientation, you teach Cornell songs. You build a relationship and fondness for Alma Mater that at least equals and preferably supercedes loyalty to fraternities or ethnic factionalism. Then, four years later, when you proffer a subscription to the *Alumni News*, you have an enthusiastic base that sends in their hard-earned money. That greater sense of Cornell made my generation and my parents' generation subscribe in much larger numbers. They were all Cornellians, and they cared about what transpired at their beloved Cornell.

*Howard Rakov '65
New York, New York*

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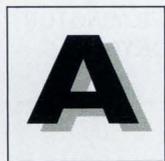
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PATHS TO ENLIGHTENMENT



As an extra in the movie *Kundun*, Tenzin Gephel played a monk in the mountains of pre-occupation Tibet. The role wasn't much of a stretch for Gephel, a real-life monk who has made his home at the Dalai Lama's Namgyal Monastery in Ithaca since 1997. The son of Tibetan exiles, he was born in Northern India and took his vows at thirteen. Now he's on campus as

the newest chaplain at Cornell United Religious Work, a loose federation of twenty-four spiritual leaders.

While the university's religious staff has long included a variety of faiths (Catholicism, three branches of Judaism, Islam, and more than a dozen Protestant denominations currently have chaplains), Gephel is the first to represent Tibetan Buddhism—a school of the faith known as Mahayana, which focuses on the idea that each person has the innate disposition to become enlightened. Each week Gephel leads three lunchtime meditation sessions, teaches a seminar on Tibetan theology, and offers spiritual guidance during his office hours in Anabel Taylor Hall.

Aside from the twelve cushions CURW bought for the meditation sessions, Gephel, like the other chaplains, doesn't cost the university anything. "Otherwise," says Japanese religions professor Jane Marie Law, "the university would be in the business of picking chaplains." Law, a member of Namgyal's board, helped facilitate Gephel's ap-

pointment, which is funded through a gift from an alumnus to the monastery. Other chaplains are supported by local parishes or national student ministries. "We don't organize or solicit these ministries," says CURW director Robert Johnson. "We receive them and operate on common ground rules." The ground rules require that clergy meet together regularly, coordinate interfaith programs, and not demean other faiths by way of advancing their own. Johnson calls the third rule "confessional integrity."

Last winter—when the annual chaplain's retreat schedule included not only a discussion of Buddhism, but an opportunity for Gephel to guide the clergy in a meditation session—that confessional integrity was tested. While Gephel notes that Mahayana tradition does not exclude people of other faiths from meditating, some Christian chaplains equated meditation with worship and chose not to participate. "When you worship, you're worshipping God," says evangelical Christian chaplain Bob Wilson, who compares the situation to



CHAPLAIN IN SAFFRON: TIBETAN MONK TENZIN GEPHEL

asking a Jewish rabbi to take communion to improve his understanding of Christianity. "He might be willing to talk about it, but the symbolism of the practice would make it a violation of what he believes."

Gephel's seminar, on *The Thirty-Seven Practices of Bodhisattvas*, meets Monday evenings in the Founder's Room, where participants pull together a circle of blue armchairs and delve into the fourteenth-century Tibetan text on how to reach enlightenment. "It teaches how to deal with our own suffering," says Gephel, "how to keep happiness for other sentient beings, and how to live with society and overcome difficulties." The soft-spoken teacher translates the concepts of *Bodhisattvas* ("someone seeking an enlightened state for the sake of other sentient beings") and *Samsara* ("the cyclic existence, and rebirth through the forces of delusion and karma") and explains the hierarchies of reincarnation for animals, humans, gods, and demigods.

Brandon Irizarry, a computer science major, came to the class wondering how a modern-day monk would present the ancient verses. "The thirty-seven practices is a hard and fast method to sort of be as happy as possible," says the junior, who was raised in a Catholic family but began studying Buddhism in 1999. "It's a very rational tradition. It's not like Christianity, where it's hard to come up with proof that there's a God."

Gephel asks each person in the circle to read a stanza aloud, and the group discusses them one at a time. Katie Williams, a CURW administrative assistant who's studied with Gephel since 1998, reads a verse about a "rare ship of freedom and fortune" and the "ocean of cyclic existence." Gephel explains that the verse is about the privilege of being reincarnated in human form. "We believe it is possible to be born as a dog," he says, "and we suffer in that body." Irizarry asks why only humans are able to free themselves, and Williams explains that animals can't see their shortcomings the way people can. Gephel offers an analogy: "As Buddhists, we believe the monkey is the cleverest animal. But the monkey makes a knot and cannot unknot. If he or she can't even unknot, it's very difficult to think about

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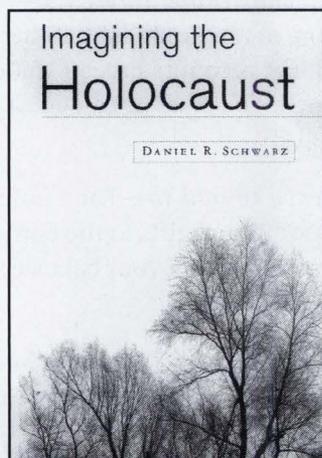
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other things. If human beings cannot think in a proper way, they can make more problems than non-humans. Do you understand?"

— Sharon Tregaskis '95

MYSTERY DATE

SOME LITTLE BOYS WANT to be astronauts when they grow up. From the age of three, Hylan Fenster wanted to be a game show host. "I always loved seeing the broadcasters up there, seeing people winning, lights, colors," says the junior communications major. "As a kid, it just mesmerized me." Since last year, Fenster has been furthering his quest to be the next Bob Barker or Alex Trebek as the co-creator, producer, and co-host of "Make It A Night!," Cornell's answer to "The Dating Game."

The show, which airs several times a semester on Ithaca's public access TV station, actually blends elements of "The Dating Game" and "The Match Game": separated by a partition, three bachelors and three bachelorettes trade



NIGHT OUT: CO-HOSTS FENSTER (LEFT) AND SASLOW ON THE GAME SHOW SET

questions, flirtations, and mildly raunchy repartee. At the end, they decide—sight unseen—who they want to go out with. "It was difficult at first to get the word out," says Fenster, who placed ads in the *Daily Sun* to attract early contestants. "But now I get people coming to me saying, 'I need a date! I want to come on your show!'"

Fenster got his first taste of TV production working on another Cornell-based access program, a news show called "Campus Insights." The idea for "Make It A Night!" came to him, he says, in a "revelation" as he was about to go to sleep. "I don't really know if the contestants are serious about it," says Fenster's co-host, senior Craig Saslow. "A lot of people just come on to have fun, which is what we want."

It's a Monday night in October, and the show's six-person crew is scurrying back and forth between the studio and the control room, checking mike levels and camera angles. One of the camera operators, also tonight's announcer, scribbles her introduction on scrap paper while Fenster and Saslow riffle through CDs, looking for the perfect song to kick off the show. (Each episode closes with the B-52s' "Love Shack.")

Initially, the show had one woman interviewing and selecting one of three men, but Fenster and Saslow eventually switched it to the "Match Game"-style format, with three and three. But "Make It A Night!" is no ordinary game show. Was the winning couple on "The Newlywed Game" ever rewarded with a lavish dinner prepared by the show's director? And when did "The Dating Game" end with the woman deciding she'd just as soon pass on all three bachelors?

After the taping, contestants Jaime Beilin '03 and Nicole Ware '03 (neither of whom found Prince Charming at the cable access station) admit they came in the hopes of landing a date. But the guys, they say, were just goofing around—particularly the fellow who came decked out in a lime-green outfit with flared trousers, circa 1972. "Obviously, we didn't think we were going to meet our husbands," Ware says. "But you never know."

At this level of TV production, there's no budget for cash prizes, weekend getaways to Aruba, or even a soundproof booth. To keep the contestants separate before the show, the men are sent to the "green room"—a Kentucky Fried Chicken outlet across the street—while the women take their places on the set. "We don't have the girls wait at KFC," says Fenster. "That wouldn't be right."

— Bryan Van Campen

TRIBAL WARFARE



WE WRITE TO INFORM you of an impending scandal," the confidential e-mail began. "In its scale, ramifications, and sheer criminality and corruption it is unparalleled in the history of anthropology." Within hours, the memo—written by Cornell anthropologist Terry Turner and University of

Hawaii professor Leslie Sponsel, PhD '81—had been leaked; within days, the allegations that provoked it had made the pages of *USA Today*, the *L.A. Times*, and the U.K.'s *Guardian* newspaper. The bitter debate centered on an American scientific expedition to the world's most remote aboriginal tribe thirty years ago, but at its heart were charges of ethical misconduct, cooked data, and even genocide.

The controversy began when Turner

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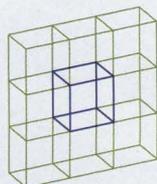
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and Sponsel were asked to vet a manuscript by investigative journalist Patrick Tierney. Published by W. W. Norton in November, *Darkness in El Dorado: How Scientists and Journalists Devastated the Amazon* alleges that Westerners' contact with the Yanomami people violated the tribe's human rights, weakened and misrepresented their culture, and introduced disease and warfare that wiped out whole villages. One of the book's primary subjects is the late geneticist James Neel, who

conducted research in the Orinoco River Basin in 1968. There, at the fuzzy border between Venezuela and Brazil, his team inoculated 2,000 Yanomami with Edmonston B, a measles vaccine. An epidemic of the disease broke out at roughly the same time, killing hundreds.

Tierney charges that the Atomic Energy Commission funded the expedition to conduct medical experiments and that the inoculations were given to test theories of genetic selection. He further suggests that Napoleon Chagnon—a highly regarded ethnographer,



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member of the Orinoco expedition, and expert on the Yanomami—disrupted their political system, violated tribal taboos, destabilized the regional economy, and staged his “documentary” films. “The book had several explosive charges,” Turner says. “It’s a situation that called out for telling the truth.”

He and Sponsel distributed their confidential, four-page e-mail to the American Anthropological Association’s leadership, alerting them to the book’s claims—and to the firestorm they expected would follow its publication. But

VIRTUAL YOU



WHEN BRIAN FRANK '98 DECIDED TO START A personal website, he figured his name was so common the URL would probably be taken. But www.brianfrank.com turned out to be available, so Frank posted a page filled with biographical tidbits: a list of the mountains he'd snowboarded, his ice hockey record, a photo of his snazzy red Mustang convertible. Then the e-mail started coming. “Why the hell is there a website with my name?” said one. “I can’t believe you’ve wasted this url.com on this site content,” said another. “My name is Brian Frank and I live and work in NYC trying to start up my site, and I see you beat me to it. What’s up with that?”

The site chalked up 600 hits one week in September, after the *L.A. Times* published a story on squabbles over eponymous websites, featuring brianfrank.com as an example. As for its owner (a Bay Area resident who studied the sociology of technology on the Hill), the fuss prompted him to philosophize on the ethics of staking claims in cyberspace. Should the URL really be his private property? What if one of the Brians were to become famous and demand ownership? And who has the right to arbitrate such things?

In the end, Frank decided to share it with his namesakes. “I’ve talked to several other Brian Franks,” he says, “and we want to make it a directory for all the Brian Franks in the world.” But, he adds, he wouldn’t be averse to selling the URL if the price were right. “I’m not a complete hippie,” he says. “Tens of thousands of dollars would be cool.”



once the memo began circulating through the anthropology community, more finger-pointing followed. Turner and Sponsel were biased, critics said; they'd been primary sources for Tierney's book and had known about its accusations for years. Neel and Chagnon, in turn, were accused of eugenics experimentation on par with Nazi Josef Mengele, of conducting medical research on uninformed subjects, and of failing to gain governmental permission for their experiments.

The controversy quickly spread to the media. United Press International wrote that Tierney's book (excerpted in the *New Yorker* and nominated in the U.S. for a National Book Award in non-fiction) was a "jumble of sensationalistic and unsupportable accusations." Other papers called him a pawn of jealous academics. The president of the National Academy of Sciences issued a statement defending Neel. "Mr. Tierney's misuse of source material," he wrote, "and the factual errors and innuendoes in his book do a grave disservice to a great scientist and to science itself."

In cyberspace, the debate took off at light speed. The University of Michigan, which had sponsored the 1968 expedition, posted a defense of Neel and Chagnon; a site by anthropologists at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where Chagnon is a retired professor, refuted Tierney's claims point by point. Creators of Edmonston B, no longer in use, sent e-mails defending Neel's work and his humanitarian distribution of the vaccine. "There's a lot of bitter personal feeling," Turner says. "The charges are ugly."

Chagnon's *Yanomamo: The Fierce People* was published in 1968. The book is an anthropology classic, and has sold more than one million copies. Although he has declined most interviews, in a September letter to *Time* he called the charges "nothing short of heinous," chalking up the accusations to professional jealousy. In November, the American Anthropological Association resolved to "investigate whether or not there should be an investigation," of professional misconduct by Chagnon. Findings are to be reported in February. The association also plans to formulate guidelines for ethical field research.

While Turner says *Darkness in El*

Dorado is not an indictment of anthropology or science as a whole, some of his colleagues are nervous. Will rules on research involving human subjects—already tightened in the past thirty years—become even more restrictive? Will the success of third-world vaccination programs be compromised by frightened people refusing treatment? In November, Venezuelan officials announced a moratorium on research of the region's tribes.

In September, the *New York Times* called anthropology "the academic equivalent of 'The Jerry Springer Show.'" But for the discipline—split between its biological/evolutionary and social/cultural branches—antagonism is nothing new. "It's a polar division," says Turner, who plans to assign both *Yanomamo* and *Darkness in El Dorado* to his seminar for beginning graduate students. The current debate, he says, has taken on an almost religious cast, with each side taking a fundamentalist stand, claiming its work as the only true science. "It's like being a Planned Parenthood member at an Operation Rescue rally," he says. "Nobody's listening."

— Sharon Tregaskis '95

CITY EDITOR



IN NEW YORK CITY AS OF late October, gold leather, strappy pumps, and berets were hot; pashmina and the cowgirl look were most definitely *not*. That news comes direct from *Manhattan File*, a slim, glossy magazine with beautiful people (mostly actresses) on the cover and an inside filled with glam fashion spreads and lists of what's hip, from clothing to clubs. "We edit the city for you," says Cristina Greeven '92, the magazine's editor, publisher, and founder. "New York is so overwhelming. We want to pare it down to size, to what fits into our readers' lives."

A native of the Upper East Side and a graduate of the Chapin School and Cornell's comp lit department, Greeven has tailored *Manhattan File* (circulation 100,000) to the lives of New Yorkers like herself: according to the magazine's stats, average readers are between twenty-five and thirty-four and make more than \$100,000 a year. Their drink of

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Greeven, who edited a magazine about life in the Hamptons while she was still an undergrad, developed the concept of *Manhattan File* during a five-month stint at *Interview* right after college. By 1994, the magazine was up and running, with Greeven as editor-in-chief. At first, she says, it was tough to get taken seriously. "No one wants to believe in a twenty-four-year-old editor," she says, "except the writers."

Familiar names pepper the contents page: Michael Mailer did a piece with dad Norman, director Whit Stillman contributed to the summer reading issue, and hip-hop star Q-Tip was interviewed by Christopher Cuomo, whom the press has paired romantically with Greeven. Serious journalism runs alongside stories that might be inspired by the ladies' room conversation in an upscale bar. In one spread, women were asked how much they'd have to be paid to marry a selection of celebrities; no one would marry Donald Trump at any price, and John Rocker was a close second.



CRISTINA
 GREEVEN '92

The magazine also thinks of itself as a how-to guide for coping with problems that the average underpaid borough-dweller will never face. Like, what to do if you get a speeding ticket on your way to the Hamptons? (Tell the cop that you have an incontinence problem.) Which college counselor is most likely to get your kids into Harvard? (Catherine Cohen, founder of the IvyWise service.) Where can you buy the \$1,500 limited-edition bottle of designer Michael Kors's new scent? (Saks.) If you don't like rich people, or people who want to be rich, you won't like *Manhattan File*.

On the other hand, if you're a fan of HBO's "Sex and the City," subscribe immediately. In September's sixth-anniversary issue, Greeven described her

magazine as a print version of the bawdy, fashion-forward show. Candace Bushnell, the author whose column inspired the series, is an editor-at-large for the magazine, which hosted a party at Fendi for lead actress Sarah Jessica Parker and producer Darren Star. Greeven describes the "Sex"/*File* symbiosis as a question of sensibility and demographics. "'Sex and the City' is eye-opening because it really tells the truth about New York lifestyles," she says. "Both the show and the magazine appeal to hard-working professionals with disposable income who want the hottest items, who want to know about the great new clubs or restaurants without having to think too hard about it."

So Greeven and her Manhattan-savvy staff (one of whom, she points out, is from Kansas) put themselves through a rigorous schedule of art openings, fashion shows, and movie premieres for the sake of their readers. Still, Greeven insists the magazine doesn't think of itself as an arbiter of style. "What's hot,

what's over—who are we to determine that? We try to tap into the buzz and do the research, rather than trying to generate the buzz ourselves."

But how many hot new clubs and ritzy salons can one woman visit? A lot, it seems. Although other projects beckon, Greeven doesn't plan to hand off the magazine or leave her hometown behind. "You have to love New York to be able to do this," she says. "Paris is thoroughly romantic, Florence is artistically the best city to visit, but in terms of a day-to-day lifestyle, Manhattan is it."

— C.A. Carlson '93, MFA '96

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CORNELL LAW PROFESSOR Sheri Lynn Johnson has accompanied three death row inmates to their executions. "It's transforming," she says, "to see how people who perhaps never learned to

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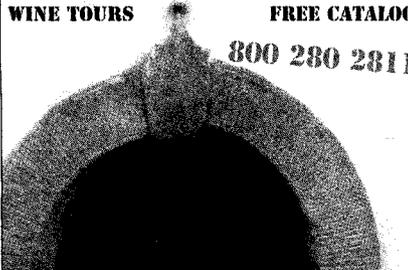
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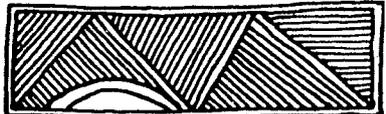
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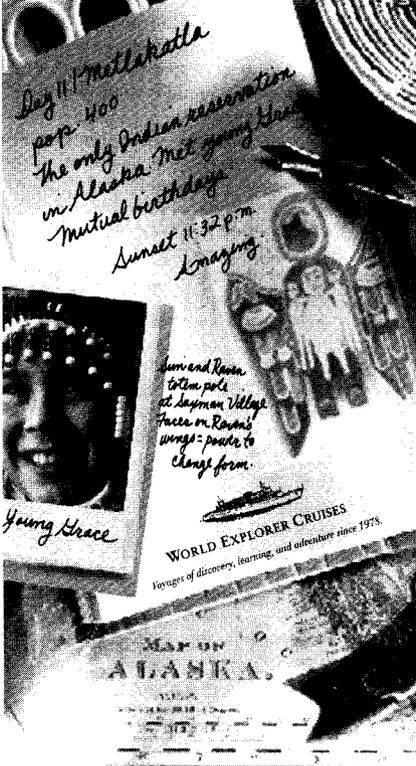
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witnesses, jurors, and inmates in the hope of finding proof of a defendant's innocence or uncovering legal misconduct that might get a death sentence overturned.

The students are, in essence, doing the work once carried out by death penalty resource centers throughout the United States until Congress defunded them in 1995. The minimal payments that Johnson and colleague John Blume receive from states for acting as counsel to inmates help to support the project, which receives no direct funding from the Law school. Blume, who ran a resource center in South Carolina before becoming co-director of the project, has appeared on such programs as "Nightline" and "Geraldo" to publicize what he believed to be miscarriages of justice. "In Texas," he says, "one judge responding to an appeal actually said the defendant was entitled to a court-appointed lawyer, but not necessarily one who was awake."

Patricia Warth, JD '96, was one of three students who worked with convicted murderer Andy Smith when he was on death row in South Carolina. Warth does not dispute that he may have committed the crime, but she questions whether he got a fair trial. Smith was black, as are 43 percent of the inmates on death row, but Warth learned that in the previous ten years only one black person had served on a grand jury in the county where he was indicted. "It was so unusual to have a black juror," says Warth, "that they still remembered her name." In writing Smith's appeal, she made the case that jury selection was discriminatory. The appeal was denied, and Smith was executed by lethal injection in 1999.

Naomi Terr, a third-year student and former social worker, helped with the project in Texas last summer. She says that she had previously assumed that inmates' rights were protected. "Now I've realized that the system is extremely flawed," she says. "I've seen cases where individuals being sentenced to death had their rights clearly violated in terms of the quality of representation, or because of juror or prosecutorial misconduct. It's appalling."

Warth, who was stung by the court's rejection of Smith's appeal, says the experience brought home the unfairness

of how capital punishment is often meted out, a realization that helped to shape her career. "It taught me how and why I would work so hard for a client," she says. "This is the work I was called to do." Warth is now a capital defender with the State of New York in Rochester. Last year, she was part of a trial team that secured a life sentence for a client found guilty of a capital crime, sparing him from the death penalty.

In addition to providing experience for law students, the project also brings speakers to campus—sometimes controversial ones, such as the lawyers for condemned Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh. The project also supports research, some of which has revealed surprising misconceptions. In one study, Cornell law professors Ted Eisenberg and Steve Garvey and ILR statistics professor Martin Wells surveyed 187 former jurors in capital trials in South Carolina; they found that while the jurors supported the death penalty at least as much as the general popula-

tion (currently 66 percent of the public is in favor of it), they had doubts about its fairness. Some dropped their support completely when the alternative of life imprisonment was presented. "There seems to be less public willingness to tolerate error when a life is at stake," says Garvey, who believes that the acceptance of DNA evidence as incontrovertible proof in rape cases has helped to shift opinion on the death penalty and draw media attention to the possible execution of innocent people.

But Johnson believes that to focus only on innocence in capital punishment discussions is to miss the point. She tells stories of clients defended by court-appointed lawyers who were drunk during trial or who simply did nothing to help their clients. "We make mistakes, and the jury selection process is arbitrary," she says. "So much depends on race, money, and luck."

Not all of the students who participate in the Death Penalty Project go on to careers that focus

on capital cases. Some, like Richard Ross, take mainstream jobs at large firms. Ross, JD/MBA '99, is now with the corporate law firm of Skadden, Arps in New York City, but he continues to work on behalf of indigent death penalty defendants *pro bono*. "At the end of the day, you feel like you did something worthwhile," he says. "You know that between the forces of light and darkness, you were on the right side."

— Linda Myers '64, MFA '99

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Y WIFE MISPELLED "cantata" once. Normally, that wouldn't be a big deal, except that this particular error appeared in her college admissions essays.

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She and her mother noticed the mistake after the applications went in the mail, and were plunged into weeks of angst.

That was over a decade ago, but not much has changed in the lives of ambitious teenagers. In their endless quest to please admissions officers, they manage to ask the most painfully detailed questions about the appearance of their essays: Print or type? Blue ink or black? Staples or paper clips? Extra pages? Size of envelope? If their anxiety is palpable to me—I'm a college counselor who spent three years as an associate director of admissions at Cornell—it must be borderline suffocating to them, so I do the best I can to convince them that the ultimate decisions will be based on substance, not stationery.

In light of this obsession with minutiae, I have to ask: how is it that these kids, the same ones who will lose sleep

over dotless i's and uncrossed t's, can present with one big collective yawn some of the most curious e-mail identities ever contrived? In today's electronic equivalent of the baby boom, you'd need to have a pretty unique moniker to lay claim to *yourname@hotmail.com*. So people get creative. And that's not necessarily a good thing.

A fair number of kids regress to cuteness with *xoxo*, *erniebert*, and the like, identities that usually are reinforced in their essays, sentimental musings on favorite stuffed animals. We also see the occasional delusions of grandeur, the ones proclaiming *bundy4king* or *jared4pres*, hoping that we'll find them as *awe_some* and *unphorgettable* as they are in their own minds.

Some of the savvier kids try to stack



the deck. Surely, no self-respecting engineering school would turn down *tekniteen*, and what liberal-arts college could possibly pooh-pooh *jsbookworm*? Other identities just feel like a good fit with a school's programs. No doubt the English department would jump to embrace *belljar*, though I'd guess that the counseling center would also want a say. Meanwhile, the plant pathologists are itching to yield *poisonivy*, the crew coach tries to catch up with *roufaster*, and the music department hopes to lure *songbird108* (though I'm guessing they'll pass on *almosthendrix*).

Without question, the names that stand out most are the ones that stop us mid-read and make us ask aloud, "What were you thinking?" In some of the more bizarre cases (*MrSockmonkey*), the question is probably best left unanswered. And nonsense names like *mmmmm_cheese* and *clogfrog* will probably garner more rolled eyes than raised eyebrows, if they get any reaction at all.

What I cannot understand, though, is how so many applicants can think that what plays well in the locker room will fly at the committee table. The "wink-wink, nudge-nudge" of *kinkysax* and *4letterword* are puritanical compared with those that sound like they were lifted straight from the *Kamasutra*. They make the utter practicality of *collegemail* seem refreshingly innocent.

Maybe admissions committees should start choosing students based on their e-mail addresses, when everything else seems equal. I'm sure critics would accuse us of undermining meritocracy, but I think such a plan is infinitely fairer than a coin toss. And since common sense should tell students that we will read whatever they send, I don't see full disclosure being an issue. So when tens of thousands of applicants are checking the snail mail hourly—hoping, like *thegodfather*, that we'll make them an offer they can't refuse—who do you think will be getting the fat envelope: *product ofsugar* or *lazyazs*? My vote's already in.

— Scott Anderson

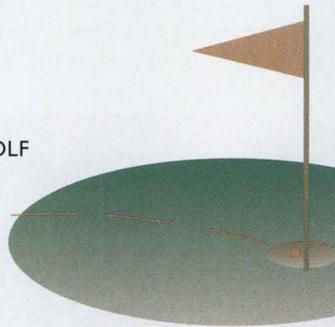
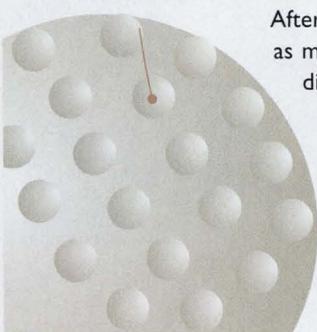
NETWORK NEWS

JON KLEINBERG '93 ISN'T MUCH OF A GOLF fan, but the game makes a handy analogy for his work with the "small world" phenomenon. Using graph theory and algorithms, the Cornell computer science professor has been studying how networks should be struc-

tured for optimum linkages, taking a closer look at why "six degrees of separation" holds true. His conclusion: If your game is all putting or all driving, you're going to have a hard time sinking the ball.

Kleinberg has been following up on the work of theoretical and applied mechanics professor Steve Strogatz and his former student, Duncan Watts, PhD '97, who proved the existence of a small world of tightly interconnected networks—why you can run into someone at a party in Paris and find out he's best friends with your cousin's roommate. Their work made Kleinberg ask what kinds of networks provide the shortest routes between two points. Was it a random arrangement (like strangers happening into an Internet chatroom), or a highly clustered one (people living together in remote villages)? "People don't have a bird's-eye view of the network," he says. "They have to somehow figure out how to find the shortest link." But, he wondered, which networks not only offered the shortest pathways, but also gave their members the clues to find each other?

After creating computer models simulating networks with as many as 400 million people, Kleinberg found that even distribution and diversity are key. The best networkers would have, say, ten friends on their block. Then they'd have ten friends in their hometown (but outside their block), ten in their home county, state, country, continent, and so on. Narrowing the pool at any point, he says, is like sapping the golfer's ability to putt or drive—it takes that many more strokes to get the job done.



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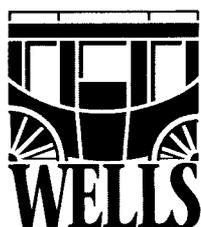
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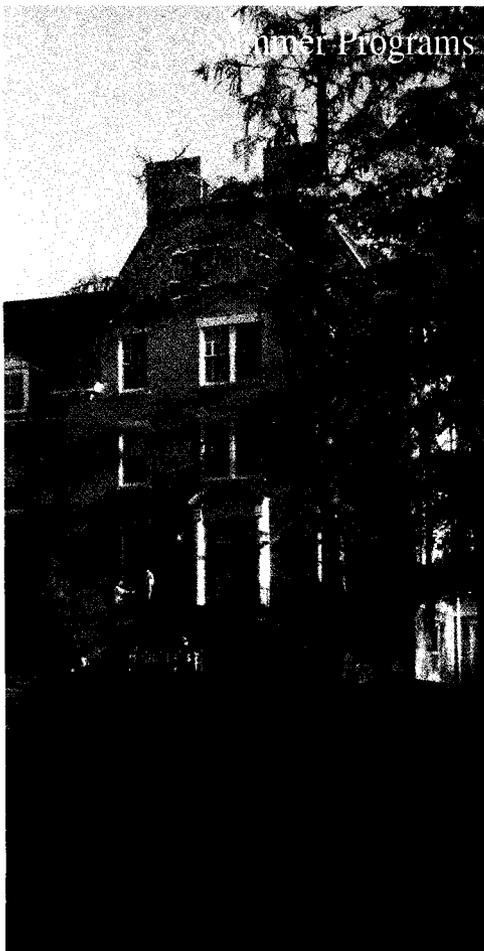
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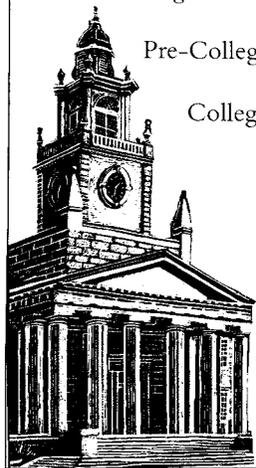
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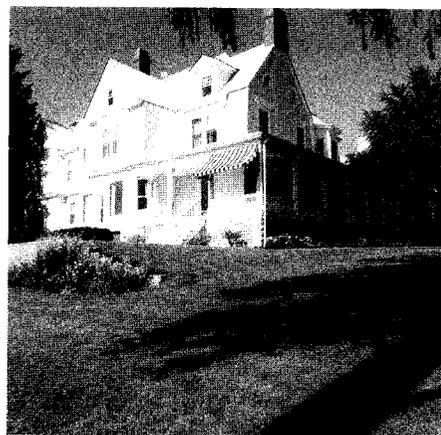
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A SERIES OF RACIALLY motivated incidents last fall prompted rallies, a hate-crimes resolution in the Student Assembly, and concern from students and administrators. In mid-September, a female Asian-American student was sexually assaulted near Goldwin Smith Hall by two white men who had yelled racial slurs at her from a car moments before. A week later, four Asian-American alumnae had racial insults shouted at them from a car on campus, and another Asian-American woman was harassed by two white men on Jessup Road.

The sexual and verbal assaults prompted the Student Assembly to pass a resolution condemning hate crimes. And on October 1, members of the Cornell Asian Pacific-Islander Student Union, La Asociacion Latina, Black Students United, and other minority groups held a rally on Ho Plaza calling for campus unity, better security, and a response from the administration. "This is the first semester I felt unsafe on this campus," Asian Pacific

Americans for Action co-president Melissa Hu '02 wrote in a *Sun* guest editorial, "but it was in my first semester at Cornell that I began sensing the segregation of communities here."

Campus tensions rose as the semester continued: a rash of armed robberies took place in and around Collegetown (suspects were later arrested); a white Ithaca resident was assaulted on the lawn of the Hispanic fratern-

ity Lambda Upsilon Lambda; a Latino Ithacan was attacked at the Hot Truck by four white males; and a male Asian student was harassed by passengers of a car on campus.

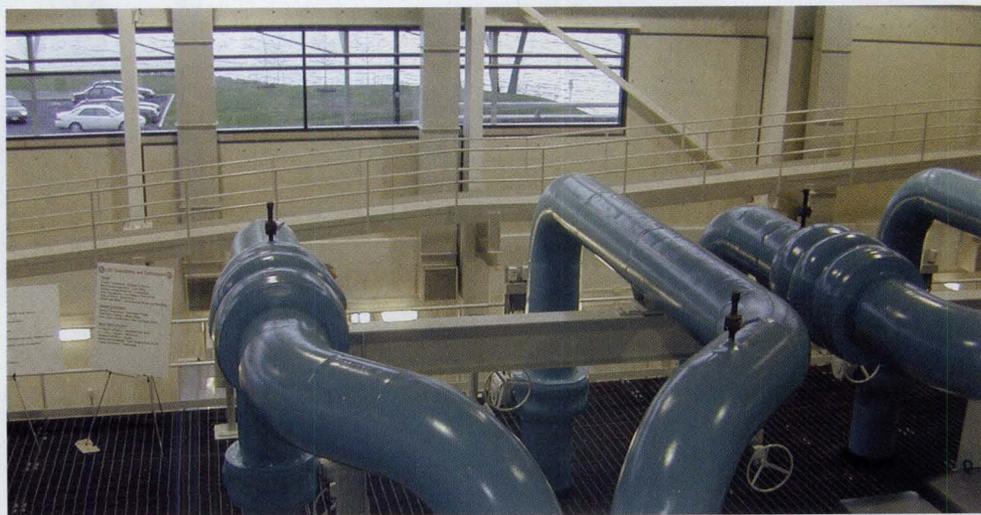
In November, Vice President Susan Hills Murphy '73, PhD '94 released a campus climate report, calling the incidents against Asian students "intolerable" and outlining improvements to safety, student orientation,

and curriculum diversity. Several days later, President Rawlings issued a statement pledging the university's help in apprehending those responsible. "Our university is committed to civility and mutual respect among the members of this community," he said. "The unanimous adoption last year of the 'Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors' statement by all campus governance bodies bears witness to that commitment . . . [but] we must remain vigilant in the face of criminal activity and violations of the Campus Code of Conduct. Ours is a beautiful campus, but it is also an open campus."

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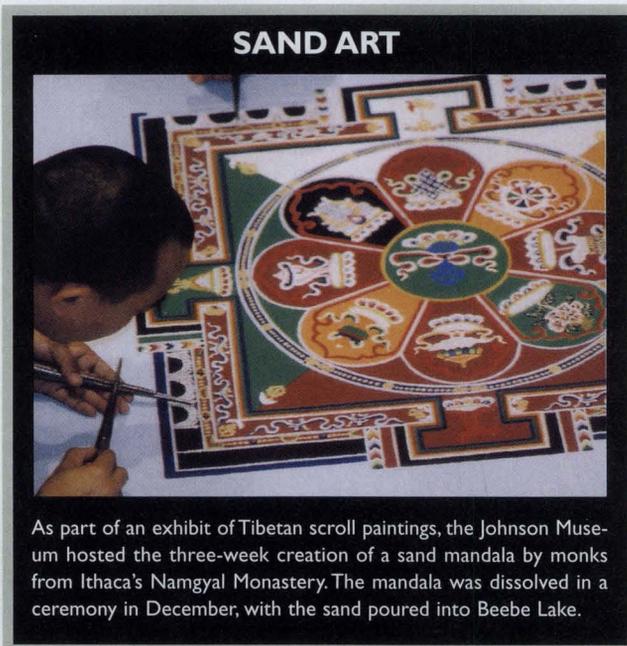
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BARTELS TO BE: THE FIELD HOUSE



As part of an exhibit of Tibetan scroll paintings, the Johnson Museum hosted the three-week creation of a sand mandala by monks from Ithaca's Namgyal Monastery. The mandala was dissolved in a ceremony in December, with the sand poured into Beebe Lake.

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DRIVER PLEADS

SUIT PENDING

THE DRIVER OF A bus that killed a Cornell junior in March has pleaded guilty to criminally negligent homicide. At a hearing in mid-November, Timothy Stranger admitted that he drank beer and smoked marijuana between his shifts as a Tompkins County Area Transit driver the day he struck biology major Michelle Evans '01. The accident occurred on a rainy afternoon, when Stranger's bus was overcrowded and the windows were fogged, hampering visibility.

As part of Stranger's plea bargain, the district attorney will recommend Stranger serve a year in county jail; the sentencing is scheduled for January. Evans's family has filed a wrongful death suit against Stranger and the TCAT partners (Cornell, the City of Ithaca, and Tompkins County).

SATURN FOUR

MOONS FOUND

ATEAM OF ASTRONOMERS has discovered four new moons orbiting Saturn. The international team (including Cornell professors Philip Nicholson and Joseph Burns, PhD '66, and alumnus Brett Gladman, PhD '96) made the discovery using a technique Gladman developed on the Hill. They had used the same method, employing light-sensitive semiconductors attached to telescopes, to find five new moons of Uranus in the late 1990s.



GIVE MY REGARDS TO THESE CORNELLIANS IN THE NEWS

Carl Leopold, the Crocker scientist emeritus at Cornell's Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research, awarded the Gold Medal of the Royal Galician Academy of Science in Spain.

History professor **Michael Steinberg**, whose 1990 book, *Austria as Theater and Ideology: The Meaning of the Salzburg Festival*, won the Victor Adler Staatspreis, the Austrian government's award for best historical work.

Music instructor **Brian Robison**, MFA '92, DMA '99, whose work, *Imagined Corners*, won the 2000 Whitaker Commission from the American Composers Orchestra, including a \$15,000 prize and a premiere at Carnegie Hall.

Jeff Hawkins '79, inventor of the Palm Pilot and chairman of Handspring, Inc., named Cornell's 2000 Entrepreneur of the Year.

Professors **Edwin Kan** (electrical and computer engineering) and **Greg Morrisett** (computer science), winners of Presidential Early Career Awards for Science and Engineering, the U.S. government's highest honor for young researchers. The awards carry grants of up to \$500,000.

John Fitzpatrick, the Fuertes director of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and a professor of ecology and evolutionary biology, elected president of the American Ornithologists' Union, the oldest scientific organization in North America.

Thomas Eisner, the Schurman professor of chemical ecology, whose forty-year career was honored with a campus symposium, "Learning from Nature," in November.

STRAIGHT TALK

BUILDING TURNS 75

BIRTHDAY CAKE for 3,000, a fire-side chat with the university's architect emeritus, a performance by the "King of Kazoo," and the debut of Cornell Dairy's "Chilly Willy's 75th" ice cream were all part of the festivities at the Willard Straight Hall anniversary celebration in November. The building, one of the first student unions on a U.S. campus, is named after *New Republic* founder Willard Dickerman Straight '01, who died in an influenza epidemic at the end of World War I. It was conceived as a memorial to Straight by his wife and partner, Dorothy Payne Whitney Straight.

The building, said architect emeritus Gould Colman '51, PhD '62, "is unique in that its purpose, shape, and location were selected by one person." Plans for the Straight were approved by trustees in 1922, and it opened on November 18, 1925, as a social center for students not affiliated with the Greek system.



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STRAIGHT SLICE: BUILDING-SHAPED BIRTHDAY CAKE



SHARON TREGANIS

The county's newest grocery has a distinctly Big Red theme. The Tops store in Lansing has the university logo in the windows, bears hanging from the ceiling, aisles named after varsity teams, and Cornell Dairy products on the shelves. The chain sought permission for the decor, akin to a Clemson University-themed store it runs in South Carolina. The market also has the first self-service checkouts in New York State.

NUN'S TALE

PREJEAN SPEAKS

SISTER HELEN Prejean, the nun whose work to abolish capital punishment was the subject of the film and opera *Dead Man Walking*, came to campus in October to speak about her role as a spiritual advisor to death row inmates. Having accompanied five men to execution, Prejean told a packed Statler Auditorium that the death penalty contributes to many of America's ills, such as crime and racial tension. "The death penalty is not a peripheral issue about what to do with a few terrible criminals," Prejean said. "It cuts to the root of what we are about as a society, which is a society that can't separate



ROBERT BARKER / UP

PREJEAN

what is truly just from its desire for revenge."

Prejean's book, *Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the U.S.*, was on the *New York Times* bestseller list for eight months and was nominated for a Pulitzer. The nun, who also works with the families of murder victims, has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize three times.

SAMUEL PIERCE, 78

TRUSTEE EMERITUS

SAMUEL RILEY Pierce Jr. '44, BA '47, JD '49, a Big Red star half-back, university trustee emeritus, and secretary of housing and urban development under President Reagan, died October 31. He was seventy-eight. Pierce served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946 in North Africa and Italy, becoming the first African American on the staff of the Army's Criminal Investigation Unit for the Mediterranean theater.

R&D

Ozone pollution threatens agriculture on Long Island, says plant pathologist Margaret McGrath. Abnormally high concentrations of ground-level ozone have stunted the growth of white clover plants, used as indicators of the gas's effect on crops.



Beehives, like people, run a fever when they get sick. Philip Starks, PhD '99, found that bees raise a hive's temperature by .56 degrees Celsius to prevent a fungus from infecting larvae.



Using the U.S. Navy's seabed hydrophones, a Cornell research team has located between thirty and fifty blue whales off Ireland's southwest coast. The whales became endangered in 1966 and had gone undetected in Irish waters for more than a century.



More U.S. companies are using international relocation as a threat to stifle union organization, reports a study by Kate Bronfenbrenner '76, PhD '93, Cornell's director of labor education research.

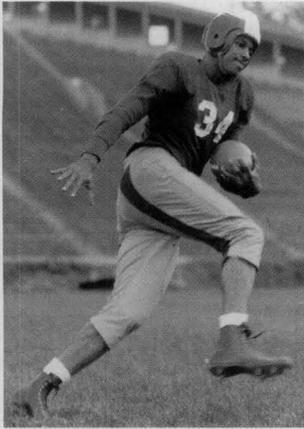


A new imaging technique called ion microscopy will aid in cancer research, says Subhash Chandra, PhD '81, a senior research associate in chemical biology. The process facilitates observation of cancer cells at a sub-cellular level.



Birds are fifty percent less likely to feed on strawberries sprayed with sugar water, says a Cornell research team. Since birds can't digest sucrose, the coated fruit makes them sick.

More information on campus research is available at www.news.cornell.edu.



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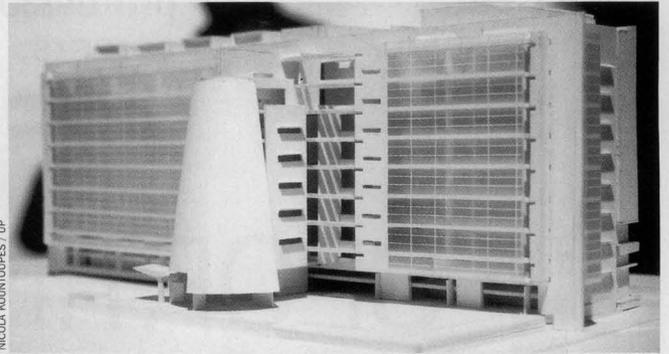
1942: PIERCE ON THE FIELD

His careers in law and politics included posts as an assistant D.A. for New York County, and a New York State General Sessions Court judge. He served as a Cornell trustee from 1972–77 and from 1978–82. Pierce is survived by his wife, Barbara Penn Wright, and a daughter.

RHODES SCHOLAR

MEIER ON CAMPUS

IN ANTICIPATION of its fortieth reunion, the Class of '56 started raising money to endow a series of visiting professorships in honor of outgoing president Frank H. T. Rhodes. Five years and \$5 million later, the first of the professors—architect Richard Meier '56—arrived on campus. Meier, whose projects include L.A.'s Getty Center, spent a week on the Hill last fall, attending design classes, meeting with students, and giving a lecture entitled "From Islip to Phoenix: Two New Federal Courthouses by Richard



NICOLO KOUNTALOPES / UP

BUILDING BLOCKS: A MODEL OF THE ISLIP COURTHOUSE

Meier & Partners." As part of the visit, an exhibit of his work (architectural drawings, models, and photographs of the two buildings) went on display in Sibley Hall's Hartell Gallery. "A courthouse," notes an essay accompanying the show, "must inspire, but not alienate."

Chosen by a faculty committee that meets three

times a year, the Rhodes Class of '56 Professors will serve from one to five years and be considered full members of the faculty; Meier plans to be on the Hill for one week every semester until 2004–05. The second '56 professor, biomedical scientist Edward Scolnick, comes to campus in February. More appointments are in the works.

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There's still no better way to
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**Big Red athletes
don't get
scholarships.**

**Most won't have
professional
careers.**

**What keeps so
many of them on
the field?**

THE SPORTING Life

andrew McNiven '01 plans to follow his father and brother into engineering, but that's not why he chose Cornell. And his high school transcript, though strong, wasn't what attracted Cornell to McNiven. He came to the Hill for the same reason that the university (like Princeton and several other top schools) admitted him: to play ice hockey.

A player since he was four, McNiven never gave much thought to what he'd do, only where he'd do it. At sixteen he spurned a Canadian Junior A contract and its possible fast track to the National Hockey League in favor of the Junior B league, which would preserve his collegiate eligibility. He'd done the math: thousands of aspirants for 400 NHL roster spots. "If you're good enough you're going to make it either way," McNiven says. "You're better off going to college. There are more resources for you, better coaching, a better atmosphere for playing."

McNiven remembers the first time he walked into Lynah Rink during a visit from Saskatchewan in the fall of 1996. "They were playing



TIM MCGINNEY '81

By **Carole Stone & Edward Hershey**

IN THE GAME: AT CORNELL, SAYS NHL HOPEFUL MCNIVEN (GOING UP AGAINST DARTMOUTH), "THERE'S A BUZZ ABOUT HOCKEY."



the Polish national team, so it wasn't like a Harvard weekend," he says. "But the fans were getting into it with their chants. You could feel the electricity in the air. A couple of weeks later I went to Princeton. It just wasn't the same feeling." Score one for Cornell. "All the schools offer pretty much the same thing in terms of academics," he says, "but there's a buzz about hockey here."

There's less buzz about softball. A full-fledged varsity team didn't even exist until 1994, more than two decades after Title IX granted women equal access to varsity sports. At first the budding team didn't have a field, playing its home games at Ithaca High. In 1996 Cornell put softball on a faster track, hiring former minor-league baseball umpire Dick Blood to coach. Neimand-Robison Field opened in 1998.

Coach Blood understood that the key to winning was talent, and he recruited nationally to get it. Last year his team had as many players from California as New York—six. One of those Californians, Charlotte Brombach '01, remembers agonizing about whether to come east from the Monterey Peninsula to play softball. She had offers from good colleges like UC-Santa Barbara where she could play year-round. But Cornell was more than good—it was Ivy League. For the first time, Brombach says, she put long-term goals ahead of the thing she loves most. "When I finally decided on Cornell, I cried all night," she says. "Lots of people don't understand the pressure on a recruited athlete."

In some ways, McNiven and Brombach are typical of the 1,100 undergraduates—9 percent of the student body—competing on the thirty-six varsity teams at Cornell this year. Though they were recruited by coaches, not admissions officers, they'll graduate on time with good grades. Their roommates and most of their college friends are also athletes. And they say that a varsity athlete's rigorous schedule of workouts, practices, and team trips helps more than it hinders academically, because it disciplines them to budget their time and focus on work.

But in several respects McNiven and Brombach are also exceptional. Each is an elected team captain who has overcome a major injury and is at least thinking about a career in sports. And

'We're supposed to say school comes first,' says senior Kim Chatman, 'but running is a bigger part of my life.'

each has played on winning Cornell teams. That in itself is unusual on the Hill, where men's and women's teams are equal in one respect: they both lose an average of 60 percent of the time in Ivy competition.

Concerned by the win-loss record, in 1998 the Board of Trustees assigned a five-member task force to review Cornell's athletics programs. "A commitment to excellence in mind and body is consistent with excellence as a leading undergraduate research university," the task force reported in March 1999, urging the administration to "foster and create a climate and culture that supports and respects athletic success, broadly defined, as a component part of the overall Cornell living-learning experience."

Not everyone cheered. Among the most outspoken critics of increasing support to athletics was Dante scholar Winthrop (Pete) Wetherbee III, the Avalon Foundation professor in humanities. "For some," he wrote to Robert Kennedy '54, the task force chair, "the importance intercollegiate athletics already possess at Cornell is a scandal, a fundamental violation of the idea of a university." Why earmark more funds, he asked, when "improving the university as a whole is at least as likely to improve the prospects for athletics as doing things the other way around?"

does the pursuit of excellence in sports constitute a violation of academic principles even in the Ivy League, where there are no athletic scholarships and even superstars must be academically qualified? If student-athletes gain from the experience, what do they lose? Is it worth it, both to them and to the university? "Athletics is

a big part of the identity of these students," says Beth Howland, the athletics department's director of student services. "It isn't a hobby. And if they run into a conflict, with school or whatever, it's not always obvious that they'll drop the sport. Athletics is too central to who they are."

By the time they arrive at college, recruited athletes say, they're reconciled to the conflicts. They've been managing them for years. Besides, on a large campus the camaraderie of athletics easily compensates for the effort to maintain balance. "The nice thing about being a freshman athlete is you automatically have thirty friends," says rower Joe Kiely '02 of Rosemont, Pennsylvania. He and eleven present and former teammates live in a house on Oak Avenue in Collegetown so identified with lightweight crew that it has crossed oars over the front door.

The flip side—that this kind of athletic subculture can curtail the breadth of the Cornell experience—is not lost on Kiely. But he suspects most undergraduates settle into a niche of some sort, and he's comfortable with his circle of friends. "I've had my share of hanging around at frat parties," he says. "There are also kids who study all the time. I couldn't do that. If I weren't an athlete I wouldn't accomplish much more than I do now. I don't think I'm missing out on much."

Other varsity athletes are not so certain. "The biggest sacrifice is not knowing what it's like to be a normal person. It's being a person who doesn't experience more of what Cornell has to offer," says Kim Chatman '01 of Port Orchard, Washington, a business management major in the Ag college who came to the Hill to run track. "We're supposed to say school comes first, and we do say it and try to abide by that, but running is a bigger part of my life. It takes a lot of my time and it's just as much of a job as school."

Chatman has been all about running since she joined her first team in third grade. She works out every day, honing her speed, strength, and endurance. During the school year, Chatman's never-ending season starts with cross-country—she was Cornell's second finisher and eighteenth overall in the 2000 Heptagonals—and continues



SOFTBALL PLAYER CHARLOTTE BROMBACH (ABOVE) WATCHED HER TEAMMATES STRUGGLE WITH TAKING EXAMS ON THE ROAD; ROWER JOE KIELY (BELOW LEFT) NOTES THAT FRESHMAN ATHLETES "AUTOMATICALLY HAVE THIRTY FRIENDS."



through indoor and outdoor competition. She is also the defending Heps champion in the mile and 1,500-meter run. "Like so many others, I've asked myself, 'Why am I doing this? Why am I sacrificing school? I could be doing so much better,'" Chatman says. "But now as I look back, I wouldn't change a thing."

One reason is the self-assurance that comes with success in competition. Chatman says her coach, Lou Duesing, insists that his athletes learn to think for themselves. "We want to know what we have to do," she says, "but we don't want someone yelling at us, 'Do this! Do that!' It's a mental sport. Lou says, 'You're here to grow, to make decisions for yourself. You're not going to have me to hold your hand through life.'"

Being a varsity athlete is also a great job recommendation, says Chatman. "It shows that you are able to be coached. When you go to work they're going to be able to teach you the skills that you need. In school you can just be a book-smart person, which doesn't necessarily show that you're capable of learning from somebody else."

Sometimes, though, the grind of practice and competition exacts too high a price. Sonya Negriff '01, who once seemed likely to become one of Cornell's greatest gymnasts, has left the team. As a middle schooler in California, Negriff devoted six hours a day to training, getting permission for a shortened school day, doing homework and eating dinner in the car as her mother drove her more than an hour each way so she could work with the right coach.

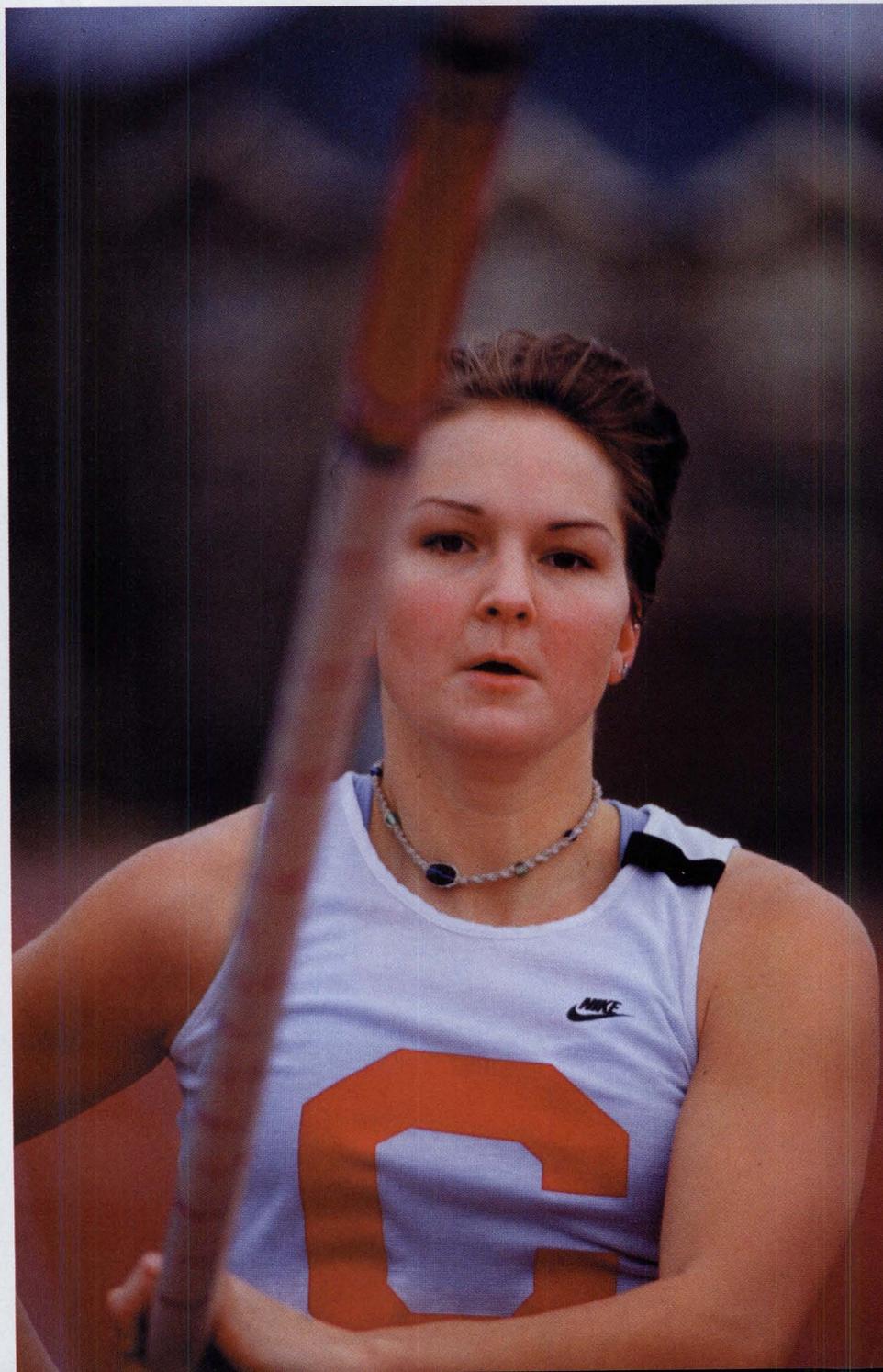
In her first year on campus Negriff performed so well she won the Jeff Stetson Award, presented to the top two or three freshman athletes. But after a dozen years of gymnastics, her back hurt—not a twinge or ache, but sharp, unrelenting pain. By her junior year, when she needed painkillers and cortisone to get through meets, just elevating for the parallel bars was excruciating. After three years, she decided it wasn't worth the pain.

So Negriff quit gymnastics. And took up pole vaulting. "I was afraid I'd be bored," she says. "I'd been in this sport so long. What was I going to do with that big chunk of time in the afternoon? I thought the day would be empty without it."

She was dating a pole vaulter and had watched vaulters practice next to gymnasts in Teagle Hall, so she decided to give it a try. The first piece of good news was that Negriff could sprint down the runway, plant the pole, take off, and land without much pain. The second was that she could clear eleven feet, just six inches off the team record. "My first meet, at Penn, I'd have scored points," she says, "except the pole knocked the bar over. Nobody had ex-

plained that I was supposed to fling it back out of the way."

Like many athletes, Negriff says the demands of a competitive sport complement her classroom obligations. Not that it's ever easy. She started as a biology major but switched to psychology, she says, partly because she didn't care for the competitiveness she sensed among pre-med students, but also because the work was much harder in college than high school. "I had to learn





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SONYA NEGRIF (OPPOSITE) TOOK UP POLE VAULTING WHEN HER GYMNASTICS INJURIES BECAME TOO PAINFUL; RUNNER KIM CHATMAN (ABOVE) SEES VARSITY ATHLETICS AS AN ADVANTAGE IN APPLYING FOR JOBS AFTER COLLEGE.

'Is It Worth It?'

On the day he showed up for his first wrestling practice, Chris Gafner '01 glanced around the room—and knew what he was up against. Several of the other fourteen freshmen out for the team had been state champions. Gafner had won forty matches as a senior at a rural upstate New York high school, but he'd lost the forty-first, the one he needed to qualify for the state tournament.

Though he was not a walk-on—an athlete who shows up for a tryout unannounced—Gafner was not a prized recruit either. But he'd wrestled since fourth grade and wasn't about to stop. He pledged the wrestling fraternity, Chi Phi, worked hard, and stayed with it. "They say that to be a good wrestler you have to wrestle with good wrestlers and get beaten down by good wrestlers," he says. "That's the only way you can improve."

On a wrestling team you improve position the way you do in a tennis ladder, by beating the person ahead of you. "In that respect, it's very democratic," says Rob Koll, the David Dunlop '59 head wrestling coach. "You earn your spot." But with only ten starting slots on a thirty-five-man roster, competition is fierce, and all wrestlers are not created equal. "The important things are speed, strength, agility, and technique," says Gafner. "I'm not the fastest kid. Actually, I'm slow. I rely more on strength and maintaining position."

Koll, a national champion at the University of North Carolina who later won three world championships, notes that there are few sports as grueling as wrestling. In soccer or lacrosse, he says, those on the bench practice against the first team, suit up for games, and may get to play a bit. Wrestling is much more personal. "It's a street fight with rules," he says. "Getting hammered, day after day, is brutal. What's it like for a kid like Chris, taking a lot of whippings and then not competing? To tell you the truth, I'm not sure I could do it. I use him as an example for the young kids who aren't starting and want to know, 'Is it worth it?'"

Of the fifteen freshmen who went out for the wrestling team in 1997, only three remain. The others, including several state champions, left because of injuries, frustration, or because they just didn't want to warm the bench anymore. Chris Gafner stayed—and finally earned some starts as a junior. He worked out in Ithaca last summer and prepared to enter his final season an even stronger 184 pounds. "This isn't only about wrestling," Koll says. "It is about being a dedicated, determined person. It has to carry over into life."



KEY GRIP: WRESTLER GAFNER (RIGHT)

how to study," says Negriff, who had a B average going into senior year.

Tracking athletes' grades is part of Beth Howland's job. She reports that their cumulative GPA is 3.0, the same as the overall student average at Cornell. Every semester her office honors several dozen athletes who achieved a 4.0 or better the previous semester and arranges tutoring for a similar number who are flirting with the 2.0 minimum required to play. Even a critic like Pete Wetherbee acknowledges that the term student-athlete is not an oxymoron on the Hill. "Athletes are consistently not the very best students in my classes, but they are better than average," says Wetherbee, who insists he is not against sports, only overemphasis. "They are the ones most likely to attend regularly, turn in assignments on time, and participate in class."

Athletes have been known to study flash cards between weightlifting sets, and on every varsity bus there are a few students up front wearing headphones or earplugs, writing a term paper on a laptop. Between conditioning and practice, most varsity athletes devote at least twenty hours a week to their sport, on top of games and travel time. "I do better in season when I have to budget every minute," says Andrew McNiven, an operations research major with a 3.4 grade point average. "You know exactly what you're going to do next."

Joe Kiely, who says he's determined to improve his "embarrassingly low" GPA, also gets better grades when he's rowing and following a routine. "When you do that, it's no problem," he says. "It's when you're out of it and things start to snowball that they fall apart. When you have to get up in the morning and run and then go to classes and practice in the afternoon, you can't be spending two hours checking your e-mail."

Still, conflicts are inevitable. In spring 1999 the women's softball team won the Ivy League championship and a berth in the NCAA tournament; it was assigned to compete in the regionals in Chicago in mid-May. Charlotte Brombach had finished her final exams, but some teammates had to take theirs in a hotel conference room. "The academic liaison with us was very strict, and people were stressing," Brombach remembers. "Some of them were

Winning a race, says rower Joe Kiely, is 'an incredible catharsis of emotion and adrenaline.'

crying. They couldn't really enjoy what we had worked so hard for throughout the entire season. I thought about some of my old high school teammates who went to state schools and have it so much easier."

Sound body, sound mind—it might seem a little pat, but at Cornell the sentiment is as old as the Arts Quad. "I fully believe that today in the United States, physical education and development is a more pressing necessity even than mental development," said Cornell's first president, Andrew Dickson White, at the university's opening ceremony in 1868, "and we should act upon that belief."

Old, too, is the debate about how thoroughly to fund fitness. After Ezra Cornell donated an extra 150 yards of his farm for a baseball diamond, White gave \$20 to help outfit the team. Cornell did not. "When I was a boy and wanted to play ball," he told members of his university's first varsity, "my mother took an old stocking and unraveled it and wound the yarn into a ball, and I found an old boot top and cut out

the leather and covered my ball."

The cost of fielding a winning team is considerably higher today. In 1998–99, nearly \$5 million of Cornell's \$8 million varsity sports budget was provided by the university. Most of the money supports a dozen of the thirty-six teams: women's field hockey, soccer, softball, volleyball, ice hockey, lacrosse, and basketball and men's football, ice hockey, wrestling, basketball, and lacrosse. Ten others—including women's equestrian, polo, and squash and men's sprint football, baseball, tennis, golf, and lightweight crew—are self-funded, required to raise enough money (mostly from alumni through annual gifts and endowment) to pay all costs beyond coaching salaries. The remaining fourteen teams fall somewhere in the middle.

According to the trustee subcommittee, Cornell ranks sixth among the eight Ivies in what it expends for each varsity athlete—\$1,366. (Penn leads at \$1,801 per year, followed by Dartmouth, Princeton, and Harvard.) To win, Cornell trustees have acknowledged, they'll have to close the spending gap. And winning, Joe Kiely says, is "almost everything." "I don't have the vocabulary to describe what it means because of everything you put into it," he says. "It's an incredible catharsis of emotion and adrenaline."

In October, Hank Bartels '48 and Nancy Horton Bartels '48 made a \$15 million matching gift to endow program support for varsity athletics. Following the recent construction of a varsity weight-training center, a soccer and track complex, the softball field, squash courts, and (next year) a wrestling facility, the prospect of a large athletics endowment suggests that Cornell is stepping up its commitment to winning. But while winning heightens the athletic experience, student-athletes agree that—win or lose—sports are central to their identities. "I'm not a Cornell student who plays center field," Brombach says. "I'm a center fielder who goes to Cornell." ●



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At the turn of the century, an extension agent began teaching farm wives to read. This year the college she inspired celebrates 100 years of improving the human condition. **BY SHARON TREGASKIS**

human factors

Cooks on the Cornell faculty?" then-President Jacob Gould Schurman cried in 1899 when someone suggested home economics courses be offered on the Hill. "Never!" But four years later, Martha Van Rensselaer and Anna Botsford Comstock taught the university's first classes on home and family life, and in 1907 home ec became a full-fledged department in the Ag college. A century later, the College of Human Ecology has 1,408 undergraduate students, 100 faculty, and 230 graduate students.

The college celebrates its centennial this year to underscore its roots: in 1900–01, Van Rensselaer was hired as an extension assistant to teach reading—not cooking and housework—to farm wives. Her first brochure, "Saving Steps," incorporated ergonomics, bacteriology, and family psychology to help women increase their efficiency. Other early efforts in the field included consumer protection and women's suffrage. Yet today the discipline often suffers from negative stereotypes.

"Most people think of home economics in terms of a particular course they had in public school," says historian

Joan Jacobs Brumberg. "If it was meaningful to them, they tend not to laugh. But if it simply had to do with the decorative function of women in housekeeping, there's a tendency to be dismissive."



Last fall, the human development professor and twelve undergrads prepared a display on the college's history, combing the university's archives and interviewing emeritus faculty. (The exhibit opens in Kroch library in late March.) The students grappled with questions about what home economists do; studied the relationship between the college's first co-directors, Van Rensselaer

In "Saving Steps," extension agent Van Rensselaer (right) gave rural women tips to improve their efficiency.



and Flora Rose; and explored how stereotypes of home ec affected the profession.

But, notes Dean Patsy Brannon, “you can’t talk about the discipline and its evolution without talking about the evolution of the roles of women in society.” Home economics, she says, grew out of progressive social reform at the turn of the twentieth century, applying discoveries from the emerging fields of nutrition, public health, and economics to the real world. Though its name changed in 1969, the college continues to integrate disparate fields and concentrate its research on improving people’s lives. “We have a full range, from the most molecular of life and physical sci-

ences, to quantitative and qualitative social and behavioral sciences, to design and fine arts,” says Brannon, a nutritionist. “That’s what enables us to focus on individuals, families, and communities and their interactions.” The college’s five departments combine research, education, and extension work in nutrition and health, development and the life course, design and technology, and economic and social well-being.

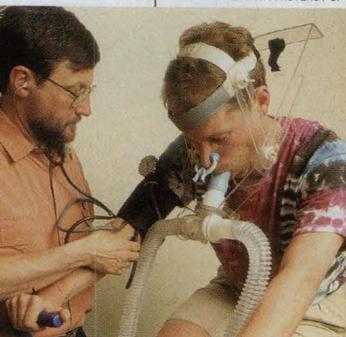
“Home economists had their fingers in almost every piece of the pie,” says Brumberg of the discipline’s early days, “in terms of what we ate, what we wore, in terms of the nature of the twentieth-century middle class home. They were principal players in the making of modern America.”



iron works

Biological anthropologist Jere Haas's next field trip will take him to Mexico to research the effects of diet on women's work. In pilot studies on campus, the director of the nutrition division has found that iron-deficient women tire more easily and see fewer benefits from exercise than their healthy counterparts. Unlike anemia, iron deficiency is a hidden malnutrition, he says, not usually diagnosed and thus often untreated. Haas expects to find that iron-deficient women in Mexico's garment industry not only earn less because they tire more easily, but that their home lives suffer as well. "They spend eight hours at work and sixteen hours at home," he says. "What happens when a woman is fatigued because of iron depletion and she still has all of these other responsibilities to deal with, especially child care?"

ADRIANNA ROVERS / UP



cultural construction

How does culture influence self-image? Developmental psychologist Qi Wang thinks it has to do with memory, so she's studying how Americans and Asians talk about their lives and how their memories reflect their cultural values. The human development professor's studies of mothers and their three-year-olds showed that Chinese women emphasize morality and standards of behavior, while Americans focus on their children's personalities and opinions. Another study, of American and Chinese college students, revealed that Americans' childhood memories were more emotionally elaborate and self-referential. Furthermore, while Americans emphasized individual traits, Chinese students used their social roles and group memberships to describe themselves. "My major interest is to see how people in different cultures remember similar experiences differently," says Wang. "Through the process of autobiographical memory, people construct different self-concepts and identities."

lighting up

When the National Cancer Institute funded a study by policy analysis and management professors Don Kenkel and Alan Mathios, the economists expected a confirmation of earlier research: raising cigarette taxes reduces smoking. But the pair found that higher costs didn't keep teens from lighting up. "This suggests that if we really are mainly interested in youth smoking, we won't be able to rely on just high taxes," Kenkel says, "but must also use mass media campaigns."

The pair have since turned their attention to quitting. Kenkel—whose earlier work shows that alcohol taxes reduce not only drinking in general, but also heavy drinking and drunk driving—compares the costs and consequences of intervention programs, such as nicotine replacement therapy. Mathios investigates how information about smoking cessation products and pricing affects behavior. "The new nutrition labeling laws restrict the information consumers have," he says. "Which parts of labels help consumers and which get in the way?"

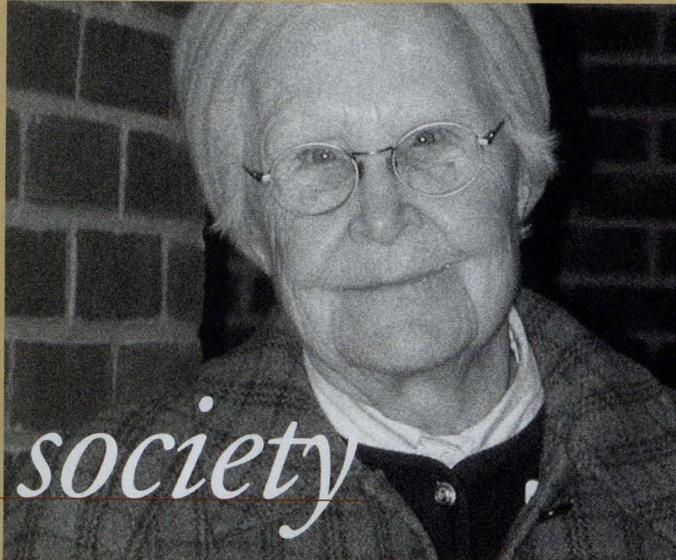


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nutritional supplements

"I'm interested in the public aspects of nutrition," says Edward Frongillo, MS '81, PhD '91, whose research partners include the World Health Organization and the American Women, Infants, and Children program. With the WHO, the nutrition professor developed a growth reference for use by mothers, scientists, and health workers to evaluate child welfare. WIC, a federal program that subsidizes food purchases and educates consumers, got help from Frongillo and the USDA with their program encouraging families to spend WIC funds at farmers' markets, fostering local agriculture and better nutrition. The statistician also researches food security—the ability of families to confidently access the food they need—of the elderly. "We're interested not just in the biological perspective," he says, "but also behavioral and social perspectives."

SHARON TREGASKIS



human society



labor market

America neglects young people who don't graduate from college, says Stephen Hamilton, whose PhD is in education. "Twenty or twenty-five years ago, they could find jobs that would pay enough to support their leaving home, living alone, even supporting a family," he says. Now, because of a decline in manufacturing, American youth have fewer options, the human development professor says. "There are lots of jobs for people with a high school education or less," says Hamilton, who studies the transition from adolescence to adulthood, "but they don't pay enough to live on." Hamilton works with cooperative extension to develop alternative training programs (such as apprenticeships, internships, and job-shadowing) that fit the American economy and educational system. In 1994, his research influenced President Clinton's School to Work Opportunities Act.

I.Q. test

Stephen Ceci investigates why children on the witness stand can be so easily misled (and misleading). "It is exceedingly, devilishly difficult for professionals to tell fact from fiction when a child has been repeatedly, suggestively interviewed over a long period of time," says the human development professor. "They look and act the way children do when they are trying to be accurate and honest." In addition to his courtroom memory research, Ceci studies I.Q.—its measurement, its ability to predict the success of adults, and what has caused its fluctuations over the past century. For the cognitive development expert, the connection between studies is obvious: it's all about the way we learn to think and reason. "I'm interested in both the micro level processes, like memory and language, that support reasoning," he says, "as well as the macro level functions they give rise to, like intelligence."

welfare economics

How well do government programs work? Micro-economist David Sahn uses elaborate surveys in developing countries to learn how individuals make decisions about healthcare and nutrition, and to measure whether government programs have their intended effects. A 60,000-household survey in Romania analyzed whether child allowances (a payment similar to America's tax write-offs for dependents) were used for child-related expenses. In Africa, he found that fathers invest more in the health and education of their sons, while women invest more in their daughters. In Asia, he learned that food stamp recipients were less likely to seek paid labor. "They're not buying more leisure," says the economist. "They may be buying the ability to take care of their children and invest in their welfare." Food subsidies don't just affect nutrition, he says. "There are budget implications and implications for the labor market and education."



Letter Grade: In 1996, Professor Sheila Danko asked students in her introductory design course to illustrate the alphabet using photographs of found objects. The results were collected in the poster "Learning to See," sold to benefit arts education. The letter G, above, is a handrail in the central archway of Balch Hall. Other letters included a plumbing trap (J), construction barricades (A), and a New York City fire escape (Z).

on the carpet

Chemists Ann Lemley, PhD '71, and S. Kay Obendorf, PhD '76, have teamed up with psychologist Alan Hedge to help rural families reduce pesticide contamination in their homes. "Carpets are like a reservoir that retain pesticides," says Obendorf. That's okay, she explains, so long as the chemical binds to carpets and isn't released or is easily removed in cleaning. But if it rubs off on other objects, it can be a danger. "Is it transferred to toys," she wonders, "to children's hands?" Hedge, a professor of design and environmental analysis, will measure how particles settle on smooth flooring compared with carpeting and collect household dust samples. His team will also measure other contaminants in the homes, such as bacteria, fungi, cockroach allergens, cat dander, and lead. Finally, they'll examine the behavior of families in the study. Do they take off their shoes before coming inside? How is the house cleaned? Are there indoor pets? Lemley, chairman of textiles and apparel, will analyze the dust samples for pesticides. Her research focuses on methods for breaking toxic chemicals into non-toxic materials. Says Lemley: "I study the chemistry of degradation."



THE *human environment*

wedding weight

"Marriage really changes men more than women," says nutritional sociologist Jeffery Sobal, whose research shows that married men are heavier than bachelors, although there is no similar effect on wives. His studies of obesity and marital satisfaction have also shown that while being overweight may make it more difficult for people to find partners, it has little effect on the quality of their relationships after the wedding—but dieting can. "Some couples are upset because one partner wants to lose weight," says the nutrition professor, "and others are upset because one person wants to gain weight." Most adults marry and most married people consume the majority of their calories with their spouse, he says. "If we can change the food choices of couples, we can change the healthiness of the foods they consume and help them have healthy weights."

turkish delight

"It's time to start looking at Islamic culture as something other than alien, barbaric, and threatening," says Charlotte Jirousek, a textiles and apparel professor who studies the influence of Turkish fashion on European culture in the Ottoman era. "The Europeans feared the Turks, but this didn't prevent them from borrowing from them," she says. "The tendency is to borrow aesthetic items from those perceived to be in power. Think of mobs in other countries assembled at embassies dressed in blue jeans, baseball hats, and sneakers." The curator of Cornell's costume and textile collection also documents traditional Turkish methods of textile production, now being replaced by new technology. "When you look at dress it tells you about what people think is important," she says. "Fashion becomes a window on history and relations between cultures."

chaos theory

Design and environmental analysis professor Gary Evans spent his last sabbatical taking classes—from his colleagues in human development. While his earlier research had focused on such topics as air pollution and improving the occupational health of urban bus drivers, his current work delves into the effects of stress on families and children. In a long-range study of lower and middle income families in upstate New York, the environmental psychologist (with a cadre of undergraduate research assistants) is examining why poverty has a negative impact on development. Evans expects the answer has to do with chaos: simultaneous exposure to crowding, noise, family turmoil, and more. "It's not just that you have problems with the plumbing," he says. "Your child may also be having some difficulties in school and on top of that you have economic pressures."

memory matters

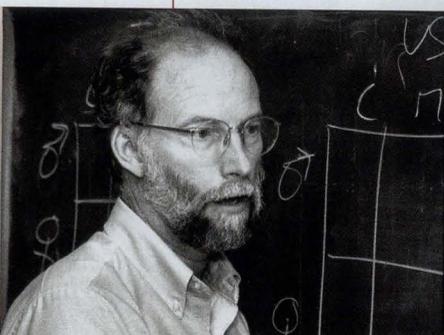
A new cabinet built by designer Paul Eshelman is intended to help elderly dementia patients maintain their identity. The first went to his mother, an Alzheimer's patient. "I knew she didn't need more dresser space," he says. "But she didn't have adequate places for a focused display of her memories to help her keep in touch with reality." The cupboard's ornate style evokes earlier times, while handles and knobs at its corners help viewers maintain their balance or draw up a wheelchair to gaze inside. "It acts as a large picture frame for memories," says Eshelman. "It can hold personal items or tell a life story." The design and environmental analysis professor plans to install four of the birch cabinets in the Alzheimers units of local nursing homes, where he and a grad student will record whether personalizing residents' rooms affects their behavior.



TREGASKIS

office politics

Software engineers say they can't work in Dilbert-style open cubicles—the lack of privacy makes it too hard to concentrate. But architect and facility planner William Sims says personal offices may not be the best solution for engineers' employers. "There's a tension between managers who see the need for collaboration and open communication," he says, "and employees who want to maximize their individual comfort." Finding the most efficient solution is just one of the goals the design and environmental analysis professor pursues as a principal researcher with the International Workplace Studies Program, which analyzes innovative corporate approaches to the new economy. "Bigger companies are trying to figure out how to mold the start-up, entrepreneurial mentality and merge it into their organizations," he says. "We're looking at what we can do to help." ●



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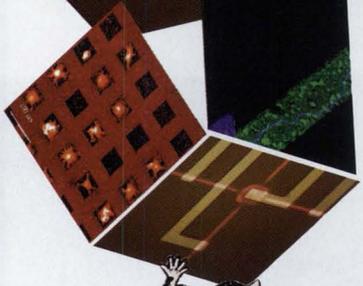
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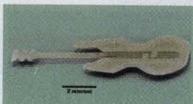
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SIZE MATTERS

(SMALLER IS BETTER)

BY BETH SAULNIER

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Question: How do you make a Nano S'more?

Answer: Pretty much the same way you make a regular one. But in the nano version, each ingredient represents part of a computer chip, starting with the graham cracker as the silicon disk. Layer on chocolate (for the primer) and marshmallows (the photoresist), cover it with aluminum foil with holes cut into it (that's the "mask" that stencils a pattern into a chip), and melt it with a heat gun (representing light). *Voilà:* you've just gotten a lesson in nanofabrication. "In every learning activity, you have to have a motivator," Anna Waldron says. "In this one, it's the food."

Waldron is the education coordinator at the Nanobiotechnology Center, an NSF-funded facility based at Cornell. And as such, she's qualified to answer another question: why make a Nano S'more in the first place? "Nanotechnology is going to be really big for kids who are in middle school now," she says. "It may be called something else by then, but it's going to be really important."

Nanotechnology is shaping up to be the science of the twenty-first century. Most people can agree on that much—from President Clinton to cutting-edge researchers to Luddite activists. It's also a buzzword that can unlock research dollars and sell science fiction books. It can give people unrealistic ideas about a technological Utopia where machines craft anything and everything out of individual atoms; it can also scare them silly with Orwellian images of mind control and genetic discrimination.

In the year 2001, the word "nanotechnology" is frequently thrown around, but seldom well-defined. "I didn't use the term for a long time, because it didn't mean anything," says Harold Craighead, PhD '80, an applied and engineering physics professor and former director of Cornell's nanofabrication facility. "There's a segment of the population that thinks nanotechnology is almost this magic that will solve all the world's problems, and there's also a fear of nanotechnology

that's not based on anything real."

Nanotechnology is, simply put, the science of the small. The *very* small. The field (and its sister science, nanobiotechnology) studies the world on the nanometer scale—meaning one-billionth of a meter, or ten to the negative nine. A human hair is about 80,000 nanometers wide. "If you make things small, their properties are significantly different than the same materials on a macro level," says materials science professor Yuri Suzuki. "So nanotechnology isn't just making things smaller. To me, it means that by making things smaller you can actually find new phenomena that you can use to your advantage."

Nanotechnology can trace its pedigree back to 1959, when Nobel prize-winning physicist Richard Feynman described the possibility of manipulating matter on a small scale in a speech entitled "There's Plenty of Room at the Bottom." "As soon as I mention

this, people tell me about miniaturization, and how far it has progressed today," Feynman told the members of the American Physical Society at their annual meeting at Cal Tech. "They tell me about electric motors that are the size of the nail on your small finger. And there is a device on the market, they tell me, by which you can write the Lord's Prayer on the head of a pin. But that's nothing; that's the most primitive, halting step in the direction I intend to discuss. It is a

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staggeringly small world that is below.”

When Feynman gave his talk, computers were just beginning their march from the gargantuan (the room-sized ENIAC, first activated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1946) to the handheld. Since then, Moore’s law—which predicts that computers will double their speed every two years—has held true. But the intervening decades have reduced vacuum tubes to computer chips the size of postage stamps. Scientists aren’t sure how much smaller they can get, but they know nanotechnology is the key field for increasing computing power, digital storage capability, and communications bandwidth. “This,” says engineering dean John Hopcroft, “is where the future is going to be.”

So why is smaller better? The answer comes from Physics 101: you can’t go faster than the speed of light. “When you do calculations on a computer, a signal has to travel a distance,” says materials science professor Chris Ober. “If it’s a long distance, it’s a slow calculation. If it’s a short distance, it’s a fast calculation.” Going faster, therefore, means getting ever smaller—and smaller also means more portable and more energy efficient. That’s true across the microelectronics and communications industries. If you want to make a cell phone even more compact than a Star Tac, for instance, you’re going to have to shrink its bulkiest component, the inductor. It’s now a coil of wire, but researchers are working on imbedding it in a new kind of magnetic material. “If you really want your cell phone to be the size of a wristwatch, everything has to shrink,” Suzuki says. “Millimeters start to matter.”

Currently, the minimum size of features on chips made in research labs is between ten and twenty nanometers (one tenth the size of what’s on commercial chips). But science is constantly pushing the envelope. At IBM, where engineers have spelled out the company’s initials using individual atoms, researchers are working on a so-called “quantum mirage” effect that may allow for data storage on an atomic scale. “There’s plenty of room to make things smaller,” Ober says. “We’re in a race with the rest of the world.”

Cornell is at the forefront of the nanopack for several reasons, not the least of which is the fact that the university got in on the ground floor. A “sub-micron” facility opened on campus in 1978, when the micron (1,000 nanometers) was at the cutting edge of the size scale. The Hill was home to the first nanofabrication facility on a university campus, an NSF-funded lab founded in 1987 and still in operation, and in January 2000 Cornell became the lead institution for the first Nanobiotechnology Center, headquartered in the Biotech Building. “Nanotechnology opens up a whole

NANOTECHNOLOGY IS FODDER FOR SCIENCE FICTION SHOWS LIKE ‘THE X-FILES,’ AND IT USUALLY ISN’T PRETTY.

new world of what you can do,” says Hopcroft. “It could change society the way the automobile did. And the good thing is that Cornell got there twenty years ago.”

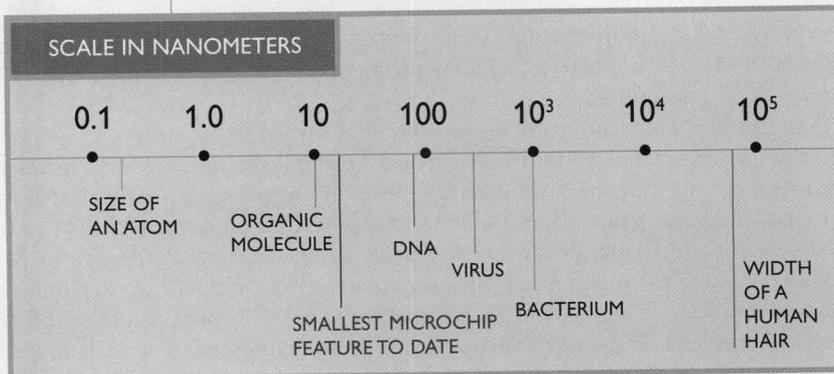
Then there’s the field’s interdisciplinary nature, which researchers on campus have long been comfortable with. “We can bring together biology, physics, chemistry, and nanotechnology probably better than any other institution,” says Ober, “because of the culture here, and because we’ve been thinking about these things longer than anyone else.”

In the summer of 1997, engineers at the Cornell Nanofabrication Facility announced they’d made the world’s smallest guitar, carved out of crystalline silicon and no bigger than a single cell. The instrument had six strings, each about 50 nanometers wide, and was about 10 microns long. The so-called “nanoguitar” was made for fun to illustrate the technology, but within weeks it had been covered by dozens of media outlets. (CNF followed up with a working nanoharp in 1999.) “It was all over the world,” says Craighead, who supervised the project. “I was astounded.”

Those fifteen minutes of fame taught Craighead that the general public had been looking for a window into the new technology; people were desperate for a way to understand it. But teaching nanoscience to the lay public isn’t easy, he and other researchers stress. Not only is it hard for people to wrap their minds around it—hence the popularity of something as concrete as the nanoguitar—there’s plenty of misinformation out there already.

Nanotechnology is popular fodder for science fiction, and it usually isn’t pretty. In an episode of “The X-Files,” a main character is nearly killed by a laptop-wielding stranger who has injected him with tiny robots called “nanites.” An “Outer Limits” has a well-meaning scientist inventing “nanobots,” molecule-sized machines that are supposed to repair damaged cells but wind up replicating out of control and turning the patient into a monster. And “Star Trek” fans are intimately familiar with “nanoprobes,” the little invaders that transform hapless victims into Borg drones. “That,” Craighead says wryly, “is a really scary thing.”

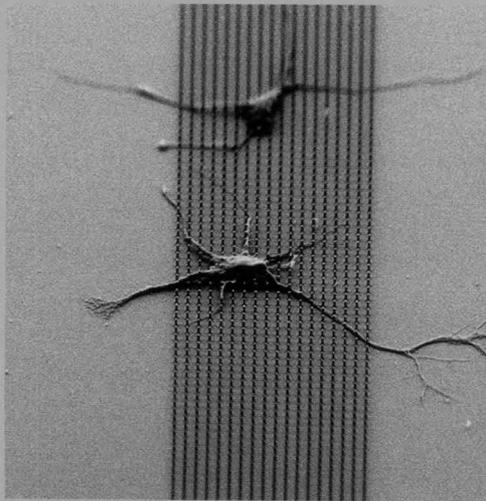
And then, he says, there’s a whole other world that amounts to science fiction, but isn’t necessarily labeled that way. K. Eric Drexler, the MIT-educated president of the Foresight Institute, has written a series of books praising nanotechnology as the key to human prosperity and describing machines called “universal assemblers” that would build



SMALL WONDERS: ONE NANOMETER IS ONE BILLIONTH OF A METER, OR 10^{-9} . 100,000 (10^5) NANOMETERS EQUALS ONE-TENTH OF A MILLIMETER.

A BRAVE NEW WORLD?

Some possible applications of nanotechnology sound like science fiction, while others are essentially improvements on present-day science. As physics post-doc Stephen Turner, PhD '00, puts it: "There are significant numbers of people banking on the idea that nanorobots are going to give them immortality—and then there's us." A look into the (potential) future:



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- Trips to the dentist could benefit more than your mouth. With a simple swab of saliva, patients could have their biochemical baselines taken at each visit, allowing for even earlier detection of diseases.

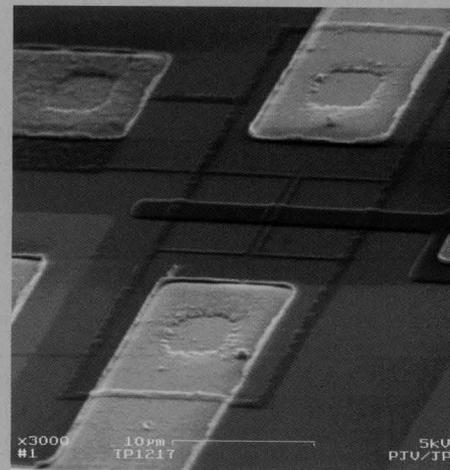
- Using Palm Pilot-sized DNA sequencers, police could process blood and other substances right at the crime scene, reducing "chain of evidence" problems and even creating a composite photo based on a suspect's genetic makeup.

- Drugs better suited to treat disease—but too unstable for conventional production and distribution—could be synthesized at the "point of use," the patient's bedside.

- Threats to the environment could be nipped in the bud through the use of microsensors scattered over a wide area—far more sensitive than digging a hole and taking one discrete sample.

- Diabetics could monitor their glucose levels with a device the size of a wristwatch, telling them whether they're allowed a particular food and delivering a shot of insulin with a pinprick. Similar devices would allow people to constantly check their own blood chemistry for factors like cholesterol, or let doctors monitor patients far from the office.

- In a more advanced version of the cochlear implant for the deaf, blind people could have their sight restored through the use of computerized "artificial retinas."



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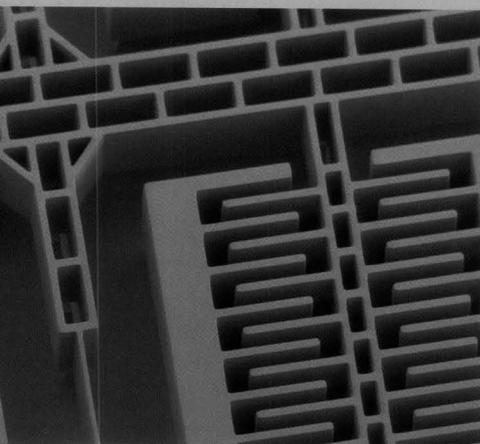
- Now almost every household has smoke detectors; some even have detectors for radon and carbon monoxide. In the future, similar alarms could warn of the presence of other dangerous gases or allergens like pollen.

- Fewer animals may be needed for medical research through the use of "fluidic circuits" containing tubes that move fluids (instead of wires that move electrons) to mimic the action of a drug in the body.

- The critical shortage of donor organs could be solved through the creation of artificial organs, grown on polymer "scaffolds." Biomaterials inspired by nature may also play a central role in medicine, such as surgical sutures based on spider dragline silk, which is stronger than Kevlar.

- And then there's the "holy grail" of neuroscience: reconnecting

severed nerves. If it can be accomplished—meaning, for example, that paralyzed people could walk again—nanotechnology may well play a vital role.



C. MACDONALD

IN THE WORKS: (CLOCKWISE FROM TOP) RAT HIPPOCAMPAL NEURONS CULTURED ON SILICON, WHICH COULD LEAD TO THE CREATION OF NEURAL PROSTHETICS; A FIFTY-NANOMETER-WIDE TRANSISTOR, BELIEVED TO BE THE SMALLEST OF ITS KIND; A MICROMECHANICAL OSCILLATOR, PART OF THE SENSING MECHANISM FOR A MICROSCOPE.

all manner of wonders out of individual atoms. "Because assemblers will let us place atoms in almost any reasonable arrangement, they will let us build almost anything that the laws of nature allow to exist," Drexler writes. "With assemblers, we will be able to remake our world or destroy it." Some call him a visionary; others dismiss him as a purveyor of pseudo-science. "Some of his notions," Ober says, "are just plain nutty."

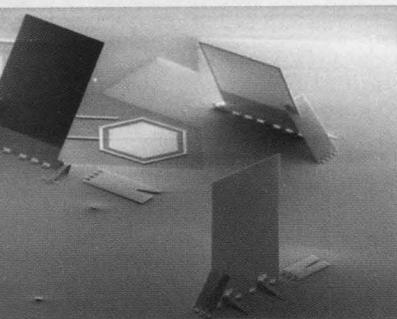
Although Drexler may be vastly overselling nanotechnology's potential, he's right about one thing: like the automobile and the computer, it may very well change the world. The technology offers ways to improve everything from how we shop for groceries to how we treat disease, by making devices that are smaller, cheaper, and faster than those of today. A favorite example is something out of *Fantastic Voyage*: mobile "smart pharmacies" that travel through the body to dispense precise doses of drugs whenever they detect, say, the presence of cancer cells.

Those smart pharmacies fall into the field of nanobiotechnology, an offshoot of nanotechnology whose name was coined at Cornell several years ago by then-professor Lynn Jelinski. Nanobiotechnology applies the principles of nanotechnology to biological systems, letting scientists interact with nature at the cellular and molecular levels—vital as they seek ever more refined ways to study and treat disease. Says Carl Batt, a Cornell microbiologist and co-director of the Nanobiotechnology Center: "It's the computer revolution applied to the life sciences."

Using nanobiotechnology, campus researchers are working on ways to find a single bacterium, allowing for early detection of pathogens like *E. coli*. Applied and engineering physics professor Lois Pollack is using the technology—which requires much smaller quantities of precious research samples—to study protein folding, a key process in understanding everything from how genes are expressed to how cancer starts. Cornell researchers, in conjunction with the New York State Department of Health's Wadsworth Center, are looking at the possibility of creating "neuron repair kits" to treat Parkinson's

and Alzheimer's. Traditional biology, Batt notes, studies a population of cells; nano looks closer. "You want to know what's going on in a single cell," says Batt. "To do that, you have to build a device that can interface with something the size of a cell."

The bottom line is that by creating instruments the same size as what you're studying, you're able to look at the world in much greater detail. Think of it this way: If you put a fly on the scale at a tractor-trailer weigh station, it's not going to register; neither is it going to show up on a bathroom scale. Put it on a scale the same size as the fly, and you're in business. "A lot of the techniques you use for detecting things," says Michael Isaacson, a professor of applied and engineering



AN OPTICAL DETECTION SYSTEM THAT COULD BE USED TO CREATE ULTRA-SENSITIVE MINI-SENSORS

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WORKING AT THE NANO LEVEL IN A NORMAL BUILDING IS LIKE WRITING IN A CAR WHILE DRIVING OVER POTHOLES.

physics and director of Cornell's Keck Program in Nanobiotechnology, "just get more sensitive the smaller they get."

But nanobiotechnology isn't just about manipulating nature; it's

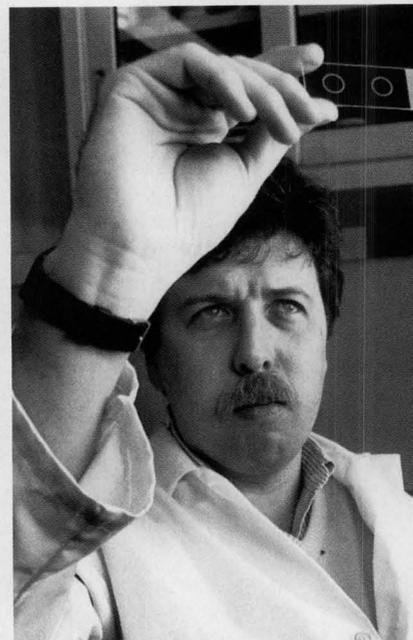
also about learning from it. By studying how the biological world works at the smallest scale, researchers hope to create new devices inspired by it—like a tiny, directionally sensitive hearing aid based on the auditory organ of a parasitic fly, or a locomotion system for a microrobot inspired by the muscles of a flea. "We have to ask, 'How can we take advantage of mechanisms that have been invented by evolution?'" says applied and engineering physics professor Manfred Lindau. "We can look at biological systems that have been optimized over millions of years and take advantage of what Mother Nature has already done." Or, as Pollack puts it: "How did people start to make airplanes? Someone looked up and said, 'Birds fly. It's not impossible.'"



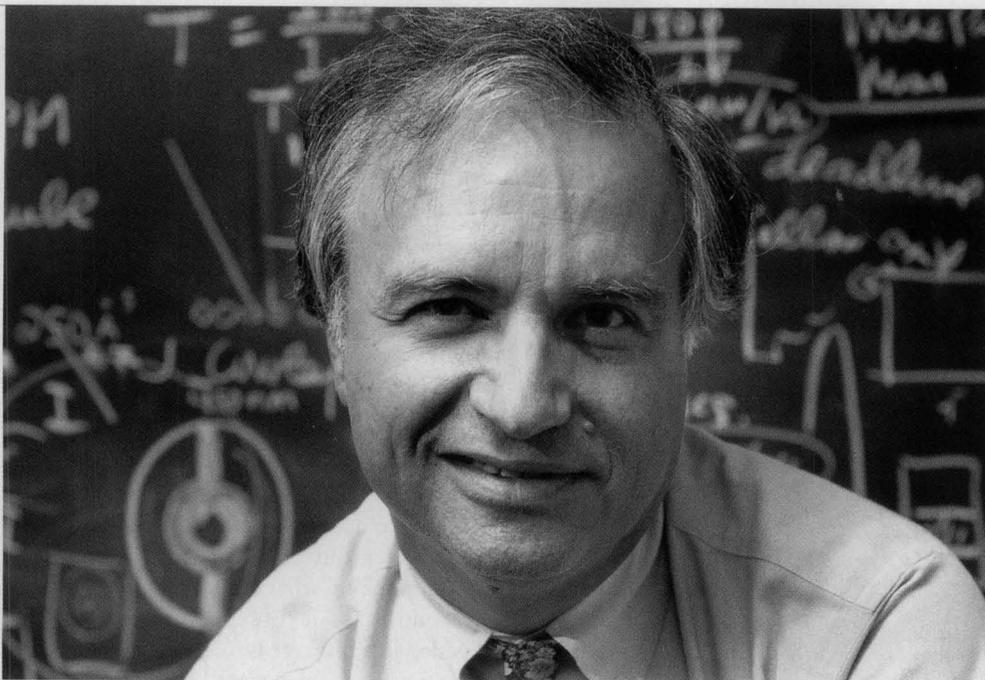
The Cornell-based Nanobiotechnology Center was established a year ago in a cooperative effort by Cornell, Princeton, Clark Atlanta University, the Wadsworth Center, Howard University, and Oregon Health Sciences University. The NSF got 500 proposals for what Batt calls "cutting edge, interdisciplinary science" and funded five; others focus on topics like astrophysics and the creation of environmentally friendly solvents.

The NSF will provide up to \$19 million to support the Nanobiotechnology Center over the next five years; more than half the money, Batt says, will go toward supporting the research of thirty-five grad students. That pedagogical bent is echoed in education coordinator Anna Waldron's work, which includes teaching primary schoolers about size scale through interactive games at the Ithaca Festival and founding a hundred-member nanobiotechnology club for high school girls. "Kids love nanobiotechnology," she says. "They're fascinated. For one thing, it's a big word they've never heard before,

NANOBIOTECH, SAYS CARL BATT, IS "THE COMPUTER REVOLUTION APPLIED TO THE LIFE SCIENCES."



CHARLES HARRINGTON / UP



APPLIED AND ENGINEERING PHYSICS PROFESSOR MICHAEL ISAACSON DIRECTS THE UNIVERSITY'S KECK PROGRAM IN NANOBIO TECHNOLOGY.

and that in itself is kind of cool.”

The NSF's support of the Nanobiotechnology Center represents just a fraction of the federal government's total investment in nanotechnology, which Batt puts at about \$500 million. With the field widely seen as “the next economy,” the U.S. is scrambling to stay on the vanguard, and several states are jockeying to call themselves the nano capital of America. In January 2000 the Clinton Administration unveiled a \$227 million National Nanotechnology Initiative designed to fund “the next industrial revolution,” with funds earmarked for the NSF, NASA, the National Institutes of Health, and the departments of defense, energy, and commerce.

“The emerging fields of nanoscience and nanoengineering—the ability to manipulate and move matter—are leading to unprecedented understanding of the fundamental building blocks of all physical things,” the White House announced. “These developments are likely to change the way almost everything—from vaccines to computers to automobile tires to objects not yet imagined—is designed and made.” (In July Cornell engineers rewarded Clinton with a centimeter-square silhouette depicting him playing the saxophone at a 1993 inaugural ball. The image, carved on a silicon chip, is composed of nearly 300,000 individual saxophones, each about the size of a red blood cell.)

But such investments, notes Nanobiotechnology Center director Harold Craighead, have to be made with an eye toward the long haul. “The peril is that nanotechnology will be greatly oversold as a panacea,” he says, “something that's going to change the U.S. economy in the near term.”

At Cornell, a recent \$1.2 million grant from the L.A.-based Keck Foundation will support grad students in nanobiotechnology. In keeping with the field's interdisciplinary focus, Keck Fellows have majors and minors straddling biology and the physical sciences; they also have to take a communications course and attend seminars on each others' work. “We're training the next generation of scientists,” says Batt, “train-

ing biologists to think like engineers and vice versa.”

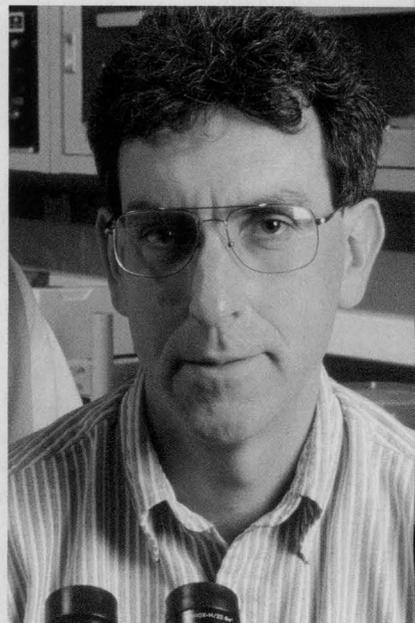
Duffield Hall, the \$58.5 million addition to the Engineering Quad planned for 2003, is intended to keep Cornell on the cutting edge of nanoscience. The 150,000-square-foot facility, located between Phillips and Upon halls, will have state-of-the-art equipment and better magnetic shielding than the present facility. It will also be designed to suppress vibrations, since working at the nano level in a normal building is roughly like writing in a car while driving over potholes. Cornell's new nanofabrication facility, Hopcroft says, “will probably be the best in the world—at

least for a couple of years.”

The building will give Cornell a 50 percent increase in precious “clean room” space, in which there are only about ten to a hundred particles of ten microns or less in a cubic foot of air. (A regular lab has 100,000 to 1 million, and the average home has billions.) “At the sizes we're dealing with,” Hopcroft says, “a particle of dirt looks like Mt. Everest.”

To keep the clean room clean, users at the Cornell Nanofabrication Facility have to don baby-blue “bunny suits” consisting of two pairs of shoe covers, gloves, a jump-suit, and a hood resembling a nun's wimple. (They also enter and exit over tacky mats on the floor and write on “clean room paper” that doesn't shed particles.) It's a futuristic-looking get-up, but nothing compared to the standards in a professional computer-chip fabrication facility, where workers wear space suits covering all body parts.

It takes two days of training before people are allowed to use the lab, which includes forty pieces of impenetrably named equipment like “optical lithography steppers” and “ion beam etching systems.” The NSF-supported facility—which serves 550 academic and industrial users a year—is open night and day, year-round; it only closes during the university's annual utility shutdown. “That's the one time we're forced to get out



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HAROLD CRAIGHEAD DESIGNED THE NANOGUITAR WITH DUSTIN CARR, PHD '00.

of here," says CNF director Sandip Tiwari, PhD '80. "Other than that, we're never on holiday. Research never stops."

It won't stop during construction of Duffield, which must be built without creating vibrations that would disturb CNF. Once the new building is open, the old lab will be torn down and replaced by the Duffield atrium—a part of the building's design that's intended to foster socialization across disciplines. "Duffield Hall will be like a hotel for grad students," says Keck Fellow Christine Campagnolo, a second-year PhD student in microbiology. "The sociology will be interesting. You're not going to be in your supervisor's lab, you're going to be in this building with grad students from different fields. There are going to be a lot of opportunities to sit down and talk about research."

That interdisciplinary bent is vital to nanobiotechnology in particular. Batt, for example, may have a yen for a device to study a particular biological phenomenon, and no

idea whether building it is even possible. "There are certain fundamental laws of physics that I don't know," he says with a grin. By definition, nanobiotechnology requires the crossing of boundaries, of evolving beyond the "lone wolf" image of academic researchers. "You're forced to do work on the boundaries," says Campagnolo, "which is exciting and unconventional."

But not everyone is excited about nanoscience. One of its biggest detractors, in fact, has been the "other Bill"—Bill Joy, the co-founder and chief scientist of Sun Microsystems. In a now-infamous article in the April 2000 issue of *Wired* entitled "Why the Future Doesn't Need Us," Joy argued that robotics, nanotechnology, and genetic engineering will lead to the creation of supersmart machines—and the subjugation of man. "As society and the problems that face it become more and more complex and machines become more and more intelligent, people will let machines make more of their decisions for them, simply because machine-made decisions will bring better results than man-made ones," Joy writes. "Eventually a stage may be reached at which the decisions necessary to keep the system running will be so complex that human beings will be incapable of making them intelligently. At that stage the machines will be in effective control. People won't be able to just turn the machines off, because they will be so dependent on them that turning them off would amount to suicide."

Joy's view of the future is a dystopian spin on Drexler's,

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but both believe that nanotechnology will remake the world—something that even scientists with less overarching views of the field's implications are concerned about. It would be nice, for instance, to have

an inexpensive, disposable microchip on every can of food; it would allow you to check out of a store instantly, let your home computer keep track of what's in the pantry, warn you when the tomato soup is about to expire. But what if that same chip is embedded in a human? Is it a handy way of passing through airport customs—or a giant leap toward a brave new world?

Other conundrums may be less far off. Genetic testing may be able to save untold lives by giving people advance warning about what diseases they'll develop. But what if there's no treatment—or your insurance company drops you as a bad risk? "Most information can be used and misused," Craighead says. "The ability to cure disease can be used to cause it." Or, as Isaacson says: "There's always going to be a downside. As technology progresses, there will always be evil uses."

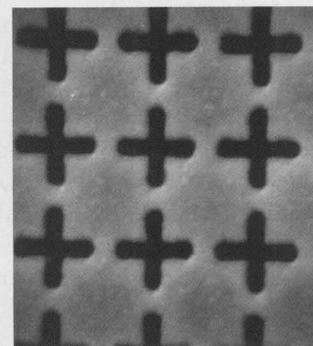
In the Engineering college, such debates will be informed by a new endowed professorship in ethics, announced in November and supported by engineering alumnus Harry Bovay Jr. '36 and his wife; the search for a candidate is under way. And Isaacson—who compares the concern over the future of nanotechnology to the present debate about genetically engineered food—says that with discoveries being made at head-spinning speed, the fear of future technology is only natural. "The things we're able to do now would have seemed like science fiction ten years ago," he says. "It's these outrageous claims—that there will be robots that will go into your brain and control how you think—that make people scared."

Once upon a time, scientists thought that making something smaller than a micron would violate the laws of physics. They also thought they'd never be able to photograph individual atoms. But in his office in Carpenter Hall, Isaacson has a poster of them—they're uranium, and he shot them himself—right next to a Georgia O'Keefe poppy. "This is just the beginning," materials scientist Yuri Suzuki says of today's nanoscience. "In the last twenty years, things have happened that I would never have imagined. In the next twenty years, I guess anything is possible." ●



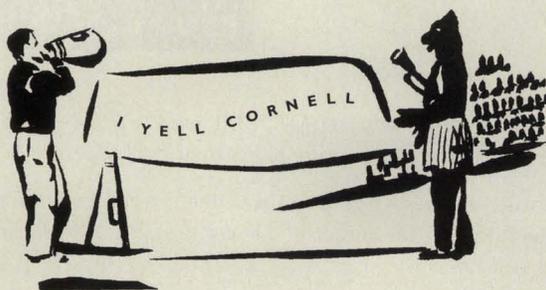
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SECOND PLACE Cornell's season of football comebacks came up one game short of an Ivy League title. After rebounding from fourth-quarter deficits in its five Ivy wins, the team fell to Penn 45-15 in the season finale. The Big Red, which finished 5-5 overall, wound up second in the league with a 5-2 mark, its first runner-up finish since 1995. Quarterback Ricky Rahne '02 threw for 2,944 yards, breaking his own school record. Rahne, the school's career passing leader with 5,706 yards, has one season left to play.

NET WORTH Co-captain Robin Moore '01 was a unanimous selection as the Ivy League's women's volleyball player of the year after leading a remarkable Big Red turnaround. One year after entering the Ivy tournament as the bottom seed, Cornell nearly walked away with the 2000 title and its resulting NCAA tournament bid. The Big Red reached the tournament final before losing to top-seed and defending champion Princeton. Moore was named the tournament's most valuable player.



ROBIN MOORE '01

SPORTS INFO

GAME, SET, MATCH Men's tennis tri-captain Mike Halperin '01 dominated the field at the ITA Eastern Regional Tennis Singles Championships, becoming the first Cornell player to win the event. Halperin, who was undefeated in Ivy singles play last spring, didn't lose a set in his six matches at the ITA Tournament. The regional title assures Halperin of a spot in the 2001 Rolex National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships, to be held in Dallas in February.

SWIMMINGLY John Kenny '02 posted a sixteenth-place finish against some of the best swimmers in the world at the 25K Open Water World Championship in Honolulu. Kenny, the Big Red's top returning 500- and 1000-meter freestyler, covered the 15.5-mile course in five hours and eighteen minutes. He earned his spot in the World Championships by finishing second in the 25K Open Water National Championship earlier this year. Kenny also won the 10K National Championship.

CANADIAN CLUB Playing in her first event as a member of Team Canada, Patricia Kemp '01 competed on the Under-22 National Women's Hockey Team that won the Three Nations Cup tournament in Switzerland in November. Canada outscored its opponents 28-3 while posting a 4-0 record to win the tournament. Kemp is a co-captain for the Big Red and the team's most experienced defenseman.

FIRST FIELDER Co-captain Kate McMahon '01 closed out her Cornell field hockey career with first-team All-Ivy League honors. McMahon played five positions this season, collecting ten points on two goals and six assists. Ashleigh Snelson '02 was a second-team All-Ivy pick after finishing with fifteen points.

TEEING UP Matt Baughan, son of former Cornell football coach Maxie Baughan, has been named head men's golf coach. Baughan had been serving as interim coach since April. Before coming to Cornell, he was an assistant pro in Florida and Connecticut and a professional player on the Moonlight Tour, where he won a pair of tournaments.

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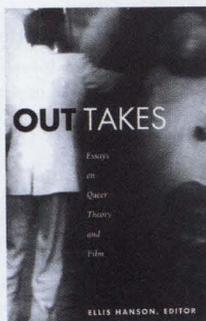
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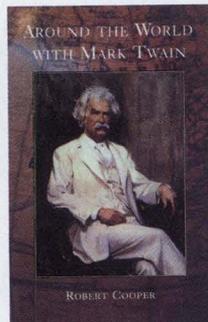
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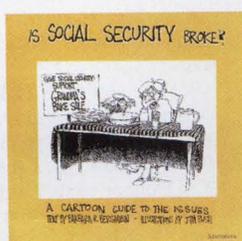
OUT TAKES edited by Ellis Hanson (Duke University). Hanson, a Cornell English professor, edits a collection of essays on “queer theory” and film. The book examines such films as *Rear Window*, *The Hunger*, and *Bound*, and such figures as Doris Day and Alfred Hitchcock. It’s divided into three sections, studying the construction of masculinity and homoerotic desire in cinema of the 1940s and 1950s, lesbian film spectatorship, and the history of independent gay and lesbian cinema.



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Non-fiction

AMERICAN PLACES edited by William Leuchtenburg '43 (Oxford University). A dozen historians reflect on their personal relationships to locales from Gettysburg to Fenway Park. Leuchtenburg is a history professor at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

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THE AGRICULTURAL REVOLUTION OF THE 20TH CENTURY by Don Paarlberg, PhD '46, and Philip Paarlberg (Iowa State). A look at the modernization of farming. Don Paarlberg is an emeritus professor of agricultural economics at Purdue, where his nephew, Philip, teaches international trade theory and policy.

MOVING THEORY INTO PRACTICE by Anne Kenney and Oya Rieger (Research Libraries Group). Two Cornell preservation librarians pen a reference guide for archivists, curators, and other professionals on converting collections to digital media.

TAKING RETIREMENT by Carl Klaus, PhD '66 (Beacon). In a “beginner's diary” on retiring, Klaus (founder of the nonfiction writing program at the University of Iowa) chronicles his struggle with the transition after forty-two years of teaching.

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Maria Radoslovich Cox '56 sent some information about her mother, the late **Kate Fredericks Hall Radoslovich '25**, BArch '29. In Mrs. Cox's words: "Young lady architects today tell me that they are 'breaking the glass ceiling.' I think to myself that my mother 'broke glass' many years ago." The following is an excerpt from an essay written by Kate Fredericks Hall in 1920 for her English I class:

"I have always felt responsible for myself. . . I am slow and not particularly brilliant. But this has never discouraged me. It has made me work, that is all . . .

"When it came time for me to decide upon my life work, I little knew what to take up. When I first heard the word 'architecture,' it attracted me. To me, it signified something big, and vague, and great. This word always stuck in my heart. Even as I grew older, I could not get away from it. Something told me I must be an architect. I could not settle my mind and heart to anything else. But would I make a good architect? Is architecture a good field for a woman? Doubtful as answers to these questions were, the first remained, I must be an architect. And why not? I love beauty. I appreciate art. I can draw a little. I am willing to work. This is all one needs for success."

In 1925, Ms. Hall won a prize at Cornell for her dissertation on St. Mark's Square in Venice. She spent the following fall and winter abroad, working for interior design firms in Paris, Madrid, and Florence. After receiving her bachelor's of architecture, she was hired by an architectural firm in New York City, where she met and married Michael Radoslovich, a fellow architect. She continued to work, collaborating with her husband, and later took up watercolor painting, winning several awards. Kate Radoslovich died Sept. 21, '00 at the age of 98. ♦ Class of '25, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

REUNION

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Fourteen members of the Class of '26, ranging in age from 94 to 98, are planning to return to Ithaca, June 7-10, 2001, for their 75th Reunion. This promises to be a record-breaking turnout! **Sally Shumaker** of the Class of '71 has spoken with each of these men and women over the last couple of months, as well as 16 others who send warm regards to their classmates, but will not be able to attend Reunion. News of everyone will be shared in the next several issues of *Cornell Magazine*.

Planning to attend Reunion are: Sara Rubin Baron, Estelle Randall Burnette, Edwin Harder, Laura Pedersen Henninger, Frances Jennings, William H. Jones, Mary McCue, Elizabeth Farnum Michael, Walter R. Miller, Kenneth Owen. Charlotte Beach Owens,

Louise Russell, Henry Schmeckpeper, and Theresa Hermann Trynin.

Sending regards, but regrets that they cannot attend are: Harry Alper, Beatrice "Betty" Bayuk Berg, Phyllis Bodler Dunning, Morris Farr, Kitty Whitehill Fischer, Edith Mills-paugh Green, Ruth Purdy Hewitt, Philip Higley, William Kelley, LLB '29, Richard Pietsch, John Platt, Edward Sanderson, Robert Stier, Lauriston Taylor, Harwood War-riner, Geraldine Tremaine Welch, and Ruth Killigrew Woodruff.

Estelle Randall Burnette will have the shortest distance to travel: "I am very happy living at Kendal at Ithaca. Many of my new friends are Cornellians and Cornell offers much to make life interesting." Raised in the small town of Manchester, NY, she remembers well taking the bus to Cornell at age 17. She majored in English on the Hill, returned home to teach high school English, and married. During her college years, she excelled in sports and was treasurer of the women's association of the student government. She has lived at Kendal for three years and does volunteer work there.

Sara Rubin Baron lives on W. 86th St. in NYC and needs a ride to Reunion! She can be reached at (212) 362-2203. Call if you can help or know anyone who's making the round trip to Ithaca from Manhattan. Sara retired from teaching in 1970. She was faculty adviser for Arista at Stuyvesant High School, the "best high school in the world!" Dr. **Edwin Harder** plans to drive to Reunion from his home in Pittsburgh, PA, and hopes to have some of the other Cornellians in his family join him. A highlight of his life has been activities aboard his 24-foot cruiser—51 cruises in 45 years!

Frances Jennings writes: "After teaching for 40 years, mostly in Garden City, Long Island, I retired to Binghamton, NY, in 1966. For over 20 years, I have been a daily volunteer clerical assistant at the office of the Binghamton Philharmonic." Frances plans to drive to Reunion with a friend. More news coming! Stay tuned. ♦ Class of '26, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247; Sally Shumaker '71, 8601 Falmouth Ave., #410, Playa del Rey, CA 90293-8695; e-mail, sally@consultant.com.

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Thomas Shaffer, MD '32, is the first recipient of an "Award for Pediatric Sports Medicine," named after him by the section on sports medicine and fitness of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Tom, who has been retired since 1983, and is a Fellow of the Academy, received the honor at the Academy's annual meeting in Chicago, and says it was a great honor and a complete surprise. Tom's a member of the Central Ohio Cornell Club.



WINTER WALK: IN ADDITION TO PHYSICS LESSONS

Charles Roth of Hot Springs, AR, writes that he and his spouse celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on September 9. **Daniel M. Lazar** of New York City saw a granddaughter, or was it a great-granddaughter, graduate with honors from Cornell's College of Arts and Sciences last June. **Irving E. "Chips" Cantor, JD '32**, of Chevy Chase, MD, attended the reunion of the Class of 1932 of the Cornell Law School.

A. Churchill "Blackie" Blackman of Williamsburg, VA, who left full-time work in 1977, traveled recently to Australia looking



ARK HALL OFFERS A SNOWY VIEW OF MCGRAW HALL AND THE ARTS QUAD ON A SUITABLY CHILLY ITHACA DAY.

ROBERT BARKER / UP

for relatives. No success. He and Jeanne boast of having five “healthy and wonderful” children between 50 and 56 years. **Jerome L. Loewenberg**, JD '31, of San Antonio, TX, writes that he's taken many recent trips, “but all of them to doctors and hospitals.”

Note to all: our numbers are down to 60! Some of you write, with obvious pride, how old you are. Who's the oldest member of 1929? I'll admit to Dec. 29, '05. And do we have anybody still in their 80s? Let me know. ❖ **Frank Schaefer**, 625 McGraw House, Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 277-3867.

Dear Friends: Back in 1925 when Willard Straight was brand new, three hundred women enrolled at Cornell. Of those, about two hundred graduated. “To everything there is a season,” and to scan the flat list of the class makes one feel almost guilty to be a “survivor.” There are about 45 of us left. An unfortunate policy of our class was to have dues every five years at reunion time. Therefore, we were ineligible to have access to *Cornell Magazine*, and of course through the years the column was not read by classmates despite conscientious reporting by **Edith Stenberg** Smith, LLB '31, **Ethel Corwin** Ritter, and others.

I was pleased to have a good telephone call with **Rosalie Cohen** Gay whose nephew Barry was visiting her at the time. I also enjoyed speaking with **Jo (Mills)** and **San Reis**. San was just back from two weeks in Australia attending the Olympics. He was accompanied by his grandson Craig Johnson and a group from Cornell. I was amused the past few days when Cornell joined politics with our own **E. B. White '21**. I am proud to have taken two courses with Prof. William Strunk, whose *Elements of Style* E. B. White pushed into national prominence. ❖ **Agnes “Tib” Kelly** Saunders, 106 Spen-

cer Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563; e-mail, tib106@aol.com.

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Dear Friends: Our 70th Reunion is a thing of the past, our last organized Reunion.

But remember, you may come any year you want by arranging with the Alumni Office, 626 Thurston Ave., and be a part of the year's oldest class, as **William Vanneman '31** did this year. And while I have your attention, I want to remind you that your friends from school days are hoping to have news from all of us who are able to communicate. If you can't write, please ask a friend or relative to write us a card. Also, I know that my column is read by people from other classes. I'd love to hear from them, too.

News is very scarce, but **Dora Wagner Conrath**, now back home in Fairfield, CA, from Reunion, sent me a clipping about her son David W. Conrath. He has had a most interesting and varied career. He received a BA from Stanford, an MA in science from Carnegie-Mellon U., a doctorate in business administration, and an MA in economics from U. of California at Berkeley. He has had various roles at a number of universities, including U. of Waterloo State College, Nanyang Technical in Singapore, U. of Aix-Marseille in France, and U. of Pennsylvania. Recently, he served as dean of the Michael G. DeGroote School of Business and as professor of management science/information systems at McMaster U. in Hamilton, Ont., Canada. And now he has gone full circle, coming back to the Bay Area to be dean of the college of business at San Jose State College. What a world of experience he has had!

In my early years of working at Stanford, Palo Alto and San Jose were pleasant small towns, in the midst of vast apricot orchards. Now they are embedded in Silicon Valley, and most are greatly changed.

I wonder how our Florida members have fared in the recent storms there. There are Cornellians scattered all over the state. Even Paradise can have its problems. Right now, the October pre-World Series games are being played, and it is hard to adjust to the fact that you'll be reading this when Christmas and New Year's have passed. I can only make up by wishing you a happy and healthy 2001. My very best wishes to all. ♦ **Joyce Porter Layton**, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

Our last two columns contained news from our 70th Reunion. Attention may now be given to news items which were forwarded to me shortly before and since our Reunion. **Frederic Minns**, BS Ag '47, has been, for as long as I can remember, a regular provider of news for the class column. All of us get the "Class of 1930 Men News Form" at least once a year. Fred's form, which I received shortly before my departure for Reunion, contained most of his news in longhand, but it was accompanied by a copy of a news clipping. The clip, covering most of the first page of the local Nashville newspaper, consisted of a byline story and a large photo of a joyful and seemingly

youthful man with upraised arms, waving to an unphotoed throng and wearing a broad happy grin on his face and a crown, of sorts, made of twigs. The headline was—you guessed it—"King for a Day," i.e., Fred. I read the entire Fred narration in the news form, and then the front-page newspaper story, with the reaction that it was a journalistic find, comparable to hitting the jackpot of a slot machine, a real scoop (if you doubt, you will find out it really was a scoop) of a humanistic, *pro bono*-ish story I meant to include for publication after our 70th Reunion ended.

However, the scoop legitimately became the scoop of **Peter D. Schwarz '47**, BEE '46, correspondent for the Class of '47. I should mention here that Fred was not only an engineering alumnus of the Class of '30 but an Agriculture and Life Sciences graduate in the Class of '47. Pete prefaced his entire story about Fred with the information that he was provided the news about Fred by **Herb Roth '47**. Since Pete's story contained all the information that Fred had included with his filled-out Class of '30 Men's Form, it is quite likely that Fred himself had given a copy of that filled-out form to Roth, who would naturally and legitimately have given it to Pete for his '47 column. Pete's write-up is a well-written and complete one, deserving our class's compliments and thanks. Had I written the news Fred put on our class form for publication in our class column it would have had few, if any, differences substantively.

Some of you who are subscribers to *Cornell Magazine* (as all of you should be for the pleasure of being able to read regularly *CM*'s excellent content, as well as to obtain a larger space allotment for our column) may have seen and read the '47 column in the July/August issue. I will try to have enough copies of the Fred Minns story so that I can send a copy to each one who will phone or write to me requesting a copy. ♦ **Ben Cottone**, Waterside Retirement Estates, 4540 Bee Ridge Rd., Villa #2, Sarasota, FL 34233; tel., (941) 377-0102, ext. 402.

REUNION

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Well over a year ago, **Frank O'Brien** (Frank L., 311 S. Flagler Dr., #801, West Palm Beach, FL 33401-5677) began touting travel to Ithaca in the spring of 2001. He has been doing this now for 15 reunions of the Class of 1931, almost certainly more than any other individual in Cornell history. He started with our "Dix Plan" Reunion three years after we graduated, then swung into the regular five-year cycle in 1936, and has been doing it every five years since. We were one of the last classes, if not the last class, to reunite under the "Dix Plan," a complicated system under which on a progressive-rotating basis every seven successive classes that had been on the Hill at the same time reunited together. A nice idea, but nobody could ever remember when their reunion came, so Cornell fell back on the simple 5th, 10th, 15th, and so on up to 70th system like all other schools. We all owe a great debt of gratitude to Frank for his work over the years. Let's repay the debt, in part at

least, by turning up in Ithaca in June!

Len Gordon (Leonard, 1371 Broadway, Apt. B2, Hewlett, NY 11557), like most lawyers, cannot let go completely. He still continues to act as an administrative law judge for the New York City Parking Violations Bureau. We hear he is a "strict constructionist," so don't think you can get away with anything just because you are a classmate. Also, he is evidently no dummy, because he reports, "I winter in Tamarac, FL, and golf daily, weather permitting." Len also took advantage of his daughter's 40th Reunion and joined Frank O'Brien (above) and your correspondent in checking on how the Class of '30 handled their 70th, so we can do better this spring!

Tom Kelley (Thomas D., 11770 NE Yeomalt Point Dr., Bainbridge Island, WA 98110), another lawyer, says he is still busy, but now "working on my reminiscences, which I have entitled 'A Boy Grows up in the 20th Century'. Tedious work, but wonderful for the memory." Under Cornell Activities he writes, "The Cornell Club of Washington (State, that is, out there they don't bother to distinguish themselves from that wart on the Potomac), which I helped found in the 1950s, is going strong, but I can't attend their many functions nowadays." Under Recent Travel he notes, "To reach my wheat ranch in Eastern Washington." Until your correspondent took a trip through the Rocky Mountains last spring he never realized that there were broad valleys with enormous grain fields, apple orchards, even peach orchards, right where he expected nothing but rugged, rocky, snow-covered peaks. Travel is very enlightening.

Fritzie Dorner Davis (Mrs. Frederica D., 43 W. McKinsey Rd., Severna Park, MD 21146-4546) wrote in March 2000 that she "left mid-Georgia on Nov. 18, '99, flying to this retirement community." Other than that she says her travel is confined principally to "short trips to the doctors," and her main Cornell activity is "perusing *Cornell Magazine*." A worthwhile activity—it's a prize-winner among its peers. **Jim Oest** (James A., 18 Newkirk Rd., Yonkers, NY 10710), who has kept us up-to-date on his activities in his church choir, his hospital volunteerism, and his monthly White Plains Cornell lunches, wrote the following last March under the caption Last Vacation: "Reunion 1996. Since then things have been happening that have cut down on our travel. I don't think I will be able to make the trip to Ithaca in 2001, but I'll wait till next year for 'my final answer.' Fortunately, my wife Elizabeth is still in very good health and is able to help me when I need help." (Jim: Re-read the Nov/Dec Class Notes, and if you're still doubtful now about coming to our Big 70th, give Frank O'Brien or me a call! We want you there!)

Can you help? Number 1: During our early reunions we used to have many non-Cornellians attend with their spouses, so that after several reunions we got to know them as well as, and in some cases, even better than, our own classmates. But when the Grim Reaper took our classmate, we did not keep a record and the spouse was not invited to the

next reunion, a courteous gesture which we understand is common among some of the other Ivies, and has been very well received by the surviving spouses. In fact, I have heard that among the younger classes some widows, following the Willie Sutton dictum, returned very eagerly to these gatherings. If you know any survivors who might like to come back to our 70th, please let Frank O'Brien (address above) or **Ethel Bache** Clark (1912 Marsh Rd., Apt. 235, Wilmington, DE 19810-3954) know, and they will see that an appropriately phrased invitation is extended.

Number 2: Can you furnish any information at all—even the most dreaded—on the following classmates who are carried in the university's computer as "Missing": Mrs. Elizabeth Fry Caldwell; Mr. S. Lewis Elmer; Mrs. Helen Budd Haag; Mr. Thomas F. Hayes; Rev. Paul L. Hulslander; Mrs. Thelma Johnson Jones; Mrs. Barbara Collyer Kachmar; Mrs. Wilhelmina Barton Kraber; Mr. Leo Levine; Mr. David J. Marcus; Ms. Priscilla King Meacham; Mrs. Mona Pipa O'Brien; Dr. Julius Pomeranze; Mrs. Terrace Morgan Pratt; Mrs. Carmela Lucarelli Teitgen; Miss Edith J. Varon; Mrs. Tazu Asai Warner.

Strange, and sad, that some of the best known names on the Hill wind up among the missing. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, 237 N. Main St., S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2088; tel., (508) 760-4250; e-mail, ggrampi@gis.net.

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A couple of issues ago I mentioned that the good friends and neighbors of **William R. Bagby** in Lexington, KY, put

on an elaborate party in recognition of Bill's 90th birthday and his devoted service to the neighborhood. I commented on a congratulatory note to Bill from John and Ann Garden, which ended with the sentence, "Scratch Dolly behind the ears for us." In a feeble effort to be amusing, I asked whether anyone knew who Dolly was. Back came a letter from Bill saying, "Dolly is my Briard dog and she came from Rochester, NY!" More recently, I received a copy of an e-mail to the staff of this magazine from John W. Garden, MD, confirming Bill's assurance that Dolly is, in fact, a dog, and that she and Bill enjoy the park together. This, to my satisfaction, dispels any hint of scandal. I don't think the Gardens are Cornellians, but they seem like nice folks anyhow.

Robert C. Trier sent me one of his entertaining letters, this one on a genuine piece of Cornell stationery from 1930 which he has preserved, and concerning which Bob wrote, "If you think I have (kept) only 70 years of stationery, you're wrong again. I have some from the Westchester Biltmore CC where I was a bellhop in 1927-28." And to make Bob's collection of old letterheads even more amazing, he has added a P.S. which joyfully announces, "I just found the envelope." And sure enough the printed return address says: "Return in five days to R. C. Trier Jr., Student Agency Building, Ithaca, NY." Note that the envelope antedates zip codes, although Bob, in a nod to changing times, did not try to send the letter

with a 2-cent stamp.

Martha Travis Houck, talented and conscientious correspondent for the Women of '32 for nearly 20 years, has decided to retire from her post, partially for want of news, partially for reasons of health. We thank her for her many years of service to the class and wish her all the best in good health. I have offered

“We were one of the last classes to reunite under the ‘Dix Plan.’”

BILL VANNEMAN '31

to field the news of both the Men and the Women of '32, and the editors at the magazine have happily agreed to it. Please continue to send news of yourselves — with your dues payment, or at any time of year. My address is below.

An ancient style book circulated to writers of the class columns by the *Cornell Alumni News* (of blessed memory, now known as *Cornell Magazine*), forbade the use of addresses, especially zip codes, after the names of persons mentioned. I like to think that someone might want to communicate with an old friend and would be glad to learn that he lives next door. A more recent collection of "Hints on Style" appears to carry no prohibition against the use of addresses. Maybe I'll try it. ♦ **Jim Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.

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ALAS, this class secretary has no news this time. In our late 80s we are probably so tied up with performing the routines and grousing at our failing powers, that there is nothing else to talk about. But scratch around now and send your secretary some news!

In the absence of excitement from you, let me tell you about two memories of Cornell that hover around me. From my adolescent years in Ithaca at the edge of the campus, and during our four years ON campus, I am reminded of Prof. **Charles "Bull" Durham**, PhD 1899, of the Classics department, my beloved teacher of Latin and Greek, who would constantly ask us to identify literary allusions in our common reading. He warned us ahead of time that they would be from the Classics of Rome and Greece, from Shakespeare, or from the Bible. But he was known to sports fans as the purveyor of telegraphed news about the woes or victories of Cornell football teams away. We gathered in Bailey Hall with cheerleaders and all awaited his mournful or exalted voice-tones as he read out the telegrams—I remember hearing of Dartmouth's quarterback, Oberlander, sending long 60-yard passes to "Tully," I believe. WELL, guess what: his granddaughter, Adele Durham Robinette, to whom I now send news, is the editor in charge of these class notes!

Carrying this farther, I believe her grandfather had knowledge of the great Hugo N. Frye hoax of 1930. To scratch your memory,

it was a time when Republicans ruled Central New York and Hoover was President, and Democratic faculty members had a hard time. Several of the editors of the *Cornell Sun* gathered Democratic professors into a huddle and they decided to invent a Republican founder of that party in Central New York State, circa the 1840s. In choosing a name for this non-ex-

istent patriot, they came upon a perfect Central New York name: Hugo N. Frye (from "you go fry an egg"). They decided to have a dinner at the Ithaca Hotel in his honor and invite leaders of the national Republican party, including the Vice President and a few ambassadors. The invitations went out and the replies came back immediately. No, they couldn't come but each individual enlarged his/her telegram with praises for the exploits of Frye for the party.

Well, the party had to go on, and it was a ball with an official Latin ode to Frye and an epic in the style of Longfellow's *Evangeline*. The only trouble: a *New York Times* reporter slipped in and spilled the story to the world. It hit the national press. *Pravda* had a huge editorial about American democracy with quotes from the responding politicians. My brother **Edward T. Horn III '31** and his colleagues were almost kicked out of the university but the Democratic professors came to the defense. In books on hoaxes, the Hugo N. Frye affair is inscribed in memory. **Fred Hillegas '38** keeps the memory alive with a Hugo N. Frye Club. Alas, the story will pass with us. Send news. ♦ **Rev. Henry E. Horn**, 49A Trowbridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138.

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A recent letter from **Bill Robertson**, our class president, brings word that our new Class of 1934 Scholarship Fund is up and running! This fund comes from our classmates and was raised in 1998-99 as a part of our 65th Reunion Campaign. It is already helping two fine sophomore women with their college finances. They are **Melissa Iszler '02** from Billings, MT, and **Marguerite Fontaine '02** of Peterborough, NH (Bill's hometown but unknown to him!). Both of these young ladies are active in student affairs and are carrying heavy work assignments as part of their financial aid package. It is gratifying that this fund is providing benefits so quickly. Each of the recipients is most grateful for this support. Bill reminds us that this class fund is open-ended and says it is a great place for our future gifts to Cornell. Simply indicate on your pledge card to have your gift (or a portion of it) allocated to the Class of 1934 Scholarship Fund. He reports that Anne and he are "hanging in there," spending more time in doctor's offices, but still counting their bless-

ings. He adds that he gets confused. For instance, these two women are '02 and his Dad was '01 at Cornell—then he remembers his Dad was 1901!

Henry Avery, Englewood, OH, regrets that he could not attend Reunion because of mobility problems. Doris and he are quite well otherwise. Golf is no longer on his menu but

“To celebrate his 86th birthday, Edward S. Acton had a great day of white-water kayaking.”

ROBERT A. ROSEVEAR '37

Doris still walks and scores in the 50s. His closing words: “We both have much to be thankful for and Cornell helped make that possible.” A note from Phyllis S. **Aaron**, wife of our classmate **Hyman**, advised that he is ill with Alzheimer's and not able to communicate. Sadly, quite a few of our classmates and spouses are also victims of this disease. Coping with it is one of the most difficult phases of life one can experience and our understanding and sympathy are with you, Phyllis. Accompanying her note was a generous contribution to our Class Fund, “the '34 survivors,” she wrote. Thank you.

Last Reunion report. **Karl Schmidt**, Roseville, CA: An immigrant at 11 in 1925, grades 1 thru 6 the first year in Brooklyn, grades 7 thru 9 the second year in Manhattan (P.S. 119), followed by three years of high school in Pittsford, VT, with the finale at Cornell in 1934. In 1941 the Army for five years with overseas service in Australia, New Guinea, the Philippines, and, finally, Japan. Married to my lovely Jeanne for 57 years; sadly, now afflicted with Alzheimer's. One son, two daughters, all successful in their chosen fields, and four grandchildren. On the corporate track for 48 years, in eight cities across the entire country, in the dairy and allied industries. Retired in 1987 after 22 years with The Southland Corp. (7-Eleven). Am greatly indebted to Cornell for the solid education, the many lifelong friends, and the entrées it provided, and to my classmates whom I have been fortunate enough to join for every Reunion.

This is the last of the 65th Reunion reports. Space limitations and current news items made it impossible to publish them at one time. Every Reunion attendee received an official Cornell folder containing all the reports.

Snow for the skiers, sun for the snowbirds, and pleasant weather to all for this season. ♦ **Karl F. Schmidt**, 4780 Mt. Rose Way, Roseville, CA 95747-8279; tel., (916) 771-4734.

This is written on Oct. 10, '00. The temperature this morning was 34 degrees; that is, here in Brooklyn. Most of my houseplants are still outside and I'm worried about them. I'd hate to have to start all over. There are a lot of tender cuttings out there, too.

Mary Terry Goff writes, and I quote,

“Attended Zinck's with the Orange County Cornell Club; about 30 there, all much younger. Couldn't believe I went to Cornell when Martha Van Rensselaer was there.”

Irene Vandeventer Skinner, BS HE '36, MS '45, is at her daughter's house, 24 Daisy Dr., New London, OH 44851. She is active in church affairs, as well as family doings. **Eloise**

Conner Bishop is active in the Cornell Club of Oregon. The club is noted for its large scholarship fund. Vice President **Susan H. Murphy** '73, PhD '94, and Frances Buhrs traveled from Ithaca to celebrate the club's scholarship dinner.

A smart doctor gave me a shot in my bad knee and I'm doing my thing again at Brooklyn Botanical Garden. I'm so lucky to be there! Not only for the physical activity but also for the friends I have made—all, of course, younger than I am.

Have a wonderful winter and a happy and healthy New Year. ♦ **Eleanor** “Dickie” **Mirsky** Bloom, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209-3205; tel., (718) 836-6344.



Legacies. Among the 3,228 students who entered Cornell in the 1999-2000 school year, 434 were known to be legacies. Two of that number are related to our classmates: **Tobias Warner** is the grandson of **Wilbur G. Downs**, MD '38; and **Diana Lind** is the granddaughter of **Daniel Lind** and also the granddaughter of **Ezra Greenspan** '39. Diana's parents are **Richard Lind** '70 and **Karen (Greenspan)** '70. I note, regrettably, that the Sept/Oct issue lists the death of Daniel Lind of Naples, FL, as a “retired real estate agent, exact date unknown, active in alumni affairs.” This magazine's Sept/Oct issue, for the Veterinary College reunion, states that two of our classmates were the oldest registered for the event: **Tevis Goldhaft**, DVM '35, and **Harry Goldwasser**, DVM '35. Congratulations, Tevis and Harry!

Reuben L. Kershaw, of Mission Viejo, CA, and his wife Norma are deeply involved with archeological organizations and attend performing arts, theater, and Elderhostel programs. They have two married daughters, one of whom is **Janet L. Kershaw** '80, and they also have four grandchildren. **Earle R. Elmer**, of Elkridge, MD, took a fine cruise in 1999 down the West Coast from Vancouver through the Panama Canal, past Cuba to Fort Lauderdale. He keeps busy delivering meals-on-wheels and helping Habitat for Humanity. He has one son and two grandchildren, whom he taxis around. **Ruth W. Clements**, of Liberty, NY, has traveled widely in Europe, Aus-

tralia, New Zealand, Canada, and the US. Her church and Cornell Extension (Sullivan Co.) work involve serving dinners for the needy. She is also active in the DAR.

George A. Llano, a retired Lt. Col., USAF, of Lakeland, FL, says he's had a “full life.” As a student he was butler-chauffeur for Pres. and Mrs. Farrand. His education includes attending, in addition to Cornell, Columbia, Howard, and Uppsala (Sweden), and receiving a PhD from Washington U. (St. Louis). His world-wide travels were to the Arctic, Antarctica, Greenland, Denmark, Siberia, New Guinea, New Caledonia, Australia, New Zealand, South America, and Europe. His awards include the Antarctic Medal, a Meritorious Award from the National Science Foundation, and an honorary degree from DePaul U. Now he lectures on the subject of cruise ships. His wife died in 1989 and he has four children.

Ruth C. Tachna, BA '34, of Singer Island, FL, a retired lawyer and law professor, is now teaching “Writing Your Memoirs For the Benefit of Your Children and Grandchildren” at a community college where she has taken many courses. Her husband, Paul Bauman, is deceased. She has two children, four grands, and “3-1/2” great-grandchildren. Ruth has traveled “practically all over except South Africa.” Her interesting reminiscence was “dancing like mad with several others during the first performance of Ravel's ‘Bolero’ in a radio broadcast by Toscanini.”

Gustav U. Gants of Larchmont, NY, who winters at Riviera Beach, FL, did not retire, amazingly, until 1994 from his job in sales for Seagram Chateau & Estate Wine Co. He is a member of “Old Guard,” a retired executive organization. He has two sons and five grandchildren in Madison, WI, and Lexington, MA. Gustav often sees our classmate **Alvin R. Mintz**, MD '38, of Morristown, NJ. His favorite reminiscence is the “great class in poetry” taught by Prof. Devane, whose favorite poem was Oliver Goldsmith's “Deserted Village.” Look it up—it's timeless! **Robert S.** and **Kathryn Lounsbury Hutchings** reported moving last April to Columbia, MD. They have two children: a daughter in San Francisco and a son in New York City, plus two grandsons. **Janet Hollowell** Bradley, of Fresno, CA, is a retired high school teacher who has traveled to China (twice), England, Scandinavia, and Puerto Rico. She recalls the raid on Sage Dorm in 1931-32. Her class was the first to use the then-new Martha Van building. **Elizabeth Myers** Martin Slutz and her still-active lawyer husband, Leonard, live in a retirement community in Cincinnati, OH. Her four children are in New York, Vermont, Michigan, and Minnesota, while her 14 grandchildren are much more scattered. That sounds like a lot of travel for you, Betty. We hope your plans also include attending our 70th Reunion! ♦ **Ed Miller**, 10101 Grosvenor Pl. #1515, Rockville, MD 20852; tel., (301) 530-0454; e-mail, emvsmiller@webtv.net.

REUNION

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In a letter from early 1999, **Betty Nation** reports, "I was very sad last year leaving my dear little lakeside cottage and all my good friends and neighbors 'down home.' Now I'm all settled in the home of my youngest son, John Meadows. He's taking very good care of me. We have some new diversions. We drive to Jones Beach on Saturday afternoons and then out the Ocean Parkway to Captree State Park and Fire Island National Seashore to see the beautiful wild deer. Sometimes we go to the movies in my newly-acquired wheelchair. I've joined a 'Renew' study group at my church and have found it very rewarding. Quite different from the bingo-playing over-60s I was with last year!"

Karen (Katherine S.) **Burr**: "This year I took no trips except the biggest one of all. I moved into an assisted living facility called Quail Run, so my address now is 2525 47th Ave. SE, #325, Albany, OR 97321. I moved from a four-room house with full garage to a two-room apartment. Of course this necessitated getting rid of a LOT of stuff. I lived in that little house for ten years. My children were a great big help in this."

Karen continues: "Since I've lived here I've acquired a computer which I have NOT mastered, as well as a gentleman friend with whom I've fallen in love, something I never thought would happen again in my lifetime. We are both 85 years old and love each other very much. I have my TALL man at last. He is 6' 2" and I'm 6' 0". Lew and I spend as much time together as we can. He has a PhD in forest botany and knows a great deal about trees, while I know next to nothing. He says he'll make a botanist out of me yet. I'm not sure of that. I have trouble with my back which is often a hindrance in walking.

"Living in Quail Run is a big help to me. I eat regularly which I did not when I was living in my little house. I also eat with people. This is a big help—as you know if you have ever been alone. I have a large bunch of daffodils which brings spring into my apartment!"

Ernest Cole, MS '59, of Palm Harbor, FL, reports that he and Alberta are not in the best of health. He is awaiting a knee replacement and cataract surgery, while she is using a walker and wheelchair to get around. **J. Christopher Bauerfeind**, PhD '40, writes from Gainesville, FL, "Still inhaling and exhaling with zest and regularity—expect to attend Reunion in 2001."

Please feel free to update us on your latest news, and thank you for your contributions—keep them coming! ♦ Class of '36, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

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When **John Hough**, fresh out of college in 1937, joined the sales department of the Hough Shade Co., it was the premier manufacturer of those ubiquitous roll-up slatted blinds that kept America's front porches cool in the summer. Now called Hufcor, the company was founded in 1900 by John's father, **Azel C. Hough 1883**, an in-

ventor and innovative industrialist. It is the world's largest manufacturer of operable accordion and portable partitions, found worldwide in hotels, schools, universities, convention centers, churches, and commercial and industrial buildings. John, chairman of the Hufcor board of directors, travels extensively, often overseas, promoting the company's products. On their far-ranging business trips, his wife Ann often shoots promotional videos and, of course, enjoys sharing the opportunities to visit fascinating places along the way. The Hough family includes sons **Gordon '65** and **Lawrence**, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

The very domestic-sounding hobbies of **Frank Carroll** include chair repair, cutting wood for the fireplace, crossword puzzles, and Scrabble, as well as fishing. Frank is a church deacon and has served as an election inspector. Recent travel covers eight foreign countries, 48 states, and "visiting 29 different major league stadiums," presumably not all in one year. Frank and Lina, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in December, have five sons and ten each of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Karl L. Landgrebe, retired in Signal Mountain, TN, has a son, daughter, and three grandchildren. He's active in his church and in Rotary, and is a life member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board. The Landgrebes went around the world in 1998—no details provided to your scribe, sorry to say. Last May and June, **John Barton** was busy as a supporting grandfather to three of his nine grandchildren. First, to watch **George Barton '02** compete with the Cornell team in the SAE race car trials, then, proudly, as **Emily Barton '00** graduated *magna cum laude*, and then to see **Deborah Barton '97** finish a marathon in San Diego. He enjoyed a short cruise among the islands on the inland waterways out of Seattle.

To celebrate his 86th birthday, **Edward S. Acton** had a great day of white-water kayaking last May. Ed still enjoys downhill skiing and even some slalom racing. A Hollywood film crew used his Freedom, NH, home for two days of filming for the movie *Skeletons in the Closet*. Ed now has seven grandchildren and three great-grands. ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd. N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

Elizabeth Eldridge Boylan has advised us that during the 1999 Scholarship Campaign she established a tradition fellowship in honor of **William Eldridge '32**, **Frances Eldridge** Guest '34, and Elizabeth Eldridge Boylan. **Shirley De Voe** Corney has been busy with her three children, three grandchildren, and a 1-year-old great-grandchild. Her travels have taken her to North and South Carolina and the Maine coast. When at home she is occupied with her book club, the Retired Professional Club, and Retired Physicians Societies.

Shirley Leighton Doughty's last escapade was attending three birthday celebrations: her own 85th, her daughter's 45th, and her grandchild's 11th, all on the same day, July 29. While at her daughter's home, the family

also celebrated another grandchild's high school graduation and her appearance in a performance of *Oklahoma*. As Shirley wrote, "It was a great trip." Meanwhile, **Louise Dunn McLean** is busy with 140 varieties of daffodils in her yard in Albuquerque, plus 500 more varieties in Arizona. She judged daffodil shows in Conway, AR, Dayton, OH, and at the World Convention in Portland, OR, in March and April. **Flora Daniel** Glass reported that her youngest daughter was ordained a priest in the Episcopal Church and has two parishes in Ohio. She, herself, has been busy making pressed flower greeting cards for the Western Reserve Herb Society Sale.

Jean Bradley Osborn spent her summer at Ashbery Cottage on Cayuga Lake with her children and grandchildren. She is happy at Camelot Retirement in Harlingen, TX, where she swims, plays pool, and goes on trips. **Margaret Kincaid** Look enjoyed a mini-reunion with several of our alumnae at the Chi Omega house. She was taken aback when some of the much younger alumni walked by her, looked at her '37 class button and, "with eyes popping wide open," exclaimed, "You're still walking around the campus!" **Ann Barbara Pratt** Smiley volunteers at Graveland (IL) Public Library. She always looks forward to an annual vacation at Roaring Branch, Arlington, VT, with daughter Beth and grandchildren.

Phyllis Weldin Corwin, CE '36, volunteers, teaching three Korean folks English and working at the library eight hours a week. In June she was a presenter in Jacksonville, FL, at a seminar for 100-plus people. Her youngest daughter was granted tenure at Penn State and she, herself, is off on a trip to Zurich, Switzerland, in the near future. **Elizabeth Nichols** Sheldon is still a "snowbird" in Venice, FL, but spent all last winter in New York because her son had a heart valve replacement and a by-pass. He is doing well and is now working full-time. ♦ **Selma Block** Green, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583; tel., (914) 472-0535.

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The **Tom and Helen Brew Rich** combo had a gala 60th wedding anniversary celebration, aided by all their children and grandchildren. Tom and Helen comment: "Now that we're both over 80, it's pills, pills, pills . . . we keep going; great to be in Florida—seven months away from snow!" **Bill "Cadillac" Smith** and Dorothy have turned over to a son the running of the farm, which has been family property since 1865. Says Bill, "Farming's a tough way to make a living."

Harold Segall and his wife went on a Smithsonian tour of Los Angeles art and architecture (followed by Arizona golfing) and later a tour of art stops along the Elbe River, including Dresden. He has what can rightly be called a very comprehensive course that he teaches at Fordham U. law school. The title is "Managerial Decision Making," and it covers everything from employment of law firms' staffs to (eight typewritten lines later) recurring problems in business-government relations. **Howard Dissly** has the honor (if that's the

word) of his postcard's being at the very bottom of the mailbox, so long after it had been written that it'd need the title of "Ancient History." With an apology to him, we gotta say that it has a noble purpose, illustrating how important it is to mail back the card that comes with the annual dues bill.

Hardy Cook, BS AE M '40, who's the "junior" of that name, is justly proud of younger members of the family, including Hardy III, for having won top honors for efficient work in their jobs. And Hardy Jr. provides his new address: 9 Manor Knoll Court, Baldwin, MD, where he says, "Having lots of fun" in this assisted living/retirement facility.

Once in new digs in Oregon, your scribe had our crystal ball thoroughly checked (even a new lube job), and its first future peer was that another '38 mini-reunion may (non-guaranteed forecast) be planned in 2002, and a leading locale (these days known as "venue") might be a Mississippi River showboat. But it's up to the whole class to show interest to Prez **Harry Martien** and The Doalot **Doolittles**, **Bill** and **Elsie (Harrington)**. And NOW is the time to show interest by suggestions and specifying attendance as perhaps, probably, or solid. **John Sly** went transcontinental to the Seattle area to visit sons, daughter, and grandkids for a month, renting an apartment there. He also took a trip to Sea Island, GA. He reports sightings of **Jim Vaughn**, and he "glimpsed" **Hank Godshall '36**, of Big Red sports fame, at an Ivy League luncheon. The Sly wisdom of the moment is: "Considering, all goes as you'd expect, sometimes creakily."

How many remember the famed (now retired) longtime *New York Times* columnist Russell Baker, who once titled an unnamed '38er as "Intercollegiate Necking Champion"? Well, in the ensuing decades leading into our current New Millennium, three of our classmates have claimed this crown. Two of those have offered bribes if they'd be named in this column; the third is threatening adverse litigation along the lines of libel if he IS so revealed, because, he says, he once casually mentioned to his wife that he'd seen Baker's veiled allusion, and her fiercely screamed rejoinder was, "REPUGNANT!" Watch this space as details unfold. Meanwhile, is there a crack, bargain-price lawyer in the house?

It's not often that the press honors an outsider by printing his/her suggestion. But our Harold Segall achieved it in a comment on a big-time tourney at golf's cradle, the famed St. Andrew's courses. In re a horrid round for pro David Duval, in a disastrous triple-bogey while paired against Tiger Woods, no less, came this Segall suggestion: "A small sign should be posted close to the bunker, quoting from Dante's 'Inferno': 'Abandon all hope, ye who enter here.'"

Bob (Robert A.) **Shaw**, switching to a new personal motto that may attract many of us, "Don't do today what can be put off till the week after tomorrow," attributed said thinking to having reached the 20-year point of retirement. He has other noble advice for classmates, especially the males, anyway: "We enjoy trailer living, most attractive in summer,

to say nothing of bikinis at the pool." ♦ **Fred Hillegas**, Stoneybrook #113, 4700 SW Holyhock Cir., Corvallis, OR 97333-1372.

Elsie Harrington Doolittle and **Bill** continue to fill the months with hobbies and travel, and my recent plea for news brought a fascinating account of the past year's highlights. With their four children scattered from Connecticut and New York to Michigan and California, they are frequently on the road, as well as overseas. In 1999 they visited South America, from La Paz to Lake Titicaca, Machu Picchu, Cuzco, Lima, and a flight over the Nasco lines—all fascinating. This year, accompanied by their oldest daughter Harriet and husband **George Burrell '61**, they covered much of Germany and Austria, enjoying the spectacular scenery in the Tyrol, visiting ancient castles, and finally ending in Munich. When at home, Bill spends hours in his workshop at his model ship-building; Elsie's activities include museum docenting and hours in her garden.

Now let's hear from some of you others! Am I the only one still cutting the grass?

♦ **Helen Reichert** Chadwick, 225 N. Second St., Lewiston, NY 14092.



Congratulations to our own **Bill Fuerst**, who was recently honored by receiving the prestigious Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award.

Chet Freeman, MS Ag '45, has been busy attending Elderhostels. The first was in New Zealand, where he found friendly people, beautiful scenery, and lots of sheep. More recently, during September he visited both Scotland and Ireland, coming back with a distinct brogue. After 35 years of practicing medicine, radiology to be exact, **Bill** (William J.) **Brown** has now retired but has remained busy tutoring dyslexic adults. For ten years he was an active bicyclist in both the US and Europe, then resorted to tennis and golf, both of which are now dwindling. Bill lost his wife in 1985 but thoroughly enjoys keeping up with his three sons and five grandchildren.

Our thoughts are with **Jack Tallman** in the loss of his wife last year, but he is rejoicing in the birth of a great-granddaughter whose parents are both class of '92. Our condolences go out to **Phil Fitzhugh**, who lost his wife last April. **Brien Benjamin '96** reports that his father **Roger Benjamin** passed away last March after a long bout with lung cancer. Brien cared for him and his mother for many months at their home in Littleton, CO.

Phil (Lawrence P.) **Young** enjoys reading the class notes but regrets that their sedentary lifestyle prohibits contributing some of their own. No worry, Phil, just take care of Wyoming, who is recovering from heart valve surgery. They both enjoy life in their retirement area in Arkansas and the opportunity to meet with other World War II veterans. One of the highlights of Phil's service was his assignment as the emergency power man in Gen. MacArthur's message center.

A Club Med holiday in the Bahamas was much to the liking of **Bernard Livingston**

and all his family. In fact, it was so good that he and his wife are planning a 2001 Natural History-sponsored tour to France, Spain, and Portugal. **Bob Boochever**, JD '41, interrupts his work as a senior judge in the US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit only with an occasional game of golf. **Jack "Red" Babson** is executive director of the humanitarian organization Global Water, whose motto is, "Clean water is the gift of life." For more information on this very worthwhile organization search your computer for www.globalwater.org.

Although the weather hasn't been too cooperative, **A. R. "Bud" Davis** and Sandy still enjoy their golf. The bad days are spent making plans for a trip to France and Spain to celebrate their 20th wedding anniversary. **Al Kuchler** stays busy and healthy with his garden and Rotary, to say nothing about horse-shoe pitching, bowling, and golf; two leagues of each.

Tidbit: Life should be lived like a cavalry charge . . . not like a nudist crossing a barbed wire fence. ♦ **Russ Martin**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850.

This class correspondent looks forward to the '39 News form in September and October—it brings fresh news of you and yours. I am always delighted to welcome a hitherto missing classmate and to broadcast her news to the '39 world. Please keep it up, because we care. Twice widowed, **Gertrude Henry Warner Johnson** is now in an assisted living facility in Danville, CA, near her son Ralph. The manager there turned out to be a former Cornell football player, Class of '37, hometown Elmira. Gertrude says she is involved in lots of activities but doesn't specify what, so we can only assume she's busy rollerblading, bungee jumping, and hang gliding, no doubt. **Eleanor Dodge Hassett** lost her husband **Thomas '40** in July. She has decided to stay on at Acacia Village in Utica and would like to hear from old friends. Her address is 2160 Bleeker St., #A119, Utica, NY, 13501. We regret your loss, Peg, and hope things will go well for you.

Marian Putnam Wentworth reports that her husband's glaucoma and her own heart problems have somewhat curtailed their activities, but they are "out and about." The weddings of two granddaughters and the fun of three great-grandchildren have added spice to their lives. **Isabel Whiton de Witt** and husband **Hal '37** have withdrawn their application to a new retirement facility in Venice, FL, because of problems with delays, legal suits, and financial troubles. They will stay in their Circle Woods condo and hire help when necessary. This is the first time I have heard of retirement facility problems. Have any of you been disappointed? The de Witts are now looking forward to a tour of Europe with their daughter, including the Passion Play and some time in Vienna, probably waltzing to Strauss refrains. Why not? **Barbara Gay Ringholm** feels very lucky to be alive and well and able to maintain her log house and fifteen acres. She delightedly reports that she won \$200 using 39 as her lucky number at her

square dance club. More proof that '39 is forever!

Sadly, we heard from William L. Stoutenburgh that his wife, **Betty Mallabar** Nilsen Stoutenburgh, passed away Apr. 23, '00. One of her proudest accomplishments was being the first female engineer and lead engineer at Cape Canaveral during the Apollo Project. We lift our glass to another remarkable classmate. Our sincere regrets to her husband and son, Anders M. Nilsen, a director of financial aid at Manatee Community College in Bradenton, FL.

We have had our first snow this October 9, much too soon for me. My husband, **Bernie '41**, finally retired from Cornell in August and we shall be facing the winter gales in Ithaca together now full-time. Hope your New Year is full of laughter. ♦ **Ruth Gold Goodman**, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-6357.

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To catch up with news and mailings: **F. A. Nerret** has not been receiving some of our mailings. I hope this has been cleared up. If not, please let me know! Another not heard from often is **Charles Bowen**, living on Hazard Hill, Binghamton, NY. He has retired from Bowe Building Block Co., Binghamton. He enjoys the summer get-togethers with brother Psi Us from our class. He has seen what England and France have to offer, but I glean that a favorite may be Cape Cod!

Lois Milhening Vincelette lives at 7518 Santa Fe Trail, Bayonet Point, FL, and she loves retirement there in Florida. She helps her environment by being the chair of the Litter Committee. She has traveled extensively, covering Seoul, Korea, Hong Kong, and Bangkok and Phuket in Thailand during the fall of 1998. She writes of two grandchildren, one who graduated from U. of Minnesota with his wife, and another who is engaged and still in college. They grow up very quickly! **Leigh Grimes** Colver experienced the sudden death of her husband Donald in April 1999 after working together in Medford, NJ, as owners of the insurance underwriting company, Hitchner Bros. Inc. They retired in 1965 and sold the company in 1976. Leigh enjoyed five weeks in Maui in 1998 and will return in 2001. Good for her.

To catch up with **Whitman Jordan Severinghaus** from Shreveport, LA: He gave up the Dual Flight Instruction and the chance of regaining his pilot's license after 11 hours. Quote: "No touch." He still works with a friend building a 75 percent-scale Mustang which may fly in 1999. (Did it?) His own 32-foot and 21-foot sloops have been traded or given away. He spent a good week visiting with classmate **Gordon Dale**, JD '47, who lives in Laguna Niguel, CA. Whitman followed this by attending his older son's graduation from U. of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA. He adds, "No choir, no opera chorus. My activity with Gilbert and Sullivan Society degraded from sing/dance to cooking large beef or chicken curry for meetings. On the whole

am surprised and pleased to be alive and healthy." We all must agree with the last statement. ♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, PO Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; tel., (518) 632-5237.

REUNION

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From your correspondent **Jane Webb Acton**: This will be my last Women of '41 column. I came on board in the fall of 1997, expecting to write up our news as long as I could. Unfortunately, my dear husband of 58 years suffers from anemia as well as diabetes. An ulcer that would not heal resulted in his left leg being amputated six inches below his knee. Healing is a slow process, compounded by pneumonia. He is making progress at Taughannock House, the skilled care unit of our Kendal home, doing lots of therapy and looking forward to being fitted for a prosthesis at the end of October. I am too busy with **Chuck** (Charles H. '40) to continue doing the column.

However, I am happy to report that **Dorothy Talbert** Wiggins will be taking over as the Women's correspondent beginning with the March/April 2001 column. Please continue to mail in your News forms, or contact Dot directly at the address listed at the end of this column.

Nancy (Rider) and Roland C. Bishop both retired from medical practice. They keep busy visiting their four children and eight grandchildren. They are into such community activities as AAUW, ACLU, U.U. Church and politics, particularly universal health care. They will soon move to a condo near the U. of Michigan in Ann Arbor. **Betty Niles** Gray and spouse John travel at every opportunity. In January they went to Trinidad and Tobago for birding and kayaking. They will be taking a trip to England to visit famous gardens and attend the Chelsea flower show. Another trip will be with Betty's two sisters to study architecture. In June they were scheduled to circumnavigate Iceland on an expedition ship. Later on they will make their fifth trip to Africa to see animals in Namibia.

Jean Syverson Lewis and husband

“**Barbara Gay Ringholm** reports that she won \$200 using 39 as her lucky number.”

RUTH GOLD GOODMAN '39

Leonard W. '41, BS AEM '46, from Bear Creek, NC, enjoy buying, selling, boarding, and training horses. **Elizabeth Turvery** Cornish writes with enthusiasm, "It is a pleasure working at the most interesting and rewarding business in the world." She is starting her 38th year as a stockbroker, now at the Ithaca office of A. G. Edwards. Betty's daughter and son-in-law live nearby. "We spend countless summer hours on Cayuga Lake, boating and enjoying the Yacht Club. I am active in the Chamber of Commerce and on the McGraw

House board. Looking forward to Reunion!" ♦ **Dorothy Talbert** Wiggins, 358 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850-6504.

Bill Webber reminds all of us to mark our new 2001 calendars with our 60th Reunion, June 7-10. Once again, our honorary members will be invited to attend. They are President Emeritus Frank Rhodes, his wife Rosa, Ted and Jeanne Thoren, and **Jean Haupin** Sickles '43. Remember, our class headquarters and rooms will be centrally located in the Statler Hotel.

Guess what political party **Bob Lowe**, BA '46, favors way out there in Honolulu, Hawaii? "The Hawaii real estate is a basket case, with 77 foreclosures last weekend in the Honolulu area. I blame the complete dominance of the Democratic Party since 1955 for this miserable condition! Regards." **John Borst and Mickey (Heise) '42** continue their dual existence in Leesburg, FL, and near Hamilton, NY. They visited Fran Fowler (**Bob Fowler's** widow) in both Vermont and Florida. They went with her to visit Sue English in Flett's Landing, FL. **Cal English** is confined to an Alzheimer's unit. Another Florida classmate, **Hartley Martin**, MS Ag '54, winters in Lehigh Acres. He and his chainsaw eliminate undergrowth from his church's woods. He makes a prettier sound in the church choir. He also volunteers in the local hospital.

Bill and Nancy **Hagar** enjoyed a 10-day cruise aboard the *Regal Empress* in February, which started in Tampa, and then went on to Grand Cayman, the Panama Canal, Columbia, and Costa Rica. "A great experience ashore in Gatun Lake Locks. A tough retirement—golf two or three times a week, beach, and pool. See y'all June 7-10, God willing."

Howard Dunbar, MD '44, is happy in North Florida. "Two children live in the area, so great family affairs. All using computers, so that is standard conversation." **Bill Don** continues to do volunteer tutoring in math at Edenton (NC) Community College. **Ray Kruse** is planning a move to a retirement village in Peterborough, NH. It's a nice place,

quite like one in Ithaca. **Henry Heimlich**, MD '43, also anticipates attending the 60th.

Paul A. Schoellkopf died October 8, '00 at age 83. Thanks to Judge **John Elfvin** for sending his obituary.

In "Spirit!" (the Cornell Athletic Dept. newsletter), **Lou Conti** wrote a most fitting tribute to **Alva Kelley** who died in August '99. Kelley was an outstanding end on Carl Snavely's great teams of '38, '39, and '40. A member of the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame, he received All-East and All-American hon-

ors. After graduating with a mechanical engineering degree, he served in the Army for five years. He returned to Cornell as end coach from '46 to '48, was a line coach at Yale from '49 to '51, and then served as head coach at Brown for seven years. From there, he went to Colgate, and from '63 to '69, he was head coach at Hobart. In '69 he retired from coaching and joined the Hobart Development dept. In '98, Kelley received the American football coaches association's Distinguished Service Award. ♦ **Ralph Antell**, 7015 Carnation St., #408, Richmond, VA 23225-5233.



Everyone heed the September newsletter from Pres. **Dick Thomas** (Meadville, PA). If you know anyone who has not joined the class, give them a nudge. We'd like to see EVERYONE at our 60th in 2002.

A nostalgic letter from **Barbara Gerlach Frey** (Covington, LA) reminisced about college and war days. She met **Walt Matuszak '41**, DVM '43, at her son's wedding in Briarcliff Manor and saw **Mort Landsberg '41** several times in New York City. Barbara and husband Jack spent the summer traversing NY State. Her gala 80th birthday party at Hampton Bays included most of their large family of five children and offspring. They went to the races at Saratoga and visited the Adirondacks, Westchester, and other familiar spots.

Art Foster (Bellevue, WA) keeps alive his hockey career playing in the 75-team Snoopy Tournament in Santa Rosa, CA, and in over-70 tournaments in Nanaimo, BC, and Calgary, AB, Canada. He is building a model railroad with a neighbor and enjoys his four kids and ten grands. **Caryl Jennings** (Athens, OH), a receptionist at an art museum, enjoys her three kids and grands. She spent a week in Oahu visiting a granddaughter who teaches in Japan. Another granddaughter just completed a semester in Paris. A nature lover, Caryl carves birds from basswood and paints them. **Charles Dye** (Rochester Hills, MI) is a volunteer and trustee of the Michigan Nature Assn., a land conservancy organization with 153 preserves and sanctuaries. He took a birding trip to Costa Rica and competed in a 5K running race in Flint (fredidy@aol.com). **Peggy Austin** Gooding (Golden, CO) is recovering nicely from a stroke under the watchful eye of daughter **Ann Gooding '73**.

John Baer (San Diego, CA) tutors in elementary school, belongs to Optimist Int'l, and volunteers in the police department, Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol (RSVP). He also takes short junkies to visit family and friends (he plays golf—makes him thankful all his kids live nearby). **Ed Sokolski** (Redondo Beach, CA; 73554.1003@compuserve.com) and Renee are still plugging away in intellectual property law (patents, trademarks, copyrights). He's active in Rotary foreign exchange programs. They met high school buddies in NYC, toured Israel and Turkey, and are celebrating their 50th. Ed still enjoys ham radio and playing the piano.

Donald Walsemann, BS Ag '47 (Scottsdale, AZ) retired in 1988 and took up garden-

ing. He reminisced about the good old days with **Jerry Nuffer '43** in Adams, NY, and **Bob Spickerman**, BS Ag '47, and the family of **Max Shaul** in Middleburg, NY. **Robert H. Wright** (Royal Oak, MI) visited Whistler Resort in British Columbia and played golf with his daughter and grandsons. He has a 14 handicap when he plays at home. He also likes watercolor painting. **Geraldine Backus** Berg (Eden, NY) helps in many church and elementary school activities. She sees **Shirley Lewis** Allen (E. Aurora, NY), who is dealing with the effects of two strokes. Jerry enjoys crafts and sewing for church bazaars, and her grands and three great-grands. **John Chesbro** (Springfield, VA) retired from the US Army. John sings in the choir and visits Virginia Beach and Florida for golfing and swimming.

William Whiting (Contoocook, NH) retired in 1982. He plays golf and watches his five athletic grands in their endeavors. Sadly, his wife of 56 years, **Jean (Warner) '43**, passed away. **Thomas B. Wilson** (Milwaukee, WI; TBWilson@worldnet.att.net) gave a generous contribution to the class fund. **Sam Cook**, PhD '50 (Hogansburg, NY) is financial secretary of the Knights of Columbus Council and is active in the St. Regis Parish. He travels to North Dakota and Canada, likes to garden, and has two grands in Buffalo, NY. He and Edith cruised to Nice, Barcelona, Casablanca, and Madeira. **Richard C.** and **Carolyn Franklin** (Shrewsbury, MA) toured Norway and enjoy repairing and refinishing furniture. Richard likes to sail and fly, and is into photography. They enjoy two children and four grands.

Frank Eldredge (Auburn, NY) is president of Cayuga County Boy Scouts and trustee of the First Presbyterian Church. He retired as commander in the USNR after 40 years. He and Nancy enjoy fishing and waterskiing on Owasco Lake. Their big family includes two children, seven grands, and three great-grands. **Louis Fishman** (Hightstown, NJ) is still into medicine, attending monthly teaching conferences in cardiology activity and ECG interpretation. He received the Golden Merit Award for 50 years of medical service in New Jersey. He sees **Robert Lewis** and **Dave Silverberg** (NYC) and attends Cornell/Princeton games. Louis and Ronnie have traveled all over the world. He likes to golf, ski, and play the piano, but misses going to Ithaca, "the campus of the world." He looks forward to **Don Kent**, MD '45, organizing the 60th Reunion. Constance **Herrick** sadly reports the passing of **Sam** (Southampton, NY) five days before his 80th birthday. He died in the same room he was born in.

Keep writing to me and e-mail those mentioned, and send your e-mail address to **Lynn Timmerman**, ltimmerman@iopener.net. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 2933 76th SE #13D, Mercer Island, WA, 98040; e-mail, CeeFinn@juno.com.



"End September found us in Ithaca for Homecoming and Big Red last ditch 24-23 victory over Yale," writes **Miller Harris** in his customary deadening prose. Friday night **Mary Louise (Snellenburg) '45**

and I attended the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award banquet honoring **Marguerite (Moore) '45** and **W. McNeill Baker**. Previous honoree **Larry Lowenstein**, accompanied by wife Marie, was asked to take a bow. Seemed to please him. Our class boasts two members of this elite society. Hunter Rawlings spoke of Cornell's recent successes, future plans. Impressive data. Impressive man. Tall. **Dick Keegan '49** also honored. Not as tall. He'll be okay as soon as he gets over his stage fright. You can read his column a few pages to the right. Saturday to jam-packed Schoellkopf with the entire Lowenstein clan, including son **Kenneth '71** and grandson **Jeffrey '04**, and then on to Statler with **Roy Unger** for victory drinks with Keren and **Gene Saks** and daughter **Annabelle '04**. Great time. Gene took the check. Really great time."

Another honoree: **Jay S. Rosenthal** was named realtor of the year by the Appraisal Division of the LI Board of Realtors. "Nothing new. Still pretty healthy," writes **Dinty** (Robert A.) **Moore**. "Golf twice a week. Ski once a year, around New Year's, with the kids. Miss my Bobbie very much even though it's been 2-1/2 years now. Actually, something new did happen. The kids took me to the US Open at Pebble Beach. A great time. Then in July, Number 1 daughter Demie and husband and two close friends from Salt Lake City let me join them for a trip to St. Andrews for the British Open. Some year!" Let you join them? Dinty, face it—you're good company.

Nancy Jessup Underwood, M Ed '43, having attended her 60th Ithaca High School reunion last summer, writes from Manchester, TN, that husband **Bob '42**, MME '49, has fully recovered after a sudden blast of wind at Nashville airport two years ago caused a broken hip. Their sons live near Chicago, near Detroit, near Pensacola; Nancy's sisters live in Ohio and Missouri, her brother in Florida. "We're on the road a lot."

"Still running through airports," writes **Robert Burger**. "Held a three-day cooling tower technology seminar in Amsterdam and another in Kuwait. Have construction jobs going in Houston, Jamaica, and Lima, OH. Hollywood has my SciFi novel "Third Planet," and as soon as they raise \$45 mil, casting starts. Hah! Am finishing a biography of my fantastic uncle who fought in Spain, and was decorated by Patton. The gurus at my writer's workshop warn: "Don't give up your day job."

On now-yellowing paper—could have been white when she mailed it—**Mary Hon-orowley Rivin** writes: "From the 3,000 sq. ft. house we built in Santa Fe in 1974, we are shoe-horning into a 1,300 sq. ft. unit in El Castillo, a nearby retirement community. I hear often from my college roommate **Mary Jane Dilts** Achey '45. M.J.'s sister **Peggy Dilts** Lakis writes: "Lost my dear husband Jim last March after 48 years of marriage. Busy trying to rebuild my life. Keep in touch with roommates **Patricia Homer Shaw**, who, with her husband **Charles**, splits time between Ocala, FL, and Costa Rica, and with **Gracia Byrne** Ostrander, who shared with me a great

time at our 55th Reunion.”

Other deaths, alas. From Deerfield Beach, FL, **Susannah Krehbiel** Horger, MD '47: “In June 1998 my husband (Eugene L., an internist for many years with NY Hospital-Cornell Medical School) and I attended '43's Reunion. We built our entire trip around Reunion, traveling from Florida to Rhode Island, Maine, Ohio, Utah, and points in between. We had a great time, and were indeed fortunate to grab the opportunity. Gene died last April of an intracranial hemorrhage.”

Patricia Rider Huber tells us that her longtime good friend **Gladys Molyneux** lost her seven-month battle with lung cancer last February. After graduation, Gladys was a chemist for Penn Salt and when her father died in 1947 she became president of Molyneux Oil Company, retiring 32 years later. She was a member of the CU Alumni Assn. “It was devastating,” wrote Pat, “to see such a feisty, happy, vital, and productive person be wasted by disease.” From **Herm Jones** '42: “I sadly report the death of my wife **Jean (Copeland)** after a short illness. Her death came in August at the time of a scheduled family reunion to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary. It was to be held at a beautiful beach home on the Outer Banks of North Carolina and attended by all three of our children, their spouses, and our four grandchildren.”

“**Thelma (Emile)** '45 and I went to Hobe Sound, FL, for Connie and **Milt Coe**'s 55th wedding anniversary,” writes **Sam Hunter**, “and back to the Hill for Thelma's 55th Reunion. Earlier we had a private lunch with Rosa and Frank Rhodes. Now that was a thrill!” Sam continues: “Sixty-one years ago, the Cornell freshman basketball team ran out onto the floor in Barton Hall. Our first game. We wore white T-shirts stamped CUAA, grey trunks, white socks, hand-me-down sneakers. Not a thing worth stealing. Starting five: **Hugh Bennett**, MD '45, **Milt Coe**, **John Harper**, **Bill Stewart**, myself. Crowd small, quiet. Consisted of roommate **John Olsen**. He was reading the *Sun*. We won, I think, against Cortland Normal's varsity. That was a long time ago.” Lovely story, Sam. ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, 1955 Miller Rd., Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.



It's a new year but here's some old news I will not leave unreported. Several classmates sent regrets for missing Reunion.

Ruth Gillett Murray plans to catch up in 2004. Meanwhile she's gardening, helping to keep Friends of the Library and church affairs going, and enjoying her literature club. As part of the club's Irish study she organized a women's group at the Unitarian Society to learn folk and fairy tales. Husband **John** '43, BA '47, JD '48, still practices law. They hike in the nearby Rockefeller Preserve and do Elderhostels, including a canoe trip on small rivers in Florida. Three of their five grandchildren live nearby. **Beatrice Noback** Robbins got involved in her youngest son's wedding festivities in June 1999. She and Frank attended an

Adult University (CAU) course in Annapolis on foreign affairs, where Prof. Walter LaFeber lectured. Their daughter **Mary Robbins Collina** '69 had studied with him. **Cecil Ruskay** Schatz, BA '43, was sorry she didn't get to Ithaca but did spend a week in Santa Fe and two weeks in London on a classical music tour (Elderhostel). She reports that **Norma Hirshon** Schatz, BA '43, whom she sees often, has eight grandchildren.

Short Takes: **Cushing Phillips**, BCE '43, announced a new granddaughter, born in Montgomery, AL, to daughter Annette Phil-

lips March class 'break.'” **Howard Evans**, PhD '50, was CAU's tour guide for the “Natural History in the Fields and Streams of Ithaca” last August. He and Erica will lead another “Natural History of Hawaii” trip to three islands for CAU in February 2001. They welcome all. Call (607) 255-6260. **Thomas Eschweiler**, BA '48, BArch '50, is still involved in the Wisconsin Architectural Archives, which he founded 21 years ago. From 60 sets of architectural drawings by five architects, to 10,000 sets by 450 to date, they are all bound, computer logged, and inventoried into

“Karen and Richard Huff moved from 'Paradise to Paradise.’”

NANCY TORLINSKI RUNDSELL '44

lips Taylor. **Kathleen Pierce** Putnam reported a newest great-grandson and said she still plays in a five-octave handbell choir. **Bill** (William A.) **Brown**, BME '47, claims three granddaughter grads of U. of Virginia and two grandsons of Princeton, one a grad and one a junior, plus “one grandson just learning to read.” Bill and Ann spent an 18th season in Chautauqua and an Elderhostel in Italy. **Herbert Eskwitt** lives in the hills of Hillsdale, NY, and stays periodically in their *piéd-à-terre* in midtown Manhattan, “so we can enjoy society and see how the rest of the world lives.” **Bill** (William S.) **Wheeler**, BME '47, and Jo enjoy summers at their home on Nantucket. Eleven grandchildren visit from time to time. **Richard Basom**, DVM '44, says, “After spending 42 years in my chosen profession (veterinary medicine) I have now enjoyed 13 years of retirement in the Rochester, NY, region which has relatively mild winters.” **Richard Huff** and Karen moved from “Paradise to Paradise.” After more than seven years on the Big Island of Hawaii, they now live in Sonoma County (Santa Rosa), California. “The weather's not as good but the wineries are closer.”

Helen Knapp Ingerson is also enjoying retirement, “after many years working as a dietitian in nutrition and teaching and managing in food service.” She and her husband spend time in Rochester on Lake Ontario during the summer and live in Punta Gorda, FL. Helen keeps busy sailing and running races. As a judge for the International Sailing Federation she has traveled extensively overseas, as well as in the US.

Some of us don't want to retire. **William Elkins**, BA '47, LLB '49, closed his law office in Burdett, NY, two years ago but works full-time as law clerk for the county judge. He is also master of the local grange, adjutant of a very active Legion Post, and a chapter leader in the John Birch Society. Married 56 years, he and **Helen (Sutphen)** have five married children and ten grands. Helen teaches a Bible study group at the Falls Home. **Margaret Pearce** Addicks writes, “Still stamping out ignorance at The Gunnery because it's fun. Squeezed in a Lisbon-to-Barcelona sail in the

20 categories. He has written a “How to found your own archives” brochure which has been sent to Australia, New Zealand, China, etc., on demand.

Dotty Kay Kesten, BS HE '43, reported on the Homecoming Cornell/Yale game—exciting 24-23 win! Attendees at the post-game party hosted by **Bob Ballard** and Renata were: **Pearne Billings**, BA '46, and Nancy, **Howard Blose**, B Chem E '47, and **Marion (Graham)** '46, **Forris Chick** and Lynn, **Harold Darling**, BS Ag '47, and guest, **Lou Daukas**, BA '47, and **Janet (Buhsen)** '46, **Bob Garmezy**, BEE '43, and Alice, **Doris Holmes Jenkins** and **Du Bois** '43, **Art**, BA '49, and **Dotty Kesten**, **Peter Miller**, MBA '48, and Nancy, **Hilda Lozner** Milton, BA '43, and granddaughter, **Dan Morris**, BA '76, **Harold Parker**, BA '47, JD '50, and **June (Smith)**, MS '50. **Cushing Phillips** and **Barry**, **Alfred Richley**, BS Ag '46, **Mort** and **Lila Perless Savada**, **Roy Unger** '43, **Bud**, BS AE '43, and **Erma “Gale” Nightingale Wiggin** '45, BS HE '44, and **Bill Zieman**, BS CH E '43, and Mary Jo. With other family members, the group numbered about 50. Only seven of those named did not join the group for the dutch treat dinner which followed. All agreed it was a great weekend. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski Rundell**, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir. #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.



Although reported separately we must take note of the death of our immediate past-president, **James Shaw**, BCE '48 (East Amherst, NY). Those who attended Reunion noted Jim's determination to be a part of it, even in his wheelchair and in obvious pain. His family was with him at home. He was all-Cornell and we are grateful for all he did for the class. I was personally saddened (but in a way, not) by the news of the death of my brother Beta and roomie, **William Frank Pearson**, MME '48 (Bethesda, MD), which I received via a phone call from his widow, Shirley. Bill had been in terrible shape the last year, and for six years Shirley took the best loving care of Bill that anyone could wish for. I'm

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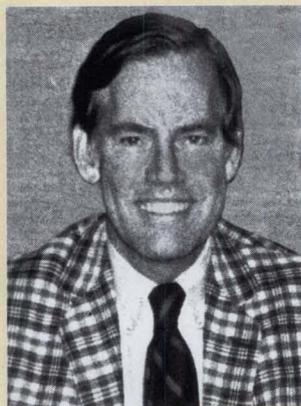
BLAIR ROGERS '45

I really wanted to be a brain surgeon," says Blair Rogers, "but once I saw what could be done with plastic surgery during World War II, I changed my mind. I wanted to repair the wounded."

Working as an army surgeon, Rogers put in sixteen-hour days operating on returning soldiers at a hospital in New York City. After the war, he started a private plastic surgery practice in Manhattan; he also became one of the earliest researchers of tissue and organ transplantation. As both a hobby and a scientific exercise, Rogers began exploring the history of wartime plastic surgery, focusing on the Civil War. In 1975, he founded an academic journal, *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery*, to which he has contributed articles on medical and historical issues in the field, while working as the publication's editor.

Doing research at the Army Medical Museum and the Museum of Science and Industry (both in Washington, DC) and in Cornell's Olin Library, the Columbia Medical School grad studied the work of such doctors as Reed Bontecou and Gordon Buck, Union surgeons in the Civil War. He compared the surgeons' photographic documentation with their written records, trying to decipher how grafting and reconstruction procedures were done in the mid-nineteenth century. "I enjoy observing their craftsmanship," he says. "I admire elegance in surgery."

—Jonathan Kivell '02



sure many will remember his tremendous intelligence, beautiful singing voice, and athletic ability. A Tau Beta Pi engineer, he worked for several companies before starting his own business, Pearson Machine Controls.

Speaking of Betas, **O. Thomas Bufalow** (Hillsborough, CA) reports that he joined Beta **Stan Taylor '50**, wife JoAnn, and 21 other Cornellians aboard the *Kirov*, cruising Russian rivers and lakes in August 1999. Tom and Marie spent time in Moscow and St. Petersburg and said it was great. Another traveler is **Esther Forbes Twentyman Potter** (Homer, NY), who, with husband **Carleton, DVM '40**, toured the Andes Lake District in Chile/Argentina and highly recommends it. Her daughter **Jane (Twentyman) '78**, married to Prof. **Scott MacDonald '78**, PhD '86, is running her own graphics business in Ithaca; grandson **Michael MacDonald** became a Cornell alumnus in June '99, and her other offspring, **Mark '73** and **Lee '69**, keep the Cornell tradition going.

Our most recent graduate, **Helene Scheuer Rosenblatt, BS HE '94** (Ithaca) could easily wear you out with her activities (four grandchild graduations, with six more to go, and at last one Cornellian, **Marc '00**) around Cornell and Ithaca, but she finds time

to traipse to Italy, Spain, Portugal, Greece, Turkey, Israel, and other foreign places like Arizona, California, and Iowa. Meanwhile, hubby Bob (Hamilton '43) takes off for New York City, Iowa, Texas, Australia, and Europe. Their frequent-flier miles must be astounding.

Also helping with legacies is our distinguished retired IBM vice president, **Jerrier Haddad** (Briarcliff Manor, NY), who advises that his grandson **Adam DeGarmo '90** and wife **Cathy Allen '89** have presented him with two great-grandchildren, expected to be future Cornellians. Jerry's other grandson, **Noah DeGarmo '00**, will be attending Columbia Med School. Jerry's wife Carol is active in the local historical society but had a new hip installed, and Jerry had shoulder surgery, so traveling has been at a minimum. Nevertheless, he is still vice president of the Inst. of Electrical & Electronic Engineers Foundation and Education Activities Board. He also makes a few bucks consulting. Your correspondent can attest to his ability to do so, as Jerry was one of the smartest guys to come down the EE pike, not to mention being a good fellow.

Now comes **Thelma Emile Hunter** (St. Paul, MN), who spends winters in Naples, FL, performing in chamber music concerts and ap-

pearing with son John, a clarinetist, and his wife, Karin, a flutist, both with the Syracuse symphony. She and **Sam '43** recently helped **Milt Coe '43** celebrate a 55th anniversary, after which they enjoyed visiting with **Bill and Evelyn "Mo" Knowlton Lambert** (Dayton, OH, and Naples, FL) and former roomie **Faye Seelbach Schmitt** (Homosassa, FL). Thelma also gabbed with **Jean Herr Gehrett** (Hilton Head, SC). Fellow activist **Erma Nightingale Wiggin** (Hollis, NH) and **Bud '44** are still running their family business (manufacturing medical instrumentation, and test equipment for food, dairy and microbiology laboratories) via e-mail, fax, etc. They say it's too much fun to retire, but are active in '44 activities and watching over their grandchildren. In between, they play tennis, bike, swim, and walk, and think "it's great to be alive!"

E-mail! Please send me your e-mail address. I am still trying to compile a list which will be promulgated once it has more than the six I now have. Let's get modern! ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; e-mail, cescoVA@aol.com; website: hometown.aol.com/CescoVA/CU1945.html.

REUNION

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Happy New Year 2001. This is the year of our 55th Reunion—put that on your calendar NOW—June 7-10. We'd like to send a special thank you to all who sent their dues this past year. We'd also like to encourage all of you to send some news about yourself. We do like to keep in touch. We CARE about you. Hope to see you on the Hill this June.

Nancy Mynott Davis (somehow I've lost her correct address) has been tutoring foreign students from Bosnia, Honduras, and Hong Kong in English and writing. She also specializes in helping high school students prepare essays for their college applications. "We live in a rural part of town in a house which reminds us of our old 1795 Vermont farmhouse, which we sold in the summer of 1999 after owning it for 45 years. We have five grandchildren aged 7 to 13 years." Also volunteering after teaching for 15 years is **Elizabeth Otten, MS '48** (Chula Vista, CA). She is volunteering (almost full-time) at the San Diego Opera. **Joyce Reed Folsom** (Queensbury, NY) has an apartment on the edge of Glens Falls. "It is so much easier, I can lock the door and travel."

Donald and Marcia Taube Demarest, BS HE '45 (Chestertown, MD) wrote, "We're both enjoying life in our wonderful retirement community on the eastern shore of Maryland. We're still sailing our Pearson 35 sailboat on Chesapeake Bay. We have four children, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren (twins)." **Gertrude Botsford Moseley, BS HE '45** (DeRuyter, NY) wrote, "I am living with Parkinson's disease successfully." The Moseleys have two daughters. Ruth is a hospice nurse in Ohio, and Cindy and her paraplegic husband have a lawn mower business in Florida.

Ruth Magid Woolfe, BA '45 (Boynton Beach, FL) wrote, "Am using my zoology

background (pre-med) in the Lacahatchee Wildlife Refuge. I assist a graduate student who collects data in the Everglades. We go by airboat (a thrill in itself) and then wade through the mud protected by 'waders.'" Ever feel old? Just discovered that my new ophthalmologist is younger than my son—he's **Francisco Tel-lez '83**. ♦ **Elinor Baier Kennedy**, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607; tel., (610) 777-4938.

I recently heard from **Robert J. Nist** (bobnist@msn.com), who did such a great job of getting fellow V-12ers to attend our 50th in 1996. He'd love to hear from some of the class, either via e-mail as above or via snail mail to 5934 Skimmer Point Blvd., Gulfport, FL 33707. Bob and Ruth visited Hawaii for their 50th anniversary, and for their 51st, Alaska. They caught no fish but did catch a mean case of Alaska Flu. For their 52nd, a first-time visit to Las Vegas. They are thrilled with their adventures in this country and plan "to see more of it before even thinking of going back overseas." (Ed.: Ithaca is in the US. Plan to see us at Reunion.)

Peter J. Verna, MS Eng '48 (Charlotte, NC) and Anne have completed one year of conversion to an employee-owned company. They have 40 co-bosses all looking forward to a good year in their specialty of stucco inspection, repair, and design. Pete and Anne have increased their gardening. The eating was great from their winter garden: carrots, beets, turnips, kale, collards . . . but Anne is recovering from a wrist broken while working in it!

Robert H. Olson (Beaufort, SC; emily_olson@bargray.com) announced, "Emily's daughter gave birth to Matthew on May 17, '99." **Donald S. Ironside**, BEE '45, and **Beatrice** (King of Prussia, PA) enjoy their getaways to Tucson. Don relished his last two Reunions and plans to be on the Hill for our 55th, hopefully with Beatrice. He wonders what happened to two Messina classmates: **Edward T. Kornhauser**, BEE '45, was a distinguished professor of electrical engineering at Brown U. five to ten years ago, who gave opinions on the work of Tesla in a biography published circa 1995. **Richard L. Van Etten** was a Sigma Pi in 1942-43. We have no information. If anyone can help, I'll get the information to Don.

Sheldon C., MD '49, and **Ruth Bayless Kravitz**, BA '45 (Baltimore, MD) are enjoying their seventh year of retirement, another phase of a Cornell romance begun over 54 years ago. They spend winters in Key Biscayne, FL, golfing in the sunshine. Their 14 grandchildren are growing up fast, but none are imminent Cornellians. Shelly fondly remembers playing in a musical combo with **Paul Klein '45** at Beta Sigma Rho. He still plays the piano and keyboard. (Ed.: Our 55th would be a great venue for you, Shelly.)

William A. Sklarz (Edison, NJ; wsklarz@aol.com) and Dorothy report they "finally married off one of their two twenty-something daughters." Even though Bill lives much of the time in Pittsfield, VT, he has enjoyed skiing free in Aspen for the past four years. He and Dorothy are "anchored in the Northeast and plan to keep it that way." He says, "We

have enough relatives and friends in the Sunbelt to visit to satisfy any craving for warmer climes."

Save June 7-10 for our 55th Reunion—2001, an Ithaca Odyssey! We will publish your e-mail and/or web address, if you will e-mail your information to my address below. Be sure to include your name and your current city and state of residence. Send news to: ♦ **Paul Levine**, 31 Chicory Lane, San Carlos, CA 94070; tel., (650) 592-5273; fax, (650) 593-2572; e-mail, pblevine@juno.com.



More Good News. We are writing this in early October, shortly after Homecoming Weekend. At that time, the university's Entrepreneurship and Personal Enterprise Program hosted a highlighted panel luncheon which paid tribute "to the memory and leadership of **Don Berens**, the founder of entrepreneurship studies at Cornell." What an impact he had! **Muriel "Mike" (Welch) and Dick** (Richard W.) **Brown '49** were busy that weekend with receptions, duties, and fun, including viewing the exciting Yale game (CU 24, Yale 23) with **Margi Schiavone Berens** and her daughters **Liz, MPS Ag '78, Julie, and Mary '74**, and two grandchildren. Mary Berens, director of alumni affairs, was busy hosting returned alums, but made time for visiting. Mike and Dick were anticipating their Adult University (CAU) trip to France: seven days on a houseboat on the Seine, followed by a trip to Normandy to view the invasion sight. Dick's area of combat was North Africa.

Martha Rausch Ohaus was to be honored in late October for her efforts and generous gifts on behalf of the Cornell Plantations. A bench in the Dean's Garden behind Warren Hall honors her "for bringing Cornell Plantations and The College of Human Ecology closer together both literally and metaphorically." Martha served as the Chair of the Plantations Sponsors for the past two years and as the head of Hum Ec's Development Committee. Her gifts enabled the Plantations to provide permanent maintenance for the path leading from the Plantations grounds to the Martha Van Corridor. The second part of the dedication was to thank Martha for the **Bill Ohaus Trail**, a joint effort with the department of Human Ecology which leads from the Plantations to the Dean's Garden. Congratulations, Martha.

Also honored recently was **Eugene Galton**, BEE '49, a researcher at the Center for Space Research at MIT, who received a NASA Public Service Medal in June. The space agency awarded medals to individuals not employed by the government for exceptional contributions to the mission of NASA. The agency recognized four researchers from MIT for their contributions to the Chandra X-ray Observatory mission at Marshall Flight Center in Huntsville, AL.

We have received copies of letters of thanks from our class Tradition Fellows. One is **Marian Boutet**, a non-traditional student in her junior year, studying Ornamental Horticulture. She is married with two children, one

still in college. She spent years as an industrial engineer at Kodak until she was downsized. Marian plans to work in urban landscaping. **Helen Chu** is a senior majoring in psychology, aiming for medical school, and concentrating on primary care and pediatrics. Born in China, she has lived in southern California and hopes to return to the West Coast. Besides her Cornell experience, she studied for a year at Oxford, traveled through Europe and the British Isles, volunteered at a homeless shelter, and rowed and punted on the Isis. She also went to China as a youth delegate to the China Synergy Program for Outstanding Youth, and was able to tour through much of the country. **John Tauzel** is a sophomore majoring in Dairy Science. He studies Dutch and is planning to spend the spring term in New Zealand at Lincoln University. He rows on the lightweight crew. We surely are spending our money well!

We received a long e-mail from **Seymour Rock** of Sunnyvale, CA, the first time he has shared info of himself. A mechanical engineer, he started at Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., was sent to Florida, then back to Cleveland, then to San Jose, CA, with GE, where his principal assignment was a nuclear plant being built in Switzerland. He later returned to California with Westinghouse. He was married to Betty, a German refugee, with whom he had three children, graduates of UCLA, Stanford, and U of C, all with advanced degrees. Betty died in 1993, and Seymour has since remarried. He says because of the distance from Ithaca he has little contact with Cornell, though he still belongs to Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and interviews applicants. If Cornell is "mostly a remote memory," why not plan to return to our 55th Reunion? E-mail address: seymourrock@aol.com.

Carl and Connie Foley Ferris are spending more time on the farm in Maryland. They have found Naples "busier and busier—not fun." They don't like to travel anymore. Connie plants and weeds; Carl stays busy mowing, and maintaining farm equipment, cars, etc. We hope that means he has recovered and is well. **Ursula Holahan** moved to a retirement community in Charleston, SC. She has a Westie puppy who goes to the beach with her, and she went to Ireland for a family reunion, and to Alberta, Canada, for a reunion with friends from graduate school at U. of Minnesota.

Your correspondent and wife Elaine are off on a major expedition of five weeks to Africa where they will tour South Africa, Botswana, and Zimbabwe. From Arlie: Have a great time but COME BACK! ♦ **Peter D. Schwarz** (written by **Arlie Williamson Anderson**), 12 Glen Ellyn Way, Rochester, NY 14618; tel., (716) 244-5684; fax, (716) 244-1373; e-mail, pschwarz@rochester.rr.com.



Martha Smith Sowell, Palos Verdes Estates, CA: "Keeping house for husband and Siamese cat, shuffling papers, and maintaining e-mail contact with family members keeps me busy. After hours I do water aerobics, go to the gym, walk, and tend my vege-

table garden. Had a bumper crop of strawberries and black raspberries but lost a prolonged battle with the gophers who stole all my artichokes, zucchini, pumpkins, and gladiolas. I will try again next year! (Editor's note: Anybody know how to outwit these gophers?) As I write this we just finished unpacking from a trip to Schaumburg, IL, where we attended my husband Bob's 54th reunion of the World War II 106th Division. We drove from California via Las Vegas, Omaha, Gallup, and Phoenix—2,500 miles. World's largest problem today is (a) lack of brotherly love between nations as well as individuals, and (b) lack of Alzheimer's cure or control. Solutions are (a) stop, look, and listen, and (b) devote more funds for research."

We learned in February from Jacqueline **Browde** that husband **Anatole** ("Tolly") had a quintuple bypass and then contracted pneumonia while he was in the hospital. A call to Tolly found him in the middle of therapy but we learned that he got his PhD in history, and a copy of his dissertation is "in the mail." Tolly and Jacqueline were blessed with their number one grandchild, a seven pound boy, via son **David Browde '72** and his wife **Elizabeth Schub '89**, BA/BFA '90. **Jim Chadwick**, San Jose, CA: "Had both knees replaced at Stanford Hospital in September. Now chasing around all over the place after anything that wears a skirt. Just completed my 50th year in the landscaping business and am in the process of publishing book number two (it may be out in two years). If anyone wants a copy of my 1989 opus, *Chadwick on Individualized Landscaping*, send \$5 for postage and labor to me, 1328 Millich Lane, San Jose, CA 95117 (cleaning out my office). I have been invited to deliver some lectures in the fall 2000 Cornell Plantations lecture series."

Jim Ford Jr.: "Guess what! Married Jacquelyn Spiron on Sept. 18, '99 and now live at 2806 Whisper Oak Dr., Gulf Breeze, FL 32561; phone, (850) 932-6077. Now I have ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren." **Helen Levy Kleinberg**, NYC (and San Diego): "I have become a computer addict, spending two to three hours per day with my laptop. How did we manage to live without them?" **Alberta Cassell Butler**, BArch '49, Washington, DC: "I'm a retired naval architect. The world's most pressing problem today is genetic alteration of foods." **Bill Gibson**, Danville, CA: "I avoid the 'honey-do's' via part-time consulting in statistics and mathematics modeling. After hours, I sail and maintain an old ketch. Sanders and varnishers are welcome. Barbara and I flew back for her 60th reunion at Ithaca High School. Drove through the campus but were short of time. Looking forward to many more nice days filled with fun."

Vincent Greci, Olympia Fields, IL: "Am pursuing redirected interests (different from being just retired)! I'm past president of Olympia Fields Country Club and currently the general chairman of the US Open, USGA 2003. This is a full-time job, directing the USGA and specifically the US Open golf tournament three years from now. Our family events always consist of golf, traveling, fishing,

and eating (we're Italians)! My most pressing problem today, overall, is having an influence on my friends and others in being *nice* to one another. Life is too short to do otherwise! The solution is to listen more and talk less, and be positive, not negative, when we open our mouths. Have recently discovered how *beautiful* a baby is (granddaughter, 4 months old) and how precious human life is.

John Lillich, West Lafayette, IN: "I'm professor emeritus at Purdue U. I now do arbitration and mediation as a part-time board member in the Education Employment Relations Board. Son David lives in Munich. We recently traveled in Germany, tracing the Lillich family roots. Very successful! Life means work and service to the community." **Sidney Law**, Ormond Beach, FL: "Married off a daughter in June 1999 and am now recovering from bankruptcy (almost)." **Maryann Grammer Byers**, Orchard Park, NY: "Husband **John '46**, BA '49, died and I'm retired. Recently traveled to Nova Scotia/JunEAU, AK. Would rather be riding a horse right now. I'm very active in the NY State Horse Council. Our 1998 family reunion was on Victoria Island, Vancouver, and in 1999 we all had Christmas here at Orchard Park."

Barbara Cole Feiden, White Plains, NY: "I'm a free-lance writer and traveler, whenever possible. Spent some time in London last fall, and in March went with husband **Barry '49**, plus his brother **Elliott Feiden '45**, BCE '44, and wife **Elaine (Smith) '44**, to Cuba for a seminar on architectural restoration, sponsored by the neighborhood community development society of Kentucky. We recently celebrated our 50th anniversary. Among the guests present were **Bill Carroll**, up from Williamsburg, VA." **Bill Kaplan**, Chevy Chase, MD, and Boca Raton, FL: "Visited my old Tau Epsilon Phi roommate, **Bill Berley '45**, BS Ag '48, in New York last year, shortly after he lost his wife **Isabel (Mayer) '47**. I'm recovering from an operation, and celebrating my 50th anniversary with Mildred in fall 2000. The world's problem today is keeping the peace and the solution is negotiation. Have been making lots of computer progress lately. The meaning of life is 'everything.'" ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; tel., (516) 767-1776.



How does one make (only) six news items into a column? We tried staring at the sparse stack, chanting "Let's Go Red!" No luck. So, if this effort bores you, it's all your fault . . . to borrow a derisive Cornell Lynah Rink cheer when the opposing goalie allows a score.

Franklin "Pete" Bush, Bay Village, OH: "I must be the last '49er to check in as a first-time grandfather. Elizabeth 'Eliza' Joy Allen is not your everyday, run-of-the-mill baby—she is super! Putting our house on the market, moving my group insurance agency to 'Le Chateau' (I know chateau is feminine) in Fish Creek, Door County, Wisconsin. I'm too young to retire. Regards to all members and families of our class. Congratulations for the

great job by our class officers." Comment: once a cheerleader, always a cheerleader!

Ned W. Bandler, Bridgegewater, CT, was reappointed by President Clinton to the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad. The commission identifies those cemeteries, monuments, and historic buildings located abroad which are associated with the foreign heritage of US citizens from eastern and central Europe. The preservation of these sites is encouraged by gaining assurances of protection from foreign governments, in cooperation with the State Dept. Ned is a former senior vice president of Unilever, US Inc.

Connie Hoffmann Elsaesser, Cincinnati, OH: "Enjoyed a Scandinavian Elderhostel tour, rooming with classmate **Miriam Burnett Uhlman**, BA '51, Massapequa, NY. Other '49ers were **Marty** and **Roberta Horowitz Greenfield**, Stamford, CT. Visited the Kon-Tiki Museum in Oslo, celebrating Thor Heyerdahl's voyages. A crew member on the raft RA II was classmate **Norm Baker**. His picture in the museum made us proud. Do I hear a chorus of 'All Round the World Cornell'?" Can we hum it? **Elizabeth Stevens** Feldt, Virginia Beach, VA, wrote in July: "Beach season in full swing here. Traffic is unbelievable. If it were not for the expensive gas, I think everyone would be on the road." At this moment, Virginia Beach sounds good . . . traffic or not. Sorry to learn of the death of **William C. Wilson** in Naples, FL, from his wife Beverly. Our class "blithe spirit," **Bette McGrew** Benedict, Lambertville, NJ, is still in the theater, producing and acting at the Phillips Mill Theatre in Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple*. Bette says it is the "female" version and so funny that the cast breaks up in rehearsal. Why not subtitle it "Life at Balch"?

Up close and personal. We were pleased and humbled to receive a 2000 Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award at Homecoming in September. No one person ever deserves such an honor. We view it as an award to our class and congratulate you. We thank those in attendance, President and Elizabeth Rawlings, staff, friends, and classmates—especially **Dick Brown** and **Jack Rupert**, JD '51, past award recipients. That is three for '49!

It was a wonderful evening to share with **Joan (Noden) '50**, our daughter Janet and Ron from Colorado, and son **Steve '80** and his wife Anna, who brought my grandsons Sam and Will. The boys declared the view from the colonnade atop Schoellkopf and the gorges to be "cool!" This past summer I told them I was receiving an award. Sam, the younger, asked in puzzlement: "Why, Grandpa?" I was saved by Will, the elder statesman: "Well, Sam, you know he does read a very good bedtime story!" *Sic transit gloria*. Please allow me to pass on a part of my remarks in accepting the Rhodes Award. They apply directly to 1949 and our era. Besides, I said the news was scarce.

In our sophomore year, I was appointed by the charming and disarming Dean of Women, **Lucile Allen '22**, to be student body liaison to the president. For two and a half years Dr. Day and I met in his office at 7

a.m. every Monday . . . a time and day of the week when I was barely conscious. An incredible experience! I learned more about our Cornell than I dreamed possible. Dr. Day said he learned more about the students than perhaps he wished.

After a rocky start, we became great friends, although not without some testy moments. In late January 1949, Dr. Day was furious that a campus-wide student protest forced the trustees to veto his plan to erect a building smack-dab in the middle of Hoy Field!

The trustee action occurred on a Saturday. I knew Monday's meeting was going to be rough. Dr. Day did not disappoint. After excoriating everyone he could think of . . . not the least me, he finally roared:

"No, no! It is the fault of your senior class. The worst hodge-podge of a class in all my Cornell years!"

"Hodge-podge, sir?" I gasped.

"Of course, look at you all. A bunch of war-weary veterans leading the few young men we can fit in down the garden path of destruction. And too many blasted co-eds!"

Without thinking, I pounded his desk and said, "No, sir, not enough women by far!"

Thoughts of a visit to Provost deKiewiet and an enforced transfer ran through my mind, when to my relief and surprise, Dr. Day fell back in his chair overcome with laughter. Recovering, he leaned forward:

"Oh, for heaven's sake, Keegan, that's just your male glands talking!"

At our graduation, Dr. Day retired. After the ceremony we said our goodbyes on the lower step of the Andrew Dickson White house. Then Dr. Day turned and stared across at the Arts Quad for what seemed a long time. When he turned back, his eyes were misted over; one tear trickling down his cheek. Softly he said, "Oh, oh, how I am going to miss this Cornell."

We did not have a course in "What to Do When the President Cries 101," so reaching desperately, I replied:

"Sir, we will all miss Cornell, but she will be with us always. Besides, this is graduation day. A happy time. Forget your Dartmouth. Today, you graduate as a Cornellian!"

"Hmm, Keegan, a nice thought. Thank you."

Of course, as a newly-minted alum, I could not leave well enough alone.

"In fact, Dr. Day, think of this. You are now a member of the hodge-podge Class of 1949!"

Dr. Day threw a look and then a small grin. Turning he let his eyes scan East Avenue from Sage all the way to Rand. Suddenly he threw his arms into the air and shouted: "Oh, but what a *glorious* hodge-podge are we Cornellians!"

No one ever said it better. We wrote each other faithfully until his death. His letters were always signed: "E. E. Day, your hodge-podge classmate."

On the Hill. Three thousand and one hundred frosh. The Class of 2004 . . . selected from more than 20,000 applicants . . . stronger academically and even more diverse than last

year. Even grandchildren of '49ers. And fresh campus graffiti. A lot cleaner and more esoteric than in our time. The winner was spotted down near the floor level of a rest room . . . written in very small script. We bent far over to read: "You are now at a 45-degree angle. Congratulations. You have passed trigonometry. Move on to astronomy. It's a lot more fun!"

Please send news or the next column will be even more of a disaster. Mail address, telephone, fax, and now e-mail addresses below. Stay well. Stay happy. Be proud to be a '49er. ♦ **Dick Keegan**, 179 N. Maple Ave., Greenwich, CT 06830; tel., (203) 661-8584; fax, (203) 869-2592; e-mail, tjkee@iopener.net; rjk27@cornell.edu.



For the purists, this is the beginning of the millennium. For all of you, a very Happy New Year. As for our class,

we are continuing our bits and pieces of Reunion coverage. There were several classmates who wanted to be at Reunion but were unable to do so. **Florence Conover Peck** had a new grandchild, Matthew Reid Hoover, born on June 1, 2000, in California. Florence's daughter and the mother of Matthew is **Alice Peck Hoover '90**. Mother and daughter had planned to be at Reunion together. They will try for 2005. Florence's husband **Nathan '51**, PhD '56, is a Cornell professor emeritus whose major research was in the field of plant nutrition. Florence and Nathan have six children, all of whom are Cornellians. As a grad wife, and as a Cornell professor's wife, Florence has observed close up all the changes in 50 years. The Pecks now live in Phelps, NY. **Ed Billings**, now of Arlington, VA, was in the process of moving from Texas back in June. Since elderly parents and other relatives under their care are no longer living, they are able to live close to both of their children in the Washington, DC, area.

Betty Parsons Kirchner, State College, PA, had also planned to be with us in June. Family illness kept her away. Betty is still associated with Penn State in the psychology department. Some of our class returned for their first reunion. **Bob Pfeifer**, MBA '51, Pepper Pike, OH, wrote that **Hugh Thuerk** and wife Helen and **Dave Conklin**, Carmel, CA, and new wife Pat also returned for the first time. Credit goes to **Dick**, MBA '51, and **Ursula Sennawald Myers**, Janesville, WI, who have been to reunions in the past. All four couples have stayed close since graduation.

Alex Richardson and wife Phyllis, Livingston, NJ, were also first-time Reunioners. Alex is to be thanked by those of us who travel for making our journey faster and easier. After 31 years at ITT Avionics he retired and became a consultant. Four years ago he was asked to join the NJ Turnpike to install their fiber optic cable and to make it an effective operating system. The fiber carries the toll data for the Electronic Toll Collection system about to burst forth. In spite of all the hoopla about being late and overpriced it is an undertaking of which he is proud. When it is fin-

ished you will be able to go anywhere on the East Coast on a single tag. A small amount of the fiber will be used for the ETC system and the major portion of it will be leased out to telecom companies, generating much-needed revenue for the Turnpike. Our classmates continue to help us and help our industries in this technological era. We share your pride, Alex.

Jane Kimberly Meyer says, "The trouble with Reunions is that it is difficult to spend as much time as one would wish on catching up with everyone." She and husband **Russell '49** have extended Reunion by meeting **Alta Ann Turner Morris** and husband Allan in the Village in New York City. In the fall Jane continued with what has become an annual reunion, this time in Canada near the Thousand Islands area with **Robert Purple** and wife Phyllis of Canandaigua, NY, along with **Paul Widener '52** and wife, and **Beverly Prime Pearson '49** and her husband.

John Marcham helped us locate **Larry**, PhD '56, and **Helen Walden Resnick**, whose address and whereabouts had slipped by our records. They reside in Victoria, BC, Canada, and celebrated their 50th anniversary with a month of travel in Greece and Turkey. **Kent Hurley**, Halifax, Nova Scotia, helped John find these classmates. We're glad to have you back on the rolls. Another couple with a 50th anniversary are **Louise Passerman Rosenfeld** and husband **Gabriel '49**, JD '51, of Chappaqua, NY. They celebrated by renting a house near Sienna, Italy, and invited their children and spouses to join them. Louise is still involved with her interior design business and was recently elected to the board for her chapter of ASID (American Society of Interior Designers) in NYC. She is involved in the restoration of FDR's personal retreat in Hyde Park, and the Horace Greeley House in Chappaqua. In their spare time, the Rosenfelds have been exploring the Bahamas in a boat they keep at Admiral's Cove in Jupiter, FL.

The women in our class should have received the questionnaire from Cornell and **Marion Steinmann** about what we have done with our lives. This project was launched at Reunion, prompted by the stereotype that arose about how terrible women's lives were during the 1950s. Recently the *New York Times* printed a story with the following quote: "There were no choices. If you were a woman, you were a housewife." We not only raised innumerable children but also became doctors, lawyers, engineers, teachers, businesswomen, and much more. Marion plans to compile the responses and prove the statement wrong. If you haven't responded, please do. If you did not receive one, or mislaid it, contact Marion

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REUNION

51 REFLECT and RECONNECT: 50th Reunion June 7-10, 2001. Here are some additions to the list of classmates who plan to attend our 50th Reunion: **Jim O'Brien**, **William Dana**, JD '53, **Florence Schelleng** Skiff, **Alfred Blumstein**, PhD '60, **Howard Hyde**, **Barbara Hai Freed**, and **Eric Jensen**.

Speaking of Reunion, **Ed Coene** is organizing a '51 Reunion golf outing, 10 a.m. Saturday, June 9, with Acting Pro/Coach Matt Bowen at the Cornell course. Price is \$40 plus \$25 for a cart. We'll be talking about a box lunch to take out on the course as well. Plans now call for a shotgun start with women (coeds and wives) playing together and '51 men and husbands of coeds playing together. For details, you can contact Ed by e-mail, edcoene@groupe.com, or phone him at (800) 524-0337.

Alfred Ginty is retired in Orange, CA. He volunteers at Wycliffe Bible Translators and his hobbies include golf, genealogy, gardening, mutual funds, and working out. He recently scored a hole-in-one, shooting 71 (one under par), his lowest score ever! **Stafford "Sandy" Beach** is retired in Lantana,

bama to New York along the Allegheny Front. He had unexpected open heart surgery in May 2000, in time to avoid a heart attack. He reports, "I'm recovering rapidly."

Robert P. McCombs and wife **Jane (Johnson)** '47 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last March with a surprise party given by their three daughters and their families. Robert continues his volunteer work with Rotary and Carbon County Soil Conservation District. **John Dean Gernon** and wife **Rose (Carpenter)** '53 report that a special event for them was the marriage of their youngest daughter in July 2000, at which all five daughters and six grandkids were together for the first time in years. **Bob Cornetti** reports from Helsing, Denmark, "I have been enjoying both good health and my retirement (despite Denmark's base rate of income tax of 53 percent and gasoline prices of \$4.25 per gallon)." **Donald Victorin** of Horseshoe Bay, TX, says, "Thanks to a phone call from **Bob Nelson** and various matching funds, we were able to put together the Donald P. and Marjorie G. Victorin Scholarship. A McMullen Regional Scholarship made it possible for me to go to Cornell. It is nice to be able to give something back." Donald participates in church choir, community theater, and the humane society. He helped open a new animal shelter in January 2000, which is now filled to capacity.

Joan Hartford Ferreira writes, "**Mannie** '53, MBA '54, and I had a marvelous hands-on whale-watching trip to Baja California, Mexico, in February. The camp is located about 500 miles south of San Diego on the shore of St. Ignacio Lagoon. Our daughter **Ann (Ferreira)** '88 and **Sam Kamel** '85 and other friends of Ann from San Francisco joined us. A great staff, lots of whales, and perfect weather made for a memorable experience. **Peg Healy McNulty** works as a residential sales associate with Bergdorff Realtors in Rumson, NJ. She traveled to Florida, where she lunched with **Mary Ann Doutrich** Seipos in Sanibel and met with **Eunice**

treasurer of Bluewater Bay council of property owners and he cruised to Athens, the Greek Islands, Israel, and Turkey. **Jim Ballew** is enjoying partial retirement in Freehold, NJ, working three days per week purchasing estate diamonds and jewelry, among other things. He was honored by the mayor and the council for community service after 27 years on the planning board. He enjoys tennis, golf, and skiing. Occasionally, he plays social tennis with **Jim Bowers** and **Dick Montgomery**. **Frederick "Fritz" Thornton** is in Drexel Hill, PA, where he enjoys tennis, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. He contacted Barry Nolin (Bahamas). **Mo Franklin** (Florida), **Larry Souville** (New Jersey), **Ed Proctor** (Michigan), **Bill Arnold** (Maryland), **Loren Kahle** (Texas), and **Dave Greason** (Ohio) on fraternity matters, and reports, "Haven't talked to most of them in years, voices sound the same. All are in reasonably good health and enjoying life." Keep in touch. ♦ **Jack and Betty Meng Howell**, 289 Ashford Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150-8563; tel., (716) 833-9543; e-mail, jack-howell@msn.com.



The Class of 1952 Cornell Trivia Contest begins now! There will be two questions in each magazine issue this year.

Answer one correctly for one chance in the prize drawings. Answer two correctly for two chances. Send your answer(s) with your official Cornell name on an e-mail or a postcard to **Bob** and **Jeanne Irish Lewis** before Feb. 1, 2001. We'll then conduct a drawing from all the names who sent correct answers. The drawing will be supervised by a named Cornellian—not of 1952—and the winner for this issue will be announced two issues from now and the answers divulged. The six prizes will be awarded at Reunion 2002, and a grand prize winner will also be determined by a drawing held at Reunion from all of the correct answers to any of the questions.

Question Number 1: Name the first academic building at Cornell. Question Number 2: What organization decorated Barton Hall for our big weekend dances?

Sea breezes must inspire rug hookers if **Jean Thompson** Cooper and **Nancy Taylor Brown** are examples. Jean teaches rug hooking in Southold, NY, and is director of the Long Island Rug School. She attended an excellent Elderhostel at Valley Forge. Nancy, in Clayville, RI, also hooks rugs, along with gardening, painting, and volunteering with the Clayville Heritage Assn. She particularly enjoyed a trip to Prince Edward Island. **Bruce Warner** in Charlotte, NC, and wife **Eugenia** are planning an Elderhostel trip across Canada this year, and were in England last year, where they sang in several cathedrals with their church choir. **C. Roger**, PhD '65, and **Joan Ganders Glassey** have taken an Elderhostel canoe trip on the Missouri River and a walking trip in Ireland. Tennis helps them keep in shape for these expeditions, and Roger continues to teach a class each year at Berkeley. Dr. **D. Anne Bezer** Lombardo golfs and gardens in Osprey, FL, and mentions recent travel to

“Robert J. Giebitz is involved in planning the Tennessee portion of the Cumberland Trail.”

JACK & BETTY MENG HOWELL '51

FL. He says retirement is great and his golf is getting better. He recently won the Senior Championship at Atlantis Golf Club. Besides golf, Sandy's hobbies include fishing, woodworking, and grandchildren. He recently had a long talk with **J. Barry Nolin**, BME '53. Barry still likes living in Andros, Bahamas. **B. Allen Weiss**, MD, is president of New Jersey Breast Diagnostic Center and serves on the Board of Trustees of "Friends without Borders." **Robert J. Giebitz** of Crossville, TN, is involved in hiking, building, and planning the Tennessee portion of the Cumberland Trail. When completed, this trail will go from Ala-

Chambers Beam, MS '54, in Naples. **Robert Nostrand**, BArch '52, is a retired architect in Huntington, NY. He cruised in the South Pacific from Fiji to Raratonga, visiting lots of islands in between. Hobbies include travel, gardening, sailing and cruising, and skiing. **John Weeks** spends his summers in Mayville, NY, and his winters in Sun City, AZ. He plays trumpet and E-flat alto horn in four bands in Arizona and three bands in western New York.

Herbert Hern, BS ILR '58, reports from Niceville, FL, "I continue to serve as chairman of Teamsters Benefit Trust, a jointly administered health and welfare plan." He was elected

Egypt and an exceptional South Pacific cruise. **Jack and Libby Hunsberger Craver** are still singing in a choir and mention as their best trip one to Athens and the Greek Islands. Libby is president of the Lancaster County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program.

John L. Brown Jr., MD '55, of Bethlehem, CT, serves on that town's library board and volunteers at the New York Botanical Garden. **Lewis Ward-Baker** stays involved in choral singing and musical shows in Rochester, NY. A favorite trip was to South Africa, Botswana, and Zimbabwe. **Barry** and **Keeny Robinson** took a great cruise around South America, the Falklands, and Antarctica, while **Donald Parmet**, JD '55, lists China, India, and Egypt as "best" trips. Donald leaves Melville, NY, for Palm Beach in the winter. **Lew Rubenstein**, BA '56, keeps his French horn active, now teaching a student in Schodack Landing, NY. **Larry Cullen**, BS Hotel '55, of Southold, NY, is a part-time customs house broker and volunteers with US Sailing. A special trip was 48 days and 10,000 miles around Canada and the US. **Arthur Reader** has retired in Skyland, NC, and is vice president of Cornell Alumni of the Blue Ridge Mountains. He volunteers with the Asheville Symphony Guild and lists computer graphics as a hobby. **Stephen Prigozy** is very pleased with his move from Great Neck, NY, to a lakeside home in Averill Park, NY. He collects old telegrams and books on the telegraph, and says Hawaii was the best trip. **Marjory "Dell" Tauscher** Bald also enjoyed a Hawaiian trip, but feels she definitely needs to do more research to decide which island is best!

In Newark, DE, **Alfred Pagano** enjoys reading, music, and travel, particularly a South America/Panama Canal trip. Our class has a high percentage of golfers, but like most of them, **Charles** and **Sue Ekstrand Baglow** do not divulge scores. Charles is a part-time financial adviser, and Sue, a retired teacher, volunteers with the Nature Conservancy and public television. The Cornell trip to Antarctica got high marks from her. **Henry Borys** travels the US from his home in Everett, WA, and has also visited Russia and Poland, but his best trips were to Italy, where his wife has relatives.

Carl Gortzig, our class historian, suggests that we remind you of his need for items from our class for the university collection of memorabilia. One example would be the blue (stuffed animal) kangaroo that exemplified our class motto, "To keep one jump ahead of the rest." Surely someone out there has one to contribute. Contact Carl if you can help with this or other items. Phone him at (607) 257-2662 or e-mail, cfg2@cornell.edu.

The Class Council Meeting and Class Dinner in New York City on January 27 fast approaches! For information and reservations call **Jack Veerman** at (860) 567-3966 or e-mail, veerman11@aol.com.

If any of you are feeling winter blahs or Senior Slowdowns, take inspiration from **Joyce White** Cima, who waved at a passing ultralight plane while on her Cayuga Lake dock last summer, was offered a ride by the pilot, and took it! Or from **Rich** (Richard K.)

Davis who couldn't make it to Homecoming because he was surfing in the Maldives!

Send in your Trivia Contest Entries!

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The wild geese were grounded on a misty, moisty first weekend of the Ithaca autumn, and even the mascot bears were either hibernating, lost in the crowd, caught in a tailgate, or gone invisible. But there were footballs in the air and one of them sailed slightly left of the upright with zero time on the clock. And thus our Big Red prevailed over Yale, 24-23. It was the 13th win in the last 15 Homecoming games. Our lads have won five of the last six Homecoming games that were played against Old Eli.

Todd Kolb, seen infrequently of late, was there, along with **Vinnie Giarrusso**, **Russ Zechman**, **Bob Dilatash**, **Bob Mann**, **Barth '57**, and **Cliff Evans**, as mater summoned former players to the Schoellkopf Sell-out (16,634 customers filled it much fuller than usual). About 200 vintage Redders made the parade from Kite Hill. They formed two Old Red lines, a human tunnel, outside the dressing room so the 2000 team could run through them onto the AstroTurf. When that plan was revealed to him, Todd objected. "Nobody runs past me on a football field," said he. Well, some do say "the older I get, the better I was."

There was a nonfire. A mighty blaze was built on the Libe Slope for a Friday night pep rally—and quickly put out, as planned, just to be on the safe side. Our Class of 1953 Cornell Tradition Fellow, **Nicohl Merrill '01**, joined us for tailgating and the game. She is a keen observer and helped your scribe and Prez **Claire Moran** Ford handle the game analysis. Part of her skill at sizing things up may have been honed by her participation in the celebrated wine-tasting course. The former Seneca County Dairy Princess is looking at future employment in the agriculture business.

Another Homecoming tradition, about as well established as winning the football game, is dining with our neighboring classes, and so about 60, including good friends from '52, '54 and '55, filled the room at Branches restaurant. Good company. Good food. Singing at least on a par with what was heard on Saturday night of Junior Week 1952 in the basement at 312 Thurston Ave. Same songs, too, more or less, held together by **Tom Foulkes '52** at the keyboard. Strike up a song for genial host **Paul Blanchard '52**.

In early October, Planned Giving Chairman **Jim Blackwood**, **Joe Martino**, **Bill Gratz**, **Lilyan Affinito**, and *moi* met at a Cayuga Society lunch at The Cornell Club—New York and heard Vice President **Susan H. Murphy '73**, PhD '94, preview Cornell life in this new century, centered on the all-freshman North Campus, which opens in August, and the residential house-based and mainly sophomore community to grow on the West Campus. The Cayuga Society is composed of those who have mentioned mat-

er in their wills.

Retired for two years now, **Chandler Cudlipp Jr.** lived in Lima, Peru, half of last year while wife Martita was directing a semester abroad program for Aquinas College of Grand Rapids, MI. Son Chris is artistic director of the Monaco Philharmonic Orchestra. Daughter Carol and her husband produced a TV vid on the healing characteristics of wildflowers. Pete says he favors tame plants—he gardens in the summer besides "playing golf and rowing my single." (Did he not formerly have eight other guys in the shell with him?) **Dave Allee**, PhD '61 (Ithaca, NY) enjoys working only nine months a year in the Ag college ("the way it's supposed to be for professors"). He continues as co-chairman of the Assn. of Cornell Extension Educators. Wife **Martha (Ladd)**, GR '56-57, retired from teaching, is president of the board of the Family Reading Partnership. One granddaughter, he reports, has completed her kinalda, a coming-of-age ceremony in the Navajo tradition. **Robert L. Cooper** (Jerusalem, Israel) is out with "Around the World with Mark Twain," distributed by Time-Warner, his account of Twain's celebrated lecture tour. From retired vet **Jim Hudson**, DVM '60, (Newcastle, ME): "All kids are healthy and paying their own bills. I'm still skiing in the winter, fishing in the summer and making home brew all year 'round."

Clarice Miller Scott (Cincinnati, OH) claims she and husband Jim have been swinging through trees (on a cable) during a cruise to Costa Rica and its parks (monkeys and macaws set the example). **Karen Jensen** Harvey allows as how her three offspring are so old now that she can't remember their ages. Of her two grandlings, one is in college and the other is in preschool. Karen says she's returned to Paradise Valley (aka Northampton, MA) from saguaro-land (the Tucson desert) and observes that the rainfall is certainly more reliable back East. "Besides, family members are available for fun, games, and household projects." She adds her current life goal: to achieve simplicity.

Until not long ago, not many '53 grandkids had enrolled at CU but you may have seen in the July/August *Cornell Magazine* that scions and scionesses of **Pete Haswell**, **Lorina Smith** Noble, **Dwight** and **Peg Blackburn Robinson '55**, **Don Taylor**, BEE '56, and the late **Marie Conner** Gifford came on board last year.

Don't forget the midwinter dinner with neighboring classes at the Cornell Club—New York on Saturday, Jan. 27. Call Claire Ford, (203) 227-1562. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.



Mitzi Sutton Russekoff, our New York hostess extraordinaire, has once again arranged a gala dinner at the Cornell Club of New York for Saturday, Jan. 27, '01, with the classes of '52 and '53. It's a great way to connect with those upperclassmen who taught us so much during our early days on the Hill. A positive note from **Ruth Bader** Ginsburg says she is "overjoyed to re-

port that after nine months of a post-surgery chemotherapy-radiation 'insurance' course, tests this past August showed no trace of the colorectal cancer detected in the summer of 1999. I urge all in the Class of 1954 (in fact all persons of our age) to include a colonoscopy among periodic checks on the state of one's health."

A great example from **William C. Bates** re: redirecting your life. "I retired from Federal government in 1993 and decided to pursue the vocation that somehow had eluded me. I have been interested in and worked with the computers built by Apple Computer since 1978, so I opened for business in 1994 as a refurbisher, trader, and reseller of all Apple's products. I have been having the time of my life! Meeting people from around the world via the internet, of course. Since I deal exclusively with Apple Products and since that sector represents about 10 percent of the computer market, I find it well suited to my lifestyle—busy but not overwhelmed." Being an Apple fan myself I immediately e-mailed Bill to say Bravo!

Sally and **William Lee Peters** have done a good bit of traveling this past year, including the cities of Salzburg, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow, and Prague. Bill feels the highlight by far was Krakow. The old city is one not to be missed.

A couple of interesting relocation comments from loyal correspondents **Willard L. Wheeler** and **Donald D. Belk**: Will moved to Coral Gables, FL, presumably for the warm climate. He continued to work in the financial world there until retirement last year. His recreational pursuits have been improving his golf game and rowing his kayak, plus a bit of travel. However, summers in that part of the US are a bit too hot, so an alternative location, preferably in New Hampshire, is being sought for those months. Don, on the other hand, moved to Palm Springs when its popularity was at a low ebb, the traffic was light, the air was clean, and the people were few, but . . . it is now back to being a major destination resort, full of people, traffic jams, congestion, etc. A return to New York City is not out of the question. Moral: You decide, and call this Californian after she has spent a winter in Virginia.

Donna and **Bill Bailey**, on the other hand, appear delighted with their central Florida location. Bill is active in two theater groups and plays the game of choice for our age group. He sees **Don Clark**, who lives in nearby Sorrento. Don is very active in the Bogey Creek Camp for terminally ill children. **Frederick Hearn**, BS Ag '58, "recovering lawyer," having turned over his practice to associates, is able to devote more time to his church, prison ministry, and, need I say, the challenge of golf. Fred would love to hear from old friends, particularly Sigma Nu brothers, in preparation for our 50th Reunion. **Ted Valentiner**, BArch '55, of Friedrichsdorf, Germany, must postpone fine-tuning his golf game for another year. Seems the new owners of the Sheraton Frankfurt Hotel have decided to refurbish the hotel, and "the old guy," who has been taking care since the pre-construction in 1972, has been asked to help on a consulting basis for a year. Ted's four married sons selected wives from four different countries: Ger-

many, England, US, and Russia. They have a veritable UN around the Christmas tree.

One of the frustrations in writing the column is receiving info and getting it to you in a timely manner. Evidence the fact that **Rosamond Peterson** Bassett's painting Winter Wave was included in the Mystic International exhibition at the Maritime Gallery last October. Many of you saw Ro's work at Reunion. I would love to be able to provide advance notice of all our creative venues and shall keep trying. Do let me know via e-mail if you possibly can—it does shorten the time span. **Joyce Guthrie** Von Schmid retired this past June after 30 years in social work. She then proceeded to clean out the cupboards, get everything organized, and play the nesting role for two months. That done, she set forth to find two part-time jobs: one with the Literary Council of Central Pennsylvania as testing administrator, and the other with the local newspaper, the *Patriot News*, as tour guide in the Community Services Department. Joyce writes that the closets and organization might deteriorate, but she, hopefully, will not.

Marilyn and **Bill Ebel** are now in their 14th year of operating The Gardens of Eden Bed and Breakfast in Lancaster, PA. They will probably "hang it up" after another year, so if any classmates are looking for a special place to stay in Pennsylvania Dutch Country, call soon. Besides tending to their guests, Bill has given his time to the Pennsylvania Nutrient Management Advisory Board, to the County Solid Waste Authority, to the township as a commissioner, and to a variety of environmental projects. I don't think the area will allow Bill to move south. I know he plays golf, as I have reported his being a part of the Fun Bunch, but tireless **Peter Plamondon** and his sons have just celebrated their company's 20th anniversary. There appears to be no slowing down for Pop. Congratulations, Peter. Many of us in the DC area depend on you for good food, fast food, when time or travel precludes a home-cooked meal.

Ariadne "Andi" Plumis Beck is a psychotherapist, management consultant, and researcher/writer on topics dealing with group development and leadership. Last year she co-edited a book titled *The Process of Group Psychotherapy: Systems for Analyzing Change*. Andi mentioned neither retirement nor golf, so I assume she is available as a consultant for her classmates facing changes that will best suit themselves and their families.

Hope to see some of you in New York, hear from those who haven't written, and otherwise keep in touch. Do let me know what you are doing to stay active mentally and physically. **Rosemary Seelbinder** Jung is presently taking classes in art, French, and yoga. Just try to reach her at home. Your correspondent wrote this from an American Zoo and Aquarium Docent's Convention in Cincinnati. Having the time to explore our interests, such as Bill Bates has done with his Apple Business, is just one of the benefits of our age. What are you doing? ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, ljreed@bellatlantic.net.



Those lucky '55-ers who got to Homecoming—among them, **Bill Doerler**, **Hal Fountain**, **Bill Drake**, **Phil Alkon**, PhD '74, **Fred Antil**, **Ralph de Stefano**, **Len Oniskey**, **Don Greenberg**, BCE '58, PhD '68, **Nancy Livingston** Hopkins, and **Otto Schneider** (plus wives and friends)—were on hand to see the Big Red win its Ivy opener against Yale. This past Saturday (October 7) Cornell came from behind at the half (28-0) to upset Harvard 29-28 at Crimson Stadium. Wish I'd been there to see that one, too!

After "30 years as a road-warrior," **Len Hittner** reports that working part-time requires very little business travel, a welcome change at this stage of life. The Hittners have moved to an adult community in West Windsor, NJ, and are enjoying swimming, gardening, and travel. They had dinner last fall with **Otto Schneider**, **Greg Harrison**, **Mike Sena**, **Dave Hyman**, and their respective spouses. **Dave Levin** is still chairman of the radiology department at Thomas Jefferson U. Hospital in Philadelphia, but adds, "the practice of medicine unfortunately isn't as much fun as it used to be." Despite knee problems a while back, Dave says he's "still doing a fair amount of running: about 25 miles a week." **Martha Bliss** Safford works part-time in her husband's firm, Safford Investment Counsel, when she's not otherwise engaged (painting, writing poetry, reading, downhill skiing, and keeping involved in local politics). Marty's concern is "preventing rampant growth in Rockport (MA), and making sure we keep a local hospital presence and have a good board of selectmen."

Quick takes: **John Diggins**'s daughter and her husband are circumnavigating their 35-ft. steel hull sloop; **Frank Ryan**, MPA '59, is senior manager of the global treasury for Abu Dhabi Investment Authority; **Ruth Lauterbach** Hutter's "starting a new life," now that her husband is retiring; **Donn Resnick** scored twice: as a first-time grandfather and as a golfer, shooting a double eagle on a par 5; **Gerald McDonald** is serving "of counsel" to the Rome, NY, law firm of O'Shea, McDonald & Stevens, LLP; **Elaine Rose** Cerny is retired, but continues working on their artificial blood and fertilizer projects; **Barbara Ramsey** Adsit visited family in Thailand and enjoyed Elderhostel in New Zealand; **Charlene Vickery** Campisi escapes Maine winters in San Diego; **The Ellisons**, **Bill**, BS ILR '57, and **Sara (Smith)** are settled in their new home in Irvine, CA, "20 minutes from the ocean and an hour from the desert"; **Don Biederman** was named Beverly Hills Bar Assn's Entertainment Lawyer of the Year; **Jan Kahn** Marcus has retired from the Legal Aid Society of NY and is "up for fun now," including remodeling and furnishing a 1794 house in Newburyport, MA, in between trips back to her New York City apartment.

We are proud to introduce the first recipient of the Class of 1955 scholarship: **Bernice Vicil** '00 from NYC. Bernice attended the College of Arts and Sciences and plans to be-

come a pediatrician. Bernice was active in several Latino and volunteer organizations and furthered her experience as an extern at Weill Medical College and Graduate School of Medical Sciences of Cornell University. She also worked in human resources at Jacobi Medical Center in the Bronx. Her honors included being named to the De La Salle Honor Society, chosen as Macy's Minorities in Medicine scholar, and listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Great news from Fred Antil: a large scrapbook marked "Class of 1955" was found in the basement of the Alumni Office. It's chock full of "everything written in the *Sim* and elsewhere, along with some other mementos, that has anything to do with the Class of 1955." What a find! Do we have any idea who assembled it? There's news of meetings, marriages, student government activities, and athletic events, including the announcement that **Anne Morrissy** would be the first woman sports editor to sit in the Yale Press Box during a game, and the spoof issue that **Dick Schaap**, et al., pulled on the *Daily Orange*. Fred adds, "I was proud to learn that members of our class kept Ithaca safe by volunteering as aircraft spotters on the top floor of the Plant Science building, ready to report any sightings of strange aircraft to the military air base in Syracuse."

Don Robinson wrote that he was looking for tapes or CDs of Cornell music, and **Art Burns**, BEE '57, had just e-mailed me the following information: there's a Cayuga's Waiters website (cayugaswaiters.com). He ordered a remastered CD from the old days (1953-54) that included both of his favorite songs: "Every Time We Say Goodbye" and "Good Night, Little Girl." Art also reminds us that at the main Cornell website (cornell.edu/) we can see a tour of campus and hear the chimes. And while you're on line, check out our own Class of 1955 website (www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1955), which is continually updated by our webmistress extraordinaire, **Naomi "Mimi" Kahn**.

Our class has been extremely fortunate to have had such an active group of officers and class council for the past five years. We thank those who served, and we welcome the new members who volunteered to join the council. The following roster of officers was elected by acclamation at Reunion: Co-Presidents, **Otto Schneider Jr.** and **Joan Steiner Stone**; Vice-Presidents, **Edward F. Arps**, MBA '57, and **Barbara Loreto Peltz**; Secretary/Class Correspondent, **Nancy Savage Morris**; Treasurer, **Michael J. Avery**. Council members are **Frederick H. Antil**, **Donald E. Biederman**, **Marilyn Levy Black**, **Carol Rittershausen Byron**, **Robert A. Cowie**, MBA '57, **Nancy Eisenberg Grabow**, **Axel P. Hochkoeppler**, Nancy Livingston Hopkins, **Jay D. Hyman**, **Sherry Vogel Mallin**, BS HE '54, **Anne Morrissy Merick**, **Charles B. Meyer**, **Leonard J. Oniskey**, **Virginia Wallace Panzer-Wiener**, **Eva Konig Ray**, **Peter M. Schluter**, and **Joseph P. Simon Jr.** Reunion Co-Chairs, **Richard B. Estey**, MBA '60, and **Philip S. Harvey**; Reunion Team, **Joan Weisberg Belden**, **Elizabeth McCann**

Dearden, **William K. Doerler**, and **Ann L. Overbeck**. ♦ **Nancy Savage Morris**, 94 Southfield Ave., Stamford, CT 06902; e-mail, NSM55@juno.com.

REUNION

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Since I was in New York on a quick business trip anyway, I decided to drop in on the pre-Reunion dinner of the Class of '56, which had been touted to many of us on the eastern seaboard over the summer. The dinner was held on September 20 at the ultra classy Swann Gallery, which is owned by **George Lowry**, husband to **Judy Cohen Lowry**. Within minutes of arrival, I was cornered by **Steve Kittenplan**, one of our beloved class correspondents. Steve allowed as how he was absolutely swamped with arrangements for his daughter's wedding and asked if I could help out by putting in his column for this issue of *Cornell Magazine*. Steve agreed to throw in a good stock tip and I was sold.

About 50 classmates and spouses/significant others attended the dinner, which was set in the middle of an active exhibit of exciting prints. We were welcomed by our Beloved President for Life (BPFL), **Ernie Stern**, who thanked **Judy Frankel Woodfin** for taking time out from her real estate business to chair the event and put together a smashing array of food, drink, and exotic intro-goodies. About halfway through the meal, **Percy Browning**, the co-chair of our 45th Reunion (with **Harry Keller**, BS Hotel '77, MS Hotel '00), brought us up to date on some of the latest plans for Reunion (scheduled for this coming June 7-10, if you've been in a cave and out of the reach of the university's mail hounds). Not the least of the treats on tap for Reunion weekend is the fact that after 45 years, the class will be headquartered in Balch Hall, which is not separated from the major venues by any serious hills. (Are they trying to tell us something?) A quick vote was taken on what sort of headgear we would like see for Reunion fa-

showed that most of us there are still busy and working. Someone observed that the rest of the class is most likely retired and enjoying life too much to fight New York's mid-week traffic. Anyway, here's the best my memory can recall after a quick tour around the gallery (and recalling isn't as easy as it used to be).

Howard Schneider, JD '59, and **Dan Cohen**, JD '58, two of my fraternity brothers from the '50s, are still practicing law. Dan said that he manages trips down to the Washington area from time to time to visit with his son, who is also an attorney and working for the Justice Department. **Jane Susskind Narins** is a very busy broker with Bear Stearns. **Carole Rapp** Thompson is delighted with retirement but cheerfully reported that her husband Paul is still gainfully employed and that her son is a sports writer for the *Denver Post*. **Charles Bernstein** and wife **Norma** are living in Long Branch, NJ, where Charles is very busy editing *Chain Leader*, a monthly magazine which addresses strategic industry issues for chain restaurant executives, as well as a weekly newsletter to the restaurant industry. Charles and Norma just acquired their first granddaughter, Megan, in April.

Although they have been filling us in on the lives of everyone else in the class for the last 44 years, our beloved class correspondents, **Steve Kittenplan** and **Phyllis Bosworth**, have modestly declined to reveal in their columns what they have been up to these days. For the record, Phyllis is a senior vice president at Cohen & Co. in New York and continues as a very successful broker for buyers and sellers of shopping centers and the like. Steve sports the impressive title of senior vice president of investments at Salomon Smith Barney, and his bride Gail is a personal shopper for the chic and busy (a job I know my wife would love to have).

Keith Johnson is more or less retired to Connecticut, but continues to work on a history of Cornell from the 1950s. **Percy Browning** is living in Ithaca and, when she finds free

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vors. (You'll have to attend to find out what we chose and if Cornell will go along.)

Our BPFL suggested that all '56ers should spread the word about Reunion on an "affinity" basis in order to help make this the biggest 45th ever. In other words, if you still talk to classmates who were on your team, sorority, publication, study group, or whatever, way back when, you should take this opportunity to call them and urge that they join us in Ithaca in June. No one was unkind enough to observe that when we graduated in 1956, the class that was then having its 45th Reunion had graduated in 1911 and that most of its members had been born when Grover Cleveland was president and San Juan Hill was still in the hands of the Spanish. Scary stuff.

I didn't catch up with everyone at the dinner, but a quick survey of who was doing what

time after coordinating the Reunion, continues to partake of activities and offerings on campus. **Margot Lurie Zimmerman** reported that since retiring in 1997, she and Paul have become A+ travelers. A few of her trips were dictated by her occasional consultancies in public health for developing countries, such as a one-week training course in Bangkok on "How to Use Qualitative Research Methodologies in Public Health Programs." This past May, Margot was sent to Nairobi to cover a regional workshop in "Strategies to Promote Quality Material and Newborn Care." Margot said, "It was my first trip back to Nairobi since Paul and I left Kenya in 1997. The quality of life has further deteriorated, sad to say, with daily power outages and water shortages. But the art scene is as vibrant as ever, with some wonderful Sudanese artists moving to

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Nairobi (as no one would get to view their work if they stayed in Khartoum).” (This, to her, is retirement?) Margot also reported that on June 14, 2000, her daughter **Julie Zimmerman** and Julie’s husband **Adam Ratner**, both Class of ’87, presented her with her first grandson, Will Lurie Ratner. Margot and Paul have four granddaughters, ranging in age from 9 to 4. **Naomi Spatz** is producing husband **Steven Somkin**’s play *Autocriticism in Detroit* in January 2001 in NYC. For more information contact Naomi at GSTheater@aol.com.

There were lots of others who attended the affair at the Swann, whom I didn’t have a chance to corner for updates, including Dr. **Roger Cracco**, **Charlotte Edelstein Gross**, **Kathleen Rooney Irish**, **Gerald Kleinbaum**, JD ’58, **Lew** and **Brenda Klotz**, **Art Penn**, **Bob Seidenberg**, **Judith York Newman**, BArch ’57, **Bob Rothenberg**, **Nick**, BEE ’58, and **Marlis Reitenbach**, **Carol Solomon Levine**, **Syrell Rogovin Leahy**, Dr. **Ernest Abeles**, **Sonia Goldfarb Brody**, **Karen** and **Richard Hulman**, MBA ’57, **Barbara Burns**, **Anita Bulwitsch Fishman**, and **Herb Frommer**. I’m sure I haven’t listed everyone who was there, but you’ll have to excuse me, I’m new at this sort of thing.

Not to be outdone, **Pamela** and **Curt Reis** (our former BPFL) held a West Coast pre-Reunion dinner for ’56ers at their home in Rolling Hills near Los Angeles, CA. Curt reports that **David Hogle**, BS Hotel ’57, Dr. **Harry Maller**, **Mike**, BCE ’58, and **Laurie Nadler**, **Foster** and **Sharon Kinney**, **Art** and **Sharon Hershey**, **Lael Hollister** Jackson, **Dorothy Weber**, BArch ’58, and **Don**, BArch ’57, and **Urte Barker** all turned up for that affair. Don reported that he has been project manager for the Getty Museum, which was designed by **Richard Meier**, BArch ’57. By the way, Curt recently received the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award from Cornell’s President Hunter Rawlings. And for those of you who keep score on such things, Curt is the third member of our class to receive that honor (after **Mike Nadler** and **Ernie Stern**, our current BPFL). When he was in Ithaca to receive his honor, Curt said that he came across classmates **Peter Hearn**, **Harry Keller**, **Don Greenberg** ’55, PhD ’68, and **Joe**, MBA ’58, and **Sue Derosay Henninger** ’57. (Actually, Sue and Don are from different classes, but we’ll claim them anyway.)

On a sad note, we recently heard that **Peter Stammberger** of West Lake Village, CA, passed away in December 1999. In addition, we just received word of the death of **Barbara “Bo” Krause Schneider** on September 12. Bo lived in Beverly Hills, CA, and was active in many local musical and charitable organizations. She is survived by her husband and five children. One of the traditional events at Reunion will be a memorial service on Sunday for classmates who have passed on.

Needless to say, we’ll soon be receiving all sorts of updates on plans for the 45th over the next few months. While the scheduled events will no doubt be interesting, educational, amusing, and, yes, healthy, I’ve found that the

best part of any reunion has been the chance to see old friends and, most fun of all, meet a few new people whom I never got around to enjoying back in the ’50s. I’ve been assured that the weather will be perfect. See you on the Hill in June. ♦ **Ed Berkowitz**, 3339 Legation St., NW, Washington, DC 20015; e-mail, edberko@aol.com (not your usual Class Correspondent); **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., #2A, NYC 10128; e-mail, catplan@aol.com; **Phyllis Bosworth**, 8 E. 83rd St., #10C, NYC 10028; e-mail, phylboz@aol.com.



Thanks to all who are sending news via e-mail. Our grandchildren will know nothing else, but it’s nice to get a jump on that era. On the subject of grandchildren, **Gil Riley**, BME ’59, has eight, as he says, “scattered.” He and **Betsy** have a son teaching in Prague, whom they visited last fall, another son at the right hand of Bill Gates at Microsoft, a daughter who has three of her own and is beginning her pursuit of a master’s in architecture at U. of Maryland, and another son (techno-geek) living in Marlborough, MA. Like many of us, **Gil** recently put himself in the hands of the government, sliding his toe under the tent of Medicare and Social Security. He has successfully been through the “body shop” for spinal stenosis, prostate cancer, and cataract removal, and reports all systems go for our 45th in 16 short months.

Rick Freeman has taken a partial step toward retirement by giving up teaching responsibilities at Bowdoin College, where he has spent 36 years in the field of environmental economics. He has visited the American southwest and Thailand recently, and is looking forward to extensive research and consulting, as well as the important things, like fishing, gardening, and sailing. Also enjoying sailing is **Brint Deighton**, who took a four-day jaunt up the Maine coast last August while visiting **Dick**, B Chem E ’59, and **Jody Moyer**, who in turn had spent some time last winter with **Brint** and **Carolyn (Bailey)** ’60. The Deightons moved from California to Fort Collins a couple of years ago to be nearer to family (and also to be oceanfront when the big one hits). They have a patio home on a golf course, which gives them the luxury of turning the key and disappearing, which they did to Botswana to visit their daughter and family, with a safari in Okavango and Chobe thrown in. **Brint** has sprung for a package season pass to Vail, etc., this winter, but is still able to golf almost year-round.

Phil McIndoo reports that he is still having difficulty retiring. He keeps getting called on for consulting assignments, and was able to dovetail an assignment in London recently with research on Roman Britain and the immediate post-Roman period, in which legend places King Arthur. He would appreciate hearing from anyone with a similar interest (tmsplm@earthlink.net). Last July, **Phil** was on board a new boat belonging to **Roger Jones**, MPA ’60. **Roger** was headed for the tall ships in NY harbor, the Erie Canal, and Cayuga Lake.

Your reporter had the opportunity to visit

Ithaca last October with my son and 5-month-old grandson, neither of whom had been to Ithaca before. It was one of those great fall weekends, with wonderful weather and the colors at their peak. If I had forgotten what a great view one experiences of the valley below from the top of the crescent, I am now a born-again believer. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477; e-mail, Suitcase2@aol.com.

Just a reminder that if you haven’t already signed up for our class dinner, it’s not too late. We’ll be gathering at the Cornell Club in New York City on Friday, January 26. Visit our class web page, call me if you need details, or send an e-mail.

And e-mail seems to be a quick way for me to get some news. **Sue Breslow Dillon** retired from teaching last June and has never been busier. She promised herself that she would clean the attic, but so far has done very little of that. **Sue** and **Marty** celebrated their 40th anniversary last year and took a cruise to Nova Scotia with their children and grandchildren. Daughter **Eleanor Dillon** Petigrow ’87 waited until after the cruise to give birth to her third daughter. Last spring **Sue** was elected a trustee of the Merrick (Long Island) Library Board. The **Dillons** also happily spend time with friends since high school, **Jerry** and **Evie Dor**.

Carol Gehrke Townsend has added some frequent flyer miles to her account. Last October she was off to Portugal and Majorca. Prior to that she took a wonderful trip to Alaska. **Carol** is enjoying her new computer and still working part-time doing advertising for the local Prudential Realty Co. near her home in Dana Point, CA. **Jane Taber** Gillett, BS Ag ’80, is a semi-retired ceramicist who spends summers in Thousand Islands Park, NY, and winters in St. Pete, FL, and Jekyll Island, GA. When not in the studio or taking a cruise or adventurous trip, **Jane** visits her four children and seven grandchildren.

Back in our sophomore year I introduced my brother, **Ted Reusswig** ’55, to a classmate in the Home Ec school, **Joan Jeremiah**. They were married in 1957 and had three daughters, **Karen Reusswig** Stevenson ’82, **Susan Reusswig** Neenan ’84, and **Kristin**, a Penn State grad. **Joan** and **Ted** enjoyed his 45th Reunion in June, when he joined fellow crew members for a row on Cayuga Lake. But we all suffered a terrible loss last September when **Ted** died of prostate cancer. As with other classmates who have lost loved ones, condolences from our Cornell friends helped to ease the pain. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.



I still have a little news from late ’99, so I will include that first. **Milli Sanchez** Arnold reports that her first grandchild—a mere 1-1/2 pounds at birth, but now thriving—lives too far away in Utah! She has taken the position of director of End Hunger Connecticut!, a legislative advocacy non-profit organization that addresses the issues of hunger

and poverty that exist in the wealthiest state in the nation. She still loves skiing, tennis, biking, and rollerblading, as long as the knees hold up!

Ellen Gussman Adelson now has 13 grandchildren! I thought Chuck and I were doing well with 12! Aren't they all just wonderful, though? She also mentions vacationing at a dude ranch in Montana with all the family, and we do that also. Guess with sons and that many kids, it's a great solution! (However, I also have one daughter and she's a real horsewoman.)

Eleanor de Mov Schaffer does volunteer work at the local library and synagogue, plays tennis, and is trying to learn the computer! Her husband Gene had a successful total hip replacement. **Rachelle Naomi** Remen, MD '62, had a new book published in April 2000. It is called *My Grandfather's Blessings: Stones of Strength, Refuge, and Belonging*. Her previous book, *Kitchen Table Wisdom*, was a *New York Times* bestseller.

Sid Heller took early retirement as a securities analyst from Lehman Bros. in 1994 due to Parkinson's disease. He remarried and bought a house in Coconut Grove, FL (visitors welcome). He has had two operations for Parkinson's but basically is in good shape considering the 13 years since diagnosis. **Stefan Belman**, DVM '61, also has family get-togethers at his ranch in Montana. He retired as a veterinarian in 1994 and has been converting the timber acreage of his ranch into a tree farm. He loves whitewater canoeing, alpine and back-country skiing, and climbing and hiking in Glacier National Park! **Charles Rosak** has retired and is doing lots of travel, mostly with car clubs. After 30 years of yearning, he took his German sports car back to Europe for seven weeks of driving, rallies, and sightseeing, mostly in Eastern Germany! **Michael Isaacs** has completed his career change from lawyer to social worker/psychotherapist and now has a full-time psychotherapy practice. He also continues to teach and lecture and give workshops in yoga, meditation, and related holistic health subjects.

In May 1999 **Scott Wetstone** sailed with three friends to Tahiti from Seattle. They sailed 3,400 miles nonstop to the Marquesas Islands and then on to Tahiti, Bora Bora, Boratonga, and Tonga—in all, 5,000 miles. He says it was a wonderful experience, but probably his last open ocean voyage—too many other things to do! **Adrienne Bertenthal** Shuter enjoys short trips. She spent a week in New York City to catch up on Broadway and the museums, long lunches, reading, and walking. She has also been putting her house in order after a year and a half of constructing a new wing! **Kathleen Bennett** Hall, MS '79, and her husband built their retirement home in a golf course community in Estero, FL. They had a wonderful time with the project. They traveled as guests of a couple who wanted them to experience "wing shooting" in Uruguay with stops both ways in Buenos Aires. Wonderful! Kathleen sings with the Naples Philharmonic Chorale and plays handbells and sings in her church. She says, "When I quit smoking ten years ago, I didn't realize that tobacco had stolen my voice. It is nice to have it back!" **Peter Klem** retired in 1999 and now

resides in a motorhome with no fixed address!

Bob Hoffman and wife Janet made a trip by train across Russia and China, from St. Petersburg to Shanghai, following the ancient silk road, a trip not to be missed or repeated! Bob retired as vice chairman of Monsanto in March 1999, and upon completion of the aforementioned trip became chairman of Hamischfeger Industries, an old-line heavy equipment manufacturer. He has just completed building a Swiss chalet in the Alps and plans to spend four to five months a year there. He says, "Life after 60 is good!" **Art Brooks** retired in January and in June made his second singing tour with the Robert Page Festival Singers, performing in Prague, Salzburg, and Munich. **Bob Dunn** has done lots of traveling in 2000. He went to Antarctica in February and Fiji in June and was heading for Israel and Jordan in October. He says, "Antarctica wasn't any colder than Ithaca in February and Fiji wasn't any hotter than Ithaca in June!" He has an ideal situation, still works part-time for Real Restaurants.

News from my homefront: After a marvelous safari to Africa in August (yes, it was cooler there than in Dallas!), Chuck had the wonderful experience of skydiving with the Golden Knights at Fort Knox, Kentucky! Quite a thrill, and yes!—tapes will be available at our next Reunion! Hope you all had a wonderful holiday season! ♦ **Jan Arps** Jarvie, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75240; fax, (972) 387-0160; e-mail, jjarvie386@aol.com.



Joan Travis Pittel of Long Beach, NY, retired last year after 25 years as a special education teacher at the Children's Learning Center of the United Cerebral Palsy Assn. of Nassau County. She and husband Gerald then spent two months in Fort Lauderdale and also took a cruise that visited Costa Rica and Nicaragua before sailing through the Panama Canal. **Mike Bandler** of Alamo, CA, a retired vice president of Pacific Bell, and wife **Linda (Goldberg)** '62, BS HE '65, toured Israel and Jordan in May prior to Mike assuming the presidency of Temple Isaiah in Lafayette, CA.

"Retirement doesn't seem in the cards," says **Beth Weinstein** Newburger-Schwartz of Arlington, VA, a senior government official who co-chaired the President's Commission on the Celebration of Women in American History. "The outpouring of ideas about how to include women in the stories we tell our children about our history was phenomenal," she says. Beth is considering starting PhD studies at George Washington U. "Cornell really does inspire lifelong learning," she writes.

Phil Kiviat, MIE '61, of Potomac, MD, president of the Kiviat Group, is on the board of directors of onehealthbank.com, a Web technology company that enables online financial settlement of healthcare transactions at the point of service. **Barbara Kaplan** Krause of Brookline, MA, continues to work at the North American Society of Pacing and Electrophysiology as senior division director of scientific sessions and international relations, which enables her to travel extensively. Her

husband Norman works with the US Army Corps of Engineers.

After 21 years with FMC, **Chet Fox** of Huntingdon Valley, PA, has embarked on an exciting new venture, establishing FOX Global Consultants, an international consulting practice that focuses on chemical manufacturing. **Robert Bergesen**, MBA '61, of Middlebury, VT, took early retirement after ten years as general manager of Vermont Transit, a subsidiary of Greyhound Lines. **Jackie Grant** Lewis of Port Jefferson, NY, has been retired from teaching for more than five years, which gives her lots of time for bridge and working out at the gym. She and husband Marvin enjoy visiting their three grandchildren and touring the US in their new 34-foot motorhome.

Together with 43 other Cornellians, **Morton**, JD '60, and **Maxine Hollander Bittker** of Rochester, NY, enjoyed "a fabulous tour" of Italy last spring. Maxine reports that their daughter, **Holly Bittker** Boker '86, gave birth to a daughter, who joined 5-year-old twin brothers. Dentist/attorney **Carl Resnick** of Lincolnwood, IL, says he is "having a ball" with his seven grandchildren, all of whom live within 20 minutes of his home. **Gail Stanton** Willis, a realtor in Houston, TX, is the proud grandmother of two girls. **Alvin** and **Nola Rosanoff Marx**, MD '64, of San Antonio, TX, joined the grandparents' club in 1999, when their daughter gave birth. Steve and **Lissa Rogall** Wesley of Breckenridge, CO, followed suit last February when their daughter gave birth to twin girls.

Bill and **Susan Mattison Fraser** of Greensboro, NC, have nine grandchildren, three of whom were born in 1999. Bill and Susan made their third trip to Africa last February. **Walt**, MD '59, and **Naomi Meltzer Rubin** of Gladwyne, PA, are grandparents of 11. Naomi had a one-person show of monoprints, collagraphs, and pastels at the Spring Mill Café in Philadelphia last spring. This was followed with summertime displays of her work at Villanova U., Woodmere Art Museum, and Main Line Art Center. **Robert Wegryn**, MD '63, of Westfield, NJ, medical director of The Center for Hope Hospice, was president of the Society of Surgeons of New Jersey this past year. He and wife Roberta have four grandchildren. **Ed** and **Beth Streisfeld Tavlin** '62 of Bay Harbor Islands, FL, and grandparents of six, cruised to Antarctica and later visited Easter Island.

Vic Samuelson of Chagrin Falls, OH, writes that he had dinner with **Walt Gundel** '57, BME '58, a physician in Burlington, VT. It was the first time the two men had seen each other since Walt's graduation from Cornell. Vic is chairing three groups for The Executive Committee. Two of the groups are composed of CEOs and presidents of small to mid-sized companies; the third is made up of key executives from the same companies. "These groups are aimed at improving the members' effectiveness as CEOs and executives and enhancing their lives. It is very challenging and fulfilling." ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, jet24@cornell.edu.

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Hearty congratulations to **Leonard Johnson**, who has heroically completed the cross-country bicycle trip announced in a previous column. Shortly after our 40th Reunion, Leonard and wife Patty, along with a small but hardy band of friends, set out from Astoria, OR, and spent 70 days covering the 3,800 miles from there to Falmouth, MA, where the Johnsons live. Leonard reports, "The pace enabled us to see things one usually misses at faster speeds, as well as to meet all kinds of fascinating people along the way. And it goes without saying that Patty and I are in better shape than when we started." Near the end of the trip, **Carol (Treman)** and **Archer des Cognets '57**, MBA '60, met the Johnsons for dinner in western Massachusetts.

Congratulations of a different sort to **James A. Hodges Jr.**, who was recently named CFO of IntelliSpace, which describes itself as the pioneer of commercial in-building Ethernet-based internet access. Jim, who worked previously as a consultant on corporate finance, lives in Lake Forest, IL, with wife **Gail (Taylor)**, who serves as our class historian. Another Illinois classmate with a new job is **Fred Block** of Lake Bluff, who became director of real estate services for USAA Realty. Fred's responsibilities, which include development and brokerage for a nine-state area in the North Central region, will not interfere, he says, with his hobby of performing in musical theater. Fred and wife Nikki moved to the Chicago area in 1991 after many years in Bucks County, PA, where they raised five children and Fred worked in corporate real estate.

Leonard Stark is also in the real estate business, specializing in the sales of commercial properties in the Orlando area that include hotels and other structures used for hospitality. Lenny and Selma recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Their son Michael works for Cendant Corp. and lives near Orlando, so they are able to see their granddaughter Katie at least once a week.

Jane Perlberg Zacek sent greetings "from soggy Schenectady," which was as rainsoaked last summer as the rest of the Northeast, and said she was sorry to have missed the 40th Reunion, but heard that it went very well. Jane works as director of grant support at Union College and also serves on the board of the American Red Cross of Northeastern New York. Her husband Joe is a professor of history at SUNY Albany. Their daughter Leslie lives in Seattle and son Peter, who was married in fall 1999, is in Evanston, IL.

Gale Jackson sent a glowing report on the wedding of **Connie Reed Parr's** daughter Martha Anne in Baltimore in September. Among the wedding guests were **Barbara (Shults)** and **Tremaine Finch**, who made the trip from Houston for the celebration. **Arnold Henderson** is still deeply involved in volunteer work on environmental and nature projects. One in which he played a major role was the Highland Park (NJ) Native Plant Reserve, which rehabilitated an urban open-space site and won an Environmental Quality

Award from the government.

Caryl Koerper McAllister and spouse **Stratton '55**, PhD '61, have undergone a challenging renovation of their house in Delafield, WI, in the aftermath of a 1999 fire that caused major soot damage and burned a number of musical instruments, as well as a large portion of their sheet music library. Caryl says they've added about 3,000 square feet to the house, and "it has been quite an adventure!" **Peter Rodgers**, BEE '62, reports from Chester Springs, PA, "I've been wanting to quit working and just play, but it's hard to walk away when things are going so well. We just moved our company to a new building in Ft. Washington and built ourselves nice new offices that include a gym and shower room, so I have no excuse not to work out anymore. Maybe one more year," he adds wistfully.

Barbara Jo Grace Moorhead and husband Bob are now semi-retired and doing management consulting from their two homes, one on Georgian Bay in Canada, the other in Sarasota, FL. "B Jo" reports that she is active in the local Cornell Club in Florida and would also welcome visits from classmates when they are in the Sarasota area. She can be reached by e-mail at: bmoor10@home.com. **Eva Metzger** Brown of Amherst, MA, reports the addition of two more grandchildren to her growing brood, which now includes Ernesto, born to her son, and Samuel, born to her daughter **Carolyn Brown Mitchell '86**. **Sara Wise Kane** writes from Key Biscayne, FL, that she and **Joel, Sp Ag '58-59**, recently had a great trip to China. The Kanes welcomed their fourth grandchild in 1999; their other three grandchildren live in Waban, MA, not far from the Kanes' summer abode.

Ray Skaddan has moved from Plymouth Meeting, PA, to Dresher, PA, but still works for the same CPA firm. Ray and Lynda are avid travelers and have visited numerous sites in the US and Canada lately, in between spending time with their four children and six grandchildren. A succinct report from **George Nukk**, BME '62, of Mahwah, NJ, who says, "My children are grown and independent, my business is mature, and I'm approaching my retirement years." Even more minimalist are the words from the "dues but no news" group. To name a few: **Mary "Ginny" McClaren** Dato of Rockville, MD, **James M. O'Hara**, LLB '63, of Denver, CO, **Sandra Yasser** Friedman of New York City, **John P. Ward** of Owings Mills, MD, **Alan Silberstein** of NYC, **Susan Gelber** Berenblum of Greenwich, CT, **Leonard Becker Jr.**, of Berkeley, CA, **Elaine Gruenberg** Azcarate of Boulder, CO, **Robert Grieves** of Tampa, FL, **Marilyn Miller Roche** of San Mateo, CA, **Donna Blair** Read of Birmingham, AL, and **James Verna** of NYC. Send news!

Our annual Mid-Winter class gathering will be held on Fri., Jan. 26, '01 in NYC at 6:30 p.m. Contact **Phyllis Pugatch** Schecter, (212) 982-3472, Phylandkeev@aol.com, for more details about the Chinese buffet party. ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA, 02461; e-mail, jwittenberg@neasc.org.

REUNION

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In a few months, members of the "amazing" Class of 1961 will gather in Ithaca for our long-awaited 40th Reunion.

For a class known for successful, exciting reunions, this one promises to be the best yet. Festivities will get under way on Thursday, June 7, '01, with a reception buffet in the gorgeous new atrium of Sage Hall, the new home of the Business School. Will you be there? Please, please make your plans now for June 7-10—no excuses! Check out our new website for details about activities, affinity group plans, and information about on-line registration.

You will be interested in our on-line class member e-mail directory. Here is the website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1961. Contact Webmaster **Doug Fuss** at djfuss@attglobal.net for the password needed to access the directory.

The advent of the new millennium has not diminished the nostalgia and warmth that classmates feel for each other. This was amply demonstrated at October's Reunion Planning Meeting, held in Carefree, AZ. Those attending this congenial gathering included Reunion Co-chairs **Peter Greenberg** and **Sue Rand Lewis**, VPs **Robin Bissell**, **Phil Hodges**, **Bob Lurcott**, MRP '68, and **Dick Tatlow**, Webmaster Doug Fuss, Class Correspondent **David Kessler**, Affinity Group Chair **Pat Laux Richards**, **Peter Brandeis**, **Judith Berman** Brandenburg, **Lassie Tischler** Eicher, **Marshall** and **Rosanna Romanelli Frank**, **Ellie Browner** Greco, **Ed Pereles**, and **Pete Whiskeman**, BS '76. Together with spouses, 25 of us enjoyed the Arizona desert (despite uncharacteristic, intermittent rain showers). Kudos to Dick Tatlow, coordinator of this event.

Traveling continues to be a favorite pastime. **Carol Moore** Durrell trekked up to 16,000 feet in Nepal last year, observing that there are few modern conveniences in that remote part of the globe. **Fran Shapiro** Ivker, who keeps reminding us she is still a practicing ob/gyn in New Orleans, enjoyed a ski vacation in Colorado, a visit to Israel, and a visit to Ireland during the past year. Carol has exhibited her polymer clay portrait work in a Columbus, OH, gallery under the name Carol Hershey, and Fran, who definitely plans to be at Reunion, has offered to teach Cajun dancing to any classmates visiting "N'Awlins."

Nelson Spencer and wife Brenda spent a delightful week at Adult University (CAU). He got to sharpen his rowing skills on the Inlet, while Brenda studied digital photography. **Tony Engelmores** is running Gamma Promotions Inc., which supplies advertising specialty items in the Harrisburg, PA, area. Con-

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tact Tony through his e-mail to get the best deal if you need your logo on a variety of giveaways. Tony's daughter **Tatia** is studying physics as a member of the Cornell Class of 2004. After 25 years in senior management in various cosmetic and fashion accessory industry enterprises, **Andrew Philip** has started Execu-Team Resources, an executive search firm specializing in that field. He and wife Pecois, a fitness instructor, live in Pound Ridge, NY. **David Houggy Sr.** is a building contractor in the Pittsburgh, PA, area. His wife **Helen (Iler) '62** runs the gifted student program at Hampton High School. Daughter **Katherine E. Ross '92** (Hotel Administration) lives in New Jersey and has two Houggy grandchildren. Son **Dave Jr. '89**, ME EP '91 (and MBA '98 from Chicago) lives in Chicago. Helen and Dave are active in the church

Greenwich, CT. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, 288 Lexington Ave., #7B, NYC 10016; tel., (212) 696-9203; e-mail, dsk15@cornell.edu.



In Grand Rapids, MI, **William "Sandy" Stevenson**, BArch '63, (sandy_stevenson@urscorp.com) is Midwest regional manager for URS (architectural, engineering, and environmental consulting), and wife Roberta teaches learning disabled students in nearby Ionia. Both sons are in California: one in Palto Alto, the other in LA. Also in California is Sasha Ferrer, aka **Suzan Nudelman** (sashaferrer@aol.com) who works in Sherman Oaks as a TV executive/writer/producer.

Dick Carter (dcarter@afg-co.com) is enjoying life in Colorado, where he has lived for the past 29 years. Dick is a mortgage broker

long learning. Any potential participants out there? Contact **Evie Eskin** at evieskin@aol.com. For affinity group assistance, contact **Beth Newell Spicka** at wspicka@sprynet.com.

Don Boose has kept busy since retiring from the Army eight years ago. He's been adjunct professor at the US Army War College and has had several articles about political-military aspects of the Korean War published this year. Don has 22 articles in the new three-volume Encyclopedia of the Korean War.

Apologies to those of you who sent e-mail submissions to me and haven't yet found them in this space. Please try again! My computer caught a virus while **Bob '59** and I were in South Africa, and it had a memory lapse. Won't happen again! ♦ **Jan McClayton Crites**, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97034-6721; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

“The wedding of Mary Dunn Medina's daughter was so much fun, the police had to shut down the party.”

NANCY BIERDS ICKE '63

choir and orchestra (he sings and plays trumpet) and spend some of their spare time on the ski slopes and doing gardening. He is also looking forward to Reunion.

Edwin Alley, a New Jersey Superior Court Judge since 1991, has been appointed by the State's Chief Justice as a Judge of the Appellate Division. Prior to becoming a judge, he was a partner in a Newark, NJ, law firm, handling commercial and complex litigation. **Lance Bergstrom** is retired and looking forward to pursuing interests in woodworking and gardening. He wants all Alpha Sigs to know that he's looking forward to seeing them at Reunion. **Diane Stewart** Suits retired after 20 years as a media generalist at Manchester, NH, Memorial High School. Her plans include travel, perfecting her photography skills, doing volunteer work, and “exercise, exercise, exercise.” After 30 years at Chem Systems Inc., Marshall Frank has retired and is spending more time traveling (i.e., cycling) and with his grandchildren. Marshall coordinated a '61 Cornell Phonathon in which I participated last fall at the Cornell Club—New York, along with Rosanna, **Carol Gitlin** Franklin, and **Andy Algava**. The Cornell Fund informed us following this event that at the end of October, '61 had more donors toward the goal of 500 than any other reunion class.

Lew, MD '65, and **Anne Klein Rothman** have been blessed with two grandchildren during the past year. Anne has begun her third career as a psychologist. For **Jack '58**, MBA '61, and **Diane Baillet Meakem**, 2000 was a banner year. They now have seven grandchildren. They've traveled to Japan, where a daughter is teaching, and also to Hawaii, California, Arizona, and Florida. In the fall, they made a trip to Rome. It sounds as though the Meakems were scarcely at home in

based in Denver, with branches in Aspen and Telluride, allowing him to float between all three. Dick tries to spend as much time as possible in his Telluride mountain home. “Great life!” he adds. **Robert F. Day's** daughter was married in June. Robert can be found in Augusta, ME. Skip and **Bill Brozowski** also celebrated a family wedding in June, just a few miles away from the site of their 1961 nuptials. Bill was chosen Officer of the Year at the McAllen (TX) Elks Lodge this year. He reports that **Dan Kopp** (txfarmerbill@yahoo.com) is part owner of a wholesale small animal farm in Pleasanton, TX.

New York City is home to Ken and **Yvonne Schot** Hannan. Ken has his own shipping company. Daughter Ashley is studying alternative medicine in Beverly Hills, CA, and their son is majoring in the classics at Yale. “Life at 60 is good,” reports **Will Ritter**. He is semi-retired from his law firm and he and Anne spend winters in Florida and summers in DC. He is a *pro bono* legal consultant for AID in efforts to promote capital markets in developing countries such as India, the Philippines, Kazakstan, etc. “It's interesting, and a small chance to give a little back. Meanwhile, I play a lot of golf (some with **Fred Hart**, whose game is ‘improving’) and am involved with several boards and charities.” Their three sons are launched on their own paths; Will and Anne's grandson Samuel lives in New York with his parents. Will plans to be there for our 40th Reunion, June 6-9, in exchange for LARGE PRINT nametags!

We're “affinitizing” the class with the aforementioned Fortieth in view. Know any corridormates, labmates, teammates, or others you'd like to see there? Volunteer your help in making it happen! The symposium, in the planning stages, will explore the theme of life-



Happy New Year to all of you! This may be to some people the real beginning of the new century. I hope that the year 2000 was good to all of you. Please consider writing or e-mailing some information to me. Send me your Christmas letters via e-mail or regular mail. Our family has a lot to celebrate in 2000. Two granddaughters were born to our two older sons and their wives. Dave, Lydia, and their two children welcomed Sofia Giovanna on September 11 in Boston, and Steve and Silvia's baby Bianca Celeste arrived on September 23 in Phoenix. I recently spent two weeks in Boston helping Dave and Lydia with their other children. I'm off to Phoenix very soon to see Bianca. It's a busy time!

Bob (William R.) '61 and **Barbara Zinsmeister White** own an inn on Cape Cod. The Sjöholm Inn is located in West Falmouth, MA. The brochure looks great. Barbara describes it as “very interactive, collegial, comfortable, fairly laid-back, and in a definitely eclectic Cape Cod environment.” Their daughter **Susan '86** married **Douglas Harrison '85**. Susan is a fourth-generation Cornelian on the White side of the family. Nice to hear news from **Carolyn Connell** Standel, who I am sure is from my hometown of Manhasset, Long Island. Her mother, **Carrie Meyer Connell '30**, died two years ago. Carolyn and husband Paul recently purchased a home in Jupiter, FL, to be closer to her dad, **Jerry '29**, MD '32. If I remember correctly, her dad was my family doctor for some years.

John Nichols, PhD '69, is on the faculty of Texas A & M. He teaches and does research in food economics and marketing. He was recently named director of a new program in consumer and food marketing issues. He also has continuing projects that give him the opportunity to travel to Russia and Armenia. His family includes wife Carol and two grandchildren in Houston. He hopes the latter can be influenced to attend Cornell some day! Bob and **Mary Dunn** Medina are still in Skillman, NJ. Their daughter Liz (Vassar '93) was married to **Christopher Whitney '87** at Mary and Bob's home in West Hampton, LI. Mary described the day as “splendiferous,” and the event was so much fun that the police had to

come and shut down the party—"just like old times."

Bob Carson writes from Walla Walla, WA, where he is Phillips Professor of Geology and director of environmental studies at Whitman College. He is co-author of *Hiking Washington's Geology* (with Scott Babcock), published by The Mountaineers Books this spring. He has done research on former glaciers in the Pacific Northwest, the Rockies, Alaska, and Mongolia. Bob was honored last June by Whitman College. In recognition of excellence in teaching, counseling and scholarship, he and four other professors were presented with special awards. Bob received the George Ball Advising Excellence Award. He was cited for carrying twice the normal load of advisees and for his quality of involvement. Congratulations, Bob!

Marty and **Olivia Winkler** are in La Jolla, CA. Marty retired in July 1999 after 35 years in the aerospace business. He is enjoying retirement, though he continues to do some consulting. His recent travels included Russia and Kenya. **Dean** and **Mary Williams** are in La Canada, CA. Dean is a retired land development engineer. His wife teaches preschool. His hobbies are babysitting four-year-old twin grandsons, golf, and remodeling homes. Dean and Mary have children **Sean '90**, master's, U. of Tokyo '93, and employed by Merrill Lynch in Tokyo; **Jill**, USC '91, an elementary teacher and mother of the twins; and **Steven**, Duke BCE '99, master's in engineering management, Duke '00.

Gene (Anthony G.) **Samburg** lives in McLean, VA, and was named E & Y 1999 Master Entrepreneur of the Year in the Washington, DC region. **Josh** (James R.), MBA '64, and **Barbara Billings** have moved their primary residence to Florida. They spend June through September at their cottage on the north shore of Lake Erie in NY State. Daughter **Betsy** graduated from the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth with an MBA, and will be working in Dallas for Bain & Co. Son **Jay '98** finished his second year as a teacher at the Vail Mountain School in Colorado. Anyone who visits Ketchikan, Alaska, can visit **Marvin** and **Hue McConnell**. They operate a beautiful jewelry and art gallery there. It is located opposite the cruise ship docks and is called Alaskan Heritage. Marvin encourages Cornellians to visit! A quick note from **Arthur Resnikoff**, who writes from San Francisco that he just got married for the third time and hopes that this time it's right!

That's all the news for now! Don't forget to communicate with me. News is needed! ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke**, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, ick@execpc.com.

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Well, it's the first month of the new century and the new millennium, if you count years correctly. Take it from a math major. And to celebrate, here's news from your classmates.

Rev. **Margaret Maguire Bernhard** retired last June as special education teacher at Corvallis (OR) High School, then took a new

position as director of Christian education, Church of the Good Samaritan, in Corvallis. **Peggy** and husband **Bob '62**, director of the Oregon State Academic Decathlon, spent last year's family vacation in Maui. The **Bernhards**, who live at 1180 NW Country Ct., Corvallis, have two grown children, both of whom (and their spouses) are Cornell grads.

Harvey Kayman, working for the South Carolina Dept. of Health and Environmental Control, has been appointed district health director of the Pee Dee River Basin District, consisting of six poor rural counties. Harvey retired from the Permanente Medical Group two years ago after 25 years of pediatric practice, then went to grad school and got an MPH. He and wife **Susan (Goldberg) '66** made the tough decision to move away from Northern California (where two of their three children still live), but he hopes he can do a little good in his new position, admitting that he'll probably get a lot more than he gives. Harvey can be reached at his work address: 145 Cheves St., Florence, SC.

For the past three and a half years, **James Reyelt** has been the manager of Rhode Island Country Club, which now hosts a large golf tournament (the CVS/Pharmacy Golf Classic) each summer. Planning and managing an event attracting 21,000 folks, plus his normal responsibilities, keeps him busy, but during the off-season last year, Jim managed to swing a trip to Aruba, Curacao, several of the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico researching district golf programs and special restaurants. Sounds like an ideal business trip to me! At home (with wife **Sue**, 10 Payne Rd., Barrington, RI), he relaxes with golf and water sports. He sends word that **Jim Giberti** was in a very serious auto accident last March and has only recently ended his rehabilitation period. He urges classmates to send cards to Jim at 17 Bayberry Rd., Wareham, MA 02571.

Stephen Crawford has left the Maryland Higher Education Commission to take a job as vice president of the National Policy Assn., a Washington, DC, "think tank." Steve and wife **Liliane** vacationed in Vietnam the summer before last, his first time back since serving there as an infantry officer in 1966-67. Back home, having won last spring's primary, he's running for a seat on his county's board of education, an election which will be decided by the time you read this. In his spare time, Steve enjoys reading, theater, travel, and hiking. The **Crawfords** live at 7409 Hilltop Dr., Frederick, MD. **David Gunning** (2571 N. Park Blvd., Cleveland Heights, OH) was elected a director of Southwest Gas Corp. last August. David is the principal in Encintos Ventures, was president and CEO of Capitol American Financial Corp., and is a director of Lincoln Electric Co., Roulston & Co., and Development Alternatives Inc. **Allen Nimetz**, MD '68, writes, "My cardiology practice has kept me busier than ever at a time when I had pictured slowing down . . . but it's still as much fun as always." Among other pleasures, Allen has gotten involved in Cornell activities, for which he credits Cornell roommate **Stephen Einhorn** and wife **Nancy (Lore)**. Allen and

wife **Carol**, who live at 8116 Split Oak Dr., Bethesda, MD, have a grown son and daughter. Allen recently enjoyed seeing **Butch** and **Ellen Fluhr Thomas '65**; Butch is chief of anesthesiology at Cornell Med School in New York City.

Hotelier **Don Whitehead**, still president of Hospitality Enterprises, splits his year evenly between his inn in the Hamptons and a sports club near Key West, FL. He recently gave a seminar in "Franchising & Management Contracts" at the Hotel school's MBA extension in Paris. Don is also on the board of directors of both the Long Island Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Tennessee Williams Fine Arts Center in Key West. For relaxation, he chooses tennis, cooking, and international travel, with home being at 21 Overlook Dr., Southampton, NY, during his northern half-year. **Michael** "Tim" **Graves** reports he's "still plugging away as social studies instructional leader, and teaching US History & Gov't, Economics," and enjoying his photography hobby. With perhaps a touch of envy, Tim reports in the "Recent travel" portion of the news form: "We (wife **Suzanne** and he) sat home while our son (also a social studies teacher) and his wife escorted a group of students to Venice, Salzburg, Vienna, and Prague." Home is at 28 Wincanton Lane, Fairport, NY.

Paul Lyon is still living in Quebec (with wife **Louise** at 149 du Seigle, C.P. 281, St.-Augustin) and still doing French-English translations. Paul remains active in choral music ("although my opera career has now definitely ended, much to my regret") and they try to hit the ski trails at least every Saturday during the snow season. But he sold his aircraft project last year and allowed his pilot's license to lapse, due to his eyes. Paul writes that he regrets he didn't make the 1999 Reunion, but plans to be there in 2004. Keep the news coming! ♦ **Bev Johns Lamont**, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com.

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I just returned from the delightful wedding of **Phil '62**, BArch '64, MArch '65, and **Maddy Gell Handler's** daughter **Alyssa '92** to Amato Bocchino. Amato is an attorney and Alyssa is a physician. Other Cornellians attending the wedding were my husband **Stephen Rogow '63**, **Judy Silverman Kaufman '67** and husband **Bill**, and **Carol Sacks Sekura**. Continuing in the wedding vein, my daughter **Debbie Rogow Silverstein '91**, husband **Rich**, and son **Jonathan** visited to attend the wedding of **Sharon Kaufman '91** and **Daniel Moreland '91**.

News from **Albert DeFlorio**, MEE '66, and wife **Donna** as they report a change of address to Cape Cod where they have chosen to retire. Al and Donna keep busy with sailing, kayaking, and golf. They invite Cornellians in the area to visit. Another classmate considering retiring is **George Jura**. He sold his business after owning and operating it for 15 years. After a lengthy vacation, he'll decide whether to make the retirement permanent. Classmate **Howard Zuckerman** and his wife just re-

Reform Rabbi

DAVID SAPERSTEIN '69

I cannot think of any point in human history," says Rabbi David Saperstein, "that demanded Jewish activism more than now." As a member (and former head) of the U.S. Commission on Religious Freedom, Saperstein has worked to end the persecution of Muslims in Chechnya and publicize acts of genocide in Sudan. During last year's debate over the China trade bill, he lobbied Congress to demand the release of all religious prisoners. Says Saperstein: "To be a Jew means to be involved, to speak out, to be bound up with the struggle for social justice."

Now director of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, Saperstein also chairs committees for such social justice organizations as the NAACP, People for the American Way, and the Coalition to Preserve Religious Liberty. His activities in the U.S. include promoting affirmative action and opposing the Christian Coalition's efforts to impose prayer in schools. "My interest in this movement is sparked by the lessons of Jewish history," says Saperstein. "We have been the quintessential religious victims of western civilization."



—Jonathan Kivell '02

turned from three years in Mexico City. They now reside in North Potomac, MD, at 305 Alderwood Dr.

Co-President **David Roitman** and wife **Linda (Lomazoff) '66** of Cherry Hill, NJ, recently returned from a memorable trip to Australia and New Zealand. David also teaches English to Russian immigrants. They enjoy watching their Cornell children **Brian '90** and **Mitchell '92** complete advanced degrees, and **Ari '98** start a new job in the Big Apple. David and Linda also have two young granddaughters on whom they dote. **Jody Lowens** reports that his import/export business in seafood and fishing equipment has become a hobby/business. He'll leave the offices in lower Manhattan and commute to the new location by bike from his home at PO Box 324, Point Lookout, NY 11569. Besides this, Jody keeps busy caring for son Ethan and researching and writing projects on his parents' history. His mom, **Madeleine Weil Lowens '39**, attended her 60th reunion in June 1999. He would like to hear from former classmates and other Cornell friends.

Jon Farbman placed fifth in the Masters Cycling Racing Assn. Championship. During the past 16 years, he has invented, developed, patented, and marketed the leading brand of marching band shoes, Drillmasters. **Carol Greenwald Bender** has children who also followed in the Cornell tradition, **David '96**, **John '00**, and daughter **Jacqueline '94**. Jacqueline, like Carol, is a physician. Carol has been honored by being nominated by her

peers and appointed by the Governor to the Board of Physicians Quality Assurance for the State of Maryland for a four-year term. Carol is also busy lobbying at the state level to keep medicine alive and well.

Jeffrey Parker, M Eng '66, MBA '70, a university trustee, and wife Julie have two children who are Cornellians. Jeff is presently the chairman and CEO of CCBN.Com, an internet-based service company. **Grace Hershberg Morgenstein** and husband **Stan '64** call Potomac, MD, their home. Grace is a school guidance counselor while Stan is an executive at an Internet company. All four of their children attended Cornell as well. Sculptor **Joel Perlman** had a one-man sculpture exhibition at the Kouros Gallery in New York City. His works are included in "Welded Sculpture of the Twentieth Century" at the Neuberger Museum as well. **Robert Bernstein**, PhD '70, and wife **Cindy Goldin '69** call Auburn, AL, home. However, while Bob is the chair of the political science department at Auburn U., Cindy is a professor of English Linguistics at the U. of Memphis. Bob says, "We've tried the commuting marriage for a year or so—lots of time on planes and on the phone—and recommend avoiding it if you have other good options!" **Dan Stern**, PhD '71, of 473 32nd St., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266, and **Ron Schendel**, BS Eng '67, ME CH '68, spent four weeks riding their motor-cycles back to California after Reunion.

Stephen Leventhal and wife Donna call 12108 Kerwood Rd., Silver Spring, MD

20904 their home. Three of their four children have left the nest, including Cornellians **Rachel '87** and **Sean '03**.

I have news from another class correspondent, **Ron Harris**, who retired from Ford Motor Co. after 27 years and is now working for ASG Renaissance, a firm that provides consulting services to the automotive industry. He and wife Marcia are enjoying the good life, having both children, including Cornellian **Andrew '98**, gainfully employed. He enjoyed meeting fraternity brothers **Mike Friedman '64**, **Randy Odza '64**, LLB '67, and **George Yankwitt '64**, LLB '67, and their wives for dinner in NYC after the January 2000 Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting.

To those of you who have written and are still searching for your news items, please be patient. The Reunion mailing brought lots of updated info to us and I am still processing May's news. Ron Harris will bring more news to the next column, so please continue to write to us and share your news, views, and kudos. ♦ **Joan Elstein Rogow**, 9 Mason Farm Rd, Flemington, NJ, 08822; **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Ct., West Bloomfield, MI 48322; e-mail, rshchop@aol.com; **Dennis Norfleet**, 3187 State Rte. 48, Oswego, NY, 13126; tel., (315) 342-0457; e-mail, dpn5@cornell.edu.

REUNION

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Welcome to our 35th Cornell Reunion Year! **Bill Blockton** kindly allowed me to "borrow" his column to send

a warm invitation to celebrate together in Ithaca, June 7-10, 2001. It will be a weekend filled with the best of the Cornell we shared, and with samplings of the vibrant Cornell experienced by today's undergraduates. Plan to come and share it all. Hills and gorges that barely seem to age, the Chimes that ring welcome and close each new day, quadrangles and fields and lakes you remember, new buildings, newly planted trees, and a brand new freshman North Campus that will officially greet the incoming Class of 2005 (!) next September. Professors, Collegetown, the Straight, old haunts (and new ones you can surely add), a renovated and expanded Lincoln Hall, forums, music, and, most of all, friends. When I write and ask what you would like most at Reunion, the number one and number two answers are always: People and Time. Mark your calendars now for Reunion Weekend on the Hill. Come and swell the numbers of '66 People! The Reunion Leadership Committee promises to fill your days and evenings with Cornell spirit—and most of all, with Time—to share memories with friends, old and new.

Thank you for all the "White Cards" you have been mailing, updating our class and Cornell files, and letting us know "A Quick Update: How I spent the last five years . . ." Many '66 classmates have been on the move: career changes, retirements, moves to new homes, traveling, and exploring the world. **George Glober** writes that in 1995 he transferred to Exxon Corporation headquarters in Dallas, "with plenty of interesting problems to work on following the merger with Mobil."

He and Deirdre are contemplating an empty nest as their daughters progress and head back East to school. **Lee and Joan Buchsbaum Lindquist '68** will begin a new chapter in their lives, "exiting California" and moving to Idaho sometime in January 2001. Their grandson Ian is now 1 year old. **Carol Farren** is divorced and has moved her business headquarters from New York City to her home in upstate New York. Carol has written the second edition of a textbook/reference book, *Planning and Managing Interior Projects*. Also on the move is **Norman Meyer**, sharing news that he has sold his medical practice and his house and has moved to Vero Beach, FL. "Went to work in a clinic. Never felt more free." Sounds wonderful!

In 1997, **Bryan** and Susanne **Walley** moved back to California where Bryan is still working for Chevron. **Charles Rappaport** writes that he has had "two open heart operations" and has retired to his camp, now turned "house," in Maine and plans to be in Ithaca for our 35th Reunion. **Pam Majkowski** Poduska lives in Pittsford, NY, where she is a teacher and education director of the Pittsford United Nursery School. She travels internationally with her husband on business trips, visits their children and "grand dogs," and offers support and elder care for their four 86-year-old parents. "Am gardening and attempting to learn to play golf!" To the question of how he spent his last five years, **Dave** (David W.) **Ackerman**, ME E '67, responded enthusiastically from McLean, VA, with two words: "Starting Winstar!"

It was terrific to receive news from my freshman corridor-mate, **Judy Payne** Getto. Judy lives in Los Angeles and writes that she's been "teaching, consulting, raising kids, traveling, and all in-between!" Most wonderful is that she hopes to be at Reunion in June. Incredible to believe it's now 38 years since we met: fifth floor, Dead End, Dickson V. Classmates **John**, ME E '68, and **Helen Perry Egger**, Towson, MD, write, "We realized a lifetime dream by building a small cabin on a remote private lake in the Adirondacks, near the High Peaks. We spend as much of the summer there as we can." John teaches economics at Towson U., and Helen is an accountant with Sinclair Broadcast Group. Their daughter, 33, lives in Alaska; their son, 31, in New Orleans.

Roy Troxel, our Class Webmaster, makes his home in Alexandria, VA, where he's been spending much of the last five years "fixing computers and traveling (England, France, Italy)." Roy's e-mail address is rtroxel@home.com. Send him your news, your photos, your updates, and your own e-mail address for our class web page: www.classof66.comell.edu. Check it out! Check it often!

As we set out upon this new 35th Reunion year, I want to take time, on behalf of the entire Class of 1966, to thank our Class Treasurer, **Ed Arbaugh**, for 35 years of checks and balances, for his wise counsel, and for his friendship. I also want to thank our class correspondents for the time and thought they generously give to ensuring that we remain a

"Class" even as we have found ourselves sprawled across the country and the continents. Keeping us in touch with one another, through our life cycles and milestones, has made us continually feel a part of a Cornell world. To Bill Blockton, **Susan Rockford** Bittker, and **John Miers**, I send our collective appreciation and applause for the months, years, and decades of columns written.

To each of you, I send a personal thank you and one as Class President. Thank you for your support of the Cornell Class of 1966. With your spirit, and through your ongoing participation in Class Dues Membership, you have made, each and every year, the Class of '66 the strong alumni class that it is. Come to Reunion! Give yourself a gift: the gift of Time and People shared. If you cannot be in Ithaca, then raise a glass in June and celebrate our 35 years from far and wide. I send my warm wish that 2001 be a year of joy for each of you—and for the Cornell Class of 1966. ♦ **Alice Katz** Berglas, Class President/35th Reunion Leader.



"I was back on campus [around commencement time] and walked around the campus," reports **Mitchel S. Ross**, Sweder & Ross, 21 Custom House St., Suite 300, Boston, MA (mross@sweder-ross.com), "which looks as if it's on steroids compared to its look in 1967." Mitch enclosed a copy of a letter that he, an Eagle Scout, sent

to the Boy Scouts, "dejected and dismayed at the position of the Boy Scouts in the Dale case. It is because Scouting helped make me the person I am today that I am compelled to take this action. Scouting was never about sexual orientation. It was about building and maintaining a sense of integrity and self-worth."

"I'm a Hotelier who went back to my family business after graduating," writes **Bob Wood**, 6081 Hamilton Blvd., Allentown, PA (bwood@woodco.com), "and we have become the fourth largest on-site restaurant group in the US serving the college, hospital, retirement, and corporate segments of the hospitality industry." Son Damian is 28 and Jonas is 18 and at Ursinus College. Bob's been a trustee of the Allentown Art Museum, chair of the United Way Board and last year upped the annual intake by 10 percent as campaign chair.

Some Cornell kudos: **Bob Bluestein**, who heads R.H. Bluestein & Co., investment consultants in Birmingham, MI, received the Jerome Alpern Distinguished Alumni Award from the ILR School in April at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City. He chaired the school's first capital campaign in the mid-1980s and has served on the University Council and the ILR Advisory Council. On June 10, **Don Weadon**, 3340 N St., NW, Washington, DC (dweadon@aol.com), was presented with the University Fraternity & Sorority Distinguished Service Award by Associate Dean Suzy Nelson. Don was also named to the

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University Council for his work for Greeks at Cornell.

Matthew Kluger, 8 Tall Pine Ct., Augusta, GA (mkluger@mail.mcg.edu), was appointed vice president for research and dean of the School of Graduate Studies at the Medical College of Georgia. **Fred DeBra** (fast1fred@aol.com) is president of the Fred B. DeBra Co., Cincinnati, OH. **Duane Merrill**, RD 1, Box 56A, Walton, NY (pegane@catskill.net), reports that son **Mike Merrill '95** is now working on his master's at U. of Georgia, and two other sons are Ivy Leaguers: Eli (Harvard '92) and Brennan (Yale '93). **Deborah Budd-Levine**, 135 Willowbrook Dr., N. Brunswick, NJ (autobahnal@aol.com), notes that son **Adam Levine '03** is in engineering and that she's a learning consultant working on a child study team involved in the field of learning disabilities and related activities. "It's become unanimous for the **Kaufmann** clan, now that **Cheryl (Katz) '68**, I, and our oldest child, **Elizabeth Kaufmann Hale '94**, have been joined by our younger children, **Brian '03** and **Julie** (Cornell Med '03)," writes **Nick**, 24 Cooper Rd., Scarsdale, NY (kaufmann@msn.com).

"I've published my first picture book," advises **Judy Glucksberg Silverman**, 2722 Washington Ave., Chevy Chase, MD (jgsmn@hotmail.com). "*Rosie and the Mole* deals with the jealousy a little girl feels at the attention paid to her 8-day-old brother when he gets a party and a naming ceremony. She hears 'mohel' as 'mole,' with predictable results." Judy adds that son Aaron is working on his MFA in opera at Catholic U.'s Rome School of Music, son Mark is working at Circuit City, and husband **Jon '66** retired from civil service after 34 years and is a paralegal. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.



I hope all is well with you and family. I recently had a delightful dinner with **Alice Richmond** and husband David Rosenbloom. Alice and her family live on Boston's Beacon Hill and she is a partner with the Boston law firm of Richmond, Pauly and Ault. Alice is a former president of the Massachusetts Bar Assn. and a highly respected professional and civic leader in Massachusetts.

Tracy Suor Peterson lives in Seattle and is vice president of public affairs and external relations for a Washington trade group. **Bruce O'Pray** has been named president and chief operating officer of PersonalPath Systems, Inc. His company provides large health insurance plans and employers with Internet-based applications to service health insurance beneficiaries. Prior to joining PersonalPath, Bruce was CEO of Control Resources Corp., a company founded in 1977 which is a provider of specialized data communications equipment to network operators. **Norm Schickedanz**, ME C '69, lives in Elmhurst, IL, and is a regular reader of *Cornell Magazine*. **Judy Gleklen Kopff** and husband **Gary**, MPA '71, hosted a party last spring for Elian Gonzales, the Cuban child who survived the boat trip to Florida. Elian

was staying at a home down the street from the Kopffs and the party included his family and Cuban officials.

Ed Kemp, DVM '71, lives on Cape Cod and works with his wife in real estate (Act 1 Carol O'Loughlin Real Estate in Falmouth, MA). Ed reports a wonderful trip to Australia to visit his daughter who is at school there. **Paulette Stewart-Jonas** retired last July from her career as a science teacher. Following a September marriage her new name will be Paulette Stewart-Johnson. Her husband Eric is a graduate of Wharton and they will be living in Syracuse with a cottage on Skaneateles Lake. **Tracy Atwood** is with the State Department, based in Kyrgyzstan, where he is a country officer for USAID. **Elizabeth Drake Lowe** lives in Demarest, NJ, and is associate professor of textiles and apparel at Queens College in New York. Her husband **John** is president of Cultural Analysis Group, an anthropology research firm. They have a son at Lehigh U. and a daughter in high school. Elizabeth reports seeing classmate **Bob Lichtenstein**. **Ronna Yosim Kluger** lives in Toronto and is an elementary school principal. Her husband is professor of chemistry at the U. of Toronto.

Susan Mascette Brandt continues as a partner with the Rochester, NY, firm of Harter, Secrest & Emery where she has a merger and acquisitions and securities practice. Her son Nick is at Williams College and son Josh at Brown. **Bruce Carlson** lives in Wilmington, DE, and is vice president of global operations for Dupont Performance Coatings. His wife **Kathy (Schmidt) '69** handles international and domestic relocations and human resource matters for W.L. Gore & Associates. His son **Brian '98** works in Paris and another son attends Rollins College in Florida. Bruce travels a lot, since he is responsible for 45 plants in 25 countries around the world. **David Yesner**, BA '71, lives in Chugiak, AK, where he is a professor of anthropology at the U. of Anchorage. He has developed a graduate program in anthropology and served as its director. Dave is now president of the Cornell Club Alaska and is also with the Cornell Alumni Assn.

Robert Cantor and wife **Joyce (Moye) '67** live in Elkins Park, PA, just outside of Philadelphia. Robert is president and CEO of Ininger Machine Company. While attending a Harvard Business School continuing education program, he saw **Steve Boucher**, ME '69, and **Alice Richmond**, and also had dinner with **Richie Garick**, who's involved in consulting for restaurants.

Len Rubin lives in Chappaqua, NY, with wife Ann Davison. He works for Pfizer as the regional technology director for Japan, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Latin America, and Canada, which obviously means extensive worldwide travel. His wife is on the faculty of Queens College, where she teaches English. Len reports seeing **Helen Karel Dorman**, **Jack** and **Fredi Gaberman Shonkoff**, and **Dennis Miller**, BArch '69, MA '73.

Julia Ho Wang lives in Concord, MA. Her husband **Dexter** is Engineering '69, ME

AESP '70, and her daughter **Elizabeth Wang Darling** is Hotel '97. **Sue Selton** Benjamin lives in Los Alamos, NM, and is involved with teaching and consulting in math and science. She reports seeing **Jane (Frommer)** and **David Gertler '67**, ME I '68. Sue's son **Josh '99** graduated from Cornell and daughter Alana attends Princeton. **Charles Levitan** lives in Montville, NJ, and is a stockbroker for Salomon Smith Barney. **Eric Johnson** lives in Wheeling, IL, and works for Kraft Foods in Northfield. **Herb Scherzer** lives in Farmington, CT, and is director of the Sleep Disorder Center at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center. His oldest daughter Erica graduated from Trinity College last June. **Larry Pexton** lives in Gresham, OR, and is president of Triad Speakers, a manufacturer of high-end residential home theater loudspeakers. He reports seeing **Bob Bell** in Sweden. **Mary Helen Watkins Baker** lives in Carlsberg, CA.

That's all for now. Look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, Putnam Investments, 1 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109; fax, (617) 760-8349; e-mail, gordon_silver@putnaminv.com.



I am looking forward to receiving your news and dues notes. If you haven't returned the form, there is still time.

Please include a business card and print all names so that what appears in this column will be correct.

Several of our classmates have been featured in press releases lately. Dr. **Thomas Garthwaite** was named Undersecretary for Health in the Dept. of Veterans Affairs by President Clinton. He is responsible for the operation of the healthcare delivery system, for the program of education and training, for directing medical research, and for providing contingency support for the Dept. of Defense and public health care services during times of war or national emergency. **Robert Redwine** has been named Dean of Undergraduate Education at MIT after having previously served as professor of physics and director of the laboratory for nuclear science. The 2000 Julian Ross Award for Excellence in Teaching English at Allegheny College was presented to **James Bulman**. He is internationally recognized as a Shakespearean scholar and participates in several professional organizations, including the Shakespeare Assn. of America, the International Shakespeare Assn., and the American Society for Theatre Research.

Recently, **Jim Gregory**, MA '72, made headlines as a line-dancing teacher with two Cornell degrees. It seems that Jim always intended to teach, but when he left school there were few opportunities for philosophy majors. After a job at the Hartford, CT, unemployment office, he ran the then-new off-track betting parlor in Torrington, and later in New Britain. But eventually his interest in folk dancing became his profession, and now he is not only a dance teacher, but is seen as a scholar of vernacular dances as well. Incidentally,

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A LEADER IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Cornell Alumni Federation

Thanks to the success of the Cornell Alumni Federation's VISA card program, the support of CAF Scholarships has grown 150 percent. Since the card was launched in May 1997, more than 22,000 alumni have become Cornell VISA card holders. Revenues generated from this card alone have funded 61 undergraduate scholarships to date and have also supported numerous alumni programs. Together with funds from other sources, CAF provided scholarships to 59 students this year. The CAF Scholars represent a cross section of the country, as well as the diversity of Cornell's campus.

The Cornell VISA card is the only credit card that supports scholarships and innovative alumni programs. In addition to the undergraduate scholarships funded during the current academic year, the Cornell VISA card has made possible \$143,996 worth of grants over the past three years to alumni organizations around the globe. These grants are distributed to help build and strengthen alumni programs and support the university.

Here's a snapshot of these outstanding young men and women, including excerpts from a few of their thank you letters to the Federation:

Siobhan Armstead '04, Arts & Sciences, from Dothan, AL.

Ronald Avila '04, Arts & Sciences, from Metairie, LA.

Rachel Barnes '03, Architecture, Art & Planning, from Prairie Village, KS.

Casey Becker '03, Arts & Sciences, from Fargo, ND. "I would like to thank all of you for the generous contribution that you have made in helping to meet my financial needs and continuing my work as an undergraduate," writes Casey. "Being able to afford Cornell would be much more difficult without your help."

Kiah Beverly-Graham '04, Arts & Sciences, from Reno, NV.

Danielle Brown '01, Ag & Life Sciences from New Orleans, LA. She writes: "I am grateful for the opportunities you have indirectly furnished by making my education more affordable for both my mother and myself."

Anthony Buffum '03, Industrial & Labor Relations, from Penfield, NY.

Teri Chaven '04, Industrial & Labor

Relations, from Iowa City, IA.

Nicole Condon '01, Architecture, Art & Planning, from Latham, NY.

"Cornell University has opened the world for me," writes Nicole. "I've made friends with people from California to Korea and taken classes with prestigious doctors and famous authors. I greatly appreciate your contribution to my education here."

Anna Corpron '03, Architecture, Art & Planning, from Buhl, ID.

Brandon Cruse '04, Engineering, from Plainfield, IA.

Sarah Davidson '01, Arts & Sciences, from Iowa City, IA.

Summer Day '04, Arts & Sciences, from Post Falls, ID.

Kevin Denton '01, Architecture, Art & Planning, from Atchison, KS.

Lee Diener '01, Arts & Sciences, from Rainbow City, AL.

Brandon Donnelly '04, Arts & Sciences, from Slidell, LA.

Elizabeth Ferguson '04, Arts & Sciences, from Overland Park, KS.

Denny Gayton '04, Ag & Life Sciences from Selfridge, ND.

Linsey Gordon '04, Human Ecology, from Westmoreland, KS.

Gerald Griffin '03, Arts & Sciences, from Opelika, AL.

Jason Hernandez '03, Architecture, Art & Planning, from New Orleans, LA.

Elizabeth Hinkson '04, Architecture, Art & Planning, from Adelanto, CA.

Clay Horiuchi '04, Engineering, from Post Falls, ID.

Valerie Horvilleur '03, Arts & Sciences, from Baton Rouge, LA.

Jim Huang '01, Arts & Sciences, from Middle Village, NY.

Shanzhe Huang '04, Engineering, from Metairie, LA.

"Thank you for helping me to attend one of the best institutions in the world," writes Shanzhe.

"It is my belief that becoming a member of the Cornell family can greatly help me in my endeavors to succeed in life. Being an immigrant, I am very grateful to have this opportunity to ameliorate myself at Cornell, and I fully intend to make the most of my opportunity."

Jared Laca '03, Ag & Life Sciences, from Fallon, NV.

Tammy Lee '01, Arts & Sciences, from Lenexa, KS.

Shannon Leigeber '04, Arts &



Robert Metcalf MBA '61, JGSM representative to the Alumni Federation, speaks with CAF VISA Scholarship award winners.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS / JANUARY 15 - MARCH 15

For updated information, call the Office of Alumni Affairs, (607) 255-3517
or visit our online events calendar at www.alumni.cornell.edu

ALL ALUMNI

CACO, Jan. 26—Mid-Winter Meeting 2001 at the Grand Hyatt, New York City. Contact Jamie Weber, (607) 255-4850.

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CWC/Cortland, Jan. 16—Sharing our Cornell Memories. Part II. Call Judy Riehlman, (315) 749-4292.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Jan. 17—Book club at Barnes & Noble. Call Kristen Hallagan, (716) 242-0199.

CC/Toronto, Jan. 18—CU men's hockey vs. Colgate via satellite. Call Michele Chandler, (416) 423-6869.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Jan. 26—Amerk's hockey game. Call Ross Lanzafame, (716) 231-1203.

CAA/Central New York, Jan. 26—Wine Tasting and silent auction to support scholarship endowment. Call Jim Miller, (315) 422-4818.

CC/Toronto, Feb. 4—Scrabble Mania with world champion Robin Pollock Daniel. Call Jamie Roberts, (905) 670-6403.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Feb. 7—Prof. Malcolm Bilson plays at Eastman's theater. E-mail Logan Cheek (lm3@rochester.rr.com).

CWC/Cortland, Feb. 20—English Professor Robert Morgan, author of *Gap Creek* speaks. Call Ruth Bennett, (315) 565-9707.

CWC/Syracuse, Feb. 21—Syracuse Stage matinee of "Wit." RSVP Feb. 7. Call Grace McCauley, (315) 451-9969.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Feb. 22—Tour the evening news. Space limited. Call Bob Attardo, (716) 423-5912.

CAF/March 2-4—Regional leadership conference, Ithaca, NY. Call Holly Heitzman, (607) 254-7182.

CWC/Syracuse, March 12—Antje Lemke speaks: "The Relevance of Albert Schweitzer in the New Millennium." Call Marion Perez, (315) 449-4552.

CC/Greater Capital District, March 13—Fourth annual Party for a Plate at the College of Saint Rose. Call Tammy Quackenbush, (518) 786-3691.

METRONY

CC/New York, Jan. 18—Sportscaster Dick Schaap '55 speaks at the Cornell Club. Call Kristin Buckley, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Jan. 23—The Johnson Museum's Frank Robinson on "The Art of Collecting." Call Kristin Buckley, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Jan. 25—See "The Full Monty" and enjoy dinner. Call Penny Haitkin '65,

(212) 986-7202.

CC/Monmouth, Jan. 27—Cheer on CU men's basketball vs. Columbia. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

CAA, Jan. 27—Pan Asian Banquet. Proceeds to fund Asian art at the Johnson Museum. E-mail Ginger So (gkso@worldnet.att.net).

CC/Northern New Jersey, Feb. 9—CU men's hockey at Princeton. Call Michael Sacks, (973) 912-9679.

CC/Fairfield County, Feb. 10—Cheer on CU men's hockey at Yale. Call Venkat Sampath, (203) 221-7663.

CAA/Westchester, March 10—Tennis, dinner, and socializing with Penn at Chestnut Ridge Tennis Club, Mount Kisco. Call Laura Fratt, (914) 723-5108.

NORTHEAST

CC/Boston, Jan. 17—Ice skating on Frog Pond. Call Northeastern Regional Office, (617) 557-4168.

CC/Rhode Island & Bristol County, MA, Feb. 2—Big Red men's hockey at Brown. Call Julie Kallfelz, (401) 423-3295.

CC/Boston, Feb. 3—Cheer on Big Red men's hockey at Harvard. Reception at Dillon Field House. Call Tom Pasniewski, (617) 262-3446.

Vermont Cornellians, Feb. 7—Board meeting. Call Sue Furry-Irish, (802) 985-2442.

CC/Greater Hartford, Feb. 10—Cheer on Big Red men's hockey at Yale. Call Harry Woodward, (203) 284-1257.

Cape Cod Cornellians, Feb. 13—Luncheon at the Riverway Lobster House, South Yarmouth. Call Larry and Ginger Persson, (508) 771-1485.

CC/Greater Hartford, Feb. 25—Gain insights into college admissions from Nancy Meislahn '75, admissions director for Wesleyan U. Call Sue Day, (860) 673-5958.

CC/New Hampshire, March 2—Big Red men's basketball vs. Dartmouth. Call Karla McManus, (603) 472-2847.

MID-ATLANTIC

CC/Greater Philadelphia, Jan. 20—Indoor ice skating. Call Becky Kim, (610) 356-7663.

CC/Greater Philadelphia, Feb. 9—Big Red men's hockey at Princeton. Members only. Call Larry Weintraub, (610) 272-7725.

CC/Central Virginia, Feb. 21—Prof. Gary Rendsburg speaks on "Egypt: A Trip up the Nile." Call Russell Walker, (804) 204-2422.

CC/Lancaster, Feb. 22—Prof. Gary Rendsburg speaks on "Egypt: A Trip up the Nile." Call Roy Baldwin, (717) 569-0857.

CAA, Feb. 22—Lunar New Year dinner with *Washington Post* reporter Lena Sun '79. Call Joyce Kim, (410) 229-4126.

SOUTHEAST

CC/Emerald Coast, Jan. 18—CU men's hockey vs. Colgate. live from Lynah Rink at Damon's in Pensacola. Call James Brady, (850) 456-5083.

CC/Emerald Coast, Jan. 25—Joint meeting with Pensacola Audubon Society and Pensacola Junior College. Call James Brady, (850) 456-5083.

CC/Eastern Florida, Jan. 31—Sportscaster Dick Schaap '55 speaks and signs his autobiography. Members only. Call Jay Hyman, (561) 265-2606.

CC/Miami & Florida Keys, Feb. 3—CU men's hockey vs. Harvard live via satellite with the Harvard club. Call Steve DePrima, (305) 669-2324.

CC/Gold Coast, Feb. 3—CU men's hockey vs. Harvard live via satellite. Call Bob Geisler, (561) 395-2315.

CAA/Southwest Florida, Feb. 8—Lunch club at Pelican Isle Yacht Club in Naples. Call Mary LeDuc, (941) 649-3110.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Feb. 15—Dean Emeritus David Call, Ag & Life Sciences, speaks. Call Patricia Bettie, (941) 371-5038.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Feb. 22—Cummer Museum tour and dinner. Call Cindy Moody, (904) 285-6792.

CAA/Alabama, March 3—University archivist Elaine Engst speaks. Call Jon Vollmer, (256) 235-8326.

CAA/Atlanta, March 7—University archivist Elaine Engst speaks. Call Dave Wheeler, (404) 264-2127.

CAA/Southwest Florida, March 8—Lunch club at Pelican Isle Yacht Club in Naples. Call Mary LeDuc, (941) 649-3110.

CAA/Charlotte, March 8—University archivist Elaine Engst speaks. Call Ian Kutner, (704) 333-5005.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, March 15—Meet at Selby Botanical Gardens with facilities manager Thomas Peter. Call Patricia Bettie, (941) 371-5038.

NORTH CENTRAL

CC/Pittsburgh, Jan. 17—Ethnic dinner at Kaya. Call Sara Ende, (412) 681-8000.

CC/Pittsburgh, Feb. 9—Happy hour at Club Rios, Mount Washington. Call Sara Ende, (412) 681-8000.

CC/Pittsburgh, March 14—Ethnic dinner at Mad Mex. Call Sara Ende, (412) 681-8000.

MIDWEST

CC/Wisconsin, Feb. 3—Progressive dinner, Milwaukee. Call John Murphy, (262) 786-7424.

CC/Chicago, March 10—Seventh annual Full Moon Ball. Call Rob Bernstein, (312) 467-9800.

WESTERN

CC/Oregon, Jan. 18—Board of directors meeting in Portland. Call Brad Wellstead, (503) 274-1064.

CAA/Northern California, Jan. 20—San Jose Sharks vs. Colorado Avalanche. E-mail Rana Glasgal, (rana@sherlock.stanford.edu).

CC/Arizona, Feb. 10—Kartchner Caverns State Park tour and lunch. Call Donna Keuck, (480) 921-9322.

CC/Los Angeles, March 14—Professor James Garbarino on "Lost Boys: Why Our Sons Turn Violent—Raising Children in Today's Social Environment." Call Andrew Traum, (310) 416-2580.

SOUTHWEST

CC/New Mexico, Jan. 19—Monthly luncheon at Mario's in Albuquerque. Call Paul Stubbe, (505) 797-7938.

CAA/Greater Houston, Jan. 20—Pizza party and rock climbing. Kids and adults welcome. Call Stewart Brazil, (281) 265-2486.

CHS, CAA/North Texas, Jan. 21—Holiday party. E-mail John Klumph, (jkklumph@aol.com).

CAF, Feb. 3-4—Regional Leadership Conference, Galveston, TX. Call the Southwest/Mountain Regional Office, (713) 629-5113.

CAA/North Texas, Feb. 11—Visit Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth. Call Susan Canelosi, (972) 628-6890.

CAA/Greater Houston, Feb. 17—Broomball at Sugar Land Aerodrome. Call Stewart Brazil, (281) 265-2486.

CC/Austin, Feb. 24—Peter Bay conducts the Austin Symphony Orchestra for a night of "Nationalistic Fervor." Call Joel Sumner, (512) 918-0402.

CAA/North Texas, March 4—Dallas Stars vs. Buffalo Sabres. E-mail John Cuddihee, (johncuddihee@aol.com).

CAA/Greater Houston, March 12—Prof. James Garbarino on "Lost Boys: Why Our Sons Turn Violent—Raising Children in Today's Social Environment." Call Stewart Brazil, (281) 265-2486.

CC/Colorado, March 13—Prof. James Garbarino on "Lost Boys: Why Our Sons Turn Violent—Raising Children in Today's Social Environment." Call Richard Boyan, (303) 992-7144.

Sciences, from Chelsea, AL.
Timothy Lenz '03, Engineering, from Reno, NV.
Christine Lin '04, Arts & Sciences, from Baton Rouge, LA.
Jason Yuan Cha Lin '04, Engineering, from Iowa City, IA.
Ragavan Mahadevan '04, Engineering, from Little Rock, AR.
Adrien McElroy '03, Industrial & Labor Relations, from New Orleans, LA.
Aaron McGowan '03, Engineering, from Cedar Rapids, IA.
Vlad Muste '04, Arts & Sciences, from Iowa City, IA.
Eva Nahorniak '02, Ag & Life Sciences from Sparks, NV.
Michelle Newton '03, Arts & Sciences, from Mountain Home, ID.
Sheryl Parker '03, Arts & Sciences, from Henderson, NV.
Lori Parquet '04, Arts & Sciences, from New Orleans, LA.
Shila Patel '02, Ag & Life Sciences from Springfield, VA.
Jordan Patti '02, Ag & Life Sciences from Natchitoches, LA.
Jessica Paul '04, Arts & Sciences, from Fayetteville, AR.
Krishanu Saha '01, Engineering, from Huntsville, AL.
Jae Seo '03, Engineering, from Sparks, NV.
Jessica Skrebes '04, Engineering, from Wichita, KS.
Lewis Sovocool '04, Ag & Life Sciences, from Madison, AL.
Lauren Stefaniak '03, Arts & Sciences, from Iowa City, IA.
Angela Summers '01, Arts & Sciences, from Leavenworth, KS.
Andrew Tieben '03, Ag & Life Sciences, from Wright, KS. "Thank you so much for giving me the chance to attend such a prestigious school by selecting me for your scholarship," Andy writes. "I

don't know how I can thank you enough!"
Bradley Webster '04, Ag & Life Sciences, from Casper, WY. "It is people like you that, in my opinion, are the true heroes in the world," writes Bradley, "because your generosity directly effects people in profound ways. Also, your willingness to aid students that you have never met before shows that you truly care about improving the lives of people everywhere."
Lauren Wells '04, Arts & Sciences, from Birmingham, AL.
Nichole Westerweel '03, Arts & Sciences, from Las Vegas, NV. "One of the reasons I chose to come to



Cornell was because I automatically felt a sense of unity when I participated in the summer college program before senior year," writes Nicole. "It's quite extraordinary to feel so at home on a campus where everyone is so diverse and so unique. I truly believe that is one characteristic that sets this university apart from many others."
Trisha White '01, Industrial & Labor Relations, from Plattsburgh, NY.
Michael Wiener '02, Arts & Sciences, from Shreveport, LA.
Melissa Williams '02, Arts & Sciences, from Peoria, AZ.
Richard Williams '01, Arts & Sciences, from Somerville, AL.
Luke Wright '02, Industrial & Labor Relations, from Homer, NY.
Fan Zhang '01, Arts & Sciences, from Mobile, AL

CAMPUS GOES TO THE CLUBS

Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series

Since the 1950s, Cornell faculty members have shared their research and discoveries with alumni around the globe through the CAF Speaker Series Program. This past year, thanks to funding provided by the Alumni Federation, sixty-seven clubs and alumni associations hosted speaker events attracting almost 3,000 alumni from Cape Cod to San Diego and Florida to Alaska. The faculty participants spoke on a variety of engaging topics, including astronomy, wine tasting, spiders, and cyberspace. In addition to sharing this intellectual excitement from campus, faculty had an opportunity to reconnect with former students and meet with prospective students and their parents.

"Visiting and talking to alumni clubs is like a 'Big Red' Celebration," says Yervant Terzian, the David Duncan professor in the Physical Sciences. "You get to see first hand how happy and successful our students have become, and you tell them they still have a lot to learn." Terzian, a professor of astronomy in the College of Arts & Sciences spoke on "The Magnificent Universe" last spring in Florida. Other speakers have included entomology instructor Linda Ray-

or, Professor Emeritus of Education Verne Rockcastle, University Archivist Elaine Engst, and Frank Robinson, the Richard Schwartz director of the Johnson Museum of Art.

Bob Frank, an economics professor in the College of Arts & Sciences and the Johnson Graduate School of Management has taken the messages in his books *Luxury Fever* and *The Winner Take All Society* to alumni through the speakers series. "A psychiatrist friend of mine once said that the most important scarcity in modern life is the willing-



ness of others to pay attention to you," he says. "That's probably why speaking to Cornell Clubs is so satisfying. They're always delighted to see you and eager to engage. I've spoken to scores of Clubs over the years and can't recall a single occasion I've ever regretted."

Speakers are selected from all schools on the Ithaca campus. Travel and event publicity expenses are paid by the Office of Alumni Affairs, while the host organization takes care of accommodations, local transportation, and meals. For more information about the program, please contact Meg Overstrom, Office of Alumni Affairs, by telephone at 607-255-1989 or by email at mhb7@cornell.edu.



Call for Nominations

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences seeks nominees for its Outstanding Alumni Awards, Young Alumni Achievement Award (alumni under 40), and Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award. Nominations are due April 2, 2001. The Outstanding Alumni banquet will be celebrated September 14, 2001 at the Statler.

Nomination forms may be obtained through the ALS Alumni Affairs Office by calling (607) 255-7651.

For information on applying for a Cornell Visa card, contact Bonnie Sautter in the Office of Alumni Affairs at (607) 255-2390 or visit the Web at <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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Jim's parents met at a square dance, and Jim met his wife swing dancing.

Doug Yoder is a public administrator with the city of Coral Gables, FL, where he is managing Miami-Dade County's "brown-field" redevelopment program to encourage re-use of environmentally compromised inner city land. He has moved his 90-year-old mother to be closer to the family, and writes, "Life's passages continue with surprising speed." Son Todd is in high school with major interests in driving and baseball, while wife Margaret is active with real estate, PTA, and a variety of other community activities. **Sally Weisberg** Goldberg, MA '71, lives in nearby Miami where she is a speaker, author, and consultant on parenting. In Andover, MA, **Maria Keiser** Bartlett lives with husband John and is active in community affairs, currently serving as president of the local League of Women Voters. Work-wise she received a grant to facilitate two programs for parents of young children. Her own children include Brian, who is a student at the US Coast Guard Academy, and Alison, who recently graduated from Princeton and now works as a consultant for Parthenon Group in Boston. **Charlotte Bruska** Gardner and husband Brad both work in the housing industry. Brad is a "niche-builder," designing and building properties to meet local needs, while Charlotte has been in the real estate business for 30 years as a broker, property manager, and developer. With three teenaged children, she reports valuing the flexibility that the business allows.

Dr. **Jim** (James A.) **Shaw**, ME M '72, is no longer at the Hershey Medical Center in Pennsylvania. Today he and wife Nancy live in the Washington, DC, area where he teaches at George Washington U. and Nancy teaches math "on a full-time temporary basis" at Montgomery College. Daughter Stacy is a student at UCLA, and daughter Christy recently graduated from Brown. **Ronald Watanabe** sends word from Hawaii, where he continues as president of the Cornell Hotel Society Hawaii chapter and was nominated to the Cornell Hotel Society's fifth annual alumni showcase. In addition, he co-chaired the International Society for Hospitality Consultants Conference at the Kahala Mandarin Oriental Hotel in Honolulu in 1999. Ron's son Brian works as a fledgling copywriter for Foote Cone & Belding in San Francisco and his daughter Lynn is employed by Mary Kay Cosmetics in Dallas.

As reported before, there are numerous authors among our classmates. **Lynne Beyer** Sagalyn has published *Cases in Real Estate Finance and Investment Strategy*. She is a professor and lives in New York City where her daughter Emily is a senior at Columbia. From Vanderbilt in Tennessee, **Richard Oliver** published his third book, *The Coming Biotech Age: The Business of Bio-materials*. Dr. **Martin Goldstein**, DVM '73, is considered one of the leaders of holistic veterinary care. He has studied and practiced what is referred to as "complementary and alternative therapies" in the treatment of animals and has written a book on the subject, *The Nature of Animal Healing: The*

Definitive Holistic Medicine Guide to Caring for Your Dog and Cat.

Below are updates from classmates who, despairing of ever seeing their previous notes in print, resubmitted more timely news. In the May issue I wrote that **Stephen Goldberger** had moved to Bluefield, VA, to join another doctor's practice. Things did not turn out as expected. Soon after arriving, the medical office was raided by state and federal authorities, and the doctor was indicted. Stephen writes, "I had to hire an attorney to protect me and was interviewed by the US attorney several times in Charleston, WV (a two-hour drive each way through winding mountains and three toll booths, all at my expense)." Now he lives in Poplar Bluff, MO, and "the big dilemma is whether to buy my own riding mower or to keep paying someone \$100 a visit to do it for us."

After spending a lot of time on campus tours, Charlie, son of **Bill Robinett**, MRP '71, is now a sophomore at William and Mary, and Bill's daughter Susie is starting college. There will probably be more college visits in the future since daughter Laura is still in middle school. **Pamela Thurber** Duncan, MA '85, writes to say that she saw **Eileen Barkas Hoffman**, her husband **Dick** '67, and their daughter Vanessa. **Michael Lederman** married the Countess Monica Ghirardi-Boschi di Canega, who is involved with the Porsche racing team in the US and Italy. **Donald Tofias** is still building, promoting, and racing his two W-class sloops. Currently he is on a three-year world tour, having sailed 150 days at the time of his note. ♦ **Arda Coyle** Boucher, 21 Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031; e-mail, aboucher@airmar.com.



Tom McLeod, ME E '71 (thm6@cornell.edu) and wife Kathy sold their business in January 1999, and have been transitioning it to the new owner. Once that phase is completed, they will take some time off and then look into another start-up. They spent the summer of 2000 in upstate New York and had plans to do coastal cruising in Florida and the Bahamas at the end of last year. They keep in touch with these Class of '70 friends: **Larry**, ME M '71, and **Char Brunelle Wojcik**, Bill Hamill, BS Ag '74, and **Roger McGonegal**. They also enjoy partying with the Class of '94 rugby mates of their son **Cameron McLeod** '94 and daughter-in-law **Kate (Reynolds)** '94. **Fran Stern Rubenstein** is teaching first grade in Eastchester, NY, and in January 2000 she hosted two Cornell students for the extern program in her classroom. She is active in Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) in Westchester. Fran and husband, **Lawrence** '66, have two grown children. **Beth** '97 is a Human Ecology grad who is living and working in NYC and **Greg** '01 is a senior in Human Ecology.

Tom Newman (tnewman@pharmanet-cro.com) gave up pediatrics a long time ago and now works for a company that does clinical research for the pharmaceutical industry. His wife teaches at a local college and his son,

20, is on a leave of absence from NYU to play in a rock band. They now live at 117 Viburnum Dr., Skillman, NJ 08558. **Sarah Bush** Collins (collinsdotsb@netzero.net) is chief risk officer for Mellon Financial Corp.'s trust, custody, and investment management businesses, with \$2.7 trillion of assets under management or administration. In June 1998, Sarah's husband of 26 years passed away. Her son Michael is an Internet consultant at Prexicom in New York. **Jennifer King** Curran lives for half of the year (winter and spring) in New York and the other half in London, England. Her US address is 9 Bank St., New York City 10014.

Bob Mirel's wife Andrea passed away in March 1998. They had met when he was a senior at Cornell. Later in 1998, he met his present wife, Ivy, through the Internet. They were married in May 1999 and live at 409 Glen Meadow Rd., Richboro, PA 18954 (rmirel@saul.com). Bob passed the Pennsylvania Bar in 1999 and practices with the Philadelphia firm of Saul, Ewing, Remick & Saul, LLP in their Princeton, NJ, office in their real estate department. His son Aaron graduated from the master's program of Springfield (MA) College's physical therapy department and now practices on Long Island.

Julie Lipsius is running her music publishing company from her home so she can be an active-duty mom for her fifth grade daughter Robin. The younger son of our classmate **Esta Bigler**, Nathan, is a classmate of Robin's. Julie's e-mail is jsl36@cornell.edu. **Rita Goldberger** and husband Oliver Hart are both at Harvard—she teaches literature and he is an economist. Their son Daniel, 23, is in Hollywood working through a talent agency, and their son Benjamin, 18, is in his freshman year of college. Rita has written a family memoir and also writes fiction. She saw Cornell again in the summer of 1999 after almost 30 years. Her e-mail is goldberg@fas.harvard.edu. **Carol Pratt** has completed two triathlons. Her first was at Pacific Grove, CA, in September 1999 when she was 51-1/2 years old. It included a 1.5K swim, a 40K bike, and a 10K walk/run. She raised \$4,000 for the Leukemia Society of America, which goes for research, patient services, and community outreach. Carol ran another triathlon in 2000 and said details can be found at www.tricalifornia.com. She would also like to hear from classmates who can suggest a company or corporation who would sponsor her for her next event. Carol's address is 304 Catalina Blvd., San Rafael, CA 94901 and her e-mail is cpratt33@aol.com. **Tom** '69, BS Eng '71, and **Jean Myers Smith**, MS '72, look forward to more trips to Cornell in the next four years because their daughter **Emily Margaret Smith** is in the Class of '04. Jean's e-mail is djsmith@vcu.org.

Neil Murray is chair of the computer science department at SUNY Albany for the 1999-2000 academic year. He presented papers at conferences in St. Andrews, Scotland, in July 2000 and in Charlotte, NC, in October 2000. He is thinking of taking a sabbatical in 2001. Neil's present address is 1125 Glen-

meadow Ct., Niskayuna, NY 12309. **Charles Adelman**, JD '73, has completed 26 years with Cadwalader, Wickersham, and Taft in New York where he is a tax partner. He recruits at Cornell's law school where he is on the Dean's Special Leadership Committee and the Executive Committee of the Cornell Law Assn. His wife **Debbi (Gerard) '71**, MS '74, is chief credit and administrative officer at Citibanking North America. She was co-chair for the 10th Anniversary Leadership Campaign for the President's Council of Cornell Women. Their children, son Mark, 17, and daughter Karen, 15, enjoy their visits to Cornell. Charles's e-mail is cadelman@cw.t.com. **Steven and Shirley Beckwith Jalso**, MS '64, announce that their daughter Laura J. Megeath received her PhD in neurosciences from the U. of Massachusetts Medical Center. Their e-mail is sjalso@twcry.rr.com or sjalco1@aol.com.

Have a happy and healthy 2001. ♦ **Connie Ferris Meyer**, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, conimae2@aol.com.

REUNION

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Happy New Year. By now, even the strictest constructionist is ready to proclaim the start of Cornell's third century and second millennium. This new year brings word from a long "missing" classmate (although she undoubtedly knew where she was the whole time). **Stella Mayhew Ardire**, who lives at 11416 W. Winslow Ave. in Tolleson, AZ, sent a postcard in September to say she plans to attend our 30th Reunion this coming June 7-10. Stella speculated that sharing a *Cornell Magazine* subscription with her mother **Bette Limpert Mayhew '40** knocked her off our class mailing list somewhere along the line.

Speaking of lost classmates, **Steven J. Rappaport** of Framingham, MA, wrote to say he had celebrated his 50th birthday last May in New York City with **Harold Ames**, "a lost classmate who chooses to remain lost for the time being." Meanwhile, Steven and wife Barbara's three children are gradually flying the coop. "Can't believe I have a child (Melissa) graduating from U. of Michigan this year," Steven said. Son Pete was a freshman at Ithaca College. "Thank goodness for Brooke. She's in fifth grade. I am not ready for an empty nest," he wailed.

Those of you who are not lost are doing all sorts of interesting things. **Jim Adams** spent 24 years in the US Navy, rising to the rank of commander. He now teaches eighth grade mathematics at Salem Middle School in Virginia Beach and says, "still enjoy reading about classmates." Last June, **Karen Adams** (no relation) was awarded a Master of Theological Studies by Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, OH. She is director of liturgy and music at Our Lady of Peace parish in Erie, PA. Karen has two grown daughters and a son in seventh grade.

Boston-based **Irene Smalls**, author of 15 children's books, most recently *A Strawbeater's Thanksgiving* and *Kevin and his Dad*, wrote to say she is hard at work on a novel "about a

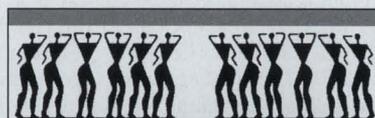
black student takeover of a building at an Ivy League university in the 60s." Sounds like it could join *Down So Long It Looks Like Up to Me* as a candidate for the Cornell bestseller list! Dr. **Edward Hoffman** is both an author and a psychiatrist. Last fall his latest effort, "Ace the Corporate Personality Test," was to be published by McGraw-Hill. During April 2000, Ed, who has published biographies on both eminent psychologists, lectured in Osaka, Japan on the work and legacies of Alfred Adler and Abraham Maslow. His Maslow book, *Right to be Human*, was reissued in a revised edition in 1999. Ed and wife Lauren live in Commack, NY.

PR Newswire was kept busy last summer recording the corporate achievements of classmates. **Rick Juster** was promoted to the vice presidency of United Airlines's purchasing division where he manages 390 people and a \$5 billion annual budget. Rick, whose Cornell degree is in industrial engineering, joined Chicago-based UAL in 1983. From Columbus, OH, it was reported that **Glenn Kort '70**, MBA '71, was named executive vice president of science and technology for Bath & Body Works, a major retailer of personal care products owned by the same company that owns Victoria's Secret. Prior to his appointment, Glenn, a civil engineering student at Cornell, was a consultant to the firm.

John Fridirici, MS '75, wife Nancy, and their two children live in Brookfield, WI, a

suburb of Milwaukee. John is an executive with the Grande Cheese Company and recently became president and CEO of Grande Milk Marketing LLC, a firm that tries to manage milk price volatility in ways beneficial to cheese makers. John did not say whether or not he's a "cheesehead"; his sport is vintage auto racing, primarily at Road America in Elkhart Lake, WI. **Rick Leland** is still practicing environmental and land use law in NYC, but what he really wanted to report was that he and wife Jane Schwartz had become grandparents. "It's a lot more fun than being a parent," he wrote. As of last September, Jackson B. Schultz was 17 months old. "I'd like to see him in the class of 2020," Rick said, "but his mother (Michigan '93) and his father (Columbia '83) may have different ideas."

Perhaps just attending Reunion this June will not satisfy your thirst for the Cornell/Ithaca experience. If so, allow me to strongly recommend Adult University's (CAU) on-campus programs, taught by real Cornell professors and held each year in July and August. Among classmates who've attended in the last couple of years are **Ralph Young**, who studied "The Physics of Everyday Things"; **Elisabeth Kaplan Boas** and **Harry LeVine**, who undertook their memoirs in "Memory into Memoir" writing workshops; **Margaret Lins Bertrand**, who chose a different writing experience called "Places of the Mind"; **Richard Quaranto**, MBA '72, who explored



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make us smile. . .

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"Natural Life in the Finger Lakes"; and **Joanne Engelhardt Johnston**, who experienced "Theatre and Public Life in Classical Athens." Many years ago, I twice spent a summer vacation week at CAU, and those weeks changed my life, helping to explain why I am currently an unpaid history professor and writer, instead of a well-paid corporate nabob. Ah, well, just keep my mailbox full of all the glorious victories and unfortunate mistakes in YOUR life that are fit to print. ❖ **Marsha Ackermann**, 1612 Waltham Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103; e-mail, ackem28@msu.edu.



Happy New Millennium to you purists who insist the millennium starts with the year 2001. The rest of us will have to settle for an Odyssey through the Space of this column without any assistance from Stanley Kubrick or HAL. **Marilyn Rocco Mandigo** is in her 12th year as a home economics teacher. She also conducts workshops on the use of the Internet in the classroom. Marilyn and spouse **Daniel '71** reside in Pulaski with their children, **Kristy Mandigo**, a Mechanical Engineering major at Cornell, Danielle, a senior in high school, and John, a high school sophomore. Marilyn would like to hear from **Jane Rappaport** Diamond and **Holly Howe**, MS '74. **Mitch Sudolsky** is director of Jewish Family Service of Austin, TX. Wife Adrienne is a nurse practitioner. The couple has children Claire, 16, and Aaron, 12. **Bonnie Goldsmith** Clewans received a US Patent for a women's cufflink, trademark "Change-A-Cuff." She also was selected as Artist of the Month for July 2000 by *Wire Artist* magazine. **Steven Coren** of Putnam Valley informs us that his son Andrew, 17, enrolled in the Cornell Summer Program for high school juniors.

After 13 years with the same employer, **Gary Ellis** of Scarsdale made the decision to leave and set up a new company, Iso Octane Inc. His oldest daughter Tara is a freshman at the U. of Rochester, son Justin made his bar mitzvah in October, and daughter Samantha is in the fifth grade. Gary met **Warren Mullison** and his family this past summer. The Mullisons live in Vienna, VA, and Warren works for the Red Cross in computer systems. **Jessica Schwartz** has a new job as vice president of marketing and communications for the National Council on Economic Education in New York City. Jessica has sons Jacob Brophy, 12, and Elias Brophy, 9. **Salvatore March**, PhD '78, was appointed the David K. Wilson Professor of Management at the Owen Graduate School of Business, Vanderbilt U. in Nashville, TN. **David McNeil**, BArch '73, of Syracuse is with the design firm of QPK, who designed the renovation of the Purcell Community Center on North Campus. David and spouse Kimberly are proud parents of sons Brandon, 12, Taylor, 9, and Connor, 6.

Craig and Kyle Shelly Brush report that son Matt, 25, is working for Compuware in E-business, son Ty, 22, is a senior at U. of Arizona, and Pat, 20, is a sophomore at Michigan State. Kyle and Craig run Teco Arena in Ft.

Myers, FL, home to the Florida Everblades of the East Coast Hockey League. Maybe some day I'll find my way to Florida and Craig can teach me how to drive a Zamboni. **Sarah Sutro**, husband Michael Bedford, and their son will be living in Dhaka, Bangladesh, for two years while Michael is head of the Peace Corps there. Sarah received a Pollock-Krasner grant in painting in July 2000. **Bruce Hazen** of Portland, OR, reports that his portfolio career lives. He is working 60 percent for an intervention career management and outplacement firm, and (what feels like) another 60 percent for himself, doing management and career development consulting. At least Bruce says that both forms of work complement each other and he has learned to be very flexible. **Eugene Ying**, ME I '73, of Mt. Kisco boasts that both his children made the Dean's List at Cornell. His son **Victor '03** is president of both the Chess Club and the Martial Arts Club while daughter **Victoria '01** is looking forward to graduation.

As reported in the Allentown, PA, *Morning Call*, **Craig Scott** figured that it was his last shot at qualifying for the US Amateur Golf Championship. He qualified for the US Mid-Amateur three times, but always fell shy of the US Amateur. In Craig's 20 attempts the past 27 years, he had been an alternate twice. This was the 100th US Amateur held at the fabled Baltusrol Country Club in New Jersey last August, and for Craig, it would be the culmination of nearly 30 years of effort. He is co-owner of the Mountain Manor resort with his brother Russ and began his golf career at the age of 5. Craig went to Cornell to play football and baseball, but, as he says, "got lost in the shuffle." Craig then began playing golf seriously at Cornell, captaining the team as a senior. After graduation, he became a regular on the Lehigh Valley and Poconos golf circuit in Pennsylvania. Craig tied for medallist in the Philadelphia-area qualifier, then placed second in the next qualifier at Lebanon Country Club. He hit his stride in the final qualifier, shooting a 2-over 73 in the morning round and a 3-under 68 in the afternoon. Craig figured he clinched his spot after nearly holing an 8-iron shot on the Par-4 seventh hole (his 16th hole of the day). His shot from 145 yards away lipped the cup and landed a few inches away. That birdie moved him to 1-under for the day. "After that, I told my caddy, 'We're in,'" Craig said. "From there it was two easy pars coming in. It was a great feeling. It's been a life-long goal of mine to qualify," he admitted. "Some people ask me if I'm going to be scared, but I don't see why. The toughest part was getting there." Congratulations, Craig! In the next column I'll try to get a report on Craig's experience at the Championship at Baltusrol.

Donald Kovalevich was named president and chief executive of BellSouth Wireless Data. He had served as president and general manager of Houston Cellular Telephone Co. and as chair of Galveston Cellular Partnership. **Wendy Gerber Buchberg**, MA IN T '74, is an instructional technology specialist for SCT BOCES in Elmira. She trains K-12 teachers to integrate technology into the cur-

riculum. Wendy is also regional coordinator for NYS Model Schools program through the NY State Education Dept. An author, she published *Quilting Activities Across the Curriculum* (Scholastic Professional Books, 1997). Husband **Alan '73** owns The Plantation, a florist/gift shop on the Ithaca Commons. Daughter **Anne Buchberg '03** is a human biology major in the College of Human Ecology and daughter Meredith is in middle school. Wendy would love to hear from any '72 or '73 classmates. You can e-mail her at wendysb@aol.com.

Peter Yesawich, PhD '76, president and CEO of Yesawich, Pepperdine & Brown of Orlando, FL, was inducted into the Hospitality Sales & Marketing Assn. International (HSMIA) Hall of Fame as its 42nd member. The HSMIA Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made significant contributions to the advancement of sales and marketing of tourism and travel-related products.

T.W. Hughes writes that he and wife Khun Benjawan (everyone knows her simply as Ben) finished building their country home in Khanom, Thailand, which they designed with Feng Shui, Thai, and Western influences. They also added Tabu III, a German Shepherd puppy from Australia. Tom had Tabu I at Cornell. After living and working in ten countries since graduation, T.W. established his hospitality practice in Thailand, Hospitality Consultants Co. Ltd. He is currently trying to write a book (fiction based on fact) about a Cornell Hotelier in the hospitality business working internationally, opening two golf club resorts in China, the frontier in hospitality business these days. If the book is a success, maybe T.W. can get Jackie Chan or Tiger Woods to star in the movie version.

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Greetings from Seattle, where the rainy season is a cold shower indeed, thanks to Microsoft's stock funk. Hundreds of disappointed children won't be getting the extra lane for the basement bowling alley this Christmas. Seattle's new baseball stadium, football stadium, and symphony hall were built just in time. As for the new Opera House now on the drawing boards, that will be built with cell-phone money, so no problem.

In the news: Our daughter Emilie is in her senior year at Gonzaga, and planning to teach in France. Caitlin, 16, made the chorus for the Seattle Gilbert & Sullivan Society's summer production of *The Yeomen of the Guard*. Your class correspondent appeared as Wilfred Shadbolt and was backstage with assistant stage manager **Patti Miller Ross '72** when a distinguished gentleman about our age appeared at the prop table and asked if we recognized him. He was spouting details of our past that only a Cornell Savoyard could have known and soon revealed that he was none other than **Bill** (William A.) **Chamberlain**, who played the

definitive Florian in the 1973 *Princess Ida*. It was a pleasant reminder of long rehearsals in Barton Tower, and the high anxiety of lowering flats down the center of the stairwell.

Other news: **Steve Leven** received the 2000 Mentors & Allies award from YWCA in Dallas on August 24. Steve is a senior vice president in human resources at Texas Instruments. Adult University (CAU) hosted classmates **Henry Bleier, MD '73**, **Robin Marantz Henig**, **Robert Hess** (attending with Letitia Van Schoick), **Susan Annis Hileman**, **Carol Hoekje, JD '81**, **Martha Burroughs Keagle**, and **Richard Saltz, MBA '74**, and **Lynn (Rosenbluth) '75**.

Karen Madsen Shepherd writes the kind of e-mail we love to get: "Seeing a local correspondent for the alumni news inspired me to respond in a way I haven't been inspired since graduation." After graduating from Cornell Karen writes that she taught high school chemistry for seven years in the Boston area and for three at Eastside Catholic in Bellevue, WA. She and husband **Bill, DVM '76**, moved to the great Northwest in 1980, and live in Everett where Bill has a thriving veterinary practice. Karen retired from teaching in 1984 to become a full-time parent for William, 15, and Kate, 11, but has since joined the education reform effort in Washington State, writing the state assessment exam for science. She also serves on the board of directors of the Everett Public Schools.

Thanks for the update, Karen, and may your fellow classmates be similarly moved.

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Fall 2000 found another crop of Cornell legacies heading to Ithaca, including **Keri VerSchure**, daughter of **Diane Kopelman VerSchure**; **Alexandra Frank**, daughter of **Gretchen Dorfner Frank**; **Lisa Stechschulte**, daughter of **Jodi Sielschott Stechschulte**; **Nader Alaghaband**, son of **Vahid Alaghaband, ME I '75**, and **Brian Howard**, son of **Wally, MEC '76**, and **Nancy Baldini Howard '75**.

Congratulations to **Blanche Savin** Goldenberg, who was appointed to the Cornell Board of Trustees in May 2000 for a four-year term. Blanche and **John Alexander, MBA '76**, will be joining veteran board member **Evan Stewart, JD '77**, who joined the board in May of 1998.

Mary Ellen Smith and Marc Schiller and children Bridget, Peter, and Hannah relocated to Brussels, Belgium, in September. Their new address is 105 Ave de la Floride, 1180 Brussels; tel., 32.2.375.51.83, but US mail can be sent to PO Box 28709-BR, Atlanta, GA 30358. Their e-mail is smithschiller@attglobal.net.

Betsy Ellwanger Gallagher writes from Tampa, FL, that she continues to enjoy practicing civil appellate law. Her law firm has grown to seven lawyers and four paralegals.

She is also an adjunct professor, teaching Introduction to Law. In August 2000, **Rick Barongi** was named director of the zoo at the Houston Zoological Gardens. Most recently, Rick was director of animal programs development for Walt Disney Co. where he played a major role in the design and construction of Disney's Animal Kingdom. Prior to his work with Disney, Rick was with the San Diego Zoo, the San Diego Wild Animal Park, and the Miami Metrozoo. Rick is involved with national and international conservation efforts, such as the International Rhino Foundation and the Jane Goodall Institute.

Mike Pankiw sent this e-mail in June 2000: "I noticed on the class of '74 site that I am listed as lost—confused, stunned, rambling, maybe, but not lost." Mike can be contacted at 12203 Aspen Dr. West, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6J 2B7; tel., (780) 435-1096, or at work, IBI Group Architects, Engineers, Planners, (780) 428-4000; mpankiw@compuserve.com. Also "missing but found" (according to **Paul Burmeister, MBA '76**) is **Jim Derner**, who is at 1122 18th St. #201, Santa Monica, CA 90403; tel., (310) 453-8340.

In April 2000, **Laurie Zelon** was appointed Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge by California governor Gray Davis. Previously, Laurie was a member of the law firm of Morrison & Foerster and served as president of the Los Angeles County Bar Assn. She chaired the California Commission on Access to Justice. Laurie lives in Yorba Linda with her husband and two children.

Artist **Ginnie Gardiner** showed her Tiepolo-inspired paintings at the Flanders Contemporary Art Museum in Minneapolis last summer. The reviewer in the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* says of her work, "Gardiner mingles details from Tiepolo's paintings with scraps of news and fashion photos... they are thoroughly modern paintings enriched by their 18th century sources." Ginnie lives in New York City. Also receiving press coverage is **Barbara Wilks '73**, BArch '74, an architect with the firm that is designing an area of Baltimore's harbor called "Digital Harbor." Barbara and fellow Cornell architect **Enrique Norton, MArch '80**, formed TEN W Architects, with offices in New York City and Baltimore. Last year both were inducted into the prestigious College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects.

Remember those "25 Years Later" profiles you filled out at reunion? **Karen Canfield** Carnali lives in Lancaster, MA, with husband Al. Karen works at Mei Technology, doing configuration management. Karen has been active with the Cornell Club of Boston for many years. **Ken Comer** is a foreign policy analyst for the US Government. Ken lives in Springfield, VA, with wife Robbie and children Rachel, 18, Kevin, 15, and Brian 14. **Laurie Davis** Cox lives on an island that is accessible only by boat. It's Peak Island, ME. She works with the U. of Southern Maine on a program that assists refugees and immigrants in becoming certified teachers.

Sandra Whitney Curry, MD '82, and **Donald '73**, ME EP '74, live in Chappaqua,

NY, with their son Peter. Sandra is an anesthesiologist at New York Presbyterian Hospital. **Bob and Sheryl Reed Cheney '73** live in Bow, NH, with their sons Patrick, 18, and Sean, 16. Bob is a partner with a firm specializing in energy and environmental law; previously he was Associate Attorney General for the state of New Hampshire. **Casey Forbes** lives in Chagrin Falls, OH, with his wife and two sons and is owner and president of Vintage Wine Distributor. He does volunteer work with the Cleveland Boys Choir. **Cliff Goodman** lives in Washington, DC, and works in Falls Church at a health care policy consulting firm called The Lewin Group. Cliff and wife Amy have children Dena, 8, and Anya, 4. **Andy Olsen** and wife Gayle have children Berit, 21, Kris, 17, and Tori, 11, and live in Seattle, WA, where he is with a hotel consulting firm called The Chambers Group. **Martha Buell Golus** is a home health aide and lives in Santa Barbara, CA. Martha and husband Paul have children in college in California: Katie is at Pomona College and Ben is at Santa Barbara City College. **Andrea Glanz** has her own marketing consulting firm that specializes in marketing strategy and communications. Andrea and husband **Jim Irish** live in Hartsdale, NY. Andrea has been active with the President's Council of Cornell Women. ❖ **Betsy Beach**, 4 Thoreau Dr., Chelmsford, MA 01824; e-mail, ebeach@nortelnetworks.com; and **Linda Meyers** Geyer, 25926 Monte Carlo Way, Mission Viejo, CA 92692; tel., (949) 582-0335; e-mail, lgdesigns@home.com.



It's difficult to believe that our 25th Reunion has passed, and we are within a few months of graduating yet another class of Cornellians! Many of our classmates report that their children are among the Cornell classes to come, including **Kenneth '74** and **Joan Milbauer Husserl**, whose son **Paul** is a member of the Hum Ec class of 2004.

Also maintaining close ties to the alma mater is **Susan Todes** Perl who was elected chairperson of the Cornell Alumni Assn. of Princeton for a second term. Susan keeps busy with eighth grade daughter Stephanie, who was a fencing gold medalist in the 1999 Garden State Games, and sixth grade son Michael, a budding actor who performed the role of Peter Cratchit in the McCarter Theatre production of *A Christmas Carol* in Princeton. In the professional theater setting, **Andrew Feigin** is production supervisor for Radio City Entertainment in Huntington Station, NY. He's also active in Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and enjoys camping in the boundary waters of Minnesota,

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From our expanding list of interesting professions, **Sayre Fulkerson** reports that good weather has produced several years of back-to-back great vintages at Fulkerson Vineyard and Winery in Dundee, NY. When not tending to the grapes, Sayre and his family enjoy camping in the Adirondacks and skiing with friends. The wine country of Napa Valley, CA, was the vacation destination of **Patricia Horgan**-Hegge, married in June 1998 in Jackson Hole, WY. She and her new husband live in Denver, where she is a manufacturer's representative for furniture, gifts, and high-end accessories.

Hi-tech is the main business theme for a number of classmates. **Frank Hanshaw III**, MBA '77, in Weatogue, CT, is the president of Avexxis Corp, a software company specializing in mail-order catalog operations and fulfillment. His family activities center around three young ones, Brian, Megan and Kelly, aged 1 through 6. **Kathy Fricke** Blanton is president and co-owner of Interpoint Internet Communications Inc. in sunny Ft. Lauderdale. Currently living in Golden, CO, **Henry Givray**, ME I '76, has integrated law and technology as president and CEO of Justice-Link Inc., an Internet business-to-business e-commerce solutions provider for the legal industry. A few other classmates in the legal profession have written about their specialties. **Joseph P. DiGiorgio** represents police officers in legal matters in Devon, PA, and donates his time to *pro bono* family law cases and coaching baseball for his children's teams. **Helen LeBrecht**, JD '81, is a self-employed attorney in Goldens Bridge, NY, and mother to Alexandra, 12, and Sabrina, 11. In Floral Park, NJ, **Robert Owens** is an assistant district attorney with the Criminal Frauds Bureau of the Nassau County District Attorney's Office, specializing in environmental prosecutions. He enjoys coaching sports for children Ryan, 12, and Molly, 9.

Also in the fair state of New Jersey is **Joanne Bicknese**, a veterinarian who serves as a trustee of The Seeing Eye in Morristown, the oldest guide dog school, and as director and publicity chairman of the Monmouth County Hunt. Joanne has recently adopted Hank, a retired guide dog, who enjoys riding around in her Toyota 4-Runner with her German shepherd, Gator. What a sight!

The Maryland contingency reports in, juggling both jobs and parenthood. In Reisterstown, **Harriet E. Cooperman** is a lawyer with her firm's labor and employment law department, but, more importantly, she became a first-time mom last year. Enjoy! As chairman of the psychology department and director of the clinical psychology residency program at the Malcolm Grow Medical Center, **Brian R. Campbell** faces academic challenges on a regular basis, but none so demanding as his active 6-year-old "genius" and her 1-year-old sister. **Joseph** and **Barbara Shumaker Levitt** live in Montgomery Village, MD, with daughters Karen, 20, and Emma, 7. Joseph serves as director for food safety and applied nutrition with the US Food and Drug

Administration, and received a Presidential Meritorious Award in 1999.

Some of you have reported intriguing travel destinations, including **John Moody**, vice president at Fox News, whose travels took him from his home port in Ridgewood, NJ, to Costa Rica, Hilton Head, and London. A writer of short stories, **Susan Siegel** Katz attended a writing seminar in Tuscany and published her first story this past summer in *Under the Sun*, a literary magazine from Tennessee Tech U. Congratulations! Far across the big pond, **Jeffrey G. Huth** began a four-year assignment in the United Kingdom where he is responsible for managing the marketing and sales activities for Boehringer Ingelheim's ethical pharmaceutical business. He's taken advantage of living in the UK by touring the British Isles and Europe with his wife and two daughters. A vice president of Market Research Worldwide for Estee Lauder, **Robin Pearl** spends what little free time she has with her husband and their children, Brooke, 10, and Tyler, 6, at their home in Woodbury, NY.

November marked the seventh year as Executive Director of the Puerto Rico Convention Bureau for **Jorge Pesquera**, whose plans for the future include supporting the revamped Cornell Club in Puerto Rico. Jorge also serves on several boards of directors, and reports that while his business travels to Las Vegas and Switzerland hospitality trade shows have been successful, his attempts at growing tomatoes have not! **Alex Gianareas** is director of the Office of Organizational Effectiveness with the Panama Canal Commission, responsible for transforming the Canal into a corporation. Living in Panama City, Alexander also enjoys traveling, white-water rafting, and spending time in the tropical rain forest.

And talk about intriguing trips—**Chip Gregory**, who calls Andover, MA, his home, spent ten days retracing the footsteps of great-great-uncle Robert Henry Maury during the Civil War. Chip's a product manager with Hewlett Packard, and coaches soccer and lacrosse in off-hours. His historical trail led him through the battle sites of Manassas, Fredricksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Cold Harbor, and Petersburg, where his relative served as a member of the Richmond Howitzers, an artillery company originally attached to the 1st Virginia Regiment.

Ending on a "light note," I want to pass on a story from **Alicia Kavka** in Richmond, VA, mother of Joey, Joshua, and Noah. Her oldest son, Joey, a visual arts student at Henrico High School Specialty Center for the Arts, made his acting debut this year with a one-line speaking part as (of all things) an ivy plant. She queried whether this could be a prerequisite to attending an Ivy League school!

Don't forget to send your news, notes, and e-mails to your class correspondents, including yours truly. ♦ **Joan A. Pease**, 6767 Blanche Dr., Lorton VA 22079; e-mail, japease1032@aol.com; **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, 49 Fuller Ave., Chatham, NJ 07928; e-mail, boroffka@shu.edu; **Mitch Frank**, 6613 Crenshaw Dr., Orlando, FL 32835; e-mail, mjfgator@

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REUNION

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Some personal news to begin with. This past August our daughter Julia had her bat mitzvah. It was a great weekend filled with family and friends. Cornell was definitely represented, with me and my husband **Morris Diamant '74**, and guests, including Julia's Aunt **Chari Smith Diamant '81** and Uncle **Ira '79**, as well as friends **John Gmeiner '74** and wife Faye with their daughter Julia, and **Gerry Bronstein Ertel '74** with her son David. Unable to come was **Alan Ertel '74** who was showing their older son Noah colleges in NY State, including Cornell. Of course, our Cornell tradition started with Julia's grandfather, **Leo Diamant '44**, BCE '47, who passed away in 1993.

I am writing this column as I begin my seventh year as an elementary school teacher in Lexington, MA. News from **Carol Comstock** Bussell reminded me why I am in the field of education. She quoted Prof. **Urie Bronfenbrenner '38**, "Every kid needs someone who's crazy about them, who will love loyally and seek always to be the kid's greatest advocate." Carol wrote that in a world of successful women, in all fields of business, education, and science, it is also just as important to consider the stories of success in preparing the future generation, our children.

Including news about the future generation, **Rick Dinerstein** wrote that all is well in New Hartford. Son Zack is a sophomore in high school and Noah just celebrated his bar mitzvah in Israel. His wife Andrea is an advertising sales rep for a local paper and Rick is president of an appliance parts distribution firm. They see **Pete Paravati '75**, a local attorney, and **Richard Hotzman**, a business owner in Elmira.

Bernie Newman's son Frank declined Cornell's offer of admission to the class of 2004 as a Presidential Research Scholar, instead choosing that "red" school on the other coast, Stanford U. In Frank's assessment, Cornell academics ranked above Stanford, but the Stanford students were more "joyful," whereas the Cornell students were merely "happy." In his mind, that made the difference, but it was a tough decision! In Rye, NY, **Lois Bertrand** Zar is enjoying life with husband Paul and sons Peter and Matthew. **Cathy Baldwin** Kit has twins Adam and Annalise and daughter Cassandra.

An update from **Paula Griffin** Davis. She reports from her new office at Ithaca College that the view of Cayuga Lake from South Hill is indeed better than that from East Hill. Paula is now associate director of academic funding and sponsored programs at IC, and responsible for foundation and corporate relations. She's looking forward to the 25th Reunion, and encourages others to contact her at pdavis@ithaca.edu. Also looking forward to Reunion, **Joe Doherty** wrote that the buzz is slowly starting to build among fellow Class of '76ers. A mini-reunion "practice" was held in fall

1999 at Cornell with classmates **Jim Lang**, **Randy Kissell**, **Larry Zamojski**, ME C '77, and **Mike Dominiak**, and families. They all look forward to seeing many more college friends at the 2001 Reunion. E-mails from **Charles Chuang** (in Taiwan), **Jeff Stam** (in Florida), and **Mark Slivka** (in Westchester County) indicated they were all very interested, too. Charles Chuang was awarded "Outstanding Information Technology Contributor of 1999" by the Ministry of Economic Affairs, Republic of China, for his work on the automation process of display monitor production.

After 20 years in the packaging business, **Sheila Collins** decided to take a break. She took a five-month sabbatical, which was wonderful, and capped it off with a two-week trip to Italy. She started working at Mead Johnson in March 2000 as director of US Manufacturing. After 23 years with Owens Corning, **Stephen Malia** has taken the position of senior vice president, human resources with IMC Global, a \$2.4 billion mining and chemical company based in suburban Chicago. As a result of the Exxon Mobil merger, **Richard Mohring**, MS '77, has relocated from Mobil's former Fairfax, VA, headquarters to Baton Rouge, LA, as plant manager of a heritage Exxon facility. With the move, he left the synthetic fluids business and returned to polyethylene as manager of the Baton Rouge plastics plant.

In April 2000, **Janet Tompkins** Rydell celebrated her 16th anniversary with Toyota Motor Sales USA, including eight years as cash manager for Toyota Motor Credit Corp. She is involved in setting up credit corporations in Puerto Rico, Argentina, and Brazil, and traveled to those locations. She lives in Los Alamitos, CA, with husband Jack and children Stephanie and David. **Craig Holm**, MBA '78, is the author of the *Health Administrator Press Book*, *Next Generation Physician*, *Health System Partnerships*. Enjoying work with Micro Motion, **Wayne Leanza** lives in Colorado. He went to Argentina to install their newly developed product. He and Stephanie Urban (Smith '78) celebrated 15 years together in August. They have son Adrian and daughter Zoe.

For the past three years, **Susan Feldman** Pollet has been senior court attorney in Yonkers Family Court. She is active in many community organizations, including the Westchester Children's Assn. and the "Peace" Program, as legal facilitator for parents going through a divorce. She's also on the Temple Beth El nominating committee, on the board of the Westchester Women's Bar Assn., a Women's Bar Assn. of the State of NY state delegate, and a nine-year volunteer with Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN)!

Per **John Ostman** wrote that it gives him great pleasure that son **Per Michael** was accepted to the Class of '04 in the School of Arts and Sciences. He wants to be a lawyer and possibly go into government, public service, and diplomacy after law school. Per also was a national winner of the ESPN Sportsfigures "Knowledge for College Challenge" scholar-

ship competition. In April, they went to ESPN headquarters in Connecticut for a tour and awards dinner. He won a scholarship, and media equipment for his high school. ♦ **Lisa Diamant**, 31 Ingleside Rd., Lexington, MA 02420; **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, 29 Margaret Ct., Great Neck, NY 11024; e-mail, krinsk54@aol.com; and **Pat Relf** Hanavan, 6301 Winding Lane, Richland, MI 49083; e-mail, relf@aol.com.



Dear Class of '77 (a.k.a. Juniors + 25): This is not going to be the usual Class Column filled with news from our classmates around the world. The news has gotten a little thin but our faithful Class Correspondent **Lorrie Panzer** Rudin hopes to have the mailbag full after the current News and Dues responses come pouring in this month. In the meantime, I wanted to write to the class about two very important items.

First, the dates for our 25th Reunion! This great event is going to take place on June 6-9, 2002. It is not too early to mark the dates in your Palm Pilot and it is definitely not too early to send some e-mails to your classmates and let them know that you want to meet them back on campus for the 25th. Your Reunion Chairs **Chris Podd** and **Mike Murray** have already started planning for the party to end all parties. So mark those calendars, send those e-

mails, and plan for a long, exhausting weekend of fun and excitement.

The second item is Class Leadership Volunteers. The Class of '77 is in need of your help. We are looking for volunteers to fill leadership positions within the Class of '77 alumni organization. We need help with regional event planning, reunion, fund-raising, our new website, graphic design, co-writing the class column, organizational matters, class mailings, etc. Let us know where your interest lies and we will put your talents to good use. Just get in touch with **Anne Vitullo**, who is leading the volunteer search, via e-mail at c_anne@worldnet.att.net. For those of you who have volunteered in the past and felt ignored, I apologize and promise to help get you involved if you just write to Anne.

One final note. I attended the Cornell/Harvard men's ice hockey game this weekend. Student traditions are alive and well. The fish flew on the ice before the game in honor of Harvard's proximity to the water (or maybe because Cornellians just think Harvard Hockey smells like fish). Students no longer tie a chicken to the Harvard goal but they are as loud and supportive as when we were in school. (The game ended in a 1-1 tie, but the team came back to beat Brown on Saturday, 2-0.) Warmest regards. ♦ **Kevin Brew**, Class President, kbrew@kevinbrewsales.com.

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Playing House

DEB WATERMAN JOHNS '79

The chandeliers sporting clown-hat shades in the bright yellow front hall and the fried eggs and banana splits painted on the kitchen floor make one of the oldest houses in Georgetown seem more like a playhouse than a family home. To create a child-friendly, informal environment, Deb Waterman Johns and her husband, Ben, have spent the past four years renovating their historic house, known as Mackall Square. "It's refreshing, it's whimsical, it's contemporary," says Johns, "but it mixes the old with the new."

The two-story brick mansion, located on two woodland acres in Georgetown Heights, was built in 1839. When Johns and her husband moved in with their daughter and three sons, they transformed the traditional structure, decorating each room with a different theme: the kitchen resembles a 1940s diner and the boys' bedroom mimics a camp site. A textile design major on the Hill, Johns haunts flea markets and museums around the world to collect ideas for her job as a professional personal shopper—and for her eclectic home. Says Johns: "You never know where your inspiration will come from."

— Christen Aragoni '02



in Silver Spring, MD, is happy to have classmate **Margie Ferris-Morris** nearby in Virginia. Margie has three kids and travels often to Africa and Asia to work on food relief programs.

If any of you are trying to figure out what to do next summer, here's my unabashed plug. I finally made it to Adult University (CAU) this past summer. The classes and teachers were great, the atmosphere was warm and friendly, and the campus was beautiful (but you already knew that!). Whether you go alone, with your family, or with multiple generations, I can't think of a more enjoyable way to spend a week. ♦ **Eileen Brill Wagner**, 4649 W. Carla Vista Dr., Chandler, AZ 85226; e-mail, brillcon@aol.com; and **Pepi Leids**, 7021 Boot Jack Rd., Bath, NY 14810; e-mail, pleids@aol.com.

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It's time once again for the column to go south for the winter. We had a good response to the affinity survey and I will update you on that news as well as other postcard and e-mail news.

Family news: **Patricia McManus Friar**, MBA '93 (pamfriar@aol.com) and husband Eric are raising children Lauren 15, Patrick 11, Katherine, 6, and Christina, 6. They also have a pet menagerie consisting of two cats, two rats, a two-foot iguana, a turtle, a tarantula, and numerous fish. **Florence Braaf Raskin** (Flo.raskin@ncal.kaiper.org) is busy with her children Jacob, 10, and Danielle, 6, who are active in school activities, scouting, and dance. **Susan Vogel Saladoff** (Ssaladoff@aol.com) and her family moved to a small town in southern Oregon from Washington, DC, two years ago. She is married to Robert Saladoff, an architect, and they have daughters Rebecca, 12, and Dana, 10. She would love to hear from classmates or, better yet, have visitors at home in Ashland, OR, home of the Shakespeare Festival. Call her at (541) 482-1593.

Wayne Diamond (diamondw@kaisere.com) recently moved to San Jose, CA, with wife **Heidi (Weiss) '80** (ILR) and their children Matthew and Gabrielle. **C. Robert Mateus** (robertmateus@ca.slr.com) writes that he has been married to Virginia Louise for more than 5 years and they have girls Veronica Anne, 4, and Elena Marie, 1-1/2. They live in Redwood City, CA. **Richie Stearns** (srichx@aol.com) reports that their third child, Ella Hillary, has arrived to join siblings Jackie and Greg. They live in Santa Monica, CA.

Congratulations to **Charlie Good** (chargood@worldnet.att.net) who married Julie Norflus (PhD, Columbia) on July 9. Charlie and Julie live in Oakland, NJ, where Charlie is active in various Bergen County community bands. Charlie has also received his second patent for a cleaning compound to add to his first for an ester-based cleaning compound. **Deborah Klein** Goldberger (Mltimagic@aol.com), who lives in Los Angeles, just celebrated the tenth birthday of her twin girls. She recently visited with classmates **Bob Lipman**, ME C '81 (Bethesda, MD) and **Susan Saladoff**. **Elizabeth Van Harnik** Douglas ([78](mailto:Liz@New</p></div><div data-bbox=)

For those of you who have stopped keeping count, we're now halfway into our 40s and, not surprisingly, there have been a number of big changes in the lives of several classmates. **Kathleen Loehr**, BA '83, writes that she's just left Ithaca to start a new life and job in Washington, DC, where she's bought a house on Capitol Hill. She is working as a development director for the International Crisis Group, a private multinational organization "started by world leaders in 1995 to avert or contain man-made crisis (i.e., war)." Her daughter, **Francesca Balada '99**, works for a dot-com company in San Francisco. From Chula Vista, CA, **Victoria Proctor** Hulick just went through a divorce after 14 years of marriage and has left the US Securities and Exchange Commission where she was a branch chief for the past 6-1/2 years. She has taken a new position as director of compliance at Nicholas-Applegate Capital Management, an investment advisor, in San Diego.

Eve Murphy Reid says that while she has not had a mid-life crisis, she has had "midlife challenges that were stunning, at the very least." At age 35, she moved from Manhattan to Dallas with her husband and had daughter Claire at age 37. At age 40 she got divorced and at age 43 she redefined her life, her company, and herself. She and her daughter were recently featured on the cover of *D Home* magazine. Neiman Marcus is one of the stores featuring her accessories line.

In the media area, **Peter Schacknow** is a radio anchor for Bloomberg Radio in New York City, specializing in business and finan-

cial news. He joins Cornell alums **Jessica Ettinger '87**, who is a news anchor, and **Scott Schnipper '81**, who helps the assignment desk run smoothly. **Andrew Grossman** has started a new job as the editorial director for *Cable World*, a weekly news magazine for the cable and television industry. He had been director of media relations for Cablevision Systems Corp.

"I find my career exciting, fulfilling, fascinating, and most enjoyable (have not been sued yet)," writes **Jonathan Warach**, who is practicing adult neurology in a solo practice in the Tampa area. He is also a clinical investigator, researching neuroprotective agents in acute stroke, and serves as an expert medical advisor for the State of Florida, Division of Workman's Compensation. **Josef Ehrenberg** is the father of four. His oldest child, Jacob, just turned 12 and "he now knows more than I do and reminds me daily." Josef's wife Maureen is president of management services for Grubb & Ellis. They live in Lincolnwood, IL. Also a father of four, **Michael Mosner**, of Nanuet, NY, is the owner of a wholesale meat company in NYC. His wife **Michelle (Goldberg) '77** works at Helen Hayes Hospital for the State of New York, developing education programs for osteoporosis.

Alexandra Swiecicki Fairfield, PhD '85, and her roommate **Pam Heffner** Reppert, DVM '86, had a reunion in Saratoga, NY, after not seeing each other for 21 years. Pam has her hands full, according to Alexandra, with a vet practice, a family, and a bunch of horses—"she makes it all look like fun." Alexandra, who lives with her husband and two children

techniques.com) writes that her second daughter was born on Mar. 25, '00. Her daughter Sara was 3 in August.

Karen Sing, BS Ag '82 (Ksing@rooworld.com) writes that she is happily living in San Diego with her two cats and new husband (November 1999). **Karen Gordon** (kpgordon@yahoo.com) was married to John Styslinger on May 22, '99. They moved from San Francisco to Philadelphia in 2000 with their golden retrievers Tahoe and Sedona. Karen is the VP for product development with ACE USA and her husband is in high tech. **Rob**, MBA '80, and **Cathy Dick Weiss** (robjweiss@msn.com) live in Ellicott City, MD, with children Benjamin, 12, and Michele, 9. Cathy is a senior health planner with the Maryland Health Care Commission and Rob is a vice president of finance for Fannie Mae. Rob's sister **Shari Weiss-Goldsmith '80** lives in Virginia and is married to Andrew Goldsmith, who is an attorney with the Dept. of Justice. Rob's brother **Barry Weiss '78, JD '82**, is a lawyer in Australia.

Elizabeth Rakov Igleheart (Igleheart@aol.com) writes that she has successfully completed 16 years of marriage and is still going strong. Her children Alex, 10, and Austin, 6, love to play soccer. Liz left Towers Perrin in 1998 after nine years to have a better work/life balance. She is now at Blue Cross/Blue Shield Georgia as Director of Provider Financial Services. She is the class chair for the school annual fund and has been busy with the capital campaign as well. Her husband Bill is thriving as head of individual and Medicare marketing for BCBS-GA. They had the pleasure of traveling to France this summer with friends from Dallas, TX.

Susan Zellner Dunitz is living in Highland Park, NJ, where she is taking care of her family full-time. She and husband **Irwin '78** had a third child, Ruthie, in 1998, joining Heidi, 14, and Jesse, 11-1/2. Ruthie has Downs Syndrome and although basically healthy, she requires a lot of time and attention. Susan is finishing her second year as co-president of the local Hadassah chapter. She is not anxious to consider returning to work since she has been enjoying being a full-time mom since 1986. Her husband is approaching his 20th anniversary with AT&T. **Jeri Roberts Appel**, MBA '81 (JeriMark@optonline.net) and husband Mark had their second son, Joshua David, on Jan. 7, '00. The Appels live in Stamford, CT. **Dawn Itin Goode** (dawn@gooode.com) is another happy stay-at-home mom. She is raising two children and two stepchildren. She enjoys traveling and life with her husband.

Doctors: **Russell Stahl** writes that he is practicing cardiothoracic surgery in Scranton and Wilkes Barre, PA. He would like to locate **Frank Lauria** and **Bill Clay**. **Julie Jones** has been in private family practice in Lancaster, PA, for 13 years. She knows three generations of many of her patients. She got together with **Rebecca Maron Mazin** and **Karen Martunich** and their families at the Liberty Science Center in New Jersey.

Lawyers: **Kate Browning** Hendrickson

(kbhendrickson@mailcity.com) writes that she is in her third year as assistant county attorney covering the juvenile and dependency/neglect/abuse dockets. She also has a part-time private practice where she specializes in family law. She is an adjunct professor at Chase College of Law where she teaches school law and lectures on juvenile issues. She was appointed by the governor to the Northern Kentucky Board of Regents where she serves as secretary of the board. She is in her last year on the Saint Patrick School Board of Education where she serves as president. She and husband Doug serve on the Parent's Advisory Committee at Chatham Hall where their oldest daughter is a sophomore. The family has enjoyed trips to England and Ireland, Bermuda, New York, Santa Fe, and Colorado. The girls are all very active in team basketball at their respective schools. **Gary Guzy**, JD '82, continues to serve as general counsel at the US Environmental Protection Agency. He was appointed to this position by President Clinton and confirmed by the Senate in July 1999. He serves as the agency's chief legal officer and as one of the senior policy advisors. Gary lives in Washington, DC, with wife Sharon Sprague and their 7- and 4-year-old children.

Class Update: Here is what has been happening with class affairs since Reunion 2000. In September during our officer teleconference it was announced that our class was recognized for raising over \$1.1M in a non-reunion year. This is somewhat of a record for giving in the 21st year. Also the Class Memorial Scholarship has raised \$21K since May 2000 from 155 classmates who donated. We need an additional \$16,000 by June 2001 to have this scholarship fully funded. You can find out more about the recipient of the scholarship on the class website. The Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) is scheduled to meet in New York City on January 26 and 27. This is a time for various workshops and meetings for officers of all alumni classes. We are trying to keep classmates informed of up-to-date e-mail addresses. If you change yours, or if we make a mistake in publication, please let us know. Sometimes it is difficult to read the handwritten word!

In closing, I encourage you to keep your news coming our way. You can send news directly to Cindy or me in the mail or by e-mail, or by using the class e-mail address, cornellclassof79@yahoo.com. The class of '79's World Wide Web page can be accessed at www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1979. ♦ **Kathy Zappia** Gould, 912 Meadowcreek Dr., Richmond, VA 23236; e-mail, rd_ka_gould@msn.com; and **Cindy Ahlgren** Shea, PO Box 1413, East Hampton, NY 11937; e-mail, cynthiashea@hotmail.com.



Happy New Year! It is hard to believe that the millennium celebration is over, along with our 20th Reunion year. Am I alone in feeling that although I have a family now and am on my second career, that it couldn't possibly be two decades since we graduated? It must be good news because I definitely don't feel my age and most of you

that I talk to don't either. If you don't know me, I am one of the new class correspondents. I made the trip back to Cornell (all the way from New Jersey!) with my family (husband Mark and children Cristina and Michael) and really enjoyed being nostalgic and introducing the crew to the campus. Of course they already knew **Nancy MacIntyre** Hollinshead and **Chuck D'Angelo**, but enjoyed meeting **Kathy Leskovec** Splett, MEE '81, **Dan Simpkins**, MEE '81, **Dave Shay**, **Laura (Day) '78**, MBA '86, and **David Ayers**, **Ivan Lustig**, MBA '82, **Phil Leinbach**, MBA '82, **Mark Brozina**, **Peter Henry**, **Karen Vecchio** Simons and **Nancy Twombly**. Sorely missed by me and my family, though, were **Bill Licea-Kane**, **Sue Poschmann**, and **Nayla Rizk**, my old engineering buddies.

Life seems to be treating everyone well. Nayla writes that she missed the Reunion because she was in Paris and Berlin. Although she couldn't make it, she was with us in spirit and had actually been to campus as an outside speaker for a group of Engineering students as part of a seminar series. She writes, "It was strange sharing the experience I'd gained over the years, especially in the last five as an executive search consultant, with these young students just starting out in their work in life. It was a great weekend up at Cornell and the sun shone for three whole days! I am still living in the San Francisco Bay Area and am now a partner at Spenser Stuart, focusing on executive searches in high technology. It's a great time to be doing that. My two boys are now almost 12 (and taller than mom!) and 9. In spite of a broken elbow here and there, they're great kids and keep me on my toes." Mark Brozina notes that he and wife Elizabeth live outside of Philadelphia with their daughter Rachel. He is a partner in a consulting firm that caters to utilities.

Susan Fairbank also regrets that she missed Reunion. Writing from Puerto Rico, she notes that her high school reunion was on the same weekend. If you are interested in Rainforest Medicinal Herbs or in the rainforest in general, she'd love to hear from you at her revised e-mail address: greenkuisine@hotmail.com. She'll also send you a great recipe for a whole roast pig if you are interested! **Katherine Ura-neck** is back in school pursuing her master's in journalism at Columbia U. She is taking a leave of absence from her career in emergency medicine and plans to continue her writing and documentary film work this year.

Dori Kelner got her MS in computer systems management from the U. of Maryland in May. She lives in Rockville, MD, with her daughter Lauren, 17. She is currently working as a project manager for NCR, but is looking for an opportunity in e-business strategy. She is really excited about using her degree and would like any Cornellians in Washington, DC, to contact her at dmk38@cornell.edu. **Robert Pegues** was shocked to realize that this was our 20th Reunion year. He is a surgeon in Baltimore, MD, and is loving the career and the city! He is working with the secondary schools committee there. He married Cheryl Bond in October 1995 and they

adopted their son Brenton (who is growing too fast) in April 1999. **Judy Appel** Hastings writes, "We just moved from Maine to Ohio so I could take a job in Mead's corporate human and environmental protection department. Leila, 11, just 'graduated' from fifth grade and is not sure she's going to like middle school. Caroline, 17, finished her junior year of high school and is hoping to be an exchange student next year."

Brian Fristensky reports that he is a professor of genetics at the U. of Manitoba and has recently worked in genetic engineering of resistance to fungal diseases in plants. He has appeared on CBC radio discussing genetically-modified crops. He recently showed his 9-year-old son Everett photos from his eighth grade class trip to Washington. Everett was surprised that the photos weren't black and white! **Susan Tucker Thompson** recently relocated. She and husband **Mark '81** packed up their three children in March and "moved from our beautiful and spacious home in Pittsford, NY, to a tiny apartment in Gastonia, NC. Mark has begun a new phase in his career as a cardiologist (interventional) by joining the Sager Clinic, based in Charlotte. He is finding the new challenges of his position very rewarding. I am focusing on helping the kids (Sarah, 11, Daniel, 7, Jennifer, 3) adjust to our new home, and on overseeing the construction of our new house, which should take about a year! In the meantime, we are learning the meaning of family togetherness in a very literal way! We love NC and think we'll be very happy here. Unfortunately, we couldn't attend my Reunion this June, but hope to get to Mark's next year. Would still love to hear from any classmates, though, especially **June Gershefski Hanly**."

Ronald Rosati, MA IN T '81, was named assistant dean of the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences at Texas A&M, Kingville. Ron came to the university as an associate professor in the agronomy and resource sciences department. He received his doctorate from Iowa State U. **Laura Friend Shulman** and husband **Lee '79**, MD '83, did local interviews for high school seniors from Northbrook, IL, who are applying to Cornell this year. They enjoyed speaking about the good times at Cornell to the students, but pulling out their yearbooks made them realize that there are already 20 years separating the incoming freshmen from their days on the Hill.

Sharon Key Beals writes that she took the family (husband Don and children Rachel, 7, and Nick, 5) back East this summer to do the "Tourist Thing" and see friends and family. She caught up with both her brothers and their spouses/children, including every U-Hall 3-er's favorite math prelude tutor, eldest brother **Eric Key '77**, PhD '83, his better half **Judy (Martel) '78**, and the rest of the New Jersey clan, for an afternoon of horse shoes, beer drinking (imagine that), and—hoping they don't show—bear watching ("they occasionally wander into my other brother Glenn's yard"). She did the Statue of Liberty, West Point (Nick was fascinated by all the cannons), and the Museum of Natural History (took the

obligatory picture of the kids and T-Rex), and finished up the week in Rye Brook, spending a day with ex-roommate and fellow Springsteen junkie **Beverly DiTaranti Tramoncelli** and daughter Susan, "doing" Rye Playland, the beach, and dinner, where they were joined by Beverly's husband **Angelo**, who had put in a day at the office. After too fast a week it was back to Iowa and back to work (she is the AVP of QA and food safety for the fresh meats division of IBP) so the kids could get back to school.

Well, I'll save some news for the next issue, so check out the magazine in March if your news didn't appear here. My co-correspondents and I are looking forward to hearing from more of you in the coming months. Until then, hope you have a happy healthy 2001! ♦ **Cynthia Addonizio-Bianco**, 1 Old Farmstead Rd., Chester, NJ 07930; tel., (908) 879-7475; e-mail, caa28@cornell.edu; **Jill Abrams** Klein, 12208 Devilwood Dr., Potomac, MD 20854; tel., (301) 340-2962; e-mail jfa22@cornell.edu; **Eric S. Meren**, 1040 First Ave., PMB #309, NYC 10022; tel., (212) 799-9656; e-mail, esm11@cornell.edu; **Brian P. Myers**, 2679 Amesbury Rd., Winston-Salem, NC 27103; tel., (336) 765-5742; e-mail, bpmcu80@aol.com; and **Nancy E. Brass**, 2631 E. Mabel St., Tucson, AZ 85716; e-mail, nbrass@azstarnet.com.

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Are you ready for our 20th Reunion? We hope for a great turnout for June 7-10 in beautiful, sunny Ithaca! **Steve Ritchey** and his Reunion team have been working tirelessly to get the party off the ground. If you'd like to help out, contact Steve at SDRitchey@aol.com. Thanks to **Jordan Strub**, we have an updated website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1981/reunion2001.htm.

I LOVE using e-mail! It makes my job as a class correspondent much easier. I heard recently from Dr. **Debbi Kaufman Strauss**, the "former Mrs. **Michael Strauss**." Debbi is a medical doctor in Rockland County, NY, specializing in infectious diseases. She has daughters ages 7 and 11. Debbi recently got in touch with **Debbie Hirsch** Ewing and husband Mark of Tustin, CA. Dr. Strauss has also kept in touch with **Paul Hicks '80**, BA '79, a cardiologist in Elmira, NY, and **Nancy Schneider** Phaneuf, who lives with her two daughters in Tampa, FL.

I received a note from **Andrew Stadnik**, ME EP '82, who lives in North Bethesda, MD, with wife Susan (Stanford '85) and children Alexandra, 10, Matthew, 8, and Samantha, 6. Andy had been having a difficult time since being diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia in April 1998. After three rounds of high-dose chemotherapy and losing his hair, Andy reports all is well and celebrated being in remission for over two years. Andy was recently moved from the director of engineering at the US Consumer Product Safety Commission to the director of the testing laboratory in Gaithersburg, MD. He can be reached at Andy@stadniks.com.

Wedding bells rang for some of our classmates! Congrats to **Mark Nechita**, who married Junie in May of 2000 and now lives with his new bride in Tucson, AZ. **Martin Jacobsen** of New York writes, "After a long and uneventful single life, I got married to a 'blind date,' friend Karen Reynolds," in a February wedding at Nassau, the Bahamas. He noted that several Cornellians were among their wedding guests, including **Carlos Guerra '82** and **Tom Foster**. Martin was promoted to partner at Computer Services Corp. He recently ran into **Dave Lessen**, ME AE '82, MBA '92, while riding the subway. Dave is still single, lives in Manhattan, and works for UBS Warburg as director of equity risk management. Martin also recently saw **Dan Lilie** of Nyack, NY, while playing hockey.

Congratulations as well to **Louis Bernstein**, of Trenton, NJ. He married Suzette Couturier in June 2000. **Chris Evans** updates us from Paradise Valley, AZ, where he has children Madeleine, 8, and Sam, 3. Chris says he moved to the Phoenix area in August 1999 from New Jersey because he loves the heat. He started his own futures trading firm called Paradine Trading. Its website is www.para.trade.net.

Jay Ernst writes from San Francisco, CA, where he lives with his wife and twin 6-year-old boys. They enjoy California for all the outdoor activities it has to offer. Jay was recently named a managing director at Lehman Brothers Inc. Also from California, **Kathy Hanley** reports that she is married to **Dan Scully** and has children Katie, 10, and Abby, 4. Kathy is the director of Marti Nelson Cancer Research Foundation and the race director for the Marti Nelson Stride for Life 5K/10K Run. In Golden, CO, **John Tuttle** writes, "I have spent much of my time over the past few years raising money for my renewable energy business, Daystar Technologies." John had the opportunity to visit with classmates **Lysle Waterman**, MPS HA '87, **Chris Nicholas**, and **Jim Milnes**. Lysle is at Colliers International in San Francisco, CA, Chris works for Globe Explorer near Alameda, CA, and Jim is an "entrepreneur in the hotel industry" residing in San Francisco. John also keeps in touch with **Jeff Stokoe '79** in Rochester, NY.

From the East Coast, **Ellen Ruck** Perry of Chester, NJ, pens, "I celebrated ten years at Kirkland and Ellis law firm." Ellen was named Member of the Year for outstanding spirit and volunteer activities in Northern New Jersey for her work co-editing the newsletter for the Mercedes Club of America. Ellen is also partner in Colony Farm Antiques, established in 1987. Colony Farm exhibits at professional antique shops throughout the East Coast. Visit their website at www.colonyfarmantiques.com. In December 1999 the partners opened a group shop in the Berkshires. **Joanne Patten** Bugher of Newark, DE, writes that she and her husband are the parents of three children. Joanne is a registered dietitian. In 1997, she left her position at Crozer Chester Medical Center to be a full-time mother. She is active in school, church, and civic organizations.

Lastly, congrats to my fellow high school

and Cornell classmate **Clay Pittman** and his wife Lisa. They recently relocated to a new home in Bellbrook, OH, to accommodate their growing family. They have children Madison, 4, Zachary, 2, and Michaela, 1. Keep us updated! We're as good as you let us be by keeping us informed. ♦ **Jennifer Read** Campbell, 14824 Hunting Path Pl., Centreville, VA 20120-1230; e-mail, RonJenCam@aol.com; **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, 114 Harrington Rd., Waltham, MA 02452; e-mail, lashoto@rcn.com; and **Betsy Silverfine**, 1601 Third Ave., #4E, NYC, 10128-3452; e-mail, bsilverfine@brownraysman.com.

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Hello, classmates. Thank you for sharing your news updates. The column is much more lively and diverse as the number of contributions increases. We heard from all over the world, from people with career changes, and people who were having lots of fun! Here's the summary of the news. Keep those cards and letters coming!

James Anderson was promoted from newsmen for the Associated Press in San Juan, Puerto Rico, to AP Bureau Chief in Caracas, Venezuela. In addition to Caracas, Jim's AP career has taken him to Mexico, Los Angeles, and New York. **Barbara Griggs-Pratt** (Barb Stan@voicenet.com) shares that she greeted the New Year in costume! Her sister hosted a bed and breakfast where, in addition to a costume party, there were door prizes and a bonfire. Barb currently lives in Honesdale, PA. Barb also shares with us that the most important thing she learned at Cornell was, "You can have it all, you just can't have it all now, or all at one time." Hmm . . . wonder if that says anything about the door prizes she won at that New Year's party?

Robin Emmanuel Werner is currently at home with two children in Las Vegas, NV. She and husband Kevin moved there from San Diego so Kevin could serve as chief operating officer and managing director of SAIC Venture Capital Corp. The exchange of corporate law for pediatric law was also made by **Amy Norr**, who writes from Narberth, PA. She says, "I am currently home full-time with my three children, 1-year-old Melanie and 7-year-old twins Rachael and Jordin, and am no longer practicing law." Having settled conflicts between my two nephews, something tells me that Amy's and Robin's legal experiences come in handy in her new full-time position! Amy also shares news from several classmates. **Susan McPhillips**, JD '87, an attorney in Denver, recently adopted a baby girl, Caroline, from China. **Jill Schosberg** Stoller is a partner in a pediatric practice in Northern New Jersey. **Bev Mann** Cohen '83 lives with her family in Chevy Chase, MD, and **Carrie Fishman** '81 lives with her family in Scarsdale, NY.

Julie Vargo writes that she has been elected to the City Council of McKinney, TX. She enjoys "putting policy into place." She recently met up with Cornell roommates and fellow Delta Gammas **Barb Bowman** Tobias and **Sue Kravetz** Syversen for their annual re-

union, which took place this year in Memphis. In addition to a great weekend of catching up and hanging out, they managed to visit Graceland. Why Elvis, Julie? "Because now we can say we did." Julie's New Year was a bit mellower; she and her husband spent it at home with their son. Julie shares that the most important thing she left Cornell with, besides a great education, were "the friendships that have sustained me so far in this life."

Bob Pompeani, ME E '83 (pompeani@wco.com) writes that he is currently living in San Jose, CA. **Patricia Spergel** Bauman (Adinasam@aol.com) writes to us from Larchmont, NY. **Donna Regii** writes that her boutique, Slang Betty, was recently featured in the New York press. She was also recruited for a Dr. Pepper ad. We'll have to keep our eyes out for more of Donna on the tube! **Valerie Buzas** Duffy recently wrote and shared that she was expecting her first child. From across the ocean, **Julie Dzik** Anderson (MMM.Bariadi@maf.org) writes that she and her husband are doing mission work in West Africa. **Lawrence Diaz** has joined Delphi Automotive Systems Mergers and Acquisitions staff in Troy, MI. Lawrence will be part of a team that leads teams in negotiations for acquisitions and joint ventures. **Sudesh "Sudi" Mariappa**, MBA '86, has been appointed executive vice president and head of portfolio management (Asia) for PIMCO, a subsidiary of the Alliance Group global insurance company. Sudi lives in Newport Beach, CA.

Marian Mollin (mmollin@vt.edu), who started her career as an engineer, recently completed her PhD in American history at the U. of Massachusetts, Amherst, and will now be assistant professor of history at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA. She shares that her training in both engineering and history was a major plus during the interview process. Marian said that Cornell taught her to be an excellent problem solver, and that she also learned the importance of being politically active and standing up for one's beliefs. That good old Cornelian word, "diversity," seems to carry all of us into wonderful experiences in life, doesn't it?

Amy Bochner Goldsmith is married with three sons, living in Croton-on-Hudson, NY. This town happens to be near the widest part of the Hudson River, which means Amy and family make much time for kayaking and sailing their 27-foot Cape Dory. She works for a small law firm in New York City, specializing in intellectual property. **Naomi Oppenheim** Stern (105441.53@compuserve.com) writes from Bergenfield, NJ. She has been working for herself for the last 3-1/2 years as a computer consultant. She owns her own business, Abacus Software Inc., and writes custom software for small businesses. Naomi shares that Cornell taught her how to be friends with a wide variety of types of people. **Terry Kilmer** Oosterom (CornellTKO@aol.com) took advantage of a corporate restructure and accepted a 34-week severance package. She is enjoying time at home with her boys, and reports that it also left her time to train for and do a 150-mile bicycle ride to raise money for MS.

Terry, you have worn me out just thinking about the seat fatigue that must have induced.

As always, **Donna DeSilva** and I are available for e-mail updates. Please keep us up to date on your happenings so that we can report them. For those of you who were sticklers for accuracy and whose millennium does not begin until THIS New Year, we want to hear how you celebrated! ♦ **Monika Woolsey**, PO Box 11985, Glendale, AZ 85318-1985; e-mail, azmoni@aol.com; and **Donna DeSilva**, 2719 N. Lorcom Lane, Arlington, VA 22207; e-mail, rjodmd@erols.com.

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It's January in Salt Lake City and that means only one more year until the Olympics are here! The Kern family guest room is already starting to book up! For this column, I have invited contributors to reminisce about winters in Ithaca and have arranged the paragraphs geographically from temperate to icy. Enjoy, and keep the news coming!

Suzanne Muller writes from Oakland, CA, "I have been working as an interior designer for a furniture dealership that specializes in remanufactured Herman Miller furniture." Between doing improvements on the house she bought three years ago and her work as an artist, Suzanne keeps very busy. "My artwork is figurative female nudes cast in bronze. I've been doing that for the past 17 years. I have been exhibiting in galleries and museums throughout the country. I currently have a 9-foot totem in the foundry, soon to be completed." For more information about Suzanne's sculptures, check out the ArtNet.com website under artist, then Muller.

Sandra Phelps-Fischbein writes that she was recently promoted to California division manager of Speedling Inc. She lives in Arroyo Grande, CA, and has children Joel, 6, and Samantha, 4. Also living in Arroyo Grande is **Marilyn Wilson-Hadid** who writes, "I recently joined a technology start-up company as president/CEO and we specialize in web-cam technologies. It has been really rewarding to build a world-class management team and to launch an exciting suite of technologies."

New parent **Susan Lomega** sent word from Portugal that her daughter Ana was born on May 28. Susan initially lived in Portugal with her family in the early '70s and again fell in love with the place (and husband of 11 years, João Torres da Silva Baltazar) during a visit in 1984. When asked about winter in Ithaca, Susan writes, "That was always my favorite time of year there. I remember the first time it snowed: I was studying or struggling through a report, sitting at my desk in Balch

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WILL POMERANTZ '84

It's the CIA's fault that Will Pomerantz is a director. After college, Pomerantz was deciding between his three loves: economics, Russian studies, and theater. "I entertained notions of joining the Foreign Service, speaking Russian," he recalls. "Then the CIA contacted me, which freaked me out. So I fell in with evil companions—theatrical types."

Pomerantz started out as an actor; at Cornell, he was a member of the original Whistling Shrimp comedy troupe. As a director, he's best known for adapting literary works to the stage, including Hawthorne's *The Marble Faun* and Dickens's *A Tale of Two Cities*. And in November, he returned to campus to direct Cornell's production of *The Taming of the Shrew*, resetting it in the 1950s.

Pomerantz—who has worked at theaters from L.A.'s Mark Taper Forum to the Williamstown Theatre Festival in Massachusetts—is also artistic director of The Culture Project, a theater on Bleeker Street in Manhattan that hosts orchestra concerts, chamber music, literature and poetry readings, and stage productions. "We're creating opportunities for others to make new work," he says. "We're very interested in finding the intersection where theater, music, and literature meet."

—Nichole Forrett '01



partner of 14 years. Gina has a daughter Morgan, 5, and sadly reports that she lost her son in 1994 at the age of 5-1/2. She recently wrote, "I am finishing my tenth year at the Alternative Community School in Ithaca where I teach science, math, and sex ed. I am advisor to the Queer Straight Alliance at the school. In March we traveled to the Children from the Shadows Conference in Connecticut where I ran into **John Williams '81**, who was a presenter. Haven't seen him in 19 years, but I remembered him! I still play rugby (20 years) and have started a high school team this year."

Gwen Garabedian Kania is serving as co-chairperson for the Endicott, NY, chapter of Mothers and More, an international non-profit organization supporting women who have altered their career paths in order to care for their children at home. Gwen is happy to have time to pursue her own interests now that diapering duty is done in the Kania house! Gwen and husband Mike have children Thomas, 8-1/2, Kevin, 6-1/2, and Melanie, 4. Gwen adds that classmates can find out more about Mothers and More by visiting the website: www.MothersandMore.org.

"My work right now is my children Max, 2-1/2, and Monique, 4, who are a barrel of laughs!" writes **Linda Ruedebusch** Marra, from Somers, NY, where she lives with husband Joseph. "I'm busy with play groups (I can't believe I just admitted to that) and with the Somers Newcomers Club. I still 'dabble' in interior design projects on the side as time and sanity will allow. Each fall I enjoy interviewing local high school students as an Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) volunteer." She added, "One of my favorite memories of wintertime at Cornell is trudging home at about 6 a.m. from yet another late night at the design studio in Martha Van to enjoy the sight of new fallen snow. The campus was absolutely quiet, the sun was just about to rise, and the snow was just below my knees. It was a perfect moment forever etched in my memory!"

One year ago, **David Turetsky** left the law firm of Epstein, Becker and Green in Manhattan after working there for more than four years. In May, he and wife Jill moved to Bloomfield, NJ, where David has taken his JD in-house as manager of employment law services for Automatic Data Processing Inc. in Roseland, NJ. **Ruth Diaz** Rojas moved last spring from New York City to Youngstown, OH. Ruth and husband Rolando were officially installed as full-time pastors at the Spanish Evangelical Church of the Assemblies of God. Ruth is the coordinator of the children's church department and especially enjoys participating in the clown and puppet ministries. Ruth and Rolando enjoy biking, camping and fishing with their children Alyssa, 11, and Rolando Jr., 8.

Robert Stelletello has begun a new job as executive director of Meals On Wheels in Chicago, and finds the work "very interesting and very challenging!" His wife **Kate Daly** is director of training for Panasonic, and they have children Casey, 9, Alison, 7, and Michael, 3. Robert writes, "We went to Club Med in

Hall. My window was open and it was real quiet. I could hear the snow falling and landing softly layer upon layer and feeling the morning light creeping up to illuminate it all." Susan would like to get in touch with **Susie Eilers** Craig and **Anthony Amendola '84** (ILR). Friends can reach her at lomega@net.sapo.pt.

Clint Glass sent e-mail from southern Florida where he and wife Cheryl recently moved. This past summer, Clint was promoted to vice president for the Centex Rooney Construction Co., Florida's largest general contractor. He will be overseeing all business operations in Palm Beach County. Also writing from the Sunshine State is **Dan Mackler**. He and wife Cindy live in Weston, FL, with their boys David, 12, and Matthew, 7. Dan is the managing shareholder of the law firm Gunster, Yoakley in Fort Lauderdale. He enjoys golfing and playing tennis with his family. Celebration, FL, "Disney Town," is the new home for Robin and **Mike Trowbridge** and their children Bradley, 9, Amber, 6, and Courtney, 3. Mike writes, "Feels like we're living on the set of 'The Truman Show.' We are in a great location, however. We can walk to the school, downtown, golf club, and pubs! A free round of golf and pitcher of beer to any chums who look me up!" Mike is national re-

ferral director for Fairfield Communities in Fort Lauderdale, the nation's largest timeshare company. When asked about winter at Cornell, Mike remembers, "Being a Florida boy, the first winter at Cornell taught me a big lesson—don't stick your tongue to metal poles. I did that on the way to class trying to lick the frost off the suspension bridge and stood there for quite a while until one of my fraternity brothers (Phi Delta Theta) rescued me. Ouch!"

Dave Cook is living outside Atlanta with wife Lori Jayne and children Ryan, 11, Graham, 8, and Emily, 4. He works for Kraft Foods, where he is responsible for quality in 18 facilities making, among other things, Kraft Mac & Cheese and Kool-Aid. Dave and his family keep busy with camping, hiking, and Little League baseball. One of the highlights of this past year was the night Dave got to spend on the aircraft carrier USS *Yorktown* with 300 cub scouts in Charleston, SC! When asked what he best remembers about winter at Cornell, Dave listed Timberland boots, flannel shirts, and long, cold walks to Stocking Hall. (Dave, are these good memories?)

Gina Kolb won't have trouble coming up with winter memories from Central New York. She's living in Freeville with Anne, her

Ixtapa, Mexico, for spring break with the families of **Dan Newman** and **Dave Speyer**, and while there ran into **Peer Munc** '81 and wife **Jennifer (Schachner)** '82." ♦ **Jennifer Hughes Kern**, 1882 Yuma St., Salt Lake City, UT 84108; e-mail, jenniferkern@juno.com; **Scott** and **Patty Palmer Dulman**, 109 N. Liberty St., Arlington, VA 22203; e-mail, pdulman@earthlink.net.

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First of all, I must apologize to **Han Chiu** for the error about him in the May/June Class Notes. He wrote a very nice e-mail with the correct news, as follows: "I've never been a school principal, but it might be a nice break from what I do. Perhaps the confusion came from the promotion I received about a year ago from Principal of Forward Ventures (a venture capital firm) to Venture Partner. The promotion is a lot like what you see in law firms from associate to partner. Forward Ventures is a health care venture capital firm with four partners, two of them physicians, of which I am one. We invest in new companies and are responsible in large part for the biotech boom in San Diego. (We founded two of the companies that launched biotech in the area.) My wife **Wendy Wong** '86 and I moved here about two years ago to join Forward Ventures. At that time, Wendy had just founded Eccelerate.com, which is an Internet division of Dun and Bradstreet. We have children Daniel, 7, and Kristen, 4."

David Weinberg is a principal at Mancini Duffy, Architectural and Interior Design Firm. He is heading their San Francisco office. He married Samara Solan in June 1998. They have a daughter, Olivia Jule, who was born in December 1999. They saw the following Cornellians at their wedding: **Brad Will**, **Bob Glazier** '83, **Ming Leung**, **John Koga** '82, **BArch** '83, **Marianne Shin** '85, **BArch** '88, **Phyllis Ho** '83, and **Gerry Davis** '85.

Lee Bender is "living the quintessential suburban life on the Main Line, Philadelphia" with wife Jane and their boys Justin, 7, and Noah, 3, and their new Chevy Venture minivan. Lee was recently appointed to: Cornell Council; Scholarship Chairman of Cornell Club of Greater Philadelphia; Board of Jewish Community Relations Council of Philadelphia; Vice President of American Jewish Congress, Pennsylvania Region. **Mike Kanellos** and wife **Monika** live in New York City. He is the senior department editor at News.com, where he writes and edits stories on the high-tech industry. Mike occasionally interrogates Jay Goldstein about Microsoft.

Tamara Warner Ause is married to Bob Ause, a chemistry teacher. They live in San Juan Capistrano with their daughters Emily, 6, and Erica, 4. Their love is travel. After five years with the USDA, Tamara moved to Hungary to work in youth ministry and completed her MA in theology. Now she is the community coordinator and religion teacher at an Episcopal high school. **Leo Redmond** is a vice president at Intuit, working on Web services. His wife **Nancy (Sherlock)** is working on her black belt, teaching karate, and doing

web page design. They still live in the San Francisco Bay Area with their sons Matthew, 8, and Sammy, 4.

Brian Bornstein recently moved to Morganville, NJ, with wife **Debra (Rothstein)** '90, their daughter Sydney, 4, and puppy Teddy. He works at AIG in NYC as an attorney and she works at International Flavors and Fragrances as product category director. Brian writes that he "would love to hear from classmates." **Florence Baker** lives in Winslow, ME, with husband Michael Lee and their daughters Kate, 5, and Emma, 1.

Dr. Amy Brooks-Kayal and husband **Shuvashis Kayal** '83 recently celebrated their tenth anniversary. They have children Anjali, 9, and Zachary, 5-1/2. Amy is an assistant professor of neurology and pediatrics at Penn. She was awarded the Child Neurology Society Young Investigator Award in 1999. Shuvashis is the president of SPI Pharmaceuticals in New Castle, DE. They met **Bill** and **Anne Westa Cummins** '85, and their boys Jaime and Brian, for a weekend in NYC this past June. **Linda Staffin El-Fakir**, MBA '86, has children Alex, 8, and Jenny, 5. They recently welcomed a new member into the family, a golden retriever. Bomber is now 14 months old and 75 pounds. "He's still learning that he is a dog and not a kid! Look for our newest body art kits, 'Color Club Tattoo You!' at mass-market and drug stores nationally."

Elizabeth Thomson Plageman and her husband have boys Marc, 3, and Max, 1. Elizabeth is the head science writer for the news office at the Massachusetts Inst. of Technology. She keeps in touch with **Mike** and **Gail Mosinger Severance**. Her sister **Ellen Thomson Doyle** '86, and brother-in-law Thomas have three kids and live near Philadelphia. **Kari Gordon** Doucette has been a staff anesthesiologist at a small community hospital in New Hampshire for the past seven years, as well as chair of the anesthesia department and president of her group for the past five years. Her husband Tom is taking time off from engineering to take care of their children Meg, 4-1/2, Nathan, 2-1/2, and Kate, 6 months old!

Dolores "Hi-Dee" Roeder, DVM '87, ran the Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, DC, in October 1999 with 7 of 10 siblings and an uncle. Everyone "finished with flourish." Eight of ten siblings and an aunt and uncle were signed up and psyched for October 2000. Hi-Dee picked up the racquetball bug ten years after graduation and has racked up division state championships in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut over the past three years. She saw **Jose Nieves**, his wife Kelley, and son Joshua in DC the weekend of the marathon. **Jill Smilow** and husband Howard Brick have sons Jeremy, 7, and Eli, 5. After ten years in children's book publishing, Jill now hosts and co-produces interactive, educational television shows for young people. She also sits on the board of the NE Anti-Defamation League and co-chairs the education committee of ADL. In addition, Jill sits on the "No Place for Hate" Campaign Committee in Lexington, MA.

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As Gene Autry once said (or sang), "I'm back in the saddle again," and thrilled to be serving once more as your humble class correspondent, along with my co-correspondent **Ed Catto**. You are all cordially invited to deluge me with news about you and yours, and you may be sure I will try to report it with some small measure of grace and good humor.

Speaking of grace and good humor, many classmates are having their senses of humor put to the ultimate test as they become parents of first, second, third, and even (gulp!) fourth children! Starting with the first-timers, **Peter Lee** sent word that he is the proud father of daughter Erin who was born on Jan. 21, '00. **Andrew Raimist** wrote from the "Show Me" state of Missouri that his son Aaron Eliot has shown him how wonderful being a parent can be. "He has been an absolute joy for us." Equally overjoyed with her new son Jonathan is **Vanessa Albert** Lowry, who writes, "We are all doing well, including Bianca, our dog." **Debra Osofsky** sent word that she and husband Lenny Cassato are "proud (though tired) parents of the lovely and very active Katharine Cassato Osofsky, who we call 'K.C.'" I was fortunate to be able to spend the first six months at home with her. Now, I'm back negotiating pilot labor contracts at the Air Line Pilots Assn." **Eileen Cooper** Ahvenainen wrote that her son Edward "came home to us from South Korea on Aug. 18, '99. Our adoption was finalized Mar. 24, '00. Now, if we can only wade through the citizenship process..." Eileen keeps in touch with classmates **Robin Kaufman** Potter and **Kathleen Baumler** Michel, and says that because the three of them are all very busy moms, they reconnect through e-mail so as not to wake their sleeping babies with the ring of a telephone!

Melissa Triplett Lurie may not have had triplets, but she did increase the size of her brood to two; daughter Joelle Brianna joined big brother Grant last December. Melissa says that she has found a way to balance having children with running a meeting planning business; she works from home in beautiful Palm Springs, planning meetings for gaming executives. Other classmates who gave their big brothers little sisters include **Laura Rabinowitz** Lefkowitz, whose daughter Talia joined older son Adam, and **Carl Sutter** and **Theresa Reiser**, who added daughter Jordan Elizabeth to a family that already included 6-year-old Zachary. **Sandra Hershberger** Berger also welcomed her second child last year, with son Alex Kinsley joining older sis Julie. Yet another big sister who got a baby brother was Arielle Rosasco, daughter of **Troy Rosasco**, who wrote to tell us that his son Gregory was born last February and that his pal **Joe Ferri** had become a first-time dad

to son Allesandro.

Jill Gaydosh Kafka was also generous with the baby and buddies news. Jill wrote that daughter Lily entered the world on Nov. 27, '99, joining older brother Oliver. Jill notes that she continues to be the deputy director of the Patrons Program, "an 'adopt the school' program benefitting inner-city elementary schools in the Bronx and Manhattan." Jill also reports that she and **Elizabeth Daniels** are going to New Orleans for JazzFest, thereby proving that one need not completely surrender one's partying instincts merely because one is exercising one's maternal instincts! Have a great time, ladies. In the "Three's Company" group, **Christine Sliva** sent word that she had given birth to daughter Alicia Grace, who joins older siblings Caitlyn and Eric. Christine reports that Caitlyn and Eric "are very proud of their new sister." (Just wait until she starts grabbing for their toys!) **Marc Gillman** and **Lisa Cohen** each wrote to say that they were now the proud parents of three boys. Marc, who franchises Popeye's Chicken restaurants in northern New Jersey and Nassau County, NY, reports that he is delighted to be "Daddy" to sons Brandon, Griffin, and Cameron. Lisa not only has a growing laboratory, Cohen Dermatopathology, but a growing family: new addition Jeremy joins older brothers Jacob and Isaiah. Lisa reports with a tad of wistfulness that Jeremy's arrival has moved the family's two golden retrievers, Wayne and Garth, "even lower on the totem pole!"

As exhausted as I got reading those reports, I was positively catatonic after this one: **Dan Autiello** wrote to tell me that he had recently relocated to Orlando with his wife Lisa and their "four children: 5-year-old triplets, Daniel, Zachary, and Cassandra, plus 4-year-old Gabriella." Although I can barely keep my nostrils above the water with two young ones, Dan claims that having four children in less than two years was no problem, and that he and his wife are "loving it!" There is clearly a place in heaven for Dan and his wife, as there will be for any classmate who submits news to us. ♦ **Risa Mish**, 611 Briarcliff Dr., Ossining, NY 10562; e-mail, rmish@ccmlaw.com; **Ed Catto**, 664 Wyndemere Ave., Ridgewood, NJ 07450; e-mail, edcatto@bigstar.com.

REUNION

86 To begin, a reminder: Reunion is on its way! Keep up to date with the goings-on at our new and improved class website, www.classof86.cornell.edu. You'll read, for instance, that our "home base" next June 7-10 will be U-Halls 4 and 5, and that our Saturday night celebrating will center around Okenshields and the Ivy Room, as at our 10th Reunion. And another winery tour is in the works. All this planning, however, means we need you! Any time you can volunteer for either planning or helping with this extraordinary weekend will be greatly admired and appreciated. Contact our reunion chair **Dina Lewisohn** (dina.lewisohn@tmp.com) or reunion registration chair **Katie Roth Boyar** (krboyar@nyc.rr.com) to get involved. There will be so much more to tell about

Reunion by the time this column goes to print, so be sure to visit our website. I know it well because I, your trusty class correspondent by day, have been working as class webmaster in my spare time (now what are my kids' names again?). Which brings me to an important point—we need new class officers! Reunion is the time to pass the torch, so visit our website for a list of "jobs," or contact class president **Lisa Manaster** (lisahman@aol.com; (203) 625-9629) for more info. And while you're at our site, check on the class e-mail list. See if you're listed, and if you are, whether we have the right address for you. Chances are good that we've posted an e-mail you used several jobs ago! Send me a quick message and I'll correct your listing before your next career, I promise.

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Alrighty then, the news! It was wonderful to hear from an old friend, **Debbie Hodes**, with her wedding update. On Sept. 5, '99, Debbie married **Jim Prevor '83** at The Plaza Hotel in New York City. Of the 300 guests, she writes, many were Cornellians, and the list is impressive! Attendants included bridesmaid **Vivian Lee Mahoney '85**, BS '87, best man **Ken Whitacre '83**, **Dan Travers '83**, JD '86, Prof. **Alan Schwartz '83**, and **David Marguleas '83**, BS Ag '88, with wife **Robin (Block) '84**. In attendance were **Ethel (Handelman) '46** and **Barney Mayrsohn '45**, BS '47, **Diana Pizilly Levine '57**, Cornell Prof. **Jeremy Rabkin '74**, **Betsy Silverfine '81**, **Evan Shapiro '84**, **Steve Drexler '85**, **Ann Coulter '84**, BA '85, **Amy Underberg Applebaum**, **Jolie Kahn**, **Barry Bloom** (recently transplanted from NYC to Chicago, where Barry is now a vice president of investment management for Hyatt Development Corp.), **Maureen Nenner Aron '87**, **Michelle Russo '87**, **Lisa (Gross) '88** and **Peter Dayan**, MD '89, **Allan Hymes**, JD '91, and **Perry DeFelice**, MS C '96. **Sandy Caro** De Cain was there, traipsing all the way from Washington, DC, despite being seven months pregnant! (Baby Marshall Scott arrived on Oct. 31, '99.) Still with me? Invited but unable to attend were Cornell Prof. **Ed McLaughlin**, **Ira Roxland**, JD '67, **Jon Pundyk '83**, **John Gaines '83**, **Curt Cornelissen '85**, **Karen Marinelli Gomez '84**, and **Peter Quinter**. Debbie and Jim honeymooned in Hawaii and have settled in Highland Beach, FL. Until recently, Debbie was the clerk of the court for the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel of the Second Circuit in NYC. Now she is general counsel for Jim's company, Phoenix Media Network Inc., noting: "It was much easier working for 12 federal judges than one husband!"

In other knots tied: **Marc Rachman**, an attorney in Manhattan, married Andrea Ber-

gotin in November 1999 at the Tribeca Rooftop in NYC. Cornell grads attending included **Dylan Schaffer**, **Howie Epstein**, **Steven Lee**, **Shanghai Shen**, and **John and Janet Lee '87**. **Gary Cooper**, an engineering supervisor at Electric Boat Co. living in Ledyard, CT (hi neighbor!), married Dr. Catherine Weber of Albert Einstein College of Medicine on June 4, '00. Gary says he spent two weeks in Hawaii snorkeling in 1999.

Mark Brandt e-mailed news that he has left Arthur Andersen to found a company with a few former Wegmans executives. Planet AP.com outsources AP and AR functions for retailers and manufacturers. Mark's family "stands at two, with Mary Grace in kindergarten and Henry, 2, entering his truck phase." He's been active with the Cornell network and is enthusiastic about his involvement with Reunion fund-raising efforts (to help, write mark.brandt@planetap.com).

Some tidbits from the class dues forms: **Andrew Greenberg** works in finance and lives in San Francisco. He wrote that **Eric "Jose" Margolis** passed the medical boards in urology; **Eric Goldberg '87** had triplets in June 2000 (two girls and a boy), and **Richard Landau** is a successful talent agent working in Hollywood.

Terri Siegel, in Port Washington, NY, says, "After 14 years of teaching, I am trying my hand at motherhood while I take a year-and-a-half maternity leave." Daughter Nicole Paige was born Dec. 31, '99. **Sandra Mizesky**, living in NYC, had son John Robert Kavonagh in March 1999. **Rebecca Chapple** McNamara's fourth daughter was born March 1999; Maeve joins Emily, 8, Bridge, 6, and Grace, 3. Rebecca says the family recently moved to Ireland for a year to start a new business. **Eve Seaman** Edwards e-mailed news of son Aaron Atwood Edwards, born July 8, '98. **Eric J. Fryer**, MD, of Roslyn, NY, writes, "Madeline Paige was born May 2, '00. Big brother Andrew, 6, has agreed we can keep her."

Alissa Stern had a "birth" of another kind: she just wrote a book, *The Process of Business/Environmental Collaborations: Partnering for Sustainability*. "I have been recovering ever since!" she says. **Ellen Fox-Snyder** and husband **John '85** recently moved into their brand new house. "It took a year-and-a-half to get built! But it was worth the wait," Ellen writes. She invites anyone coming to Florida to give them a call at (954) 755-2384, as they now have room for guests and a great pool and hot tub! Ellen also writes that in spring 2000, **Holly Bittker** Boker and husband Roni had their third child, a daughter, Hadar, who joins big brothers Shai and Nadav. They live in Israel.

Larry Robiner took a new position as vice president of Integration Services for Veridigm, a start-up in Maynard, MA, that focuses on marketing performance management. Larry lives in Sudbury, MA, with wife Rachael and sons Alex, 6, and Sam, 4. **John Cummins** is an orthopedic surgeon living in Oakland, CA, with wife Clarice and kids Patrick, 5, and Ashleen, 3. John says the family tried Adult University (CAU) and enjoyed the wine appreciation course and kids' camps.

(Sign me up!) Finally, **Julie Jacobs Henry**, an assistant professor at Buffalo State College, wrote that her three daughters fill the house with music, literally. "Alayla, 9, Alyssa, 7, and Kaitlyn, 5, are playing cello, piano, and violin. It's getting noisy around here."

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Kung Hee Fat Choy! Lunar New Year greetings from sunny and warm California. It is truly amazing that we are firmly into the new millennium. Rebecca and I did a fun thing last summer. We went to Paris twice in one year: we celebrated Christmas 1999 there, then returned in August 2000 for our summer vacation. Both times, we were able to visit with **Sharon Cape '85**, and met her husband Nick on the second trip. **Mary Ellen Simoni '94**, who is also a Stanford colleague, helped us secure a reservation at the famed Le Jules Verne. What a fabulous meal! We also went back to Ithaca for a conference at Cornell in September. It was wonderful to be back on the Hill and see many old friends.

Back at the 1999 Zinck's Night, I met **Laura Szeliga** who had just been moved to the Bay Area by her then-employer Gillette. Nine months later, Gillette decided to move its Oral-B operations back to Boston, and Laura found herself going back to Kraft Foods as director of new products, in Europe! As of mid-July of last year, Laura (laura624@aol.com) joined her new office in Vienna. She reported that she now has a two-bedroom apartment in the city center (with a garage), with plenty of room for visitors (hint, hint). She has also started German lessons. Before she left San Francisco, she invited me and Rebecca to her flat for a dinner party and we met **David Briskman**, ME '88, and his wife **Robin Westfield**, formerly of New Jersey. David (dbriskman@medchannel.com) joined a start-up called MedChannel, which is a technology infrastructure company focusing on optimizing the medical supply chain. David and Robin and their kids live in Belmont, CA.

Fellow OR&IE alumna **Rana Glasgal**, ME I '92 (rana@sherlock.stanford.edu) tied the knot this past summer. "I married my longtime boyfriend, Bruce Chiriatti, on July 2, 2000, at the Beltane Ranch in Sonoma County, CA. It was a beautiful, fun day for us and there were lots of Cornellians around to share in the excitement of the occasion: **Anne (Sencak)** and **Paul McFarren '86**, **Vicki Davis Spencer**, **Cathy Creighton**, **Joanne Cappucci**, MBA '93, **Jennifer Stone-Lesnack**, **Cathy Dugan Pagliuca**, **Larry and Sally Breinig Saul**, **Alexa Coin** Florence, **Elana Marcus**, **Meagan McMahan O'Connor**, and my sister, **Kim Glasgal '84**, who was my maid of honor. These Cornellians came from all over the country to be at the wedding,

and it was very special for me to have all of them there. After the wedding, Bruce and I spent three weeks touring around Italy and meeting some of my new Italian-in-laws!"

After Labor Day weekend, I got an unexpected note from former correspondent **Amy Marks** (amy@wordedge.com), who reported that she and husband David Hosansky uprooted themselves from suburban Virginia at the end of summer and moved to Denver. Her e-mail contained a detailed chronicle of their (almost) cross-country drive in a car without air-conditioning through a part of the country where the temperature soared above 100° F this past summer. She closed her missive by saying: "As for living in Denver, in one week's time we've managed to unpack (mostly), go on two hikes at over 11,000 feet, take two bike rides—one to a nearby lake, the other to the mall (yes, the mall)—and check out a city festival. So far, we like it a lot."

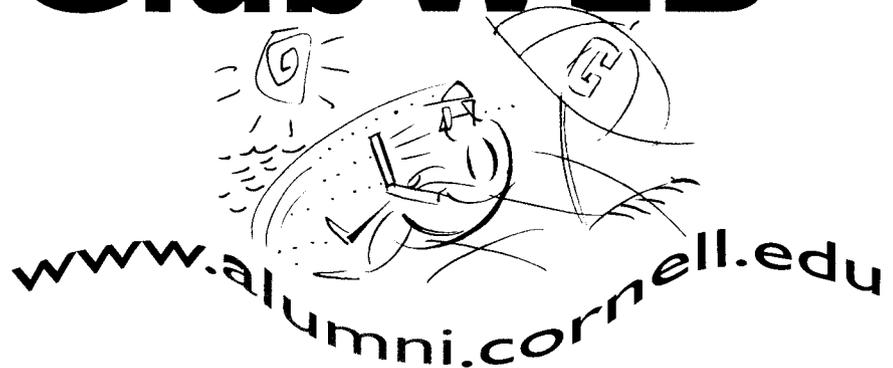
Elizabeth Hsiao-Weckler wrote from Jamaica Plains, MA, that she has finished her doctoral dissertation from U. of California, Berkeley (in mechanical engineering). "I have just started a post-doctoral fellowship in rehabilitation engineering at Boston U. and Harvard Med School. Living in Boston I have seen **Paul Morenberg** and **Karin Gemeinhardt**." **Matthew Nagler** (mgn5@cornell.edu) has left his old position in strategic planning at Loral Skynet to join an early stage Internet start-up called zRep. "We are an ASP providing a skills scoring service to online job marketplaces, enabling them to match professionals to jobs and projects. I work both on product development and business development. It's pretty exciting. While still at Skynet last summer, I had **Dennis Chow '99** work with me as a forecasting intern. We tried to attract Dennis to join Skynet, but he was lured by the New York City banking industry." **Yana Vandermeulen** Rodgers (yvrodg@wm.edu) got promoted to associate professor of economics, with tenure, at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, VA. In April, **Vicki A. Freedman** and husband John E. Marcotte joined the Polisher Research Inst. of Philadelphia Geriatric Center. John is the director of research computing while Vicki serves as a senior research scientist. They both

conduct research on health services for older people and those with disabilities. Vicki holds a doctorate in chronic-disease epidemiology from the Yale School of Medicine and a master's in demography from Georgetown.

Marie (Talia) and **Michael J. Stein** both have new jobs as well. Marie reports, "I have a new start-up called Stein HR Consulting, and am assisting companies primarily with staffing and programs surrounding this growing need. Mike is now the e-business leader supporting five divisions of Emerson Electric, two of which are in Europe." **Jacklyn McFadden Case** (jacklyn_case@hilton.com) got promoted in April 1999 to director of revenue management for the 80 Hilton properties in the UK, following Hilton Group's acquisition of the Stakis Hotels. "We split our time between London and the Southwest," Jacklyn wrote, "always welcoming Cornellians who visit London and the UK. Recently I saw **Tiffany Vasilchik** who was in town on business." Jacklyn and husband Thomas have daughter Hannah Elizabeth, 2. **Laura Witkowski** took a new job with the NYS Workers' Compensation Board's Office of Appeals. "Essentially, I am like a judge's clerk, writing decisions for cases on appeal. I'm really enjoying it, as no two cases are the same. [In fall 1999] I took a 16-day trip to Central Europe. I visited Germany, Poland, Hungary, Austria, and the Czech Republic. It was a truly wonderful experience!" **Allen M. Donn** (donna@nova.chem.com) has been working for Nova Chemicals Inc. since December 1997. He was transferred to the Chesapeake, VA, site in June 1999. Allen works with high-performance styrenics. **Bill Schneider** (william.c.schneider@fritolay.com) and wife Kristin moved after a year in the Windy City to Dallas. He says, "I am with Frito-Lay and am enjoying the warm Texas spring." Bill and Kristin were married in May 1998. **Rose Lee** moved to Princeton, NJ, from NYC. "My husband does a 90-minute commute to NY while I do an hour's commute to Pennsylvania. We have to pay taxes in three states! Recently promoted to vice president for e-business for Saint-Gobain/CertainTeed division."

In Tokyo, **Gary Okamoto**, BS Eng '89 (gary.okamoto@varian.com) is enjoying fa-

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therhood. Son Chris turned 2 in June. Gary said, "Expat job is fun but busy, since I have to cover China and Korea in addition to Japan." **Janet Robbins** Robinson (janetr@microsoft.com) and husband Brian live in Seattle. Their daughter is now 2. Janet works at Microsoft and has been creating instructor-led training courses for software developers for seven years. **Michele Marks** can be found in Santa Fe, NM, these days. She is a pharmaceutical sales representative for Forest Lab. **Jill Major Halevi** (jillgila@aol.com) wrote from Charleston, SC, that she "spent four days visiting with classmates **Andrea Blander**, **Jenny Wang**, MA '91, and **Tammy Wang** '86, MA '91, in Seattle. It rained every day, so we headed for the mountains to enjoy some snow-shoeing."

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As I write this, Colorado is winding through another Indian summer. The aspens are a brilliant, quaking yellow, and the high peaks are barely dusted with snow. I love this time of year, especially because we have more class news than we know what to do with! After picking through the impressive stack of forms, I have decided to dedicate this column to our classmates who live in the seldom seen regions of the US and world. Don't worry, we'll "go coastal" with news from California and the Tri-State area in the next column.

Joel Goldberg and wife Dr. Hilary Glasberg reside in Plano, TX, just outside of San Antonio, where Joel is now a staff surgeon and assistant residency program director at the USAF's flagship hospital. The two doctors were married on June 25, '00 at Essex House in Manhattan. Classmates on hand to celebrate the event included **Dan Zelson** and wife **Lisa (Joseph)**, **Eric** and **Liz Meyer Bobby** '89,

Inc. full-service brokerage office." Clark hopes to start a Cornell Club in the area and invites Cornellians to contact him (clark_d_smith@prusec.com). **Michelle Brown** and **Thailia Elcock** Bowen recently visited **Annemarie Etienne**, who calls Kenner, LA, her home.

Levia Rodriguez-Shepherd and her husband **Gerard Shepherd** '86 live in Durham, NC, with daughter Nicole and niece Chazzidy. Levia received her MBA from Duke U. in 1993, and she and Gerard celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary last year with a trip to Cancun, Mexico. **John Sieger**, wife Jennifer, his daughter Hannah, and son Jack live in Hampton, VA. In November 1999, John was promoted to finance manager in cost and financial analysis at Newport News Shipbuilding. John attended the induction of **Scott Malaga** '89 and **Patti Froehlich** '89 into the Cornell Athletics Hall of Fame at the 1999 Homecoming.

Chloe Barzey left the comfort of her home in Atlanta, GA, to explore Morocco this past April. In Westminster, MD, outside of Baltimore, **Stephan Linz** is the director of pediatric anesthesia at the Carroll County General Hospital. Stephan and his wife just had their third child, Justin Christopher, who joins brothers Matthew and Andrew. **Jeff Kramer**, in Tampa, FL, writes of the birth of Ethan, his second son, on Nov. 28, '99. Ethan's big brother Max just turned 5 this summer and thinks his little brother is "pretty cool." In Fort Lauderdale, you can catch **Laurie Jennings** on Channel 7 Fox News in the late afternoons and evenings. **Barbara Dinee** Higgins loves her life in Orlando with husband Bill and daughter Quinn, born in September 1999. Barbara attended the wedding of **Pam Andrellos** and Michael Kellogg.

Scott Miller recently moved to Hinsdale, IL, from Elmhurst. Scott has been involved in Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and strongly recommends the experience. In Chicago, **Kelly Starr** and husband Patrick Berklich welcomed their first son, Bradley Jay Berklich, on Mar. 26, '00. They attended the Chicago wedding of **Kelly Smith**, MBA '92, to Tim Brown in Chicago

com, a business-to-business procurement site. **Scott**, MBA '96, and **Debbie Bidwell Ainslie** moved to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in February 2000 when Scott became general manager of Cargill Feed for Malaysia and Sri Lanka. The couple has children Hannah and Taylor. From Singapore, **Paul Kitamura** reports that his daughter Anna just celebrated her first birthday in July 2000.

I do have one exception to this column's "theme," because I promised **Amy Doig Cullen** (adcullen@juno.com) that I would include her news. Amy sent word from Clifton Park, NY, where she works part-time as the community services coordinator for the Shenendehowa School District. Amy and husband Tom have children Ryan, 7, and Meghan, 2. Amy would love to hear from fellow Cornellians with whom she's lost touch over the years, so please send her e-mail!

I'll end with two important bits of news. Sadly, I must report the recent passing of **Harlan B. Williams Jr.** Several classmates wrote to say that Harlan died on Saturday, Sept. 9, '00, while on vacation in Africa. For information concerning donations, please contact our Alumni Affairs Office. On a much brighter note, **Linda Gadsby-Baptiste** was recently elected by the Board of Trustees to serve a four-year term on the Cornell University Council. Linda is also involved with the Advisory Council of the ILR school, the President's Council of Cornell Women, and the *Cornell Magazine* Committee. We salute her accomplishments.

Keep your letters and e-mails coming! ♦ **Larry Goldman**, 139 W. Maple Ave., Denver, CO 80223 (my first house!); e-mail, lig2@cornell.edu; and **Diane Weisbrot** Wing, 727 Anita St., Redondo Beach, CA 90278; e-mail, axel3@aol.com.



Happy New Year, everyone! It's a good time to send an e-mail to one of the class correspondents (listed at the end of this column) and let us know what you're up to. News was a bit scarce for this column, but thankfully some of you filled out the news forms included with the dues mailings, and I do have a small stack of birth announcements.

Babies first: Eleanor Rae "Nel" Decker-Gavin was born June 10, '00, to **Bryan Decker** and Jennifer Gavin. **Andy Paterson**, wife Jenny Lim, and daughter Cate visited the happy family in Boston and then continued driving to Burlington to visit with us. Another beautiful baby girl was born to Bryan's U-Hall 4 buddy, **Drew Doblak**, ME E '91, and wife Christine (Ithaca College '90). Brooke Christine arrived May 5, '00 and joins big brother Dylan, 2. The Doblaks live in San Jose, CA.

From the news forms, it seems that lots of classmates celebrated big milestones last year. You wrote of moves, graduations, and travels. **Grace Hutcheson** wrote from Gallup, NM: "After talking about it since our Cornell days, **Susan Trukawinski** and I just returned (last July) from a whirlwind train trip through Europe. We were interested in seeing the sights and sampling the tastes of our ancestral home-

“Julie Freed made the switch from geeky scientist to businessperson. It can be done.”

ANNE CZAPLINSKI TREADWELL '89

and **Sunfa Cheng**. In Dallas, **Stephanie Brickner** Jones has been busy as director of resident recruitment and associate director of the anesthesiology residency program at U. of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

Kimberly Coffin Johnson is an attorney in family law in Nashville, TN. Kimberly and her husband welcomed their first daughter, Amelia Jean, on May 21, '99. **Clark Smith** writes from Little Rock, AR, "I'm the new branch manager of the Prudential Securities

on May 13, '00. Although **Nicholas Halmi** is living in Toronto, Canada, he made his way back to Cornell last March to give the James H. Becker Lecture on his latest research on the symbolism of circumcision.

Overseas news came from **Christina Chu**, MBA '90, in Hong Kong, where she now has children Nicole, born on July 2, '98 and Adrian Lee, born on Dec. 24, '99. Christina recently joined her husband's company, Multizen Asia Ltd., to promote OrderBidding.

lands, specifically Poland and Hungary. After short stays in Warsaw, Krakow, Budapest, Prague, Vienna, and Brussels, we've come to the conclusion that we'll need to go back for a longer trip next time! Susan is working as a senior researcher in protein and plasma biochemistry at Bayer Pharmaceuticals. I'm currently working for the Indian Health Service in the Navajo area as an internal medicine physician."

Married classmates **Rick Lipsey** and **Carrie Cohen** were also planning a big trip when they wrote early last year. They were planning to travel to Burma to vacation and to accompany a blind runner from Burma to New York to run the New York City Marathon with the Achilles Track Club for disabled athletes. Back home in New York, Rick is writing about golf at *Sports Illustrated* and authoring a book about a PGA Tour rookie's season, to be published this spring. The rookie is Bob Heintz, Yale '92, whom Rick played against while on the Big Red golf team. Rick writes that Carrie is "on her way to taking over for **Janet Reno '60** or **Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54**, a couple of Cornellians." She's an assistant attorney general for New York State in the civil rights division. Carrie has also become a golf fiend, after playing for only two years.

Some moves to report: **Janine Peyser** Lossing has moved back to Potomac, MD, with husband Howard and children Sarah, 5, and Brian, 2-1/2. She writes that Howard is busy with an Internet start-up, *Simplexity.com*, and she is busy with the kids and her focus group moderating business. Janine often sees **Kathryn Underberg Zimmerman** and **Suzanne Seftel Glassman '88**, as they also live in the DC area. **Linda Wu Pagano** moved to West Chester, PA, from New York more than a year ago with husband Michael and daughter Christina. Linda writes, "Initially, there was a great adjustment from the Big Apple. Now, we're used to the quiet, easy-going lifestyle." **Julie Freed** and husband Patrick Callahan moved to Long Island after ten years in Chicago. Julie is a product manager working on Thomas's new products for Best Foods. She writes, "I traded in my food science/product development hat for a marketer hat back in 1995. For those of you wondering if you can make the switch from geeky scientist to businessperson, it can be done." Julie can be reached at jfreed@baking.bestfoods.com.

A couple of classmates made the news with their promotions. **Stephen Milks** was promoted to regional sales director for the New England south region of FairPoint Communications Corp. Stephen was formerly an account executive for FairPoint in Portland, ME. He is now based in Worcester, MA, from where he will oversee the company's offices in New Bedford, Springfield, and Worcester. **David Panitz** was promoted to vice president of operations for C-bridge Internet Solutions of Cambridge, MA. In addition to his BS from Cornell, David earned an MBA from NYU's Stern School of Business. **Kimberly Levine** started a new job last year as labor and employment litigation counsel at L'Abbate, Colavita & Contini, LLP, in Garden City, NY.

Jaime Bloom Weiss is also an attorney,

working as an associate at Parker Chapin LLP in Manhattan. She writes, "I married an advertising exec and we are living in Ardsley, NY. We have beautiful boys David Henry, 3, and Ethan Douglas, 1-1/2. They are wonderful!" Another happy attorney-mom is **Jamie Platt Lyons**. She writes, "My son, Avi, is turning 3 this [past] summer. I am still a real estate attorney and I work part-time. My husband is still a loan officer for a mortgage company with a very flexible schedule. We travel a lot to spend time with our families and we went to Disney World last February." One more busy mom wrote with an update. **Melinda Hammer** Lehman reported from Larchmont, NY, "Steve and I are very busy now that we're parents of three." When she wrote last May, Matthew was 3-1/2 and David and Julia were almost 1-1/2.

Two classmates checked in from San Francisco. **Sarah Soder** Eidelhoch wrote, "I am still doing physical therapy two days a week in a hospital in San Francisco, working with post-orthopedic surgery patients. The other three days I am getting into graphic design/desktop publishing, working with the art director for a company that puts out professional newsletters. My husband Art and I have been married for 1-1/2 years and are excited to be in the process of buying our first home in San Francisco." **Susan Campbell** wrote that for her, enjoying life in the Bay Area includes skiing, snowboarding, surfing, and hiking. She is teaching at a French American school in Berkeley and making and teaching digital filmmaking in the off hours, as well as doing some free-lance writing for the web.

Karen Little graduated last May with an MA in counseling psychology and had a double celebration as her niece, Victoria Marie Sassano (mom is Karen's sister, **Diane Little** Sassano '88), celebrated her third birthday. Another niece, Natalie Ann, was born Mar. 1, '00. Karen writes, "Now that I'm no longer working full-time and doing grad school, I'm ready for a social life! Any eligible Cornellians down my way?" Karen lives in Havertown, PA.

Katherine Miura wrote from Charlestown, MA, that she passed her Psychiatry Specialty Boards. She reports that she's still working on various artsy-craftsy things (beads, drawing, painting) and catching up on the latest music.

That's all I've got for this time. Take a moment to e-mail one of the correspondents below and let us know what you're up to in 2001! ♦ **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, 105 Overlake Park, Burlington, VT 05401; e-mail, ac98@cornell.edu; **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, 5 Glenwood Rd., Plainville, NY 11803; e-mail, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Lauren Hoeflich**, 2000 Lincoln Park W. #1107, Chicago, IL 60614; e-mail, LAHoeflich@aol.com; **Mike McGarry**, 9754 Burns Hill Rd., West Valley, NY 14171; e-mail, mcgarrm@wv.doe.gov.



Happy New Year! My resolutions? Improve spatial perception and avoid unnecessary trips. My summer featured a nasty confrontation with a license plate while running and subsequent trip to the ER for

painful treatment—11 stitches, tetanus shot—leading to the derailment of my marathon training and a lasting scar. I tell those curious that a panther attacked me. A much better story, no?

Fiction also seems to be a theme in the stack of Class of '90 news sent my way this month. Amid the postcards is a slim volume of poems, *Notes from a Superfluous Man*, recently published by classmate **Howie Schaffer**. Says the author of his work, "These poems are about how we often make decisions that create distance between who we are and the people we want to be." I want to be someone who can weave words as beautifully as does Howie, who is currently in Washington, DC, serving as managing editor of the Public Education Network, an association of local education funds that work to improve public school quality in low-income communities. Sixth floor Donlon alum **Duncan Murrell** is also an editor, at Algonquin Books in Chapel Hill, NC, where he landed after four years in the Marine Corps and a few years as an "itinerant newspaper reporter," chasing news everywhere from Montana to Alabama. Duncan now finds himself in an unusual position: he is editor to one of his former Cornell professors, Robert Morgan. I'd say Duncan has risen to the challenge, as Morgan's novel *Gap Creek* recently won the Southern Book Critics Circle Award. Send up a flare, whether you're writing prescriptions, speeding tickets, or Java script, and we'll give your work some cost-effective publicity, too!

Speaking of those that wield the red pencil, we received word from former *Cornell Daily Sun* Editor **Sam Zia-Zarif**, JD '93, who has returned to the US after a three-year stint in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, where he was teaching and researching human rights law. While he was happy "to be handing out exams instead of taking them," Sam found academia to be "a little too quiet." His new post is with Human Rights Watch in New York City as director of the academic freedom program, the responsibilities of which he humbly describes as "telling people not to do bad things to professors and students." Let me know when you offer a similar service to protect much-harangued marketing executives! Mr. Zia-Zarif also muses over "how accurate the TV show 'Thirtysomething' was in explaining what would happen to us." Hmm, if I recall correctly, that show's characters were plagued with trauma—illness, breakups, breakdowns, business venture failures.

But somehow I think he's referring to the meaningful milestones our classmates are celebrating with increasing frequency, the news of which follows, in part. **Marni Runyon** was wed to **Russell Kriegel '88** on July 3, '00. Cornellians in attendance included **Karen Kircher** Capwell, **Nathalie Guerrier** Clarke, **Brendan Fitzgerald**, **Lawrence Gutterman '87**, **Barch '88**, **Lauren Bailyn '93**, **MBA '94**, **Adam Gartenberg '93**, **Allison Waxberg '93**, and **Tammi Miller '94**. The *New York Times* reports that the couple, who never knew each other while attending Cornell, lived within two blocks of each other in Hoboken, NJ, but did not meet until 1994,

when both were invited to a going-away party for a mutual friend and shared a cab ride home. Other matrimonial news: **Andrew Tumpowsky**, ME C '91, a computer programmer for sports statistics company Stats Inc., married Lisa Lynn Silins in Chicago on Aug. 20, '00.

Given the pace at which you've been getting busy, co-correspondents Carole, Amanda (a new addition to our team), and I have revised our goals and now strive to publish birth news before your children receive their baccalaureates! Dr. **Bonnie Gould** Rothberg's latest family addition, Noah Zachary, is probably closing his first IPO or reciting Shakespeare at this point (actually, he was born July 2, '99). **Tracy Evans Krantz** and **Stefan '89** greeted new arrival Gabriel Noah in September 1999. Slightly more recently: in February 2000, **David Johnson** and wife Miranda Durham had their second child, Clara. **Jacoba Channell Smith** and husband **Jeffrey '91** doubled down and won big—twins Lucas and Justin were born in March, as was Jennifer Carolyn, third child of **Debbie Noren** Cape. In April, Skylar Lily was born to proud parents **Kerri Jew** and Zamir Iosepovici, and Avery Elizabeth to parents **Eric** and **Maria Tillis Connor '91**. **Stephen R. Paul** reports the May birth of his third, Josephine Elizabeth. **Terry Osika** Cornelius's Justin Clyde made his appearance in June. **Christopher '91** and **Joyce Martir Dugan** welcomed Jack Christopher in July. We will ask you to diagram family trees in our next column, so study up!

The Class of 1990 isn't all about matrimony and procreation, be assured. In fact, we're convinced that the reason we haven't heard from many of you (hint, hint) is that you've thrown yourself into your careers full throttle. A few have come up for air long enough to give us the 411. My sophomore-year roommate, **Kristen Jacobson**, received her PhD from Pennsylvania State U. and is now with the Virginia Inst. for Psychiatric and Behavioral Genetics. **Aileen Kelleman**-Band recently joined F&G Management Group, a restaurant consulting company in the Tampa area. Her twin sister, **Audrey Kelleman**, just completed a residency program in theriogenology (animal reproductive medicine) at the U. of Florida and has moved to Hanover, NH. **Tony Lau**, ME M '92, MBA '99, is at ABCNews.com in New York City. **Steven Rueben** resides in Las Vegas and proudly announces that his company, SpecSoft, launched a new Internet browser add-on that helps annotate the Internet—check it out at www.petnote.com. Did you see classmate **James Kumpel** on CNBC and CNNFn recently? He was interviewed as an expert on the ongoing troubles of RiteAid, and also has been a featured speaker at eHealth conferences.

Many classmates have crossed over to the world of entrepreneurship. **Francine Puckly**-Mathieson, M ILR '92, founded a human resources/organizational development consulting firm in Mendon, MT. **Allen Wass** is building a business in the area of executive recruiting, while **Scott Rodwin**, BArch '91, is in the business of building. He started an architectural firm in Boulder, CO. **Gonzalo**

Deustua writes from Mexico City of the establishment of his new asset management company/Internet start-up. **Marla Porter** Gross opened a law practice in Weston, FL, concentrating in international adoption. **Kirsten Spille** is a self-employed play therapist in Cambridge, MA, working with children diagnosed with autism. **Jennifer Parker** launched Sunflowerfish D-Signs, a one-of-a-kind wearable art company. Jennifer's note also says that she has recorded something under the name "Actylabod," but precisely what this creation is has been mysteriously blotted out. A rap CD? An action-adventure film? We're curious, Jennifer. Don't leave us hanging!

In the big-heart department: **Bevan Das** reports that for the past year, he and his wife have been foster parents to "a really cute, good 3-year-old who will be returning home in December." We also hear that **John Flores** traveled to the Philippine Islands to deliver computers to a children's cleft palate reconstruction clinic. You're both an inspiration! How to inspire your class correspondents? Flattery and Ben and Jerry's. Easier yet, e-mail us juicy news. Have a great 2001 and look out for panthers! ♦ **Alisa "Gil" Gilhooley**, 2712 N. Ashland Ave., Unit 4, Chicago, IL 60614; tel., (773) 871-4480; e-mail, AlisaGil@aol.com; **Carole Moran** Krus, 4174 Bushnell Rd., University Heights, OH 44118; tel., (216) 291-8572; e-mail, clm42@cornell.edu; **Amanda Willis**, 4238 Lake Brandt Rd., Greensboro, NC 27455; tel., (336) 288-1833; e-mail, AmandaEsq@aol.com.

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Greetings from the Hill! On a personal note, **Mark** and I were blessed with the birth of our daughter, Kaitlyn Rose, on Oct. 2, '00. Her big brother Bryan is adjusting well and loves to play with her toes! News of the birth of a baby girl, Mindy, also came from **Ines** and Steven **Hwang**, who are currently living in Taiwan. Mindy was born on July 21, '00. Steve and **Wendy Hellinger** Bennett also gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Sarah Jane, on May 27, '00. In addition, **Allison Kottler** Ostow and husband Michael announced the birth of their son David Harris on Aug. 31, '00. **Bonnie Greenspan** Goldberg and husband Larry also gave birth to a son, Benjamin Leo, on Apr. 20, '00. **Gail Fishler** Sirota and husband Dan welcomed their twin sons Andrew and Justin on June 16, '00. Congratulations to our mommies and daddies!

News from **Michele Fox** comes in from Massachusetts where she is currently assistant professor in the physical therapy assistant program at Hesser College. **Stephen Schwartz** sends news from Texas where he is currently a fellow in vitreoretinal surgery in the ophthalmology department at Baylor College of Medicine. Out west in Oregon, **Christine Anderson** Perkins created a library program for teens which was selected as one of five top programs by the American Library Assn. and was presented at the national conference in Chicago. Christine loves being a Young Adult Services librarian but is even more thrilled to be a mom. She and husband Chris welcomed their

first child, Katherine Grace, on June 18, '00. **Rachel Laiserin** was recently promoted to assistant commissioner for policy analysis at New York City Department of Design and Construction. She recently got together with Cornellians **Lisa Epstein** Jay, **Linda Keenan**, and **Peter Crosby** at a BBQ at Lisa's house. News from the Justice Department in DC: **Matthew Hammond** was named special assistant for the Directors of Enforcement. Matthew has been in the Telecommunications Task Force since 1999 and was in the Chicago Field Office in 1998-1999. **LaMonte Edwards** is currently the vice president and general manager of ALLTEL Communications (Gulf-Coast Region). **Sara Weaver** sends word from California where she took a position at Lifescan, a Johnson and Johnson company, after graduating from Fugua School of Business at Duke U.

News from down under comes from **Susan Lipetz** who is living in Australia and plans to move back to NYC in 2001. **Cecile Belaman** and Axel Beck send news from England where Cecile recently changed jobs from JP Morgan to Morgan Stanley as the vice president in corporate finance. Cecile and Axel got married last July in France! Also abroad, we heard from **Tadayuki Hara** who will return to Ithaca this fall with his family to start a PhD program. Tad had been in Japan as a team leader of multilateral negotiations for the Middle East peace process. **Eric Rauchway** and **Meg Arnold** are married classmates who are currently living in England. Eric is teaching US History at Oxford U. and Meg is working in the Internet for British Telecom. Lots of luck to our classmates abroad!

Wedding bells were also in the air for **Stephen Holden III** and Kristine Hooks in Rye, NY, last August. Stephen is to become a law clerk in New York for the enforcement division of the Securities and Exchange Commission. After graduation from Cornell, he received a law degree *cum laude* from St. John's U. **Cynthia Dombrowski** and Mark Anthony Peters were also married in August at St. Joseph U. Catholic Church. Cynthia received her master's from Buffalo State College and currently teaches art in Tonawanda City Public Schools. Congratulations to our newlyweds for a happy and healthy future together!

Jesse Pichel started a "dream job" in equity research for a technology investment bank in NYC and is currently finishing his MBA at Fordham U. **Kimberly Epstein** left the Big Apple and moved to Boston where she currently works at Boston Community Capital as a loan program manager. Kimberly recently road-tripped with **Lisa Comesano '92** and **Corinne McKamey '92** to a baby shower for **Cristina Moeder** Shaul. At the shower they met up with **Ariane Schreiber** Horn, JD '96, and other Cornellians from Tri-Delta sorority. **Rachel Teck** sends news from Virginia where she secured a new position as an outreach supervisor for the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation. In her new position she co-supervises a team of 25 individuals who travel all over Virginia presenting hands-on, inquiry-based programs about 17th- and 18th-century

Virginia history in school classrooms. Rachel exclaims: "A true joy!"

The *Ithaca Journal* announced that classmate **Jennifer Altre**, PhD '00, was appointed as a full-time faculty teaching biology at Tompkins Cortland Community College. Jennifer completed her doctorate in entomology at Cornell U. **Lucinda Rosenfeld's** first novel, *What She Saw in Roger Mancuso, Gunter Hopstock, Jason Barry Gold...*, was published by Random House in September 2000. A coming-of-age story with a twist, the book is divided into 15 parts, each one chronicling a different romantic—or not so romantic—interlude in the life of a violinist's daughter from New Jersey named Phoebe Fine. A portion of the novel was excerpted in *The New Yorker* this past July under "The Male Gaze." Lucinda encourages all of her old Cornell classmates both to buy a copy and write nice things about it on amazon.com. Lucinda lives in NYC where she has been a free-lance writer for five years.

Elizabeth Henry Kamhout dropped us her first message since graduation. "I have never written in before, because so far I have been a perpetual student. But, I would like to share with everyone some big events in my life. I've just celebrated my first wedding anniversary this September. Peter Kamhout and I had a beautiful wedding in my hometown of Grand Rapids, MI, last year. **Christine Weatherup '90** was my matron of honor and is a veterinarian in Scottsdale, AZ. **Jessica Lifland** was there, too. She is a photojournalist in Indiana." Elizabeth's husband is from Chicago and is now practicing emergency medicine in Harrisburg until she finishes her ophthalmology residency in Hershey, PA, this June 2001. "We are looking forward to returning to Grand Rapids then, as we have just purchased our dream home on ten acres with a barn and pasture for my old horse, whom some of our alumni friends would remember. I also have two large dogs who are family to me. No time for babies yet!"

We received an e-mail from **Andrew Puzio**, MPA '92, telling us of the birth of his son Aidan Kyle, who was born on Oct. 4, '00. Maybe we're looking at a member of the Class of 2022! **Marc and Laura Bond Fraioli** wrote to tell us about the birth of their second daughter, Anna Elizabeth, born June 10, '00. Their older daughter Julia is now 3 years old. Marc is currently working as a software engineer for Tivoli, a division of IBM. Laura really enjoys being a stay-home mom. The Fraioli family lives in Durham, NC.

Finally, we seemed to have created some confusion in our past column about **Wendy Fuhr**. Wendy writes: "I did NOT have a son last year. Also, I work in Collegeville, PA, but live in Paoli, PA. I am not married and am not planning on having a family at this point—much too busy with doctoring and being a semi-professional musician!" Our sincere apologies for not getting the right message out the first time.

Well that's all the news for now. Hope you enjoyed catching up with some of your Cornell classmates. We are always looking for news so keep the mail flowing! Enjoy the hol-

idays and remember that our 10th Reunion is just around the corner! ♦ **Linda Moerck-Cisz**, 2 Susan Dr., Northport, NY 11768; e-mail, cisz_mark@jpmorgan.com; **Kevin Lemanowicz**, 25 Fox Dr., Dedham, MA 02027; e-mail, KPL6@cornell.edu.

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You may notice that this column is a tad shorter than previous ones. That's because the number of class duespayers has dropped. Please, encourage your friends to stay current with their dues and continue to receive the magazine. In the interim, I'll try to include as much news as our space allows.

Ted Schultz, JD '96, and **Georgianna Gould** are doing well in San Antonio. Ted has finished his clerkship with the Hon. Edward C. Prado, United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, and now works at Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP, while Georgianna simultaneously finishes her PhD in insect-plant interactions at the U. of Texas Health Science Center.

Congratulations to **Alyssa Handler**, who married Amato Bocchino Jr. on September 10 in Ipswich, MA. Among the Cornellians in attendance were **Ian Kutner**, teaching high school English in Charlotte, NC; bridesmaid **Brooke Bloom**, finishing her residency in ob/gyn in Cleveland; Brooke's husband, **Lenny Sekuler '93**; and **Patricia Santiago-Munoz**, who is an ob/gyn attending physician at the U. of Puerto Rico. Alyssa is working in primary care medicine, living on the north shore of Boston in Beverly.

John Voellmicke exchanged marriage vows on August 27 with Catherine Cardieri. Several Cornell alums were in attendance at the Manhattan event, including John's brother and best man, **Kurt Voellmicke**, MD '96, and **Jim Penna**, **Joel Pastore**, **Chris Massing**, **Yanai '93**, ME C '94, and **Christy Bleyle Frank '93**, **Brian Nowicki**, and **Joseph Basralian '94**. John now resides in Providence, RI.

In a recent *pro bono* matter, **Dylan Willoughby**, MFA '95, an associate at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in New York City, advised an environmental group regarding the legalities of a proposed Forest Service rule to protect roadless areas in the National Forests from future road construction. He is currently building his website, dylanwilloughby.com, which will feature his fiction, music, and photography. Big congratulations go out to **Keith Strudler**, who finished his PhD from the U. of Florida. In September he started as an assistant professor of communications at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, specializing in sports communications. In addition to teaching and researching at Marist, Keith is preparing for the 2001 Maccabiah Games in Israel, where he will be coaching the US triathlon team. Keith has been in close contact with **Darius Deak** who is a polymer scientist in Springfield, MA. Keith mentioned something about a reunion of their Cornell cult-favorite band The Butlers. Hmm, can we book you now for Reunion?

Steve and Sharon Kowar de Waard an-

nounced the birth of Jacob Klaas on Feb. 24, '00. The baby is already a world traveler, having visited relatives in Holland and southern France. Sharon is a senior financial analyst for Pfizer (formerly Warner-Lambert) and Steve is an assistant product manager on Sensodyne for Block Drug. They reside in their new home in New Jersey. **Laura Strothmann** graduated from Columbia Business School in May and works at CSFB, while living on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. She met Joseph, the son of **Jill Steuer** and **David Katz**, ME E '93. **Christina Ching Skrocki** and husband **James '91** also had a son, Adam, in April 1999, and recently moved to Clovis, NM. **Candis Griggs** also moved recently, back to San Francisco where she had lived after graduation. She spent most of the last year working on archaeological projects in Pakistan, Honduras, and Guatemala as an objects conservator for the Smithsonian. Denver also has a new resident, as **Jenny Steffel** moved there to pursue a PhD in environmental design at the U. of Colorado.

Jessica Ly finished residency in internal medicine/pediatrics and is now living in Vancouver, WA. **Michael Sandler** is working as a journalist for the *St. Petersburg Times* in Tampa, having spent two years as a Peace Corps volunteer in Bolivia. He attended **Nat Wood's** wedding in Annapolis, MD, in July. **Susanna Pearce**, BA '94, works as associate director of Educate the Children, an INGO doing com-

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munity development and educational work in Nepal. Prior to that she was resident coordinator of CU's study abroad program in Nepal. **E. Shirene Willis** sings with the Paul Hill Chorale (recently renamed the MasterChorale of Washington). The group was recently on tour, with gigs in Prague and Budapest. Shirene runs a soup kitchen once a month, and works as a lawyer in the US Patent and Trademark Office. **Charles Kyumin Oh** was a piano soloist in Beethoven's Choral Fantasy in a benefit concert to support cancer research in Detroit in November.

As for me, I recently changed jobs and now handle marketing for a Charlottesville, VA, start-up company, Unbound Medicine. My husband David and I were able to make it to Homecoming back in September and tried to relive four years of college in two nights. Not an easy task! And certainly a reminder that we're not 18 anymore! Please keep your news coming! ♦ **Renée Hunter Toth**, 3901 Thomas Dairy Lane, North Garden, VA 22959; e-mail, rah24@cornell.edu; **Debbie Feinstein**, 6114 Temple St., Bethesda, MD 20817; e-mail, Debbie_Feinstein@yahoo.com.



Happy New Year! Can you believe we've already been through the year 2000? It seems to have flown by. We were sorely lacking in news this month, so please make sure to keep the news coming! News and Dues forms brought just a bit of news this time. **Rebecca Dorris** writes that she is living in San Francisco with her longtime boyfriend **Joel Steiger '91** and "is thoroughly enjoying the frenetic work and life in Northern California." She is working at MBT Architecture with **Heidi Hirvonen '91**. **Rosita Juvera**, BS HE '95, writes that she is now self-employed as a builder in Pharr, TX, and also obtained a license in real estate. The rest of the news comes via e-mail. **Bryan Fuhr** writes that he and **Matthew Zucker '92** are living together in the West Village, New York City. Both Bryan and Matthew are Internet veterans, working as a consultant for Scient and an Associate Creative Director for Ogilvy Interactive, respectively.

Nora Bensahel writes in to say, "I am pleased to report that I received my PhD in political science from Stanford U. in September 1999. Since then, I've been working as a defense analyst for the RAND Corp. I spent a year in their Santa Monica, CA, offices but relocated last month to their Washington, DC, offices. I'm really enjoying my job, and am constantly learning new things—the highlight of last year was definitely a business trip to Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Jordan. I'd love to hear from Cornellians in the DC area; my e-mail address is bensahel@rand.org." Congratulations, Nora!

Joshua Wells married Allison Guth on Sept. 17, '00 in South Salem, NY. There were many Cornellians in attendance including **Bernard Bernstein '59**, **Vivek Chopra '92**, **Michael '92** and **Angela Cheng Cimini '92**, **Alan Fishman '60**, **BArch '61**, **Adam Gold**, **Nate Goldberg '94**, **Jeremy** and

Naomi Gelber Grunzweig '95, **Alex Heffess '92**, **Marc Merriweather**, **Toby Millman '92**, **Robert Paltz, JD '68**, **Henry Seider '77**, **Craig Senzow**, **Rob Silver '92**, **Paul** and **Ellen Lefkowitz Sprinsky '92**, **Brett Stein**, **Marty Wells, JD '85**, **Steve Wells '86**, **Vicky Wells Habib '90**, and **Andy Yonteff '92**.

Willow Cheeley and **David Driscoll** were married at Cornell in August 2000. **Greg Dinkin** wrote in with the following information: "I go by the name Dr. Dink in the book I just released: *The Finance Doctor: An 8-Step Prescription So You Can Stop Chasing Your Bills & Start Chasing Your Dreams* (Vital Publishing). It's a how-to book on personal finance that is written as an entertaining story." He adds a plug that the book is available on amazon.com, as well as through his website, www.doctordink.com. **Jessica Graus** married **Daniel Wood** on Sept. 2, '00 in Alexandria, VA. She wrote in a full report on the festivities: "**Alison Torrillo '95** was a bridesmaid, **Alexander Aspiotis '90** was the best man, and **Margaret Cahill '87**, **MBA '88**, **Jennie Dean Clark '91**, **David Fishbach '92**, and **Geoff Manikin '92** attended. The wedding was held at George Washington's River Farm, a beautiful setting overlooking the Potomac River. There was much merriment and dancing, despite a rained-out garden ceremony. After a wonderful trip to Hawaii, Jess is returning to her second year of a PhD program in epidemiology at the U. of Cincinnati, where Daniel is also working as an assistant professor of neurology. They recently bought a house in Cincinnati."

Lou Hom wrote, "I graduated from U. of California, Berkeley (PhD, molecular and cell biology) and now I've returned home to San Diego, where I'm a postdoc in the chemistry department at The Scripps Research Inst. in La Jolla. Out of my office window I get to watch people hang gliding over the Pacific off the cliffs of Torrey Pines." Sounds like a nice view, Lou. Only one birth to report in this column: **Rick Jentis** and **Jessica (Silber) '94** are now the proud parents of Gabriel Ari, who was born on Sept. 8, '00. He already has his first Cornell sweatshirt! Congratulations!

That's all until the next column. Thanks to everyone for the news. ♦ **Yael Berkowitz**, 310 W. 95th St. #7A, NYC 10025; e-mail, yberkowitz@buckconsultants.com; **Gregg Paradise**, 96 Fifth Ave., Apt. 17K, NYC 10011; e-mail, gap1@cornell.edu.



For the purists out there, welcome (finally!) to the new millennium. After all the hype last year, this year is looking to come in not with a bang, but a whimper. I could be wrong—January is months away as I type this—but it sounds like this country is too busy with politics to worry about a silly little event like the real turn of the millennium. Still, our classmates have been busy churning out the stuff of normal life in anticipation of the new era—marriage, children, new jobs, graduate degrees. So let's get to it.

And oh, the weddings! **Robert A. Schwartz's** August wedding made the *New*

York Times wedding pages. Robert and his wife, Erika S. Meisel, enjoyed a lovely ceremony at the Renaissance Westchester Hotel in White Plains, NY. Robert is now in Boston, where he continues his residency in pathology at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital after getting his MD from the U. of Connecticut. **Jonathan Oblak, JD '99**, and his wife, **Alexandra Cohen, JD '99**, were a match made in Ithaca. Both bride and groom are recent graduates of Cornell Law School. After a July 2000 wedding at the Rose Inn in Ithaca, the pair are settled back in New York City where Alexandra is an associate at Latham and Watkins, and Jonathan should be an associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher after completing his stint as a law clerk for Judge Joseph L. Tauro of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts in Boston.

If you send an anniversary card now, it should reach **Laurence T. Devine** just in time for the one-year anniversary of his marriage to Carrie Ann Sauer of Charleston, WV. An Aggie at Cornell, Laurence is now a horticulturist in Charleston, and his wife is an occupational therapist at the West Virginia Rehab Center there. The pair wed on Jan. 7, '00 in Charleston.

We're starting to get into even older news here, but we don't want to leave out any nuptials just because we heard about them late. In reverse chronological order, **LizAnn Rogovoy Eisen** reports that she attended not one, but two Cornellian weddings in the fall of 1999. Classmates **Laurie Kisloff** and **Chris Tsai** were married in Pittsburgh in October 1999. Cornellians in attendance besides LizAnn included **Cindy Morrison Phoel** and husband **Wayne '93**, **ME E '94**, **Megan Hanson**, **Janice Kam Lee**, **Cindy Huang '95**, and **Sayaka Karitani '95**. When did Janice Kam become Janice Kam Lee, you ask? The previous labor day weekend, when she married Hyeon Lee in New York City with many of the same Cornellians in attendance. LizAnn reports that both weddings were a lot of fun.

Adam Comora married wife Hillary in September 1999 at the New York Botanical Garden. After a honeymoon in Italy, Adam settled in as an associate at hedge fund Entrust Capital in Manhattan. **Kimberly Greco** Hurtado married husband Larry in April 1999, and honeymooned in Tahiti, Moorea, and Bora Bora for two weeks. Class officer **Laurie Taylor** was Kimberly's maid of honor, and **Amy Levy '95** was also a bridesmaid, while classmate **Cynthia Mann** also attended the wedding. **Michele Khim** and hubby Amos enjoyed a June 1999 wedding in Chicago. Among the guests were **Lily Wong**, **Lewis Wong**, **James Au**, **Andrew Lee**, and **Chris Siebert '90**. The wedding coincided nicely with Michele's graduation from the Kellogg Graduate School of Management, and the couple now live in Austin, Texas, where Michele works as a financial analyst for Dell Computer Corp.

Bettina Walder Landt reports that "after a nearly five-year career with Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts, my now husband and I

got married and are helping to run the family business: the Castle at Tarrytown in the beautiful Hudson Valley, just 35 minutes from Manhattan." If you want to pay Bettina and husband Eric a virtual visit, take a virtual tour of the family business at www.castleattarrytown.com. It looks like a lovely getaway from NYC.

Grad school, anyone? **Mike Golden** reports that he and classmate **Nipul Chokshi** both started their MBAs at UC Berkeley last semester. **Maggie Flinn** reports that she is still "plugging away" at her PhD in French literature at Harvard. After two years in Paris, Maggie quite understandably found it a little tough to come back to Boston.

For others, grad school is but a distant memory. **Mark Malowicki** earned his master's in mechanical engineering from Virginia Tech, and is now an automatic transmission calibration engineer with the General Motors Powertrain Group in Milford, MI. **Michael Hohmann** snagged his Harvard MBA in June 2000, and is now back in Los Angeles working as a management consultant with Bain and Company. He and wife Missy Davis Hohmann were married in La Jolla, CA, back in July of 1999.

Our class column motto is "Better late than never." Still, for the new year, I resolve to start reporting fresher news. Please help me keep to my resolution by sending in your news! ♦ **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasyluk, 1111A N. Taylor St., Arlington, VA 22201; e-mail, dmp5@cornell.edu; **Dika Lam**, 204 E. 90th St., #4-E, NYC 10128; e-mail, dikaesme@aol.com; **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, 155 E. 29th St., Apt. 10C, NYC 10016; e-mail, jar1229@hotmail.com.

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Happy New Year, and welcome to the REAL New Millennium! As we hopefully get 2001 off to a "running" start, I'd like to go back a few months, to October (when I wrote this column), and ask if anyone happened to see the previous month's issue of *Runner's World* magazine. Classmate **Laura Woeller Baker** was featured there as a "Roads Scholar" in competition for grants that are offered for the continued training and support of promising post-collegiate athletes. "And she's running against some serious elite competition!" writes Captain **Anne Catlin**, who informed me of this news. "(It's) kind of weird to open that mag and see a classmate!" Laura, who runs the 5K, is on page 14 of the September 2000 issue of *Runner's World*, as well as all over the Web. (Do a search on "Laura Baker 5000" for her race results.) According to Anne, she is "sponsored by New Balance now and coached by (her) husband Brian. 'Go Laura!'"

Anne herself has been traveling around the world: spending a week in Spain, where she watched the running of the bulls in Pamplona ("but not actually running with them!"); touring Germany, where she was living before moving to Tucson, AZ, this winter; and running both the Paris Marathon in April and the St. George (www.stgeorgemarathon.com) in October. **Tom** (Thomas S.) **Kim** (Tom.Kim

@msdw.com), relocated to Hong Kong from Philadelphia to work as an equity research associate for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter. Writes Tom, "Working/living in Hong Kong is great! I have had some recent bouts with homesickness but I'm glad to be here. It's really a lot of fun and an ideal place for 20- and 30-somethings. I plan on being here for at least two to three years. If I really like it, I'll stay for a while longer."

Finally, **Sari Markowitz** writes that **Naomi Benson** and **Marc Wood** moved to London to work at Merrill Lynch. In domestic relocation news, **Danielle "Dani" Wolff** (danielledw@hotmail.com) moved to Los Angeles to attend the professional program in screenwriting at the UCLA Graduate School of Film and Television. She also works part-time doing freelance editing and desktop publishing. Writes Dani, "L.A. has been great as everyone continues to wear shorts and T-shirts well into October and probably beyond. I've forgotten that fall was supposed to arrive at all!"

Another resident classmate artist is pianist/composer **Catherine Marie Charlton** (cmc5@cornell.edu) who resigned from the corporate world after five years in order to pursue music full-time. In 2000, she was named one of 14 Individual Artist Fellows by the Delaware Division of the Arts. Check out her website at www.CatherineMarieCharlton.com. Catherine's news calls to mind yet another Cornell piano talent from the year before ours, **Seth Kaufman '94**, whom I mention here only because I was recently down at the famous Snug Harbor jazz club in New Orleans and happened to see on their calendar that he was playing there just a week later! Unfortunate timing for me, but I thought it might be interesting to report that this Cornell piano sensation-turned New York doctor (yes, you read that correctly!) is still playing the circuit.

More appropriate to our class, on that same trip (and in that same club), I met up somewhat unexpectedly with classmates **Sanjoy "Biz" Biswas**, **Jim Whitaker**, and **Chris Ormond**. Biz is a research scientist for SmithKline Beecham in Philadelphia working on developing new antibiotic drugs, while playing guitar in a band with some guys from work and taking Indian classical tabla lessons (though not all at the same time!). Chris does audiovisual work for Duke U., while Jim works for T. Rowe Price in Tampa, FL. These guys also took some interesting photos at our 5th Reunion. If you haven't seen them (or the many others that are in the photo album), check out the "Reunion Update" on our class website at www.classof95.cornell.edu.

And now for a quick segue plug, since I (hopefully) have your attention—if you have photos you'd like to see on the site, they're still more than welcome and all you need to do is e-mail them to our webmaster **Matt French** at mcf6@cornell.edu. Also, don't forget to sign up for our class listserv on the site's home page so you can stay connected well beyond Reunion. Pass the word on to your friends!

Now back to news. In the Wonderful World of Weddings, I have this to report from **Rebecca Hibshman**, who was married on

July 2, '00 to Mark Kirshenbaum in Rebecca's hometown of Cleveland, OH. Many Cornellians were there to celebrate, including **Carter Ward**, **Steve Korn**, **Maureen O'Kane**, **Allison Krill**, **Alissa Pellizzari**, **Nick Johnson**, **Dave Burt**, **David Douglas**, **Mitch Green**, **Charlotte Schluter**, **Aliza Kirshenbaum '99**, and **Elena Filipovic '94**. **Jennifer Keene** writes that in August, she was the maid of honor in **Sari Neidell's** wedding to Glen Cohen at the St. Regis in Manhattan. Sari was a Cornell student who started with us freshman year, but transferred to NYU where she received her bachelor's and master's degrees. In attendance at the wedding were classmates **Marjorie Portnoy**, **Elana Gilaad**, and **Erin Harty**.

More news from New York includes **Andrew Smart** (atsmart@hotmail.com) working at Fort Point Partners (Internet Consulting). Andrew wrote me shortly after Reunion, reminiscing about his favorite parts of that weekend: the flexible schedule, and swimming at Tremant Park. **Stephanie Gendell** is the special assistant to the General Counsel of Manhattan where she does policy implementation and training for caseworkers and attorneys in an attempt to improve New York City's foster care system. Also in NYC, some dot-commers: **Brittany Ellenbogen**, who does consumer technology public relations for Urbanfetch.com and **Sarah Lefton** (lefton@kpe.com), who started a website for distance learning about alternative health, yoga, and spirituality. In Delaware, **Kerry Duffy** is in her final year of law school at Widener. Last summer, she had an internship with American Home Products in the corporate law department, mergers and acquisitions. Moving North, **Kim Smith** (kvs3@cornell.edu) is the director of alumni relations at Plymouth State College in northern New Hampshire, where she does a lot of skiing.

Daniel Morin (daniel@massmed.edu) graduated from U. of Massachusetts medical school and the Harvard School of Public Health, bought a condo in Boston's South End, and is doing his residency in internal medicine. **Dana Buske** finished her PhD in chemistry at MIT and writes that she graduated the week before Reunion, and then spent the weekend reminiscing and reliving her favorite Senior Week memories: "white-water rafting, brunch at Ruloff's, wine tours, and just being in Ithaca with friends and no work!" After spending the post-Reunion summer taking cooking classes and traveling (including to Hawaii in July), Dana now works at an environmental consulting company in Waltham.

Also outside Boston, at the Northshore Music Theatre in Beverly, MA, one could

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have caught our classmate **Todd Smith** (who also had a stint on Broadway last year in *Annie Get Your Gun* with Bernadette Peters!) in a professional run of the musical *Sweet Charity*, while **Tom LeCourt** is spending his free time outside of work doing a lot of community theater in Westfield.

That's all she wrote. Happy New Year, and keep those updates coming! ❖ **Alison M. Torrillo**, 1330 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Apt. 203, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, amt7@cornell.edu; and **Abra Benson**, 575 Brimhall St., St. Paul, MN 55116; email, amb8@cornell.edu.

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My (hopefully mail-generating) question of the month: If you buy a couple a gift off their wedding registry, do you want them to know exactly how much you spent? Or is it better to try to come up with a gift not on the registry, and thus risk having one's gift be laughed about for eternity for its possible strangeness and/or, you never know, hideousness?

Speaking of veils and lace, let's start off with the Wedding Watch. **Melanie Hamill** married Andrew Harmon in October 1999 in Connecticut. Guests included **Lauren Wein**, **Lauren Bergida**, **Tara O'Grady '97**, **Laura Wiltse**, **Wendy Verret**, **Maureen Richardson**, and **Tamar Duvdevani**. Wedding Two: **Chandra Kistner** married Jonathan Gobetti Hoffman on July 15, '00 in Bryn Athyn Cathedral in Bryn Athyn, PA. If you're addicted to the *New York Times* Sunday wedding announcements, you'll appreciate the factette that this cathedral was built by the bride's great-grandfather. Wedding Three: **Rachel Ravitz** and Andrew Goodman exchanged vows on Sept. 16, '00. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii. And happy anniversary to **Lori Schwartz Frischer**, who married **Jason '95** on May 29, '99. Lori is working at Salomon Smith Barney and going to Fordham's business school, while Jason is a surgical resident at Mt. Sinai. Lori reports that **Kim Chinsky**, **Melissa Gellert**, and **Meri Resnick** are studying at Wharton, Kellogg, and Duke b-schools, respectively.

Nelson Quim returned from a four-

month stay in Wales, where he led a global capital project for Dow Corning Corp. "I was able to do a lot of personal travel on the weekends, got to visit Cardiff, London, Amsterdam, Paris, Lisbon, and much, much more," he writes. **Edie Marshall** graduated from Washington State's College of Veterinary Medicine and started her first job at a companion animal clinic north of Seattle. She also spent ten days in Guadajara, Mexico, at the International Vet Student Assn. Summer Congress, apparently working very hard: "Visiting the Taverna Jose Cuervo was the best part, lots of great margaritas in a 200-year-old hacienda," she says.

As most of us (right?) are preparing to return to the Hill (read: the Palms) for Reunion this summer, **Dana Henry**, MA IN T '00, just left. She finished her MAT at Cornell and began working as a naturalist at an environmental education center on Long Island. She reports that **Paige Graziano**, DVM '99, is happily practicing veterinary medicine in Middleboro, MA, and that **Nikki Grupka** is out in Los Angeles, doing her residency in pathology at Cedars Sinai. **Jennifer Grant** is collaborating with **Becky DeVito '97** on a children's history book—the words are Becky's and the illustrations are Jennifer's. No listing on amazon.com just yet, but we'll keep you posted.

Random news bits: **Ed Watson** started his MBA at the U. of Chicago; **Mark Millemann**, that's Dr. Millemann to you, started his residency in urology in Milwaukee; and **Dana Lipton** left New York City for even more expensive turf: Silicon Valley. She's working as a marketing manager at Commtouch.

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It's hard to imagine we're about a year and a half away from our first reunion. Over the next 18 months, your alumni class officers will be working behind the scenes, putting your class dues to work to ensure Reunion goes off without a hitch. All you need to do is show up. Meanwhile, keep reading our Class Notes to get the latest on who's doing what.

Neal Rubin (nrubin@carlson.com) moved to Taos, NM, last year. Neal serves as vice president of development and operations for Carlson Vacation Ownership, a division of Carlson Hospitality Worldwide, and works with **Amy Belanger Isom '88**, MBA '89. He's played golf with **Nabil Moubayed**, MMH '97, general manager for Wyndham Garden Hotels in Chicago, and met up with **Deanna Quan**, MMH '96, at Carlson Headquarters in Minneapolis, MN. This past summer, **Sara Kaminski** (sara_kaminski@mastercard.com) said she was joining the e-

service team at MasterCard International in St. Louis and taking art classes at St. Louis Community College. Sara sees **Jon Richard '96** on a regular basis and reported that **Sarah (Ball)** and **Jake Hooper '98** stopped for a visit on their way to Jackson, WY. Last January, **David Hollman** (dhollm@sapient.com) drove from New York to California and back again, visiting 20 states during a 30-day vacation.

I'm still trying to catch up on Class of '97 wedding news. **Frank Noschese**, MAT '98 (fpn1@cornell.edu) and a number of other Cornellians attended the wedding of **Madonna Nakamura '98** and **Seth Fischbein** in Cincinnati, OH, in June 2000. **Jay Mueller '99**, MA IN T '00, served as Madonna's "Man" of Honor. Others attending included **Jeff Jakubek**, **Carrie Wood '99**, **Alicia Pattison '00**, **Addie Tyler '98**, **Kellie Gauvin '98**, **Quinn Caldwell '99**, and Justin Canada (started at Cornell, transferred to UNH). Frank continues to teach physics and astronomy in Katonah, NY, and notes that Jay Mueller was planning to begin teaching chemistry at the same school. Frank also reports he attended an astronomy teachers conference in Pasadena, CA, where he met **Bill Nye '77**, the Science Guy. Meanwhile, **Shelly Tyler** (tyhill2@aol.com) said she joined a few alumni in Buffalo, NY, for the January 2000 wedding of **Melissa Silver** and **Mark Zittel '95**. **Nancy Liu**, MAT '98 (nanliu@maryknollhs.org) and **Dwight Schuster**, GR '97-98, got married on July 8, '00, in Hawaii where both Nancy and Dwight work as science teachers at local private schools.

After graduating from Fordham U. law school last May, **Melissa LaRocca** planned to work at Chadbourne and Parke in New York City. **Mark Klempner** (mtk2@cornell.edu) received a master's in folklore from the U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and as of July was working full-time on his book about Dutch citizens who rescued Jews during World War II. **Scott Beicke** (sbeicke@gsbpop.uchicago.edu) said he was enrolled in the MBA program at the U. of Chicago. After spending a year in India conducting research on the Self-Employed Women's Association's rural microfinance program as a Fulbright Scholar, **Sharmila Murthy** (sharmilamurthy@hotmail.com) enrolled in a joint JD/masters of public policy program at Harvard law school and the Kennedy School of Government.

Nicole Alexander (nealexander@excite.com) finished her third year at Upstate Medical U. in NY. After working as a paramedic for Rural/Metro Syracuse for two years, **Kate Hagedorn** (kateh@swins.net) was planning to start the post-baccalaureate, pre-medical program at Bryn Mawr College. Kate reports that **Jen Bishop '96** is back hard at work on her degree. Last spring **Sunny Kim** (kimsu@umdj.edu) was "doing great" during her third year of med school at the U. of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and has seen **Milind Parikh**, **Simon Cheng**, **Valerie Novellano**, **Ythan Goldberg**, and **Alex Ho '96**. **Erwin Lin** wrapped up his third year of medical school at Syracuse. **Catherine Vuong** (cv10@cornell.edu), who is working on a

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master's in nutrition at NYU, reported in March that **Castadera McGee** was a member of the Silicon Valley Poetry slam team—one of the top four teams in the finals at the slam competition in Chicago. Catherine, **Christy Veeder**, and **Daryl Erik Lucas '99** went to see him perform at the Nuyorican Café in NYC last year. Catherine lived in Taiwan for a year and traveled around South Asia; she's seen **Migi Matthews '96**, **Amitha Reddy '98**, and **Suzanne Bourguignon** (suzybourguignon@hotmail.com), who was also in Taiwan. Suzanne planned to start a city and regional planning graduate program at UC-Berkeley this fall. **Abby Wheeler** (aiwheeler@hotmail.com) wrote that she worked as a designer in Sydney, Australia, Washington, DC, and Miami, FL, before relocating to Seattle, WA. **Deborah Smith** (babyd-97@hotmail.com) traveled to Boston and Chicago and attended a Comdex conference in Las Vegas with **Chris Ho '98** and **Geoff Hoffman**.

Jonathan Frazier (jaf@mindspring.com) got his "wings of gold" from the Navy in September 1999 with orders to fly F/A-18 Hornets in Oceana, VA. Jonathan said his training included dropping bombs in Southern California, flying 400 miles per hour in canyons in Washington, and landing on a ship in the middle of the Atlantic. He's seen **Andy Fox '95**, stationed in Norfolk, VA, and **Chris Rakov '96**, ME C '97, in Kingsville, TX. After finishing med school at Penn State's Hershey campus, **Drew Keister** said this spring that he hoped to move with his girlfriend to Florida to complete their residencies in family practice through the military. **Carl Keske** (keskec@hq.44sigbn.army.mil) finished nearly six months of company command in the army and became the battalion adjutant. He spent Thanksgiving of 1999 skiing in Austria, celebrated his 25th birthday at Oktoberfest, and rang in the millennium in the Arctic Circle. **Matt Glenn** (mmg1@cornell.edu) has been flying P-3 Orions with the US Navy. In July, he was on deployment in Puerto Rico with Patrol Squadron Five, the "Mad Foxes," on a counter-narcotics mission. Matt, who is permanently stationed in Jacksonville, FL, has seen **Jeff Baskin**, who was working as a television weatherman in New Orleans, LA. Last January, **Matt Willer** (NavyFO@aol.com) returned to Jacksonville, FL, where he is stationed as a P-3 naval flight officer after a six-month deployment in Sigonella, Sicily.

After working for a mixed animal veterinarian and doing some research at Cornell, **Toby Emo** (temo@upeil.ca) finished his first year at U. of Prince Edward Island Atlantic Veterinary College. Last February **Lynn Stravinski** (lynn.stravinski@mssm.edu) was finishing a master's degree in clinical psychology at Columbia and doing breast cancer prevention research at Mount Sinai School of Medicine; she hoped to enroll in a PhD program in clinical psychology. **Kathy Rodriguez** (krodriguez@greatermiami.org) has helped establish the Pi Gamma alumni chapter of Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad, Lambda Pi Chi Sorority Inc., a Latino sorority established at Cornell in 1988. Kathy did some

community development in Puerto Rico and was working as a project coordinator for a non-profit affordable housing development company. She's kept in touch with **Heather Hill**, in medical school at U. of Illinois, **Kathy Rivera**, at Bronx Medical School, and **Kevin Williams**, who was working for an insurance company in NYC. **Bayan Takizawa** (btt2@cornell.edu) was finishing up his third year at Yale medical school last spring.

It's great to hear from you, please continue to send in your news! ♦ **Erica Broennle**, 425 N. First St., #1. Charlottesville, VA 22902; e-mail, ejb4@cornell.edu. Class website: www.classof97.cornell.edu.



By the time you all get to reading this issue of *Cornell Magazine* and your class notes, we'll be ready to inaugurate a new President and praise the new Super Bowl Champions. We'll also be halfway from our graduation to our 5th Reunion. Can you believe it?

As usual, we have a great mix of news from the class. The working crowd writes a bit more than the studying crowd this time around. I've heard from **Jason Stoughton**, who is working as a film and video colorist at Roland House Inc., in the Washington, DC, area. Also in the nation's capital is **Nicole Beaumont**, who is working at an international development and government contracting firm called Chemonics International. **Ashish Katkar** is also in DC, after getting his MPA from Cornell in 1999. He's now working for the Justice Department.

In upstate New York, **Cynthia Bodkin** reports that she's in Medical School, **Julie Lynn Hill** is working for the Town of Penfield (near Rochester) as a GIS analyst, and **Sachin Majumdar** is also in Rochester in Medical School. **Karen Easty** reports that she's teaching middle school science in Irvington, NY. Your patience must be incredible! In the Big Apple, **Meredith Gertler** just started a new job in marketing at culturefinder.com, and lives around the corner from **Heather Turgeon**, **Andrea Olan**, and **Laura Kenney**. **Jessica Ann Cohen** is a full-time graduate student in nutrition and applied physiology at Columbia U. and is working at the Reebok Sports Club NY on the Upper West Side. **Adam Geller** works for an Internet security consulting firm in Manhattan called Exault and **Lauren Cardillo** finished a social work master's and works for a child and family services agency in Westchester, NY. **Albert Choi** is the new business development executive at Economist.com, the online edition of the Economist newspaper. He's still living in the New York City area.

In Boston, **Jeff Valentine** founded BYO Broadcast.com with partners **Ben Krysiak '99** and **Brian Whittaker '99**. The Internet start-up enables and builds streaming media communities. **Philip Kim** writes that he just started working with the Back Bay Restaurant Group as the manager of Atlantic Fish Company restaurant. Congrats, Philip. **Kristen Choe** is pursuing a career in dentistry at Tufts

School of Dental Medicine.

Tina Chan wrote from San Francisco, saying that she just quit working at the Hilton San Francisco to join waiter.com, which sells food for restaurants on-line. Recently married **Aaron Heiser** is also in San Francisco, doing merchandising for Old Navy at headquarters. He travels frequently to places like Singapore and Hong Kong, and is in regular touch with former wrestling teammates **Eric Fell**, **Nate Rupp '99**, and **Rob Sagurton**. **Brendan Harrington** is living in Littleton, CO, and working as the transportation programs manager for the Downtown Denver Partnership. **Jay Billings** is still in Vail, CO, in his second year teaching American and European history and Spanish. He also directs a summer program for at-risk middle schoolers in the Vail Valley. **Megan Winchell** wrote from Rock Spring, WY. She's working as a field engineer for Dowell Schlumberger, an oil company. **Jeffrey Louis Ambio** is in Dallas where he works for Heritage Capital Corp.

In the mid-west, **Patricia Boye-Williams** is attending Chicago-Kent School of Law at Illinois Inst. of Technology on a full tuition scholarship. **Danielle Brillhart** is in Chicago working as the front desk manager for the Four Seasons Hotel. **Jamie Marciniak**, ME E '99, is in Fairborn, OH, on active duty with the Air Force. **Heather Magee-Hill** married **Mike Magee '97** and works for the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. She's conducting mercury monitoring in Hawaii for her master's project in soils science and public health.

Many of our classmates are still living, working, and studying abroad. **Leslie Kirchner** is in England getting a master's degree. In Bratislava, Slovakia, **Matthew John Reynolds** is teaching English and working for a newspaper. Wow! **Megan Cossey** writes that she and classmates **Tasha Cough**, **Dan Davidson**, **Derek Wong**, and **Emily Quan** are "participating in a de facto Cornell abroad project in the rice paddies of southern, very rural China." They're all teaching English at Pei Zheung Commercial College and learning to love squatters. Megan said that Dr. Ho of Ho Plaza fame hired them, and that it's "everything I dreamed of and more." **Mimi Chung** is working for Clipper Cruise Line as assistant hotel manager and traveling around many parts of the world on their ships.

I hope you're all well and happy. Keep writing with your great news! ♦ **Molly B. Darnieder**, Dir. of Campus Information and Visitor Relations, 114 Day Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853; tel., (607) 255-7419; fax, (607) 255-5396; email mbd4@cornell.edu.



Well, faithful readers, I've decided to plunge into a daring new screenwriting career. I present you with The-Real-World-Plays-The-Kevin-Bacon-Game Movie. Base it on the true stories of Cornell '99ers, and sprinkle in the only thing I remember from Psych 101: the so-called Six Degrees of Separation.

We open in a café scene, our protagonist (incidentally, me) pensively sipping a token chai while contemplating life and Scrabble lingo (who said I can't multitask?) with **Chu Ching Hu** and '98ers **Joye Thaller**, ME C '99, and **Matt Shuman**, ME C '99. Our heroine, amidst a heated debate over bombastic verbiage typical of an iconoclastic "Dawson's

Geller, ME I '00, a new resident of Santa Monica and The Rand Corp., an operations researcher in a job that's "cool for people who want me to smuggle them planes, like my brother." Equally cool (or warm rather) is that by the time my public reads this column, Amanda will have entertained a few close personal friends from her college days (including

for the sequel, coming to *Cornell Magazine* soon. We might make you a star! ♦ **Melanie** "The Tigger" **Arzt**, 47 Paulina St. #2, Somerville, MA 02144; e-mail, snoopymel@hotmail.com; **Jennifer Sheldon**, 436 Commercial St. #3, Boston, MA 02109; e-mail, jls23@cornell.edu; **Jessica Smith**, 641 E. Tropical Way, Plantation, FL 33317; tel., (954) 583-6381; e-mail, jesssmith99@excite.com.

“Nicole Schlegel spent the first two weeks [of work] breaking through picket lines!”

ANDREA CHAN '00

Creek" episode, hears her name over the literary clamour and turns to see a familiar face from freshman year Sperry Hall. **Alexis Alpert**, recognizing me despite my post-workday hair fluffery and rumpled ensemble, shared news of her autumnal start at U. of Penn law school. Propelled home by a higher calling, I nearly trampled **Rich Montgomery**, another member of the Sperry gang and now a local as a BU Law student. While catching up, we passed by the neighboring house of **Vincent Lecce**, a dealer marketing rep for Putnam Mutual Funds and the lucky man who got to spend his post-grad summer exploring Europe while 9-5in' in London.

Moments later, our fearless leader is snuggled up in front of the TV, ready for "The Drew Carey Show" and wondering, "Why Ohio?" (similar to the unsolved mystery of Connecticut, and moreover, the greater Tri-State Area). Well, **David Epstein**, a second-year law student in Cleveland, claims there's nothing but fun to be had while he does "too much of everything." Who knew lawyers had time to boogie? Then again, his version of the prom includes a guest list full of "dead people," with Washington, Lincoln, Roosevelt, and Jefferson as the featured party favors. Our heroine feels he should really get out more, and that he may enjoy the company of **Meghna Gupta**, getting her PhD in biomedical engineering at Case Western. In fact, with Ohio State just blocks away, there's also **Anya Ho**, studying childhood anxiety disorders while working on her PhD in clinical psychology, and **Scott Inglis**, who at the moment is "nowhere in particular" in his balancing act between the pursuit of a master's in agricultural engineering and a paycheck for his work as an Extension Associate of Animal Production Systems. So now that the party can begin, can any of you tell me with conviction why Cleveland rocks?

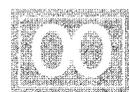
Rock-and-rolling, **Michael Daniels** had spent the larger part of last year "enjoying the young and employed life between the 'burbs of New Jersey and New York City," prior to his midyear move out west as part of the Met-life Corporate Transfer Management Program. At the same time, from Western New York to Northern California trekked dear friend (and fellow Dar lover) **Amanda**

our story's heroine and an extra hundred friends who know friends who know her) for our first-time-ever Sun-Drenched-New-Year's-Rockin'-Eve. My trip out west has a pit stop in "Vegas, Baby," where among the sea of casinos I may spy **Andrew Blanco**, spending his second year as an aircraft maintenance officer at Nellis AFB.

Hey, big spender, spend a little time with an ostrich? Fun may mean many things to many people, but Andy takes the cake when, along with **Jeremiah Sawma** on a trip to Southern California last summer, they got their kicks at a county fair featuring camel and ostrich racing, admittedly "not something you see every day." (Really? Not even in Vegas? Maybe that's Ohio's secret.) Seeing her share of exotic creatures, **Karen Weigel** gets her fill between volunteering at the Norfolk Zoo, working as a vet assistant at an animal hospital and immersing herself in the political animal farm known as DC, where she spends her free time with **Valdis Rigdon**, **Darcey Langford**, and **Katie Aichele**. The veterinarian life has become the yellow brick road for **Cathy Lombardi** and **Maureen Phillips**, roommates attending Kansas State U. CVM.

There's no place like home for **Suzanne Saidi**, ME C '00, stuck on Linden Ave. after coming to terms with the fact that she "couldn't leave the land of Rulloff's" while finishing off her master's of engineering and awaiting a trip to Iran last summer. Alongside her in our frost-bitten homeland resides **Pablo Guiroy**, GR '96-97, working on his PhD in animal nutrition while his belle, **Jessica A. Leighty**, feels how much home is where the heart is while she attends U. of California, Davis several time zones and temperature gradients away. Pursuing her master's in nutrition and applying to med school in hopes of one day becoming a pediatrician, she emphasizes in bold, underlining, and capitals, "I MISS CORNELL, I MISS HOME!"

Next time you start to sing those post-grad blues, turn to that guy next to you in the subway/lunch-line/wedding party and ask if he's got a friend who's got a friend who knows you. Chances are, he'll say yes (and if not, hey, at least you've got a new friend to hang with on the weekends). Welcome '99ers, to the *real* new millennium, and keep your eyes peeled



Should auld acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot, and days of auld lang syne? Let's take a cup of kindness, my friend, and toast Old Long Ago and ring in the Year 2001 with love, hope, dreams and forgiveness to start this new century out right. First off, I'd like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year! Can you believe that OUR year, the year 2000, has already come and gone?

Well, to start this new year off, I would like to correct an update that I wrote in my September/October column. As it turns out, **Scott Weiss** has decided not to attend Cornell Medical School in Manhattan. Instead, he has lived up to his "ideal pre-med" reputation and has entered the hallowed halls of Harvard Medical School. Scott will be spending five years earning a combined MD/MPH degree, working to become a wonderful and successful physician. But Scott is not the only Cornellian roaming around the Boston Commons. **Meredith Haff** is currently working for Mullen advertising on the GM credit card account and living with meteorologist **Pam Pedersen** in Somerville, MA. The two have joined the Cornell Club of Boston and have already become big Red Sox fans! Furthermore, Meredith joined Somerville Road Runners and is running extreme road races in her spare time. Also in Boston are many former members of the Cornell Crew Team. **Kim Rothman** is at Harvard Law, while **Meredith Monaco** is earning her master's in public health at Boston U. And **Matt Faso**, **Andy Belden**, **Dorian Brebeck**, and **Mike Kazarnowicz** have also joined their fellow rowers.

Now I would like to report from across the globe on all our friends who had the courage to venture to new lands. **Damian Brundage** has an amazing position working for the US Embassy in Moscow, Russia. He plans on staying there for a year before going back to graduate school. Damian would like to warn any government major back at school: "Don't do it!" But all's well that end's well, because Damian obviously found a phenomenal way to use his degree. Soaking in the sun of the Caribbean, **Andrea Clark** and **Matt Brunke** are attending Ross Veterinary School in St. Kitts. And **Maria Guerrero** is working for an American law firm in Paris, France. Finally, **H. Ron Davidson**, BS ILR '99, MPA '00, a proud recipient of the Fulbright Scholarship, is at the National U. of Singapore. He is taking a look at Singapore's labor dispute resolution system and related affairs in Southeast Asia. Ron is about to take a break and head to Cambodia, Thailand, and Myanmar (Burma). The

world traveler says that things are great and that he is having the time of his life.

However, while many have traveled around the world, there are a few of our classmates who couldn't get enough of good ol' Ithaca. **Charline Wright** worked in Brooklyn as a management consultant this summer and is now attending Cornell Law School. **Alicia Critelli** returned to campus with her father, **Frank Critelli Jr. '60**, for his 40th Reunion in June 2000, and was able to meet several of his classmates. Alicia remains at her family's alma mater, earning her MPS degree in statistics. Furthermore, **Erin Tompkins** is doing her master's of teaching at Cornell, while **Rebecca Linke** is working in Ithaca for the year while she applies to vet school.

Although not in Ithaca, many of our classmates are residing in the Tri-State area. **Rachel Zinaman** spent the summer backpacking all over Europe with **Evan Grossman**. Rachel says they had an extraordinary time and that she is now involved in a dietetic internship at New York Presbyterian. She is definitely putting all of Dr. U's nutrition classes to good use! **Doug Weine** and **Lisa Hertz** are checking out New York City as well. Doug attends Cornell Medical School and Lisa spends her time in the World Trade Center working for Aon in their reinsurance department. They are having a ton of fun and are happy to be in the city together. Just 25 minutes from them, **Melani Bolyai** is an environmental consultant for First Environment Inc. in Riverdale, NJ. She is thrilled about the company and invites anyone to call her for additional information or even a job! Tel., (973) 616-9700.

Matthew Bruno is on pace to create Hollywood's next feature film with the experience he receives from Scott Rudin Productions in NYC. If anyone is interested in the film market, Matt welcomes e-mails at MttBru@aol.com. **Kristine Buchholtz** is living in Syracuse, NY, and is working as a territory sales manager for Philip Morris USA. Her position involves visiting several chain and independent accounts to manage their cigarette categories. Welcomed to the company with open arms, Kristine is thankful for all the Cornell alumni who were already working with PM USA. **Matt Noyes** is predicting a winter full of snow as the meteorologist on Channel 34 in Binghamton, NY. **Julia Spivack** attends Fordham law school while **John Yowpa** is at Syracuse medical school. In addition, **Nicole Schlegel** has been doing software engineering on a contract with the Air Force. She works for Raytheon and says that she spent the first two weeks breaking through picket lines! English major **Mina Hochberg** was looking to join the rat race in a magazine job in NYC, but thanks to a job announcement from **Cara Weisel '98**, Mina is working for CBS on a Vietnam War documentary that will air on the History Channel. Watching footage of the war each day, Mina states that she has seen more of "Nam" than anyone would ever want to see. She is currently living on Long Island with her grandparents, but is anxious to get into the city. Mina proclaims, "I want to try and replace the Woody

Allen and Nora Ephron ideas I have of New York with my own version of the city. And then I'll write a book on it. Plus, I want to experience a white Christmas in the Big Apple, with snow-laden avenues and Macy's Christmas displays and all that jazz." Mina, I hope you got your Christmas wish.

A couple of Cornellians have also become Texans this past year. TKE brothers **Marc Perlman** and **Carey Kireyev** are in Austin working for Trilogy. Marc is doing development work for one of their spinoff start-ups, insuranceOrder.com. He says "the job is definitely not what I ever envisioned when I was getting my OR&IE degree, but it's never going to snow here, so I'm not complaining." People must think Cornellians have a strange aversion to snow. Anyway, good luck with the software development, Marc and Carey. Maybe one of you will be the next Bill Gates. Moreover, **Laurie Wax** is stationed with the US Army in Alabama and is studying Serbo-Croatian to pass a language test. Maybe President Rawlings could add that to the Arts & Sciences language requirement.

Wedding bells were ringing July 15, '00 for **Emily Young** and Paul Ventura in Berkeley, CA. **Rebekah Gordon** reported that approximately 20 members of the class of 2000 were in attendance and that **Jackie Bassett** was a bridesmaid. Another beautiful bride **Kenisha Campbell** recently wed Tariq Ahmed. She has a 3-month-old son named Hannibal El-Mustafa Ahmed, born on May 13, '00. This busy wife and mom spends the rest of her free time attending Washington U. school of medicine in St. Louis, MO. Happiness to you both!

As for myself, I have passed all my exams (Series 7, Series 66, Life & Health Producer), finished a three-month training session with American Express, and am now a fully licensed financial advisor. I have learned so much about securities and financial planning that I can't believe I just got out of college! But one thing I am facing in this new year is the roller coaster of emotions you encounter in the Real World. I'm sure that many of you have dealt with transitional changes since graduation—moving to a new city, making new friends, ending long-distance relationships—the list goes on. Everyone's heard about post-partum depression, but why didn't anyone ever warn us about post-college depression. Well, don't worry fellow classmates, you're not alone. All of us are handling our new lives outside of Ithaca and I just want to let you know that we're all gonna make it. So, for this year, the year 2001, do me a favor and write down one more New Year's Resolution: "I will think of this year as similar to my first year at Cornell—full of fears, excitement, anxiety, confusion, opportunity—and I'll make it through with the same strength and confidence that got me past that "First Night" on the Arts Quad and each night thereafter (because it only got better)." Have a great year everyone! ♦ **Andrea Chan**, 5 Rozlyn Ct., Eatontown, NJ 07724 e-mail, amc32@cornell.edu; and **Sarah Striffler**, 124 E. 79th St., #111D, New York, NY 10021; e-mail, sjs34@cornell.edu.



The Class of 2001 proudly joins Class Notes—it's about time! How cool is it that we're the first class of the new mil-

lennium?! From now on we are your gossip column and we get to talk about all of the exciting things in your life and your accomplishments. In this column we will introduce to you the Alumni Class Officers who will serve you for the next five years. That's a long time of hard work, so be nice to them. Although it's winter and long past the season, we wanted to introduce you to our own baseball team of star players, coached by our Big Red Bears, Liz Keenan and **Kimberly McKenzie '94** of Alumni Affairs and the Cornell Fund.

So let's look at the starting line-up of our team. Leading off are Co-Presidents **Jamie**

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Aycock and Joanne Schleifman. Together they will lead our class in activities and programs such as the Senior Class Campaign. Jamie is a government and economics major from sunny Fresno, CA. Joanne, from Selden, NY, is planning to pursue a job in foreign policy. She is the president of Cornell InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and the house manager at Wait Terrace Co-op. Next year, she will enhance her ILR education as she continues with law school. A Cornell Tradition Fellow, she is also a member of the Cornell Fund Student Steering Committee.

Third at bat is **Nathan Connell**, our vice president of Special Campaigns. He will be promoting events for the Senior Class Campaign such as the Greek Challenge, Door-to-Door solicitation, and the phonathons. This master of ceremonies is from Lake Wales, FL, and is a biological science major. A seasoned Class of 2001 leader, he serves on the Commencement Committee, the Campus Life Advisory Committee, and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Ambassadors.

Batting clean-up is **Larry Goldman**, our vice president of Publicity. He will be advertising all of our activities and accomplishments. Hailing from Larchmont, NY, he is a psychology major. This Ambassador for Arts and Science also works in the athletics department and hopes to find a job in sports marketing next year.

Larry will be promoting **Audra Lifson's** efforts as the vice president of Events. She will be organizing campaign events such as campaign kick-off (we hope you were all there), training kickoff, Trustee events, 1,000 donor celebration, regional events for Senior Week, and Reunion events, so keep your head up for these activities! A native of New City, NY, Audra is a human biology health and society major. A third generation Cornellian, she is active as the vice president of public relations for the Kappa Delta sorority and vice president of Programming for the Panhellenic Assn., of which she was formerly the Treasurer.

Next to bat are our Co-Vice Presidents of Constituent Relations, **Jennifer Brown** and **Seema Prasannakumar**. They will make sure that the Class of 2001 is actively involved and excited about our activities. Jennifer is another ILR representative from St. James, NY (yes, that's Long Island). She is involved with Hillel and employed with the Program on Employment and Disability for ILR, and spent last spring with the Cornell-in-Washington program. Seema, an economics and government major, is from Edison, NJ. She glows with a smile while giving campus tours. This sister in Chi Omega is also a Cornell Tradition Fellow.

Hailing from Grayslake, IL, is **Michael Hanson**, our secretary and treasurer. He will be helping to manage our class budget, so please give back to our class and be nice to him. This rabid member of the Lynah Faithful (Let's Go Red!) and busy engineering student is also involved with the Student Assembly, Big Red Marching Band, Engineering Peer Advisor, Senior Week Chair, SlopeFest Planning Committee, and Cornell Fund Steering Committee. How does he do it all?!

And waiting in the dug-out are your faithful Class Correspondents, **Itai Dinour** and **Lauren Wallach**, who will keep you enlightened, informed, and singing the "Alma Mater" throughout the night, far above Cayuga's waters. We'll spare you our singing, because it's not great, but let you know that we're here to serve you by tracking our classmates and working on publicity campaigns.

Originally representing Mexico City and Tel Aviv, Israel, but now from Merrick, NY (there aren't too many Long Islanders at Cornell, are there?!), is Itai. He spends little time in ILR and more time as the executive director of On-Site Volunteer Services and Cornell Tradition Student Advisory Council.

The final batter—last, but not least—is Lauren, from Livingston, NJ. This Hotelie (insert your own joke here) is unlike her counterpart and always at the Hotel school. Despite a zillion group projects, she is still actively involved in the Hotel School Ambassadors, telemarkets for the Hotel school, and spent last spring having an incredible semester abroad in Florence, Italy (Ithaca's cold weather was not missed).

But seriously, enough about us, let's hear about you! Fill us in on your plans, hopes, dreams, and whatever else you feel like telling the Class of 2001! Just remember, it must be PG-13. E-mail us anytime. Cheers to a good year! ♦ **Lauren Wallach**; e-mail, lew15@cornell.edu; **Itai Dinour**; e-mail, id22@cornell.edu.



Greetings from your alma mater! Next time you're at the College, take a moment to introduce yourself to our newest Student Ambassadors from the Class of 2004—Melissa Babbie, Jusmeen Dhanjal, Katherine Goldberg, Dana Hatfield, Israel Isenberg, Stephanie Janeczko, Mike Kiselow, Erin Klene, Tricia MacKey, and Heather J. Scheuerman!

The following alumni joined hosts **Dick Grambow**, DVM '57, **Barbara Allen Grambow** '56, and **Tracey Brant** '84 during the CVM alumni reception held at the TUFTS Animal Expo in Boston on October 11: **Patricia A. Daly** '85, DVM '89, **Laura Cook** '78, DVM '89, **Tony Schwartz**, DVM '63, **Michele Tulis**, DVM '82, **Claire Lindo**, DVM '98, **Lillian Good** '95, DVM '99, **Carol Popolow** Abraham, DVM '89, **Karen Anderson**, DVM '82, **Mike McTigue**, DVM '84, **Craig Williams**, DVM '77, **Ada Guzman** '95, DVM '00, **Allen Schoen**, DVM '78, **John M. MacGregor**, DVM '98, **John Foy**, DVM '98, **Janet Durso** '83, DVM '89, **Susan Weinstein** '70, DVM '74, **Kelly Cooper**, DVM '97, and **Karen Love**, DVM '96, her husband John Romig, and their baby Nathan.

John L. "Jack" Mara, DVM '51, is retiring from Hill's, where he had become the leading voice in communicating the importance of clinical nutrition to the veterinary academic community and practitioner colleagues. In recognition of Dr. Mara's lifelong commitment to the advancement of companion ani-

mal health, The John L. Mara Endowment for Comparative Oncology has been established at the College. Proceeds from the endowment will support programs designed to enhance the management of cancer in companion animals, with special emphasis on prevention, medical and nutritional management of the cancer patient, and education for animal owners and veterinarians.

Watch for the new book *Kindred Spirits—How the remarkable bond between humans and animals can change the way we live* by Allen Schoen. Allen also co-edited *Veterinary Acupuncture: Ancient Art to Modern Medicine*, and wrote *Love, Miracles, and Animal Healing: A Heartwarming Look at the Spiritual Bond Between Animals and Humans*. **Jim Peddie**, DVM '65, is currently teaching in the exotic animal training and management program at Moorpark College. Jim and **Linda (Reeve)**, DVM '65, live in Thousand Oaks, CA. Congratulations to **Michelle Argersinger**, DVM '96, and husband Gregory Guilmette on the purchase of their first house in Durham, NC! **Joanne Carter**, DVM '87, and husband Geoffrey Barron live in Washington, DC, where Joanne works as Legislative Director for RESULTS, a grassroots anti-hunger lobby. **Russel Greer**, DVM '45, sold his small animal hospital in November 1998. He is now doing relief work and consulting for the Petco Corporation.

On Saturday, November 4, the second annual Career Connections Forum 2000 was held at the College. **Corine Farewell** '83, DVM '89, Director of Veterinary Career Services, welcomed two highly reputable speakers, **Kenneth Rotondo**, DVM '75, from Animal Health Center, and Charlotte Lacroix from Priority Veterinary Legal Consultants. Their presentations provided a wealth of valuable information, as did the panel discussion of recent veterinary graduates **Suzan Boyadjian**, DVM '99, **Allen Fournier**, DVM '00, **Rebecca Saria**, DVM '00, and Ada Guzman. The event was made possible through sponsorship from Cornell Entrepreneurship & Personal Enterprise Program, Ralston Purina, Banfield, The Pet Hospital, and the IAMS Company.

Some exciting news from the College: Michael Wildenstein, resident farrier at the Cornell University Hospital for Animals, was honored recently with a diploma from the Worshipful Company of Farriers in London, England. The award is a professional honor; the Company, established in 1356 and incorporated by charter of King Charles II in 1674, is renowned for its high standards for the award, which is based on years of professional farriery experience and a rigorous qualifying examination. Wildenstein, co-author of a recently published text, *Draft Horses: An Owner's Manual*, hosted the 17th Farriers Conference at Cornell, November 11-12. The conference brings farriers and veterinarians from around the world to Cornell each year for a program of the newest technologies in equine hoof health. ♦ **Tracey L. Brant** '84, College of Veterinary Medicine, Office of Public Affairs, Box 39, Ithaca, NY 14853-6401; e-mail, tlb10@cornell.edu; tel., (607) 253-4230.

'20 ME—**Maurice F. Smith** of Naples, FL, October 11, 1999; active in alumni affairs.

'25-26—**Mary Downie** Sovocool (Mrs. Lewis L. '25) of Leroy, NY, January 8, 2000; retired dairy farmer.

'25 ME—**Paul H. Travis** of Norman, OK, June 24, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Chi Rho.

'25 BA—**Virginia Van Vranken** Wooley (Mrs. Roger M.) of Claverack, NY, exact date unknown; retired interior designer; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'26 BA—**Carl W. Pellman** of Albany, NY, November 2, 1997.

'26—**Madelyn Shapiro** Phillips (Mrs. Seymour) of New York City, March 3, 2000.

'26—**Lillian Midgley** Smith (Mrs. Russell W.) of Milanville, PA, exact date unknown.

'26 EE—**Reginald H. Stratton** of Utica, NY, February 9, 1999. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'26 BA, PhD '30—**Dorothy Burnett** Townsend (Mrs. Francis J. '27) of Jacksonville, FL, formerly of Cazenovia, NY, May 5, 2000; co-operator, Townsend's Leghorns farm; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Delta Gamma.

'27 BA—**Herbert J. Runsdorf** of Woodmere, NY, May 19, 2000.

'28 BA—**Israel Gerberg** of Tucson, AZ, February 20, 2000; retired ophthalmologist. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'28 BA—**Harriet Lange** Rheingold of Chapel Hill, NC, April 29, 2000; professor emerita, University of North Carolina; former child psychologist; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'29 BA—**Maurice E. Lipman** of Delray Beach, FL, formerly of New Britain, CT, May 27, 2000; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'30 PhD—**Guy F. MacLeod** of Oakland, CA, exact date unknown. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'30 BA, LLB '36—**Leonard A. Marcussen** of Glencoe, CA, March 1999; retired lawyer.

'30—**Stuart B. Nicholson** of Glenview, IL, July 14, 1997.

'30 BA—**Seymour Pike** of New York City, May 4, 2000; certified public accountant.

'30 JD—**George R. Tiernan** of New Haven, CT, May 1999; attorney.

'31 BS Ag—**Harold L. Sawyer** of Venice Center, NY, April 17, 2000; retired operator, Genoa Insurance Agency; former dairy farmer; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'32 B Chem, M Chem '33—**Thomas C. Manley** of Allentown, PA, April 9, 2000.

'32 BA—**Stanley J. Mayer** of Ewing, NJ, January 3, 2000; retired lawyer. Zeta Beta Tau.

'32 ME—**Stanley E. Oren** of Leonia, NJ, May 3, 2000.

'33 BA—**Jane Gibbs** McAteer of Columbus, NC, February 1, 2000; retired assistant professor, Union College. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'33 BS HE—**Minnie G. Solomon** of Santa Fe, NM, January 15, 2000. Sigma Delta Tau.

'34 BS Ag—**T. Lester Rawlins** of Canton, NY, and Orange City, FL, May 1, 2000; retired assistant professor, Canton ATI, former assistant county agent, Cornell Cooperative Extension of St. Lawrence County; active in community and professional affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'34 BA—**Joseph F. Rudmin** of Rumney, NH, formerly of Port Leyden, NY, May 26, 2000; retired health commissioner, Clinton County and Cortland County; former physician; active in community affairs.

'34 ME—**Robert R. Runtaugh** of Lewistown, PA, February 8, 2000; mechanical engineer, Standard Steel Co.

'34, BA '35, PhD '42—**Joel Trapido** of Scottsdale, AZ, formerly of Honolulu, HI, April 6, 2000; co-founder, Drama & Theater Dept., University of Hawaii; retired professor; active in community and religious affairs.

'34 BA, MD '38—**Herbert John Wright Jr.** of New Port Richey, FL, May 10, 2000; retired dentist; active in alumni affairs.

'35 BS Ag—**George Demuth** of Naples, FL, exact date unknown.

'35 BS Ag, PhD '46—**William C. Haynes** of East Peoria, IL, June 27, 2000; retired curator, bacterial culture collection, Northern Regional Research Laboratory, Peoria, IL; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs.

'35 BA—**Jane Rhea** Scheman of Greensburg, PA, May 9, 2000. Alpha Phi.

'36 BA, MD '39—**John H. Mayer Jr.** of Kansas City, MO, April 7, 1999; retired physician. Sigma Nu.

'36 MD—**Martin H. Stein** of New York City, April 19, 2000; retired psychoanalyst; former faculty chairman, New York Psychoanalytic Institute; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'37 ME—**Robert G. Luburg** of Essex, CT, May 12, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'37-39—**Lloyd R. Stillwell** of Gainesville, FL, and Ithaca, NY, May 14, 2000; retired shop foreman, NCR; active in community affairs.

'37 BA—**Evelyn Carter** Whiting of Ithaca, NY, May 2000; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi. Husband, Edgar A. Whiting '29.

'37 BS HE, MS Ed '42—**Mary B. Wood** of Ithaca, NY, May 2000; active in alumni affairs. Chi Omega.

'37 BS AE M—**Robert H. Wright** of Columbus, NC, May 24, 2000. Theta Chi.

'38 MS Eng—**William D. Milne** of Elizabethtown, KY, November 22, 1997.

'38 BS HE—**Hazel Pearce** Palmer of Williamsport, PA, May 18, 2000. Husband, Ramon H. Palmer '38.

'38 BA—**Louise McDermott** Pfann (Mrs. George R. '24) of Ithaca, NY, June 13, 2000. Alpha Phi.

'39, BS HE '40—**Kathryn Austin** McDonald (Mrs. Robert J. '38) of New York City, May 16, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Delta Gamma.

'39 MS HE—**Martha Roberts** Rankin of Claremont, CA, April 30, 1999.

'39 BS Ag—**Hubert L. Rhodes** of Beaver Dams, NY, January 20, 2000; retired owner, Rhodes Farms.

'39 BA—**Carol Tedesche** Simon of Evanston, IL, March 21, 2000; retired physician. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'40 BA—**Kent Maynard** of Northbrook, IL, May 29, 2000; retired lieutenant colonel, US Air Force; veteran. Sigma Phi.

'40 BS HE—**Elizabeth Lewis** Mitchell of Union Springs, NY, April 22, 2000; retired nutritionist. Husband, Wilson S. Mitchell '40.

'40 BA—**John L. Munschauer** of Ithaca, NY, May 28, 2000; retired director, Cornell Career Center; veteran; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Delta Phi.

'40—**Wilson H. Pratt** of Machias, NY, Feb-

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bruary 24, 2000; president/CEO, R.S. McManus Steel Construction Co., Inc. Delta Tau Delta.

'40 BA—**Frances Schehr** Rubinstein (Mrs. David) of Longboat Key, FL, May 7, 2000; bookkeeper, Bayshore Uniform Rental, Inc.

'40 BS Ag—**Carleton B. Simon** of East Syracuse, NY, April 26, 2000.

'40—**William J. Tiffany Jr.** of McLean, VA, November 8, 1998. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'41 BA, LLB '48—**C. Craig Kimball** of Santa Fe, NM, exact date unknown; retired lawyer. Kappa Alpha. Wife, Grace (O'Dare) '41.

'41—**Selden A. Knudson** of Rochester, NY, October 30, 1999.

'41 BME—**Norwood S. Trout** of Charlottesville, VA, August 30, 1999.

'41 MA—**Viola Kuhne** Yutzler of Bay Shore, NY, April 12, 2000.

'41, BA '42—**Walter W. Zobel** of Lima, PA; March 23, 1998. Alpha Chi Rho. Wife, Catalina (Ujvary) '43.

'42 BA—**David Mendelsohn Jr.** of Naples, FL, June 3, 2000; retired chief of anesthesiology, St. Vincent Charity Hospital, Cleveland, OH; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'42 BME—**Lloyd J. Moulton** of Marblehead, MA, May 26, 2000; engineer, General Electric; former instructor, Cornell University; active in community and professional affairs.

'42, BS Ag '43—**Charles D. Passmore** of Newark, DE, February 10, 2000.

'42 BS Ag—**Abraham H. Sbar** of Berkeley, NJ, May 2000; retired supervisor, Lapin Manufacturing Products, Wanamassa; veteran.

'42 BA—**Frances Tuttle** Wilkinson (Mrs. Fred C. '38) of Wayne, NJ, December 28, 1999.

'43 BS AE M—**Roy V. Johnson** of Butler, PA, April 7, 2000. Phi Kappa Psi.

'43 MD—**Richard E. Kobilak** of Pittsford, NY, exact date unknown; retired urologist; former assistant professor, Strong Memorial Hospital; former chief of urology, Highland and Genesec hospitals, Rochester.

'43 MA—**Ruth D. Turner** of Cambridge, MA, April 30, 2000; professor, Harvard University; author; mollusk curator, Harvard Museum of Comparative Zoology; deep sea diver.

'43 BA—**Richard K. Wallach** of White Plains, NY, April 14, 2000. Tau Delta Phi.

'44, BCE '47—**George C. Grubb Jr.** of Olympia, WA, exact date unknown. Sigma Pi. Wife, Silvia (Work) '44.

'44 BME—**Louis C. Kraus** of Asheville, NC, June 3, 2000; retired director of engineering, Western Electric Co.; active in alumni affairs. Seal and Serpent. Wife, Shirley (Husson) '46.

'44—**Daniel Schultheis Jr.** of Manhasset, NY, May 16, 2000; dermatologist; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Phi Delta Theta.

'44—**Rodney S. Wilbur**, December 30, 1995. Zeta Psi.

'45 BCE—**Sherwin D. Lester** of Fort Lee, NJ, April 8, 2000; retired judge, State of New Jersey Superior Court. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'45 BS ME—**Robert G. Patton** of Spring House, PA, exact date unknown.

'46, BS Ag '49—**Jay E. Kilpatrick** of St. Joseph, MI, July 28, 2000; veteran. Phi Kappa Psi.

'46, BME '49—**James L. Strong Jr.** of Akron, OH, April 10, 2000; retired design/application expert, B. F. Goodrich Co.; veteran. Alpha Chi Rho.

'47 BS Ag—**David E. Brundage Jr.** of Mainesburg, PA, exact date unknown.

'47 BA—**Jeanne Brehm** Stradtman of Atlanta, GA, exact date unknown.

'47 BS HE—**Adelaide Hustad** Taylor of San Carlos, CA, exact date unknown. Delta Gamma. Husband, Philip A. Taylor '48.

'48 BA—**William S. Mougey** of Savannah, GA, May 2000. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'48 BS ILR—**Joseph P. Normile** of Rockville, MD, April 28, 2000; retired CPA, House subcommittee on surveys and investigations; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'48 MS Ed—**John H. Powell** of Greensboro, NC, exact date unknown.

'48 BA—**Ann H. L. Westbrook** of New York City, December 11, 1999. Delta Delta Delta.

'49 BA—**Albert G. Morra** of Glen Cove, NY, August 31, 1999.

'49 DVM, PhD '50—**Karl R. Reinhard** of Tucson, AZ, January 2, 2000.

'49 BA—**Earl J. Scherago** of Livingston, NJ, May 8, 2000; president, Scherago Associates; active in community and professional affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'49 BS Ag—**William C. Wilson** of Naples,

FL, March 28, 2000; retired research specialist, Florida Dept. of Citrus. Theta Chi.

'50 MS—**Donald T. Laird** of Fort Myers, FL, April 15, 2000.

'50 BS Ag, MS '53, PhD '55—**Roger A. Morse** of Ithaca, NY, and Lake Placid, FL, May 12, 2000; professor, Cornell University.

'50 BCE—**Robert G. Myers** of Doylestown, PA, January 12, 2000; retired partner, MBM-Planners & Developers, Lambertville, NJ. Delta Tau Delta.

'50 BA—**Susanah Bailie** Trautman (Mrs. Donald T.) of Cambridge, MA, May 19, 2000; landscape architect; active in alumni affairs.

'50 BS Ag—**Philip V. Whiting** of Omaha, NE, and Greenbrae, CA, March 3, 2000; owner, Whiting Farm Equipment Sales. Delta Upsilon.

'51 MD—**Elisabeth Decker** Kimball of Lovettsville, VA, March 1996.

'51 PhD—**Philip Taietz** of Sarasota, FL, and Ithaca, NY, April 23, 2000; professor, Cornell University; active in professional affairs.

'53, BS Ag '54—**Elmer King** of Morristown, NJ, December 20, 1999; former president/CEO, Elmko Sales Inc. Pi Kappa Alpha. Wife, Barbara (Ream) '53.

'53—**Thomas O. McGuiggan** of Fairport, NY, exact date unknown. Zeta Psi.

'53 BS HE—**Mary Jean Bartlett** Phillips of Ridgewood, NJ, May 23, 2000; retired nutrition scientist; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'54 BA—**Henry L. Werner** of Greenwich, CT, December 5, 1999; retired financial editor/publisher, Moody's Financial Services.

'55 MS—**Willis T. A. Neilson** of Kentville, Nova Scotia, Canada. November 10, 1998.

'55 BFA—**Rita Smilowitz** Simon, exact date unknown.

'55 B Chem E—**Kendrick E. Zimm** of Piedmont, CA, March 10, 2000; office manager, Chevron Research Co., Richmond, CA. Alpha Delta Phi.

'57 BA—**Robert F. Riley** of Vestal, NY, March 4, 2000; professor, Binghamton University; pioneering mathematical theorist. Watermargin.

'58, BS Ag '59—**Joel E. Ueber** of Daytona Beach, FL, exact date unknown; retired chief operator, Ralph Brennan Water Plant; active in alumni affairs.

'59, BME '62—**Robert F. Taylor** of Rock-

ford, IL, exact date unknown. Phi Delta Theta.

'59 MD—**Alden E. Whitney** of Danbury, CT, formerly of Worcester, MA, May 20, 2000; founder/director, Norwalk Hospital Addiction Recovery Program; assisting priest, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Norwalk, CT; active in professional affairs.

'60 BA—**Rodney J. Pierce** of Homosassa Springs, FL, March 19, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

'60—**William D. Solomon** of Clifton, VA, May 31, 1999. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'61 BS Ag—**Josephine A. Ognibene** of Tucson, AZ, March 17, 2000; retired writer.

'61, BFA '67—**Helen Burling** Ottaway (Mrs. Malcolm K.) of Chimacum, WA, May 14, 2000; artist; active in community and professional affairs.

'61, BA '63—**Robert S. Waters** of Clearwater, FL, May 30, 2000; artist/photographer; active in religious affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'62 PhD—**Marian Stever** McNulty of Little Rock, AR, March 24, 2000; retired vice-dean, Business Administration Dept., University of Arkansas; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'62 BS HE—**Eleanor M. Zadik** of Williston Park, NY, July 18, 1999.

'63, BS Ag '64—**Theodore Kogan** of Coram, NY, November 11, 1999; president, RTB Financial Services Co., Plainview.

'64 MRP—**Phillip D. Peters** of Evanston, IL, April 18, 2000; retired executive director, NE Illinois Planning Commission.

'65 BA—**Joseph A. Bondi** of Hamden, CT, was mistakenly listed as deceased in the November/December 2000 *Cornell Magazine*.

'66, BA '70—**George M. Kingsley** of Ellicott City, MD, June 12, 2000.

'66 MS, PhD '68—**Ronald N. Michaud** of Castleton-on-Hudson, NY, June 14, 1996.

'66 LLB—**Richard A. Rohner** of Libertyville, IL, May 9, 2000; senior counsel, Illinois Department of Revenue, Chicago; retired commander, JAG Corps, U.S. Navy; former commanding officer, Naval Legal Service Office, Great Lakes Naval Base; active in professional and religious affairs.

'66 BA—**Deborah Halpern** Silverman of Great Neck, NY, June 15, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Delta Tau.

'67 MS—**George C. Trattel** of Ithaca, NY, June 15, 2000; farm laborer, Mill Creek Farm.

'68 MD—**George M. Uhran** of Mor-

ristown, NJ, March 30, 1999; physician.

'69 MS Ag—**Jessie B. Kitching** of Irvington, VA, exact date unknown.

'69 PhD—**Ann MacNab** Pendergrass of Los Alamos, NM, formerly of Ithaca, NY, April 25, 2000. Husband, John H. Pendergrass, '63-68.

'69-70 GR—**Harrison H. Richardson** of Claiborne, MD, exact date unknown.

'69 BS Ag—**Eric T. Shafnisky** of Whitehall, PA, May 13, 2000; retired teacher and coach, Northampton High School; active in community and religious affairs. Zeta Psi.

'70 PhD—**Robert H. Maxwell** of Morgantown, WV, October 1999; active in alumni affairs.

'70 MA, PhD '74—**Allan R. Meyers** of Brookline, MA, May 27, 2000; professor, Boston University; research director, New England Regional Spinal Cord Injury Center.

'70 DVM—**Steven A. Tischler** of Moraga, CA, exact date unknown; veterinarian, Alamo Animal Hospital; active in alumni affairs.

'70 BA—**Anndrea Tobin** of Ithaca, NY, formerly of Canandaigua, May 14, 2000.

'71 BA—**Gail Hassan** Jacoby of Bethesda, MD, November 26, 1999.

'71—**Joseph Steinberg** of Sherburne, NY, March 1999.

'71 BS ILR—**Carl S. Yaller** of Media, PA, March 14, 2000; labor attorney.

'73 JD—**H. Joseph McGuire** of Altamonte Springs, FL, May 20, 2000; attorney, Parker Johnson Owen & McGuire, Orlando.

'74 BS Hotel—**David M. Salai** of Chester, VA, May 11, 2000; financial analyst, Utility Rebate Group, Inc., Midlothian; former president, Gourmet Enterprises, Richmond.

'80 BS AEP—**Ralph G. Hay** of Alexandria, VA, exact date unknown; US Army major. Acacia.

'80, BArch '81—**Jacqueline Lewis** Landau of Los Angeles, CA, March 11, 2000; architect, Warner Brothers; former assistant vice president, Shearson Lehman Brothers.

'80 PhD—**Kent M. Smith** of Edina, MN, April 20, 2000; music director, Edina Morningside Church; regional vice president, Primerica Financial Services.

'82 BS ILR—**David A. Noziglia** of Phoenix, AZ, May 8, 2000; attorney.

'84 PhD—**Anita B. Ogden** of Painted Post, NY, May 5, 2000; professor, Elmira College nursing program.



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TIME CAPSULES

History tends to be told through the stories of a few larger-than-life figures, and a university is no different. We all know about Ezra Cornell and A. D. White and Martha Van Rensselaer. But what was it like to be an ordinary student a hundred years ago? What events were important? How did life on the Hill then compare to the way it is now?

For those with a scholarly interest, or just strong curiosity, the student scrapbooks in Kroch Library's Rare and Manuscript Collections offer a window to the past. The collection has more than 200 volumes dating back to the 1870s; each is a glimpse into the life of an undergraduate and the social fabric of his or her era. Books assembled during one time period often have similar items, but no two are alike in organization or emphasis. Some hold just clippings and notices, pasted in without comment; others, including the scrapbook of artist Willard Straight 1901, are lavishly illustrated personal histories.

"What they really tell you is that students had more fun in the past," says University Archivist Elaine Deutsch Engst, MA '72. "Some have information about academic life, but that's unusual. Most of it is social: programs, invitations, dance cards—everybody had dance cards. Some have corsages in them; some have food or cigarettes."

Although the old scrapbooks are fragile, students are encouraged to handle them—carefully. "They use them for classes," says Engst, "or just to learn more about student life." The books are also an important resource for women's studies; the oldest scrapbook in the archive compiled by a coed belonged to Bessie B. DeWitt Beahan 1878. A native of Owego, New York, DeWitt studied the classics and met her husband on the Hill. She became a teacher and was active in alumni affairs throughout her life.

The practice of creating personal scrapbooks faded out during the twentieth century, but was recently revived by lecturer Carol Kammen. She asks her History 126 students to examine the old scrapbooks and then create their own, some of which have been added to the collection. Other contemporary students document their lives with personal web pages, but Engst says the archivists have not yet devised a way to preserve those for future generations.

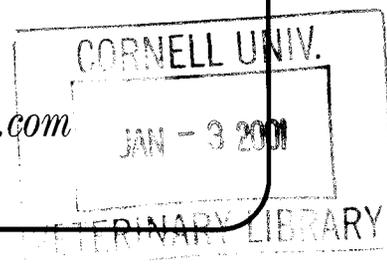


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