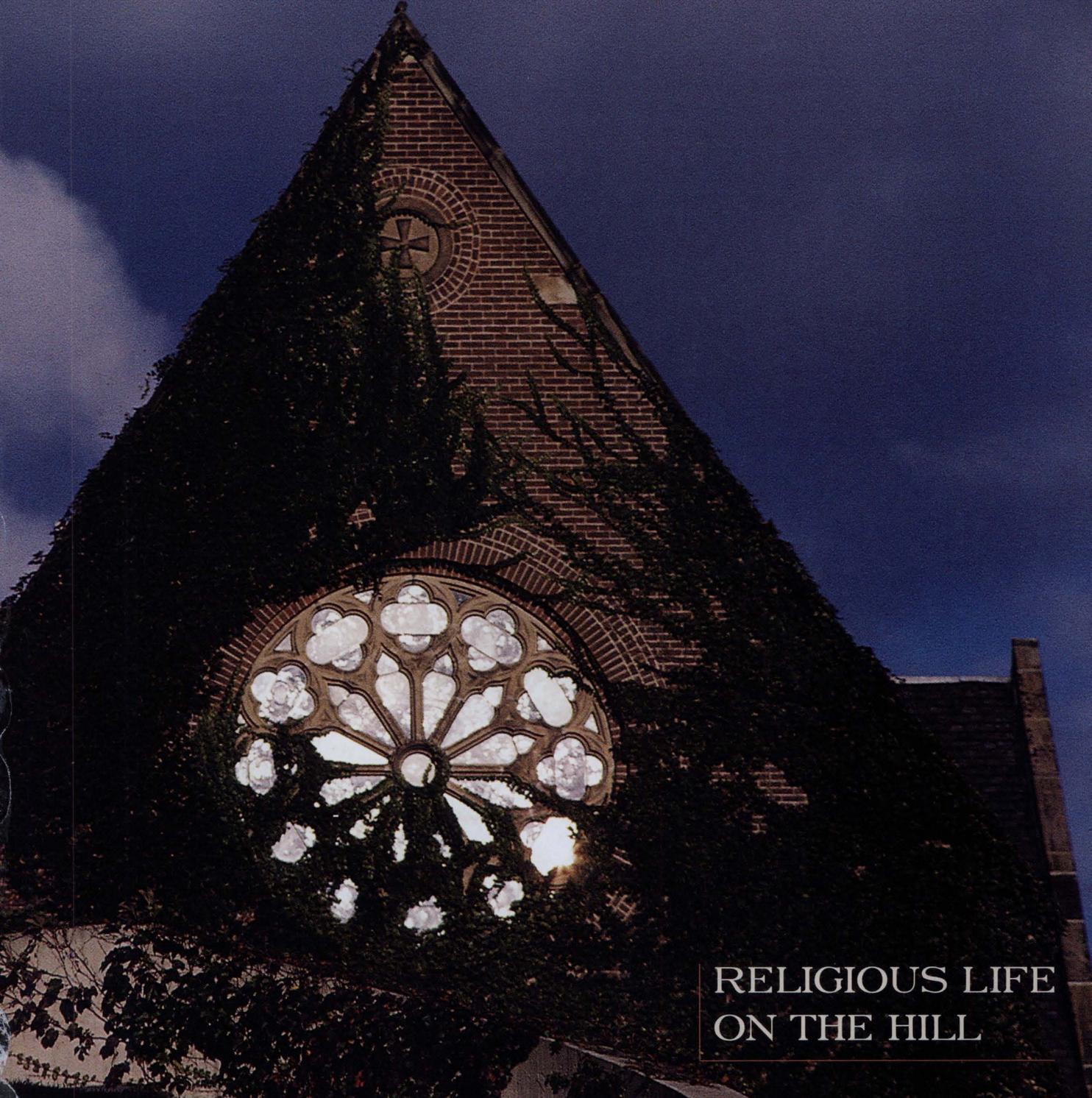


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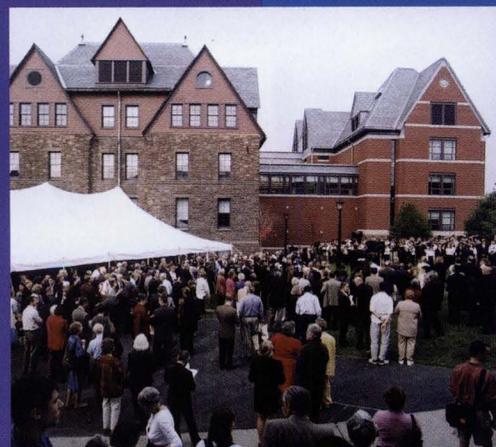
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Chekitan Dev knows travel. The Hotel school marketing professor has logged more than a million miles in his quest to study the lodging and airline industries; his observations have appeared in such publications as the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, *Time*, and *Newsweek*. Here, Dev offers the inside track on issues from volatile airline pricing to trendy boutique hotels.



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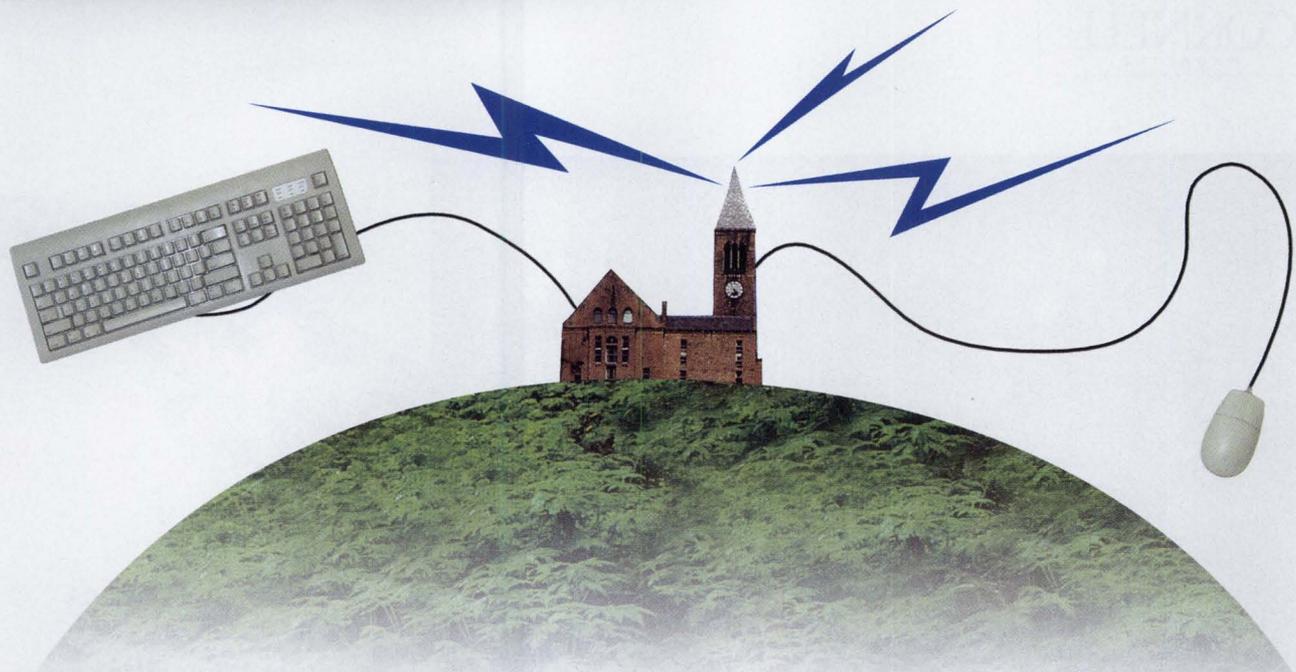
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## BEYOND eCORNELL

### DISTRIBUTED LEARNING POSSIBILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

**L**ast October, following a sometimes contentious debate, Cornell staked its first institutional claim in the world of Internet-based education by founding eCornell as an independent, for-profit corporation ([www.eCornell.com](http://www.eCornell.com)). With offices in Ithaca and New York City, that venture is developing non-degree, non-

credit-bearing educational programs. Nevertheless, many other even more important uses of this technology would enhance Cornell's mission in its significantly more important (and not-for-profit) roles—and these deserve serious exploration, too.

We are New York's land grant university, so we have obligations to serve society beyond the boundaries of campus. Because this emerging technology will enable us to enhance our traditional roles, I've endorsed Educause President Brian Hawkins's suggestion that "distributed" rather than "distance" learning more appropriately describes Internet-based education. In stark contrast with eCornell, our primary distributed-learning audience should be our residential students. In addition, we should serve the educational needs of our faculty and staff more effectively. We can and should expand the lifelong learning opportunities for our gradu-

ates. And we have a marvelous opportunity to revitalize our direct outreach to society through this technology. Consider the following:

**Residential students.** We could enhance their educational experience by developing media-rich, interactive course components to relax our heavy dependency upon lectures. We need not impose a lock-step pace for all students. One friend of the university suggested we consider making it possible for undergraduates to cope with rising costs by allowing them to reduce their semesters in residence. Effectively, we'd be creating our own version of advanced placement credit while still preserving access to Cornell-quality courses.

**Faculty and staff.** We should consider using Internet technology to expand their educational options. Both groups have a need for self-renewal but limited flexibility for scheduling

courses during regular hours.

**Alumni.** We might serve our former students more effectively by substantially expanding lifelong learning opportunities to support their career changes or new intellectual interests. The School of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions already offers some options (<http://cybertower.cornell.edu/demo/>). I urge that we consider making a Cornell degree more attractive, as suggested by former Vice Provost Kenneth King, by providing a lifetime warranty on a Cornell education. We should offer alumni a large selection of non-credit, refresher, and exploratory courses on a not-for-profit basis. Perhaps we could offer one free course every five years, making a Cornell degree even more distinctive and sustaining.

**Other.** Our traditional outreach programs, such as Cornell Cooperative Extension and ILR Extension, could be made more widely accessible. We might consider creating enhanced linkages with rural high schools or the SUNY community colleges. Former Vice President for Research Norman Scott argues that technology-mediated learning holds great promise for international education. Entrepreneurship professor David BenDaniel advocates

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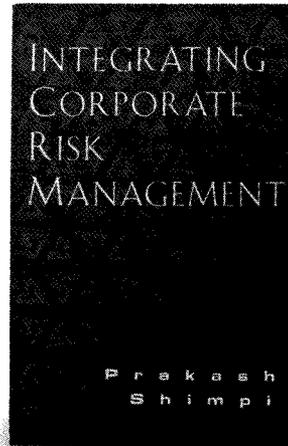
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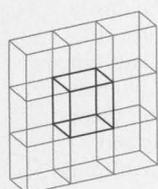
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### STICKLEY HISTORIANS SEEK 1911 CORNELL BANNER FOR ROOM RESTORATION

**T**he Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms in New Jersey is the former home of designer, furniture maker, and publisher Gustav Stickley. In 1911, the walls of Stickley's daughters' bedroom (shown above) were decorated with prints, photographs of friends and family, and a Cornell pennant from a beau. For a restoration of the room, which includes objects representative

of these young "modern women" that add life and personality to the space, we are looking for a 1911 Cornell pennant. If you have any information, please contact me.

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### KILLED IN ACTION

I READ WITH SAD NOSTALGIA OF THE death of Mike Deuel in Laos in 1965 ("The Two Mikes," November/December 2000). Mike was a friend. We played football and lacrosse together. Over the years, at various alumni gatherings, the word was that Mike was killed in Vietnam. I last saw Mike in the fall of 1959 at a lacrosse match against the Quantico Marines. I can't remember who won, but it was a long game. Mike had just graduated from

the Basic School, and after the game he invited a few of us to join him at the brand new Bachelor Officers' Quarters. Six of us had a long, beery reunion and Mike insisted on picking up the check. He was a newly minted second lieutenant, looked like a million dollars in his uniform, and was proud as hell to be a marine. He was looking forward to getting his first rifle platoon. We said our goodbyes and Mike told us he would try to get to Ithaca in the spring. I never saw him again.

Over the years I tried to find Mike. While deployed, I always asked embarked marine officers if they knew him. It was a much smaller community in those pre-Vietnam days and most officers knew each other. But no one knew Mike; he had simply vanished. I couldn't understand it. Now I know.

Giles Brown '60  
Mahwah, New Jersey

(Letter from Ithaca, cont'd from page 2)

using this technology for virtual campus visits by experts from outside academia who might not have the time to travel to Ithaca.

**Content, Content, Content.** As architecture professor Donald Greenberg suggests, the focus of the faculty should be upon developing content. We must also develop the pedagogy needed to improve learning in this environment. To do this, the faculty must have access to an appropriate infrastructure and support to develop and deliver the materials. Whenever feasible, we should contract with others to provide the rapidly changing technological infrastructure and personnel needed to deliver content to off-campus students. We should ask Cornell faculty members to concentrate on the creation of the content and its delivery to our residential students. We should consider taking a "wholesale" rather than "retail" approach—that is, we should seek to become a digital publisher of content rather than an online university having responsibility for interacting personally with the non-resident end-users.

Finally, a robust distributed-learning effort could provide enhanced employment in Ithaca, a step that could help us attract better faculty. Finding suitable, simultaneous employment for dual career families in Ithaca's job market is already limiting recruitment, and this challenge will surely increase. Similarly, we could also expand options for senior Cornell faculty who might otherwise choose to continue full-time employment. Such changes may have an even greater impact upon Cornell than distributed learning itself.

These views have been shaped by many conversations with my colleagues. The Faculty Senate's executive committee has endorsed them as the basis for stimulating a campus-wide dialogue via a University Faculty Forum this spring. On behalf of the Cornell faculty, I encourage the readers of *Cornell Magazine* to share their views and advice with us in our attempt to create a vision to inform the evolution of distributed learning at Cornell.

—J. Robert Cooke  
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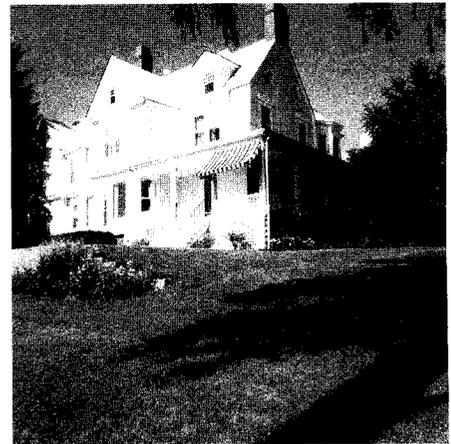
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## ENTRY POINT

### BUILDING A CAMPUS GATEWAY

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he effort to create a “gateway to campus” took two steps forward in January with the unveiling of preliminary plans for a new visitor center, as well as the announcement of the four finalists in the competition to design Milstein Hall.

Among the possible homes for the visitor center: the present location of Noyes Lodge at the edge of Beebe Lake, a site that project director John McKeown '73, MBA '74, says is “seriously being considered.” The new building, which McKeown says is hoped to be completed in the next five years, may

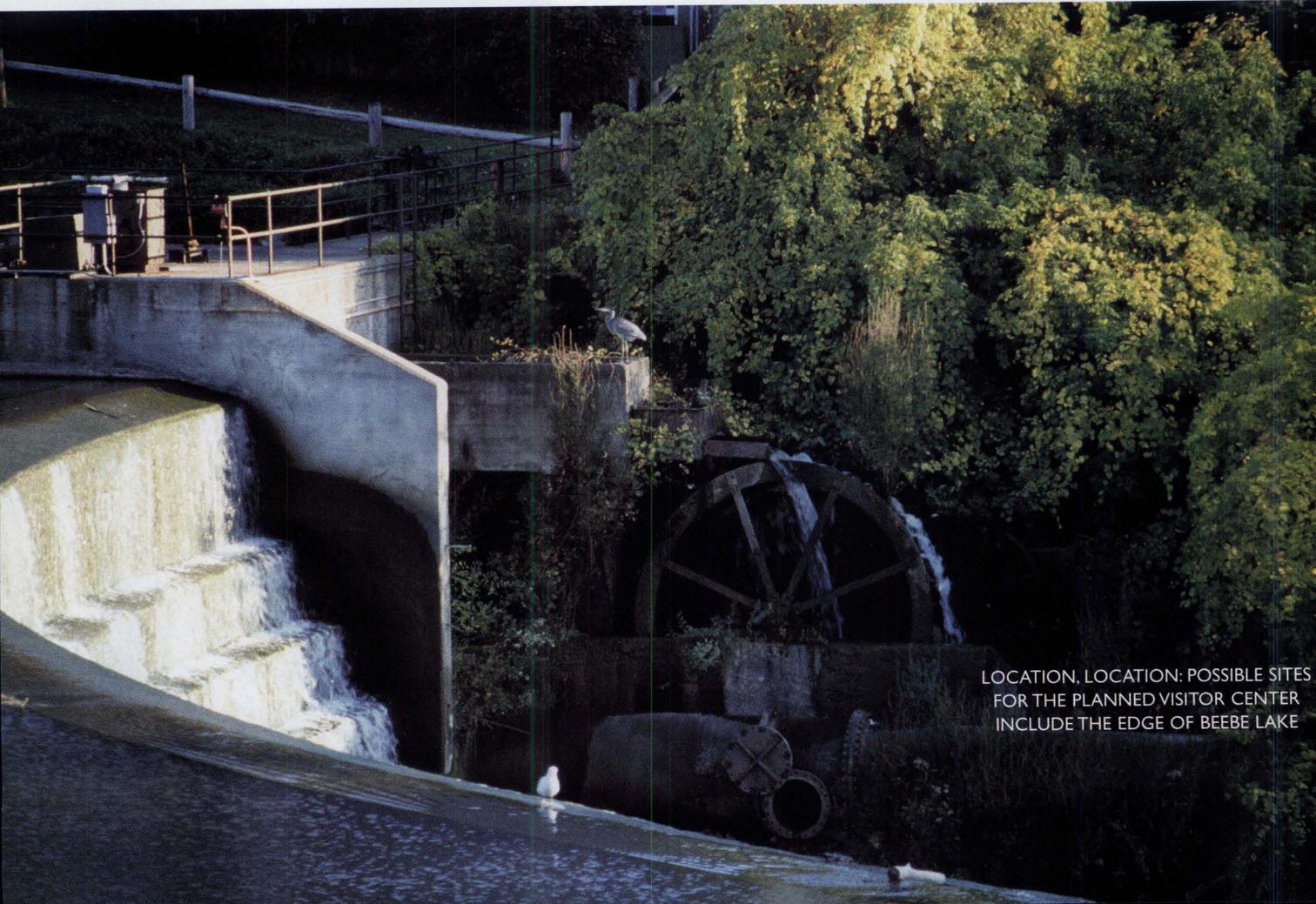
also house the undergraduate admissions office, now located at 410 Thurston Avenue. “We’re very early in the process,” he says.

Further along is the other effort McKeown is overseeing, the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning’s \$25 million Milstein Hall—to be located at a campus nexus, the

intersection of East, University, and Thurston avenues. The project is funded in part by a \$10 million gift by the family of New York City developer Paul Milstein, whose three children attended Cornell.

Construction of the building—a replacement for the dilapidated Rand Hall that will include studio space, offices, classrooms, and an auditorium—is expected to be completed by fall 2004. The finalists in the design competition are Steven Holl Architects (New York), Thom Mayne with Morphosis Architects (Santa Monica, California), Tod Williams Billie Tsien and Associates (New York), and Peter Zumthor, Architect (Switzerland). The competitors will present their designs to the selection jury in late April.

BRUCE WANG



LOCATION, LOCATION: POSSIBLE SITES FOR THE PLANNED VISITOR CENTER INCLUDE THE EDGE OF BEEBE LAKE

## TUITION RISES

### 4.9 PERCENT HIKE

Undergraduate tuition in the endowed colleges will rise 4.9 percent to \$25,970 under a 2001–02 budget university trustees approved in late January.

Undergrad housing rates went up 4 percent, to an average of \$5,176, and the full-plan dining contract rose 6 percent, to \$3,530. The budget also calls for tuition hikes at the Johnson school (6.9 percent, to \$29,500) and Law school (7 percent, to \$29,200). Tuition rates in the statutory colleges for the next academic year await state budget decisions in Albany.



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HOUSING COSTS ARE UP: BALCH HALL

## STATE AUTHOR

### VONNEGUT HONORED

The New York State Writers Institute has named Kurt Vonnegut '44 the new State Author. Vonnegut, whose novels include *Slaughterhouse Five* and *Breakfast of Champions*, was a *Daily Sun* columnist from 1941 to 1943.



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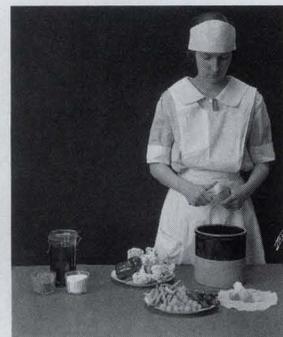
He never graduated from Cornell, dropping out to enlist as an army private in World War II—though he once noted that he “never got close to getting a degree, and would have quit or been thrown out, if it weren’t for the war.” The title of State Author is conferred every two years by the institute (based at the State University of New York, Albany) and includes a \$10,000 award. Previous recipients include Norman Mailer and E. L. Doctorow.

## HUM EC HISTORY

### ARCHIVAL EXHIBIT

This 1923 photo of a canning demonstration is among the items on display in Kroch Library in celebration of the hundredth anniversary of what’s now the College of Human Ecology.

The show is a collaboration between the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections and students in a human development course on archival research, who investigated the intellectual history of home economics, did research in the university archives, and provided the text. *From Domesticity to Modernity: What Was Home Economics?*, featuring such items as scrapbooks, yearbooks, and a pin for “potato patriotism,” runs from March 30 to August 17.



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## PAY DAY

### STAFF INCREASE

Compensation for university staff will rise under a five-year plan that starts with pay hikes at the lowest salary levels, President Rawlings announced in December.

The plan, unveiled during his annual address to employees, also calls for the establishment of a fund for workers facing emergencies and a scholarship program for those needing help with day-care costs. Additionally, a policy change will allow staff to donate sick or vacation days to ill colleagues. “We want to be a great employer,” Rawlings said, “not merely a good one.”

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### THESE CORNELLIANS IN THE NEWS

Father **Michael McFarland '69**, inaugurated president of the College of the Holy Cross in September.

**Karel Husa**, composer and music professor emeritus, honored in his native city of Prague in October with a three-day event that included performances of his works and an honorary doctorate from the Academy of Performing Arts.

**Joseph Nilsen '77**, an expert in x-ray lasers at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, named a Fellow of the American Physical Society.

MBA students **Greg Hubbell**, **Sean Neville**, and **Allan Aks**, winners of a \$10,000 prize for placing first in the Citigroup/Salomon Smith Barney E-Commerce Case Competition.

**Terrence McManus**, MS '74, named an Intel Fellow in recognition of his “outstanding technical contributions” to the company. McManus is director of environmental health and safety technologies at Intel’s Technology and Manufacturing Group.

**Michael Turmon**, PhD '95, winner of a Presidential Early Career Award from the U.S. government for his work in the Data Understanding Systems Group at NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Professors **George Malliaras** (materials science), **Stephen Eikenberry** (astronomy), and **Sarah Billington** (civil and environmental engineering), winners of NSF Early Career Awards. Malliaras will receive \$450,000, Eikenberry \$500,000, and Billington \$210,000.

## FANCY DRESS

### STUDENT DESIGNS

Students shopping for formalwear on the Ithaca Commons last winter found some dresses designed by their fellow Cornellians.

As part of a research course in textiles and apparel, three students—senior Lindsay Lyman-Clarke and juniors Lucy Dunne and Jamie Mihlrud—surveyed 139 Cornell women between the ages of eighteen and twenty-five on their evening gown preferences. The result: a line of five dresses, all with low backs, cowl necks, and thin straps, available in sizes from four to twenty and in such colors as red, black, copper, and silver. The designs are on sale at the downtown dress shop Gala on The Commons. “It’s a whole other world once you step outside the academics of design,” says Lyman-Clarke.

“We had to learn a different language to work with a real business. Instead of designing for art only, we had to keep in mind that these dresses needed to be produced and sold inexpensively, but had to be popular enough to be profitable.”

FASHION SENSE: A STUDY FOR ONE OF THE GOWNS



## COUNSEL MAN

### WILLIAM ROGERS, 87

William Rogers, JD '37, an attorney who served in the cabinets of two Republican presidents, died January 2 in Maryland. He was eighty-seven.

Senior partner in the world's largest law firm, Clifford Chance Rogers & Wells, Rogers began his legal career in 1938 as a New York City assistant district attorney. He went to Washington in 1947 as a Senate committee counsel and later became a close ally of Richard Nixon, advising him on what became the famed “Checkers” speech of the 1952 election.

Rogers served as attorney general under President Eisenhower and secretary of state under Nixon. Between those posts, he won two landmark First Amendment cases in the Supreme Court—one for the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., the other for the Associated Press. He was awarded the Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, in 1973; his last government service was in 1986, when President Reagan tapped him to chair the commission that investigated the *Challenger* disaster.

Rogers is survived by his wife, Adele Langston Rogers '33, JD '36; four children, including Dale Rogers Marshall '59, a university trustee emeritus, and Douglas Rogers '68; eleven grandchildren, including Clayton Marshall '92; and four great-grandchildren.



## BIG RED BOX

In January, the university unveiled its new logo (right), designed on campus following recommendations from Lippincott and Margulies.

The national firm of image consultants, hired on the advice of the Board of Trustees' Ad Hoc Committee on Marketing and Communications, also suggested that Cornell build a visitor center.

The goal of the designers, says vice president for university relations Henrik Dullea '61, was to create a logo “that would leave no doubt that a publication or screen of information came from Cornell.” The new logo goes into general use in May.



## MELLON GRANT

### FOR ‘INTELLECTUAL RENEWAL’

A \$1.4 million grant from the Mellon Foundation will fund postdoctoral fellowships, seminars, and other programs in the humanities over the next five years.

Goals for the award, announced in January, include creating a larger role

for ethnic American studies; focusing on ethics in the humanities; and advancing the emerging field of visual studies. “The Mellon postdocs,” says vice provost Walter Cohen, who co-wrote the grant proposal, “will be part of a larger strategy for the intellectual renewal in the humanities and interpretive social sciences.”

The Mellon initiatives will cross academic disciplines and concentrate

on three “areas of contention”: race and gender studies; the argument over what constitutes culture; and qualitative and interpretive approaches versus quantitative, computational study methods. “Our aim is not simply to encourage mutual tolerance,” Cohen says, “but to turn these differences of emphasis or outright disagreements into productive instigators of intellectual originality.”

# R&D

Monthly home visits by nurses reduce child abuse and neglect by up to 80 percent in families without domestic violence problems, reports human development professor John Eckenrode.

Cholera outbreaks may be linked to El Niño's cycles, says Cornell biomathematician Stephen Ellner, PhD '82, whose study considered such factors as cholera bacteria, sea temperatures, and numbers of zooplankton.

Materials science professor Chris Ober and grad student John Chen, MS '99, have created an environmentally friendly epoxy for computer chips that can be dissolved with heat and a solvent, facilitating recycling of components.

Employee trust, guest satisfaction, and overall profitability of hotels are boosted when managers keep their word and don't over-promise, causing employees to perceive them as having greater integrity, says hotel management professor Tony Simons.

Damage by the European corn borer, a major pest of sweet corn, can be cut in half with the one-time release of the tiny wasp *Trichogramma ostrinae* early in the growing season, finds entomology professor Michael Hoffmann.

America's disabled workers saw employment declines throughout the Nineties and have only maintained earnings levels through big increases in disability payments, says management professor Richard Burkhauser.

Female birds favor males who sing complex songs because it indicates they have more elaborate brain structures, indicating their offspring will be smarter, neurobiology professor Timothy DeVoogd has found.

Most people mistakenly think they're more moral than their neighbors, finds a study by psychologist David Dunning and grad student Nicholas Epley. They found the mistake lies in people overestimating themselves, not underestimating others.

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## PASSING THE PIGSKIN

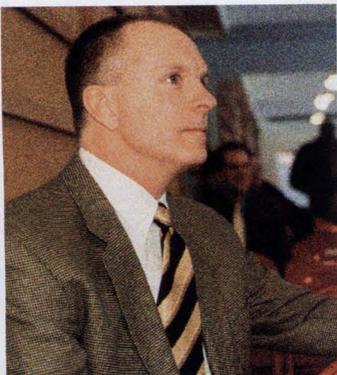
MANGURIAN DEPARTS, PENDERGAST ARRIVES

**A**fter leading the Big Red to within one game of an Ivy League title, head football coach Pete Mangurian announced that he was returning to the National Football League. Mangurian is leaving Cornell to rejoin the Atlanta

Falcons as offensive line coach under head coach Dan Reeves. Mangurian had served as an assistant to Reeves with the Denver Broncos, New York Giants, and Falcons before coming to Cornell in 1997. The Big Red posted a 16-14 record in Mangurian's three seasons at the helm, going 5-5 last season with a 5-2 Ivy League

showing, which earned the team a second-place finish. Cornell's Ancient Eight record of 10-4 over the past two seasons is the best in the conference.

Less than two weeks after Mangurian stepped down, Tim Pendergast was named the new head coach of the Big Red. Pendergast, a graduate of the State University of New York, Cortland, had previously served as an assistant football coach at Cornell from 1981 to 1988. He has also held coaching positions at Ithaca College, Northwestern, Maine, Memphis, and James Madison. Last year, he was head coach at Hamilton College, where his team finished 2-8. In announcing the appointment, Director of Athletics Andy Noel praised Pendergast as "an excellent teacher of the game and a tireless, effective recruiter."



TIM PENDERGAST



PETE MANGURIAN

**OFFICE MAX** Three former Cornell student-athletes—Bryan Colangelo '87, Tom Glick '90, and Michael Huyghue '84—have been named to *Street and Smith's Sports Business Journal's* "Forty Under Forty" list. The list honors executives under the age of forty who have made their mark in the sports industry. Colangelo, a guard on the basketball team during his time on the Hill, is president and general manager of the Phoenix Suns. Glick, a member of Cornell's lightweight crew as a student, is vice president of sales and marketing for baseball's Sacramento River Cats. Huyghue, a former Big Red football player, is senior vice president of football operations for the Jacksonville Jaguars.

**BUFFALO BOUND** Former Cornell quarterback and head football coach Jim Hofher '79 has been named head coach at the University of Buffalo. Hofher, who guided the Big Red to an Ivy title in 1990, had served as quarterback coach at Syracuse University and passing game coordinator at the University of North Carolina after leaving East Hill. Hofher has brought two of his former Cornell assistants to Buffalo: defensive coordinator Jim Knowles '87 and quarterback coach Bill Lazor '94.

**SCRIBE REMEMBERED** Long-time *Ithaca Journal* sports editor Kenny Van Sickle died in November at the age of eighty-four. Van Sickle, a member of the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame, covered countless Big Red sporting events starting as a stringer in 1932. He retired as sports editor in 1988, but continued to write for the paper until 1995.

**IVY HONORS** Five members of the Big Red football team have earned All-Ivy honorable mention. Joe Splendorio '01 graduates as the school's all-time leader in receiving yards after making 46 catches for 630 yards and three touchdowns in 2000. Quarterback Ricky Rahne '02 broke the school's single-season record with 2,994 passing yards, the sixth best total in Ivy history. He is already the school's career leader with 5,776 yards. Dan Weyandt '01 led the team with 90 tackles from his linebacker spot. Justin Dunleavy '02 was the team's second-leading receiver with 41 catches for 319 yards. He also ran for seven touchdowns. Scott Fithen '01 started throughout the season at left tackle.

**MARATHON FINISH** Brian Clas '94 won November's Philadelphia Marathon in record time. Clas's time of 2:18:03 bettered the previous finish by a minute and was more than five minutes faster than the runner-up's time. Clas, who was fifth in the 10,000 meters at the 1996 Olympic Trials, earned \$3,500 for the victory.

**STIMPSON SCORES** Rick Stimpson '01 closed his Cornell soccer career with a spot on the All-Ivy League first team for the third straight season. Stimpson was third in the league with 19 points and leaves as the school's all-time assist leader with 25. He also scored 23 goals to finish with 71 points, third on Cornell's career scoring list. Adam Skumawitz '01 earned second-team All-Ivy honors after leading the league with 24 points on eight goals and eight assists. Defenders Adam Brown '01 and David Briefel '01 earned honorable mention All-Ivy.

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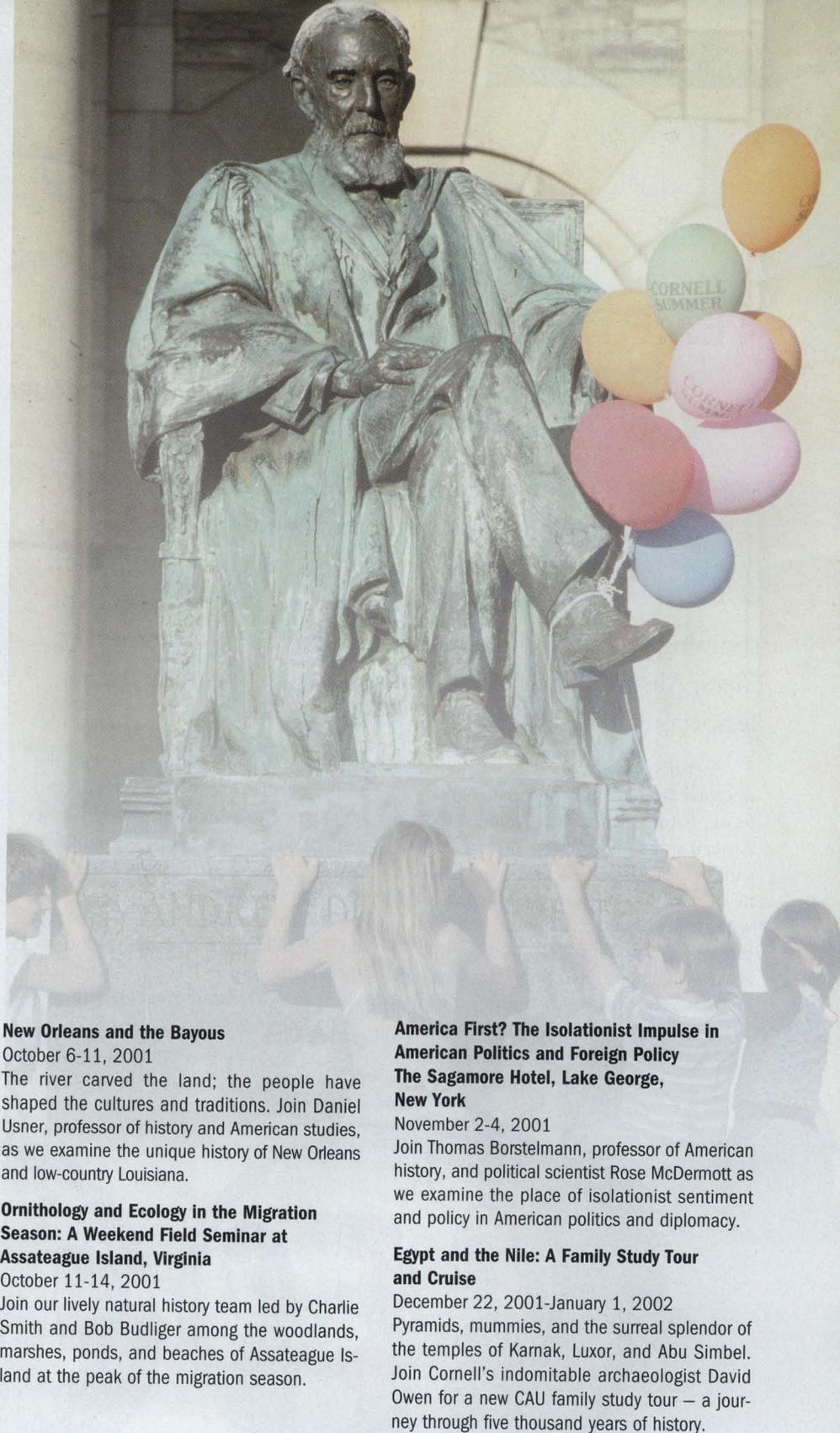
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## TEMPTATION 101

FACULTY SPOUSES BEWARE: COEDS ARE AN OCCUPATIONAL HAZARD.

**I**s the married male teacher an unwitting dupe of nature, slaving over good hip-to-waist ratios? Are nubile coeds just a stampeding herd of potential homewreckers? Research by two sociologists puts a millennial spin on *The War Between the Tates*, Alison Lurie's 1970s novel about infidelity in a professorial marriage.

A study by Mary Still, a Cornell doctoral student, and her former professor, Satoshi Kanazawa, suggests that American male teachers are significantly more likely to be divorced or never married compared to other males with similar demographics but different careers. "We don't have an axe to grind about men, and certainly not male teachers," says Still. "Our findings seem

to corroborate common sense and the results of previous studies: men who are exposed to a lot of attractive young women are more likely to compare those women to their significant others." And find them lacking.

To arrive at their theory, Kanazawa and Still followed cues from evolutionary psychologist Douglas Kenrick, whose studies found that men shown

risqué pictures of young women suddenly see their significant others as less attractive. Kenrick's work led Kanazawa to beg the question: if mere images could have that effect, what's the influence of close personal contact with the real thing on a daily basis?

Setting up such an experiment was impractical, if not impossible. The next logical step was to find a profession where men were regularly exposed to the siren song of youth, beauty, and childbearing hips belonging to single, unattached women. The teaching profession was a natural choice.

Kanazawa and Still analyzed statistics from the General Social Survey, published annually since 1972 by the National Opinion Center at the University of Chicago, and started crunching numbers. The GSS is considered



the most reliable data source of its kind in the U.S.—as valuable, if not more so, than the census. From its 32,845 interviews Kanazawa and Still identified 646 male and female middle school, high school, and college teachers, then tracked their rates of marriage and divorce using logistic regression, a method of statistical analysis common in the social sciences. Kanazawa and Still could predict the likelihood of divorce based on such factors as age, gender, occupation, race, whether they were a secondary school teacher or college professor, and whether they were a secondary school teacher or college professor and also male. Since divorce rates were higher in the 1990s than the Seventies, they also included the survey year as a variable.

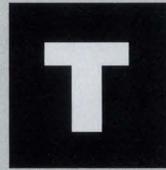
All things thus considered, their models could predict divorce status 86 percent of the time. The bottom line: with the GSS as background, and controlling for other factors, the study shows that male secondary school teachers or college professors are nearly 80 percent more likely to be divorced than men in other professions.

While the study was hardly conclusive, it demonstrated another fact of life: sex sells. After Kanazawa (now a sociology professor at Indiana University of Pennsylvania) appeared briefly on the syndicated “Dennis Praeger Show,” the host spent two hours fielding calls. However, both researchers concede that more work must be done on the topic. “The study needs to be replicated with other occupations in which men are exposed to a large number of young, attractive women, and another set of occupations in which women are exposed to a large number of rich, powerful men,” Kanazawa says. “We just cannot think of any—with the possible exception of Hollywood movie producers and directors, who come in daily contact with many young actresses. They, too, have a very high divorce rate.”

— Franklin Crawford

## EAU DE MILLIPEDE

### MONKEYS VS. MOSQUITOES



hey're horrible, noxious stuff,” Tom Eisner says of a class of chemicals known as benzoquinones. “You wouldn't want to smell them. It's like taking a whiff of ammonia.” But for the wedge-capped capuchin monkeys of

Venezuela, benzoquinones are a natural insect repellent—one they get by rubbing their bodies with the millipede *Orthoporus dorsovittatus* during their jungle's mosquito-laden rainy season. Eisner, the Schurman professor of entomology, co-authored a paper on the discovery published in the December issue of the *Journal of Chemical Ecology*. An avid investigator of the chemistry of the insect world, Eisner was tapped by the paper's principal author, Columbia anthropology grad student Ximena Valderrama, to identify the brownish liquid the millipedes excrete; he and Cornell senior chemistry researcher Athula Attygalle supplied the answer. “You can be certain,” says Eisner, “that anointing yourself with this material would keep any insect at a distance.”

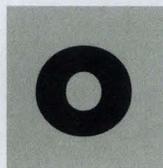
After news of the monkey's ingenuity hit the papers, Eisner got a call from a repellent company wondering if it might be adapted for humans. He gave a resounding *no*—the benzoquinones are far too irritating, so much so that he wonders if the monkeys might suffer long-term ills in exchange for temporary itch relief. And while the popular press marveled at the view of monkeys as chemical opportunists, Eisner didn't raise an eyebrow. “I've been lecturing for years,” he says, “that we should pay attention to what animals do.”



XIMENA VALDERRAMA

## ELECTIVE COURSE

### A STUDENT ON COMMON COUNCIL



ver the past year, government major Josh Glasstetter learned something about politics: helping people run for office can be a lot more fun than holding one yourself. Glasstetter didn't get that lesson in class. Since January 2000 he's served as an alderman on Ithaca's Common Council—the first undergrad in living memory to be elected in the city.

A first-semester senior this spring, the twenty-one-year-old Glasstetter represents Ithaca's Fourth Ward, comprising West Campus and the heart of Collegetown. His pet issues are topics he sees as equally important to both townies and students: rental rates, housing quality, public transportation, policing standards during Senior Week. He wants Collegetown—a significant generator of city tax revenue—to get its fair share of everything from sidewalk maintenance funds to municipal Christmas decorations, and he's disturbed by what he calls “preferential treatment” for The Commons as a business district.



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### GLASSTETTER'S TURF: FOURTH WARD

Glasstetter, in other words, knew that local government is more about nitty-gritty issues than existential ones long before he was sworn in. Still, he had visions of addressing broad themes like development policy and town-gown relations; the reality has turned out to be a little frustrating. "A lot of council is fairly simple—you're listening to people and trying to find creative solutions to

their problems. There isn't a lot that's philosophical about it," he says. "I'm a political person, but I'm starting to realize that my talents are not as a politician, but in getting people elected and supporting causes as an activist."

Glasstetter, who lives alone in an apartment above the Chapter House on Stewart Avenue, came to Cornell from the Cleveland area, where his parents own an RV park. The council gig is his first elected office. He helped friends campaign for student assembly but never ran himself; he made a bid for student-elected trustee but came in second. (His other political and activist experience includes campaigning for two high-profile local Democrats, Congressman Maurice Hinchey and State Assemblyman Marty Luster, and working with the employee-rights group Justice for Cornell Workers.) Sizing up his chances to win the open council seat in the fall of '99, Glasstetter did some re-

search and found that few of the 5,000 or so Fourth Ward residents were registered to vote—and that turnout was generally low among those that were. "I thought, 'I don't believe it. It would probably take only 250 votes to win,'" he recalls. "The margin was that small."

Realizing he'd have a better chance as a Green, Glasstetter ran on their ticket—neatly bypassing the city's Democratic establishment. (The Greens nominated him with a ten-person meeting at a Dryden Road coffeehouse.) He took a semester off from school, launched a voter registration drive, campaigned door to door, buttonholed voters in front of the Collegetown bike shop, visited the dorms on West Campus, and e-mailed hundreds of Fourth-Warders. The result: he garnered 54 percent of the vote, defeating Arts and Sciences associate dean Jane Pedersen. "My focus," he says, "was on breaking the barrier by getting a student on Common Council—opening the door and leaving it open."

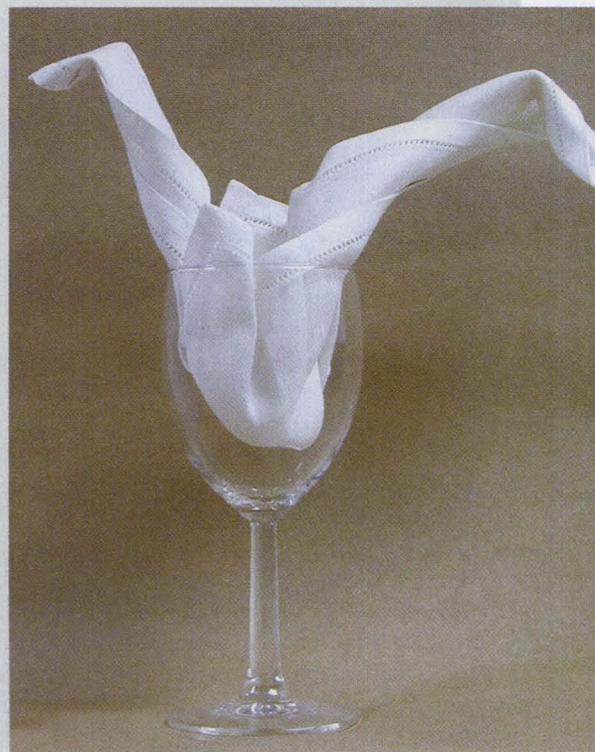
With students making up more than half of Ithaca's population

## PHEASANT IN GLASS

### VIRTUAL NAPKIN FOLDING

**L**ike all his fellow seniors at Oregon's Ashland High, Ko Kuwabara '00 had to complete a project to graduate. "Everybody else was doing these grand community service things," he says. "I decided to do napkin folding." Inspired by a nearby Thai restaurant that decorated each place setting with a napkin shaped like a lotus blossom, he queried local eateries, looked through magazines, and asked family friends for tips. The results, with illustrated step-by-step directions, are posted on a personal website—[www.cukezone.com](http://www.cukezone.com), after a high-school nickname—that Kuwabara started as a Cornell sophomore.

The site, which was featured in the *New York Times* in December, includes basic "napkin folding for dummies" (shapes like the heart, bowtie, and log cabin). An advanced level (pheasant, goldfish, lobster, squirrel, and more) offers designs presented in wine glasses or with flowers; he's planning an even trickier Level Three later this year. Kuwabara, who majored in sociology on the Hill, is now a PhD student in information science at the University of Michigan. A Japanese citizen who grew up doing origami, he has no plans to parlay his knack for napkin-folding into a career. Says Kuwabara: "Just the fact that you can make all these neat shapes out of one simple piece of cloth really fascinates me."



(16,000 of about 29,000 residents), fellow Fourth Ward rep Joan Spielholz '73, BS Ag '81, agrees the constituency needs the kind of voice Glasstetter brings to council. "Josh is a smart kid, and he really hit the ground running in terms of trying to get an understanding of what's going on," she says, "when he's around."

While some of Glasstetter's fellow aldermen have praised his performance, they've been less impressed with his attendance. According to the Ithaca city clerk, who describes Glasstetter's attendance as "regular," he missed three of the roughly two dozen council meetings during his first year in office. Still, some colleagues worry that his record at other meetings, such as committees, has been spottier. "Serving on council is like an iceberg," says Edward Hershey, director of Cornell's Office of Communication Strategies and a Fifth Ward alderman. "Seven-eighths of the work is below the surface."

In January 2001, Glasstetter was absent for the vote on what was arguably the most heated issue of the previous year, the large-scale Southwest Park commercial development near Buttermilk Falls. (He'd been a vocal opponent of the final version of the plan, which passed six to one with two aldermen abstaining.) "He's a nice, bright kid, and if he showed up all the time I think people would be saying complimentary things about him," says Hershey. "He's not only been pleasant to have around, but he's offered important insights from time to time. He campaigned well, but I don't know if he thought through the implications."

Glasstetter counters that he's chosen to concentrate on groups like the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council and the Conservation Advisory Council, whose issues are central to his constituents. "Since I was elected by a coalition of students, renters, and activists, I believe it's only fair that I focus on the issues that are important to them," he says. "My ward comes first." He admits he stopped attending a rental housing committee due to personal conflicts, but says otherwise he's been conscientious. "The only times I missed a full meeting of council," he says, "have been either when I was out of town—I go to Ohio over breaks—

or had an academic conflict, like an exam." And it's the off-and-on nature of the academic schedule, Spielholz says, that makes it hard for a student to serve on council in the first place. "His downtime from school," she says, "is as important to him as it is to any other student."

In the final year of her four-year term, Spielholz—now on leave from her research job in the Vet college—is still deciding whether to run for reelection. She may have some competi-

tion; Glasstetter, who never formally left the Democratic party, plans to help a student gain the other Fourth Ward seat. And though he's decided he'd rather have a political career behind the scenes, Glasstetter has pledged to stay in Ithaca after graduation and serve out his term, which expires at the end of 2003. "It's important," he says, "to get beyond the bubble of Cornell to see what it's like on the outside."

— Beth Saulnier

## LAUGH TRACK

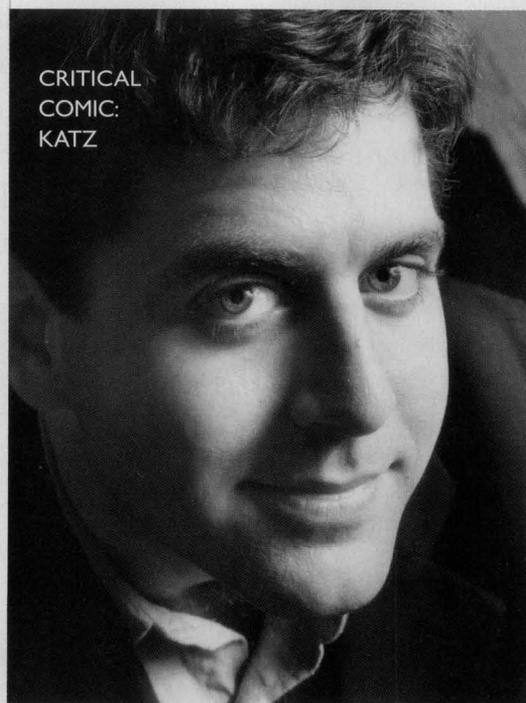
### FROM POLITICS TO PRIME TIME

**H**ave you heard the one about the Cornell grad who helped Bill Clinton joke about Monica-gate? Mark Katz '86, the former government major who discovered his political skills in the Cornell-in-Washington Program, specializes in convincing candidates that the surest way to a voter's heart is through the funny bone.

With more candidates hitting the talk show circuit, scripted schmoozing with the likes of Dave, Oprah, and Regis is getting to be a vital campaign

weapon. Katz tells politicians that nothing is as disarming as self-mockery; he advises them to wear their faults proudly, to have fun with them, to concede what people don't like about them. But, he admits, that's easy for him to say. "I can write something for Hillary Clinton," he says, "but she's the one sitting across from Letterman, not me."

Subwaying from his West Side Manhattan apartment back to the Queens studio where (until recently) he logged eighteen-hour days in sitcom purgatory, Katz resembles an economy size Jay Leno—bright-eyed and feisty on four hours of sleep. Although he spent a year as an MSNBC humor pundit, he's not quick with a verbal zinger. "I'm a sit-down comic," he explains. "I do my best work in front of a word processor. I tried enough stage work to know I'm better off



CRITICAL  
COMIC:  
KATZ

not doing it.”

But he tells politicians to do as he says, not as he does. Because on the campaign trail, you can deliver a message with humor you couldn't in any other context. For example, many felt Clinton helped put his intern troubles behind him with Katz's shtick that had the president preferring impeachment to addressing another press club banquet. The trick, Katz stresses, is to mock your weak spot. "It's a leap of faith," he says. "Say up front what people are thinking."

For Clinton, whom Katz calls a great comedic talent, that meant taking the comedian's suggestion to spoof his well-known self-pity and lip-biting-on-command. Although a candidate's bevy of buttoned-down advisors sometimes makes it tough to get the message through, Katz believes that conceding what everybody knows has no cost—and an enormous payoff. He cites with pride Al Gore's Katz-induced self-mockery of his wooden image; it was Katz who got Gore to enter a press dinner on a hand truck like a cigar-store Indian. Although he loves to push politicians beyond their comfort level, Katz has found that he can't talk anyone into doing anything they really don't want to do. So with the hand truck bit, he says, "I was just spitballing ideas. I can't remember if I was serious or joking, but his response was so positive that I figured I must have been serious."

While at Cornell, Katz wrote a weekly humor column called "Delusions of Grammar" for the *Sun*, interned at the *New York Times* Washington bureau, and wrote a thesis on the press's role in presidential campaigns. He took a backdoor route to presidential humor when he quit his paid job on New York Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan's staff to volunteer on Michael Dukakis's 1988 presidential campaign. The laughter stopped abruptly with George Bush's victory, and Katz took on a number of advertising jobs. Between gigs, he spent some time in Little Rock, sleeping on George Stephanopoulos's sofa, helping to prepare Clinton for Democratic primary debates and doing some speechwriting for the candidate.

While Clinton was in office, Katz

was a "creative consultant" for the Democratic National Committee. He wrote some two dozen speeches for the president, four or five for Gore, and several for Democratic senators and cabinet officers. (He took time out to pen a parody paperback entitled *I Am Not a Corpse! And Other Quotes Never Actually Said*, published by Dell in 1996.) During Gore's presidential bid, he helped prep the candidate for appearances on the Letterman and Leno shows. As for Florida's chad rows, Katz quips: "I'll go to my grave wondering why all those Jewish voters liked Pat Buchanan."

Katz's sitcom foray began in April 2000, when old pal Cindy Chupack (a veteran of the HBO hit "Sex and the City") asked him to help her on the pilot of "Madigan Men," the brainstorm of Irish stage and film actor Gabriel Byrne. "I came in to try to punch up the script," he says. "I had no experience in sitcom, but I was able to make it funnier at the margins." Alas,

marginally funny is what critics called the half-hour show, which starred Byrne as a dating-challenged divorcé and noted Irish actor Roy Dotrice as his blarney-spouting Da. The *New York Times* gave the sitcom its most favorable review, deeming it smartly written if hardly ground-breaking. But the *Daily News* complained of its "cliché overload," and *USA Today* dubbed it a show only masochists would like. ABC, which aired the program on Friday nights, has put it on "hiatus"—showbiz lingo for "it's over."

Now busy with several corporate consulting projects and TV script ideas, Katz calls "Madigan Men" a great education. "It was like going back to school," he says, "working with very experienced and generous people who taught me a lot." Has the small screen whetted his Hollywood hopes? "So far," Katz replies, "ambition has led me to Queens, and that's far enough for me."

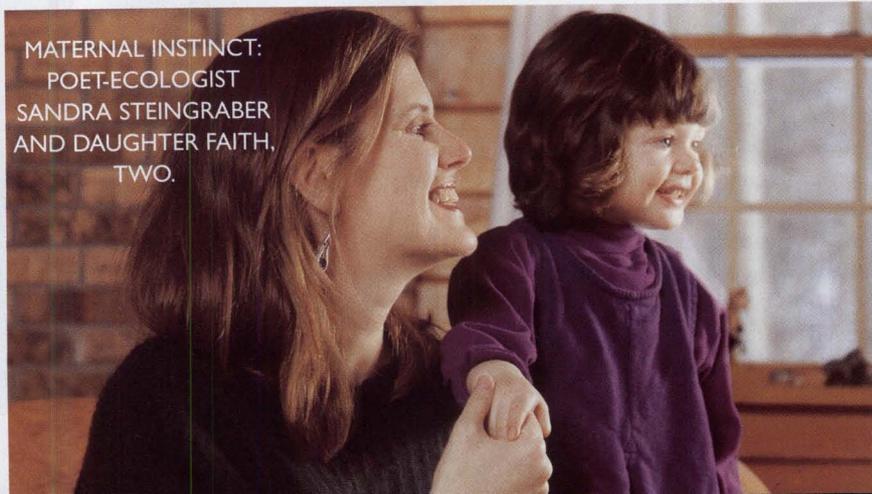
— Bill Kirtz

## CHEMICAL EQUATION

### ON THE ECOLOGY OF CANCER

**I**n September 1999, plant ecologist Sandra Steingraber was scheduled to give expert testimony at a U. N. conference on a treaty banning international production of twelve carcinogenic chemicals. The new mother rewrote version after version of her presentation until she'd run out of time. But while standing in the ladies' room pumping breast milk minutes

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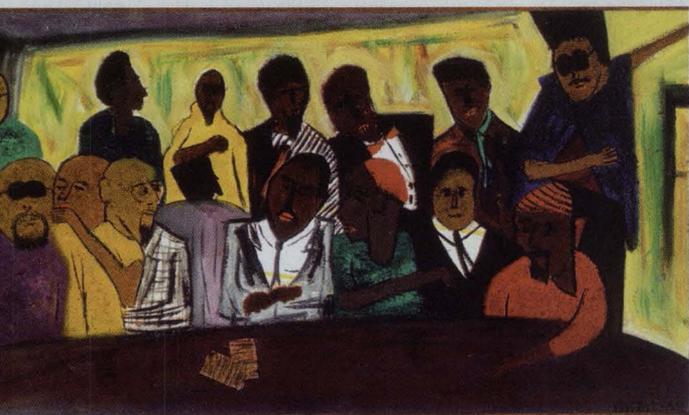
# IN DREAMS

## A SMITH RETROSPECTIVE

**B**rooklyn-based artist Vincent Smith cites among his influences varying aspects of the African-American experience: jazz, church, street life, island roots, the civil rights movement. The artist, whose work has been displayed in such venues as the Studio Museum in Harlem, the Portland (Maine) and Milwaukee museums of art, and New York's Cooper Square Gallery, is



QUICK SILVER, A 1989 MONOPRINT (ABOVE); BLACK POWER CONFERENCE (BELOW LEFT), 1968, OIL AND SAND ON CANVAS.



featured in an exhibit at the Johnson Museum through March 18. "Dreams, Myths, and Realities: The Art of Vincent Smith" comprises fifty paintings, etchings, monoprints, and mixed-media pieces spanning five decades; Johnson curators describe his work as having "a dream-like quality, often vividly colorful and lively, and profoundly optimistic."

Smith—whose early résumé includes stints working for the Lackawanna Railroad, the army, and the U.S. Postal Service—began to paint seriously in his twenties, inspired by a 1953 Cézanne retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art. "I came away so moved," he recalls, "with a feeling that I had been in touch with something sacred."

before her talk, inspiration struck. Her male colleagues would use fancy slides, but Steingraber's visual aid would be a sample of her own milk. As delegates passed it around the room, she talked about the immune cells, antibodies, and sugars it contained and explained how breast milk has also become the most contaminated human food on the planet—passing PCBs, dioxin, and DDT from mother to child. "It was really amazing," she recalls. "You had people from 122 different nations, all with different cultural expectations. As I watched the jar go around the room, some people were treating it like it was nuclear waste they couldn't look at or touch, other people studied it really closely or held it up to the light, and some of the women delegates smiled."

A visiting professor in Cornell's Program on Breast Cancer and Environmental Risk Factors, Steingraber is on campus through 2002 as the program's writer-in-residence, drafting a book on the ecology of pregnancy and breast-feeding and collaborating with researchers investigating prenatal factors that influence breast cancer rates

in adult women. The self-described "gypsy scholar" held posts at Harvard and Northeastern before coming to the Hill in 1999. A poet with a master's from Illinois State, Steingraber is the author of the 1995 collection *Post-Diagnosis*, drawing from her experience as a bladder cancer survivor. In her 1997 book *Living Downstream: An Ecologist Looks at Cancer and the Environment*, Steingraber combined her scientific training and personal background to examine how contamination from pesticides, incinerators, and industrial waste affects public health. "On average, breast cancer robs the woman it kills of twenty years of life," she writes. "This means that in the United States, nearly one million years of women's lives are lost each year."

One in eight women will develop breast cancer over the course of her life, yet factors such as age, family history, and childbearing account for only half of a woman's risk for developing the disease. Founded in 1995 in response to public concern that certain regions in New York State had higher than average breast cancer rates, Cor-

nell's program brings together researchers from the Medical and Vet colleges, as well as Arts, Ag and Life Sciences, and Human Ecology; its collaborators include experts in biology, risk management, ecology, food safety, community education, and public policy.

Despite having grown up in an Illinois farming community with extensive industrial and agricultural pollution that she believes contributed to her own cancer, Steingraber says her science is objective. "I'm perhaps overly trained in the Western scientific tradition," she says. "I can sit down and look at a whole bunch of data on ovarian cancer among teenage girls and forget that each of the data points represents a life. But at some point in my writing, I bring the autobiographical back in, after I've already analyzed the data dispassionately."

Steingraber didn't plan on becoming an activist when she began her PhD at the University of Michigan; she wanted to study competition among forest plants. But as she conducted field work at a state park in northern Minnesota, a naturalist

emptying his files offered her decades worth of official memos detailing, among other things, that the area had been secretly sprayed in the Sixties with the principal ingredients of Agent Orange—a defoliant used in Vietnam to reveal enemy troops hiding in the jungle. At the park, it was used to kill underbrush, making the headwaters of the Mississippi more visible to tourists. Spraying was quietly discontinued when scientists found that the dioxin in Agent Orange causes birth defects and cancer.

Steingraber's discovery led her to an extra year of graduate research—work that influenced a *Living Downstream* chapter on the chemical production boom after World War II and the ways in which herbicides, pesticides, and solvents developed for combat were sold for domestic use without additional testing. Steingraber's current work continues to be shaped by her Minnesota forestry experience, as she focuses on contamination of the maternal environment, including studies on the effects of dioxin based on data collected in Vietnam over the past forty years.

Critics worry that Steingraber's emphasis on environment undermines efforts to encourage healthier lifestyles. A *New England Journal of Medicine* review of *Living Downstream* called its author "obsessed . . . with environmental pollution as the cause of cancer" rather than factors such as high-fat diets and smoking. Steingraber calls the lifestyle/environment debate a false dichotomy, adding that environmental contamination is so ubiquitous it has narrowed the lifestyle choices people can make. "Look at diet," she says. "Ecologically speaking, there are a lot of things in our diet we don't have control over. Even organic milk is going to have dioxin in it because dioxin is an air pollutant that sifts out of waste incinerators and falls on conventional and organic dairy farms alike." The La Leche league, which advocates breastfeeding, worries that publicity about contaminants in breast milk might

scare women into choosing formula. "I just argue that a woman should have a third choice," says Steingraber, "which is to feed her baby uncontaminated breast milk. So the right question is, 'How do we get the contaminants out of breast milk?'"

In her current work, Steingraber uses her own pregnancy and the birth of her daughter as a starting point to show how chemicals in the environment make their way into amniotic fluid and breast milk. "I spend all my time as an ecologist studying habitats—looking at where animals live, what they feed on, and how they interact," she says. But as a pregnant woman, she *became* a

habitat. "I had this ocean inside me with a population of one who was living on me. All the water I drank, all the food I ate, all the air I breathed went through me and into this space."

While Steingraber does buy organic vegetables and biodegradable laundry detergent, she says individual

choices aren't enough. "I'm more interested in looking at larger political issues," she says. "A lot of times political action turns out to be a more effective way to solve problems." And while there's little a woman can do to lower contaminants in her own breast milk, she says, such activism has made strides in the right direction, with the passage of right-to-know laws that help communities monitor contamination and the elimination of industrial processes that produce PCBs and DDT. "If you look at the trends, a lot of contaminants are actually going down. That happened as soon as we closed down incinerators, tightened emission laws, and changed agriculture."

As a mother whose milk is safer because of policy changes in the Sixties and Seventies, Steingraber says she's grateful to environmentalists, including Rachel Carson, whose *Silent Spring* led to stricter environmental regulations and restrictions on chemical production. "Once we begin to see ourselves in a long line of social activists, we can begin to join them," she says. "It's effective, and it works far better than lifestyle changes for improving health and reducing exposure for everybody."

— Sharon Tregaskis '95



CHEMICALS DEVELOPED FOR COMBAT, SOLD FOR DOMESTIC USE

## MULTI MEDIA

### DICK SCHAAP AND HIS FAMOUS STABLEMATES

**W**hen I'm asked whether I prefer newspapers, magazines, books, radio, or television, I point out that each has its up side: Newspapers provide the rush of immediacy, the opportunity in my *Herald Tribune* days to get on the subway and see someone reading and reacting to my column only a couple of hours after I wrote it. Magazines provide the space to

say what you want—perhaps fifteen hundred to four thousand words—and the time to craft each word. Books are more uneven—it is difficult to make each of eighty thousand words sing—but they provide enduring proof of effort and, if it's there, talent. Radio, par-

ticularly the one-minute commentaries I began writing and reciting in the 1990s, provides an attentive audience; the listener can drive a car, for instance, and still hear and absorb every word. And television provides great tables in restaurants. All maître d's watch TV.

There is a down side, too, to each medium. The television business, for instance, is generally not for adults, on either side of the screen, which probably explains why it pays so well.

The day I went to work for WNBC, in 1971, I went on the air twice, on the six o'clock and eleven o'clock news. I didn't know which camera to look at. I didn't know that the little red lights signaled the active camera. I couldn't read the Tele-Prompter without running my eyes back and forth across the screen. I had butterflies in my stomach and tightness in my throat, and I sounded even more gravelly than usual. The television critic for the *New York Daily News*, Kay Gardella, reviewed my debut. "He sounded like he wasn't going to get through it," she wrote. "Unfortunately, he did." I thought it was a very funny line, especially if it had been written about someone else.

When I started on television, fresh

from print journalism, I believed that in the beginning there were the words, and in the end there were the words, and from beginning to end, they were my words, and the way I delivered them was immaterial. Gradually, I found out I was wrong. The words meant nothing if the viewer didn't absorb them. I worked on pronunciation, modulation, pace. I went to a speech teacher named Dr. Mitchnik, who specialized in accents and had a thick Russian-Jewish one of his own. Somehow, he helped me speak more clearly. I also went to Lilyan Wilder, who has worked with Oprah, Maria Shriver, and former president George Bush. She helped me, too, although not as much, obviously, as she helped the others.



PERSONAL PUNCHLINES: A MEMOIR

I discovered that I could not write for television, not the way I wrote for newspapers, magazines, and books. Instead, I had to type, condense, simplify. The viewer could not go back over my words, could not

review or replay them. "Tell them what you're going to say," Gene Shalit, my NBC colleague, advised me, "then say it, then tell them what you've said." Gene used to sit under the camera and make faces to relax me. Gene gave great face.

Occasionally, I would slip a relatively artful sentence or phrase into a television script, but not too often, and not too complex, or it would lose both

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meaning and effect. I began to recognize that television, with its dependence on pictures, tended to have great impact (one picture of a burning child in Vietnam moved more people than all the dispatches in the *Times*), but little depth. Early in my broadcasting days, asked to do a story about the horse racing business, I said, only half in jest, “Do you want me to do it briefly and superficially, or at length and superficially?”

Jimmy Breslin encouraged me to be different, to stand out on television. “Do something outrageous,” he recommended. On the eleven o’clock news one night, I did. I talked about Secretariat and Riva Ridge, the back-to-back Kentucky Derby winners from Meadow Stable, and referred to them, innocently, as “the two most famous stablemates since Joseph and Mary.”

When the program ended, Jim Hartz, the anchor, a gifted broadcaster who later hosted “Today,” turned to me and said, “That was very funny. I just wish you hadn’t said it on a program I was anchoring.” I laughed and went home to bed.

At two in the morning, my phone rang. A reporter from the *Daily News* was calling. “What do you think about this furor you’ve created?” he said.

“What furor?” I said.

The reporter explained to me that, since my offhand remark, NBC had received some fourteen hundred telephone calls, almost all from offended viewers. I broke the phone-call record set when the network cut away from the decisive closing minutes of a Joe Namath–New York Jets football game to show the movie *Heidi*.

“I meant no offense to any of the four,” I said, still asleep and still a smart-ass. Fortunately, the *Newsman* did not quote me.

At three in the morning, as the magnitude of the reaction to my words set in, I called Breslin. “Remember what you said about me doing something outrageous?” I said. “Well, I think I have.” “What did you say?” Jimmy inquired. “I said that Secretariat and Riva Ridge were the most famous stablemates since Joseph and Mary.” “You ought to have your mouth washed out,” he said.

The Catholic establishment was

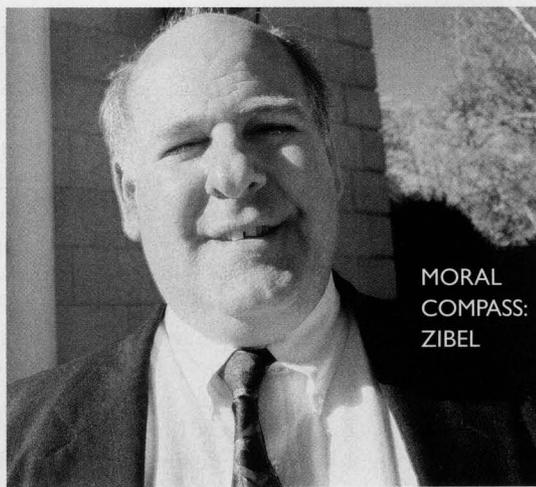
not amused, either. Terence Cardinal Cooke attacked me from the pulpit, getting even with me for having listed him among the over-rated. A conservative Catholic publication called me “the Jew writer.” A priest wrote to me on Church stationery and said I wasn’t fit to eat the dung of the stable that had sheltered Joseph and Mary. I was accused of blasphemy and sexual innuendo. I protested that my remark was not sacrilegious, was not suggesting any kind of improper relationship between Joseph and Mary, was not equating them with animals; I was merely taking an absurd historical accuracy—I *still* think Secretariat and Riva Ridge *were* the most famous stablemates since Joseph and Mary—and making fun of it.

The morning after, I went to NBC expecting to hear my producer’s reaction. He had no reaction; he was waiting to hear the news director’s reaction. I went to the news director, who also had no intention of reacting precipitously. I followed the chain of command to Dick Wald’s office, and when the network’s vice president laughed (but asked me to be more circumspect in the future) the laughter trickled down. Still, I had to go on the air and apologize for my comment. I sort of apologized. I said I was sorry if I had offended anyone.

Several weeks later, I went to visit a friend in Lenox Hill Hospital, and when the elevator stopped in front of me and the door opened, out stepped Cardinal Cooke and Frank Sinatra. The cardinal and I had made up, and as we exchanged greetings in the hospital lobby, he mentioned that he and Frank had been visiting Ed Sullivan. If I were Ed Sullivan, and woke up in a hospital bed and saw Cardinal Cooke and Frank Sinatra looking down on me, I would have thought I’d died and gone to heaven.

— Dick Schaap '55

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## CONSCIENCE OF THE COURT

A MAN, A MIDNIGHT MEMO,  
AND A SUPREME SCANDAL

**H**oward Zibel is a self-described “ethical nut.”

He worries about telling his wife to say he’s not home when the phone rings. About letting

his daughter score a cut-rate movie ticket by saying she’s younger than she is. And—especially—about anything that threatens the rule of law.

Zibel ’71, JD ’76, the portly, balding, cheerful clerk of the New Hampshire Supreme Court, worried enough about a pattern of judicial misconduct to set off a chain of events that may spark national reform. Appointed by the court and serving at its pleasure, he risked his \$89,000-a-year job with a pre-dawn memo banged out on his home computer in February 2000. The memo, which he sent to the court’s chief justice and the state legislature’s Judicial Conduct Committee, detailed what he considered improper judicial comments and attempts to influence a judge. The memo triggered an inquiry by the state attorney general and the

first impeachment trial of a public official in New Hampshire history.

Those long and complex proceedings unearthed some strange practices. Recused judges nonetheless reviewed colleagues' findings. One judge repeatedly participated in conferences on matters in which he had personal and business interests. Another fretted that a colleague would be unhappy with the makeup of a panel hearing his divorce case. The state Senate eventually voted to acquit in the impeachment trial, but one judge resigned and two others were chastised (though not formally reprimanded) for their actions.

And the case is hardly over. At least fifteen states are reviewing their own practices because of the New Hampshire imbroglio, particularly the issue of judicial impartiality. All of that "never would have happened except for Zibel's conscience," says Boston lawyer Joseph Steinfield, special counsel to New Hampshire's House Judi-

ciary Committee and lead counsel in the impeachment trial. "He struggled greatly with himself. He was acting in a way that was potentially contrary to his interests, and that's not so easy when you're clerk of the court."

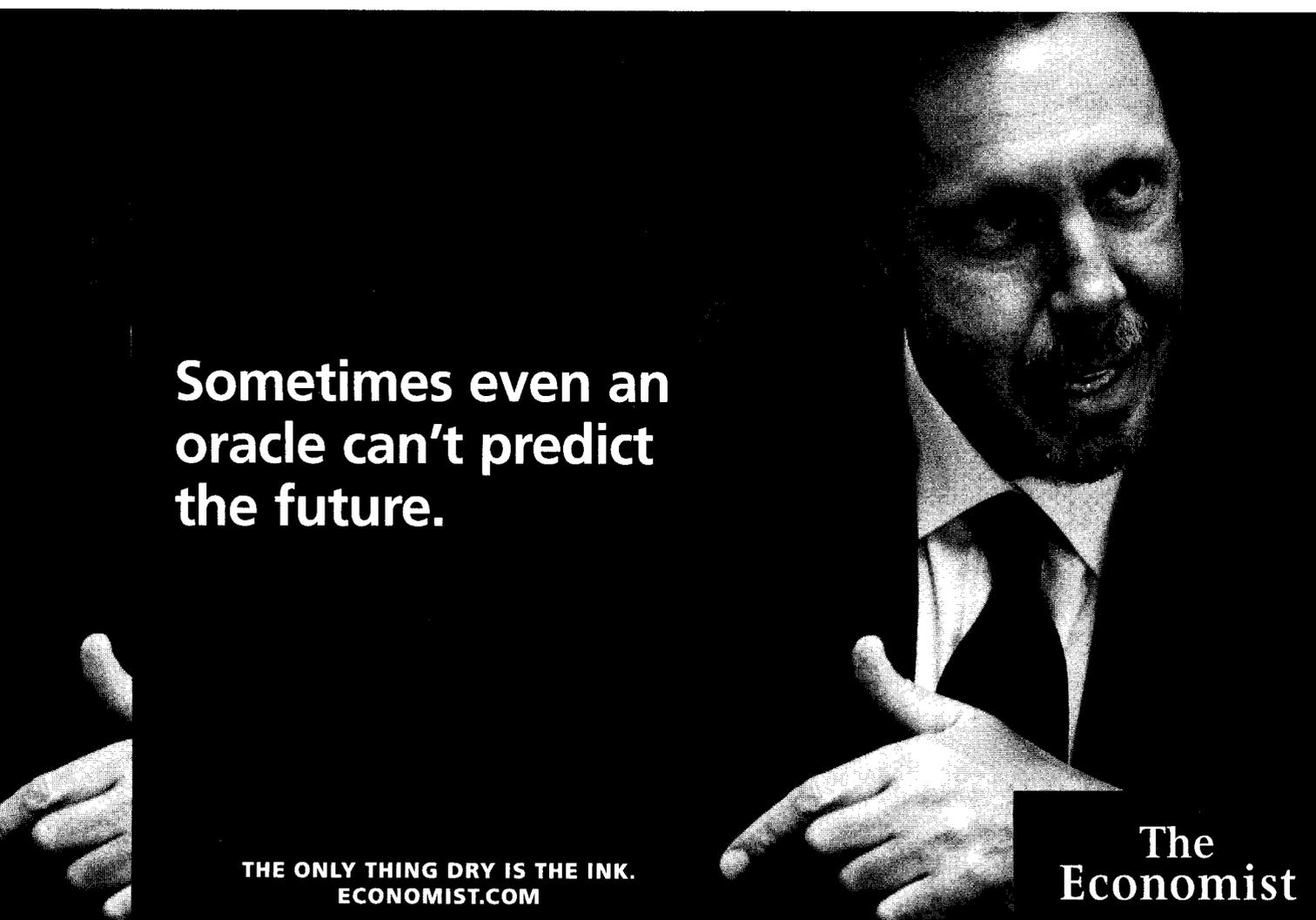
Neither is it easy for Zibel to accept the plaudits he keeps getting for his actions. Carefully feeding the meter for his Nissan Sentra as he visits his usual Concord luncheon haunt, a Thai restaurant, he gets a high sign from an Associated Press photographer who stalked him at the height of his fame, and waves from two sleek lawyers. "I'll take the compliments," he says, "but there were others who were troubled. I could have reported earlier. It's legitimate to ask 'What took me so long?'" Zibel is equally precise about details. Reporters wrote that he "broke into sobs" when testifying about his agonized decision to report judicial misconduct. "I actually just teared up," he says.

Many press reports have portrayed

Zibel as an obscure paper-shuffler. In fact—for far less money than fledgling attorneys get in Boston—he makes key decisions on whether a case needs the court's immediate attention and has participated in more than a hundred settlement conferences. He spent ten years practicing labor law, but says he didn't enjoy being the point man in dealing with people's problems. He also hated the business part of the law—particularly "billing at rates I couldn't understand."

Zibel says he developed his moral compass in law school, where professors would ask questions such as "What is justice?" and "What kind of lawyers do you want to be: hired guns or the keepers of the client's conscience?" "It got to be quite annoying," Zibel recalls, "but what a wonderful question to keep asking us! Justice and law aren't necessarily the same thing. The prize is justice."

— Bill Kirtz



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oracle can't predict  
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## ARTS & SCIENCES

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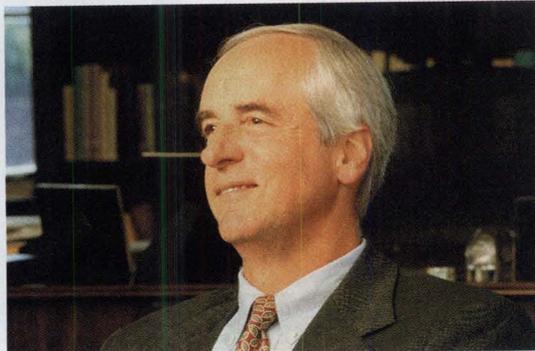
President Rawlings has spoken on several occasions about his vision for liberal arts education at Cornell. These comments were adapted from his State of the University address to the Board of Trustees and the University Council in Statler Auditorium on October 27, 2000.

**I**N RECENT DECADES, the place of the liberal arts at many universities has become smaller and seemingly more peripheral, as the sciences, social sciences, and professional schools have grown in scope, funding, and prominence. In addition, all the disciplines have been driven apart by specialization and professionalization. It is now fashionable to lament this state of affairs but quickly conclude that there is no remedy for it in today's world.

At Cornell, we think otherwise. On our campus, the liberal arts stand at the center

of the curriculum and reinforce the university's traditional role as independent thinker and critic. Our belief in the importance of the liberal arts is reflected in our faculty, our facilities, and in the priority we attach to teaching in these fields.

ROBERT BARKER / UP



Cornell students respond to our efforts with enthusiasm. This semester, I am teaching a course in Classics, with Professors Hayden Pelliccia and Jeffrey Rusten, on the political, social, and intellectual life in Fifth Century B.C. Athens. This is the first full course I have taught at Cornell, and I have been impressed by the academic ability of our students and by their intense engagement with humanistic ideas and issues.

That the arts should occupy an esteemed place in a university should be no surprise. Plato said, "Music is the sovereign domain of education because rhythm and harmony find their way to the soul." With our superb music faculty and the reopening of Lincoln Hall, and with the upcoming renovation of Bailey Hall as a major performance space, Cornell will be a center for the performing arts for years to come. We have also made a strong commitment to the visual arts through the renovation of Tjaden Hall for the Art Department, and we are moving forward with plans for Milstein Hall, which will be the new home of the undergraduate program in architecture.

Cornell's commitment to the arts is reflected not only in new facilities, but also in our academic programs. The College of Arts and Sciences, after several years of discussion, is em-

barking on a new undergraduate concentration in visual studies. Building on connections that already exist at Cornell among art history, critical theory, the social and natural sciences, and art practices, the concentration provides students with an interdisciplinary approach to visual art, new media (including digital works), performance, and perception—with the history of art at its core and with the Johnson Museum serving as a key resource.

The humanities also have a critical place in an intellectually vibrant university, and Cornell's humanities programs are among the nation's best. Last fall, Cornell was selected by *Time* and the *Princeton Review* as a "College of the Year," based on the strength of the John S. Knight Institute for Writing in the Disciplines. The institute uses small seminars to help students think and write about specific academic areas—and it is unusual in that its seminars are taught by faculty members from thirty different academic departments who emphasize writing along with the content of their disciplines.

We have also changed the way we treat foreign languages. Since folding the teaching of foreign languages into their respective literature departments in September 1999, we have been able to integrate language teaching more fully into the intellectual life of the university, thus making it clear that the true reason to learn a foreign language is to gain the ability to explore another culture, another body of literature, another way of constructing the world.

These changes reflect our belief that the liberal arts perform a deep and essential role that goes to the heart of universities, and to the heart of individual women and men. A work of art, history, or literature, when "read" by an informed observer, contains within itself a kind of knowledge that is different from other kinds that depend upon the incremental buildup of information: it has a human, moral dimension at its center.

Moral knowledge differs in fundamental ways from knowledge in many other areas of human experience, especially, perhaps, from knowledge of

the natural world. It does not consist of a body of facts, generalizations, or "laws." It is a critical means of thinking about the most important choices we confront in our lives, the responses to which define us as human beings.

Moral knowledge develops slowly. It is informed through studies of other cultures, reading a poem or novel, attending a play, looking at a painting, or listening to music, all of which help us imagine what it might be like to have a life *different from our own*. History and literature are particularly useful in developing a moral imagination, because they confront us with characters, both real and imagined, who face poignant choices, the consequences of which we are able to read and interpret for ourselves.

In the final analysis, the development of moral knowledge demands that each of us answers the ultimate Socratic question: "Who am I, and what should I do with my life?" In

**THE DEVELOPMENT OF MORAL KNOWLEDGE DEMANDS THAT EACH OF US ANSWERS THE ULTIMATE SOCRATIC QUESTION: "WHO AM I, AND WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH MY LIFE?"**

universities, we should not forget, a major part of our obligation is to help eighteen-year-olds answer that question.

Many Cornell courses already address ethical issues in great depth, and momentum is building on campus to encourage greater attention to moral reasoning in our future curriculum. The appointment of Michele Moody-Adams as Hutchinson Professor and director of the Program on Ethics and Public Life is giving new leadership to our efforts to make moral reasoning a more central component of a Cornell education. But it is essential that we take a broader institutional view of this matter, one informed by the best thinking at Cornell, as well as elsewhere.

In a paper he gave last fall in Berlin, Phil Lewis, the Tanner dean of our College of Arts and Sciences, made a thoughtful call for a "change in the mission and structure of the [university] itself." In his words, the university

should "assume an exemplary role in society and culture at large; it should undertake to position itself not simply as a research machine, but also as a micro-community devoted to exemplifying . . . humane and artful values and thus to building a research community that is compatible with them."

This merging of the cultures of the arts and the sciences should not be confined to scholarship and research. It should also characterize our teaching and our curriculum. Dean Lewis called for "integrating the humanities and the arts with science and technology" in an "overarching collaboration that should permeate the whole of a university's educational program."

That is, of course, a very tall order. But if any university is capable of filling that order, it is Cornell. We have a great faculty in a wide range of disciplines. It is now our task to look afresh at the educational structure of the modern university, particularly by

engaging our faculty in serious discussions about the role their disciplines can play in creating a new curricular synthesis. If we succeed, and I am confident that we can, Cornell will take a leading role in higher education's search for a more cohesive paradigm for this new century.

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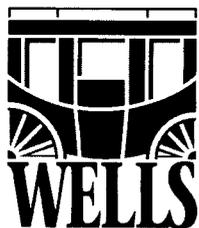
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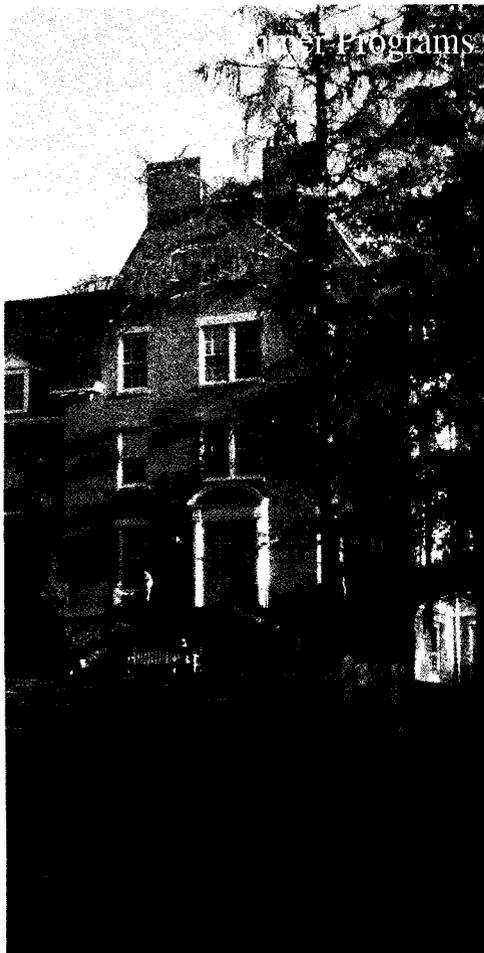
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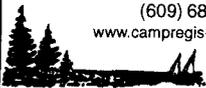
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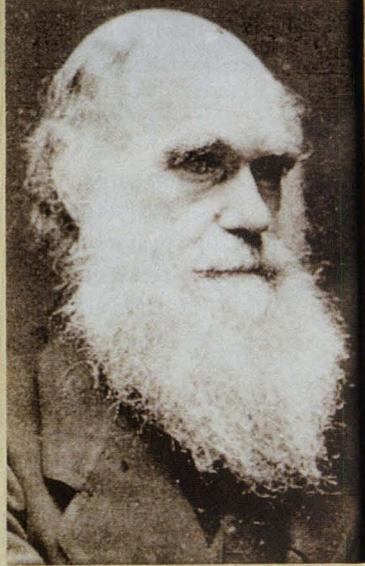
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# Dr. Darwin's Rx

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**BEFORE YOU  
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FEVER,  
CONSIDER  
THE EMERGING  
FIELD OF  
EVOLUTIONARY  
MEDICINE.**

**THE SYMPTOM  
JUST MIGHT  
SPEED THE CURE.**

**T**hirteen years ago, evolutionary biologist Paul Sherman was in central Idaho doing fieldwork on the social behavior of ground squirrels when he decided to go rock climbing near Hell's Canyon. The weather was somewhere between rain and snow, the basaltic cliffs were slippery, and Sherman lost his grip; he plunged thirty feet and only avoided breaking his neck through a lucky bounce off a rock. The professor emerged with a broken shoulder and a badly skinned thigh—and the shoulder got him thinking.

It turned vibrant shades of purple and yellow, got blazing hot to the touch, swelled up, and hurt like crazy. Medically speaking, these were perfectly normal symptoms of a broken bone. But for the first time, Sherman wondered *why* they happened. Were they misplaced reactions by his body, and there-

fore something to be avoided, or was there some point to them? And if there were, did that mean that the standard treatment he received—ice, an anti-inflammatory drug, and pain medication—might not be such a good idea after all?

The answer, Sherman found, is that

the body has a lot on the ball. Heat makes cells divide faster; swelling pushes them apart and enables fluid to go between them, carrying necessary nutrients and taking out dead cells; and the pain, of course, keeps you from moving. "All of it," says Sherman, "is the body's own defenses working."

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ore than a decade later, the effects of the

accident linger. His shoulder still hurts once in a while—and the suspicions he had about the innate wisdom of the human body have shaped his academic career. Sherman is on the vanguard of Darwinian medicine, an emerging field that takes an evolutionary perspective on human health. "Traditionally, doctors have been interested in treating symptoms," he says. "That's what physicians do. But the new field is asking, 'Is every symptom something to be suppressed? Or is it possible that some of the symptoms can actually be beneficial?'"

Traditional medicine asks how the body responds to injury or illness; a Darwinian approach wonders why it responds that way. Fever is a common example. Is it simply a reaction to infection—and a potentially harmful one at that—or does it have a purpose? "The answer is that a moderate fever, below about 103 degrees, actually can speed the healing process," Sherman says. "It makes the body's environment less able to be invaded by the pathogen, and it enables its immune system to work faster."

And the response isn't limited to humans. Other mammals (as well as amphibians, reptiles, and even insects) also either experience fever or seek a hot place when they get ill. "What's being suggested is the idea that not every symptom must immediately be suppressed," Sherman says. "Not every symptom is evidence of a failure of the body. Some are evidence of the body doing something beneficial, which has evolved through eons of selection."

This new approach, he says, can add weapons to the physician's "mental toolbox." When treating a patient with

a bad cold, for instance, the doctor can offer some options. If you really can't miss work for the next few days, she can give you something to lower your fever, and you'll feel better sooner—but you'll be sick (and infectious) longer. If you can spend the next couple of days in bed, she might advise you to let your fever run, as long as it's moderate; you'll feel lousy in the short term, but you'll be healthy faster. If the fever's dangerously high, though, she'll

puters as an analogy. Most people use their laptop without ever worrying about what makes it run, while some know the ins and outs of microelectronics. Similarly, some doctors—for instance, those in the "repair" business, like surgeons—may not find a Darwinian approach particularly interesting. General practitioners, on the other hand, may consider it immensely helpful in day-to-day patient care. "What he's presenting holds a lot of

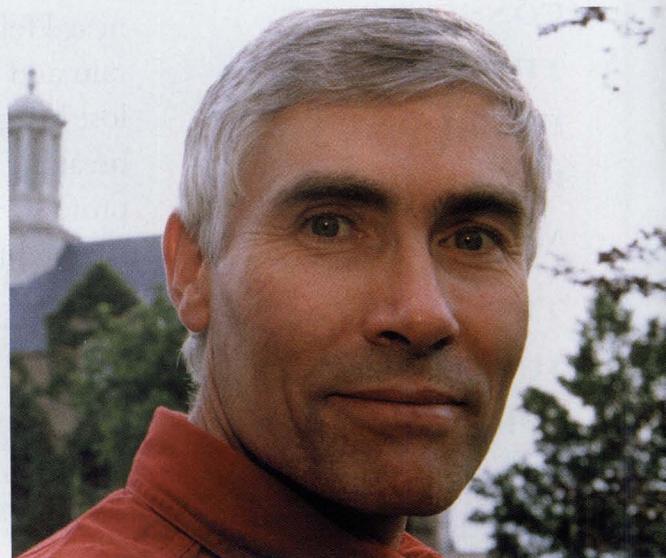
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prescribe drugs right away. "In the twenty-first century, as this kind of thinking becomes more widespread, the doctors' challenge will be to work with the patient to find the appropriate balance," Sherman says. "Which of these responses is of immediate medical concern, and which are of some value so we should work with them instead of against them?"

Sherman stresses that Darwinian medicine is not alternative medicine, nor is it homeopathy. It doesn't suggest that modern medicine is unnecessary, just that an evolutionary understanding of the body can help doctors and patients make better choices. "It's totally complementary," he says. "Physicians can only benefit from this. They're asking *how* something works. We're asking, 'Why does it work that way?'"

Sherman cites com-

promise," says Dr. Frank Chervenak, chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Cornell's Weill Medical College in New York. "Instinctively, a doctor has a knee-jerk reaction if something is abnormal to make it normal. The exciting thing about Paul's work is it makes you ask, 'Is that the right course to pursue?'"



**SOCIAL ANIMAL: SHERMAN STUDIES THE BEHAVIOR OF GROUND SQUIRRELS AND NAKED MOLE RATS.**

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### CHOKER?

The intersection of our air and food tubes isn't ideal, but it isn't so deadly that it inhibits reproduction. It's what evolutionary theorists call a "historical" rather than a "functional" design we inherited from our remote ancestors.

### GET ALLERGIES?

Researchers aren't sure, but it may be another conflict between our Stone Age bodies and the modern environment; the increasingly common allergy to peanuts, for example, may stem from modern processing. Another possibility is that individuals have allergic reactions to get the toxins to which they're most vulnerable out of their bodies.

### EXPERIENCE FEVER?

In humans and other creatures, a raised temperature creates a hostile environment for invading bacteria.

### GET MORNING SICKNESS?

Nausea and vomiting during pregnancy appears to be an effort by the mother's body to protect the developing fetus from toxins and pathogens in foods such as meat, eggs, and broccoli.

### GET CANCER?

Because we live too long. Our cells reproduce constantly; the longer we live, the more chances there are for a cancerous mutation to develop.

### SUFFER FROM MYOPIA?

It may be caused by the modern tendency to focus close for long periods of time during eye development—in other words, reading. Our ancestors, on the other hand, constantly readjusted their vision to see far and near.



### SUFFER FROM MENTAL ILLNESS?

Researchers theorize that conditions like anxiety, depression, and agoraphobia may be "overshoots" of appropriate survival reactions such as submissiveness, fear, or fight-or-flight—and that other conditions, such as schizophrenia, may be traced to infectious diseases contracted by the mother or infant.

### CRAVE FAT?

For most of human history, there was never enough food, so a craving for calorie-laden fat was an advantage. In an age of overabundance, it's a drawback—but changes in environment have happened faster than evolution can keep up.



Sam Flaxman '98, who studied with Sherman as an undergrad and is now pursuing a PhD in neurobiology and behavior on the Hill, got interested in Darwinian medicine because of his allergies. He'd always thought his body's reaction to cat hair and other substances was inherently negative; now he wonders if it might have some useful purpose. "It's a different way of looking at our experiences," he says. "We have an idea of what it means to be healthy, and when we don't fit that, we think that's bad. This puts symptoms in a whole new light."

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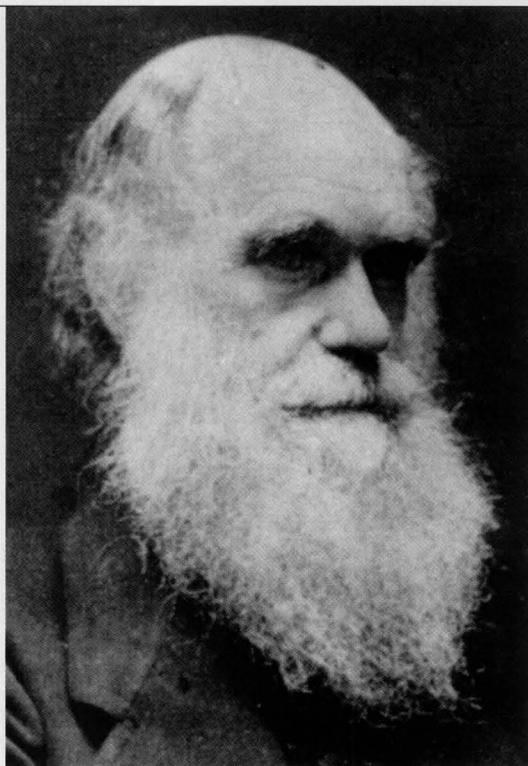
first asks a basic question: whom do they benefit? Some, like fever, aid the patient, so you probably don't want to suppress them; others can be harder to call. "A good example is a sneeze or a cough," Sherman says. "On the one hand, they might be your body's way of getting out an irritating substance. Alternatively, sometimes when you have a cold or flu you cough and sneeze and it's not doing you any good, but it's doing the pathogenic microorganism a lot of good, because it's spreading it."

For Darwinian doctors, understanding how viruses and bacteria propagate is a key part of infectious disease control, Sherman says. Those that spread through direct contact, like colds and flu, don't benefit themselves by being so virulent you can't get around enough to pass them on. So-called "vector-borne" diseases—those like malaria, cholera, and yellow fever that spread through vectors such as insects or water—are more deadly; they can reproduce faster since their transmission doesn't depend on their victims being well enough to move. (Sherman notes that HIV is a particularly frightening disease because it's transmitted through a vector *and* by direct contact; needles are man-made vectors that increase the virulence of an HIV strain every time it's passed on.) "A disease's effects on us can be understood by knowing what the disease itself is trying to do—what it

evolved to do," he says. "It's not a passive particle doing nothing. It's evolving, too, and if we think about it that way we suddenly have new insights into the kinds of diseases that are deadly and those that aren't."

Darwinian medicine traces its roots to the mid-1980s, when physician Randolph Nesse and evolutionary theorist George Williams met and, eventually, put a name to a field that had seen disparate pockets of research over the previous few decades. In March 1991 their seminal article on the subject, "The Dawn of Darwinian Medicine," appeared in the *Quarterly Review of Biology*, and two years later the world's first symposium on the topic was held in Boston at a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. In 1995 Nesse and Williams published *Why We Get Sick: The New Science of Darwinian Medicine*, still the field's leading text.

"The great mystery of medicine," they write, "is the presence, in a ma-



enough—is usually wrong."

The real answer, they say, is that the body is "a bundle of careful compromises." Like any machine, it has design trade-offs—the ultimate goal is not human health and happiness, but the perpetuation of our genes—and by understanding how evolution has shaped that design, modern medicine

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chine of exquisite design, of what seem to be flaws, frailties, and makeshift mechanisms that give rise to most disease. An evolutionary approach transforms this mystery into a series of answerable questions: Why hasn't the Darwinian process of natural selection steadily eliminated the genes that would make us susceptible to disease? Why hasn't it selected for genes that would perfect our ability to resist damage and enhance repairs so as to eliminate aging? The common answer—that natural selection just isn't powerful

can become more effective. "Inevitably, this will become a standard part of medical education," Williams says. "As far as I'm concerned, for any medical problem you can think of, there's a way evolutionary history and natural selection can guide research and treatment."

But as Sherman notes, it's a brand new field. Williams, a professor emeritus of ecology and evolution at the State University of New York, Stony Brook, and Nesse, a psychiatry professor at the University of Michigan medical school, are among a handful of scien-

tists who research it full time. "It's not a specialty yet," Sherman says. "What we're looking at is probably a twenty- to thirty-year horizon before everybody in the world picks up on it."

The subject has yet to gain a significant presence in medical schools, he says, and no university has a department dedicated to it; the advanced seminar he's taught on Darwinian medicine for Cornell juniors, seniors, and first-year grad students since the mid-1990s is one of the few such courses offered anywhere in the country. "This is coming in from biology and entering into medicine," he says. "It's so new there's no track record on it. Many doctors have never heard of this." (The field has its highest profile in Norway, where it's included in a standard reference work for general practitioners and is making inroads into the curricula at medical and nursing schools.)

Sherman, who studied pre-med at Stanford and went on to earn a PhD in zoology at the University of Michigan, teaches in the Arts college's neurobiology and behavior department. He's an expert on the cooperative and competitive behavior of social animals, particularly the ground squirrel and naked mole rat; the latter, mammals that live in large colonies akin to anthills, are the subject of a children's book he co-authored. When he came across Williams and Nesse's work, he says, he was hooked. "The more I read about it," he says, "the more I became convinced this would be something useful, both for society and for students."

Sherman is now one of only a few dozen American researchers delving into the field. On the Hill, he touches on Darwinian medicine in his courses on animal behavior; as a result, he says, "I'm overwhelmed with students wanting to do projects." Two of those projects turned into Sherman's highest-profile work on the subject to date. The first, conducted with Jennifer Billing '96, studied why residents of hot climates tend to cook with fiery spices. (They found that the spices themselves contain antibiotics that kill pathogens, so the people who craved them were less likely to die from eating contaminated food—and they taught those cooking techniques to

their children.) Another, instigated by then-junior Sam Flaxman, looked into why women get morning sickness. The results, published in the June 2000 issue of the *Quarterly Review of Biology* with Flaxman as lead author, have been lauded by women—including Katie Couric, who interviewed Sherman about the study on "Today." The work, like most Darwinian inquiries, was based on a "why" question: Why do women's bodies reject food at a time when their fetuses need nourishment the most? Is it an evolutionary mistake, or is there a purpose to it?

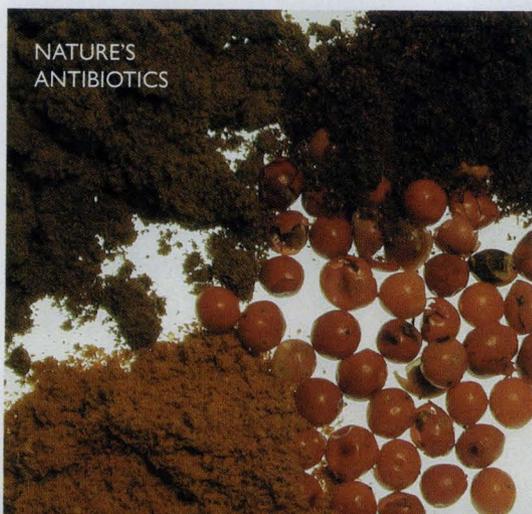
The researchers found that women don't suffer for nothing; in fact, those who experience moderate morning sickness are less likely to miscarry, so eliminating it may not be a good idea. The very foods that expectant mothers dislike the most—meat, eggs, strong-tasting vegetables like broccoli, caffeinated beverages—are most likely to contain chemicals or pathogens potentially harmful to the developing fetus. By rejecting those foods through nausea or vomiting, the mother's body is protecting the baby—and women with a genetic tendency toward morning sickness are therefore more likely to reproduce and pass on the trait to the next generation. "The bodies of 70 percent of the women in this world aren't failing in the face of a pregnancy," Sherman says. "Rather, they're responding in a defensive way against potential microorganisms and plant toxins in food. Yes, you feel miserable for a while, but there's an evolutionary reason behind it and it makes some sense." (Williams says their work is "an enormous improvement" over previous evolutionary studies of morning sick-

ness, and calls Sherman "among the most important people" in Darwinian medicine research.)

Morning sickness, like fever, is an example of the body's protective response being misunderstood. But that's just one category of phenomena Darwinian medicine covers; another is the conflict between ancient traits and modern society. "Human biology," as Nesse and Williams note in their 1991 article, "is designed for Stone Age conditions." Once upon a time, for instance, the craving for fat was a distinct evolutionary advantage, since it contains more calories than other types of food. But now we live in an age of abundance—and that same craving can be a one-way ticket to obesity and heart disease. "During our ancestral past, more was always better," Sherman says. "Within the range of what we could get our teeth on, the more of it you got, the better your nutrition. Today, the craving for fat is something we'd be better off without, given the serious consequences of overconsumption. That's an obvious example, but how many more are there?"

The same logic can be applied to vision, Nesse and Williams theorize. The issue of nearsightedness has always been a thorny one, evolutionarily speaking. Following the Darwinian principle of survival of the fittest, wouldn't people with a genetic tendency toward bad eyesight be winnowed out—be eaten by the proverbial lion? But the authors propose that nearsightedness is actually *caused* by modern society. Although many people have a genetic tendency toward myopia, it wasn't expressed as often, or as severely, until the advent of literacy.

For millennia, they note, people were constantly focusing far and near, near and far, from the hearth to the horizon. Focusing close for long periods of time, particularly during childhood eye development, is a relatively recent phenomenon; it may be the price we pay for reading. "Technology has advanced at a very rapid rate, but we still carry three and a half billion years of evolution with us," Sherman





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says. “We are the way we are, we see the way we see, because of that evolutionary past.”

Still another category of present-day ills can be traced to the fact that, in an earlier environment, they actually presented advantages. The gene that causes sickle-cell anemia protects heterozygous individuals (those that have one copy of it instead of the deadly two) from malaria; similarly, the gene that causes Tay-Sachs disease protects heterozygotes from tuberculosis. Since only a few people suffer the consequences of getting two copies of those

once worth the cost. But take away the threat of malaria and TB, and all you’re left with is the risk of sickle-cell and Tay-Sachs.

Other evolutionary trade-offs affect everyone. Take aging, senescence (decrepitude), and death. The question of why people get old and die may be one for the philosophers, but it’s also one for evolutionary theorists. The answer to it, like all Darwinian queries, lies in the genes. Common wisdom might say that people die to make room for others, but Sherman only chuckles. Natural selection doesn’t fa-

Nesse and Williams note, was generated not by nature but by broom-wielding documentarians. “Darwinian logic has to do with the survival of the individual and its genes, its family,” Sherman says. “Organisms in nature do *not* do things to benefit their species, their ecosystem, or their world. They do things to benefit themselves and their genetic material.”

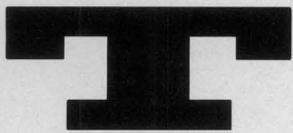
So why do people die? Because once they reproduce, their genes no longer care what happens to them. Humans, therefore, are designed to be robust during their reproductive years—and any healthy life you have after that is just a fringe benefit. That logic also helps explain why women live longer than men. Men are even more “built for speed” than women are, their lives even more front-loaded. Historically, they had to be strong and robust to attract a mate when they were young, so their candle burns both brighter and shorter. (Women, furthermore, are evolutionarily predisposed to longer lives. Since they’re assured of their genetic relationship to the children they bear, they can help promote their survival by living long enough to act as mother and grandmother.)

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genes and thereby develop sickle-cell or Tay-Sachs—and the ability to survive malaria or TB is such an advantage during an outbreak—the gene was

vor individuals that sacrifice themselves for others, unless they’re close relatives; that famed footage of migrating lemmings leaping to their deaths,



he bottom line, Sherman says, is that the search for a fountain of youth is fu-

tile. "It's a losing cause," he says. "It's not gonna happen." Although the average life expectancy has risen dramatically—mostly due to drops in childhood mortality—the *maximum* life-span has stayed pretty much the same. "The oldest people 1,000 years ago lived to be about a hundred," he says. "The oldest people today live to be about a hundred. What that should say is that doctors should concentrate on the quality of life, not on prolonging life."

Helping prioritize where medical resources should be spent is one of the field's biggest potential contributions, Sherman says. If morning sickness isn't something to be avoided except in extreme cases, for example, then working to develop a new drug for it is probably not a great idea. On the other hand, biologists know that the evolutionary contest between humans and pathogens will go on for eternity, so exploring new ways to treat infectious diseases should be a priority. "It's a co-evolutionary race," he says, "a never-ending arms race. Every time we get better at treating a disease, the disease gets better."

Sherman is presently juggling three Darwinian projects: one on the causes of pre-eclampsia, an immense rise in blood pressure after about the twentieth week of pregnancy that can cost the lives of both mother and fetus; another on lactose intolerance, which has been found to be more common in non-dairying societies but is present even in dairying ones; and a third on the usefulness of allergies. "Darwinian medicine is an approach that says, 'Let's work with our bodies instead of fighting them,'" Sherman says. "Now, we go to doctors and say, 'I'm sick, fix me.' We want the latest miracle drug to ameliorate all our symptoms, take away the pain, change everything, make us live forever. It isn't the doctors imposing this on us, it's us imposing it on the doctors. We need to change our whole cultural attitude."

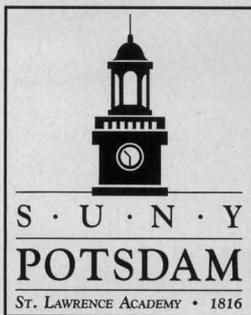


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# Getting religion

*From Protestant (though non-sectarian) roots, Cornell has become home to a wide variety of beliefs, from Catholicism to Islam, paganism to Baha'i.*

BY SHARON TREGASKIS

SITTING AND KNEELING ON striped rugs, nearly one hundred men face the Eastern corner of Anabel Taylor Hall's One World Room on the first Friday of the semester. They are Muslims gathered for Jumma, weekly congregational prayers, where Vet researcher Mossaad Abdel-Ghany preaches on the importance of following Allah's commands. "What will you say when you die?" he asks. "I'm sorry, I was watching a movie?" If you know the prayer time is now, you must pray now." His audience is the Muslim Educational and Cultural Association,



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SACRED SPOTS: THE CEILING OF SAGE CHAPEL, BUILT IN 1873 (LEFT) AND MUSLIMS HOLDING WEEKLY CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS IN ANABEL TAYLOR HALL'S ONE WORLD ROOM (ABOVE)

MECA, comprising grad students, faculty, staff, and a few Ithaca natives. Some are bearded and wear turbans; others are clean-shaven in jeans and sweatshirts. A few yards behind them, a dozen women—most in skirts, all with their heads and necks covered by scarves—kneel on another rug. When the sermon ends, they all stand, as Abdel-Ghany has encouraged, “shoulder to shoulder and foot to foot,” for the concluding prayers.

On the third night of spring classes, the Helen Newman bowling lanes are full. At the far end a men’s league plays for cash. Closer to the shoe counter, the Jewish Women’s Group has taken three lanes for recreational games. “Want one?” asks a high-energy brunette, offering candy, then withdrawing the proffered bag to examine its label. “I’m not sure whether it’s kosher.” Excepting the group’s president, who took bowling to fulfill a phys ed requirement, the women aren’t serious kegglers. They are serious about their heritage, though, and they meet regularly to socialize and discuss topics that include how love is portrayed in scripture, the politics of hair and makeup, and balancing Jewish family values with career pursuits. Tonight, between high fives celebrating the odd strike or spare, the conversation turns from the cost of tuition to their new classes to observance of holidays and stereotypes about their faith. They talk about a recent engagement party and whether dating is different for more observant Jews. “Premarital sex?” says one. “I won’t even touch a man ’til I’m married.” Another looks up from the scoring desk. “But afterward, sex is a *mitzvah*. A double *mitzvah* on the Sabbath,” she says, and they laugh.

The following Sunday morning, Korean Church Pastor Heewon Chun greets the English-speaking part of his flock in the One World Room. An eighteen-inch-tall wooden cross on the windowsill behind the lectern is the only evidence that worship is about to begin. A student reads from the Bible, then the multiracial group breaks into song. About fifty students clap and sing lyrics projected onto a movie screen, accompanied by undergrads playing electric bass, guitar, keyboard, and drums. After four songs, a student reads part of a Psalm and Chun gives a thirty-minute sermon called “Faith and Farming” on the secrets of receiving Christ’s blessings. “I know how precious your time is and how precious your classes are to you,” he says, fingers skimming over his Braille notes, “but give your time to the Lord, reading the scriptures.”

As the English congregation disperses, a twenty-member choir has begun rehearsing a hymn for the later, more traditional service in the interfaith chapel upstairs. The bright room with its vaulted ceiling, pipe organ, and slate floors will accommodate roughly 200 congregants. About one-third aren’t fluent in English, so Chun’s sermon will be in Korean. Already this morning, the chapel has been the site of Episcopalian Eucharist and a service by the Protestant Cooperative Ministry; later, African-American worship will be held here. “We recognize and support faith communities,” says Cornell United Religious Work director Bob Johnson. “We’re open to anyone who agrees to the ground rules not to demean others in the advancement of their own perspective.”

In its early days, critics called Cornell “a goddess place” because of its founder’s refusal to affiliate his university with a single Protestant denomination. Yet for most of the past 135 years, non-sectarianism at Cornell has meant not an absence of religion, but a smorgasbord of worship and fellowship. While the university doesn’t keep statistics on religious affiliation, more than 5,000 of Cornell’s 19,000 students participate in faith-related organizations on campus. For some, observance means not only attending weekly services but making choices about where to eat, what to wear, whom to date, how to party, and what to study. “The faith community,” says Johnson, “functions like a surrogate family.”

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THE KOREAN WORSHIP TEAM LEADS SINGING AT AN INFORMAL ENGLISH SERVICE; JEWISH WOMEN CHAT AT THE LANES; MUSLIMS LISTEN TO A JUMMA SERMON

SHARON TREGASKIS LEFT AND CENTER



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## TWO BUILDINGS, MANY FAITHS

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hile spaces like Anabel Taylor's One World Room and the Willard Straight Hall Memorial Room have housed religious services in addition to other functions, the two chapels on campus were specifically designed for interfaith worship. Erected in 1873, Sage Chapel has a Christian theme, with a cross-shaped floor plan and central pulpit; angels and archangels adorning the vaulted ceiling above the apse represent the Triumph of the Cross. With seating for 800, the chapel is the site of ecumenical worship on Sundays, as well as weddings, concerts, and memorials. When Martin Luther King Jr.'s father spoke there in the late Sixties, recalls former CURW director Jack Lewis, students hung out the windows of the packed building to hear his address. "We have a

history that chapel always had to appeal to the sensibilities of students," says CURW associate director Janet Shortall. "It has made us aware that we'd better make sure it's inspiring."

The apse mosaic in Sage, installed in 1899 when the building was enlarged, draws on secular educational images, as well as religious motifs. Life-size depictions of philosophy, fine arts, and the sciences stand at ground level behind the pulpit, and images of a young man and woman below the pilasters honor the benefactor's commitment to coeducation. A stained glass window in the north transept commemorates three civil rights activists, including Michael Schwerner '61, killed in Mississippi in 1964; a plaque in the choir loft honors author E. B. White '21. Ezra Cornell, Jennie McGraw Fiske, and A. D. White are buried in a crypt on the main floor.

The chapel in Anabel Taylor, built in 1952, has a single central corridor, bright white walls, a forty-seven-foot ceiling, oak trusses, and lancet windows extolling virtues such as compassion, service, serenity, and integrity, but the apse design is not original to the chapel, which was renovated after arson gutted the sanctuary in 1968. (While the crime was never solved, authorities believed it to be racially, rather than religiously, motivated.) Before that time, a twenty-foot-high revolving pulpit included Christian, Jewish, and non-religious panels. The charred remains, a three-and-a-half-foot section of the Jewish side, now hang in the CURW offices down the hall.

with meeting students' spiritual needs, bringing together representatives from twenty-two religious organizations including Catholicism, three branches of Judaism, more than a dozen Protestant denominations, Eastern orthodoxy, Buddhism, and even paganism. "The diversity is a great strength," says Paul Reed '92, a former president of Cornell's Campus Crusade for Christ who now balances full-time youth ministry in Ohio with part-time seminary studies in Chicago. "It lets you hone in on what you be-

lieve and test it so you don't have a narrow, pre-determined world view. It allows people to have meaningful conversations asking, 'Is there a God, and what difference could He make in our lives?'"

Religion at Cornell is interfaith by design, but there's still room for improvement, say some on campus. This year the student assembly worked on recommendations to help observant undergrads travel home for holidays without having to worry about missing exams. Nicole Simon '02, a vegetarian, spent much of last year

ABOVE: STAINED GLASS IN ANABEL TAYLOR (LEFT); THE SAGE APSE MOSAIC (CENTER), WHICH DEPICTS ALLEGORIES OF THEOLOGY AND EDUCATION; THE CHARRED REMAINS OF THE ORIGINAL ANABEL TAYLOR PULPIT.

pushing for palatable, meat-free options at the Kosher Dining Hall. CURW doesn't yet have a Hindu swami or a formal relationship with the Chinese Christian Church near Collegetown. Associate director Janet Shortall is working to improve the African-American worship service with help from the local AME Zion church and representatives of the Festival for Black Gospel. Anabel Taylor Hall, built in 1952 as a center for all campus religious groups, has become the biggest source of conflict within CURW because of competition for office and meeting space. Plans for an addition to Anabel Taylor have been approved by university trustees, but no construction date has been set.

WHEN THE MECA PRAYER MEETING ENDS, THE volume picks up. Worshipers visit in small groups before returning to offices, labs, or the library. They are predominantly international students, representing fifty countries. Though

Abdel-Ghany's sermon was in English, conversations are in Arabic, Malay, and Pakistani. Undergrads make plans to play basketball or soccer, hang out at someone's apartment, drive to Syracuse or Binghamton for dinner at Halal restaurants. "We're fostering religious relationships while preventing students from binge drinking or experimenting with drugs," says Saif Ahmed '01, a computer science major who has become more orthodox through his involvement with MECA. "When you come for congregational prayers you can meet other Muslims to socialize and network with, and provide friendship and support to your Muslim brothers and sisters."

Unlike MECA, which became a member of CURW in 1966 and has used spaces in Anabel Taylor for daily and weekly prayer meetings ever since, the Hindi and Baha'i groups are outside the university's religious umbrella. (While CURW accepts any group that agrees to follow its rules, some choose not to apply.) Hindi students primarily organize around holidays, such as

## BEYOND BELIEF: RELIGIOUS STUDIES



Of the eight alumni in Cornell's first class, three—an Episcopalian, a Lutheran, and a Presbyterian—went on to careers in the church as clergy. Occasionally, today's students still go on to seminary with hopes of combining their spiritual and professional lives. But so far as religious studies director Jane Marie Law is concerned, practicing a faith and studying it aren't the same thing. "The purpose of our classes is not to answer spiritual questions," says the professor of Japanese religions and ritual studies, explaining that the program investigates the influence of religious traditions on culture. "We have to be unshackled from truth claims." This semester Law teaches Japanese Buddhism, as well as History and Methods in the Academic Study of Religion. "You're studying the texts, the rituals, the communities, the ecclesiastical structures," she says. "You're asking how it influences art, poetry, literature, and government. How does it provide models for the family, or for violence and reconciliation? They're not necessarily the same questions a person would ask when they're choosing a faith."

While the university's first endowed professorship, funded by Henry Sage in 1886, was a chair of philosophy and Christian ethics, and religion classes have been offered for credit since the Fifties, majoring in religion has been possible only since 1991. The interdisciplinary Religious Studies program is similar to Women's Studies and Peace Studies; about forty Arts college faculty, including art historians, archaeologists, and medievalists, offer standard survey classes like Intro to Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, as well as in-depth studies of Buddhism, Hindu traditions, and Japanese religions. A New Testament scholar teaches Reinventing Biblical Narrative using the Dead Sea Scrolls, rabbinic literature, and the writings of early Jewish philosophers. An Arabic Literature professor teaches Muhammad and Mystics in the Literatures of the Islamic World. A theatre professor offers Film and Spiritual Questions, while a history course on the intellectual and cultural life of nineteenth-century Americans explores religious pluralism in the 1800s.

This year, there are about 1,000 undergrads enrolled in Religious Studies classes as well as two dozen majors. Some will go on to medical or law school and one senior has accepted a position on Wall Street. Each is required to become proficient in a foreign language. "It's possible to do primary source textual study in the original language in most of the world religions at Cornell," says Law, whose students read sources such as the New Testament in Greek, Jewish Bible materials in Hebrew and Aramaic, Vedic texts in Sanskrit, or Islamic teachings in Arabic. Understanding spiritual traditions is crucial, says Law, especially in the U.S., where people both consider themselves religious and take pride in the nation's separation of church and state. "Religious Studies is looking at the dynamics of tradition," she says, "and not being forced at the end to conform to what the church or the rabbis or the monks say, but what the rigorous academic analysis says."

Diwali, the new year celebration of lights, when Cornell's Society for India hosts a cultural variety show with classical and modern dance and traditional South Indian music.

Baha'i, a faith founded in 1844 in Tehran, recognizes the teachings of Abraham, Krishna, Moses, Buddha, Zoroaster, Christ, and Muhammad. At a Baha'i unity feast in early December, thirty students, faculty, and community members meet in the home of a recent Ag school grad in the Belle Sherman neighborhood near College-town. The Baha'i eschew clerical hierarchy, don't proselytize, and observe no liturgical ritual. Sitting in a circle in the living room, each adult reads aloud a passage or hymn picked by the evening's hosts. Senior Carmel Majidi, an engineer, reads a Baha'i scripture describing God's assignment of the prophets Jesus and Muhammad as healers, chosen to treat the human condition in their respective times and places. A woman recites a prayer in German; across the room an eight-year-old girl recites another in English. The

group sits in silent prayer and meditation, then together they sing "Amazing Grace" and close with a call and response song with verses in English, German, and French.

The Baha'i, like the Muslims, observe a month of fasting, don't engage in sex outside of marriage, and consume neither drugs nor alcohol. "You can imagine that's quite a blow to social life in America," says MECA's Ahmed. "It also becomes a great temptation to students. There's a lot of different rules and guidelines, but alcohol is the one that gets tested a lot."

Some orthodox Jews and Muslims maintain separation of the sexes not only during worship but also socially. And while some students use their time on campus to explore possibilities outside their family's religion, others become more observant. "Usually it turns out that who you associate with determines what you do," says Ahmed. "We're not trying to be Big Brother, but we're trying to function as an alternate social circle where you can be sure you're not going to be

FAITH FOCUS:  
JAPANESE RELI-  
GIONS EXPERT  
JANE MARIE LAW,  
AN OBSERVANT  
JEW WHO PRACTICES  
BUDDHIST  
MEDITATION (LEFT)  
AND CURW'S  
JANET SHORTALL,  
A UNITARIAN  
MINISTER



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## 'TOWARD A COMMON END'

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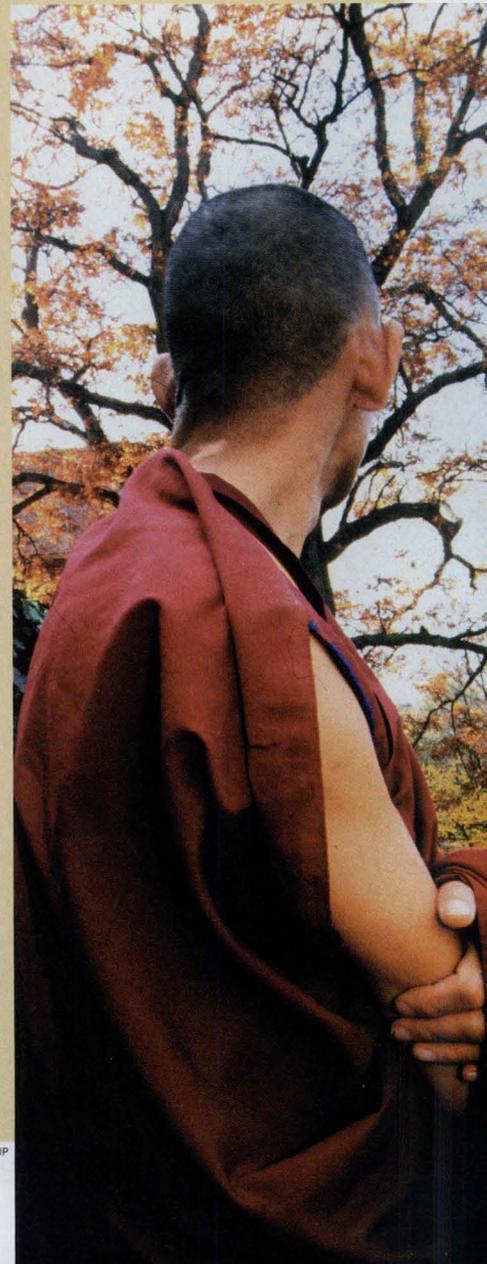
erhaps the early criticism of Cornell as “godless” because of its non-sectarian nature was true—at least by comparison to its peers. Dartmouth was founded by a Congregational minister, and students attended mandatory daily chapel. Princeton, established by the Presbyterian synod of New Jersey, held its first classes in a parsonage. Theology was so central at Harvard that its first president, Henry Dunster, was driven from office for taking a stand against infant baptism. By contrast, Cornell’s first president, Andrew Dickson White, the son of devout Episcopalians, refused to be confirmed in his parents’ faith and at his inauguration used Dunster’s ousting 214 years earlier as an illustration of the shortcomings of the “sectarian spirit” in higher education. New York State codified Cornell’s non-sectarian nature in its charter, mandating that students, faculty, and university officers be chosen without regard for their religious or political views. There was no divinity school, no department of religious studies. Student attendance at Sage Chapel’s ecumenical services was optional. Indeed, some parents were horrified that an institution would reject denominational affiliation and did their best to dissuade their sons from attending the newly formed university at Ithaca.

Although Cornell was mainly Protestant in its first few decades, in 1888 a student Catholic Union was founded and by 1929 a priest and rabbi had come to campus as part of the nascent Cornell United Religious Work. Barnes Hall, built in 1889 for student religious activities, was its first home. CURW, wrote former Cornell President Livingston Farrand in 1939, “is the first example in my experience in an American university where Protestant and Catholic, Christian and Jew, and other religionists have been brought together in one organization and where they work together toward a common end.”

CURW grew out of the vision of Richard Henry Edwards, hired as the first full-time administrator of the Cornell University Christian Association in 1919. Edwards, a New England Congregationalist, accepted the position on one condition—that he be allowed to work not only with the association, but with local ministers. “There is required a persistent determination on the part of each of us to understand with sympathetic appreciation the point of view of other groups and to respect these differences even when we cannot individually agree with them,” he said twenty years later. “One might say *especially* when one can *not* agree with them.”

In addition to meeting spiritual needs, CURW in those early days played a practical role in university administration. It published the freshman desk book, which by 1939 had evolved into a 200-page volume acquainting new students with the Cornell community. A freshman camp, held the week before fall registration, ran from 1926 until 1957, when demand exceeded capacity. Before the university had formal mental health services, chaplains helped students keep their balance. “Counseling has been one of their largest contributions to university life,” wrote Edwards of his staff in 1939. “Every type of student perplexity seems to have been dealt with here—home relations, financial embarrassments, anxieties in sickness, love affairs, changes in intellectual and vocational outlook, bafflements in matters of religious beliefs, confusions in moral standards, and the like.”

Unitarians and Quakers joined CURW in the Thirties, and MECA joined in the late Sixties. Johnson’s predecessor, Jack Lewis (who calls himself a “Universalist Presbyterian”), reached out to non-Judeo-Christian faiths such as Islam and embraced the student activism of the Sixties. It was under Lewis’s watch that Jesuit priest Daniel Berrigan came to campus and the Center for Religion, Ethics, and Social Policy was formed to bring together students whose religious convictions inspire them to social action. Under retiring director Bob Johnson’s leadership, CURW has incorporated more of the campus’s evangelical Christian groups, as well as United Pagan Ministries and a Tibetan monk. “Students have told me how good it is to have a Buddhist presence on campus,” says Johnson. “His saffron robes stand out a lot better than a clerical collar.”



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tempted to do the various things that aren't allowed by Islam." Joining a fraternity, for example, would cause conflicts for an observant Muslim. "Just like you can't get intoxicated," he says, "you're not supposed to encourage other people to get intoxicated." For orthodox Jews, whose Sabbath begins on Friday at sundown, the Greek system is equally impossible. "Their activities are on Friday nights," says senior Talia Ben-Jacobs, "and they don't have kosher kitchens."

But for some faiths, socializing outside their religion is a critical component of evangelism. "Christianity was never intended to be lived out in an isolated situation," says Paul Reed, who taught Sunday school and led Bible studies as an undergrad. "Being in a fraternity gave me opportunities to interact with people of vastly different religions, faiths, practices." Reed's Psi Upsilon roommate volunteered with a ministry to high school students; after a mixer with a sorority, the pair showed a video at Psi U about evidence for the Christian faith. "If you have maturity in your relationship with Christ, the fraternities won't be a detriment to that," he says. "I never drank at Psi U, was never expected to, and was even pledge educator. The fraternities provide the ultimate experience for Christians to encourage one another and help others consider Christ."

Other students, however, choose to live with people who share their faith. At the Center for Jewish Living on West Campus, men occupy the first and second stories, women the third. "It's not so kosher to have boys and girls on the same floor," explains freshman resident Stacy Heidecker, though rules banning opposite-sex friends from daytime visits have been relaxed in recent years. Heidecker, an Ag student from Long Island, is more observant than her parents. She hasn't worn pants in mixed company since the tenth grade, celebrates even minor holidays, and keeps kosher, a choice that can be a little tricky when it comes to lunchtime class sessions. So far, she says, professors have been understanding, asking where they can get kosher sandwiches locally and allowing her to reschedule exams if necessary. "My parents say I could have more destructive pursuits," she says with a laugh, "so this is a lot better."

Most students whose religion affects their social lives say they are rarely teased by classmates and usually encounter respect, understanding, or curiosity. CURW's Janet Shortall attributes the vibrance of religious life on campus to the university's non-sectarian roots. "Since Cornell was founded at a time when universities were most often religiously inspired," she says, "there had to be active support for the diverse expression of religious life here from the very beginning."

Currently sixteen chaplains devote at least twenty hours each week to meeting with their fellow clergy, promoting interfaith understanding,

and fulfilling their campus duties, such as counseling and leading worship. "We make great efforts to model civility in conversations about controversial issues—sexuality, abortion, capital punishment, and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, among others," says Shortall. "For the most part, people engage each other straightforwardly."

Direct engagement can be tough, though, especially on a campus with such extreme differences. This semester, Hillel's bulletin board on the ground floor of Anabel Taylor includes pro-Israeli magazines. The MECA bulletin board outside the One World Room addresses the West Bank conflict; one posting is a full-page newspaper ad asking, "Who is the Aggressor in Palestine?" Last fall, however, MECA and Hillel co-sponsored a discussion on the conflict that drew 400 students to Willard Straight Hall's Memorial Room; MECA's Pakistani president calls the talks "intense and informational." Afterwards, CURW chaplains from all faiths circulated, debriefing informally with students. "It got heated," says Shortall. "Though this was a discussion that was happening between primarily the Jewish and Muslim communities, the challenge of those conversations had a pull for the rest of us as well."

Sometimes, the chaplains' weekly meetings inspire topics for interfaith discussion. Conversations about paganism, for instance, prompted a year-long partnership between pagans and leaders of an evangelical Christian club, which culminated in a panel discussion sponsored by the two groups and attended by nearly 500 students. "It was a surprisingly respectful exchange," says Julia Watts '99, who served as the United Pagan Ministries representative to CURW when she was a student.

Raised in a non-religious home, Watts became a pagan in high school and came to Cornell as a college scholar, writing a senior thesis on the persecution of witches in Reformation Germany. She's currently studying to become an interfaith minister at Berkeley's Starr King School. "I've always been a spiritual person," she says, "but I've seen religion used against me in terms of paganism and gay issues. I came to Cornell wanting to figure out how religion works as a social force."

As Cornell copes with challenges ranging from last fall's harassment of Asian students on campus to local concern about violence in the West Bank, Shortall suggests that the chaplains are uniquely situated to promote tolerance. They regularly confront the contrasts between their theological perspectives, she says, yet must refrain from attempts to convert one another. "We're living in a culture where people don't really model a way of being with each other that's about genuinely receiving someone else," she says. "As chaplains, we are poised to have deep conversations about difference." ●

# frequent flyer



If you read about travel, you've probably gotten some advice from Chekitan Dev. The Hotel school marketing professor has critiqued trends in the hospitality industry in such publications as the *Wall Street Journal*, the *New York Times*, the *L.A. Times*, *USA Today*, *Time*, and *Newsweek*.

A native of India who has taught on the Hill for the past twelve years, Dev has logged more than a million miles in his travels. Though his teaching load (and a three-year-old son) now keep him closer to home, he still does consulting work for companies on five continents.

#### **Are Americans travelling more than ever?**

For the past five years, the travel business has been doing phenomenally well. But the average length of a pleasure vacation has actually been getting shorter. The most prevalent leisure trips are probably long weekends—two to three nights—as opposed to the usual weeklong or two-week vacation.

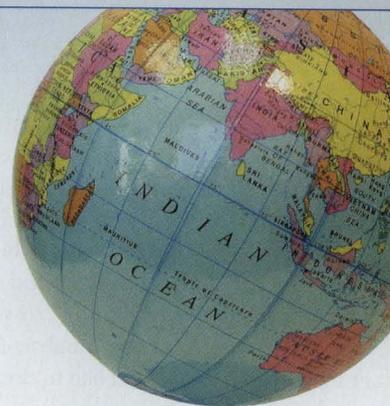
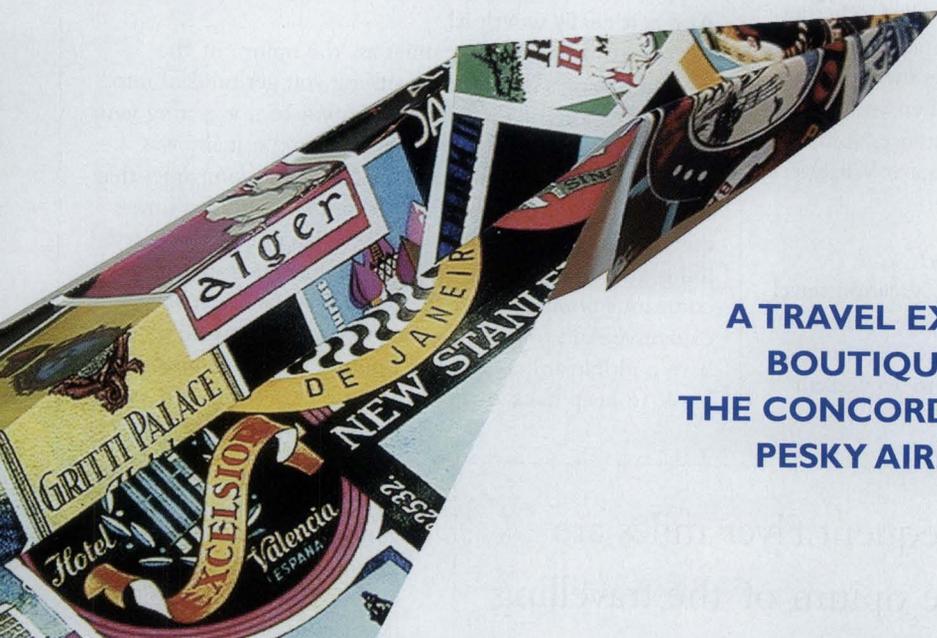
#### **Ellsworth Statler, namesake of Cornell's Statler Hotel, invented the modern hotel at the beginning of the twentieth century. How have hotels evolved since then?**

Back then you'd get a clean room for the night with a bath attached. Since then the hotel business has metamorphosed into many shapes, colors, sizes, and purposes. It's become a lot more customer-oriented rather than product-oriented, serving different groups of consumers with different types of hotels. I often compare the hotel business to the auto business. When Henry Ford made his first car, the tagline was, "You can have it in any color, as long as it's black." So just as you now have different kinds of automobiles, with each one serving a distinct market segment, there are many configurations of the basic hotel. Today, we have over 200 brands, where ten years ago there were about half that number.

#### **"Boutique" hotels have gotten a lot of press lately.**

##### **What are they and why are they so popular?**

Boutique hotels have actually been around for a long time, but they've just come to the fore in the last few years. They've carved out a niche for themselves and said, "In addition to all the things that a hotel provides, what we need to provide is style." For example, at one the employees are all dressed in black, and they're hired from the entertainment business. They don't look like typical hotel employees with brown-and-gray uniforms; they look more like fashion models. Everything is funky. The lobby has strange-looking chairs, apparently mismatched furniture, exciting colors. The bathrooms have stainless steel, conical sinks. Another hotel has wheatgrass growing on the windowsills and bed sheets with poetry printed on them.



## A TRAVEL EXPERT TALKS BOUTIQUE HOTELS, THE CONCORDE, AND THOSE PESKY AIRLINE MILES

### Who gravitates toward these hotels?

We thought they would attract only a narrow segment of the population—fashion, entertainment, music, people who are on the cutting edge—the L.A. crowd, if you will. What we found over time was that this was really not true. Even mainstream travelers are drawn to these hotels because they provide something different at the same price point. Most people are looking for something more than a ho-hum hotel experience. They want something interesting and creative, that really stimulates the senses.

### How has the Internet affected the hotel business?

In my classes, I refer to the “collapse of the travel distribution chain.” Traditionally, there were many intermediaries between the travel supplier—say, the hotel company—and the traveler. Today the traveler is able to connect directly with suppliers through an electronic intermediary like Expedia or Travelocity. The choices are many and varied, price comparisons are possible, and people can make deals using services like Priceline. The locus of control is shifting from the supplier to the buyer.

### How will the industry cope?

With difficulty. They're still coming to terms with whether the Internet is a friend or a foe. On one hand, they see significant reductions in distribution costs—connecting with customers, buying supplies—which they can pass on to the consumer in terms of lower rates. On the other hand, they see the fact that the Internet is enabling people to shop for the lowest price as a threat. People can evaluate choices much more easily than they could in the past.

### And that's bad news?

From the small, independent hotel's perspective, it's

definitely good news, because now their market is truly the world. But the traditional chain hotels that have dominated the distribution system are threatened, because they're just another choice.

### What's happening at the top end of the hotel industry?

At the very high end, “money is no object” is literally becoming a reality. There are a large number of people—not just sultans and royalty, but frequent business travelers—who are willing to pay whatever it takes to have all their needs met. Hotels are offering very profitable services to these travelers, things that you used to think of as being done for movie stars: limos, jets, personalized shopping, setting up meetings. A lot of it is about making your time more productive. I often tell my students that my parents' generation spent time to save money, but today's generation is willing to spend money to save time.



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### “Guest histories” is a new catchphrase in the lodging industry. What does it mean?

Customer loyalty is the new mantra. One of the ways you build that relationship is giving the customer what they want every time, so you try to document their preferences. You ask them questions, observe what they do, note their

special requests. Then you put that into a database so the next time around, you don't need to ask what kind of room they want, how they like their tuna cooked, whether they want extra pillows, a special blanket, a certain newspaper. The rough equivalent would be new cars that adjust to you—the seat and the mirrors and so on. When you walk into a hotel, the system adjusts to your preferences, so the minibar is no longer just a minibar, it's *your* minibar. Whatever's in there reflects what you like to drink.

#### **Are hotels becoming more family-friendly?**

They are, for two reasons. One is that family vacation travel is up. But the surprising trend in the last five years has been people travelling on business with kids in tow. That number has nearly doubled, from 7 percent in 1995 to 13 percent in 1999, so hotels have almost been forced to take a more kid-friendly approach. Initially it was just offering crayons and drawing paper at check-in. Then the minibars started to have milk and cookies, and there'd be special blankets and maybe a teddy bear or two. Now you've gotten to the point where hotels actually have themed rooms—you can get the Winnie the Pooh room or the Thomas the Tank Engine room or the Pokémon room. By one estimate, 10 percent of all the rooms in this country are themed in some fashion.

#### **Why are airline prices so unpredictable?**

It's called "revenue management." From the traveler's point of view it's a curse or a blessing, depending on where you are and what sort of travel you're doing. On average, airlines change prices 250,000 times a day. The airlines are trying to maximize revenue, to get the most money for each seat. The consumer, on the other hand, is trying to buy a ticket at the lowest price, so there's an ongoing battle. The airlines have the advantage because they've got billions and billions of transactions across time, and they can now predict with a fair amount of accuracy what types of fares will fill the plane.

#### **What's the future of supersonic travel in the wake of the Concorde crash last summer?**

As the Concorde has shown, there is a viable segment that values time, which is an increasingly perishable commodity. We talk about "time poverty" as one of the most significant trends affecting frequent business travelers. People want to do what Concorde travelers do, which is travel to Europe and return the same business day—before they've actually left in terms of time zones. Even if there is no longer a Concorde, I think somebody will step in and fill the gap in

providing supersonic transatlantic travel.

#### **Why are people so obsessed with frequent flyer miles? And is it really worth it?**

We refer to frequent flier miles as "the opium of the travelling masses." They're something you get hooked into. You want more of them, and when you're not getting your mileage fix, you get angry. What miles did initially was create some differential brand loyalty, so for companies that offered them—like American Airlines and Holiday Inn—they did drive business. Now they've become an accepted thing, and everybody has to offer them. But from the company's point of view, the programs have been very expensive. And from a customer's point of view, all of us have multiple airline and hotel points, so it's becoming a hassle to keep track of them, and there's a lot of fine print about when you can and can't use them.

#### **Are airline practices contributing to "air rage"?**

I think so. In trying to be more efficient, they're putting travelers under a lot of pressure in terms of time, schedules, delays, overbooking, and all that. But I don't want to put the entire blame on their doorstep. I think there's more pressure on the average working person in terms of twenty-four-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week productivity while they're on the road. They have to travel much more and deal with traffic, airlines, car rentals. People are just stressed out.

#### **Will there be a return to the romance of air travel?**

Yes, but at a price. Business class and first class cabins of international airlines are evolving. Airbus just announced its new 600-passenger plane with bars and lounges—things you had in the old days. It would be a large plane that has the space to accommodate both people that only want to pay for "Greyhound with wings," because that's their budget, and people who'll pay for a sleeperette and a shower.

#### **What's the future for small regional airports—like Ithaca's—that have only one or two airlines and relatively high fares?**

It's not good news. I think you're going to continue to be held hostage by the one or two airlines that serve your market. The only hope is for us to get more airlines. I think we should have President Rawlings and Peggy Williams, the president of Ithaca College, get on a conference call with the CEO of Southwest Airlines to invite his company to fly out of Ithaca.

— Beth Saulnier

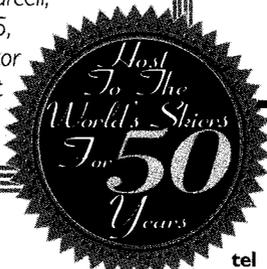
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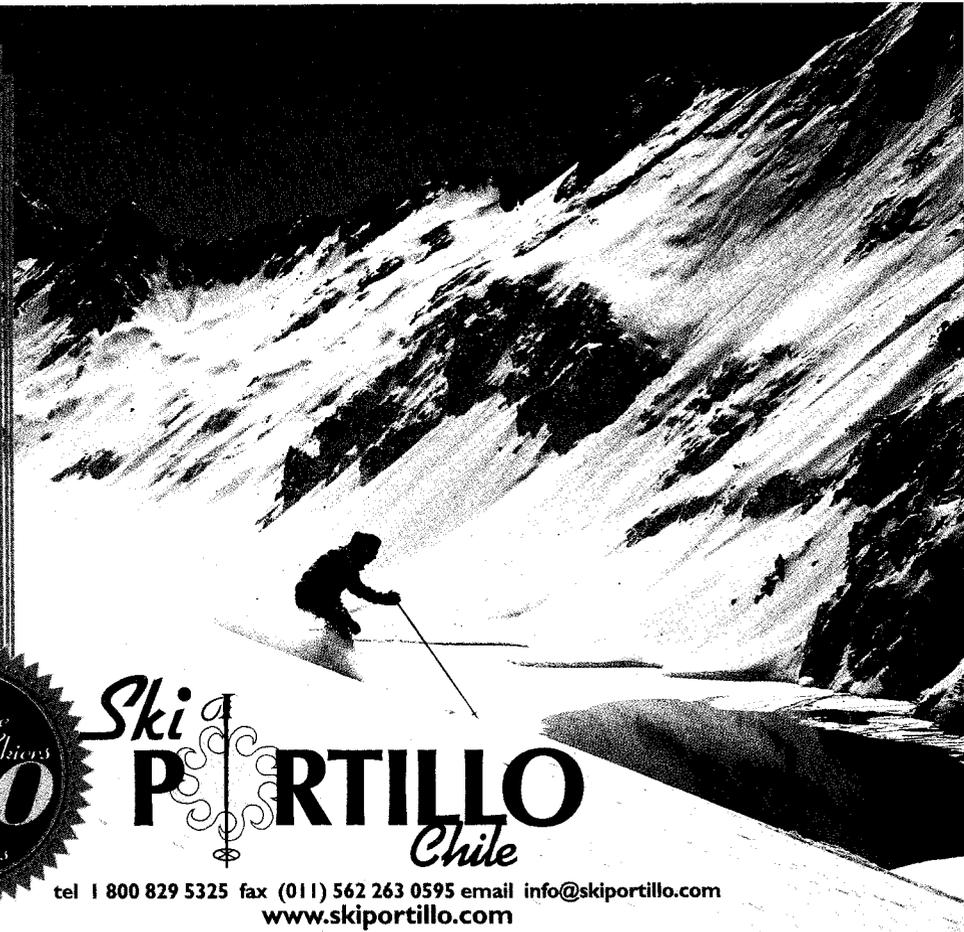
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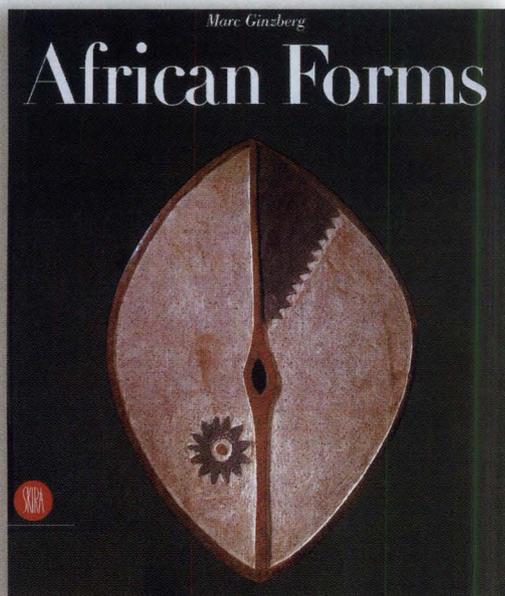
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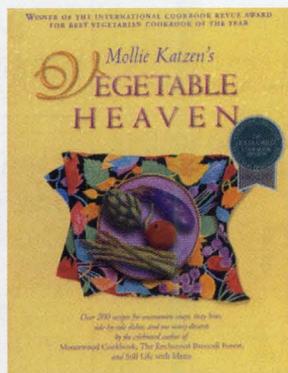
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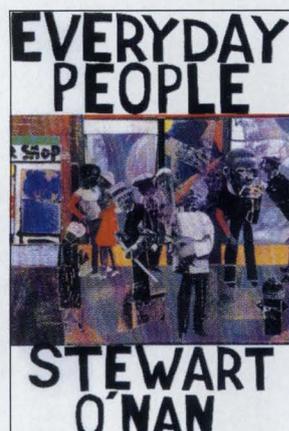
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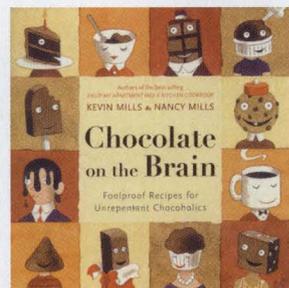


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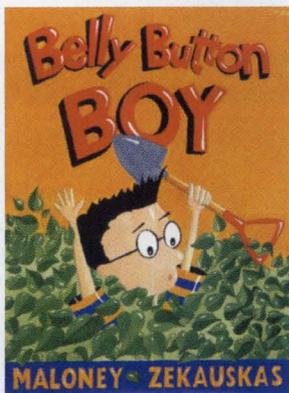
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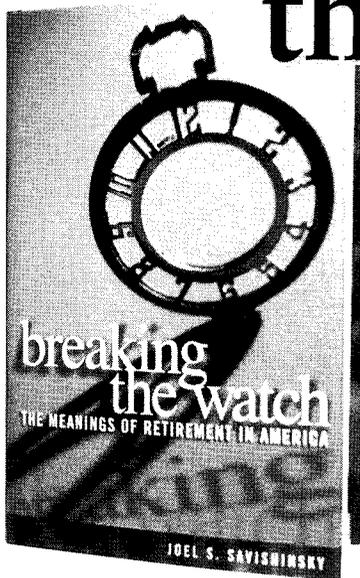
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The Cornell Club of Oregon wanted to revitalize its membership by expanding the scope of its traditional Zinck's night festivities with a cruise up the Willamette River at a subsidized cost to Club members. The CAAAN Committee of St. Louis wanted to develop a recruitment and mentoring program for minority students and area schools that have not traditionally generated a large number of applications to the university. The Cornell Asian Alumni Association wanted to host a professional networking event that would launch a new mentoring service. Three very different programs that all have one thing in common: they were supported with a grant from the Cornell Alumni Federation.

Every year, the Cornell Alumni Federation Grant Committee awards approximately \$50,000 to various Cornell alumni organizations that want to try something new and out of the ordinary to benefit their membership, the university, or their local communities and do not have sufficient funds to make it possible. Grants are awarded up to \$5,000 per request, and grant applications are reviewed twice a year (January and

July). The grant committee includes individuals from the Alumni Federation's board of directors, who collectively evaluate the merit of each request. There are strict guidelines that the Committee follows when evaluating the grants:

- Groups must provide at least a portion of the funding themselves.
- It must be obvious that the planned program would not be possible without support from the Federation Grant.
- Awards cannot be used to raise money or pay fees for outside services unless the Grant provides an exponential return to investment.
- There must be a plan to make annual programs self-sufficient in future years without the support of a Grant.

Since its inception in 1998, the grant program has provided \$143,996 to more than 54 Cornell alumni organizations. Funds have been granted to groups large and small, across the United States and abroad, for minimal amounts and for larger sums. They have been used for black tie events and backyard barbecues. The grants

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Stephanie Fox '89 and Sylvia Rodee, MBA '92, enjoy dinner during the Cornell Club of Chicago's architectural riverboat cruise funded by a CAF grant.

## Cornell's 2001 Reunion

By Jim Hazzard '50

How many of you, returning to Cornell in June for reunion, are up to accepting a serious challenge? Through one of its members, the Great Class of 1950 is throwing down the gauntlet. We do not believe that anyone can top, much less match, Don Worn's

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feats in coming to Ithaca for both his 45th and his 50th reunions. It is not simply the rigors he faced but the fact that his age (read this as OLD) figured heavily in the odds against his completing the efforts. You younger Cornellians, ye of the thin waists, strong legs, and well-toned bodies, are included in this challenged group. We don't think ANYONE can do it!

For starters, Don lives in Los Gatos, California, and in 1995, he bicycled the entire 3,200 miles to Ithaca to attend his 45th. Averaging 110 miles per day, he had more than his share of unfortunate twists (e.g., finding that nothing between the 100th and 120th mile of one segment had any sleeping accommodation and spending the night on bare concrete; being thrown off interstate highways by insensitive state troopers and crabby sheriffs; and developing a toothache in a byway with no dentist and having it treated by an automobile mechanic with dirty fingernails and huge hands).

Finally arriving in downtown Ithaca sporting a large poultice on his jaw made of brake pads, he ran into classmate George Cammann who was appalled when Don asked him for a ride up the hill to campus. Don took a well-deserved bow in Bailey Hall during Cornelliana Night.

Coming back for his 50th reunion last June, Don opted for bus, train, riverboat, and foot (part of his feat) travel, going on the first leg from California to Cairo, Illinois, by train. The highlight of this journey followed when he went aboard a towboat hefting a heap of barges upriver on the Mississippi to St. Louis. During that time, he worked, ate, and slept with the crew, only disembarking

when he discovered that the barges were loaded with unidentified contraband which was hijacked the following day by Nebraskan terrorists. The bus leg ran from Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Geneva, New York, and it was from there that he began his walk, which terminated in Ovid because of blisters on the soles of his feet. Never again will he wear crinkly socks. Luckily, a Cornell employee living nearby gave him a ride into Ithaca where he joined the class and its best reunion ever, despite his not being asked to take a bow again in Bailey because he actually got a ride up the hill from someone who was more compassionate than George Cammann.

Anybody game to surpass these travails? Our detached and objective class

president, Cooly Williams, will be the judge beyond appeal. Prizes will be authentic t-shirts with Don Worn's smiling-with-satisfaction countenance as a chest logo. It will be an immediate collectors' item you will be proud to own, having completed the return of returns (i.e., if you do it and pass the '50 President's careful scrutiny).

See you in June!



Roadside relaxation: Don Worn '50 poses en route to Ithaca

## Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame's Class of 2001. Nominations should be accompanied by a statement explaining why the nominee should be considered. Please include year of graduation, sport(s) participated in, athletic honors won, and related news clippings.

Former varsity athletes may be nominated if they received a degree 10 or more years ago (1991 graduates are now eligible for consideration) and participated in at least two full seasons of varsity intercollegiate competition. Nominations may include coaches, trainers, managers, and any other persons who have made outstanding contributions to Cornell varsity athletics. Current coaches, trainers, or managers are not eligible.

Please send nominations and accompanying information before April 2 to Elli Harkness, Athletic Communications Office, Schoellkopf House, Campus Road, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853-6501.

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have helped alumni groups grow and reinvigorate themselves, provide new networking opportunities for their members, invest in technology to facilitate communication, raise money for scholarships, broaden Cornell's application base, and develop numerous other programs. The Alumni Federation encourages its member organizations to think outside the box: to challenge themselves and to keep their ideas fresh, creative, and fun.

Details of successful grant-supported programs, as well as lessons learned, are shared with other alumni organizations through the Office of Alumni Affairs in Ithaca to perpetuate the benefits derived from the grants. If one club successfully increased its membership through a particular type of event, that information is shared with other clubs trying to reach the same goal. If another club was unable to draw members to an after-

work program, the pitfalls are shared so other clubs will not make the same mistakes. This sharing of information is consistent with the goals of the Federation: connecting all Cornellians across alumni organizations separated by distance, college, Cornell class, or other demographics.

We challenge all members of our constituent organizations to put their heads together and come up with a program that they've never been able to do, one that has substantial benefit, and could only be possible with financial assistance from the Cornell Alumni Federation. If your constituent group missed our January 2001 submission deadline, try us during the next round in July.

For further information and grant applications, contact Alumni Affairs at (607) 255-3517 or visit <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/federation/Programs/grants/>.

We look forward to hearing from you!

# Calendar of Events

## March 15 - May 15

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

### NY/Ontario

CWC/Cortland, Mar. 20—Jim and Christine Place speak on "The True Lebanon." Call Chris Place, (607) 753-8685.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Mar. 21—Book club at Barnes & Noble. Call Kristen Hallagan, (716) 242-0199.

ALS, Mar. 23—Meet ALS Dean Susan Henry in Amsterdam, NY. Call Dave Thompson, (518) 234-7401 or e-mail <[thompsd@cobleskill.edu](mailto:thompsd@cobleskill.edu)>.

CWC/Ithaca, Mar. 28—HumEc Dean Patsy Brannon speaks. Call Jennifer Engel, (607) 272-8401.

ALS, Mar. 28—Meet ALS Dean Susan Henry in Syracuse, NY. Call Ed Staehr, (315) 889-7336 or e-mail, [aes6@cornell.edu](mailto:aes6@cornell.edu).

ALS, Apr. 4—Meet ALS Dean Susan Henry in Buffalo, NY. Call Jerry Marley, (716) 322-7790 or e-mail <[jerm@wycol.com](mailto:jerm@wycol.com)>.

CWC/Syracuse, Apr. 9—Hum Ec Dean Patsy Brannon speaks. Call Judy Bennett, (315) 638-2125.

CWC/Cortland, Apr. 17—Diane Hart presents "A Spring Flower Arrangement." Call Margaret Potter, (607) 842-6428.

ALS, Apr. 25—Meet ALS Dean Susan Henry in Ithaca, NY. Call Bernice Potter-Masler, (607) 756-5010.

CC/Southern Tier, Apr. 25—Dinner. Prof. Cerione speaks on "New Possibilities for Cancer Targets." Call Jim Ward, (607) 785-5082.

CC/Greater Capital District, Apr. 29—Education Prof. Verne Rockcastle speaks on "The Science of the Everyday Things" at Schenectady Museum. Call Jeremy Snyder, (518) 436-0515.

CAA/Greater Rochester, May 10. Prof. Jim Garbarino speaks. Call Ross Lanzafame, (716) 654-8595.

ALS, May 11—Meet ALS Dean Susan Henry in Saratoga, NY. Call Mike Valla, (518) 584-4215 or e-mail <[tooththead@aol.com](mailto:tooththead@aol.com)>.

CWC/Syracuse, May 14—Plant sale and auction. Call Donna Willis, (315) 677-9024.

CC/Greater Buffalo, May 15—Psychology Prof. James Maas speaks. Call Shelly DiGulio, (716) 839-9346.

CAA/Central NY, May 15—Spring dinner with Hotel Prof. Giuseppe Pezotti. Call David Duerr, (315) 452-0539.

CWC/Cortland, May 15—Joyce Camp speaks on her Cuban experience. Call Eileen Nelson, (607) 749-7514.

### Metro NY

CC/New York, Mar. 15—Happy Hour with Reunion classes (1's and 6's). Call Kristin Buckley, (212) 692-1381.

CAAA & CC/New York, Mar. 21—Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl Wu Dunn '81 speak on their book *Thunder From the East, Portrait of a Rising Asia*. Call Kristin Buckley, (212) 692-1381.

CC/Northern New Jersey, Mar. 24—Murder Mystery dinner. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

CAA/Westchester, Apr. 13—Second Friday Lunch Club at

Mar D's, Eastchester. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

NYC/CAAN, Apr. 22—Reception to welcome Class of '05. Call Phyllis Schechter, (212) 986-7202.

CC/Northern New Jersey, May 9—Evening for parents of incoming and current students and alumni with Susan Murphy, V.P. of Student and Academic Services. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

CC/Long Island, May 11—Evening for parents of incoming and current students and alumni with Susan Murphy, V.P. of Student and Academic Services. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

### Northeast

CC/Greater Hartford, Mar. 18—Tom and William Pinchbeck on growing roses. Call Jane Longley-Cook, (860) 232-4992.

CC/Vermont, Apr. 28—Education Prof. Verne Rockcastle speaks on "The Science of the Everyday Things." Call Sue Furry-Irish, (802) 985-2442.

### Mid-Atlantic

CC/Greater Philadelphia, Mar. 24—Scholarship dinner. Call Jim Lansing, (610) 544-5210.

CC/Delaware, Apr. 21—Plantations director Donald Rakow speaks on transformation over time and through the seasons. Call Jane Warter, (302) 453-8551.

CC/Maryland, Apr. 22—Plantations director Donald Rakow speaks on transformation over time and through the seasons. Call Jean Chufrak, (301) 854-3838.

CC/Washington DC, Apr. 25—Robert Morgan, author of *Gap Creek*, speaks on creative writing. Call Gil Keteltas, (301) 652-8210.

CC/Greater Philadelphia, Apr. 26—Celebrate Founder's Day with English Prof. Robert Morgan, author of *Gap Creek*. Call Mary Kahn, (215) 440-9458.

### Southeast

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Mar. 15—Thomas Peters on improvement plans for Selby Botanical Gardens. Call Patricia Bettie, (941) 371-5038.

CC/Suncoast, Mar. 17—Lobster Fest. Call Michael Lundy, (813) 685-6723.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Mar. 18—Tailgate picnic and polo match at Sarasota Polo Grounds. Call Patricia Bettie, (941) 371-5038.

CC/Eastern Florida, Mar. 20—Nutrition Prof. David Levitsky speaks on "The Thinning of America." Call Ernest Smith, (561) 745-8915.

CC/Miami & Florida Keys, Mar. 22—Mark Wysocki speaks on "Severe Weather: El Nino and La Nina." Call Ron Ravikoff, (305) 579-0110.

CAA/Southwest Florida, Mar. 22—Nutrition Prof. David Levitsky speaks on "The Thinning of America." Call Joel Schechter, (941) 649-3128.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Apr. 1—Beach party at White Sands Cabana. Call Patricia Bettie, (941) 371-5038.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Inc., Apr. 5—Monthly Luncheon.

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CC/Central Florida, Apr. 11—Gather with local students accepted for admission to Cornell and English Prof. Daniel Schwarz. Call Jeff Weinthal, (407) 888-9339.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Apr. 12—English Prof. Daniel Schwarz speaks. Call Frank Zurn, (941) 918-0848.

CAA/Southwest Florida, Apr. 12—Lunch club at Pelican Isle Yacht Club. Call Mary DeLuc, (941) 649-3110.

CC/Gold Coast, Inc., Apr. 21—Cornell Night at the Movies. Call Nancy Dreier, (954) 389-5786.

CC/Eastern Florida, Apr. 22—Annual Family Picnic. Call Peter Downey, (561) 575-2645.

CC/Suncoast, Apr. 22—Beach party. Ivy League Club "Bucket Day." Call Rick Furbush, (727) 528-8213.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Inc., Apr. 27—Prof. Robert Morgan, author of *Gap Creek*, speaks. Call Cindy Moody, (904) 285-6792.

CAA/Blue Ridge Mountains, Apr. 29—Steven Worona speaks on "How Cyberspace is Challenging our Legal System." Call Ruth Bailey, (828) 883-4488.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Inc., May 3—Monthly Luncheon. Call Cindy Moody, (904) 285-6792.

CAA/Southwest Florida, May 5—"Sugar Babies" Sunday matinee. Call Neena Lurvey, (941) 495-8576.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, May 6—Richard Startostecki speaks on "Nuclear Safety and the Future of Atomic Power in the US." Call Patricia Bettel, (941) 371-5038.

CAA/Southwest Florida, May 10—Lunch Club at Pelican Isle Yacht Club. Call Mary DeLuc, (941) 649-3110.

#### Northcentral

CC/Louisville, Mar. 20—Dinner. Mark Wysocki speaks on "Severe Weather: El Nino and La Nina." Call Betty

Zielinski, (502) 245-9676.

CAA/Central Ohio, Apr. 4—Government Prof. Theodore Lowi speaks. Call Christine Natsios, (614) 351-0403.

CC/Southwestern Ohio, Apr. 5—Government Prof. Theodore Lowi speaks. Call Michelle Vaeth, (513) 469-7476.

CC/Pittsburgh, Apr. 22—Day at the Pittsburgh Zoo. Call Sara Ende, (412) 681-8000.

CC/Northeastern Ohio, May 1—Steven Worona speaks on "How Cyberspace is Challenging our Legal System." Call Matt Kall, (216) 622-3915.

AA/Central Ohio, May 5—Big Red men's lacrosse vs. OSU, Jesse Owens Stadium. Call Rich Haynam, (614) 278-3658.

CC/Pittsburgh, May 8—Education Prof. Verne Rockcastle speaks on "The Science of Everyday Things." Call Sara Ende, (412) 681-8000.

CC/West Michigan, May 9—Education Prof. Verne Rockcastle speaks on "The Science of Everyday Things." Call Bruce Young, (616) 676-8880.

#### Midwest

CC/Wisconsin, Apr. 3—Government Prof. Theodore Lowi on "A Moral Revolution in America: A Third Republic or a Turn in the Cycle." Call Saadia Lawton, (608) 347-7110.

CC/St. Louis, Apr. 26—Astronomy Prof. Steven Squyres, Principal Investigator for the scientific instrumentation on the Mars 2001 lander and Mars 2003 rover, speaks. Call Tami Watson, (636) 965-3397.

#### Western

CC/Oregon, Mar. 22—Plantations director Donald Rakow speaks on the Northwest Region's horticulture. Call Brad Wellstead, (503) 274-1064.

CC/Arizona Inc., Mar. 24—Annual Day at the Races at Turf Paradise. Silent auction in the "private" Director's suite at the top level. Call Michael Perle, (480) 922-1963.

CAA/Northern California, Mar. 24—Arboretum Tour with Cornell Plantations director Donald Rakow. Call Erin McMonigal, (206) 255-1271.

CC/Western Washington, Mar. 25—Plantations director Donald Rakow speaks. Call Pat Stocker, (650) 326-7242.

CC/San Diego, Mar. 29—Prof. Charles Aquadro speaks on "Genes Make Good Reading." Call Lisa Stewart, (619) 464-7211.

CC/Arizona Inc., Apr. 28—Norman Rockwell exhibition, lunch, and tour. Call Mary Anna Friederich '53, (480) 457-9731.

CC/Arizona Inc., May 4-5—Art walk and getaway in the Mojave Desert. Call Christopher Young, (480) 627-0612.

#### Southwest

CAA/North Texas, Mar. 30—Prof. Charles Aquadro speaks on "Genes Make Good Reading." Call John Foley, (972) 248-9378.

CC/Austin, Mar. 31—Prof. Charles Aquadro speaks on "Genes Make Good Reading." Call Scott Rubel, (512) 933-2235.

CAA/Greater Houston, Apr. 26—Emerson String Quartet, with reception and talk before the concert. Call Stewart Brazil, (281) 265-2486.

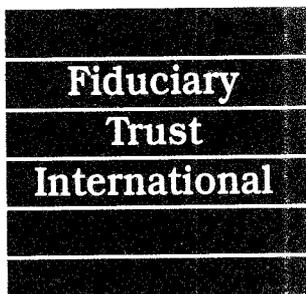
## Scholarship Gala & Dinner

The Cornell Black Alumni Association, Inc. (CBAA) holds its second Gala Banquet & Award Ceremony to support its scholarship campaign on Friday, April 20, 2001, at the National Black Theatre in New York City, from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.

CBAA reached its original Campaign 2000 goal of \$250,000 and raised its pledge to \$300,000 for 2001. These funds support two additional Tradition Fellowships in the name of Dr. John Henrik Clarke, late historian and former Distinguished Visiting Professor of African History at Cornell.

This year's awardees are Dr. Yosef ben-Jochannan, a former lecturer at AS&RC, and Cornell trustee Joseph Holland, Jr. '81, an attorney and former NYS Housing Commissioner.

For further information, contact Tanya M. Douglas '89, JD '92, at 212-417-3700.



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When I called **Otto Jaeger**, JD '25, in Shelburne, VT, on his 97th birthday last November, he asked me how many of

our classmates are still living. A little research revealed that, as of two months prior to then, the answer was 24 men and 23 women (a total of 47), four percent of the '24 enrollment of 1,160—857 men and 303 women.

A little more research showed that the total Cornell enrollment in 1868 was 285 and tuition was \$20. By 1877, enrollment was 365 and tuition had risen from \$60 to \$75. By 1891, there were 842 students and the cost was \$100. By 1917 (wartime), 3,102 students were charged \$150 each. When our class entered in 1920, the total university enrollment was 4,004 and tuition was \$210. Since then, of course, both figures show a steady increase. Ours was truly an "educational bargain."

During the autumn months of the year 2000, we lost two of our stalwart women classmates: talented **Mary Yinger** of Montclair, NJ, and former professor **Dorothea Johannsen** Crook of Mitchellville, MD, both of whom served as class officers for many years.

Likewise, this fall our last Class President, **Don Wickham**, changed his address from Hector, NY, to Schuyler Hospital, Montour Falls, NY. Then, after completing this column, we received the sad news that Don died on Jan. 18, '01. More on our esteemed classmate will appear in the May/June issue.

As I write, the icy breezes are blowing down from Canada, and the mercury is hovering between minus 5 and the teens, but the sunrises and sunsets have been gorgeous. The lobsters have moved from our "front yard" to deeper waters where it's warmer, but the loons and ducks and other marine species are providing much winter pleasure. ♦ **Max Schmitt**, 254 West Cundy's Point Road, Harpswell, ME 04079.

REUNION

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Here is more news from classmates who hope to return to Ithaca, June 7-10, for their 75th Reunion. **Mary McCue**, of Owego, NY (not too far from Ithaca) was a ninth grade science teacher at West Junior High School in Binghamton, NY, for 40 years. She says it has been a long time since she attended a Cornell reunion. When we heard from her last fall, she was recovering from a broken hip but still looking forward to the big 75th!

**Laura Pedersen** Henninger lives in a retirement home in Seattle, WA, with husband Hal. She is looking forward to having one of her children attend the 75th Reunion with her (son Ralph joined her at the 65th and daughter Joyce at the 70th). Laura and Hal also have a home in St. Petersburg, FL, where they spend the winters. **Henry Schmeckpeper** has lived in a retirement home in Chester, CT, for about five years. Daughter **Joan Schmeck-**

**peper** Torelli '52 lives nearby in Greenwich, and two of his grandchildren are also Cornellians. It has been 50 years since Henry attended a Cornell reunion!

**Kenneth Dale "K.D." Owen** is looking forward to attending reunion with Jane, his wife of nearly 60 years, and Anne, one of his three daughters. K.D. lives in Houston, TX, but still has a farm in New Harmony, IN, where he was born and raised. Over the years, he has stayed involved in farming, raising Hereford cattle, breeding and raising horses, and his work as a consulting geologist to the oil industry.

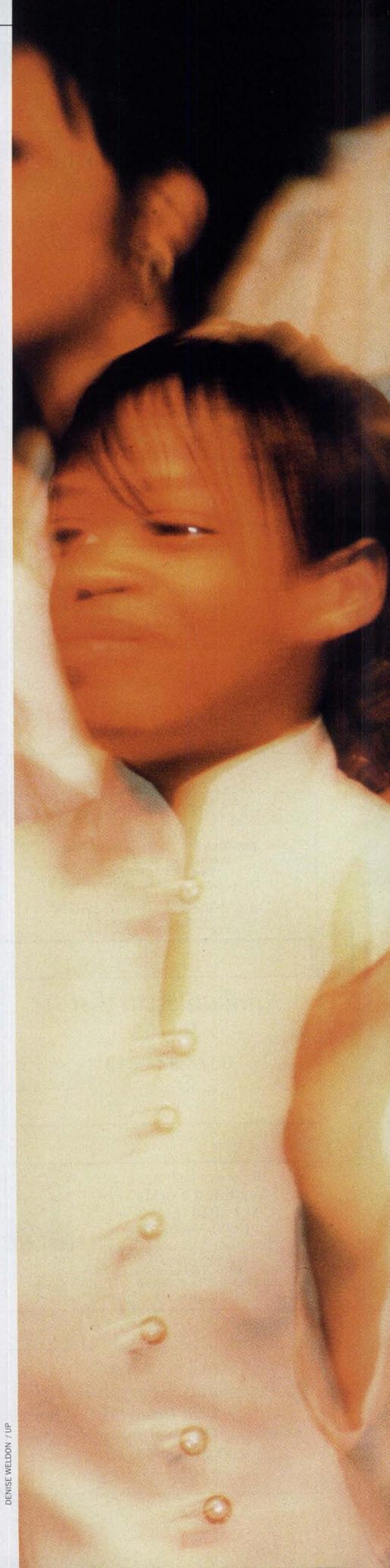
**Louise Russell** lives with her sister **Helen Russell '32** in Silver Spring, MD, where they have owned a home together for many years. Louise was a research entomologist for the Dept. of Agriculture for 48 years before her retirement. She plans to fly to Syracuse from Washington, DC, and get a ride to Ithaca with her nephew. **William H. Jones** is a retired mechanical engineer living at a Kendal retirement community in Kennett Square, PA. Bill lost his wife of 70 years in May 1999. Son Bill Jr. and daughter Barbara will both accompany him to reunion.

**Elizabeth Farnum** Michael has a large family—14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren! Her daughter hopes to drive her to reunion from her home in Ridgewood, NJ. The highlights of her life include 25 years of volunteer work with the Cerebral Palsy Foundation and in family counseling. She and a friend also ran their own business for 25 years after Elizabeth's husband passed away in the late 1940s. The business made fireplace starter candles, with sales mainly through catalogues, and was, she says, unique, fun, and profitable.

More news next issue from Walter R. Miller, Charlotte Beach Owens, Theresa Hermann Trynin, and more. Less than three months to Reunion! ♦ 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](mailto:sally@consultant.com).

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First-time news from **Raymond E. Fehr** of North Richland Hills, TX (7500 Meadowview Terr.), who hasn't had much contact with Cornell since his frequent visits back in the Thirties when his family lived close by. Raymond writes: "My wife and I raised three sons who have done well. After college, I worked at milk testing for about a year, then joined GLF in 1930. I managed stores for ten years, went into accounting and office management, then retired in 1968. I worked for smaller firms until 1973 when we moved to Carlsbad, NM. My main hobby was taking care of my family. I spent all of my free time with them. We saw all the points of interest around each place we lived, and I did quite



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a bit of work on the houses we lived in—four different locations in New York State, two places on Long Island, two in New Jersey, and one in Maryland. Many experiences in each of them.”

He continues, “From Carlsbad we visited our son in Utah and saw many of the national sites. We also visited our sons in Ft. Worth and near San Antonio and saw the huge cities with their congestion. I lost my wife one week after our 60th anniversary and have been living with my sons in Texas since. Still do everything I need to do except drive.” Glad to hear from you after all these years! Perhaps some of your Cornell friends will read this and be in touch.

**Richard G. Belcher**, BArch '30, writes, “I am grand at the age of 95 and doing well at a comfortable retirement home in historic Newtown, PA” (Chandler Hall, 99 Barclay St.). Rick says his days are filled with “excursions to art and music events, and painting and yoga classes.” He also enjoys reading books on

## “Skipped Scotland. We have better gorges on campus.”

ELMER S. PHILLIPS '32

architecture and the American Revolution. He ends his news with this: “Drop me a line!”

Judge **H. Sol Clark**, LLB '30, of Savannah, GA (P.O. Box 8151), continues an active law practice with his son as partner. He is now in his seventieth year as a Georgia lawyer, including five years as Judge of the State Court of Appeals. From the Judge Advocate General's School Annual Bulletin, we learned that Colonel (Retired) **Howard S. Levie**, JD '30, has offered his personal library to the school. From the bulletin: “Colonel Levie, a judge advocate from 1946 until 1963, was named a ‘Distinguished Member of the Judge Advocate General's Corps’ in April 1995. He taught at St. Louis U. School of Law after he retired from the Army and has had a continuing association with the US Naval War College since 1965. Colonel Levie has authored twelve books and eighty-one articles. His addition to the library, a collection of almost 7,000 volumes, reflects twenty years of works published on international law and the law of war.”

**Earle C. Adams** lives most of the year in Kennebunk, ME (45 Storer St.), but spends the summer months in York Beach, ME (P.O. Box 182). He says he's “still hanging in there and looking forward to 2003.” He also sends best wishes to former class president **Ted Adler**. Earle and wife Beth (Wheaton '35) celebrated their 60th anniversary last June. Congratulations!

Dr. **Max Werner** writes, “Still trying to keep ahead of the doctors.” He and his “significant other” Jane Aberlin live in Staten Island half the year (961 Victory Blvd., #1M) and November to early May in Coconut Creek, FL (Wynmoor Village, #H1, 2004 Granada). News and dues also came from **J. Nash Wil-**

**liams** of 2400 Waunona Way, Madison, WI. Nash is currently at the Meriter Health Center in Madison until, as the news form said, “he gets his legs back under him.”

Thank you all for writing in. Don't hesitate to send updates directly to us at ♦ Class of '28, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.



Twenty-niner men now number 60 or less, but half of us have paid our dues to the Class Fund. That's good enough to be a challenge for some other older class. Try and beat us. I'm still hearing from you. Keep it up.

**Henry Weiss** is now in Tucson, AZ, Apt. 3206 at 7500 N. Calle Sin Enridin (if I read his printing correctly). **Robert Rothenberg**, MD '32, is president of Medbook Publications and professor emeritus of surgery at New York Medical Center. He's permanent secretary of the Class of '32, Cornell Medical College. In

the US his home address is 35 Sutton Pl., New York City. He has a second home in Monterosso, Tuscany, Italy. He writes, “We are a real Cornell family,” with some nine men and women over three generations with Cornell degrees.

**Morris Gordon**, MS '29, retired at 75 and, after his wife died of Alzheimer's in 1991, lives alone, although family is close by. Apparently a grandson, 15, who is a sophomore at Buckingham, Brown, and Nichols in Cambridge, could be Grandpa's pride and joy.

**Ted Heine** says, “Our activities are few, but daughter **Elizabeth '60** got to reunion with roommates and **Janet Reno '60!**”

**Marvin L. Smith** has been slowed recently by a fractured vertebra which prevents his daily bicycle ride. He and wife **Lillian (Miller) '30** maintain their own home but they subscribe to the comment, “Growing old is not for sissies.”

**Ed Whiting's** new address is 1985 Forest Hill Rd., Apalachin, NY 13732. He's living with son **John '69** and his family. ♦ **Frank Schaefer**, 625 McGraw House, Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 277-3867.

Dear Friends, I have just heard of the death of **Dorothy English Degenhardt**. She died quietly in her sleep on November 9 in Ross, CA. This was reported to **Ethel Corwin** Ritter, who recently moved to Bay Village, Sarasota, FL. She had heard from Dorothy's sister, **Martha English Martin '34** (Mrs. **Thomas '34**, ME '36), of El Dorado Hills, CA. Dorothy was married to the late Dr. **Ira Degenhardt '28**, MD '31, and she herself was a pediatrician. Together they practiced medicine in California. They were great benefac-

tors of Cornell. I know their ranch will go to Cornell. Dorothy had one son, Peter.

My brother-in-law, **Perry Gilbert, PhD '40**, a professor of neurobiology at Cornell and a world famous shark expert, died in November 2000. Many Cornell professors came to his memorial in Sarasota where he had an aquarium. My other personal connection with Cornell is with the Med school. My grandson is finishing medical school and is applying for a residency in surgery (like his father, my son). He had an interview with Cornell in December and loved it. Trouble is, about 500 apply and they take seven! ♦ **Agnes “Tib” Kelly Saunders**, 106 Spencer Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563; e-mail, tib106@aol.com.



Dear Friends, it is Thanksgiving Day as I write this and Ithaca has its first snow (though a week ago Buffalo had 15 inches). Only a little, but the bird feeders need to be cleared, even if the driveway doesn't. By the time you read this, we'll probably all be tired of the white stuff, except those of you in Florida.

My news since reunion has been almost nil. **Ione Koller** Borsner and I have discussed making hot water pie crust, and **Dora Wagner** Conrath sent me the clipping about her busy son, whom I wrote about in our last issue. I had a fine letter from **Ralph Higley**, who visited his children and relatives in King Ferry, Rochester, Buffalo, Greensboro, NC, and Spartanburg, SC, after reunion. At Elba, near Batavia, he visited the old Higley homestead, and talked with the present owner. Happy to be back in Florida, he plays nine holes of golf three times a week, and is president of his condominium, just to keep busy.

I promised to tell you the names of those who wrote wishing they could join us at reunion. They were **Jane Ross** Moore, **Goldie Weiner** Pressman, **Bea Foster** Whanger, **Margaret Saxe** Nicholson, **Betty Irish** Knapp, **Oleta Johnson** Ross, and **Simie Kaufman**. Their letters were much enjoyed by the reuners.

For 70 years, **Lydia Lueder** and I have written this column (were there others?), bringing you news of your classmates. In my last column, I begged those who read it to write to me—a letter or even a card. And if you can't do it yourself, have someone do it for you. If you don't help me, there will cease to be a column. And that would be a sad ending, to cease for lack of news.

As for now, I wish you a lovely springtime! ♦ **Joyce Porter** Layton, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

REUNION



Every now and then in these columns I have noted that a classmate “will have left this world a better place for having passed this way.” These items have come to me indirectly via a news account, or some way other than the classmate's response on the reply form that accompanies the annual dues solicitation form. Once again a classmate deserving of this recognition has been brought to my

attention. A doctor friend recognized the name and told me that **Ben Hertzberg** (The Pierre, #1207, Fifth Ave. at 61st St., NYC 10021-8402) had been honored by Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City. I checked with Ben and learned that his wife Lilian and he had endowed the Lilian and Benjamin Hertzberg Palliative Care Inst. at Mt. Sinai, because they realized that the whole field of medicine dealing with pain, terminal illness, and death of patients, and the impact on their families, was not benefiting from sufficient understanding by caregivers. Ben said that he and Lilian are confident that the much-publicized Bill Moyers four-part Public Television series, "On Our Own Terms," will have put the issues clearly on the table for all to see, learn from, and act upon. (Considering our own age and condition, I think we of the Class of 1931 have special reasons to be grateful to Lilian and Ben for their perception and generosity.)

**Frank Principe** (Francis J., 53-148 63rd St., Maspeth, NY 11373), long a faithful correspondent, took the time to give us a page-long description of his career, explaining why he has been dubbed "Mr. Concrete" in NYC, and "Mr. Maspeth" in his home community in Queens County. Space permits only a representative sampling: 1931-45—residential, commercial development; wartime plant construction; 1945-85—Founder & CEO of ready-mixed concrete supply company, furnished NYC skyscrapers, subway, Madison Square Garden, World Trade Center, Worlds Fair Buildings; 1957-85—Active in the American Concrete International Institute; Fellow, Member of Board; 1959-70—President NYC Concrete Industry Board; named "Mr. Concrete"; 1981—Appointed to NYC Community Board Number 5 in Queens, covering six square miles with a population of over 150,000; 1996-2000—elected and re-elected chairman; 1982-2000—founder, organizer, and CEO of West Maspeth Local Development Corp., membership 100 industrial and manufacturing firms employing 20,000 workers; encourages growth and expansion in community; 1960-65—yacht sailor, Commodore Crest Haven Yacht Club; racing and cruising in the Caribbean; 1999-2000—Golf twice each year with classmate **Gene Maiorana** (Eugene E., 15-17 Murray St., Whitestone, NY 11357-2645). (That's the good old Class Spirit, Frank!)

Nice letter from long-time-no-word-from **Pat Shreve**, ME '32 (Richmond B., 100 Monroe St., #C431, Bridgewater, NJ 08807-3093). He relates that after he lost his wife Margo he moved from Cleveland to be near his son in New Jersey. He got involved in the organization of the Residents Association in a community being built there. Pat says: "I volunteered to write the bylaws. One of my committee members was a lovely widow, Helen Kammeman. We got married in 1997 and moved into the place, Arbor Glen, when it was finished. I let them talk me into taking the presidency of the Residents Assn., and since then have edited the newsletter, run the association, and tried not to go crazy. I've been busier than I was before I retired. Brother

**Tom Shreve '41** came down to visit us, met another beautiful widow, married her, and took up residence." (Gentlemen! Gentlemen! Cool it! Relax! Don't take off for Arbor Glen now! Wait till you see the '31ders that return to Ithaca for our 70th!) However, Pat's best news is in his last paragraph: "If all goes well, Tom, wife Barbara, Helen, and I will be in Ithaca for Reunion." (Bravissimo, Pat!)

I hope this issue of *Cornell Magazine* can go to all '31ders for whom the university has confirmed addresses. WHY? Partly to show you non-dues-payers what you have been missing in the new award-winning *Cornell Magazine*, and partly to suggest what else you will find in Ithaca in June, besides old friends who have returned for our 70th. If you haven't been back lately, come see how magnificent your Cornell has grown to be, stay in the center of things at the Statler, and be pampered by the lovely Alumni Office staff. If you can't find your Reunion announcement call **Frank O'Brien**, 311 S. Flagler Dr., #801, W. Palm Beach, FL 33401-5677; tel., (561) 833-5864; e-mail, obhome@iopenet.net; or **Ethel Bache Clark**, 1912 Marsh Rd., #235, Wilmington, DE 19810; tel., (302) 529-5620; e-mail, schumity@mapage.com; or me. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, 237 N. Main St. #250, S. Yarmouth, MA, 02554-2088, tel., (508) 760-4250; e-mail, ggrampi@gis.net.



This is my first effort at a unisex column, brought about by the retirement of **Martha Travis Houck**. A big part of the fun provided by this job was working with Martha and laughing over the inability of the Alumni Office to tell the men from the women. As a result we frequently exchanged misdirected correspondence.

Maj. Gen. **William B. Keese** (Ret.) (5001 John D. Ryan Blvd. #2211, San Antonio, TX 78245) sent me a welcome letter stating, among other things, that he gave up golf when his scores exceeded 100. I don't know why this troubles him; even Tiger Woods can't shoot his age. Bill also noted that he can remember when his father's class (1898) was first in the Class Notes section and added, "It won't be long before we have that 'honor,' and I am not looking forward to it."

**Jessie L. Duvoir** (PO Box 720065, Pinon Hills, CA 92372) writes that because of her impaired vision she wishes to discontinue her subscription to what she describes as "my favorite magazine."

Our Reunion Chair, Prof. **Elmer S. Phillips** (340 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850) sent me a copy of an article from *The Ithaca Journal* stating that **William I. Pentecost '33**, a former halfback and "proud member of the Class of '32 (sic)" was the oldest of approximately 200 alumni who paraded on the field prior to a recent football game during the season just past. The article reported that Bill stood proud with his '32 placard . . . which probably was intended to designate the football season of his senior year and not his year of graduation. Flip also included a note about what I thought was going to be a trip to Wales

and Scotland. It said, "Skipped Scotland. We have better gorges on campus."

**Charlotte Prince** Ryan (62 Main St., North Orange, NJ) writes, "Almost two years ago I was unwise enough to take on the chairmanship of Mahar Building Committee." The task has been made difficult because four towns are involved and issues relating to the value of education versus property taxes have taken over her life. She says that her garden and writing have suffered, but she still sings in the church choir, belongs to a Great Books Club, travels to Boston for ballet, and visits the Museum of Fine Arts, etc. And, of course, there are activities closer to home. Charlotte's children come to help her blaze forest boundaries, fill the wood bin, and do other chores. One is a science teacher and another a writer, editor, and publisher who also runs a wellness clinic for AIDS patients. Charlotte adds that solace for all problems derives from her usually peaceful pond surrounded by forest. When she wrote, there were fall colors and lingering herons, kingfishers, and migrating ducks. ♦ **Jim Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.



**Izzie Guthrie Russell** writes of the death of **Katherine "Trinkie" Long Bobbitt** last June at her home in Mendota,

MN, where she moved over a year ago. Previously, she had lived for many years in Bethesda, MD. Kay was an active member of Alpha Phi, and a graduate of Ithaca High School where your secretary was a classmate. "She was a religious correspondent, always remembering the major holidays and honoring the significant anniversaries and milestones of family and friends. Kay was a member of the Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church since 1979. Her interests were gardening, bird watching, Civil War history, current political events, and supporting humanitarian causes." She is survived by her son **Bruce L. Bobbitt '73** and daughter-in-law Signe, as well as by many loving friends, including many of us who have been coming to reunions. She was a warm and beautiful person. She was buried in the National Cemetery at Gettysburg.

Izzie was a close friend all the way from high school days, and named her own daughter after her. Izzie and husband **Don '32** have moved to a new facility: Homewood, Apt. 2318, 3910 Galen Court, Sun City, FL 33573. The entire family, all 20 of them, were together in Arkansas for a celebration of Don's 90th birthday.

Your secretary received this delightful letter from **Alfred W. Bennett** (25215 Village 25, #2, Camarillo, CA 93012-7610). "On Oct. 7, '00, a Saturday, listening to the Stanford-Notre Dame football game, there was suddenly a streamer at the bottom of the TV. It said: Cornell 20-Harvard 28. It is very unusual to see the name of Cornell on TV in Southern California. USC and UCLA, that's a different story. Nevertheless, it was nice to see the name of Cornell even if it was on the losing end of a football game. Some time later, there was another streamer at the bottom of the TV:

Cornell 29, Harvard 28. Wow!! That was exciting, but I had to check the complete college football results on Sunday. *It was true*. It really made me feel good. I would have felt good about Cornell even if it had lost the game, but a win like that—wow!!!

Your secretary listened to the *first* half which ended something like Harvard 28, Cornell 7! He switched off then and missed it!

Send news. ♦ Rev. **Henry E. Horn**, 49-A Trowbridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138.



**John F. Kelley**, Spokane, WA: "Have now retired from 50 years practice of law.

Health is good and I keep generally busy looking after my ranch of approximately 500 acres, located in the world famous Palouse countryside about 50 miles south of Spokane. Our crops are wheat, peas, lentils, and barley. Have given up driving (although still licensed). My wonderful wife Lucy takes me everywhere I need to go. Our daughter Elizabeth practices law in Cleveland, OH, and visits us several times a year." **Edward R. Berger**, Spring Hill, FL: "Not much new from last year. Still going with a beautiful Kid Lady of 79 years and thinking of getting married again, but everyone here says I'm 'robbing the cradle.'" Have a good life, Ed.

**George Tretter**, Silver Spring, MD: "Am still busy with my real estate properties and work full-time managing them. Am active in a homeless organization and Maryland and local politics. At our 65th Reunion I stated that I hoped to see *all* of the Class of '34 at the 2004 Reunion. Got a big hand. Am in good physical condition and credit my four years on the Cornell wrestling team. Have stayed in touch with the members." **Howard Peterson**, Stuart, FL: "Sold our Chappaquiddick, MA, home and at present at our Charleston, SC, home. Underwent our annual physicals and both of us were operated on for cancer and are doing fine now. Shall remain here until January for treatments and then back to Florida."

**James Bruner**, Corning, NY: "Enjoyed a reunion with Dr. **Peter Miceli** of Westbury, NY, after a period of 66 years. Pete has some health problems. His wife Rosemarie is very caring and helpful." Cornell recently announced that our good classmate **Hugh Westfall** has established the Hubert E. Westfall Professorship of Accounting in the School of Hotel Administration. The first recipient of this chair is Prof. David A. Dittman, who just returned to teaching after serving as dean of the Hotel school. In addition to this significant gift, Hugh has endowed a substantial scholarship program in the Hotel school. Hugh is a regular attendee at our class reunions. He lives in Sarasota, FL, retired now from the hotel business. What a wonderful gift you have made to Cornell! Your classmates salute you and thank you.

To my classmates: With this issue I regretfully end my tour as a class correspondent. Two diseases, Waldenstrom's cancer and amyloidosis, make it imperative that I devote full time and energy battling these disorders, plus assuring to the best of my ability the care and

lifestyle of my dear wife Jeanne, now a permanent resident at an Alzheimer's facility. Being a class correspondent has been a distinct honor and a rewarding experience by having been able to renew friendships of our undergraduate years, as well as establishing new acquaintances and friendships across the entire spectrum of Cornell. It has been my good fortune to have been able to participate in every reunion since graduation and I assure you that I shall exert my best efforts to be an attendee in 2004, our 70th and last official reunion. I shall forever be grateful for your cooperation in these past four years and wish you all the best of health in the years to come. ♦ **Karl F. Schmidt**, 4780 Mt. Rose Way, Roseville, CA 95747-8279; tel., (916) 771-4734.

How do you feel about the holiday season? Of course, by the time you read this the winter holidays are over and the spring holidays are upon us. Does it make for too much excitement? Or are we nostalgic for what "used to be." At 87 I can afford to be a bit philosophical!

Our so-capable co-chair for reunion, **Winnie Loeb** Saltzman, was back in Ithaca for the umpteenth time last summer to attend Adult University (CAU). Also in attendance was **Georgianna Robinson** Walker, along with her son **Robert Walker '61**, MD '68. **Sophie** "Honey" **Jacobs** Drezon is still active as a tour wholesaler in Florida and has two granddaughters who are Cornell grads!

**Barbara Kimball** Wiesel says that all that bothers her is politics and news of this country and the world. But she is "well and happy and enjoying life." **Helen Rowley** Munson is enjoying her new home where she moved with her husband Phil. She has gotten to know most of the people in her village and is still the main person in the Class of '34 Fund Drive, plus she is a member of the Residents' Council there and chairman of the Sunshine Committee. Unfortunately, we have just learned that Phil died on November 19. We send our sympathy to Helen and all her family.

As you know, **Alice Goulding** Herrman has moved, and I quote: "If you don't absolutely have to move, don't." **Ruthanna Wood** Davis says, "I'm not very active," and then lists all the things she is involved with—three heart attacks with the accompanying treatment, a leader in her church's blanket program, and the Agricultural Women's Club. **Jean Conner** Whipple says she is returning to her roots and going to a new retirement home. She has five great-grandchildren and more to come! **Isabel White** West no longer sails, but still swims when possible. She is writing a book which, she says, "I am most anxious to read." She and Pat are still interested in island affairs and try to help. They are mostly interested in beach access for the public, which is not popular in some circles.

**Lois Purdey** Shafer, MS HE '36, was given a computer and keeps busy gaining the necessary expertise. Managing timberland in the South continues, and she traveled to Ithaca in May 2000 to join the celebration of the 100th birthday of **Mary Porter** Durham '22.

It was great to get all your notes. I love

reading through them. ♦ **Eleanor** "Dickie" **Mirsky** Bloom, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209-3205; tel., (718) 836-6344.



When you receive this issue in March '01, hopefully the "dimpled-ballot" presidential election will finally be over and our ship of state will be sailing in calmer waters! Now, in November, we are thankful at least for a winning Cornell football season, except for losing to Penn!

We class correspondents have been asked to assist by listing new addresses and reporting on "lost" classmates, those for whom the Alumni Office does not have a current address. If you know of such alumni (classmates or not) please include their current address in your News notes. By the way, you can write or call me for the address or phone number of any classmate.

**Wilfred Kelly** sent a gift for our class to **Midge McAdoo** Rankin, without including news, except that he has a new address: 13 Booth Woods, Vergennes, VT 05491, tel., (802) 877-0010. **E. Allen Robinson** also has a new address: 3115 Squalicum Pkwy., #443, Bellingham, WA, 98225-1900. **Frances** "Sancie" **Lauman**, our devoted former class secretary and co-chairman of our reunions, provided a short biography: Born in Ithaca in 1914; Cornell BA '35; Carnegie Tech, BA in Library Science 1936; two years in US Marines at Cherry Point, NC; Librarian at Cornell, 1945 to 1979. Sancie's travels have included Alaska (twice) and the Panama Canal. Her activities in retirement include membership in Cornell Women's Club of Ithaca and Cornell Assn. of Professors Emeriti, and she serves the library in August when students and parents visit the campus.

**Vivian H. Melass**, PhD '41, of Lake Jackson, TX, writes that he retired in 1976 from both research and teaching. He has written a novel and plans to publish it, "so wish me well," he says. (Good luck, Vivian!) His wife died in 1998, so it's all right for me to say that he never forgot a beautiful girl in a cheerleader outfit he chanced to see (but never met) on Dryden Rd., near Johnny's. It was so good to see you at our 65th, Vivian, and to meet your son David, who accompanied you. **Robert G. Lyon**, now of Smyrna, GA, a former president of Cornell Club of Michigan (Detroit), still performs at annual phonathons of the Cornell Club of Atlanta. **Ruth Thompson Colman**, of Albany, NY, is retired from restaurant management. Her husband **Charles**, PhD '38, was a university teacher and administrator. They have four children, ten grands, and ten great-grandchildren!

**Helen Richardson** Dudden (Mrs. Ernest) of Camillus, NY, writes, "no news worth sending." We are glad to hear from you, Helen. What are you doing? **Edith Gulbe** Coy (Mrs. Walter G.) of Livonia, MI, sent her dues but no news. What's going on in Livonia, Edith? It doesn't need to be earth-shattering. **Harry F. Fowler**, of Port Lucie, FL, sent a note to our Class Pres. **Al Preston**, saying he had sent two checks and adding,

"You do great work, Al!" It's especially good to hear from you, Harry. Remember the fall of our freshman year when you, **Eleanor Middleton** Kleinhans, and I, among others, performed in a three-act melodrama in Straight Theater, coached by **Barney Hewitt '28**, PhD '34, and Prof. Alexander Drummond? What a training they gave us! I got the part singing gaslight barroom songs! ♦ **Ed Miller**, 10101 Grosvenor Pl. #1515, Rockville, MD 20852; tel., (301) 530-0454; e-mail, emvs miller@webtv.net.

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**Herbert Kling**, MS Ag '40, who winters in Wachula, FL, and summers in Fonda, NY, admits he has "now advanced to the ancient class." He reports trying to keep up with events in the dairy industry, attending meetings in Palm Springs, Louisville, Albany, Lake Placid, and Kansas City, to name a few. His travels have included tours of California and Maine. Herb attended the Mann Library dedication and was "flattered to have the preservation room named in my honor." Congratulations! **John E. Wurst** writes from Albany, NY: "The good news is that I am okay—feel great." Jack also notes that Alumni House (the address of which appears on his news form) is located in the former Phi Kappa Sigma house, where he lived for three years.

"One more time, we enjoyed a fun season at our part-time cottage on Pushaw Lake, near Old Town, ME," writes **Charles H. Leet**, who winters in Chapel Hill, NC. "Our sixth season as new 'Mainiacs.' Getting there is increasingly difficult as air travel becomes more laborious. We are planning a return in 2001. I still play golf here on our par-three course at least once a week, and in Maine on the excellent nine-hole Bangor municipal course. Gin, gym, pool, and home exercise keep the joints working, occasionally creaking.

"In May I lost my good friend, fellow resident, and classmate **Jack Freund**. My sister **Mary Edith** Pearson Cowell '41 is still hanging in there at Foxdale Retirement in State College, PA." **Mollie Mason Gordon** of Ithaca writes, "My husband **Bill '39** died in February 1999. I have lived in an apartment in a new senior housing facility on South Hill, near Ithaca College, for almost two years."

"Dode and I have moved from our beloved Pelican Cove Condo to a delightful retirement home, Bay Village," reports **Dave Amsler**, MME '37. Dr. **Bernard Marcus** reports, "Cornell has been more than friendly to our family; Dr. **Douglas Marcus '69**, his wife **Judith (Feinstein) '70**, and her father and sister, as well as **Joshua Marcus '02**, and Rebecca Marcus (awaiting possible early decision admission)." **Jacob Fassett** writes from West Falmouth, MA, to say that he and wife Mary continue to enjoy retirement on the ocean front of Cape Cod. Their second great-grandchild should have arrived by now.

"Still breathing," states **Gilbert Perlow**, MA '37, of Downers Grove, IL. He asks, "Who else is?" Dr. **Carolyn Drucker** Goodman reports the distribution of her documentary, "Hidden Heroes: Youth Activism To-

day," which is available for \$65 from her address: 161 W. 86th St., Apt. 8A, New York City 10024-3411. She speaks at colleges and universities on civil rights issues.

More updates coming in the next issue. Thank you all for sending in your dues and news. Don't forget to include your full name on your news form—it is our only resource for determining who you are. ♦ Class of '36, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.



It's hard to believe. Here we are in our March/April 2001 edition, looking forward to St. Patrick's Day, Easter, Passover, and other celebrations, plus anticipating the beauty of an early spring! Many of us have kept busy over the winter months. **Doris**

“Thinking of getting married again, but everyone here says I'm 'robbing the cradle.'”

EDWARD R. BERGER '34

**Smallridge** Dykes has been occupied with assignments involving new construction jobs at her hospital, as well as taking time off to visit with her daughter and grandchildren in New Bern, NC. **Elizabeth Stevenson** Bennett, MS Ed '48, offers her assistance to the Women's Circle of Windsor Presbyterian Church, Windsor Civic Club, and Windsor Library.

**Helen Saunders** Engst, MS '65, lists five children, ten grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren, including four Cornell graduates. She manages to visit all the families three times a year, traveling to Washington, Oregon, Nebraska, the Southwest, etc. She hopes that the families will soon start visiting her in Ithaca. In between visits she co-chairs Cornell reunions, attends lectures, is active with the League of Women Voters, FISH (Friends in Service Helping), and Retired Teachers Assn., and has started working on '37's 65th Reunion 2002.

**Anna Florio** Farquhar's travels are limited to Vermont and Florida (Oct. to April) where she plays bridge and some golf, and is constantly reading. Among her children and grandchildren, **Augusta DeBare** Greyson has listed graduates from Cornell, Princeton, Harvard, Oberlin, and Brown—quite a selection. Her last vacation took her to California, and in her retirement at home she spends time with crossword puzzles, ORT, and temple activities.

**Mary Ferguson** Mills is on the board of her senior housing complex, a member of the garden club, and involved with the Scranton Library. Her last vacations took her to northern Portugal in April and to Vermont in September. She keeps in touch with **Marge Hall** Schlosser, **Ruth Lindquist** Dales, and **Ines Squassoni** Barbieri, usually exchanging Christmas letters.

**Claire Kelly Gilbert** volunteers with the St. Vincent de Paul soup kitchen and shop, the library, and computers and school aid. In addition, she is an active member of the Siesta Key Assn. and the Cornell Club in Sarasota. We extend our sincere sympathy to her on the recent loss of her husband **Perry, PhD '40**, former Cornell professor of neurobiology and director of the Moat Marine Laboratory. ♦ **Selma Block** Green, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583; tel., (914) 472-0535.

For the last 39 years Judge **Joseph W. Cribb**, JD '40, has gone to Rimrock Ranch in Cody, WY, to ride horseback and enjoy the mountains. This year's visit took a sad turn when Joe's favorite mount of many a past year died suddenly on the trail. Joe wasn't injured in the fall but says it was like losing a dear old friend.

Back East in Canajoharie Joe raises Morgan carriage horses and shows them in carriage-driving events around New York and in Canada. A retired surrogate judge, he doesn't practice law any longer but does some charity work, especially at Granger Homestead Society which he founded in 1946.

It's the first time we've had any news for the column from **H. Leslie Walker** in Ridgefield, CT. Welcome, Les. A widower, he has nine grandchildren and two great-grands and enjoys summers on Cape Cod. Hobbies include, but hopefully are not limited to, gun dogs and wine and water. And, speaking of dogs, **Myron Silverman** writes, "Time spent trying to train two dogs is a full-time job, especially as one is a 90-pound German shorthaired pointer that's my size!" But he (Myron, that is) does find time for gardening. Last year Myron was on a tour in Egypt for 2-1/2 weeks. He's finally and fully retired from teaching and administration at the U. of North Carolina.

The Aspen, CO, wedding of **James R.** and **Elizabeth Ware's** grandson C. J. Ware to Jennifer Fisher was a beautiful family gathering that included all the Ware children and grandchildren. The groom is the son of **James P.**, PhD '78, and **Cindy Booth Ware**, both '65. **John A.** and **Mary Meaden** have recently been to Arizona and Florida and nearby Michigan. They have often traveled with the Wares and, closer to home, get together frequently for dinner—'37 mini-reunions of two engineer classmates. John, semi-retired, has been keeping an eye on his company's new screw-making plant in Kentucky. The Meaden clan embraces two sons, a daughter, and six grandchildren.

**Harvey L. Slatin** is still running a software consulting business and plays singles ten-

nis four or five times a week. His wife Anne, who has a ceramics and antiques business, was reelected for a fourth term as deputy mayor in Stamford, NY. **John Rogers** was on a cruise-tour to Alaska last spring and, in September, enjoyed another Cornell-associated tour in Germany. John may be slowing down, but happily classified himself as "part-time reunion helper." **Millard** and Genevieve **Coggs** were on a beautiful tour last June in Bavaria and the Tyrolean Alps in Austria. At home in the "hills" of Clermont in central Florida, Millard is still diligently working on the computer, "so I can understand what my son and daughter are talking about." ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd. N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.



Thanks to those of you who heard my pleas for news! Recently **Grace Johnson** Cross participated in an Eastern U. program on Beaver Island, off Michigan's northwest coast. There the group studied the island's distinctive flora and fauna, even going on bogging expeditions. Deer were plentiful, and their favorite daily desserts were the masses of pink ladies' slippers! Grace's other activities include a daily swim, and she plans to spend the winter months in Florida. There's good

600,000 bushels a year, counting some pears mixed in with apples—the annual shipments from the orchards of same (plus 599 tons of cherries) that **Fran Crane** oversees/advises for his sons who now own and run the business. Fran's still active in other ways, such as running three miles every other day and downhill skiing in season—or as he puts it, "to exercise the carcass to keep it from ossifying," and more about that in another edition.

After the recent passing of **Bob Cloyes**, there were laudatory comments in newspapers and elsewhere about his civic activities and particularly his own help for individuals' needs. Your scribe still vividly recalls one such instance, dating back to our 25th Reunion: An elderly alum, maybe then at about his 60th or so, was shepherded on a plane all the way from California to Ithaca, and Bob appointed your scribe as "chief assistant" for shepherding said elder to see some precious banquet menus the oldster had somewhat recently donated to the Big Red Hotel school. As we three reached the Hotel school, Bob whispered to me that once we arrived at the Hotel school he wanted to have me sit with our elder while Bob went ahead to see all was well. It turned out to be a bit of a wait (the precious historic ornate and valuable menus personally signed by dozens of notables of their long-gone days were in rather

ter. After war's end, with three top admirals at the ceremony, Harry, his ship, and its personnel were awarded a Presidential citation.

One of the delights of class correspondence is to receive comments of all perceptions from our varied class membership. Not the most infrequent topic lately has been the much-muddled topic of who'd be the next US President. One classmate, apparently fed up with all politicians, wrote us: "I have, however, had a lot of laughs—especially the way the pols claim credit for anything and everything that happens, so that now the only achievement not yet claimed is beautiful sunsets!" ♦ **Fred Hillegas**, Stoneybrook #113, 4700 SW Hollyhock Cir., Corvallis, OR 97333-1372.



Glad to get the good news that **Russ Hopping's** bout with thyroid cancer is about over and he is looking forward to golf and some time with his daughter on St. Simons Island. In the same vein is news from **Stanley Lesnik** that he has made an excellent recovery from his third open-heart operation. He has made Florida his permanent home and looks forward to laying down his racquet after 65 years of playing tennis and sticking to the less strenuous activity of tournament bridge.

Although he dislikes the term "retired" and all that it connotes and denotes, **Frank Sainburg**, MD '43, has finally learned to accept it. He is enjoying his new home and an opportunity to spend time with his three sons: a nuclear scientist, a doctor, and an attorney.

Still enjoying his retirement from medical practice is **Larry Kaplan**, who is recovering from cardiac surgery. He's had to give up tennis and substitute bridge and a little golf while thoroughly enjoying his home on Longboat Key. Says Larry, it's ideal for R and R. Last August **Stan Hall** and Florine celebrated 57 years of wedded bliss. Visiting their daughters out West, teaching Sunday School, and keeping up with Lion's Club activities take up their extra time. **Byron Bookhout**, MS '40, and Evelyn manage to keep busy with bowling, horseshoes, and volunteer work at the hospital. **Ev Randall** has quit planting squash because of no bees this past summer. He just felt too foolish going around with a cotton swab buzzzz, buzzzzing.

Although retired, **Jerome Schneck** is still writing professional journal articles dealing with the history of psychiatry. **Sam Whittlesey** and Betty have been leading a rather quiet life lately, but still volunteer each week at the Hospice of the Florida Suncoast. This is the largest operation of its kind in the world. They still haven't decided how to split their annual giving between Cornell and the Hospice. Still keeping up with insect-borne diseases, especially the newly important West Nile virus, is **Harvey Scudder**, PhD '53. He also spends time writing and serving on the board of directors of several related organizations.

**Frank Tillotson** is still devoted to swimming, both as a participant and as an official. His most recent venture was taking part, along with three other 85-plus mavericks, in the

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HELEN REICHERT CHADWICK '38

news from **Gerry Miller** Gallagher, whose amazing recovery continues. She's now walking well and sounds like her old self.

A retirement community in Bridgewater, VA, is home for **Sigrid Persson Reger**, whose husband **Mason**, MS Ag '36, died two years ago. She now can count four great-grandchildren—a very good reason for frequent trips to Florida and California, and e-mail is a blessing! Last July she attended a program at Chautauqua, and is now taking courses in Life Long Learning. Bridge sessions and two book clubs fill more of her monthly schedule.

The weeks are never long enough for **Willie Mazar** Satina and husband Al, Phoenix, AZ, residents for many years. Willie's articles appear in the local papers, as well as in *Newsweek* on the Web; she keeps up her music and takes exercise classes three days a week. Al plays with the Sun City orchestra and is a tennis and gardening fan. A big family event recently was the wedding of granddaughter Ellena, made unforgettable since the ceremony took place on a bluff overlooking the Pacific near Big Sur. A formal dinner in an ancient barn followed, and it ended with a dance. Willie swung and swayed along with all the younger guests! ♦ **Helen Reichert** Chadwick, 225 N. 2nd St., Lewiston, NY 14902.

You've heard of "an apple a day" and its ability to keep MDs at bay. Well, now figure on

deep storage). But eventually the dozens of historic menus were hustled out of vaults and set up as though having been on public display forever. After we'd returned our elder to his dorm, Bob guardedly told me, "After coming all the way from California to see his beloved menus, I didn't have the heart to tell him his gifts were on ice and out of sight!"

Sports note: **George Stothoff** and his doubles partner on the tennis courts, **Bill Bargfrede** '39, recently defeated "a pair of kids, **Bob** (surname mercifully censored) '45 and **Stan** (likewise protected from derision) '45." In a gracious display of sportsmanship, the jubilant winners commented, "Let it be known, however, that these youngsters, although trimmed, do have a nice little game, one that can grow as they mature." (Editor's note: As always, modest in victory!)

**Harry Lee Smith** won almost a full-page spread in the Tampa, FL, *Tribune* in its "I remember it well" series with a recollection of April 1945, when World War II in Europe was almost over but fighting was fierce in the Pacific. Harry, then commanding an LCS(L), and his crew were in the battle for Okinawa. About a week after the initial assault, Harry's craft, with 71 Americans aboard, and a few other US ships were attacked by 25 enemy "suicide" planes. Two of Harry's crew died, eight others were wounded and four crew members were blown uninjured into the wa-

first-ever relay for old-timers. It even brought them national attention. He is a highly sought-after official, taking part in more than 25 competitions each year, even up to the national championship level. After three years of daily practice, 86-year-old **Herman Hegyi** has learned to play the chromatic harmonica reasonably well, and looks forward to the weekly four-hour practice sessions at the local community college. Herman has recently installed a computer and will be attending an adult education class for more instruction. His motto: "Never give up and you'll never grow old. When your mind is gone, you're gone."

*Tidbit:* Tact is the ability to close your mouth before someone else wants to. ♦ **Russ Martin**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-1103.

Lately, a poem by Robert Browning has been running through my mind: "Grow old along with me! / The best is yet to be, / The last of life, for which the first was made . . ." And then a *New York Times* clipping, courtesy of **Ethel Piness Abrams**, appeared in my mail—a poem written by our clever classmate **Helen Frank Sheingorn**, which I quote for your enjoyment: "Observations En Route to the Doctor's Office":

*Life is an unsolicited loan,  
Recall certain, date unknown.  
Sober warnings along the way  
Remind us there's a debt to pay.  
But as the loan approaches "Due,"  
With modern science swift advancing,  
We may enjoy a refinancing!*

And on that happy, irreverent note, let's get to old and recent news of our busy classmates. **Hella Ratzke** Reeves is an active member of the Warren, RI, senior citizens and an avid biker with three bicycles to keep her in shape. Maybe that's the reason she spends very little time in the doctor's office! **Rose Brodbeck Padgham** and husband **Clarence '40**, live in Sun City, FL. She is historian for the scholarship committee which sponsors fund-raising activities for scholarships for employees and high school wait staff. (That's a switch!) She sees **Helen Stephenson DeLuca** at Cornell Suncoast Club meetings.

**Ruth Gallagher** Goodenough is pleased to report that her grandson, Jesse Gelber, who is a jazz pianist and composer, has married a classical violinist, Olga Kouznetsava—a most interesting combination!

In late spring of 1999, **Edna Schmidt Aakre** enjoyed a family trip to southwest Germany but missed Reunion because of a family wedding. Quite suddenly, in July, her son died of a heart attack, so she finds that family concerns dominate all her thoughts these days. We send our sincere sympathy.

**Elizabeth Luxford** Webster wrote that her aunt, **Lois Webster Utter '20**, who passed away in the fall just before her 102nd birthday, had been the first woman in the Geneva area to cast her vote in the 1920 election and was very proud of never having missed a major election since. In the wake of the recent debacle in Florida, it is sobering to remember how

hard women fought to get the vote, and how cavalierly our politicians are treating this precious privilege today.

**Russ Martin**, MS Ag '41, and Mig, **Barbara Babcock** Payne, MA '70, **Lewis Fancourt** and Jean, and I were among the many Cornellians and administrators gathered at the Statler in September to honor **William Fuerst**, MS '61, for his outstanding service to Cornell. We '39ers know how great Bill has been all these years, and it was our privilege to join in recognizing his worth.

One more thought: If you have become computer literate and have an e-mail address, please send it to me. ♦ **Ruth Gold** Goodman, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-6357; e-mail, bg11@cornell.edu.



**John Weiner**, a retired English teacher from White Plains, helped me at Reunion to gather news for this column. He was impressed by lots of talk about World War II among our group there in Ithaca last June. Many friendships were held in abeyance until sometime long after the war and many contacts were lost for good. The cohesiveness of the wartime classes was less than those in the '30s. "Nevertheless, we came back from the war, got married, went back to work or back to school, raised our families, and became the model citizens we are today."

At the State of the University Address, Pres. Rawlings was impressive not only in his physical height but in his obvious intellectual depth and boundless energy. Plans for Cornell's future were exciting and well-orchestrated. Readers may recall John's collecting books in his locality near White Plains and converting these into \$170,000 for the homeless. Thank you so much, John. After Reunion, John and wife Lynne traveled to Vienna where her documentary on Freud was featured at the Freud Museum, followed by two weeks in London for the Freud Film Festival. The film is now being shown at the Skirball Museum in Los Angeles.

**Willard Ossont** has five great-grands: two in Texas, two in Washington, DC, and one in New Hartford, NY, where he lives, now retired, serving his family as its historian. He usually gets to the yearly gathering of Retired Ag Teachers. **F. Van Wormer** "Wormie" **Walsh's** wife is **Aleine (Ellis) '41**. They live at 49 Pratt's Island Rd., Southport, ME. **Robert Storandt** retired in 1983 after 36 years in the Cornell Admissions Office. At that time friends and associates inaugurated the "Robert W. Storandt Cornell Tradition Fellowship." Living in Ithaca, **Jean (Cummings) '42** and Bob have had the special good fortune of more easily getting to know many of the recipients of these awards.

**Peg Boardman** Young, living in Ft. Myers, FL, has given 1,500 hours of volunteer work at Lee Memorial Health Park, assembling patients' records in "Same Day Surgery." But she also tells of an organization I have not heard about—EGA, the Embroiderers' Guild of America. Quoting Peg, "Teaching new kids on the block, doing research in antique

sewing tools, and trying to find some!" She lectures to whomever is interested in the "Golden Age." She adds, "Talking is easy. Trying to reproduce their stitches is difficult." She has attended seminars in San Francisco, Louisville, and Boston the last three years. Peg has done a masterful job of caring for herself and others, which includes her husband's battle with Alzheimer's, "a truly devastating disease." At the time of her writing she was planning a trip with **Dot Angell** Glass on a nature cruise on the inland waterways of Alaska. She will also stop over to see her granddaughter and grandson in Seattle. This youngster is a recent *magna cum laude* graduate of Pepperdine law school. In the stressful times, she recalls the lecture given to incoming Hum Ec freshmen by Flora Rose, quoting, "The great state of New York is investing all this money in you. As a graduate you must return this investment by giving back your knowledge, time, and resources." Well done, Peg.

**Joseph Seidle** hasn't written before so I include his address: 505 E. Lancaster Ave., St. Davids, PA. He is still practicing architecture, but now limiting his work to the states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He enjoys making ship and boat models, plays tennis twice a week, and is also on the golf course "on those infrequent rounds when time allows!" He has a "banker son" and a free-lance cost analyst daughter-in-law, a ballerina granddaughter in New York City, and a graphic artist grandson in Atlanta.

**Dorothea Daniels** Glass, MD, has spent her entire adult life in learning, then giving physical care to others. Recently she received the highest award given by the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, the Frank H. Krusen Award. This recognizes her outstanding and unique contributions to PM&R in the areas of patient care, research, education, literary contributions, community service, and involvement in Academy activities. Dr. Glass received her MD in '54 from Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania. She completed her PM&R residency in 1962 at Veterans Administration Hospital in Philadelphia, then went on to more than 40 years on the faculty of Medical College of Pennsylvania, later becoming the chief of the rehab medicine service at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Miami. Dorothea is currently a consultant in PM&R at the Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of Martin Memorial Medical Center in Stuart, FL. Her many awards and recognition from so many societies cannot be listed here. We wish her the very best for her own health and contentment in future years. ♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, PO Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; tel., (518) 632-5237.

## REUNION



Weather in Ithaca is just as varied as it always was. We expect snow for the Penn game. **Grace O'Dare Kimball** writes that **Craig**, JD '48, died Apr. 19, '00. Their three Cornellian children live in Sante Fe also. Grace still volunteers in various organizations and was awarded her 6,000-hour pin

from St. Vincent Hospital. **Janet Wilbor Warner** (Mrs. Lyle) and husband enjoyed a cruise in February to Grand Cayman, Cozumel, Mexico, Honduras, and Belize. **Betty Ethel Dicker Kaplan** (Mrs. Chester) is happy to report she has no complaints about life in Florida. Her children and grandchildren are well and very attentive, so "who could ask for more."

**Felicia R. Rog Pfeiffer** is sad to report that Leonard, her husband of 53 years, died in December 1998 while recovering from surgery. Felicia traveled to Hong Kong in the fall of 1999 to visit her son Rick and family. While in the Orient she toured China, Beijing, Xian, and Shanghai. Three of her children and 17 grandchildren live nearby in Glen Park and Ridgewood, NJ. Felicia feels richly blessed to have seven wonderful children and their spouses. **Rosalind "Lindy" Heath Eiben** (Mrs. Ted, MS '46) realizes all too well how priceless is good health. After surgery to replace a knee a few years ago she acquired a vicious infection which took the hospital six months to control. That was followed by five months in a nursing home. Husband Ted brought her home to continue recovery and she is not back to normal yet, but able to function on a limited basis.

**Dale Kuntz Galston** has retired as a psychodiagnostician from the Clifford Beers Guidance Clinic in New Haven (more than 30 years of service) and has become a volunteer in CASA program, where she represents the interests of children involved in litigation. Her title is Guardian Ad Litem. This requires a training program, after which she is officially appointed by the legal system. She has now had three cases and enjoyed the work. She recently gave an 80th birthday party for her husband **Art '40** with their children in attendance.

**Ruth Aranow** Cresson says life continues to be busy. She still sings in two choral groups with three or four concerts each year for each group. In June their Calvary Church took a ten-day tour to London, Canterbury, and Cambridge. Each summer she manages to take a trip to another part of Europe. At home she works with slow readers in the first grade. **Jane Frier Bertrand** reports she is still traveling. She enjoyed a three-week cruise to Hawaii in 1999 and was anticipating a trip to the Greek Isles in the fall of 2000. She is doing her share of babysitting with a new granddaughter and great-granddaughter. **Virginia Ward Elkins** and husband **William Sp Ag '38-40**, moved to a retirement home in Leesburg, FL, in 1995 and are enjoying retirement living. **Joyce Hovey Engelke** has also moved to a retirement community, this one in Johnson City, NY.

**Evelyn Opdyke** Mueller is very busy traveling this year. She has spent half the year visiting her children, and this fall she went to Turkey. When she is home she drives cancer patients to radiation therapy and chemotherapy, and she goes to the blood bank every two weeks to donate platelets. AND she plans to get to our 60th "NO MATTER WHAT."  
♦ **Dorothy Talbert** Wiggans, 358 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850-6504; tel., (607) 266-7629; e-mail, flower@localnet.com.

Brief message from **Elton Borden**: "Retired at family farm in NY State, winter in Florida. Travel some in camper."

Words of a happy **George Callaway**: "Feeling good. Enjoying the sunshine of family visits, including grandchildren and great-grandchildren. What more can one ask?" Col. **Jim Wittman**, PhD '51, raised a military family: two sons are West Pointers and a granddaughter graduated from the Air Force Academy. First son is a PhD from Tulane. Jim enjoyed Cornell. He and Adelle were married June 16, 1941 in Forest Home Chapel. **Jim Hutson** complains that in retirement there is not enough time to do everything. They plan a steamboat cruise up the Columbia River and a week in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, as well as a week in Norfolk with his oldest son's family. **Morton Beer**, MD '44, divides time between Morristown, NJ, and Boca Raton, FL. He continues to do *pro bono* medical activities. "Most important, my health is holding up well."

**Isadore Gibber** joins many others snowbirding between Monticello, NY, and Florida. They love visits from three family generations. Dr. **Stanley Reich** is healthy and happy in semi-retirement. He continues to teach radiology at U. of California, Davis and San Francisco. Busy investigating, good writer **Howard Schuck**, MS Ag '43, has asked our university athletic director if there was an important relationship between Carl Snavely and Vince Lombardi. **Bill Sorn** stays very active with Masonic Lodge, Meals on Wheels, Kiwanis Club, the "Honey-Do" list, and publishing Masonic monthly newsletter that includes his World War II diary. **Frank Warner**, JD '48, has retired. **Robert Haase** is still self-employed in Midwestern Process Equipment Co. since 1946. He covers Kansas and Missouri.

So you will better know **Ralph Antell**, I offer a snapshot of my history. I entered the Army with an ROTC commission as 2nd Lieutenant and rose to Company Commander of Medium Automotive Mtn. Company that landed in Normandy, France, on D-Day. Although I graduated from the Hotel school, I spent 30 years in personnel management with Westinghouse, RCA Space Center, Philip Morris Research Center, and U. of Richmond. On a volunteer job for three years, I supervised renovation of the old Loew's Theater, noted for its near perfect acoustics. It is now a center for performing arts and booked 85 percent of each year. A fun job.

More of **Bruce Johnston's** many accomplishments: His PhD dissertation, "The Role of Agriculture in Japan's Modern Economic Growth, 1880-1940"; a 1995 book, *Transforming Agrarian Economics*, with Peter Kilby of Wesleyan U., which included case studies of Japan, the US, Mexico, and Taiwan; and a final round-the-world trip to China, Taiwan, and South Africa. He rests in a small but pleasant cottage on the Monterey Peninsula.  
♦ **Ralph Antell**, 7015 Carnation St., #408, Richmond, VA 23225-5233.



Nostalgia was overpowering on the Big Band Cruise, as **George and Barbara Crohurst Howell** (Oak Brook, IL), **Barbara (Johnson)** and **Dick Earl '43**

(Nokomis, FL), **Jim and Dorothy Dodds Kraker** (New Smyrna Beach, FL), **Frank and Leah Williams** (Sarasota, FL), **Bill Johnson '49** and Yolanda Dempsey (Hampstead, NC), **Eleanor Bloomfield Scholl '44** (Boynton Beach, FL), and I knew all the words to Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey, and Glenn Miller songs, even though we hadn't sung them for 60 years. Now we have to dream on because the great SS *Norway* will turn into a gambling casino based in Singapore. But, oh, it was good while it lasted. Anyone interested in a Big Band Cruise please contact me ASAP because something big will be created—the thousands who don't want it to end won't be ignored.

George and Barbara are now setting up website activities to make planned giving to CU easier. Contact them at ghowell@pffingsten.com. **Sarah Osborne** McGowan (Ventura, CA) works as a telemarketing specialist in her company, Fitzgerald & Assoc. She celebrated the first anniversary of her marriage to Ed McGowan, spent a week in Puerta Vallarta, and is a member of the Professional Women's Network.

If anyone from Denver is making plans to go to the 60th Reunion, get in touch with **Bob Harris**, JD '47, at (303) 922-4689. He's eager to make the trip. **Gordie Kiddoo** and Lois spent the winter in California visiting family in delightful spots where I lived, like Manhattan Beach and La Jolla. They saw tulip displays in Holland and enjoyed cruising canals and rivers of the low countries. They have moved into a Tidepointe cottage on Hilton Head Island, SC, a retirement community, but will also spend three to five months in another new home in Connetsee Falls, NC. **Ruth Gregory Gregg** (Afton, NY) took part in an Adult University (CAU) antiquing program. **Ignatius LaCombe** (Peru, NY) just returned from a trip to France, the highlight of which was a visit to St. Hilaire Petit Ville in Normandy, where his wife Dorothy's 1,700-bed tent hospital was located during World War II and where they were married. Three daughters accompanied them.

**Edwin Markham** (Bainbridge Island, WA) led horticultural tours to Essen, Germany, Burlington, VT, and Philadelphia, PA. He and Yoshiko also went on a horse pack trip in the wilderness and totaled 21,000 miles on United Airlines this year. **Jean (Fenton)** and **Art Potter** (Washington, CT) pointed out that in their recent trip to Tacoma, WA, for a reunion of Art's 89th Div., Bill Gates's home was pointed out, but not mine. Art's in an experimental program for heart failure at Mt. Sinai in New York City and is feeling better.

**Ruth Hyde** Cole (Queensbury) holds a 70-year record for Girl Scout activities. She's active in the Christian Women's Club, library, and Adirondacks Mt. Club. A recent trip to Europe included England, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, the Holy Land, and a Passion Play. She recently bought a new bicycle and hopes to cross-country ski again. What a gal! **Robert Underwood**, MME '49 (Manchester, TN) is the Lions Club secretary and a Melvin Jones Fellow (runderwoodtn@earth link.net). **Joe Hollowell** (Hockessin, DE)

continues his archaeological research in Peru, a 20-year project. **Robert Prisch** (Rochester, NY) is still active as a retirement banker. He visited Maine and Europe and enjoys wood-working, as does **Edward Holub** (Media, PA), who handcrafts furniture and accessories for Rotary auctions.

**Yates Dowell** (Vienna, VA) sadly reports the passing of his wife Mary after 55 wonderful years, and **Arleen Heidgerd Perry** (Englewood, FL) reports that her husband **John '41** was a victim of leukemia. She is grateful for all the help she received from Hospice and stays busy with her Evangelical Free Church. **Ruth Gould** (Perry, MI), a dietician who earned distinction from the American Dietetic Assn. for teaching family nutrition to women on welfare, also passed away recently.

**Roy Tunison** (San Francisco, CA) visited an island in Lake Champlain, VT, to join **Bill Hazelett** (Colchester, VT) and **Hoot Sabin** (Nutley, NJ) for sailing, swimming, motor boating, and sea plane excursions. Gal pal Olga, onetime Hungarian chess champion, also joined the group.

During World War II when I was working with the history department and the Ag college, I also helped out at the dances in Barton Hall. I'll always remember the best Lindy Hopper of them all, the late **Sam Pierce '44**, JD '49. Everyone would circle round when he and his partner "shined."

Congratulations to **Robert Gallagher '44**, who has given \$1 million to the Athletic Dept. to ensure that Cornellians receive the values and lessons taught by athletics. Co-captain of the '47 CU basketball team, he wants to recapture the spirit of the times when games at Barton Hall played to standing room only. He wants to foster intramural sports also. Maybe with his help and inspiration, we'll even beat Penn again in football.

See next issue for your news if not included here. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 2933 76th SE #13D, Mercer Island, WA 98040; tel., (206) 232-3092; e-mail, ceefinn@juno.com.

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**Jane (Snyder) BS Nurs '75**, and **Ralph Hubbell** have, for the fourth year now, dedicated these months, March and April, to the National Park Service. Q. Doing what? A. Volunteering at the oldest continuously operating Indian Trading Post in the country. Q. How come? A. Family connection. Distant cousin John Lorenzo Hubbell opened the post in 1878; it remained in the family until 1965 when it was sold to the Park Service. Q. Where does this happen? A. I figure upstate New York because Lorenzo's younger (hah!) distant cousins have retired to Lake Champlain where they now and again play host to five children and nine grandchildren. I scratched downstate South Africa even though last fall the Hubbells did visit close friends for three weeks in Botswana.

As my grandfather used to say, it runs in the family like wooden legs. Wooden legacies? The following have grandchildren on the Hill right now. This list is by no means complete, merely an update to an ongoing barrage. **Ann**

(**Buchholz**) '45 and **John Alden's** granddaughter **Ruth**, fourth generation Cornellian; **Veronica Van Marter Macki**; **Brian Lowe**; **Bill Hawley**; **Katie**, a freshman and a member of Naval ROTC; and then we come to **Carol (Bowman)** and **Robert D. Ladd**. He writes: "Two grandchildren graduate from

"I get my most creative ideas while on the north end of a southbound pitchfork."

BOB LADD '43

Hotel school in May. **David Ladd** is a sophomore in A&S; **Karen Ladd**, early decision acceptance in the Ag college. Carol is still breeding chocolate Labs. I have a boarding and teaching operation (horses) at our barn. Get my most creative ideas while on the north end of a southbound pitchfork."

Add to the above list **Betsy (Small)** and **Gus Schrader**; **Robbins '02** and **Corbin '03**. Betsy writes: "I wish I'd had a grandmother to send me an occasional clipping from *Cornell Magazine*. There's much of interest to undergrads and I never saw a copy till I was an alumna. Our own kids are also fine: **Connie '75** and **Allan '76**."

From Dallas, **Mary Jo Borntreger** Ray wrote previously of a trip to the UK, with side trips to Shropshire and Wales, to visit daughter, son-in-law, and 18-year-old twins in their new London digs. Daughter's two older sons stayed home in Texas, one working, one an undergrad at U. of Texas. This time Mary Jo tells us of last summer's cruise on the Danube—so enjoyable, what with the unforgettable scenery and the thrill of tying up right in the center of a city. More river cruises are on the horizon.

Semi-retired. **Irving Davis** is "a happy farmer and advisor to son Allen, farm manager, and tractor operator for weed spraying and transportation of hand-harvested grapes in Hector, NY. I serve as supervisor of a 'pick your own grapes' program, weighing empty containers and reweighing full ones." I only report the news, Irv, but somewhere in there someone makes a calculation and money changes hands, right?

From Manitowec, WI, **Mike Sfat**, M Ch E '47, writes: "Wife Jane passed away in 1997. Retired as president emeritus of Bio-Technical Resources, founded in 1962. Married Shirley Erdman, widow of my best friend. Restored an 1876 Bohemian homestead—log plank house and outbuildings—now used by local farmers for agricultural tourism and community activities. Cornell's gift of an education in bioengineering has been my lifelong focus." **Bill Sens** also remarried—"a lovely lady named Olga. We now spend part of the year in New Jersey and the rest in Aspen." **Al Dorskind**, JD '48, having lived in same house for more than 35 years has just moved with same wife (49 years) to a condo. Is that news?

Well maybe, maybe not. How about this: son **Jim '75** is general counsel to the US Dept. of Commerce. Or this: Al is in his 25th year as VP/CEO of Ralph Parsons Foundation which will donate to qualified non-profit entities this year in excess of seventeen million dollars. Or this: \$17,000,000+.

Best friend, erstwhile roommate **Jack Kaman** has died, one of the brightest, funniest, kindest humans in my life. Carol, his wife of fifty years, called the first weekend of January with the tragic news. His heart problems, alas, had worsened; he vetoed heroic measures. For half a century Jack had practiced law in Rochester, and from boyhood on had single-mindedly fished Tupper Lake and the Thousand Islands.

We roomed together, **Gene Saks**, Jack, and I. We called him "Head." He called himself Head. He called me Stormy; short fuse in those days. "Head, your typewriter looks like a miniature threshing machine. That the small-scale model John Deere delivered to the Patent Office?" "Yeah, Stormy," out of the corner of his mouth, "but the old man promised that if I make Dean's List, I get a new one." Head made Dean's list first semester. He made it the next semester. He made it every semester. He made Phi Beta Kappa in his junior year, and V-7 after that. The Navy gave him command of an LCT. His first sunk in the English Channel on D-Day. His luck was better in the Pacific. We won the war. He graduated Yale Law with high honors and the Order of the Coif, still typing on the threshing machine.

Jack was brilliantly funny and original—alternated with Jack Slater in writing the *Sun's* humor column, "The Berry Patch." He was highly disciplined and worked his butt off. Wrote down every word of every lecture, came home, typed it single-space, border to border, no white space anywhere, reread it, underlined the salient points in red, reviewed what was underlined, aced everything in sight. How he hoed that row living with clowns like Gene and me is the marvel of the age. I'll miss him always, especially at reunions. He never failed to feed me a great line. He brightened my life. For those of you who knew him, I'm sure he brightened yours. ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.

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Family reunions are big news. **Zelda Guttman** Damashek and George gathered their "Seattle son, wife, and baby, Evanston son, wife, and two children, and WYE creative daughter" in St. Martin last April to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

sary. "Miracle of miracles, we all got along splendidly." The Damasheks live in Scarsdale, where George practices law from home. Vacations are often Elderhostels. **Burl and Frances Ward Kimple** celebrated their 56th in September with seven children and twelve grands in Santa Rosa, CA. **Gordon Clement** writes of a wonderful family reunion in Hawaii in April "with everyone there." He also mentions a three-week river cruise through 72 locks from Budapest to Amsterdam on the

enterprise. (Kristin did the Amazon cruise with Club '44.) In June they spent four days in Paris, then rode the Chunnel train to London where they joined a group flotilla of English and American sailors to tour the Normandy coast, ending in Le Havre. There were more than 20 boats, all English and French (no trans-Atlantic crossings).

**Irma Kapernick Sanford** is a world traveler, having visited every continent except Antarctica. Upon the death of her husband

**“Doesn't anyone just sit home anymore?”**

PRENTICE CUSHING JR. '45

Rhine-Main-Danube Canal. **Charles De Bare**, JD '49, and wife thoroughly enjoyed their Jersey summer home on the ocean with continual visits from their combined 12 children with spouses and nine grands. In September they toured the vineyards of France for two weeks—good wine tasting and good food.

Travelers we are—and to exotic places. **Otis Purdie** described his February study tour of Saudi Arabia, north to south, as detailed and luxurious: "Direct flight from Washington, DC, to Jeddah, fine hotels, fine shopping malls. Crime is virtually non-existent." **Joel and Henrietta Pantel Hillman** '47 and **Christopher Bull**, MD '47, traveled with Adult University (CAU) to Vienna, Budapest, and Prague in spring. In August the Hillmans took a garden trip to Scotland with Prof. **Don Rakow**, PhD '87. **Kenneth Kander** visited Egypt in March—"Lots of tombs and a cruise down the Nile." **Lou Donkle** and Joellen cruised rivers and canals across northern Germany from Berlin to Amsterdam in October with a Cornell alumni group.

A long letter from **Olga Senuk** Diamond describes her daughter Diana's visit to the kibbutz and an old Arab village in Israel where she had lived as a child. Olga's anthropologist husband Stanley had received a grant, 1951-53, to study the cultures. Diana, a psychology professor at CCNY, was invited to present a paper in December 1999 at the International Conference of psychiatrists at Hebrew U. in Jerusalem. She found her old homesite and two old family friends who had pictures Olga had taken all those years ago. **Joyce Tamres Brenner** writes of her experience as a Fulbright scholar in 1987 in Pakistan. She spent that summer studying, meeting government officials, and traveling through some "very beautiful and hazardous terrain. The Pakistanis are charming, warm, friendly, informative, and curious about us." She went on to India and viewed the Taj Mahal. This year she and Frank toured Sicily and Morocco.

**Alison King Barry**, BArch '47, and Allen ski and sail. After "great late-spring skiing" in Utah during April they visited their daughter Kristin in Joshua Tree, CA, where she has opened Crossroads Cafe, already a successful

**Clark**, MBA '49, in 1972, she started a career with Chase Manhattan Bank, retiring in 1985. Son **Steven Sanford** '73 married **Susan (Hilmoe)** '75. Irma says she has worked for many years on the phonathon from Syracuse and contributed to the university, but not to the Class of '44 until now.

Retirement communities are beckoning. **Beatrice Noback** Robbins and Frank settled into Vantage House in Columbia, MD. They have met many Cornellians, but most graduated in the 1930s. "We seem to be the newcomers and the youngsters." Their youngest son and wife have taken over their house in Silver Spring but they go back almost every day to swim in the pool. **Fay McClelland** writes from Holland, PA. "Nothing new—comfortable in a retirement facility." **Bob Garmezy** and wife have moved to Kendal at Ithaca. Moving and downsizing is traumatic." The Rundells agree but have no regrets after four years at Falcons Landing. In fact, we have the best of two worlds—the excellent cuisine, interesting people, and great activities here, plus our "old world friends and associations." We're middle-aged.

A note from **Jean Slaughter** Davis tells of her daughter Janet's Mother's Day invitation to go to DC with her and grandson for the Million Mom March. But she couldn't face the one-day round trip from Pittsburgh, so declined. However, she was proud to have them there. "Easy access to handguns has been a major problem to me since 1941." (Jean's friends know why.) She and Jeff like Elderhostels; they did one in Colorado and one in Gettysburg last year. "The easy pace and study with a purpose appeal to us."

Short takes: **Carl Teipel** is still enjoying retirement (11 years) and spending summers at their second home on the lake at Leland, MI. **Henry Baxter** is active with industrial archeology—study and preservation of 18th century canals, blast furnaces, lime kilns, and grain elevators. **Olive Wissel** Sahaydak still volunteers at North Shore Hospital on Long Island—30 years of service. **Forris Chick**, MD, enjoys being back in Connecticut and keeps busy with projects around the house and visits with family. ❖ **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir. #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.



The official list of Reunion attendees has been published and you should have received yours. It shows 88 classmates,

even if I know of at least one omission. If you didn't receive it, let me know. Which brings up a related subject—changes of address. There is a problem in Ithaca handling these and we are trying to help. If you change your address, telephone number, or e-mail, please advise ME. I will pass it on to the proper Ithaca office. Also, the list of our new class officers, previously reported here, should be in your hands and is on our class website. The e-mail list is growing slowly and is also posted. Please check the site and if yours is missing or incorrect, e-mail me.

We continue to hear raves about the 55th Reunion, even though it was almost a year ago (can you believe that we're 20 percent along the way from that to the 60th?). Didn't have a chance to check with Dr. **Robert Wallace**, MD '47 (New Hartford, NY) during Reunion as to how went the planned repeat of his 50th medical school reunion with fellow medicos **Robert Harwick** (Wyncote, PA), **Charles Ashley** (Ithaca), and **David Cofrin** (Gainesville, FL), all MD '47 and all of whom attended. Bob is photographing these days rather than traveling with his pacemaker and two metal hips, but news from other classmates often concerns travels. Doesn't anyone just sit home anymore? Not if you are interested in exotic birds, as are **Margaret (Smith)** '48 and **Albert Brown**, PhD '51 (Lincoln, NE). Al loves to photograph sea birds, so took off for Midway Island to look at the gooney birds and others that are prettier. (There are plenty of interesting birds there, but have you ever looked at a global map and noted where Midway is?) Another birding couple is **Janet (Eagle)** and **Herbert T. Peeler**, PhD '49 (Jacksonville, FL); their list of sightings now numbers 488 (out of about 800 in the US). They spent two months in Alaska last summer, the only state they hadn't visited. Fellow Jaxer (actually Ponte Vedra Beach) **Elizabeth Lind** Everett (who summers in Pittsburgh) attends numerous Cornell functions in the area but sneaks away for barge trips through France and Germany, plus motoring around Northern Italy. We wonder if Libby bumps into our reunion co-chair, **Stan Johnson**, on the golf course at Ponte Vedra Beach, where both claim to be improving their handicaps. **Phyllis (Avery)** and **James Olin** '44 (Roanoke, VA) also toured France (Paris and Provence), visited Egypt on an archeological tour, and rafted on the Salmon River. Grandson **Marc Olin** graduated from Cornell in January 2000 and granddaughter **Julia Milliken** '03 keeps the tradition going. After Jim's retirement from Congress, Phyl couldn't quit, so is still active in school advisory and counseling work. We missed them at reunion!

**Hugh Gordon** (La Jolla, CA) surely didn't miss reunion; he sent photos, along with a rave about his recent 17-day New Zealand trip on *Odyssey Clipper*. He's also had a chance to discover that New York City has a few interesting things to do. One of his photos

caught your correspondent in the act of planting a big kiss on **Fran Shloss**, BArch '44 (Beverly Hills, CA), our most indefatigable traveler, who relaxes from fighting City Hall by doing watercolors while cruising. The last was a 24-day round trip from Southampton to the Caribbean on *Caronia* (formerly *Vistafjord*), joining the *QEH* off Barbados for a New Year's Eve millennium fireworks display. Presumably Fran wasn't too put out, as she sent a nice card written on the airplane returning home from Ithaca last June, which also reported that no cruises were in her plans, but we'll wager she changes her mind!

**James Carley**, PhD '51 (formerly of Livermore, CA, but by now in Tucson, AZ; we await word from Jim on his new address, e-mail, etc.) took a Pacific-Caribbean Panama Canal transit and found it most interesting. He and his fiancée Karen Roewe will be active around the U. of Arizona, where Jim plans to continue in his consulting work. He regretted that preparing for the big move prevented him from attending reunion. **Frederick Allen** (Los Angeles) also missed but was probably too busy helping the Coast Guard by maintaining lighthouses along the California coast as a member of the USCG Auxiliary, or sailing around Penobscot Bay out of North Haven, ME (close to Islesboro, home of my reunion roomie, **Mark Pendleton**). Fred took a 47-day freighter trip to New Zealand, Australia, and Tahiti, which he recommends to ocean-lovers. Dr. **Blair Rogers** (NYC) took his fifth big-windship trip just before reunion, this time on *Star Clipper*, the huge four-master, prowling the Windward Islands. He'd previously tried *Windsong* in Tahiti, *Windstar* (twice), and *Windsuf* in the Caribbean. Blair is still active in plastic surgery circles, lecturing world-wide and editing "Aesthetic Plastic Surgery," which he founded in 1975.

**Lucy Tarshes Broido** (Bryn Mawr, PA) travels extensively pursuing original antique posters, about which she writes books and in which she has been dealing for over 30 years. She enjoys her three sons and families, including three grandchildren. Although **Gilberta Stevens Cism** (Harpurville, NY) keeps busy with the Red Cross, her five children, and their seven offspring, Bert reports that travel plans are on hold while husband **Franklyn '49**, MS '50, recovers from a bad fall. ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; e-mail, [CescoVA@aol.com](mailto:CescoVA@aol.com). Our class website: <http://hometown.aol.com/CescoVA/CU1945.html>.

## REUNION

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"I'll be seeing you in all the old familiar places" in Ithaca June 7-10 for our 55th Reunion. We're already hearing from classmates who plan to attend. **Ruth Wood Green** (Roscoe, NY), who resides three months in Sun City Center, FL, wrote that she is looking forward to reunion, as she missed our 50th. "I chair and am chief cook for four chicken-and-biscuit luncheons at church, and play bridge and golf. All of our two children's families live within 120 miles of us. We have four grandchildren." **Ellen Stein**

(Ostreich (Boca Raton, FL) was interested in hearing about the mini-reunion planned in Florida for March. She is still working in her husband's office. **Ruth Critchlow Blackman** (Newtown, PA) planned on going to the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in New York City in January and seeing us in June. She still is pleased with her 1998 move to a retirement community.

**Meg Geiling** Grashof (Spring Hill, FL) is working on the March mini-reunion. "After my lost year, I'm glad to vegetate. Thank God for Bob's loving care. I'm back to normal (whatever that is at our age) and 20 pounds lighter. Bob and I did a joint reunion at Myrtle Beach—rented a 10-bedroom, 8-bath place on the beach. 35 of our children, spouses, and grandchildren got together for the first time for a week! It turned out great." Sal and **Pat Kinne** Paoletta (North Beach Haven, NJ) visited the Kennedys this fall and are looking forward to Reunion. They will be in Florida until mid-March, spending Christmas with their 1-1/2-year-old twin grandchildren. **Chuck and Dottie Taylor Prey** (Pittsburgh, PA) wrote, "Oh, how we would love to come to reunion but it's impossible. Chuck can no longer walk or talk, just uses his expression to communicate. He does, however, know and understand everything you say and, along with me, wishes you all a memorable reunion." The Delta Gammars had a mini-reunion last August at **Dotty Van Vleet** Hick's (State College, PA) cottage on Seneca Lake. Those in attendance were **Nancy Allen** Chamberlain, **Suky Call** Brumsted, **Jackie Dewey** Brett, **Jan Bassette** Summerville, and **Leah Smith** Drexler. They all came to our 50th Reunion, so I expect to see them this June.

In November **Caroline Steinholz** Goldsmith (NYC) wrote, "I'm just back from 17 days in Japan with college roommate **Irma Lesser** Friedman. We traveled with 17 people, ages 40-85, and with Asian scholar Jan Fontein, former director and Asian curator at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. We plan on visiting John's relatives in Cuba and attending the seventh Havana Biennial. We are traveling with a group organized by the Metropolitan Museum of Art." ♦ **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607; tel, (610) 777-4938.

**Mavis Gillette** Sand reports that there is great enthusiasm for reunion: "As of early December over 100 classmates and significant others expect to return for our 55th. We receive return post cards every few days. **Ken Voeller** will make the trek from Puerto Rico, **Paul Levine** from California, **Joe Andersen** and **Bob Nist** from Florida. **Bill Papsco** writes from Maui that he's delighted we've included a '46 Crew Reunion Row. He says he'll give all a few laughs as he impersonates a coxswain. He promises to show the zany video taken of his very veteran crew at its 50th. Many other of our '46 men have responded, including lots of V-12ers. Plans are progressing rapidly. Class officers and other volunteers will have had a New York City reunion-planning Odyssey on the weekend of Jan. 26-27. Come join us on

the Hill in June for the real thing!"

As an extra feature for reunion, your class's Creative Arts Committee has initiated a new competition. It will conduct contests for: 1. A parody of a Cornell song celebrating our class; 2. A nostalgic memoir of 300 words or less about an adventure from our college days; and 3. A class anthem to original or borrowed music. The committee will weed submissions down to the top three in each category. Our classmates at reunion will be the final judges. They will rank (not too rank, we hope) the winner and runner-up in each division and award honorable mentions where merited. In addition to awarding impressive trophies, we will publish the winning entries in a future column. Get your entries in, preferably via e-mail, to the address below. Hurry, there's no entry fee and no requirement for solemnity. Your class correspondent will be one of the preliminary judges and therefore ineligible for any prizes.

Here's news from classmates missing from our pages for too long. **Robert Fitz Randolph** (Chaumont, NY) reports that he and Jackie visited son **Thomas, PhD '92**, for a month last Spring in Nairobi, Kenya. Tom is with the International Livestock Research Inst. there and gave Fitz and Jackie VIP treatment as their personal guide through two animal parks in his Land Cruiser. **Paul T. Atteridge** (Silver Creek, CO; [platter@rkymnthi.com](mailto:platter@rkymnthi.com)) reports, "After three years as gypsies, **Louise (Nederynen) '48** and I have settled into a new house only 12 miles from the old one. At 8,500 feet, it offers perfect views of the snow-covered continental divide. We're within walking distance of ski runs and the summers are delightful. **Donald R., MArch '49**, and **Peggy Tallman Peirce** (Hilton Head Island, SC) celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. They feel blessed to have been so fortunate for so many wonderful years.

Save June 7-10 for our 55th Reunion—2001, an Ithacan 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](mailto:pblevine@juno.com).



Good News: **Pete** and Elaine came back! Here's the report on your correspondent's five-week trip to Southern Africa.

Our adventure included the South African cities of Pretoria, White River, Durban, Plettenburg Bay, Knysna, Oudtshoorn, and Somerset West. We stayed in three safari camps and viewed African wildlife in three national parks—Chobe in Botswana and Pilanseeberg and Kruger in South Africa—and in one wildlife reserve in Botswana's Okavango Delta. We saw the famous Victoria Falls from the air and the ground. Transportation was by car, truck, commercial and private airplane, boat, and dugout canoe. We were among the lucky to see all of the Big Five—el-

elephant, rhinoceros, lion, leopard, and buffalo. Rotarian friends hosted us in Pretoria, White River, Durban, and Somerset West, near Cape Town. We attended four Rotary Club meetings and gave a talk at three of them. During the last ten days of our trip we toured the Garden Route from Plettenberg Bay westward to Cape Town with our Rotarian hosts from Somerset West. Other Western Cape tours included Cape Agulhas, the southernmost point in South Africa where the Indian and Atlantic oceans meet, the Cape of Good Hope, Hermanus to watch for whales, and Franschoek and Stellenbosch to visit the wineries. We swam in False Bay and walked on the beach at Strand. South Africa is a modern and beautiful country much like ours. At times it was hard to believe we were in another country in a different hemisphere. On our Election Day we were in Durban watching CNN with our host as the contest between Gore and Bush unfolded just as if we had been at home. We got to know the people well. It was a fantastic trip.

Another Africa traveler was **Melba Levine Silver**, who went on a safari that also included South Africa, Namibia, Zimbabwe, and Botswana. Seven of her group were Cornell-related. They, too, traveled by truck, boat, and small plane. Melba is back in Boca Raton after summering in Rye, New York City, and Lake Tahoe (her ever-favorite vacation spot). There are two active Cornell Clubs in her area, Ft. Lauderdale and Palm Beach, where she attends some of the events. Thank you, Melba, for the news and the kind words. **Jay Cipes** is another traveler who spent three weeks last July in Rome and Paris. His e-mail is [ajcuy@aol.com](mailto:ajcuy@aol.com).

A report from Adult University (CAU) tells us about participating classmates. **Betty Rosenthal Newman** was in Cooperstown in May. **Henriette Pantel Hillman**, with **Joel '44**, visited Vienna in May and Scotland in August and studied Zen in September. **June Weidner Holt** did the London Theater in May with Leon, and **Stephen Jeckovich** visited Salzburg in August. **Seymour Askin**, with Helen, toured Morocco in May. Summer learners included **Marvin** and **Hanna Haas Wedeen** studying Millenarianism, while **George** and **Nancy Wigsten Axinn** attended a writing workshop, and **Lucille Holden Smith** took in the Science of Scenery.

A traveler of a different sort is **Marjorie Montrose Ault**. Since moving to Albuquerque in 1953, she has moved five times, the last being April 1, '00 to a new house four miles from the last one she had for 15 years. She is awaiting comments from her friends, who will find her at 1019 Los Padres SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123. For how long, Marge? **Eileen Farley McDonnell** traveled to Ireland in 1999 and this past year went to the South Caribbean, Las Vegas, and Palm Springs. She has eight children, ten grandchildren, one great dog, and an e-mail address—[1925@capecod.net](mailto:1925@capecod.net). **Francis D'Alba** and wife Irene cruised to the western Mediterranean, the Caribbean, and the Panama Canal, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Send news! ♦ **Peter D. Schwarz** (assisted 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](mailto:pschwarz@rochester.rr.com).



We were all saddened to hear of the passing of **Edward T. Moore**, our livest wire, on January 11, 2001 and our prayers go out to **Char (Smith)** and the family.

Ann Landau, wife of our late classmate **Cal Landau**, wants Cornell ties! "I am making an old-fashioned crazy-quilt in memory of Cal. If I'm successful, it will then be auctioned to benefit the Cornell Scholarship fund in his name." She continues, "I need Cornell-related fabrics, such as those found in old ties and scarves. Condition doesn't matter; I will be working with small pieces. If you're willing to part with anything that you think might be useful please send it to me at 1000 Quayside Terr., #1401, Miami, FL 33138."

**Ben-Ami Lipetz**, Nassau, NY: "Spouse Carolyn and I indulged a long-standing silly whim this spring by going to the Scilly Isles (off Cornwall) to celebrate—or scillybrate—our 50th anniversary. We were amused to run into several other anniversary couples doing the same thing." **Roger Amorosi**, Locust Grove, VA: "Phyllis and I finally looked up the Webster's recent definition of 'curnudg-eon.' You certainly don't fit it. Thanks to you and all others who put in lots of good work for our 50th Reunion—the best we've ever had."

**Joan Rothschild**, NYC: "I've edited a new book from Rutgers U. Press, out in October '99, called *Design and Feminism: Re-visioning Spaces, Places, and Everyday Things*. I am currently affiliated with the graduate center of CUNY, Center for Human Environments, as a research associate, having retired from the U. of Massachusetts, Lowell, in 1993. My earlier career was as a promotion writer at the *New York Herald Tribune* and Scholastic magazines. Other publications I have produced are *Machina Ex Dea: Feminist Perspectives in Technology* (1983; 1992) and *Teaching Technology from a Feminist Perspective* (1988-1992)." **Amy Clark Spear** (president emeritus), Jenkintown, PA: "Strangely enough, I still get mail addressed to 'Deceased Spear.' I find being retired is habit-forming and the only way to break the habit is to keep walking. I also play a lot of duplicate bridge and read a lot. Recently, I attended the Society of Women Engineers conference in Phoenix. My number three granddaughter entered Clark U. in Worcester, MA. The world's problem today is genocide."

**Bill Thompson IV**, Oakdale, NY: "My day job is running and maintaining Tally Ho Inn and a small apartment house. Can't remember what I was doing last year at this time. Lydia and I enjoyed our 50th wedding anniversary gathering in the Poconos with a bunch of Cornell acquaintances: Marge and **Agnew Derbyshire**, **Neil Munch** and **Ellie (Fleming) '49**, and **Joe Danko**. We were all members of the original wedding party. Also spent a hurricane-interrupted vacation with son **Erik**

'93 on Typee Island in Georgia, where he heads U. of Georgia Cooperative Extension 4-H Center. Biggest problem today is remembering to take my pills and the solution is to do it! U. of Vermont Prof. Lowen's enlightening view of American history, *Lies My Teacher Told Me*, reminded me of Prof. Gates and his cynicism at Cornell. The meaning of life is 'better than the alternative!' Sorry to hear about Theta Chi demise. Hopefully we will rise again!" **Win Shiras**, Winnetka, IL: "Retired after 30 years from practice of corporate rescue—handling bankruptcies, workouts, and turnarounds. I now get on the Hill once or twice a year as panel judge for Prof. Ben Daniel's annual business plans in his course on entrepreneurship. I also guest-lecture at various graduate business schools on the subjects of bankruptcy and corporate workouts."

**James H. Smith**, Sacramento, CA: "I have been called back out of semi-retirement to be president of Western Journalism Center which is the parent of [worldnetdaily.com](http://worldnetdaily.com), the most popular website in the USA for 23 weeks in a row. We are an international daily world newspaper with visitors from 120 countries. I head up WJC and help with the transition of WND to a separate corporation. I have been CEO and/or president or publisher of several daily newspapers, *San Antonio Express News*, *Sacramento Bee*, *Washington Star*, and *Sacramento Union*. **Bill Copeland**, who will be 'mover and shaker' of our 55th Reunion, is my closest Cornell friend. He and I met at Cornell, served in the Marine Corps together and graduated together. Great choice for our class. Thanks, **Frank Collyer** for doing everything right."

**Stan Altman**, Salt Lake City, UT: "I'm the Baltic doctor for Medicare, UT. Crused the Baltic last summer, New Orleans last December and Europe this summer. Most pressing problem right now is reviewing applications to the U. of Utah school of medicine to determine if applicants should be interviewed. Solution is to 'get at it.' Have recently discovered that some of my coworkers are brilliant."

**Bernard "Bob" Friedman** and wife **Abby (Noselson)**, NYC and East Hampton: "I continue to write every morning. My most recent book is *Swimming Laps* (which indeed I do each day after writing). A play of mine called *Married Moments* was presented in October at Bay Street Theater in Sag Harbor. Abby is still involved with various women's rights groups. We're both doing what we did last year at this time and there's nothing else we'd rather be doing." ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; tel., (516) 767-1776.



In the Sept/Oct 2000 column, we quoted **Tony Tappin**, Oak Brook, IL: "Enjoyed getting away this past winter. Surprising what time in Tucson and Santa Barbara can do." Surprising, indeed! At the 50th annual meeting of the Cornell Council, Tony informed us that he was getting married on Dec. 2, '00 in Tucson! Here's the story we begged him to e-mail us, in his own words: "I met Mary Weimar at a New York City

dinner in 1944. On furlough from Fort Benning, my folks took me to this E-Award dinner honoring companies for excellence in the war effort. Mary's father was an awardee. Mary and I were seated at the same table. We had our first date the next day at the St. Regis and several more dates before I was sent off to a number of training camps. Mary came to Boston to see me as I shipped out to Europe and the Battle of the Bulge.

"After VE Day, we dated frequently until I was sent to the Philippines, slated for the invasion of Japan. However, thanks to Harry Truman's decision to drop 'The Bomb,' I was back at Cornell in 1946. Mary was my date at Phi Gam for Spring Day 1947. But she broke off the romance since she had finished college and her family were pushing her to get married, which was typical in those days. (Ed. note: We understand. Joan's mother said she sent her to Cornell to get an important degree... her MRS!) Since I didn't have two nickels to rub together and more than two years to graduate, I had nothing to offer her.

"She married an advertising executive and lived in Greenwich and Southport, CT. Strangely, her husband was a Phi Gam at Amherst and her dad, a Phi Gam at Columbia! In 1952, I married my late wife, Nancy, in Greenwich. We lived in S. Norwalk and New Canaan. Mary and I never ran into each other in this small area of lower Fairfield County, Connecticut.

"Mary's husband contracted a lung problem from smoking and they moved to Tucson. He died two weeks before my wife died of the same disease here in Oak Brook. A year passed. Mary, while looking through a Phi Gam magazine(!), noted my brother's name as a resident of Tucson. She telephoned him, got my e-mail address and dropped me a message which led to more e-mails and phone calls. Finally, I went to visit her in Tucson and we fell in love again.

"We spent two weeks together in Santa Barbara, after the wedding of my younger daughter. 'Babysitting' her house while she was on her honeymoon gave me the opportunity to ask Mary to marry me. She accepted. That is the story of how two people who were once in love got back together many years later to spend the rest of their lives together. It makes me happy to tell it."

Thanks for sharing, Tony. Mazel tov!

**Howard Lemelson**, Wyckoff, NJ, has retired after 40 years at the consulting engineering firm that he co-founded with his late partner, **Howard Kallen '50**. Howard is still acting as a consultant and doing some retirement sight-seeing, most recently cruising the Mediterranean and going to China, Korea, and Japan. He plays golf and fishes with **Phil Steinman '50** and sees **Sidney Laibson '51**. **Mary Heisler Allison**, Lady Lake, FL: "A quick summary of my adventures: Slept in my garage; had a massage; rode a jet ski; drove 2,700 miles by myself; also 'skinny dipped' alone in the dark! Never too old for 'firsts.' So, how many 'firsts' have you had lately? Cheers."

Question. Were these "firsts" in logical,

chronological order? Think we will pass on comments. Could lead to troubled waters. Interesting concept. What "firsts" have other '49ers had? Tell us.

**Marty Coler** Risch, Silver Lake, NH, seems to have turned her beautiful home into a '49er Elderhostel. **Jack and Inger Molmen Gilbert**, Ithaca, NY, stopped by on their way home from a trip to Labrador. **Paul and "Pris" Bassett Bretschger** visited from

## "Never too old for 'firsts.'"

MARY HEISLER ALLISON '49

Villanova, PA, to view the White Mountain foliage. What a spectacular season! Paul took a liking to Marty's Cornell chair which commends a marvelous view of Silver Lake. The Risches had dinner with **Martha Merrifield Steen** and husband Bill, who came East from San Francisco to vacation at Kezar Lake, ME. **Carl Schwarzer**, Manlius, NY, has been selected by the Luge Organizing Committee to be Officials Supervisor (start leader) for the 2002 Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, UT. We read his notification letter at the Cornell-Harvard hockey game in November at Lynah Rink. Besides the Gilberts, we saw **John and Clara Ann Newell Lloyd** from Fairport, NY. Clara Ann, with great precision, keeps the game stats, while John yells: "Let's go, Red!"

**Al Moat**, MS '50, Glenside, PA, e-mailed for help in locating classmate **Herbert Schwartz**, Briarcliff Manor, NY. The two played football at Spring Valley High, NY. Seems Al unearthed some memorabilia to send to Herb. Al enjoyed getting together with **Bob Dean**, **Jim Farrell '50**, and others at the reunion of the '48, '49, and '50 Big Red football teams this past fall. These teams had a record of 23 wins and only four losses! Oh, the glory years. The Big Red provided many exciting moments this past season by placing second among the Ivies... losing to Penn in the last game on a brutally cold day of "Ithacation." Saw **Vera Johnston Farrell** and **Jim '50** as we stiffly made our way out of the Crescent. Known to us as "Pinky," Vera was a frozen red and purple. Very becoming!

Our reunion co-chairs sent us a campus map, verified to circa 1942 and in distribution during our time. Never updated until the early '50s due to costs and the changing face of the campus. Hence, no marching ASTPs or Vs, no Statler (only faculty homes on the site), no Day Hall and no I&LR "hut." Given free by the Triangle Book Shop, the map came in three sizes which, when folded correctly, became a text book cover. Excellent for disguising "Terry and the Pirates" as a chemistry tome. It is annotated: compliments of College Town Business Men." Politically incorrect, today.

'49er Contest: How well did you know Colletgetown? Other than the Royal Palms? How sharp is your memory? The first person or couple to report the street location (no numbers necessary) of the following businesses

will win a wonderful Cornell prize. Closing date: delivery date of the next issue of the *Cornell Magazine*. Gilberts are not eligible. Ready?

George Doll's (athletic goods). East Hill Supply (slight advantage for Majura members). W. F. Fletcher Dry Cleaning ("Suits and dresses called for"). Gillette's Restaurant. Hill Drug Store (Lucky Strikes and all your needs). Long Brothers Grocers. Pop's Place (moms were al-

lowed). Triangle Book Shop (easy). Lutheran Church (soul saving). Wrays Gas Station (blocks of ice, too). Palace Laundry (cheaper than Student Agencies). Have at it! Who will be the winner?

Adult University (CAU) continues to attract classmates like **Alvan Alley and Julie (Palmer) '50**, Lebanon, PA; **John** and Judith **Vance**, Peterboro, NH; **Jim** and Lila **Mayer**, Wilmette, IL; **MaryLou Olsen** Stanley, Indianapolis, IN; **Jean Davis** Salisbury, Verona Beach, FL; **George** and Naomi **Howitt**, River Edge, NJ; **Nat** and **Frances Goldberg Myers**, Scarsdale, NY; **John Palmer**, Harahan, LA, and **Bob Worsnop**, MBA '50, and **Nancy (Grignon) '52**, Columbus, NC. The Worsnops study of "Mummies Curses" intrigued us. We know what "Daddy Curses" are... been doing them for years.

You should have your first dues/news letter by now. Please respond promptly. And news, please! 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, rjkee@iopener.net; rjk27@cornell.edu.



Vice president **Jocelyn Frost** Samson, Littleton, CO, summarizes much of what has come through on the news cards I've received so far. She is involved with an eldering group called Aging and Saging and a "small, funky, historic church in Denver embracing diverse people with an amazing outreach program on few dollars." She views retirement as a time of spiritual growth, a time to settle in on "being, not doing" as an appropriate way of life. Jocelyn agrees with Jung that "the afternoon of life must also have significance of its own and not be merely a pitiful appendage to life's morning."

**William Atkinson**, Weston, MA, represents the physical part of Jocelyn's philosophy. He is the New England chair of the American Alpine Club. Last April he took a trip to Arizona to climb Mt. Lemmons and Cochise Stronghold. With friends he reached the top of Whale Dome ("hard rope climbing with six pitches"). He spent a month in France with visits to World War I battlefields where his father (Cornell '18) fought and where his mother (Cornell '18) also served as a YMCA and Red Cross worker.

Fiftieth wedding anniversaries are increasingly common. Those reported: **Anita "Skeeters" Ades** Goldin, Louisville, KY; **Elinor Monroe** Brink, Sussex, NJ; **John MacNeill Jr.**, Homer, NY; **Sally Wallace Murray**, North River, NY; and **Audrey Rossman** Sharman, Briarcliff Manor, NY. Congratulations to all and also to all others who have reached this milestone and have not reported it. John's son Allen teaches biology at Cornell. Sally reports that it was wonderful to be with four bridesmaids at the June reunion. With husband **Ken**, Sally celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary on a New Jersey-Cape May Audubon Club trip to Mexico to watch thousands of North American hawks migrating to southern wintering grounds. Audrey celebrated her wedding anniversary just after reunion. Guests **Tom** and **Pat Gleason Kerwick**, Rochester, NY, and **Ben Berner** and **Phoebe (Eisenbrown) '51**, Camp Hill, PA, along with **Peter Eschweiler '55**, MRP '57, and **Micki (Symonds) '53**, showed up in the red and white striped jackets worn at our 50th Reunion.

As a source of pride it appears that children are less frequently mentioned than grandchildren. Some report few; others many. **George Pandl**, Bayside, WI, has nine children and may have the record with 24 grandchildren. Any challengers? Some in our class are great-grandparents, a rare event in our parents' time. **Gretel Russell** Hackel, Manzanola, CO, is a great-grandmother and still raising cattle. She reports that she is a native of Ithaca and plans a trip there to visit "old places."

A surprising number of us are still working, many part-time, others full-time. Examples: **Chloe Gray** Alexson is still practicing pediatric cardiology at the U. of Rochester. She plans to retire from this but won't give up part-time teaching. Her medical colleague, **Mary Rita Saxton** Crittenden, works two jobs in the medical field: clinical professor in pediatrics at the U. of California-San Francisco and supervisor of child psychodiagnostic assessment services for San Francisco Children's Mental Health Services.

A high percentage report being involved in a wide variety of formal education opportunities such as Elderhostel and Adult University (CAU). Some recent participants in CAU: Ecology In Key Largo and the Everglades (**Julia Palmer** Alley, Lebanon, PA); The Supreme Court in Cooperstown (**Judy Goldstone** Joseph, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, and **Peter Metz**, Mountainside, NJ); Art In London and London Theater (**Fay Binenkorb** Krawchick, MA '52, Rochester, NY); Art In London (**Richard Tucker**, Fairfield, CT); Landscapes and Legacies of Eastern Europe (**Bryan Bernart**, Dataw Island, SC, and **John** and **Carol McMillan Lawes**, Kennett Square, PA); Canadian Rockies (**Kenneth Jensen**, MD '55, Houston, TX); Edge of the Muslim West in Morocco (**Patricia Fritz** Bowers, New York City, **Alta Ann Turner** Parkins-Morris, NYC, and **Daniel Roberts** and **Betty (Rosenberger)**, Stamford, CT); Four by Hitchcock (**Carl Getz**, Nashua, NH); and South America (**Robert Call Jr.**,

Batavia, NY).

**Jim Brandt**, Chicago, IL, is one of our three Cornell Fund representatives, so expect a call from him so that we can maintain our class record of giving. Jim has attended reunion every five years since 1975. He retired in 1992 as vice president and general manager of Marland Clutch Co. After retirement he was a volunteer project manager for Chicago's Executive Service Corp. which provides consulting services to not-for-profit agencies, schools, and governmental bodies. He plays trumpet in a brass quintet, the U. of Illinois concert band, and in two Gilbert and Sullivan pit orchestras, and also sings in his church choir. With wife **Nancy (Hubbard)**, Jim has been studying ancient history, and to complement these studies has traveled to the Middle East. Nancy is retired from the Continental Bank but is actively involved in volunteer work with several Chicago organizations. They have four children living in various parts of the country and two grandchildren.

**Phil Davis**, Boca Raton, FL, attended a family gathering in Germany for members of his mother's family, 270 in all, 37 from the US. He followed this with a three-week trip in Austria, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Switzerland, and France.

**Marianne Preger** Simon, Whately, MA, like many others, is involved in writing. She is working on a book entitled, "Mothers and Daughters: Learning from Each Other." She eagerly solicits stories from classmates about mother-daughter interactions that are "effective, validating, salty, empowering, invigorating, salutary, creative—that make a difference and create some needed change." Send her your notes, narratives, dialogue. **Wilson Greatbatch**, Akron, NY, reports that he is working with the Fusion Technology Inst. at the U. of Wisconsin on a scientific breakthrough. "creating the first instance of a nuclear fusion process fusing two Helium-3 ions into one Helium-4 ion, with the resulting energy release of five million electron-volts. This will be the world's energy source for the coming millennium. The fuel is non-radioactive, the process leaves no radioactivity, and the residue is non-radioactive."

**Edward Arbogast** returned a card with no news as did **Conrad Rock**. **Robert "Bucky" Ellis** has moved from Galena, IL to 2521 Mayapple Court, Northbrook, IL 60062. **Paul Warner** has moved from Cortland, NY to 1904 Colleton Court, Wilmington, NC.

LOST UMBRELLA: If, on October 14, 2000, you left your Class of 1950 45th Reunion umbrella in the British Museum in London, you can claim it by contacting Brian Buckman, an alert observer. Office phone: (215) 628-0420; e-mail: B.S.Buckman@worldnet.att.net.

This column is about news of our class members. This news is important in our lives as a source of recollections, encouragement, and stimulation. So, please keep us, your class correspondents, informed. What may seem trivial to you will be of interest to your classmates. Send your news on the cards you get

with your dues notices, or by regular mail, or the easy way to communicate and stay connected—e-mail! Over a third of us are now "on line" and the percentage is gradually increasing. Help us to do a good job for you. ♦ **Paul Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA, 50131; e-mail, phjoslin@aol.com; and **Ruth "Midge" Downey** Kreitz, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033.; e-mail, rdk12@cornell.edu.

#### REUNION

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Great news! **J. Barry Nolin** has agreed to be Class of '51 webmaster. He started in November and has agreed to be on the class officers ballot as webmaster '01-06. We are delighted. Our website is [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/class/1951](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/class/1951).

A meeting of the 1951 Class Council was held in Ithaca on Oct. 28, '00. Classmates present included **Shelly Epstein** Akabas, **Joanne Bayles** Brandt, **Joan Hartford** Ferreira, **Pepper Dutcher** Fluke, **Mibs Martin** Follett, **Rip Haley**, **Jack** and **Betty Meng** Howell, **Bill Kay**, **Jane Haskins** Marcham, **Bob Matyas**, BArch '52, **Peg Healy** McNulty, **Charlie Moore**, **Chuck Mund**, **Marybeth Weaver** Ostrom, **Bill Phillips**, **Steve Rounds**, and **Jim Stocker**.

Peg McNulty and Bob Matyas submitted a detailed report of reunion plans. They have tapped the services of 30-some classmates to do various jobs for reunion. To mention a few: **Jack Ostrom** will again serve as reunion treasurer. Athletic events are being planned by Charlie Moore and **Ed Coene**. Ed has scheduled a golf tournament for our class on Saturday morning. Joan Ferreira and Jim Stocker are organizing a Class Forum for all reunion attendees to be held Friday morning, June 8. Frank Rhodes will be moderator; class members **Susan Pardee** Baker, **Charlotte Williams** Conable, **Frank Drake**, Charlie Moore, and Bill Phillips will be panelists. **Bill Reynolds** is arranging a Sage Chapel Memorial Service to be held late Saturday afternoon. **Louise Squire** Bishop is hosting the "Solo Club" for reunion. The Solo Club will encourage classmates who are widowed or otherwise single to come to reunion and hopefully provide a comfort zone for them. Our reunion housing offers accommodations for the handicapped. Most of the townhouses are laid out with two bedrooms separated by one bathroom. Peg has also reserved rooms at local hotels for those who prefer this arrangement. Details will be in the reunion info and perhaps on the website.

The reunion theme is to recollect and reconnect. With that in mind **Anita Van Hassel** Blauvelt and Peg McNulty wrote "The TRIP," an account of a seven week journey across the country involving six Sigma Kappa '51 grads. The TRIP started in June 1951 and included **Jean "Kelly" Stone** Wade, **Eunice Chambers** Beam, MS '54, **Betty Fujii** Hirozawa, **Carolyn Kingsley** Emmons, Peg, and Anita. Their story is on our website. Do you have a recollection to share? Contact our webmaster Barry Nolin at [jbn456@mail.batelnet.bs](mailto:jbn456@mail.batelnet.bs).

**Meg Gluckman '02** wrote a letter of thanks to the class of '51 as the recipient of the **Richard M. Ramin** Class of 1951 Cornell Tradition Fellowship. She is an agricultural and biological engineering major focusing on renewable energy, especially wind energy. Her interesting letter is on the website. Dick Ramin was inducted into the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame in November 2000.

**Marian Fox Wexler** lives in West Haven, CT, and volunteers as a docent at the Yale Art Gallery. She traveled to Turkey and the Greek Islands and enjoys playing tennis and gardening. **Fred Knight** lists for celebrations "the celebration of life" since he survived a massive heart attack on Feb. 29, '00, and subsequent surgery. He operates a fishing camp on Buckshot Lake, Ontario, Canada, now for the 23rd year. **Sally Williamson** Williams continues her volunteer work with Staten Island Botanical Garden, College of Staten Island Foundation, and the Green Belt Conservancy. Sally and **Liz King** Black cruised from Athens to Istanbul. Sally visited **Doug** and **Jean Young** on Washington Island, WI.

**Rick Diamond '50** sent the following news. "Over 40 members of Pi Lambda Phi plus 30 guests attended a reunion held on May 20 at the New York Cornell Club. While Pi Lam no longer has a chapter on the Hill, its past members retain fond memories of the house at 410 Thurston Ave. The class of '51 had the largest contingent attending. They were: **Herve Byron, Morton Corwin, David Ebbin, Albert Glassenberg, Alan Gleitsman, Clifford Irving, Kenneth Jaffe, Irving Kayton, Maurice Pfursich '53, Leonard Steiner, and Richard Victor.**" **Albert Glassenberg** of New London, CT, also sent news of the reunion. He volunteers as a wheelchair pusher at a nearby hospital.

**Donald McNamara** of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, reports a family reunion with four children and six grandchildren in Cancun and a Mediterranean cruise to celebrate a 45th wedding anniversary. He also attended a reunion of his USAF Pilot Class at Pensacola, FL, and of the 18th Fighter Wing in Korea held in Las Vegas, NV. **Everett Seidenberg**, also a Florida resident, enjoys sailing and amateur radio (general class). Recent travels have taken him to the Canary Islands, Madeira, England, Norway, Argentina, Chile, and the Falkland Islands. A memorable experience for **Richard J. Glavin** was receiving his Hebrew name in the process of converting to Judaism. He is an avid gardener and chairs a local AIDS fund-raising project in northwest Connecticut. **Michael Chayes**, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, writes he has had many memorable experiences but a recent one was his "70th birthday party, with kids, grandchild, friends, family, my little jazz band; food and drink superbly catered by my youngest son, Benjamin." What could be better! 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 new Trivia Questions are: 1) Name the two gorges running through campus. 2) Frosh Caps, answer any one—

Were any days excluded from their wear? When could we stop wearing them at all? What happened to them? Send your answers to either or both questions on an e-mail or a postcard to **Bob and Jeanne Irish Lewis** before Apr. 1, '01. Include your name! The Jan/Feb winner will be announced in the next issue.

The first student to receive our Class of 1952 Scholarship sent a grateful letter of thanks to the class. He is a senior computer science major in Engineering, and states that the knowledge and experience he has gained in both the computer science and English programs at Cornell are ones he couldn't have acquired anywhere else.

A goodly number of classmates participated in the 1952 Fall Weekend events in Cambridge last October, enjoying programs, meals, and the football game. In September, **Judy Kredel** Brown honored her late father, artist Fritz Kredel, with an exhibition in New York City attended by **Connie Soelle** Geerhart, **Adele Friedman** Neuringer, **Anne Codding** Tonachel, and **Sid and Phebe Vandervort** Goldstein. Several campus events and the Dartmouth football game highlighted a reunion of 50-plus Theta Xi fraternity members, spouses, and friends in November. Our class was represented by **Ed Hanpeter** and **Tom Weber**, PhD '63. Tom, long a professor of chemical engineering at SUNY Buffalo, has now retired and is serving a term on the board of directors of the American Society for Engineering Education. He swims, plays golf, and looks forward to more travel with wife Vera.

Reading your questionnaires is a good travel guide. **Jack Brennan, DVM '52**, and **Mary (Shear)** say the best trip is always the last one. Recent ones have been to Vienna, Budapest, and Prague, then Turkey and Greece. **Anne Baldwin** Tenney enjoys independent travel with family and friends, but is especially enthusiastic about an Elderhostel trip to Australia and New Zealand with excellent speakers, guides and staff, all sorts of information, and FUN! **Daniel Divack**, an unretired obstetrician and gynecologist, enjoys France and Italy where the living is easy. **John Holt** and wife Lydia will relocate to Venice, FL, next year to avoid Michigan winters. Travel is often to Russia, where they will continue to spend summers near Lydia's friends. **Richard Levidow**, a lawyer in Seattle, WA, appreciates the beauty and the food in Italy's Lake District. Scuba diving rates second only to classical music for semi-retired **Mary Alice Newhall** Mathews, MD '56, of Newton Centre, MA. Her best dive trips so far have been to Thailand and Papua, New Guinea. A 40th wedding anniversary trip to England, France, and Italy was a favorite for **Michael Aiduk** and wife Shirley. Michael retired from his real job in food service in 1986 and lives in Lewiston, NY, but spends winters in Naples, FL.

In Frost, VA, **Bill Hodges** participates in the Master Gardener program and teaches the AARP driving course. He continues singing

in a church choir and a choral society, and considers a 1997 trip to China his best. **Floyd Brown** has experienced some major medical events, but continues to play golf, fly radio-controlled airplanes, and volunteer with church and Lions in Orchard Park, NY. **Bob Brennan** in Moravia, NY, fabricates furniture and cares for his property on Skaneateles Lake. Winter finds him in Chapel Hill, NC, where he attends classes and volunteers at the Duke Inst. for Learning in Retirement. His son and daughter-in-law both work for Cornell. **Harold Seidenberg**, JD '57, still practices law in Rockland County, NY, but has recently moved to Goshen, NY. Another unretired attorney is **Lewis Ress**, JD '54, in Aventura, FL. Lewis and wife Esta enjoyed a trip to Cornell with their grandchildren last fall. Another Floridian, **Herbert Dietz**, enjoys shop and lawn work in Bradenton and visits to his granddaughter in Nebraska. **Walter Relihan Jr.**, JD '59, a justice of the NY Supreme Court, lives in Ithaca where he serves on the University Council and the Law School Advisory Council. A favorite trip was to England, "where they speak (mostly) our language." **Dolores "Mickey" McDonald** McFadden lives in Allentown, PA, with a second home in the Poconos. She enjoyed a cruise to Scandinavia and the North Pole.

**Gretchen Lawson** Bost keeps busy as president of the Pittsburgh Specialty Company, but has found time for fun travel to Hawaii to visit a grandson, to Britain, and a Budapest-to-Amsterdam Cornell trip. **Paul Schlein**, MD '56, in Bethesda, MD, is a retired internist and a volunteer teacher of medical students at George Washington U. He skis, golfs, plays tennis, and reports a favorite trip to the Galapagos Islands. **Marion Lotz** Rutan of Newark Valley, NY, and husband Warren completed a Master of Theology program at Colgate Rochester Divinity School and are very involved in church work. They particularly enjoyed a trip to Greece and were expecting their first great-grandchild. **Harvey and Ann Coffeen Turner** of Mendham, NJ, are unretired and busy. Harvey is vice president of Corporate Public Relations at Crawford Fenton, and Ann is a school reading teacher and tutor for dyslexic children. The Turners have traveled to China, Turkey, and South America, and particularly enjoyed a Cornell cruise to Russia. ♦ **Bob and Jeanne Irish Lewis**, 34 Hickory Ridge Rd., Rochester, NY 14625; tel. (716) 381-6370; e-mail, lewroch@aol.com.



A few platoons of the Lefty James Boys of 1948-50 (they went 23-4, remember?) reported for a summery night of football with Colgate on Oct. 14. **Bill**

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**Whelan, Vinnie Giarrusso, and Todd Kolb** represented '53 and, with **Ed Leo '52** ('53 for the day), were a fearsome foursome on the golf course. Fearsome to squirrels, Todd said, because the little guys' afternoon naps were disturbed by golf balls ricocheting off trees. Bill and Vinnie made rare appearances the week

the Las Vegas life is great and gives the Monument Valley five stars. **Martha Vogeler Adler-Jasny, MS '56** (Oak Ridge, TN) and second husband, widower George Jasny, enjoyed a Swiss Elderhostel visit last summer.

**Bob Watson** (LaFayette, NY) has packed it in after 53 years teaching agriculture in Tully



**Robert, MBA '55, and Carol Tanenbaum** celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in Beijing, which, as Bob says,

"was appropriate, as we'd had Chinese food on our first date. Xi'an, Shanghai, and Hong Kong just made us want to explore the Far East that much more, so after Thanksgiving in Florence, and Captiva in January, we spent eight days in Bhutan, hiking the Himalayas and visiting Buddhist dzongs. The hills of Ithaca at the Johnson School reunion were easy after Bhutan." Bob is still actively working in tax law between trips and has no plans to retire. Anticipated trip destinations are Copenhagen, Istanbul, and a return to Hong Kong.

**Claire Schubert** Weston of Mt. Dora, FL, has been "on the road again" in her motor home. This past summer she drove to Minneapolis, then on to Calgary and the Canadian Rockies, returning to Florida via Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado. There is an active Hotel school contingent in Mt. Dora, and being Ye Hosts they are always ready for visitors. Farther on south in Florida **Stanley Worton** has retired from the practice of radiology at Cedars Medical Center after 33 years. He is currently auditing undergraduate humanities courses at the U. of Miami and trying to play a bit of golf. **Richard Harley**, another Floridian, is happy to be finally living on the water on North Hutchinson Island.

**Saul Kramer, JD '59**, retired from Proskauer Rose LLP in 1998 where he had practiced labor and employment law as an associate, and later as partner. Saul divides his time between Boca Raton and Amagansett. Golf can be practiced at both locations, but his fishing boat is for use in the north. He remains active in Cornell affairs as an emeritus member of the ILR School Advisory Council and as an emeritus member of the Cornell University Council. Another Floridian is **Allen Hale, BME '56**, of Winter Park. Allen was back on campus this past June for the first time in 20 years and found it to be a memorable experience. Perhaps he will make a return trip in 2004 for our 50th.

**Phillip Eastman** is serving as president of the New Hartford School Board this year. Phil spent two enjoyable days relaxing at his Otsego Lake Camp with **Raymond "Bud" Merrill** in from Whittier, CA. **Walt Lewis, MD '60**, appears to be enjoying his retirement. Walt divides his time between Santa Barbara and the Big Island of Hawaii. The school year is spent on the mainland. His residence location is not temperature controlled but rather academically dictated by his 6-year-old daughter Estelle's school year.

**Robert "Pete" and Connie Keplinger** operate a small, high-end tile manufacturing company 35 minutes from Canton, OH, where they make hand-molded ceramic tile. Pete says they enjoy what they do, as they handle some of the distribution relations themselves and can intertwine pleasure with business as they travel about the country. The downside comes when they wish to visit their daughter in New Zealand. Since they both can't be away from the business for that long,

## "My days are full of boards, but I am not bored."

JEAN VAN KLEEK PETTIGREW '53

before for the classic comeback at Harvard. (The forces of justice prevailed, 29-28, withstanding Harvard's 28-0 halftime lead, when **Joe Splendorio '01** blocked a field goal attempt with zero left on the clock. We left the stadium thinking the Harvard kicker had missed. Whelan later said he was glad that it was blocked because he had felt bad for the kicker.) As it turned out, many of the usual suspects got to see the troops nail Yale, Harvard, and Princeton at the final second by one point each and Columbia by four points, with Columbia on the two-yard-line when the game ended. Not many dull finishes.

Onetime Cayuga's Waiter **Jack Brophy** (New Canaan, CT) notes that he's still singing along with a triple quartet, the Gentlemen Songsters, and that he and Martine have bought a house in Brittany, France, overlooking the Jaudy River where it dumps into the Atlantic and the Channel ("still have not learned French"). "No full retirement in sight," he adds. There are still replacement pumps for steam heating to be sold from his US office.

"Still looking for all that free time retirees are supposed to have," **Ray Borton** (Davis, CA) does some consulting, "such as the Agricultural Issues Center at U. of California, Davis, Ethiopia, and elsewhere." He says he has "a swell photography business to support my camera," and has shown his work in galleries. **Herb Neuman** (New York City) reports a third pilgrimage to Moscow with wife Stephanie for a conference on Jewish studies. ("There has been a renaissance of interest in university teaching of Jewish civilization since the Iron Curtain came down.") From **Rich Klein** (Tenafly, NJ): "As I reduce my duties as medical director at Automatic Data Processing, I've become very active at St. Barnabas Medical Center as chair of their bioethics committee." **Klaus Buxbaum** continues to practice gastroenterology in Whittier, CA. **Sam Cassell** (Wyckoff, NJ) was working three days a week when last heard from. Sailing on Long Island Sound, an Eldertrek to central Asia, and grandkids help keep him busy.

**Natalie Picker** Holmes-Cohan (Henderson, NV) reports a five-month trip around the world, including those Fiji isles renowned in fable and song. "Since I have been married twice," she says, "there are a number of young children, all of them far from us." But she says

(20 years) and LaFayette (33) Central Schools, besides advising Future Farmers of America members. His FFA farmyard exhibition is a long-established feature of the New York State Fair.

Retired after 25 years nursing at Children's Hospital, Oakland, CA, **Joan Osborne Lautenberger** tells of a trip to China with a People to People group of nurses. Five grandkids at last count. She says she "now (has) family members in any age-grouping the newspapers, sociologists, and psychologists can come up with, so (is) well plugged into life," and is catching up on reading, writing and walking—and "working my way back up to something more athletic"—besides League of Women Voters activities at various levels. **Rose Carpenter** Gernon (Glendora, CA), only semi-retired (still subbing), is into automatic sewing, i.e., downloading designs from the Web and sending them to a machine to sew out, and is active in the American Assn. of University Women as public policy chairwoman for a state task force on reproductive rights. **Jean Van Kleek** Pettigrew, a widow for 11 years, is "active on boards of several organizations here in Tryon, NC, as well as my boarding school in NY. One might say that my days are full of boards, but I am not bored." Murf enjoys "hiking, cooking, art quilting, and travel to see family and otherwise," including Theta roommate **Bea Habberstad** Bishop last year. **Blanche Anderton** Johnson writes that "life is heavenly" in Boca Raton, FL (winter), and Berwyn, PA (summer), what with golf, travel, "helping with local endeavors," and grandchildren.

Curiouser and curiouser about just about any subject as time goes on but immune to prelims these days, classmates keep coming back to Adult University (CAU). It took them to London (art studies and theater), Cooperstown (the Supreme Court), the Grand Canyon (astronomy), the Canadian Rockies (by rail), Scotland (castles), Vienna, and Ithaca. **John** and **Elizabeth Klopp, Bob Appel** and **Helen (Harrison) '55, Bill Gratz, Fred** and **Joan Buhrendorf, Joe Hinsey, JD '55, and Phyllis (La Rue) '56, Elsa Nettels, Jane Little Hardy, Jay** and **Marcy Brett, Webster David, and John and Lea Paxton Nixon** were matriculants. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009; e-mail, jch@cornell.edu.

Connie has the honors of traveling down under. Their younger daughter received her master's from U. of California, Davis last June in agricultural and environmental chemistry, aka winemaking.

Loved **Juliet Bohman** Grahn's comment on moving and downsizing. They have moved to a condo after 37 years in one place but in doing so they spent several months living with family. Julie has doubts as to whether we grandparents were designed to live 24 hours a day, seven days a week with small people. **Dave '52**, **JD '58**, and **Phyllis Perl Stearns** have fallen into exciting new careers as restaurant reviewers for *The East County Observer*, an area weekly newspaper. They love it. Not only do they get to eat out regularly but also their terrier-mix friend and live-in companion, Parky the Wonder Dog, reviews any leftovers. It sounds like a dream job for all three.

**Hugh** and Maria Rosa **Schwartz**, along with son **Fred**, have plans to visit daughter **Laura** who is working with the Peace Corps in Senegal. They hope to stay for several days in her hut, located in the small town of Thoika. Since **Hugh** lives in Alexandria I shall call for an update upon their return. **Hugh's** book *Rationality Gone Awry? Decision-Making Inconsistent with Economic and Financial Theory* has been issued in a paperback edition. He has just completed the manuscript for a new book about the Brazilian City of Curitiba. **A. David Bernanke's** first grandchild has arrived, adding immeasurably to his fun quotient. **Dave** sees DC area classmates **Sam Goodman** and **Bob Friedman** frequently.

Since 1996 **Fred Jensen** and **Marilyn (Brady) '55** have been year-round residents of Chatham, MA. They feel they are in the right place, as they do not lack for Cornell visitors, including **Al Eckhardt**, MBA '55, and **Jane (Rippe) '55**, **Frank** and **JoAnne DelleCave**, **Frank Logan** and **Sally (Stephens) '55**, and **Dick** and **Sheila Ragold '53**. No mention of seeking seasonal housing to the south. Commuting in a northerly direction from North Carolina for the summer months are **Joe '51** and **Diana Heywood Calby**, who finally found their summer home in Yarmouth, ME. A lazy cruise in the Caribbean with Cornell alumni and a rigorous three-week trip to China filled their travel card for 2000. **Lynn** and **Jane Gregory Wilson** completed their circumnavigation of the South American Continent in 2000 by flying to Chile and cruising from there up through the Panama Canal and home to Florida. **Don '53**, **BCE '55**, and **Eloise Mix Unbekant** flew off to Sydney, after the Olympic crowds scattered, to view the lands of the koala and kiwi.

**Richard** and **Ethelyn Murray Allison** swung east from California in the fall to attend the US Tennis Open with **Bob** and **Joan Appleby**.

I had asked what people were doing in retirement and I got a great answer from **Gilmore "Gil" Rothrock**. He was married in May 2000 to his longtime roommate **Sally Klein**. Although **Gil** might have put away his

scalpel, not so his tennis racket—**Gil** can still be found on the courts. **Bert Rosen**, our intrepid traveler, was off to the African Continent in 2000 to photograph "my large friends." He and his camera, along with guides/guards, roamed the countries of Namibia, Botswana, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and South Africa. Full report will follow soon. Along with viewing the Big Five and capturing them on film, **Bert** also went to review films: six African, three English, and one American. Next time you see **Bert**, nag him and ask about any part of the world. He possesses a very discerning set of eyes.

There are many of us who travel the world and I do love to hear of far-flung places, but once more **Robert Hellman**, MS '57, presents a view from his library window, this time of furry critters. He recently viewed a woodchuck burrowing purposefully through his plantings by the front door. Not wishing to harm it, he took the time to obtain a live trap and then discovered three "younguns" playing in the front yard along with mom. After carefully removing the family to a distant playground he then discovered that a skunk had taken up residence in the rear yard. Alas, her mephitic highness had five kits. As to trapping the skunks he resolved upon a policy of calculated procrastination. The entire family did in time waddle off, but not before he noticed a woodchuck burrowing by the front door. And the circle of life continues with a view from the library. Thank you, **Bob**, for reminding us how much is available for viewing in our own backyards if we take the time to observe. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, ljreed@bellatlantic.net. Class website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954.



Among the many diverse ways to spend these interesting years, Adult University (CAU) continues to attract many class members. Classes are held either on campus during the summer or at other sites throughout the year. Among recent '55 attendees at off-campus programs were **Nancy Livingston Hopkins**, **Fran Corbin Lewis**, **Helen (Harrison) and Bob Appel '53**, **Jay Bock** and **Dena**, **Richard Sonet** and **Toni**, **H. L. Tower**, MBA '60, and **Elizabeth (Wright) '56**, **Janet Scanlon Lawrence**, **Jane Hoffberg Schindler**, **Bill Brown** and **Irene**, and **Jean Utter Bub**. Convening for a week of learning on campus during Ithaca's best season were **Len Bechick '54** and **Gabriela**, **Bob Cowie**, MBA '57, and **Vanne (Shelley) '57**, **Astrid Pfeiffer**, **Joan Beebe Quick '54**, MS '55, **Florence Sandler**, and **Helen Sammet Sauerhaft**.

Imagine **Roger Severance's** surprise to find himself listed as "deceased" in this magazine about a year ago. Luckily, the editors quickly ran a correction in the next issue, and we are happy to forward **Roger's** news since his retirement from the US Government in 1990 as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for East Asia and the Pacific. He's now an international telecommunications policy

consultant in Washington, DC, and also part owner of a women's clothing boutique in Boothbay Harbor, ME. "I plan to live for a few more years!" **Roger** says.

50th Reunion co-chairs **Philip Harvey** and **Dick Estey**, MBA '60, sent the class a letter in December asking each person who attended the 45th Reunion last June to "adopt" a classmate who wasn't there, and encourage him/her to start planning to be part of our once-in-a-lifetime Fabulous 50th Reunion in June 2005. It's never too late to reestablish our Cornell friendships and to make new ones. For example, **Phil Alkon**, PhD '74, who teaches in the wildlife department at Mexico State, was on hand for both Reunion and Homecoming: "Twice in one year to Ithaca is a record for us and has really renewed our Cornell ties. What a wonderful school and legacy we share!" **Phil** contacted **Don Buckner**, who lives in DeKalb, IL, and encouraged him to come to Reunion 2000, which they did, reporting afterwards that they "had a great time." **Don** says his wife **Kathy**, a Big Ten grad, heard the "Alma Mater" sung six times during the weekend, not counting the chimes rendition during Sunday Mass at Anabel Taylor Hall.

**Bob** and **Joan Weisberg Belden** are now living in Pittsboro, NC, and kindly sent on the address of a "missing" classmate: **James Kendle**, 352 Sutton Rd., Barrington Hills, IL. **Ruth Lauterbach** Hutter forwarded an address for **Joan Reider** Frischman: 31 Murray Hill Square, New Providence, NJ. Thanks also to **Len Ladin** for forwarding news of **Thomas Steiner**, who was on the faculty of the English department at U. of California, Santa Barbara. The Ladins took a cruise early in 2000 through the Straits of Magellan and the Beagle Channel (Tierra del Fuego) seeing glaciers, elephant seals, and penguins. "An amazing trip!"

**Bernard Rodee**, BS Ag '60, says he continues to enjoy retirement, and keeps busy with church and community activities, food pantry, gardening, and travel. **Dick Kurtz**, BS Ag '58, who lives in San Diego, reports the birth of his first grandson after three granddaughters ("all beautiful, of course!"). **Dick** still works in commercial real estate in what he calls the "booming economy" of Temecula (Riverside County), California. "I want to retire, but business is too good." The Kurtzes get together frequently with **Ken '61**, PhD '67, and **Margie McKee Blanchard '62**, MA '65, "a true blessing in our lives." **Frances Williams** Scott resigned as assistant dean of the Texas Tech University College of Human Sciences, and is now enjoying teaching a humanities course in the Honors College there. **Fran** and her husband **O.V.** caught up with **Sue (Halldorson) '54** and **Peter Fuller '53** in Los Angeles, where **Sue** is with the Getty Museum. The Scotts also see **John '54** and **Lolly Treman Almquist '56**. And in Spain, **Dan Phelan** and his wife **Barbara** spent a fortnight with **Philippe Mocquard** and his wife **Mia**. **Philippe** is currently president and CEO of a Madrid-based hotel and restaurant group.

**Fred** and **Ann Antil** called it the "trip of a

lifetime”—the voyage on the *Delta Queen* from New Orleans to Memphis last spring. There were 35 or so Cornellians aboard, along with another 100 alumni from Yale, Northwestern, Penn. USC, and other schools. The cruise began with a reception with local Cornellians in New Orleans and ended with a wonderful lecture by Civil War historian Shelby Foote in Memphis. Former trustee chairman **Austin “Kip” Kiplinger ’39** and his wife hosted a reception on the boat, during which Kip and Fred entertained the group with a DU song, and everyone chimed in for a chorus of “Davy.” It was “Dixieland music, Mark Twain, the Civil War, and New Orleans food all in one memorable package,” Fred reported. **Mary (Townsend)** and **John Bartholomew** live in Orange Park, FL, where John, who retired as Synod (of South Atlantic) executive for the Presbyterian Church, is chairing national church committees and also “learning by doing” how to lay cherry flooring in their house. Mary says she’s “slowly finishing an MA in American History,” and enjoying time with her mother, **Dorothy Burnett Townsend ’26**, PhD ’30, who lives nearby.

**Martin**, MD ’58, and **Phyllis Shames Korn ’57** spend about half the year at their home in the Adirondacks, then in Rochester where Martin works “very part-time” doing outpatient orthopaedics. “The rest of the time we travel,” most recently to East Malaysia and Morocco. Martin says that someone described retirement as “adolescence without parental supervision.” He adds, “We’re very grateful for our present health, family, friends, and each other, and we plan to keep as active as we can.” Good advice for everyone! Hope you’re all well into a Happy New Year. ♦ **Nancy Savage Morris**, 94 Southfield Ave., #601, Stamford, CT 06902; e-mail, nsm55@juno.com. Class of 1955 website: <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1955>.

#### REUNION

**56** Our classmates are traveling with Adult University (CAU) (conceived, as you remember, by our president **Ernie Stern** and past president **Curt Reis**): **Barton Friedman**, PhD ’64, with **Sheila (Siegel) ’58** to Alaska; **Gail Gifford** Rudin with Stephen to Alaska; **William Abramson** with Madeline to the Shaw Festival; **Joyce Kerr** and **C. Jan Dyke**, MD ’60, with Mary to the Canadian Rockies. And the following classmates attended programs on campus this past summer: **Percy Edwards** Browning, “Universe”; **James Marshall**, “Perfect Plants”; **Tom Merryweather** with **Marilyn (Way) ’57**, “Tennis” (Tom), “Memoirs 2” (Marilyn), “Places of the Mind” (Marilyn); **Mary Fitzgerald** Morton, “Natural History”; and **Jean Grant** Whitney, “Opera.”

The list of ’56ers who are retired continues to grow. **Roy Mitchell**, Great Falls, VA, retired as a senior partner in Morgan, Lewis and Bockins, LLP after 40 years practicing international construction law all over the world. Roy has accepted a position as president and CEO of the Construction Claims Group of Hill International Inc., an international con-

struction consulting company. **Frances Carol Criss** Ramsey, Marion, NY, retired after 37 years as an educator. She says she was both “humbled and proud” to receive the State Achievement Award from the Pi State (New York) organization of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International—the highest honor given at the state level for her “dedication and service to the state and to education.” **James Marshall**, Alpine, NY, retired after 30 years as a plastic surgeon in Elmira, NY.

**Thomas Kerr IV** retired three years ago and spends one month per year working as a Nationwide Mutual Funds Trustee. Tom and Donna travel about 40 percent of the time and still live in Westerville, OH. **Law Klotz**, Teaneck, NJ, gardens, plays tennis, babysits for the grandkids, and watches the market. **Don Goldman**, North Andover, MA, is fully retired and very active in SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) and has been mentoring Hispanic students for the past five years. His wife **Celia (Kandel) ’57** continues as vice president of sales for an educational publisher in Belerica, MA. **Douglas Parker**, JD ’58, South Orleans, MA, went on a Cornell trip to Provence last year with Sue and **Don Phillips** and **Bob and Marilyn Hester Ridgley ’57**. **Bonnie Smith** Whyte, Reston, VA, retired from USDA, and is now involved with projects sponsored by Reston Interfaith and Programs of the Reston Historic Trust.

**Priscilla “Pat” Drew Diggins**, Mesquite, TX, and **John ’55** are retired, John from US Dept. of Labor and Pat from Texas Agricultural Extension Service. **Joan Hoyland** Phaneuf and **Joe**, Clinton Corners, NY, are both retired. **Paula Johnson** Camp, Downey, CA, is no longer volunteering for American Red Cross disaster services, saying, “I do miss it and all the wonderful volunteers I worked with.” **Herbert Bernhardt**, Baltimore, MD, retired as a professor and continues as a labor arbitrator. **Diana Scudder** Briner, Dallas, TX, retired from student admissions work at St. Mark’s School of Texas. **Jack Shirman**, Quechee, VT, retired for the second time after serving as CEO of a small videoconferencing company in Louisville, KY. **Steve Bailey**, BME ’59, Fairway, KS, is retired and now playing golf, and will advise when he joins the Senior Tour. Lastly, **Mary Ann “Polly” Whitaker** Dolliver, Spokane, WA, retired as administrator for the Spokane (WA) Public Schools, and this past summer taught in Hawaii for Gonzaga U. Less than three months until Reunion. Be there! ♦ **Phyllis Bosworth**, 8 E. 83rd St., NYC 10028; e-mail, phylboz@aol.com.



Thanks to those sending news by e-mail, my basket is full this month. **Pete Blauvelt** went on his annual pig hunt in Texas last fall, and earlier went to San Francisco and on to Hawaii for a cruise. He continues to serve on a number of boards in the Rochester area, and ran a strong enough campaign in the town of Sterling that he emerged (unopposed) as Town Justice. Lacrosse teammate **Tony Tewes**, having flunked retirement 101, is

CEO/Chairman of a financial services company in Baltimore, having turned his Ohio and Michigan enterprises over to his three children to operate. He is boning up to pass the course next time. Another quickstick, **Bob George**, lives in North Vancouver and Bellingham WA. Two of his children live in the northwest and one in Melrose, MA, which gave him a chance to visit New York City while East, attending the Cornell cocktail party in conjunction with the Hotel show.

**Chuck Loppacker** and I had a love in common during our school years—the Baltimore Orioles. After military service, mostly in Japan, he worked as a structural engineer until 1992, and now is a residential inspector in Ridgefield, CT. He and Betty have four married children and travel extensively to more places in the world than I have heard of. Another traveler is **Ara Daglian**, having cruised last year from Australia to Singapore, and Norway to North Cape and back, in addition to a pilgrimage to Ireland with a bunch of his cronies from the Hotel school. It’s uncertain if he was called back to fight any fires in northern New Jersey.

**Fred Gerber** seems to be living the good life in semi-retirement, having spent two weeks last year in a villa in Tuscany, along with **Bob and Marj Nelson Smart** and **Joe** and **Jeanne Jehl**. Those of us who think we’ve stayed in all of **George Banta**’s Super 8 motels have a new challenge, namely to visit Sidney and Norwich, NY. Daughter Jane, a sales executive for Tiffany & Co. in NYC, married last fall. **David Wingate** has retired after 34 years with the Bermuda Government civil service, serving as a conservation officer. During that time, he developed a nature preserve, which he still oversees. His six grandchildren keep him busy the rest of the time.

**Jeremy Fitz-Patrick** spends summers in Bermuda and winters in Florida when not at his home in Newport News. He has been a man of leisure for over ten years. **Bob Watts** has a daughter living in Belgium and visited her and her family last summer. He has built a house just north of Portsmouth, RI, with great views over Narragansett Bay. **David Biddle** reports that a family reunion last summer in southern New Jersey attracted 57 members of the clan. He travels to almost as many places as Chuck Loppacker, with Bermuda being one of his stops also. **Dick Moeller**, after 35 years in engineering for GE, is enjoying himself in Syracuse in summer and Santa Fe in winter. He and **Ursula (Eirich) ’59** are involved in every form of recreation one can conjure up, and traveling Loppack-eresque. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477; e-mail, Suitcase2@aol.com.

Despite the fact that last fall’s mailing of news forms lacked the requisite postage, enough of you ponied up your own stamps and lots of replies means lots of news for the coming issues. Add **Judy Bird** to the list of retirees. She migrated to South Carolina after her retirement from the State Department last June. Her daughter is finishing up at Coastal Carolina U.

Judy's son Tim is completing a PhD at U. of California, Irvine. **Karen Anderson** Mahshi was planning to semi-retire when she closed down her Berkeley, CA, office after practicing landscape architecture for 35 years. However, she's busier than ever as a consultant to two gardens in Concord and Walnut Creek and having fun doing residential landscape design.

Still in the work force is **Barbara Flynn** Shively, who prepares training manuals on a variety of topics for the Exxon Mobil Intranet. She and her husband have had several trips to France, Greece, and Italy. Other travelers to Italy last year included **Joan Reinberg** Macmillan, **Diane Heasley** Van Dyke and Alan, and **Nancy Kressler** Lawley. Joan, whose first great-granddaughter (yes, you read that correctly—any other great-grandmothers in the class?) is now one year old, was on an Elderhostel trip to Tuscany. The Lawleys also visited Germany, and in October gained two more grandchildren when their youngest daughter gave birth to twin boys. **Greg '89** and **Judi Burton Gaines '88** presented **Charles "Sandy" '58**, MIE '63, and **Barbara Baltzel Burton** with a fifth grandchild last June. **Barbara Freedman** Fisher also has five grandchildren and she and her husband, both retired, travel in a motor home when they are not at their place in Sun City West, AZ.

**Shirley Besemer** Itin, BS HE '60, was busy posting yard signs last fall in a bid for reelection to the city council of Orchard Lake Village, MI. Her success did not require a hand count or a decision by the Michigan Supreme Court. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD. 20816; e-mail, JCRauss@aol.com.

**58** We're now well into 2001 as this news comes to you from our 'mates in 2000, some of whom moved during the year. By now, **Carolyn (King)** and **Tom Nytech, DVM '58**, will have moved into their new, smaller home in Owego (12 Beechwood Lane), not far from Vestal where they lived for decades, lastly in a woods-surrounded large house above the town. The Nytechs enjoy being grandparents for the first time, their little Michael having been born last June. **Paul Christensen** and Marie write from Brooks, GA, where they moved into their dream house after three years of design and building, set on a rural 85 acres (395 Morgan Mill Rd.). As that was progressing, the whole family reunited in Whitefish, MT. All five children are grown and married, with nine grandchildren at the time. Paul put in his 31 years some time ago and now hunts and fishes in his free time.

After 30 years in Mississippi, Dr. **Martin Steinberg** and Susan moved to Boston where he's professor of medicine and pediatrics and director of Center of Excellence in sickle cell disease at Boston U. and Medical Center. They're fixing up their South End townhouse and relearning the benefits of city living at 6 Custom St., Boston, MA. **Thomas Kemp**, MBA '60, and Dorothy moved to 816 Timberlake Ct. in Kettering, OH, last year. Tom writes that he is consulting as a retired CEO

from Krug Int'l. Last on the moves, we have a new address but no news for **Marcia Fogel Yeager** and husband **Bob '55**, BArch '57, now living in Chestertown, MD (PO Box 843).

**Sid Heller** doesn't appear to have ANY permanent address. He writes: "Since I retired in 1994, got married happily to Terri, spouse Number 2, in 1995, we've lived for a month or more in 12 different places." The Hellers range from New York City and Long Island to Puerto Rico, Florida, etc. If you need to mail him (soon), he might be reachable at 33 Timberline Cir., Port Jefferson, NY. **Jack Meakern**, MBA '61, and **Diane (Bailet) '61** still live in Greenwich, CT, with a second house in the Berkshires, "have five kids (three married), five grandkids (with two more expected)," and write that they, the senior Meakerns, are "constantly running all over." **Georgia Watson** Willis and husband Frank write of the miraculous recovery of their son, Buck, who was critically injured in a plane crash nine years ago. He has endured 26 surgeries and countless hours of rehab, and now has entered med school. That sure deserves congratulations! The Willises enjoy their only grandchild, Madison ("a real sweetheart"), child of their daughter, stay-at-home mom Deborah. **Peter Klein '57** reports two grandchildren born last year, bringing the total to three. Peter retired in mid-1999, moved to a motor home, and now has visited 31 states, including a stop to visit **Marty Blinder** in San Rafael, CA. **Don "Tahoe Tip" Tipton** and Lana are motor-homing across the country, heading from home in Tahoe, CA, to Colorado, Missouri, and Florida, then Texas and Arizona to see friends and relatives, and probably some of their nine grandchildren on the way. Don keeps asking if any classmates want to buy into his sales at beautiful Lake Tahoe. He says to just give him a call.

**Eleanor "Ellie" DeMov** Schaffer reports on her growing grandchild (bat mitzvah last year) and that daughter Pamela, their youngest, was to be married last October in E. Norwich. Ellie keeps busy with gardening, aerobics, and volunteering at the local library. **Dick Wimmer** reports the marriage of his son, Leo, last August, and that he (Dick) has two new books out, *The Women's Game* (Burdorf) and *The Irish Wine Trilogy* (Penguin, 2001). **Phil Dattilo Jr.** reports that he has sold his law practice and now has a position as court attorney referee in the NYS Supreme Court. No news from **Russ Taft** on this round; he's still on Maui. **Ben Ivy** married Catherine Bracken last May and resides in Palo Alto, CA. **Jeannine "Ginny" Gustafson** Douglas was surprised by husband Hal's gift of a trip to Salzburg, Austria, celebrating their 42 married years, and doing the whole "Sound of Music" bit with a trip to the nearby hills, along with lots of opera, symphony, and organ music in the city.

**Len Horn**, longtime CEO of the Miss America organization, retired from that position a while ago and now spends time writing, reading, and boating out in Beech Bluff, TN, where he lives with his wife, Brenda. **Cindy**

**Rau** Sears retired last May from Pella Windows. She and Raymond have taken a number of driving trips from Cape Cod to North Carolina where they spend time in their condo in Hertford (home of Jim "Catfish" Hunter, she writes) at Albemarle Plantation. They had a family dinner in celebration of their 40th at The Manor in W. Orange, NJ. A year-end letter from Fr. **Jack Walters** states that he and his co-director still lead the IAM counseling and retreat center in the hills of northern Pennsylvania on the Tesserville Farm in New Albany. Two of Jack's latest books on healing are being reprinted. Jack reports that the responses to their retreats, cast toward "integrating psychological process, spirituality, and creativity," continue to be well received by those who need them. We end with a note from **Fred Sherman** and Maggie who took their retreat on a ten-day cruise in French Polynesia last winter.

Your correspondents look for more News and Dues; it's never too late to send them in. Cheers to all in this relatively New Year.

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It's cherry blossom time in Washington, DC—the perfect occasion for a mini-reunion of '59ers! Members of the class, hopefully including YOU, will gath-

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er in the nation's capital on the weekend of March 30 to April 1. There will be two class gatherings, leaving lots of time for sightseeing and hanging out with friends. On Friday evening, an informal gathering will be held at the reunion hotel, with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. On Saturday evening, there's a din-

## “Ronald Sander urges all to hug your husband or wife today.”

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ner at the Cosmos Club, which scholar Wallace Stegner called “the closest thing to a social headquarters for Washington’s intellectual elite.”

You should have received materials about the mini-reunion in the mail, including information on registration, Washington hotels, a possible class brunch on Sunday, etc. If you need additional information check our class website or contact **Judy Brotman** Cochran at (301) 949-5101 or [jec37@cornell.edu](mailto:jec37@cornell.edu).

**Eleanor Applewhaite**, **Ron Demer**, **Steve Fillo**, **Kent Hewitt**, **Paddy Hurley**, **Dale Rogers** Marshall, and **Bob McClellan** were among the '59ers who attended the formal dedication celebration of Cornell's renovated and expanded Lincoln Hall on Friday, October 27. The following day, our class held a reception for Professor Karel Husa, Kappa Alpha Professor Emeritus of music, his family, and music faculty and students. The reception was held in a room near the Student Practice Room that our class funded in honor of Prof. Husa. Writes Paddy: “Blaise Brisky, a pianist on the faculty, and **Jean Chang**, a student, played a four-hand piano piece by Husa. I said a few words, as did Ron. Husa seemed very gratified by the event.”

That evening, **Hank Stark** was in the Barnes Hall audience when Prof. Husa conducted the Cornell Chamber Orchestra as it played his “Four Little Pieces for Strings,” composed in 1958. Hank attended another Husa concert the next day, and shares the opinion of a multitude of his fellow '59ers when he comments, “Husa's great!”

Classmates who participated in Adult University (CAU) programs last spring and summer include **Nancy Iams** Walsh, **Diane Hoffberg** Eisen, **Neil Janovic**, **Linda Rogers** Cohen, **Ron Demer**, **Dave Dunlop**, **Judy Cook**, and **Phil Yarnell**.

**Stefanie Lipsit** Tashkovich, M Ed '64, moved to Manhattan and is interested in hearing about *pro bono* work that others are doing there ((212) 831-3349 or [Tashkovich@aol.com](mailto:Tashkovich@aol.com)). “I'm thrilled to be having an exciting cultural life after so many years in the woods in Pound Ridge,” she says. “I've wrapped up our architectural design and construction firm and am now minimally engaged in our family's project to develop an oil pipeline from the Black Sea to the Adriatic Sea. **Gligor '87**, MBA '91, is running the project. **Mark '89** is an investment banker with Mor-

gan Stanley.”

**Pearl Woody** Karrer, 570 Kingsley Ave., Palo Alto, CA, a former microbiologist, has exhibited her art (monotype, mixed media, charcoal, and pastel) in various venues. She has also had her poetry published in many journals and anthologies. The year 2000 was a big year

for **Lyon Cohen**, 5731 Braes Valley, Houston, TX. His grandson had his bar mitzvah over Labor Day weekend, his wife had her 60th birthday, and the couple celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

**Pete MacRoberts** got tired of “the big city rat race” and six years ago moved to South Lake Tahoe after 25 years in San Diego. He manages the Viking Motor Lodge—“Work a little, play golf—what a life!” Some four years ago, **Dick, DVM '62**, and **Pat Taylor Bartholomew** decided to make a major lifestyle change. They retired from their long-term careers; Dick was a member of the U. of Pennsylvania veterinary school and Pat was with DuPont Pharmaceuticals. They purchased a 200-year-old Federal-style sea captain's home on Pearl Street in Kennebunkport, ME. The next three years were spent restoring and renovating the building into The Captain Jeffers Inn, with 15 guest rooms ([www.captainjeffersinn.com](http://www.captainjeffersinn.com)). “It's been a real challenge but very rewarding and fulfilling,” writes Pat. “We've met many fellow Cornellians but no classmates to date. Hope to see some of you in 2001!”

The list of “missing classmates” posted on our website has brought us renewed contact with a number of people who had lost touch with Cornell over the years. Among them is **Jules Levine**, 696 Highland Ave., Charlottesville, VA. He writes: “Those who knew me would remember me as Jay. I was in the College of Engineering and transferred at the end of our first year to accept an NROTC Scholarship at the U. of Virginia. I graduated in 1960 and spent three years on active duty on a destroyer. In 1963 I joined Westinghouse Aerospace Division and stayed with them for five years, taking a master's in operations research/management science at Johns Hopkins during that time. In 1968 I returned to the U. of Virginia to take a PhD in biomedical engineering, finishing in 1972. I joined the faculty there and currently serve as professor of health sciences and as associate vice president for the health system.” ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, [jet24@cornell.edu](mailto:jet24@cornell.edu).



Your class officers met in New York City in late January to do a post-Reunion wrap-up and to decide how to continue building on our past successes, near-record-

setting reunion attendance, and a high level of class membership. Details to come.

Congratulations to **George Gellert**, MBA '62, JD '63, who was given an Outstanding Alumni Award by the Ag college in October, “for applying exceptional leadership skills toward the betterment of society.” George is president and CEO of Atalanta Corp., an importer of food from around the world based in Elizabeth, NJ, and is also a Trustee of Cornell. He lives in Oradell, NJ.

Someone sent along a recent newspaper article about **John “Jack” Gallaway** entitled “Casino President Brings Passion, Flair, Experience to Position.” Jack now heads up Isle of Capri Casinos, which owns and operates fourteen casinos scattered across the country from Biloxi, MS, to Black Hawk, CO, having come there from a stint as director of the Gaming Education and Research Inst. at the U. of Houston. The article describes Jack as “one of the deans of the casino industry” and a “veteran hotel and marketing whiz.” He also does volunteer work for the United Way and is planning a two-week motorcycle trip across China. Jack and his wife live in Gulfport, MS, and have four children. **Stephen Rothschild** writes from the West Coast that he continues as senior vice president and portfolio manager at Salomon Smith Barney, and has been joined in the group he manages by his two sons, Daniel and Michael. Stephen and his wife Natalia live in Alamo, CA.

Other classmates have made fascinating professional transitions recently. **Stuart “Mickey” Elsberg**, who lives in Chestertown on Maryland's eastern shore, gave himself an 18-month leave of absence from his company, Elsberg Associates, to work as a volunteer apprentice shipwright. Chestertown is building a replica of the 18th-century schooner *Sultana*, a British ship that plied the coastal waters before the Revolution, enforcing His Majesty's Tea Tax. When the *Sultana* is launched sometime this year, it will serve as a schoolship that teaches maritime history and ecology to children around the mid-Atlantic region. Mickey will continue as a volunteer, supplementing the ship's professional teacher-crew. **Richard Coburn** of New York City and his longtime partner Paul have founded a school in Puerto Aventuras, Mexico, a village south of Cancun, which teaches English to the native Mayan population. Richard sees this project as a significant effort to combat the poverty and racism he has observed in the region. **Roger West**, PhD '65, retired in 1998 and is now in his second year as chairman of the board of Scholastic Cantorum-on-Hudson, a Jersey City-based chorus. Roger and wife **Mary Lou (Moore) '63**, MS '65, live in Montclair, NJ.

After practicing tax law in Milwaukee for more than 30 years, **Robert Schnur** moved to what he describes as “a house in the woods near Madison, WI,” where he now teaches tax law at the U. of Wisconsin Law School and practices on a part-time basis. Bob can now be found on Timber Lane in Verona. **Sue Phelps Day**, M Ed '62, and **Bill '59** say they

had perfect autumn weather for the October wedding of their daughter **Carolyn '89** to David Flowers in Avon, CT. The celebration was attended by numerous Cornell relatives and friends from both generations. The couple will live in the San Francisco area, where Carolyn works for McKinsey & Company and David is at a financial advisory company.

**Carl and Linda Volckmann** of Westport, CT, are pleased to note two recent weddings in the family, both in distant locations. Their daughter Karin was married in Anchorage, Alaska, in 1999 and Tina was wed in 2000 on Orcas Island in Puget Sound, WA. Son Eric is in medical school at the U. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. "We loved the 40th Reunion," says Carl, "and celebrated our 35th wedding anniversary the next week."

**Judith (Eyles) and John Male '58** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in the summer of 2000 with a trip to Oberammergau, Germany, to see the 40th production of the Passion Play, which Judy says was a memorable event. They then spent three weeks touring Germany and Austria. **Brian Finger** and wife Joan of Damascus, MD, plan to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary this spring with a cruise to Hawaii, on which their two sons will join them. Brian says he is "looking forward to retirement in the next three to four years."

**Faith Libbie Etoll** Gill, BS Nurs '61, writes that she and husband Thomas "are pleased to have retired to Duxbury, MA, a beautiful seashore community on the south shore of Boston, not far from Cape Cod." Faith and Thomas are enjoying summer months on the beach, as well as year-round time with their children and grandchildren and the chance to visit friends and other family members. **Judy Singer** Bercovitz says that she and two classmates held a mini-Reunion in Amsterdam, NY, during the June weekend many of the rest of us were celebrating in Ithaca. Judy came from Montreal, **Phyllis Raphael** Hundert came from Glenmont, and **Sarah Cushman** Mooney traveled all the way from Chugiak, Alaska.

As I write this in early December, with the final selection of a president still a few days off, I'm reading Californian **Mike Glueck's** award-winning column that appeared in the *Orange County Register* in late November. Mike called it "A Needed Apology to the Framers of the Constitution," because of the multiple botch-ups during the recent presidential election and its aftermath. Keep those articles coming, Mike.

I am very sorry to report the death in August 2000 of **Leon E. Wright Jr.** of Farmersville, after a lengthy illness. Leon was the owner of Wright Farms and also spent 20 years as the chief of training and a real estate appraiser for the New York State Division of Equalization and Assessment. He is survived by his wife Alice, four sons, and three grandchildren.

Feel free to send news directly to ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jwittenbert@neasc.org or jw275@cornell.edu.

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Arrangements for our long-awaited 40th Reunion have been completed; it remains for all of you '61ers to make your plans now to attend what promises to be the best gathering of the class yet. Register on-line and check out our website at [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1961](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1961). Contact Webmaster **Doug Fuss** at [djfuss@attglobal.net](mailto:djfuss@attglobal.net) for guidance in accessing the website.

The Reunion committee especially wants to encourage classmates who have lost a spouse or whose mate does not wish to attend or who are otherwise single to come to Reunion. "Don't worry about whether you'll fit in," says Reunion Co-chair **Jon Greenleaf**. Lots of singles have already registered, he reported. Anyone still having doubts about coming may contact Jon at [jongrnleaf@earthlink.net](mailto:jongrnleaf@earthlink.net).

Dr. **Gary Busch** plans to suspend his medical assistance in Africa and attend Reunion since "our planes have stopped flying into Sierra Leone and the Congo due to war risk insurance being too expensive." After 21 years as CEO of Fusion Systems Corp. and eight years in private equity investing, **Don Spero** became director of the Center for Entrepreneurship at the U. of Maryland business school. Don finds excitement and rewards in working with talented students and innovative high-tech business leaders. **Bob Herdt**, MS '63, has completed one year as vice president of the Rockefeller Foundation. Along with marking his 40th Reunion this year, he is celebrating his 40th wedding anniversary.

**Henry Massey Jr.**, JD '68, continues to practice corporate and securities law in the heart of Silicon Valley at the nation's largest law firm specializing in the high-tech field. Henry had a rough time when his wife Mary Ann died over a year ago. He is working on getting his pilot's license. **Peggy Monk-meyer** Mastroianni, associate legal counsel at the USEEO Commission, is in charge of federal employment discrimination law policy development. Her husband Ted is with the Dept. of Labor.

**Robert Stamper** is professor of ophthalmology and director of the Glaucoma Service at the UC San Francisco School of Medicine. Last year, he received an award for Master Teaching in Ophthalmology from the SUNY Downstate Medical College. He's practicing to be a first-time grandfather. **James Baden**, MD '65, has joined a group practice of surgeons in Hamilton, OH. **Doris Markowitz** Greenberg is associate professor of pediatrics at Mercer School of Medicine in Savannah. Husband Mark is president of the American Academy of Pediatrics for Georgia. Doris has been in practice for children's behavioral problems for 24 years.

**Dee Palmer** Kaplan, M Ed '62, teaches special ed in Houston, while her husband is chair in microbiology at the UT Medical School. The Kaplans have a vacation home in Santa Fe, which was the locale for their daughter's wedding last summer.

**Bill and Mary Ann Tower Rolland** have moved back to western NY State, where

they've formed a corporation to restore upscale, historic, architecturally significant residences. They report that executive retirement amenities in the area are plentiful and affordable, and they would love to see '61ers traveling in the vicinity of Niagara Falls. **Barbara Jacobs** Mitnick completed a biography of Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge, and is writing parts of a new Encyclopedia of New Jersey, to be published in 2002.

**Mark Fleischman** and wife Mimi are living in their dream mountaintop retreat overlooking Malibu and the Pacific. His Century Club in Century City, one of LA's most successful supper clubs, will soon expand to Las Vegas. **Irene Su** So has moved to the Syracuse area where she enjoys being a specialist in orthodontics. She continues to be active in Cornell alumni affairs and is chair of the Cornell Council annual meeting planning committee. **Bruce Herbert** and wife Joyce have moved from Ann Arbor to Charlevoix in northern Michigan. Bruce continues to work as a plastics broker. **Joan Ware** Meade, BArch '65, moved to Chapel Hill, NC, and is planning to retire this year and spend more time at the family's Brevard, NC, mountain home. **Marlene "Alfie" Alpert** Tein also moved to Chapel Hill, building a home with an architect and adopting a greyhound racer. The Teins celebrated two weddings last year: daughter **Naomi '90** married Carlos Ohega in Garrison, NY, and son Michael married Laurie Stein in LA.

**Edward Goldberg** retired from active medical practice, but continues to teach at UMass Medical School. He and wife Eileen made a sojourn to Saratoga and Cooperstown with Cornell classmates, including **David Diamond**, **Billy Friedman**, BEP '63, M Aero E '65, and **Michael Falk**, and their respective spouses. Although **Burton "Skip" Sack** sold his Applebee's restaurants, he is still on the board of directors. He loves living in Longboat Key, FL, and reported having lunch in Chicago with **Rich Stein**.

Judy, wife of **Ronald Sander**, MS Eng '64, survived an almost always fatal fungal infection at Johns Hopkins Hospital. Ron and Judy have been taking "celebration of life" trips; he urges all to hug your husband or wife today. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, 288 Lexington Ave., NYC 10016; tel., (212) 696-9203; e-mail: [dsk15@cornell.edu](mailto:dsk15@cornell.edu).

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September was the wedding month for Lea and Pete Ward, son of **John '60** and **Helen Zesch Ward**. All reports agree that it was a lovely event. Rob and **Karin Nielsen** McNamara and Jack and **DeeDee McCoy** Stovel shared in the festivities. Helen and John are fortunate to have all four (married) offspring and five grandchildren living close by in Owings Mills, MD.

**Rudy Muenster** writes from "busy and expanding Berlin. Since the German government has moved from Bonn to this city, building, partying, and dealing has increased a great deal. My hotel consulting company (RWM Hotel Consult GmbH), in its 20th year, is ben-

efiting, too." Meanwhile Rudy's wife Annelie, a painter and poet, has completed publishing her book ([www.gereimtes-und-gemaltes.de](http://www.gereimtes-und-gemaltes.de)) and is enjoying tremendous sales. Rudy has been elected chairman of the Intl. Committee of the Cornell Council, the first Hotelie to serve in this position. He is presently serving his second term on the Council ([rwmconsult@aol.com](mailto:rwmconsult@aol.com)).

Cornellians traveled again last year with Adult University (CAU). (If you haven't tried it, do!) **Stephen**, MBA '64, and Janice **Ashley** went to London, **Laszlo Szereny**, BEE '65, went to Vienna, and Margie and **Tom Koehler**, MS '65, enjoyed Australia. On campus, **Sam** '61, MD '66, and **Judy Shapiro Greenblatt** learned bookbinding, **Ralph '60** and **Jeannette Butler Miller** studied Cayuga Lake, and Richard and **Hannah Gottshall Wosilait** explored the gorges. Photography drew **Douglas** and Helleke **Whitney**. Several classmates worked on their golf game: John and **Maryjean Hertel** Yengo, M Ed '63, **Robert** '58 and **Lee Pennell Endries**, **Beverley Mochel** Wilson, and Susan and **George Knaysi**.

The smiles of the **Fred** '59 and **Carol Shaw Andresen** family shone from their holiday photo: three grown children with spouses, and, by the time you read this, three grandchildren. This was the first time all have eaten turkey together in Greensboro, NC. Carol and Fred have been enjoying traveling to China, Tibet, Eastern Europe, France, Canada, Florida, California, and New England ([andresen@inf.net](mailto:andresen@inf.net)). France, Canada, and Florida were also 2000 destinations for Jonie and **Bob Adamowski**. They visited **William M.** and Leslie **Troutman** in Osprey FL, where the Troutmans have retired, and traveled with them on the Rocky Mountaineer train from Vancouver to Banff. They spent an August week in a country house in Normandy and came home to Bellevue, WA.

Traveling is also recreational/vocational for **Bill** '63 and **Frankie Campbell Tutt** '63, whose home base remains at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs, CO. Frankie has her own travel business; business trips in 2000 included Maui, Carmel (for golf with son Ben), Mexico, Bosnia, Australia, Canada, South Africa—and Ohio. Frankie notes that South Africa was "the best." I'll agree, having had the good fortune to have visited there twice last year ([ftutt@home.com](mailto:ftutt@home.com)).

It appears that many of us are taking advantage of the opportunity to do less work and more play. On the theory that everyone loves to share their travel stories I'll include e-mail addresses (where available) for classmates so that other travelers can compare notes. **Bob** '59 and I loved the opportunity to visit South Africa, Namibia, Botswana and New Zealand last year. Driving on the right side of the road now requires careful thought!

The theatrical Zielinski family continues in various roles and venues. Bob, **Betty (Kreps)**, and daughter Julie competed in the Unilever Singing in the Shower contest, which involved composing and presenting a song and skit about the sponsor's products.

Their entry, a takeoff on "Who Wants to be a Millionaire" won the \$1,000 first prize! Home base for Betty and Bob is Louisville, KY.

The class directory for our 40th Reunion is about to "get off the ground," piloted by retired UAL captain **Dick Monroe**. Please let Dick know (with copy to me, too, please!) how to find you by sending name, address, phone, e-mail, etc., to him at [rem36@cornell.edu](mailto:rem36@cornell.edu); or dial (425) 788-2969; or mail to 19322 196th Ave., Woodinville WA 98072. While you're on the Web, check out our class site at [www.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1962](http://www.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1962). ♦ **Jan McClayton Crites**, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego OR 97034-6721; e-mail, [jma50@cornell.edu](mailto:jma50@cornell.edu).



Spring is just around the corner and it's about time for those News and Dues statements to come out again. I hope that more of you send in your money to help support the class than have in the past. I would also like to encourage you to send in the News form or to e-mail me. There have been quite a few class members who have e-mailed me during the last year. It's so easy. Also, if you want an address for a classmate, e-mail me and I will be happy to give you that information. I don't put addresses in the column because it takes up too much space. (If I don't get more news soon, I may need to fill up the next column with addresses!)

News came from an online daily health care news publication in Washington, DC, that **Alfred Cohen** was to be named director of the U. of Kentucky's Markey Cancer Center in September 2000. Alfred is also a graduate of the Johns Hopkins University Medical School and has been chief of colorectal surgical service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City since 1986. He is also chairman-elect of the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer.

I received an announcement of the marriage of **Pamela Jeffcock** Allister and Glen Carrari in Boise, ID, in July 2000. Pamela has degrees from Cornell, Syracuse, and George Washington U. She is a retired director of the Snake River Alliance.

Gary and **Marilyn Schur** Hellinger write from Greenwich, CT, that their fifth child, **Jeremy**, entered Cornell this fall. He is in the Business Management Program in the College of ALS. They are excited about visiting Ithaca once again. A proud grandma is **Doris Grayson** Kitson. Her son Dr. Kwame Kitson has a 1-year-old boy, Kirk. **Mark Spitzer**, BArch '64, is now a senior architect at Arai/Jackson, a 60-person architecture and planning firm in Seattle. He is designing transit stations for Seattle's first light rail system, which hopes to be in operation in 2006. He also became a grandfather recently to Nick, the son of Mark's son Matt and wife Mitzi. Ed and **Carol Lowy** Roberts had searched for three years for a retirement haven and finally found it in Charlottesville, VA. They found a 200-year-old farmhouse called "The Riggery" and are now restoring its house and garden. **Ruth Morgan** Kaufman, BS Nurs '65, visited and

designed the Roberts's garden "in five minutes." Carol has also visited **Mary "Kit" Lipscomb** Flynn in Chapel Hill, NC. Kit is working on her master's at Duke U. and shows her champion Wheaton terriers. Carol also keeps in touch with **Carol Mills** Lucas who is in "pre-tirement" after a successful career as a relocation guru.

**Marcy Bergren** Pine writes from Santa Monica, CA. She and husband Chuck visited Steven and **Marjorie Walker** Sayer in Monterey last year. It was a soggy weekend of golf and an aquarium visit. They had fun catching up. **John Rasmus** had dinner last spring with **Dick Altes**, MEE '65, and wife Lynn at the BeDuCi restaurant in Washington, DC. Dick had meetings and gave a speech to government agencies on his sonar research, "all high level EE and biomedical-related, cutting-edge stuff." John wants to promote the restaurant since he has a small ownership interest in it. **Stephanie Tress** De Pue took a trip to Ireland last fall with her significant other. She has now visited the "three Is" of New York State politics: Ireland, Israel, and Italy! **Warren Walker**, PhD '68, continues to work and live in the Netherlands. In October 1999 he was appointed professor of policy analysis in the School of Technology, Policy, and Management at Delft U. of Technology. He spends one day a week teaching and doing university research. The rest of the time he is working as a senior policy analyst at RAND Europe, the European subsidiary of the RAND Corporation. **Bill Vederman** went to Costa Rica last summer to "learn Spanish or die trying." His son Greg is now technical editor for *PCGamer* magazine. He plays computer games all day and gets paid for it, says Bill enviously.

Condolences to **Patricia Kelly Poggi**, whose husband **Pete**, DVM '62, died last November from multiple myeloma. They were married at Anabel Taylor during her graduation weekend. "He was a good husband and father, a gentleman, and an excellent veterinarian."

**Whinfield** and Joan **Melville**, MEE '68, are in Pittsford. Whinfield left Eastman Kodak and is working for a software development services company called Real Time Enterprises. Their daughter **Amy** '95 was married last July at Cornell to **Jason Stipe** '95. Amy works for Procter and Gamble and they will live in Columbia, MD. Adult University (CAU) was popular with many classmates this past year. **Marvin** and Greta **Zalman** attended Zen; Patricia Kelly Poggi went to Salzburg; and Warren and **Martha Viehe** Kleinberg and Curt and **Kathleen Dwyer** Marble, MAT '65, went on the trip to the Canadian Rockies in August. **Mary Falvey** went on the Morocco trip in May and **Martin Lustig** and **Diane (Flannery)** '66 went to Scotland. ♦ **Nancy Bierds** Icke, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, [icke@execpc.com](mailto:icke@execpc.com).



So here we are in the spring of '01, or as it's archaically pronounced, "ought-one" (well, aught-one). With that in mind ... ought one to send in dues-and-news? Yes!

One ought!

**Jimmy Davidson's** family is on the verge of setting a Cornell record. Or so he's pretty sure. When his and wife Rachel's daughter graduates this June, theirs will be the first family with three children ever to be accorded four Cornell degrees in four consecutive years. This supposedly singular achievement began with **Daniel '98**, followed by **Ron '99**, who went on to get his MPA in '00, who will be followed by sister **Tamar '01**. Well, okay, it's not Guinness-level material, but he said it was expensive (understatement)—especially the year all three were on the Hill. Jimmy, vice president of Investments at Grontal & Co., is an accredited asset management specialist. The Davidsons enjoy travel, tennis, skiing, and swimming. Recent travels took them to Israel, Aruba, Lake George, Chicago, Washington (DC), Cancun, China, and Paradise Island. When they do return home, it's to 80 Arleigh Rd., Great Neck, NY.

Attorney **Richard Rivitz** is a partner and executive committee member at his Cleveland law firm. His and wife Joan's son **Marc '95** is now at the U. of Chicago Business School. They also have a grown daughter and still live at 17719 Fernway Rd., Shaker Heights, OH. Accountant **Jeffrey Milman**, 315 W. 70th St., New York City, has a new job as controller of a company that creates and installs computer hardware and software for trucking companies. He also writes business plans for start-ups, particularly Internet companies. For fun, Jeff goes whitewater rafting, river kayaking, and scuba diving in exotic, challenging locations.

Attorney **James Cohen**, 2615 Park Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN, still works on Federal Indian law (Constitutional and civil rights issues). Jim notes about our advancing years in a style reminiscent of Groucho Marx's remark on the same topic: "I refrain from making any premature cognitive commitments to being elderly . . . Send suggestions of any youthfully (sic) woman unmarried/divorced/widowed with 1-2 still child-rearing-age kids to this still-unmarried energetic man!" (Note: If you want to know what Groucho said, e-mail me and I'll reply there.)

**Alice Fried Baker** and husband **Michael '61**, 5 Nesting Way, E. Sandwich, MA, both retired from Bristol Community College and now, ". . . we are busier than before." Among other activities, Alice continues to interview students at Tabor Academy in Marion, MA, for Cornell. The Bakers attended the wedding of **Susan Buchman Vogel** and William Ota in August 1999, then went Iberian the next month, traveling to Lisbon, Madrid, and Barcelona.

**Alice Anderson Rapasky**, who suffered a stroke in 1994 and has been on long-term disability from IBM since, and newly-retired husband Richard recently moved from Connecticut to 972 Doe Run Rd., Sequim, WA, and may get into any number of activities, from being lavender farmers to designing yachts or volunteering or caring for the elderly. "Stay tuned," she says. Alice would also love to have visitors, noting they

## Cooking the Books

NANCY DUNHOFF MILLS '64 AND  
KEVIN MILLS '93

**N**o amount of poverty would have induced me to write cookbooks for a living," says Kevin Mills, "which is ironic, because now I've written three of them." One day in the early 1990s, when Kevin was a captive audience because he and his mother were stuck in traffic, Nancy convinced her son to learn how to cook so they could collaborate. "I would send Kevin recipes to prepare on his own to make sure they worked," says Nancy, "and he would write about the often humorous episodes that resulted."

Their first book, *Help! My Apartment Has a Kitchen*, has sold 85,000 copies since its publication in 1996. They've since followed up with *Help! My Apartment Has a Dining Room* and the recent *Chocolate on the Brain*. The books, says the mother-son team, are intended for people who have a healthy fear of cooking. "Through this whole process, I've learned to enjoy cooking," Kevin says. "I don't resent it when my wife cooks, but I've grown possessive of my kitchen."

— Alex Hakoopian '01



live some three hours northwest of Seattle on the Olympic Peninsula.

**Robert Strudler**, vice chairman and COO of Lennar Corp., a 28-year veteran of the home building industry, has been inducted into the Nat'l Assn. of Home Builders (NAHB) Housing Hall of Fame. Leon Weiner, Chairman of NAHB's Board of Governors, said of Bob, "(He) has made an indelible mark on America's home building industry, through the quantity and quality of his performance as a leader of US Home Corp." Bob was instrumental in guiding the merger of US Home Corp. and Lennar. Send well-deserved congrats to him at 11110 Greenbay Rd., Houston, TX.

**Rosemary Gates Campos**, a hospice nurse, still lives at 251 Fairlawn Dr., Berkeley, CA. **John McClusky**, 721 Villa Capri Ct., St. Louis, MO, reports he's "still a professor" at U. of Missouri.

Lawyer **Stephen Lewenberg** writes, "I have chosen to become increasingly more semi-retired as time goes on. I'm now down to about half-time." Daughter **Sara '92** is also a lawyer. Steve reports spending three weeks in January 2K sailing between the Caribbean islands of St. Vincent and Granada, in a bare-boat charter with winds up to 35 knots, leading to what Steve said was a "white knuckle voyage." Steve got his land legs back with wife

Elizabeth at their home, 30 Ithaca Cr., Newton, MA.

**Steve Pieczenik**, MD '68, has two new books out co-authored with Tom Clancy, a new "Op-Center" book plus a "Netforce" series book. There's also a reissue of his novel *State of Emergency*. He's also involved with several e-commerce companies dealing with entertainment content. The Pieczeniks like to travel as a family. With their two daughters, he and wife **Roberta (Rovner)**, MS '64, have put in "serious mileage" in Australia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Singapore—and Cuba! When the Pieczeniks do return home, it's to 4731 Essex Ave., Chevy Chase, MD.

Keep the news coming! ♦ **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com.

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As the news from the dues notices gets passed along from **Dennis Norfleet** and **Joan Elstein** Rogow to me, I look forward to handling the next two columns for the Class of '65. **Hugh W. Snyder**, MPA '69, reports that he was recently promoted to Deputy City Solicitor of the City of Philadelphia Law Department. In his new position he will continue to work on Philadelphia Airport matters, as well as assist the department in improving professional development practices.

He and wife Maria reside at 560 E. Jamestown St., Philadelphia, PA 19128. **Jane Mushabac** was featured in the first 2000 issue of *Authors*. Her 1999 book, *A Short Remarkable History of New York City*, co-authored by Angela Wigan, has been selected as one of "The Best of the Best of the University Presses." The book was published by Fordham University Press with the Museum of the City of New York.

**Debbie Dash** Winn reports that in 1999 she finally went to Wimbledon for opening day. It was something she had wanted to do for a long time. She also visited the Czech Republic. Debbie does lots of volunteer work involving children with literacy problems. Her children Allison and Randy live in NYC. Debbie and husband Richard, who is a professor and chairman of the neurosurgery department at the U. of Washington, reside at 5754 63rd Ave. NE, Seattle, WA 98105.

The *New York Times* reported that **Michael G. Duffy** was recently married to Ann Gillick. Michael is vice president for operations at ABC News in Manhattan. **Susan Frank Weitz** has a number of things to report. Her husband Alex recently retired from Dow Corning and is going to be an independent consultant in the area of patents. Susan is a free-lance writer in the areas of public relations and grant applications. Their older son Jonathan graduated from the U. of Michigan and is working for a B2B start-up; their younger son Jordan recently graduated from MIT and is pursuing a master's there. Susan and Alex reside at 5409 Sunset Dr., Midland, MI 48640. As fellow Michiganders, my family has visited with Susan and her family on a number of occasions.

We hear from Ithaca regarding **Howard F. Zuckerman's** appointment as senior vice president and chief financial officer of ARBROS Communications, an integrated communications provider located in Silver Spring, MD. Howard had previously held senior executive positions with Bell Atlantic's domestic and international operations. **Elizabeth Dallas Harrington** is a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers. Elizabeth is responsible for its retail/pharmaceutical/consumer products practice in Hong Kong and China. As you would expect, she does a lot of traveling to Asia. Elizabeth is a member of PCCW and the Food Industry Management Executive Board. She and her husband William Lynch reside at 1520 North State Pkwy, Chicago, IL 60610. Their daughter **Brooke '90** is a professor at Brown U.

**Jane Harris** reports to us that her oldest child **Maira Longino '00**, a Fine Arts major, graduated last May. Her younger child Tristan is now a senior in high school. Jane is vice president, toxicology department, at American Cyanamid. Her husband Joseph is an investment banker. They reside at 19 Meadow Lane, Pennington, NJ 08534. **Fred Naidler**, MS '66, reports that he and his wife Anita traveled to Istanbul, Petra, and Lausanne while on sabbatical at Weizmann Inst. in Israel. Fred also reports that he became distinguished professor at College of Staten Island, City U. of New York.

If you have additional news or updates please send them to ♦ **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Court, West Bloomfield, MI 48322; tel., (248) 788-3397; e-mail, rshchop@aol.com; **Dennis Norfleet**, 3187 State Rte 48, Oswego, NY 13126; tel., (315) 342-0457; e-mail, dpn5@cornell.edu; and **Joan Elstein Rogow**, 9 Mason Farm Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822; tel., (908) 782-7028.

#### REUNION

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Hard to believe, but reunion registration forms are here or on their way. Hope you will be there. Here are some "White Card" updates and some general news items. **Bill Arnold's** daughter Elizabeth is in her senior year at Georgetown and will join Morgan Stanley in June '01. Bill and Cathy are celebrating their 30th anniversary with some special trips. Bill writes that he travels constantly, doing international government relations for Royal Dutch/Shell. Cathy continues as managing director of Chase Manhattan Bank in their home state of Texas.

**Ira Sadoff** has been teaching at Colby College, where he is the Dana Professor of Poetry. *Grazing*, his sixth collection of poems, was published by the U. of Illinois. Last year Ira was able to write full-time thanks to a grant from the Guggenheim Foundation. "My wife Linda happily gave up the law to become a therapist; stepson Casey, 15, and stepdaughter Julie, 11, both love soccer. It's been a wonderful five years." **Ann-Marie Meulendyke** took early retirement in 1996 from the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. She has had a variety of part-time and temporary jobs, most recently doing technical assistance for foreign ministries of finance in Indonesia and Panama.

**Bill Kilberg** writes from McLean, VA, that he is still practicing law and has spent the last five years "watching my children become adults." What could be better? Bill's practice now focuses on appellate litigation with two cases recently before the Supreme Court. **Judy Weinthal** answered "Nametags!" to the question of what she would most like to see at reunion. "Haven't been back since graduation but hope to attend in June." Judy returned to school "for the third graduate experience after both children were out of the nest," with a career shift from education to clinical social work.

Retirement and career changes seem to be the norm these days. **Lochie Emerson Musso** (lochie@megsinet.net) after 32 years as a home economics/family and consumer sciences educator, has handed in her chalk and is opening new doors. **Randi Nelson** Bachmann retired in June 1999. **Stan Sterenberg** (sterenberg@aol.com) tells us that, unlike all us new grandparents, he has young children Michael, almost 6, and Lily, almost 3. Stan has changed careers and returned to teaching math at the Chapin School in New York City. His wife, Laurie Schisgall, is an attorney at Chase Bank. **Sandra Cairns** Peterson (petsan@bethel.edu) got her PhD at the U. of Minnesota and is a professor and chairman of the nursing department at Bethel College.

**Marion King Lonsdale** informs us that

her husband **David '67** is directing the recently opened Great Lakes Aquarium in Duluth, MN. It is the only totally fresh water aquarium and is located at the mouth of the largest fresh water lake (in size). Their daughter Jen received her PhD in plant physiology from UC Berkeley last May. **Barbara Brown** Kaplan reports that her son Geoff is an assistant athletic trainer, physical therapist, and strength conditioning specialist, and works for the Tennessee Titans football team. Her son **Ira '95** works for PricewaterhouseCoopers. **Jon Stanat**, ME CH '67, now resides at 1343 St. Albans Dr., Baton Rouge, LA. E-mail: Jerstanat@worldnet.att.net. He was transferred to Louisiana in 1999 by ExxonMobil. He enjoys living in the south and is near his granddaughter, who is two. Son **Scott** graduates from Cornell this May. **Judith Blakeslee** Harvey, when not selling homes (in West Chester, PA), is chair of the Pocopson township open space committee and is a Master Gardener of Chester County. Her daughter Jenny Harvey (Swarthmore '99) is a VISTA volunteer in Baltimore, MD, and her son Jethro Monetti is a high school senior.

**Sandra Smith** Comsudi (scomsudi@tivoli.com) started a new job with Tivoli last April. Her son Chris graduated from U. of Texas and her daughter Elissa got her MBA from U. of Chicago. **Paul Green** now works as national manager for training for IDX Corp., a company that provides IT solutions for the medical industry. His primary office is in Burlington, VT, with training staff and offices in Boston, Dallas, and San Francisco. **Larry Berger** (lhb6@cornell.edu) has two Cornell sons, **Matthew '00** and **Michael '03**. Larry is looking for any amateur radio enthusiasts. His call letters: WA2SUH.

I have become reacquainted with my Riskey dormmate **Marilyn Brandt '67** (mbrandt@bestweb.net). She works as a broker associate for Houlihan Lawrence, the local real estate company that sold the Clintons their Westchester home. For the past seven years, Marilyn has performed as a cocktail/jazz pianist at Amadeus Restaurant in Stamford, CT. You can find her at 99 East Middle Patent Rd., Bedford, NY. Please check our class website for other e-mail addresses.

Personal news: Donald and **Susan Rockford** Bittker welcome their second grandchild, Jordana Marjorie Bittker. Parents are Aric and Bobbi Brachfeld Bittker, both Brandeis '94. Jordana joins big brother Harry, 3. See you at Reunion. ♦ **Susan Rockford** Bittker, 424 Pea Pond Rd., Katonah, NY 10536; e-mail, ladyscienc@aol.com.

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**Dr. James M. Hassett**, BA '70, became chair of the faculty of environmental resources and forest engineering at SUNY's College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse. He's been on the faculty since 1981, teaching engineering hydrology and flow controls, water pollution engineering, advanced hydraulics, water quality modeling, and water and wastewater treatment technology. In 1991 he received the SUNY Chancellor's Award

for Excellence in Teaching.

**Susan Plessner** Brenner, 10602 Candlerwick Rd., Stevenson, MD, reports that daughter Beth married Jonathan Rose in May 1999 and son Sean was married to Tiffani Sorber last September in Chicago. **Jose G. Calle**, ME CH '68, 2 Tudor City Pl., #2BN, New York City (jcalle@interport.net), is trying to locate **Nancy Russell '66**. **Kathleen Koretz** Abeles, 3730 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe, NM (rikali@ibm.net), is a realtor with French & French Fine Properties, serves on the board of a not-for-profit health care organization, and writes that her and husband Richard's daughter Liza is a middle blocker on the Amherst College (her dad's alma mater) volleyball team. Classmate **Bob Engel** also lives in Santa Fe, she adds.

**Jeffrey Chesky**, 700 S. Durkin #359, Springfield, IL (chesky.jeffrey@uis.edu), "had a sabbatical last year and spent a week of it in Ithaca." Son Barry earned an MM in clarinet performance at U. of Illinois and directs the clarinet choir there. **Judy Silverman Kaufman** and husband **Bill '65**, 162 Mill Brook Rd., Stamford, CT (judykauf@aol.com), report that one of their children finally has made it to Cornell: daughter Jane (Brown '94) is an ob/gyn resident at Cornell (NY Presbyterian). Her sister Abby (Yale '98) is at Harvard Law and still rowing, now with Riverside Rowing Club. **Pedro F. Mata**, ME I '68, 297 Green's Farms Rd., Green's Farms, CT (pfmb@aol.com), is volunteering as chairman of the board of Zamorano, a US university with a campus in Honduras. He's doing financial and strategic consulting for domestic and international businesses. New address: **Robert Holman**, 7237 Young Rd. NW, Olympia, WA.

**James W. Crawford**, ME M '68, 11480 Bronzdale Dr., Oakton, VA, reports: "During July 1998, I was in Cuba. While enjoying a drink at La Bodequita del Medio, a Hemingway hangout replete with photographs, I met **Paul Rohan '68**, from Westport, CT. Apparently, no matter where you go, it is never too far above Cayuga's waters. In 1999, [he] clocked more than 150 days of business travel: Belgium, Luxembourg, Italy, Taiwan, the Netherlands, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. God bless America!"

**Richard D. Tunick**, 21 Meadow Rd., Scarsdale, NY, notes that son Robert graduated from MIT and daughter **Erica** is on the Hill. "As empty nesters, we [he and wife Carole] anticipate traveling more, including trips to Ithaca to visit Erica." In the "big-time empty nest!" is the comment from **Sharon Argus Paschos**, Heideuferweg 51, 44229 Dortmund, Germany (paschosfam@gmx.net). She spent a good part of 2000 with husband **Emmanuel. PhD '67**, on sabbatical (he's professor of physics at Dortmund) at the Inst. for Advanced Study, Princeton. Daughter Christina received her second MBA equivalent from U. of Osnabruck and is working in Strasbourg. Son Tony was finishing up a degree in mechanical engineering at Dortmund and son John is studying media engineering at Technical U. Ilmenau in Germany.

Among the intellectual horde at Adult University (CAU) recently were **Ellen Pressman Myerberg, MPA '67**, **Michael Wolfson, Sherry Carr, M ILR '70**, **Richard Schwenzer, Ron Altman, MD '71**, **Donna Walker Batsford**, **Robert Benjamin**, and **Carolyn Cooney**. Details next time. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.



Hope you are having a good winter. **Mary Lovelock** and her husband Bob Chapman live in Newington, CT. Mary is executive director of South Park Inn, a non-profit agency providing services to the homeless. In February she was in Auckland, New Zealand, accepting an award honoring her father Dr. Jack Lovelock as that country's greatest athlete of the '30s. (He was an Olympic Gold Medalist in 1936.) Mary wonders if Louie's Lunch has changed its cooking oil since 1968.

**Richard Weir** lives in Oyster Bay, NY. After 30 years as a horticulture environmental educator, he retired from work with Cornell Cooperative Extension on Long Island. Richard is now teaching in the horticulture department at Cornell and consulting. Two of his three children are currently at Cornell, **Richard IV '01** in the Ag college and **Abby '03** in Architecture. **Miriam Coppersmith** Rhodes reports that for two more years she and husband Meir will be living in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn, where she teaches physics and Chassidic philosophy. They are planning to move to a settlement in Israel, where they have a small house and farm. Miriam invites visitors to check out the grapevines and the view. **James Ponsoldt** lives in Athens, GA, and is professor of law at the U. of Georgia. He was almost persuaded to run for a vacant US Senate seat in Georgia, but finally said no.

**Don Brennan** has become director of development of Nevada Gold and Casinos, a resorts and entertainment company in Colorado and elsewhere. Don was the founder of Independent Private Clubs of America, specializing in consulting to public and private golf development businesses. Prior to that, he was involved in resort development in Mexico and has also taught a hospitality development course for Conrad Hilton College at the U. of Houston. **Gary Deems** recently became a director of Community Bancorp Inc. in Fallbrook, CA. Gary has over 25 years of experience in the banking industry, including work with Pacific Western Bank in Portland, OR, and FP Bankcorp-First Pacific National Bank in Escondido, CA.

Adult University (CAU) reports that classmates attending recent programs have included **Lynn Rockcastle** Thye, **Barbara Friedman** Altman, **Janet Greco**, MA IN T '70, **Martha Warren McKinney**, and **Susan Tafler**.

**Ira Shepard**, JD '71, recently served as chief counsel to the advertising industry and senior management negotiator during the six-

month Screen Actors Guild strike. This was the longest strike in the history of the entertainment industry and Ira divided his time between New York and Los Angeles, with occasional respites at home in Washington, DC. He is a senior partner in the firm of Schmeltzer, Aptaker & Shepard, which is based in Washington, DC, and Los Angeles. **Jeff Gorwit** lives in Escondido, CA, and is a cardiologist. Jeff and wife Linda have three children ages 13-18.

I'm sorry to pass along a note from **Susan Dollinger '67** reporting with great sadness the death of **Alice Berman** Carlton from breast cancer. Alice had been living in Hawaii with her husband Barry and two teenage children.

**Steve** (Stephen J.) **Levine** lives in Holyoke, MA, and is a lawyer with a family law practice. He reports having seen **Jerry Budgar**. **Joyce Banach** Flynn lives in Northport, NY, and is an assistant superintendent for Educational Services with the Three Village Central School District. Joyce and husband Dan had an interesting trip to Capetown, South Africa, visiting Joyce's French god-daughter. **Tony Forlano** lives in Newport Beach, CA. **George Holmes** lives in Trumansburg, NY, and is a farmer raising corn, soybeans, dairy heifers, etc. In the winter, George works as a short-term missionary through the Fellowship of Christian Farmers, International, in the country of Albania. **Fred Fay** lives in York, PA, and travels extensively for the family chemical business. His daughter Bambi is a graduate of Duke and lives in Madagascar. Another daughter attends Vassar College, and the third is at Phillips Academy in Andover. Fred reports a fascinating trip to China in 1999 and to Europe last June.

**Kathy Frankovic** lives in San Francisco and travels between that city and New York. She continues with CBS News and when in San Francisco she telecommutes from a home office equipped for radio interviews. Kathy has been invited to speak about public opinion polling in the news at conferences in Chile, Mexico, and the Midwest. **Leonard Bisk** is teaching and doing research at the U. of Limerick in Ireland. **Larry Eilenberg** lives in San Francisco and is an artistic director and professor involved with the theater. Larry occasionally sees **David Heiden**, my freshman roommate. **Kathy Riggs** VanWie lives in Houston, TX, and teaches lower and middle school Spanish. Her son Matthew graduated from the U. of Texas and is a geologist in Houston. Her daughter **Sara** attends Cornell. **Ray Reisler**, MA IN T '71, continues as executive director of the S. Mark Taper Foundation, in California. **Stephanie Mar-**

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rus lives in Weston, MA, with her two sons, in a house I had owned years ago. Small world!

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



When I saw the envelope from Cornell with your 2001 news cards enclosed, my excitement was high. But imagine my disappointment when I realized that only 25 classmates had responded. Thank you to those who have written; I am looking forward to including your messages in upcoming columns. To everyone who has not yet sent news, please mail in your cards with a note, or send a few lines of e-mail. (When sending an e-mail, mention Cornell in the title, so I know it is not unsolicited and can assume it is virus free!)

A number of our classmates attended Adult University (CAU). **Jan Turk Mills** was with the Vienna group in May, while **Dvora Brodie**, MBA '77, **John Garnett**, **David Gruenberg**, **Douglas Knowles**, MBA '83, **John Reilly**, **David Silverman**, and **William Wenck** were on campus this summer for classes with titles ranging from Happiness to Millenarianism. Perhaps some of these students had time to enjoy dinner at **Etienne Merle's** Valentine Cafe. He writes to say please visit him at his restaurant on South Quarry St. if you are in Ithaca.

Another CAU attendee, **Nancy Karch**, has moved back to NY State, settling in upper Westchester County. She had spent seven years in Chicago and the two years prior in Atlanta. After 26 years, Nancy just retired from the position of senior partner at McKinsey & Co., an international consulting firm. She will be active on the boards of Liz Claiborne, Nabisco, Garden Ridge Corp., and the Westchester Land Trust.

**Cynthia Goldin** Bernstein writes to us from 1429 Poplar Ridge Dr., Memphis, TN,

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there was no turning back.”

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where she has moved recently. Cynthia tells us that last year she taught linguistics in Israel. Her son Robin, wife Pamela, and granddaughter Briana live in Charlotte, NC, and Cynthia still enjoys playing bridge. **Kenneth Kahn** has remarried. He and wife Jana live in Palm Beach Gardens with their daughter Tegan Hannah who was born in November 1999. Kenneth was recently named chairman of the ILR fund-raising committee.

**Steve and Joan Wolfers Belkin** have numerous Cornell ties. This year during the Trustee Council Weekend, Steve became a Trustee of Cornell, and the Belkin Interna-

tional Squash Courts were dedicated. **Donald Tofias** was in attendance with his daughter **Alissa '03**. Both of Steve and Joan's daughters are Cornellians. **Amy '01** is a senior, and daughter **Julie '98** is teaching first grade at Dalton in New York City. **Zell Berman** Rosenfelt also has a daughter at CU. **Natalie '01** is a government major. Zell herself is a teacher. The U. of Oklahoma College of Law has named **Peter B. Kutner** to the Hugh Roff Professorship for this academic year. Last year Peter was at the U. of Leiden in the Netherlands.

**Dexter Wang**, ME Aesp '70, has “found” two lost classmates. **Linda Jacobs** has married Mark Talbrook, and they can be reached at PO Box 194, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. You can get in touch with **Michael Sinclair**, BArch '72, c/o Michael Glor, G.W. & Wade, Wellesley, MA 02181.

I am sad to report that **Janet Lynne Entersz** passed away on April 30, '99 from lymphoma. She had taught English as a second language at Boston U. Also, **Elizabeth Laughlin** died of cancer on Aug. 23, '98. ♦ **Arda Coyle** Boucher, 21 Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031; e-mail, aboucher@airmar.com.



**Mina Dulcan** and Richard Wendle were married in December of 1998. He is an Episcopal priest whose ministry is as a pastoral counselor and marriage and family therapist. They live in a home next to the rectory of the Church of Our Savior located in Lincoln Park, where Mina was confirmed as an Episcopalian in November 1998. Mina continues as a professor at Northwestern U. medical school where she directs the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and edits the *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*. Her address is 536 W. Fullerton Pkwy, Chicago, IL 60614-5919 and her e-mail is m-dulcan@nwu.edu.

**Dr. Joe Bonventre** is a director of the Harvard-MIT division of health sciences and technology and is responsible for 330 students

and 200 faculty or affiliated faculty. In 1998, he was appointed the Robert H. Ebert Professor of Molecular Medicine. He and wife Kristina have daughter Joanna who has stayed close to home and is a junior at MIT. Joe's e-mail is joseph\_bonventre@hms.harvard.edu. **Suzanne Grisez** Martin is still running her own management consulting firm working with healthcare organizations in New York and New Jersey. She also teaches mini-courses at the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton, where she received her MPA back in 1974. Her husband David works in telecommunications on a fiberoptic cable project. Their

daughter Stephanie is a graduate of Williams and is co-director of the Urban Think Tank at Vigilante, a division of Leo Burnett. Last spring, their son Douglas graduated from Brown where he was a political science major, actor, director, band manager, and guitar and bass player. Suzanne keeps in touch with **Alison Kerr** Durehed (living in Sweden), **Margo Williams** Pollak (Cincinnati), **Carol Peacock** (Boston), and **Steve Arbogast** (Houston). Her new street address is 53 Petty Rd., Cranbury, NJ, and her e-mail is SGMINC@aol.com.

Ten years after relocating from New York, **Bill**, MBA '71, and Pam **Schwarzkopf** are still happily living in Hinsdale, IL with their daughters Jennifer and Caroline. Their son David is living in the Philadelphia area following his college graduation. Their phone number is (630) 789-0502 and e-mail is: bschwarzkopf@copeland.com. **Patrick Kelly** is at 40 Arthur St., Suite 1002, Ottawa, ON K1R 7T5 Canada, and his e-mail is: patrickelly@webtv.net. He was appointed to the Ottawa Valley Critical Incident Stress Management Team (CISM) and has been conducting debriefings for post-traumatic incidents. Patrick is involved with “Racism. Stop It!” and you can get info at 1-888-March 21 or www.march21.com. His summer holiday in July 2000 was sailing on the last of the Brixham, England, fishing trawlers, *Leader*. They went to the Brest 2000 (in France) Maritime Festival with over 2,000 wooden tall ships. He wishes calm seas and smooth sailing for all in the Class of '70.

**Margaret Bandel**, MA '72, received her JD degree in 1999, as well as passing the California Bar Exam. Cornellians attending her graduation from Golden Gate U. Law School were **Roberta Bandel-Walcer '74**, **Gretchen VonBergen** Lettieri, and **John '69**, BArch '70, and **Sally Crowder Leonard '69**, MA '72. One of her professors at law school was Cornellian **Susan Rutberg**. Margaret is currently working for the Marin County District Attorney in the family support division. She is divorced and has two sons. Her older son graduated from Miami U. in Oxford, OH, in May 2000. Her 17-year-old son is now looking at colleges. Although she has been in the Bay Area for over 22 years, she says her heart is still on the East Coast.

For over three years, **Eilene Schultz** Isaacs has been commuting from Chicago to New York City, where she is a corporate executive at Saks Fifth Avenue. Her oldest son Aaron works in LA for Shaquille O'Neal's website, Dunk.net. Her middle son graduated from Tulane U., where he won the college's Service and Student Government awards, as well as the City of New Orleans's Martin Luther King Jr. award for social service. Her youngest son Charlie is 13 and in Northwestern U.'s gifted program. She is hopeful that with good grades and some luck she can convince him to go to Cornell. Eilene's e-mail is: eilene\_isaacs@s5a.com. **Shirley Sarna** reports that all is well in the Big Apple. She is no longer at the NYS Attorney General's office and instead is doing some consumer protection

consulting. She also teaches in an interdisciplinary honors program at John Jay College and is teaching consumer law at New York Law School. Her e-mail address is: shirsarna@aol.com. Her husband, Steven Nelson, continues to run Continental Stock Transfer Co. and is very busy. Her older son Eric graduated from Harvard in June 1999. He received a Marshall Scholarship and feels very lucky indeed to be studying at Cambridge U. in England. Her younger son Adam is a junior in New York and plays football and baseball (she says that is clearly without contribution from her gene pool!). Shirley has visited with **Suzu Sacks Zeide '69**, who lives in Colorado where she runs her own mediation services company and skis a lot.

**Scott Reichlin**, MD, is now at 595 Luther St. S., Salem, OR 97302 and his e-mail address is: sreichlin@aol.com. Early in 2000, he entered a local vocal competition sponsored by the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) and he won in his category. Congrats. **David Sebesta** is a bachelor dad with his daughter Jetembo, almost 6 years old. He says that Hawaii is a beautiful place to live, with every day being a beach day at 80 degrees. He can be reached at PO Box 962, Pepeekeo, HI 96783. ♦ **Connie Ferris Meyer**, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, conimae2@aol.com.

## REUNION

**71** All aboard! The 30th Reunion train is about to leave the station. I, alas, am not buying a ticket, since our Odyssey to Ithaca is taking place June 7-10, the same weekend that my stepdaughter graduates from high school here in Ann Arbor. But that's my excuse, not yours. I suppose I should invoke the old Cornell saw and ask all of you to "give my regards to Davy," but, quite frankly, I never did know what that was supposed to mean. We may be oldsters, but that facet of Cornelliana was definitely before our time.

Among classmates who said as early as last November that they'd definitely be in Ithaca this June are **Phil Bartels**, **David B. Clark**, PhD '78, **Robert Colbert**, and **Bill Duncan**. Also, **Steven Fierce**, **Marcia Flicker**, **Stephen Gorfine**, **David Griffin**, MPS CA '73, and **Frederick Harrison**, ME CH '72. And (deep breath here!) **John Henrehan**, **Bob Linden**, MD '75, **Joe McCourt**, ME Nue '72, **Marty Miller**, **Steven Rappaport**, **Howard**, MD '75, and **Arlene Rosenfeld Schenker**, **Jeffrey Silverman**, **Matt Silverman**, **Bruce Teague**, **Donna Vlasak**, and **Rick Zelman**. By now I expect the list of attendees is too long for this column.

If you read the Nov/Dec 2000 issue of this magazine, you know that classmate **Albert Smith** and wife Cindy are now the proprietors of a great Cornell tradition that IS of our time, the Big Red Hot Truck. Last summer, they bought the truck from Bob and **Sharon (Follet)** Petrillose '52 who happily retired after feeding hungry students from the truck for 40 years. "We just wanted you to know, the HOT TRUCK lives on," Albert wrote. Just another good reason to attend reunion, even if

it means climbing Libe Slope.

A number of classmates have been spending a lot of time at Cornell lately, visiting a new generation of prospective alumni—their children. **Larry Boyd**, ME CH '72, and wife Valerie of Shaker Heights, OH, attended the graduation of their son **Andrew '00** from the Engineering school last May. Their older son, 1st Lt. **Larry '98**, flew back to the states from his US Army Signal Corps posting in Germany for Andrew's big day, while daughter **Gillian '03** only had to stroll over from Human Ecology. The Boyds will attend reunion, Larry wrote.

**Robert Brandt's** daughter **Jessica '03** is in Arts and Sciences. Robert, a clinical psychologist, said he's been doing a lot of consulting in business settings. He's been married 27 years to Joan Swerdlow-Brandt, also a psychotherapist, and they live in Leeds, MA. **Bob Buhmann** wrote from Northport, NY, that his son **Brendan** is Class of '03, majoring in computer science. Daughter Heather, who is in the top five percent of her senior class, is headed for the U. of Connecticut. Bob said he is starting an Internet business this year called UdderKaos Enterprises. Something to do with dairy cows perhaps? He didn't say.

**Jonathan** and Robin Lazar **Miller** of Buffalo are both likely to be at reunion. They celebrated their 20th anniversary last year. Son **David '03** is in Engineering and daughter Allyson is a senior at the Nichols School. Jonathan recently retired from his radiology practice; Robin is on the faculty of the SUNY Buffalo Medical School and has a private ear, nose, and throat practice. **Harry Shen** and **Margaret Yang '73** of the Bronx reported that their older son **Daniel** is in the class of '04, planning to major in chemistry. Another Arts student is **Jeffrey '03**, son of classmate **Ken Lowenstein**. Ken and wife Ronnie live in New York where he practices land use and zoning law for the firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, while she is director of New York City's Independent Budget Office.

**Alton Baskerville** and wife Phyllis are both in the prison profession. Alton has worked for the Virginia Dept. of Corrections for 22 years and is currently warden at Powhatan Correctional Center. His wife is assistant warden at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women. They live in Crozier, VA. Daughter Ashanti was Class of 2000 at Princeton and is now attending medical school at the U. of Virginia; daughter Faith is a junior at the Governors School.

After 19 years in Denver, **Eugene Cole** and wife Bunny relocated to Highland Park, IL, last July. Gene is engineering director for a start-up company developing a new kind of dialysis machine. Both their sons are majoring in journalism, the elder at the U. of Colorado and the younger at Northwestern. "This is shocking considering Gene's being a left-brained engineer," he wrote. Contact him at gene.cole@worldnet.att.net.

Meanwhile, **Carl Dukes** wrote from San Antonio, "Finally opened my own dialysis unit!" From Austin, TX, **Peter J. Rossky** reports that he is G.W. Watt Centennial Profes-

sor of Chemistry and director of the Inst. for Theoretical Chemistry at the U. of Texas.

**Nancy Seligman Goldmark**, BS Nurs '73, recently completed six years on the school board in her community of Briarcliff Manor, NY. Husband **Harry**, MD '73, is an orthopedic surgeon, son James is finishing up at the Parsons School of Design, and Brian is a junior at Vanderbilt. Nancy now works as a personal trainer, and she interacts with the animal kingdom as a licensed NYS Wildlife Rehabilitator, specializing in raptors (the birds of prey, not the creatures from Jurassic Park!) that frequent the Teatown Reservation in Ossining. She is also training a new puppy, riding her horse Hawk Eye, "and enjoying life!"

You do likewise; then come to Reunion and tell everyone about it. ♦ **Marsha Ackermann**, 1612 Waltham Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103; e-mail, mackerma@mediaone.net.



**Gordon Sander**, a former contributor to this magazine, says he is "alive and well and living in London. What am I doing here? I am a writer and historian, working primarily for the *Financial Times*. Several years ago I published a biography of my great Cayuga hero, Rod Serling, called *Serling: The Rise and Twilight of Television's Last Angry Man* (Dutton). Highlights of my journalistic/literary career: covering the *Estonia* sinking for the *New York Times* in 1994, collaring Robert Redford in the wilds of Washington State for his longest interview ever back in 1981 for the former *Omni* magazine, and, in general, having as colorful and as interesting (if not necessarily as lucrative as I would have liked) career as I could have possibly imagined or hoped for when I first began writing for the magazine, then known as the *Alumni News*, all the way back in 1973. Essentially my career has been based on living out my dreams and whims; in that respect, I continue to be very much a product of our star-crossed college era. Writing a biography of Rod Serling was one such dream. Now I am living out another: being a roving foreign correspondent based in London. Who said that there are no more romantics? And it all began amidst the swirling mists of Cornell. I am absolutely convinced that if I had gone somewhere else for college my life would have taken a more conventional path. But after that first trapeze up the Hill, there was no turning back, was there?" Gordon is particularly interested in hearing from or about **Christine Ryan**, **Roy Edelstein**, **Robert Raphael**, **Sarah Slater '73**, **David Holden**, **Leonard Corin**, **James Ryan '76**, **Daniel Chilowicz**, MFA '76, **Gino Bardi**, "or anyone else who cares or dares to get in touch." He hangs his hat and his trench coat at Flat 4, 5A St. Peter's St., London N1 8JD (GoSander@aol.com).

**Stephen Sestanovich** was named Ambassador at Large and Special Advisor to the US Secretary of State on New Independent States in 1997. In that capacity he was responsible for the overall coordination of US relations with and assistance to the New Independent States of the former Soviet Union. He

served as principal policy spokesman for the Clinton Administration and the Dept. of State before Congress and the public. Before joining the Dept. of State, Stephen was the vice president for Russian and Eurasian Affairs at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. He was also director of Russian and Eurasian studies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and served as senior director for policy development at the National Security Council. **Vincent Pitruzzella** has been named general counsel of TriMedia Technologies Inc., a new Silicon Valley-based company, where he will develop and manage the company's intellectual property program.

**Kathryn Reyen Judd** had a 50th birthday reunion in Kalamazoo last August with Dickson 5 hallmates **Anne Olson** Weadon and **Linda Johanson** Beal. Kathy is still teaching for the City Colleges of Chicago and has a son, Isaac, who graduated from high school and is spending a year in Israel before attending Brandeis. **Maura Somers Dughi** is chairman of the board of directors of Prevent Child Abuse America, having served as president of the New Jersey chapter for six years. She can be reached at MSDchild@aol.com. Husband **Bob '70**, MBA '72, is president and CEO of the Copeland Companies and president of Citistreet, a new joint venture between Citigroup and State Street Bank. Maura's daughter **Lisa** is a senior in the College of Human Ecology and received the women's diving team MVP award last year, and son **Bobby** is a freshman in the Hotel school. Maura writes that **Andrea Gottlieb** Vizcarrondo and **Deborah Kowal** got together last year to celebrate Debbie's 50th.

**Edward Klein**, MBA '73, and wife **Muriel (Mulgrew)** live in Sarasota, FL, and stay in touch with **Paul Rubacha**, MBA '73, and wife Frances, who live in Manhattan, and **Robert Selander** and wife Candi, who live in Greenwich, CT. Ed and Mimi have son Matthew attending Vanderbilt U., son Howie attending Duke, and daughter Allison in the fifth grade. **Patrice Kasten** Schwartz was planning to celebrate the New Year in Vermont with former Cornell housemates **Caren Rosenfeld** Goodman '73 and **Shari Wyner** Narva '73. Her son **Jeremy '00** graduated from Cornell last spring and is working in a research lab at NY Presbyterian Hospital while applying to medical schools. Patrice recently received a grant from the Mamaroneck Schools Foundation to increase awareness, understanding, and support for the arts in education, working in conjunction with the Lincoln Center Inst.

**Mark Dickerson** suggests that planners for our 30th Reunion "issue a sports challenge (relay race? golf? tennis?) to '67, '77, and '82." He wisely stops at '82. Mark retired from the US Air Force in 1999 and is now providing instruction to Air Force and Navy test pilot students. **David Reiner** is now vice president of product strategy at NetGenesis, an Internet start-up company. **Gary Masterson** recently moved to Chicago from Florida. **Gary Hamed**, MS '73, recently became a fellow of the Adhesion Society. Son Chris, 14, was the 2000 Ohio state champion in junior high

wrestling. **Steven Payne**, PhD '82, is a Discalced Carmelite priest, editor of ICS Publications, and lecturer at the Washington Theological Union. He is being assigned for one or two years to the Carmelite House of Studies in Nairobi, Kenya.

**Duncan Maxwell** has been traveling, skydiving, paragliding, skiing, and keeping bees, snakes, and cacti, and is even back on the squash court after his body gave out for some reason. **Elaine Leass** lives with son Zach, 4, in Boulder, CO, where she enjoys hiking, camping, theater, horseback riding, biking, and canoeing. **David Marques** is CTO at Elsevier Science, and his son **Gregory '98** and **Lillian (Olsen) '97** were married last June at the Rose Inn in Ithaca. **Gregory Zuroski** and wife **Patricia (Yuan) '71** attended the wedding. **William Molloy**, MBA '74, literally bumped into **Lawrence Bartlett** and wife Karen while skiing last winter at Sun Valley, ID. The next day he met Larry and Karen for breakfast and they were surprised to find **James Gordon**, now semi-retired, working with his wife at a local bakery.

Last year Dr. **Irwin Rosenfeld** received an outstanding service award from the Orange County, CA, Alliance for the Mentally Ill for the fourth year in a row. In 1999 he received a special service award from the California Psychiatric Assn. Irwin writes that he was divorced from wife Sheryl in early 2000. Dr. **Arnold Friedman** has been appointed chief of radiology at Shands-Jacksonville and is associate chair of radiology at the U. of Florida. **Susan Marko** Keeny writes that after nearly 18 years of being a part-time architect working out of the home, she decided to join a firm and is now a project architect in Dayton, OH. Susan and husband John have three children, Marya, 18, Nick, 15, and Elena, 13. Susan keeps in touch with **Jane Hersey** Chandler of Maine, **Vivien Wu** of Colorado, and **Mary Barton** Nees of New Jersey, all of whom are doing well. **Linda Presser** Feliciano works as a staff nurse at Flagler Hospital in St. Augustine, FL. Linda's son Anthony completed training as a survival instructor for the US Air Force, and daughter Melissa graduated last year from Northwestern U.

**Virginia Neptune '74** writes that husband **William Esson** died on July 12, '00 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston after a long battle with multiple pulmonary emboli. After Bill's passing, Virginia received expressions of sympathy from many Cornell friends, including **Kathryn Reyen Judd**, **Whitman Brisky**, **Steven Bienstock**, **Jeffrey Schwartz '73**, **Elaine Moise '74**, and **Paul Jensen**. To their condolences we add sympathy of our own. ♡ **Gary L. Rubin**, 512 Lenox Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090; e-mail, glrubin@aol.com.



Greetings from New Orleans. **Dennis Chevalier**, president and CEO of Liberty Engineering in Newton, MA, has a son **Alec '04**, attending the Engineering school. **Michael Ritchie**, BS Ag '75, relocated to 27 Shattuck St., Pepperell, MA 01463,

with his wife and four children. He and his wife are partners in the Gaspar & Ritchie law firm in Hudson, NH. **Andy Schatz** of West Hartford, CT, took a family trip to Alaska this past summer. **Patrick Zimmer** and wife **Arlene (Finkelstein) '75**, of Cos Cob, CT, visited Cornell no less than six times this past year attending his reunion, visiting his daughter **Jenn '02** and niece **Ali Diesel '01**, and making Hot Truck food stops on campus. Patrick participates in Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN), interviewing prospective applicants for Cornell. **Timothy Parry** of Sharon, CT, is the general manager of Robert Rosenheim Associates, a television media management firm.

**Carol Worman** Nolan of Glaxo Smith-Kline delivered the Seventh Annual Raymond G. Thorpe Lecture at Cornell's School of Chemical Engineering in November 2000, speaking on "Engineering Challenges in Biotechnology: Turning Bugs Into Drugs." **Vickie Armstrong Winkler** of Andes, NY, started a new job with the Dept. of Motor Vehicles. Her husband and classmate **Frank** works for the USDA Watershed Program in Delaware County. **Carl Ferrentino**, ME C '74, of Delmar, NY, has son **Josh '03** who is enjoying the ILR school and campus life at Cornell. This past year **Sharon Kern** Taub of Riverdale, NY, visited with **Shira Siegel Linden**, a public relations consultant, and **Ron**, a dentist; **Paul Levy '70**, now attending law school and working as a patent agent; and **Bob Beleson '71**, president of Wine Spectator. Bob is celebrating his 50th birthday with friends and traveling extensively.

**Daniel Scheraga** of Tully, NY, is the executive director of the Polo Training Foundation and reports that Cornell won its ninth championship in the Women's Intercollegiate Polo Tournament, held at Brushy Creek Ranch in Burleson, TX, in April. It was their 20th trip to the final game. Danny coached the Big Red for ten years and is the only person to have attended all 25 championships. **Susan Murphy**, PhD '94, of Ithaca, attended her 20th annual vacation with Cornell friends in June 2000. **Roger Jacobs** received a number of awards this year for his civic and professional activities in NJ. His son Joshua served as a page in the US Senate this past summer. **Claudia Gaillard** Meer's (Franklin Lakes, NJ) son **Jonathan '02** is sports director at WVBR and athletic director for Lambda Chi Alpha. He's having a great time at Cornell. Claudia is chair of the Bergen County CAAAN Committee. **Rich Isaacman**'s oldest son Sibren has applied to Cornell for the class of '05.

**William Britz**, ME C '74, of Montgomery Village, MD, has been promoted to director of FAA programs in Washington, DC. **Christopher Riggsby** of Fairfax Station, VA, is a diagnostic radiologist in Fairfax and has three sons, Christopher, Marc, and Alexander. **Julia Smyth-Pinney**, BArch '76, of Lexington, KY, is a ten-year survivor of breast cancer and an associate professor of architecture at the U. of Kentucky College of Architecture. Congratulations!

**Pamela Meyers** of Cincinnati, OH, re-

ports that her e-mail address is meyersp@moslerinc.com. Her husband Gerald has been named head of the Mergers and Acquisitions Practice Group at his law firm. **Jim Petersen** of Michigan is still running the CII Food Service Design consulting firm, dabbling in commercials and industrial training videos, and accepting bit parts in movies. **Greg Schasiemen** of 140 Sierra Blanca Ct., Grass Valley, CA 95945, has just moved here after 20 years. **Shelley Spandorf** Buchsbaum of Rolling Hills Estates, California, married into a family of Cornellians: **Joan Buchsbaum** Lindquist, HE '68, **Lee Lindquist**, Arts '66; **Kirsten Lindquist** Wallace, Arts '92, and **Kevin Lindquist**, MBA '99. She enjoyed seeing **Susan Robbins**, **Kenny Horowitz**, **Eliot Greenwald**, **Wendy Roberts** Michel, and **Joe Sanger** at the Roslyn High School reunion last year.

**Diane Riska**—Taylor of Long Beach, CA, is now working on a master's in Library and Information Science. Her e-mail is drtaylor@lbusd.k12.ca.us. **Mark Saltzman** and **Sherry Coben** '75 collaborated on "The Snow White Show," a play written for a local community theater group, while attending Cornell. It wound up off-Broadway. Last October it opened in Ventura County. Both Sherry and Mark have been successful in the entertainment business (she created "Kate & Allie" and he wrote "The Adventures of Milo & Otis," "3 Ninja's Kickback" and the recent play "Tin Pan Alley Rag"). **Leah Bissonette**, MS '76, was named vice president of US regional sales for Sempra Energy Solutions, a retail energy services business, this past October. **Miriam** (formerly **Norma**) **Reiss** of Seattle, WA, was featured in a recent *Good Housekeeping* cover story on career coaching. Her new address is 4809-B Fremont Ave. N., Seattle, WA 98103. **Dan** and **Jan Gorzynski Smith** of Honolulu, HI, have a new address at 750 Kumukahi Place, Honolulu, HI 96825. Dan is working in ER in Honolulu and has written his first novel, *Covered Lives*, available at 1stbook.com. Jan is teaching organic chemistry at the U. of Hawaii and working on a new textbook.

Happy Mardi Gras to all. ♦ **Danielle Lombardo**Trostorff, 1414 Eleanore St., New Orleans, LA 70115; tel., (504) 558-5105; e-mail, dtrostorff@lockeliddell.com; **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, 1531 Woodside Dr., E. Lansing, MI 48823; e-mail, grummonp@msu.edu.

**74** This past year has really zoomed by. Who can believe it is already 2001? Celebrating the New Year on Maui was **Mary Berens's** plan. She and husband Paul were joining his son, who is working on Maui for the winter. **Wendy Schwartz** Wein dropped a line that she attended Freshman Family Weekend at Cornell this past fall with her daughter who is living in Donlon Hall. Wendy said it was fun to see Cornell through her daughter's eyes. She and husband Rick enjoy traveling a lot and playing tennis. Greece was the country they visited last year. **Michael**

# Hartstrings Attached

PEGGY HART EARLE '74

In 1979, Peggy Hart Earle turned her kitchen into a studio, designing a line of girls' activewear. Her company, Hartstrings, was started with a \$5,000 investment; it has since grown into a \$50 million business. She describes its dresses, sweaters, jumpers, and culottes—available at stores like Lord & Taylor, Saks, and Nordstrom—as high-end, coordinated sportswear featuring whimsical embroidery and bright colors. "I like tradition and folklore in the clothes," Hart Earle says. "I'm inspired by my idea of what's cute."

Hart Earle, a two-time breast cancer survivor, is married to Bruce Earle '70, MBA '71; they have three sons, including Andrew Earle '03. In 1985, she created a boys' clothing line, Kitestrings, to complement the Hartstrings girlsweare in sizes 2T to 14. The company, which employs nearly 150 people, now also offers Hartstrings Baby for infants and K.C. Parker for older girls. "A lot of the small companies that started similarly to Hartstrings have gone out of business," Hart Earle notes. "We've survived by running a tight ship."

—Jonathan Kivell '02



**Delikat** was at Parents' Weekend with his daughter **Stacey** '04. He remarked that while the dorms look as though they have been frozen in time, the quality of downtown and Collegetown food has definitely improved. **Michael** heads the National Employment Law Dept. of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe. He is active in a number of charitable causes, including being the president of the Greenwich, CT, UJA/Federation.

**Betsy Beach** spends a lot of time traveling to Atlanta from the Boston area with her job at Nortel. Betsy is in marketing and works on what's called the "Enterprise" side, which involves equipment being sold to companies through resellers/channels. She and her husband recently spent a fun weekend with **Kris Rupert** and **John Foote** at their house in Maine. **Joan Saltsman Oelschlager** sent news that she and **Bob** had returned to the States after six years overseas. Bob is now working in Charlottesville, VA, for GE FANUC Automation, a joint venture of GE and the Japanese company FANUC. They are living in Alexandria, VA, with Bob commuting back home on weekends. Son John, 15, is a sophomore at Episcopal High School in Alexandria. Bob and Joan are happy to be back to familiar territory, having lived in Alexandria from '75-83. Joan is busy with tennis tournaments and quilting and is looking forward to resuming her activities with the class.

**Bob Dictor** has just moved from Irvine,

CA, to Marco Island, FL, with Marriott. He was previously the area manager for Marriott Int'l for Torrance/Long Beach, CA. Bob is now the general manager of the 735-room Marco Island Marriott Resort and Golf Club. He reports that the resort is fabulous, located on the beautiful Gulf of Mexico, at the tail end of the Everglades. The resort has all sorts of water sports and beach activities and a "killer" sunset. Bob had heard from **Peter Saunders**, who was changing jobs and heading for Chicago. Peter works as a regional manager for a senior living care company. **Janet Kaplan** '75 sent an e-mail looking for friends. She may be reached at JKSWLW@aol.com. **William Schrader**, MBA '84, is CEO and chairman of PSINet. The company sells high-speed, high-capacity Internet services to such clients as American Airlines, Boeing, and Merrill Lynch. **William L. Sullivan** has just published a new book, *Hiking Oregon's History*. Bill lives near Eugene, OR, with his wife Janell Sorenson and children Ian, 16, and Karen, 18. They also have a family-built log cabin on the Siletz river near Lincoln City, where they rough it with no electricity and no running water. The nearest road is a mile away. In order to write, Bill has to use a manual typewriter. When he is not hiking and writing, Bill spends time as the president of the Eugene Public Library foundation and as co-chair of a political action committee that is raising money to operate the project. The library will open in 2002. Bill is

following in his father's footsteps as a hiker and writer. Before graduating from Cornell, Bill had spent two undergraduate years at Deep Springs College in California's Mojave Desert. After Cornell, he attended Germany's Heidelberg U. for two years, followed by the U. of Oregon for his master's degree in German.

**Keith Kennedy** is in Lancaster, MA, working as an engineer. **Gary Kah**, MS '78, is also an engineer, with HJW Inc., living in Silicon Valley. Gary volunteers as the treasurer of West Bay Opera, which is now in its 44th season. Leisurely speaking, he enjoys motorcycling, golf, and model airplanes. **Walter Grote** is in private practice in Newton, NJ. He has kids Luke, Mary, Brielle, and Skylar. Walter keeps busy by coaching kids in wrestling. **Dick Kunz** is a rocket scientist with Thiokol Propulsion. He and wife Stephanie live in N. Ogden, UT, with Caroline and Hawley. Son Ben is at the U. of Utah. Ronald and **Gay Foertsch** Magrath live in Toronto. Gay is an MBA consultant for Mastech-Quantum. Kids Kimberly and Heath have been in college at Ryerson U. in Toronto and Waterloo U. in Oregon, respectively. Lance, 6, still has a ways to go.

Please remember to keep the e-mail and snail mail coming! ♦ **Linda Meyers** Geyer, 25926 Monte Carlo Way, Mission Viejo, CA 92692; e-mail, lgdesigns@home.com; **Steve Raye**, 25 Litchfield Dr., Simsbury, CT 06070; e-mail, Sraye321@aol.com; **Betsy Beach**, 4 Thoreau Dr., Chelmsford, MA 01824-1268; e-mail, ebeach@nortelnetworks.com.

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In the post-25th Reunion winter season, there is not a lot of news. However, **Sherry Coben** is making some. She is co-author (along with **Mark Saltzman '73**) of *The Snow White Show*, which was recently staged in Ventura County, CA, after a long off-Broadway run. The show has a permanent cast of only three players, with the "dwarfs" recruited from each performance's audience. Sherry counts it as a huge success when none of the kids has to go to the bathroom in the middle. The show has been performed in numerous other places as well. Sherry is also the creator of the TV hit "Kate & Allie."

**Howard Green** has been named senior vice president of marketing of OneChannel.net, a Web-based e-commerce measurement and analysis hub for retailers and manufacturers. His c.v. is steeped in technology. He spent ten years at Apple Computer, as director and acting vice president of its Interactive Media Group, where he led the product and engineering efforts of multiple QuickTime products. He served as a market development consultant for Stanford Research Inst. and Interval Research, was vice president of marketing at ONE TOUCH Systems, and held management positions with RegisMcKenna Inc., SPRINT and IBM. Howard headed West after Cornell, getting his MBA in finance and marketing at UCLA. **David Freed** has been named to the new position of senior vice chancellor and chief operating officer at the City U. system in New York. David left the

presidency of Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ, to take the position.

**Janet Kaplan** was pleased to read about her Donlon dorm-mates and "Pop's Place" College Ave. apartment-mates **Vicki Hirsch**, **Joanne Newman**, and **Paula Markowitz**, as well as New Hyde Park, NY, neighbor **Roberta Zarwan '74**. Janet lives in Santa Monica, CA, with her sons Josh, 16, and Jordan, 13. Formerly a social worker, she is now an attorney in Century City, specializing in matrimonial/family law. She recently became a partner at Freid and Goldsman. This past July **Sarah Crystal** visited Janet in Santa Monica, and in March **Andrea Present Bernard '76**, along with husband **Peter '78** and daughters, visited as well. Janet's brother **Richard Kaplan '72** celebrated his 50th birthday in March, with several classmates attending the bash. She welcomes e-mail at jkswlw@aol.com.

This past summer I, with wife Serena, Briana, 3, and Arielle (now 9 months), visited former lacrosse player and Sigma Nu brother **Brian O'Sullivan** and wife Barbara in Brooksville, FL. Brian is a dentist specializing in implants and reconstructive surgery. He settled in Brooksville after a long tour in the Navy, bought a practice, and along with Barbara raised some serious athletes among their three children. One daughter played soccer at Stanford on a full athletic scholarship (Brian is VERY thankful), and one played at the U. of Florida. For a long time Brian had a net set up outside his house. This former Long Island resident has turned into a serious Gator fan, with hard-to-come-by football season tickets as proof.

Keep the news coming. ♦ **Mitch Frank**, 6613 Crenshaw Dr., Orlando, FL 32835; e-mail, mjfgator@aol.com; **Deborah Gellman**, 330 E. 79th St., #8G, NYC 10021; e-mail, dsgellman@hotmail.com; **Joan A. Pease**, 6767 Blanche Dr., Lorton, VA 22079; e-mail, japease1032@aol.com; and **Karen DeMarco Boroff**, 49 Fuller Ave., Chatham, NJ 07928; e-mail, boroffka@shu.edu.

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Once again, as we head into our 25th Reunion, I extend greetings to all of our classmates and hope that you all have set aside the weekend of June 7-10 to visit campus and renew friendships. On to the news. **Ellie Friedland** lives in Groton, MA, and has accepted a tenure-track position as assistant professor in early childhood education at Wheelock College in Boston. **Meryl Kaynard** reports that all is well and that she took her daughters Rebecca, 10, and Emma, 6, to work on Take Your Daughters to Work Day. After an afternoon in federal court, Rebecca said, "All those itchy-bitsy questions, Mommy . . . I don't know how you stand it," and Emma's comment was, "It seems like a lot of waiting." Out of the mouths of babes (and this was prior to the Presidential election!).

**Mark Slivka** reports that he ran for a position on the Board of Education in Bedford Central School District and won a three-year term. He recently saw **Joe Doherty** and **J. Alvin Stout III '75**. Stout has been with the

Philadelphia US Attorney's Office for 12 years. **Kathryn Gollin Marshak** and husband **Steve** live in Champaign, IL. In the spring and summer of 1999, they took their second sabbatical, in England, with their children David, 14, and Emma, 11. They traveled throughout the UK and the continent. Steve returned to become the geology department head at the U. of Illinois, and Kathryn resumed her full calendar of community work and school involvement. **Chuck Larson** still lives on Hilton Head Island with his wife Tanner and children Erica, John, and Jackson. **Jonathan Levine** started a dental healthcare company in Manhattan with 14 dental specialist partners. They are the first specialty Dental Practice Management company dedicated to the well-being of their patients and employees. Jonathan is currently practicing dentistry in the field of prosthodontics three days and functions as part-time CEO the other days. He is coaching lacrosse in the spring for his boys Julian, 11, and Cody, 8. **Randy Katz** writes of three major awards this past year: ACM Karl V. Karlstrom Outstanding Educator Award, election to National Academy of Engineering, and ASEE Frederick Emmons Tevman Award. Randy stepped down as the department chair of the Electrical Engineering & Computer Science department at Berkeley after hiring 15 new faculty over the last three years, and he notes that he is just a regular old professor and enjoying every minute of it!

**James Sollecito** started his company, Sollecito Landscaping Nursery, 28 years ago and recently won the Grand Prize in the NYS Landscape awards competition. He was invited to the Governor's mansion in Albany to receive the award prior to Arbor Day. The highlight of the event was when his daughter Rachel, 7, set off the entire security system when she pressed her hands and face against the glass while attempting to get a good view of the indoor swimming pool. It made for the "topic of the week" in the second grade show-and-tell. **Dave Albright** is a vice president of the structured finance group at Lend Lease Real Estate Investments. They provide high-leverage and mezzanine loans nationally on real estate acquisitions and development. Dave and wife Eileen moved to Dallas two years ago after stops in Palm Beach, Washington, DC, Los Angeles, Atlanta, Orlando, and Rochester. He is one year away from sending his first-born son to college and is looking forward to finding him an Ithaca address! **Phillip Harmon** started a run for Congress, Ohio 12th District (the seat of John Kasich, who was retiring as the House Budget Chairman and retiring from Congress). Phillip dropped out of the race on August 7, but you can learn more at his website: VoteHarmon.com.

**Lisa Wax** Breit writes that she is the director of Metroline, a five-year initiative between urban and suburban school districts to integrate technology into curriculum and classroom practice. She and husband Stephen, a software engineer, are raising rambunctious sons Raphael, 12, and Elias, 9. She remains close with Cornell friends: **Eric '74** and **SueEllen Cherry Schwam '75**, **Bill '74** and

**Jane Schwarzschild Hodgetts**, and **Alice Grossman Carter '77**. They all continue to grow up together. **William "Buck" Briggs** just finished his fifth year as assistant general counsel for the NFL Management Council. Events of the past year in the NFL have made the job "interesting." Buck teaches a sports law class at the Law school in the spring semester, and he maintains a residence (actually, a converted early-19th-century tavern called "The Old Stone Heap" in Ithaca lore) in Ithaca. He is looking forward stoically to our 25th Reunion. **Norman Weiss** reports that he is a partner in the law firm of Simone Roberts & Weiss PA. He has two wonderful children, Nicole, 13, and Jeremy, 11. **Steven Stein** is in his 15th year of solo practice in gastroenterology and is a co-owner of S & P Ventures, a real estate development and financial services company. He recently visited with **Jim Filreis** and his lovely family. Jim works for Cisco Corp. in Massachusetts.

**Laurie Finkel** Forrest has been a radiologist at Kaiser Permanente for 16 years in Portland, OR. She has son David, 13, and daughter Allison, 6. **David Stromberg** was recently appointed as a mediator for the California Court of Appeals. He continues to manage his law firm in Walnut Creek, emphasizing business and corporate law and litigation and employment litigation.

Well folks, that's all for now... hope to hear more from you and see all of you at our 25th! Be well; life is short. ♦ **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, 29 Margaret Ct., Great Neck, NY 11024; e-mail, [Krinsk54@aol.com](mailto:Krinsk54@aol.com); **Pat Relf** Hanavan, 6301 Winding Lane, Richland, MI 49083-9518; e-mail, [relf@aol.com](mailto:relf@aol.com); and **Lisa Diamant**, 31 Ingleside Rd., Lexington, MA 02420.



Some people get back in touch in the most unusual ways. **Gale Wolfe**, ME C '78, for example, was at the Cornell Vet School, and while waiting for a horse to be ready, picked up *Cornell Magazine* and found the class column. Gale writes that she has no kids, just horses. She owns 15 and has 21 boarder horses, for a grand total of 36 that she cares for. You can check out her stable at [www.galesequinefacility.com](http://www.galesequinefacility.com). She is also executive director at the Chemung County (NY) Sewer Districts, and in nine more years, she can retire and run her horse farm full-time. She was remarried in 1997 to **John Palladino '78**, an engineering grad like herself. In his devotion to Gale, John suffered through dance lessons and even entered a dance contest with her. (No word on the outcome.) I got an unusual e-mail from **Mindy Schleger** ([mindy.schleger@us.nestle.com](mailto:mindy.schleger@us.nestle.com)), stating, "I was told by a classmate that I was listed as a 'missing' alumna, which I found surprising as I have been a member of CCLA (Los Angeles) for the last seven years." Mindy, it's nice to hear from you. Obviously, you are not missing; you're just surrounded by sugar at Nestlé! Let us know what's been going on with your life.

I also heard from **Dave Salman** in an unusual way. Well, I actually didn't hear from

him at all; my husband Ken did. Ken is the political editor for National Public Radio and he also writes a column for [washingtonpost.com](http://washingtonpost.com) called The Political Junkie. People send in questions and he answers them, often using historical references. Dave lives in Durham, NC, and sent in the following question that was included in the Oct. 29, '00 column of the Political Junkie. Dave's question: "In your Oct. 20 column, you pick the Democrats to retain Joe Lieberman's Senate seat in Connecticut. If Gore/Lieberman win the big one, then Lieberman has to leave the Senate and the Republican governor gets to appoint someone (most likely a Republican) to serve until 2002. Is your prediction an indication of who you think will win the presidency, or do you think the Republican governor will appoint a Democrat to the seat if Gore and Lieberman win?" You can check out Ken's answer in the archives of the Political Junkie column at [www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/politics/campaigns/junkie/junkie.htm](http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/politics/campaigns/junkie/junkie.htm).

**Annette Mulee** ([annette@mulee.com](mailto:annette@mulee.com)) writes that "after practicing high-tech corporate law for 16 years in Portland, OR, I decided it was time for a change. Effective Nov. 27, '00, I start as vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary for RadiSys Corp. in Hillsboro, OR. I started working with RadiSys as a client at my former law firm when the corporation received its first venture capital funding in 1988. It is now a leading provider of embedded computer solutions for Internet, communications, industrial automation, and medical equipment markets, listed on the Nasdaq (RSYS) with a market cap of over \$500 million (it was higher before the market madness, like a lot of high-tech companies). My husband Wave Kiffiney and I still live in Portland and spend as much time as we can at our place in Glenden Beach (at the Oregon Coast, as the name suggests!). A lot of '20th Anniversaries' are happening lately—20-year anniversary of Cornell graduation in 1997, 20-year anniversary of receiving my MBA from Columbia in 1999, and 20 years of being married coming up in March 2001." **Mike Nolan** was named one of "Wall Street's Top 50" by *Irish American Magazine*. Like Fred McMurray, Mike is living "My Three Sons" and loving it, although it leaves him little time for travel and other "frivolous" things he used to enjoy. **Kevin "O'D" O'Donnell** is vice president and innkeeper of The Old Tavern in Grafton, VT. The Old Tavern is one of New England's oldest active inns in the country. The town of Grafton, with four hundred residents including the O'Donnells, is also home to the Grafton Village Cheese Company and the Windham Foundation, Vermont's largest non-profit organization focusing on historic preservation. O'D and wife Roberta and daughters Gage, 15, and Kaitlin, 12, enjoy winter sports and cycling. O'D also teaches lacrosse at Vermont Academy, a local private school. Any classmates interested in visiting a simpler time can e-mail O'D at [innkeep@sover.net](mailto:innkeep@sover.net) or visit their website at [www.old-tavern.com](http://www.old-tavern.com).

**Lori Smolin** ([smolin@uconnvm.uconn.edu](mailto:smolin@uconnvm.uconn.edu)) teaches nutrition and biology at the U. of Connecticut. In August 1999 the third edition of the introductory nutrition textbook that she co-authored was published. Lori believes this book is used to teach nutrition at Cornell.

**Roger Davis '78** ([ikologiks9@hotmail.com](mailto:ikologiks9@hotmail.com)) has also recently had a book published: *Ultimate Mental Power—The IKO-Meditation Technique*. Roger spent 13 years at the Stress Aid Inst. in Washington, DC, before moving to Colorado to write the book. His ideas for the book developed from the process of his certification as a Yoga Therapist (from the Indian Inst. of Yoga) and his numerous trips to India and to Egypt.

A bunch of news from Florida. **Paul "Jay" LaRochelle** ([DrJay9@sol.com](mailto:DrJay9@sol.com)) is an orthopaedic surgeon in Melbourne, FL, at the Broward Orthopaedic Clinic. Jay has developed orthopaedic screws made of human bone and is the leader in biological cartilage replacement. He enjoys boating and roller-blading and is married to Maria Jackiewicz of Toronto. They see **Steve Goll** regularly. Steve is a spine surgeon operating (no pun intended) out of Orlando. **Rick Hill** ([mktpowerhouse@yahoo.com](mailto:mktpowerhouse@yahoo.com)) lives and works in Boca Raton, FL, with wife Sophia and sons Ricky, 17, and Johnny, 16. He is a marketing management consultant who has done work in the technology, beverage, and advertising/promotion industries. **Mark Mayrsohn** also lives in Florida with wife Kathy and daughters Aubreyann, 6, and Sophia, 2. Mark's parents **Barney '45**, BS Ag '47, and **Ethel Handelman Mayrsohn '46** dote on their grandchildren. **Patricia Boyce** Lopez also hails from Florida. She lives in Vero Beach and is an RN working per diem in Indian River Memorial Hospital in their Transitional Care program. She plays tennis several times a week and is getting better. Her daughter is studying veterinary medicine at the U. of Florida.

Now for some news bites: **Cara Liebowitz** Kagan is pleased to announce that her daughter Erica has gotten an early acceptance into Cornell. She'll be a member of the class of 2005 and one of our first legacies. Cara's enthusiastic comment was, "I can't believe I will have the chance to be a Cornell mom!" **Fred Stellato** ([fritzaway@aol.com](mailto:fritzaway@aol.com)), of Modesto, CA, owns a flower shop in California. **Sharon Harris-Ewing** ([smhe@aol.com](mailto:smhe@aol.com)) received a PhD in educational psychology from SUNY-Buffalo in May 1999. Sharon is president of the Williamsville (NY) Central School District. **John Rosenthal**, MA '80 ([jrosenthal@lillick.com](mailto:jrosenthal@lillick.com)) was re-elected chairperson of Lillick & Charles LLP, a 90-lawyer firm in San Francisco, CA. **Ellen Wurman** Birnbaum ([ewb28@aol.com](mailto:ewb28@aol.com)), husband Mark, and their

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children Deborah, 17, Jonathan, 15, and Laura, 12, live in Great Neck, NY. Ellen works part-time for the Town of North Hempstead, responsible for creating a records and archives center. She has been active in

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LORRIE PANZER RUDIN '77

Hadassah, serving as president of her local chapter. She also has been a Cornell ambassador since graduating and now finds herself interviewing high school seniors who are the children of her friends. **Mitchell Kirsch** (seif54@aol.com) is happily married and has great kids Sarah, 11, David, 9, and Laura, 7. Mitchell is a nephrologist in private practice and serves as the chief of nephrology in two hospitals. He reminisces about his years playing football at Cornell, and how the self-sacrifice required in the sport has served him well throughout his career. He also recalls how coach George Seifert was fired from Cornell for having a poor record, and then went on to become the winningest coach in NFL history. As Mitchell says, “It just shows that you never know in life—good things can happen if you never give up.”

On that note, hope all is well with all of you. Please let me know how you are doing. ❖ **Lorrie Panzer Rudin**, 14833 Botany Way, North Potomac, MD 20878; e-mail, rudin@erols.com.

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**Andy Seiden** writes from Marina Del Rey, CA, that **Matt Sadinsky** has relocated to Southern California from North Carolina and promptly added baby son Jackson to Carson, 3, Madison, 6, Jordan, 12, and Regan, 25. Said Andy, “Good thing they have a big house in Huntington Beach!” Andy joined the law firm of Lorb & Lorb LLP as “of counsel,” which he’s enjoying, particularly since they went to casual dress after his first month there and moved from downtown to the west side. He invites fellow Cornellians to come and see him at the beach on weekends.

**Kathleen Raynor** Meschisen is enjoying children Michael, 16, and David, 5, and is still working for Agilent Technologies, managing an R & D engineering group in ultrasound medical electronics. Kathleen and husband Don live in Acton, MA, and enjoy summers at their house on Cape Cod. Some info that came across the newswires: **John Haggerty** was named vice president of human resources for GE Industrial Systems. He had been a manager there. **Brian Kushner**, PhD '84, is the (relatively) new president of TheResidentClub.com, a subsidiary of USOL Holdings Inc., a provider of communications services to multi-family apartment and condominium complexes. Brian also founded Re-compute International, a leading computer manufacturer.

**Philip Mihalski** is the owner of Nell’s, a restaurant in Seattle named after his wife Ellen (Nell is her nickname). Philip had worked in commercial real estate for ten years before he got a job at the Manhattan

restaurant Park Bistro. He has also worked as a chef at several of Europe’s best restaurants. (By the way, the best entrée at Nell’s is supposed to be the wild salmon with vanilla-braised fennel in a grapefruit vinaigrette.) Also, **Thomas Dinwoodie '77**, BS Eng '78, is president and chief executive of PowerLight Corp. in Berkeley, CA, working on solar electric applications. After graduating from Cornell he studied energy policy at MIT and did things like design a photo-voltaic water-pumping station in the Philippines and the Northeast’s largest wind project at the time at Mount Tug, New Hampshire. Then he went to architecture school at Berkeley. For something other than the Cliff Notes version, you’ll have to talk to Tom.

**Manette Mallon Scheininger**, MS HE '80, is senior vice president of marketing for Maidenform Worldwide. She lives in Westfield, NJ, with husband **Jeffrey**, MBA '80, and two children, ages 10 and 13, and said her son celebrated his bar mitzvah—“It was the most spectacular moment of the decade.” **Cynthia Kubas** Odegaard writes from Honolulu that she has started her own company, specializing in healthcare community relations, and is currently working with the Blood Bank of Hawaii. She has been active in Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and has enjoyed interviewing potential Cornellians, although she wonders, “Were we that young?”

**Robert Connery** went skiing last winter with **Steve Gates**, a fellow brother from Phi Kappa Sigma, and Steve’s brother-in-law **James Gentile** at Mammoth Mountain in California. They had a wild time, he recounted, and commented that “some things haven’t changed in 20 years.” **Minda Solomon** Dolmatch is still living in Tribeca in New York City with husband Steve and children Annie, 13, Michael, 10, and Marisa, 7. She doesn’t work outside the home but is kept busy with her husband, kids, their school, all of their activities, and life. Thanks to Minda for helping track down the two missing **Amy Grossmans** from our class. **Nancy Kilmer** DuBois is busy raising teenagers Chris, 17, Elizabeth, 16, and Julie, 13. Her husband David commutes to Chicago from their home in Plano, TX, to run the Professional Convention Management Assn. Nancy recently became involved with costume design and construction for the area ballet companies.

As for me, I took the plunge and went back to work full-time after having my own

company for 15 years. I’m really enjoying covering banking, finance, and law for *The Business Journal* of Phoenix as a reporter, although I have to admit it’s hard to get used to less flexibility (not to mention fewer vacations). My husband Mike and I are enjoying (?) watching our daughters Leah, 15, Briana, 12, and Simone, 9, discover our parental limitations every step of the way. ❖ **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 is a cold December day as I write this spring column focusing on career updates. Some of these positions are new and others are long-standing. It is interesting to see the variety of careers classmates are involved in.

After 16 years with Eskimo Pie Corp., my husband **Bob Gould** is now the director of marketing for Shady Brook Farms Inc. Shady Brook is a division of Rocco Inc., a major poultry producer in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. He accepted this position in March of 2000 and now works two hours from home. Our plans are to move to the Charlottesville area in the summer of 2001. I’ll be looking for a new position in the fall as a registered dietitian or perhaps I’ll branch out and explore new horizons. After 17 years in Richmond, this will be a big change for me, Brandon, 14, and Allison, 12. We are looking forward to the beautiful mountain views, Virginia wineries, and Charlottesville culture. Also in the poultry business is **Mark W. LaVorgna**, MS Ag '82. He is director of nutrition for Purdue Farms Inc. He lives in Salisbury, MD, with his wife **Laurel (Chin)** '80 and daughter Gabrielle, 8. Dr. **John Bezjak**’s new job is retirement from the US Public Health Service. He is active in volunteer activities as the USA schools coordinator for the US Tennis Assn., Maryland district. His 12-year-old daughter is a ranked junior tennis player.

**Jamie Levine** is a free-lance mezzo-soprano in New York City. She has worked with the Metropolitan Opera Chorus since 1993 and is active on several committees in The American Guild of Musical Artists. She has a second bachelor’s degree in music from the St. Louis Conservatory and a master’s in music from the Eastman School of Music. Prior to pursuing her musical career she worked with the VISTA program in Alaska. She also worked in Illinois with an organization to improve conditions for family-owned farms, and worked in two children’s homes as well. **John Molander** writes that he is busy with his product development position at Procter and Gamble where he helped develop Pampers and Luvs. His position allows him to travel extensively in Germany, France, and Japan. His personal life is filled with the challenges of raising two teenage daughters who are active in sports, music, and acting. He enjoyed reunion in 1999, where he reconnected with **Steve Fontana**, **Roger Yerdon**, **Jeff Ghizzoni**, and **Bob Vallone**.

In September 1999 **Ron McCray** was elected vice president, chief counsel, and secretary of Kimberly Clark, based in Dallas, TX. He is responsible for corporate securities, finance, executive compensation, employee benefits, and international and government relations functions. He previously served as the company's chief counsel in Neenah, WI, since 1996. He is enjoying raising three daughters and watching them love learning music and sports. He is still running after all these years. **Robin J. Schwartz** (robinj12@worldspy.net) is hoping to break into a writing career with a humor book, screenplays, and teleplays she has been working on. She is looking for an agent to help her in promoting these works. Meanwhile, she has been writing about the arts for such publications as *Entertainment Weekly* and the *New York Times*. She also does on-camera interviewing for Showtime and Filmscouts and promotional and broadcast writing for clients such as A&E Networks.

In New Jersey, **Elizabeth Reeves** (elizabethreeves@aol.com) is the coordinator of the Interior Design BFA program at Centenary College. Her consulting business in historic preservation has spent the last three years restoring and rehabilitating 19th-century sugar cane plantations in the US Virgin Islands. She recently joined forces as principal architect with John DeGrace of DeGrace Associates to create DeGrace Reeves Architectural Group in Wayne, NJ. Also consulting in a different field is **Joseph Magid** (jsm33@cornell.edu). He has created a corporate strategic planning infrastructure software application for companies such as Boeing, Cisco, Sun, and Motorola. You can obtain more information about his systems at [www.GryphonSystems.com](http://www.GryphonSystems.com). He and wife Liz live in Wynnewood, PA, where she is director of planning and community development at the Lower Merion Township building. The Magids moved to Wynnewood to be close to daycare for Zachary, 3, and kindergarten for Max, 5.

Changing jobs after almost 20 years, **Jeanne Hartley** Talbourdet (jhartley@ssginc.com) is now working for a small engineering firm, SSG Inc. **Dexter Wang '69** owns the firm and employs several other alumnae, as well as engineering students each summer. **Mark Nestle**, ME I '93 (nestlej@mciworld.com) has changed jobs after 15 years with Eastman Kodak as a process engineer. He is now with Nashua Corp. as their corporate quality director. His wife **Jodi (Diehl) '80** and four kids moved to Londonderry, NH, in August 1999 where they are enjoying the seafood and proximity to Boston. Also in engineering is **Helen H. Bishop** (aka Holly Reiger) (holly.bishop@compaq.com). She and **Debbie Willis** Anderson are making plans to join an all-women engineer group from the old Digital Equipment Corp. in a river-rafting trip down the Arkansas River. Helen stays in touch with **Clint Bissell** and his family. She would love to hear from other Cornell buddies via e-mail. **Kathy Chanda** Hechtlinger (kathy\_hechtlinger@eisai.com) is the senior

employee relations manager for the sales division of a pharmaceutical company. Her position involves a considerable amount of travel in the domestic US. When not traveling, she enjoys life at home with husband John and 11-year-old daughter Laura.

**Jackie Webb** received tenure and has been promoted to associate professor at Villanova U. She spent summer 2000 at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole on Cape Cod. In the 2000-01 academic year she will be taking a sabbatical in Philadelphia and Boston. She is on the advisory council of the Cornell Shoals Marine Laboratory and is heading up an effort to electronically link Shoals Lab alumni. If you are an alum of the Shoals Lab, send Jackie (IMS I '77) an e-mail at [jfw22@cornell.edu](mailto:jfw22@cornell.edu). Holding another academic position is Rev. Dr. **George E. Schultze**, SJ (Sschultze@USFCA.edu). He is the assistant to the U. of San Francisco president for multicultural affairs and department chairman in the College of Professional Studies. **Philip J. Romero**, BA '83, writes that he has returned to academia at the U. of Oregon ([promero@oregon.uoregon.edu](mailto:promero@oregon.uoregon.edu)). He left the governor's office in California in late 1999 to take this position. On the other side of academia is **Sharon Rowe** Freeman (penfield12@mindspring.com), who is pursuing a PhD in ruminant nutrition. Her project will most likely center on trying to find something useful to do with spent laying hens. Since she is working full-time and going to school part-time she feels she may graduate and retire at the same time.

**Edward Scott Lyon** (eslyon@students.wisc.edu) is a research assistant at the U. of Wisconsin at Madison, horticulture department. He is working on a master's degree entitled "Screening for Genetic Variation in pH Tolerance in River Birch." He also owns Spellbound Landscape Design and is co-operator, with partner Peter Moersch, of Stonewall Nursery. He returned to school after 18 years in the animal science industry. His goal is to obtain an MS and PhD to work in public garden administration.

Also returning to school is **Eileen Nelson Kraeger** (pkraeger@gisco.net). She is applying to a physician's assistant program for the fall after working as a registered dietitian since leaving Cornell. Her husband **Paul** is the CFO and vice president of finance at Samaritan Medical Center in Watertown, NY. They have boys Brent, a junior at Tulane; Justin, a freshman at LeMoyne; and Brandon, a sophomore in high school.

In closing, I encourage you to keep your news coming our way. You can send news directly to Cindy or me in the mail, via e-mail, or by using the class e-mail address, [cornellclassof79@yahoo.com](mailto:cornellclassof79@yahoo.com). The class of '79's Web page can be accessed at [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1979](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1979).

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This is my first time writing a column! But the news was pretty sparse. Please write to us, so we have more to write

about. Our regular addresses and e-mail addresses are listed at the bottom of the column. **Willard W. Dickerson III**, PhD '92 ([dickerso@matavnet.hu](mailto:dickerso@matavnet.hu)) is teaching English in Budapest, Hungary, for the eighth year. He is looking forward to several more years there. **Ira** and **Ellen Kaplan Halfond** ([schmeina@aol.com](mailto:schmeina@aol.com)) write to say that Ellen started a new position at Zipp Davis Publishing as Media Manager for Interactive Weekly. Ira has his own law practice specializing in estate law, located in both Queens County and Columbia County (Craryville, NY). If anyone hangs out at Copake Lake, give them a call at (518) 325-4883. Their son Matthew is 11 and daughter Paula is 6. **Stephen Kohn** ([skohn@healthanddeap.com](mailto:skohn@healthanddeap.com)) in Briarcliff Manor, NY, began a human resources consulting firm in January 2000 called Health and EAP Resources. He helps companies solve people problems by offering a diversified selection of services, including executive coaching, EAP, and organizational development. His wife, Nancy Petschek-Kohn, has been appointed the director of the Juvenile Offenders Program, a Westchester-based group that works with children/adolescents who commit non-violent hate crimes.

**Pam Youngs-Maher** ([youngsm@oswego.edu](mailto:youngsm@oswego.edu)) is employed by Oswego State U. with the Center for Business and Community Programs. She is responsible for professional development programs. Her family built a home in Radisson (Baldwinsville, NY) in 1999. She and husband Larry have 6-year-old daughter Marisa. **Philip Berns** (72260.734@compuserve.com) in Stamford, CT, writes to say that the twins are growing rapidly, his immigration practice is booming, and he would love to hear from Eco-Housers and other contemporaries. **Jessica Daniels** (uj040116@mindspring.com) in Cambridge, MA, has been alternating between contract work in university administration (primarily at Tufts U.) and spending time at home with her children, Josh, 10, and Kayla, 6, since leaving her permanent job in 1998.

**Sam Fisher** ([sam.fisher@bankofamerica.com](mailto:sam.fisher@bankofamerica.com)) moved to northern VA (Oakton) last winter after nearly 17 years in Florida. He is still working for Bank of America and is now responsible for the Private Bank Portfolio Managers in the northeast and midwest regions, which keeps him traveling a lot. Children Katie, 17, Robert, 14, and Steven, 12, have adjusted well to their new environment and enjoy the change of seasons. He would love to hear from friends who live in, or will be visiting, the DC area.

**Denise Dodero** ([dedodero@aol.com](mailto:dedodero@aol.com)) writes to say that, after 20 years on the West Coast, she relocated to the DC area after joining the Assn. of American Medical Colleges as assistant vice president, division of health care affairs this past summer. **Sarah Gavian** from U-Hall 2 is also in DC and just

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had her second son this past fall. She is a consultant with Abt Associates in their international division. **Elizabeth Burden** Figura ([liz@paulfigura.com](mailto:liz@paulfigura.com)) threw in the towel after 20 years of corporate America and is now a housewife and mother. She works part-time for her husband's commercial photography business in Jacksonville, FL. **Laurie Aude** ([audegehr@netins.net](mailto:audegehr@netins.net)) in Eldora, IA, has a new job as director of the Wellsburg Public Library in a farm community with a population of 650 and an Ostfriesian (German) heritage. Her previous job was eight years as a reference librarian in Aurora, IL, a far-west suburb of Chicago.

**Dick Argys** ([argys.dick@tchden.org](mailto:argys.dick@tchden.org)) was named COO of Children's Hospital in Denver, CO, in May 2000. He has worked for the U. of Colorado school of medicine and Children's Hospital since 1989. He and wife Jacqueline Gimby of Suffern, NY, have children Dessa and Cristos. In Berkeley, CA, **Nanette Cooper** McGuinness ([nmc22@cornell.edu](mailto:nmc22@cornell.edu)) sang the premiere of the modern opera *Gaia Sophia*. The title role of *Gaia* was written for her by San Francisco composer Bill Ludtke. Ludtke has received several commissions to write for her voice in the past two to three years. She premiered his Christmas Suite with the San Jose Symphony (JoAnn Falletta conducting). Her CD with the Athena Trio, "Fabulous Femmes" (consisting of music by 19th and 20th century women composers), was released by Centaur Records in Sept. 2000.

Adult University (CAU) attendees last year include **Michael Shaffer**, **Renee Bayha** Gossett, DVM '86, **Priscilla Berggren**-Thomas, **Donna Chin**, **Gregory Gordon**, **Karen Lifton** Healy, **Ellen Scheinberg** Ranard, and **Karen Williamson**. Some news announcements: **Serena S. Hu**, MD, was named delegate at large for the American Orthopaedic Assn. She has been at UCSF since 1991 and is currently an associate professor. **Ben Scott Wittner**, PhD '88, has been promoted to senior vice president of research and development for ScanSoft Inc. **Robert Halpern**, BArch '86, has joined Sarasota's Clifford M. Scholz Architects Inc. **Marco Sodi** is managing director and co-head of the London affiliate for Veronis Suhler. For the past six years, he has been responsible for the firm's international initiatives. **Thomas Kowalski**, MD, has been named medical director of gastrointestinal endoscopy at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia. He is also associate professor at Jefferson Medical College.

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Our 20th Reunion is just a few months away. It will be held June 7-10, 2001. Are you going? It should be an amazing time. Make your plans now! The last time I was in Ithaca, it was for our 10th Reunion. I was newly pregnant with our son James, who just turned nine in December. I am looking forward to bringing him and his sister MaryAnn, 7, to Cornell so that I can share some of my fondest memories with them. I can't wait for them to meet my old friends, who are now dispersed throughout the country, and my friends' children.

The members of the Class of '81 continue to do great things. Here's some of the latest news. **Diane Carr** Heavener writes that her family moved to England for a three-year period. Diane and husband Bob both work as civilian Dept. of Defense employees; she is a manager, and he is a senior computer scientist. The family has had wonderful times touring Europe, but they are looking forward to returning to Maryland in June 2002. In Milpitas, CA, **Robert Zeidman** is founder and president of The Chalkboard Network, a premier provider of Web-based training courses. With an extensive background in integrated circuit and PC board design, Bob has just introduced a new on-line course, "Essentials of Verilog," developed primarily for design and layout engineers in the semiconductor industry. In Santa Monica, **Alex Gartner** has just been promoted to president of production at MGM Pictures, a unit of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. Alex now oversees all aspects of film development and production for MGM's major film division. Before joining MGM in 1999, Alex was with the Fox 2000 division of Twentieth Century Fox. There he was affiliated with the following projects you may have seen: *Courage Under Fire*, *Volcano*, *The Thin Red Line*, *Brokedown Palace*, *Lake Placid*, and *Traffic*.

In Glen Ellyn, IL, the amazing **Celia Rodee** was recently elected to the board of directors of the Alumni Association of the Ag college. Celia will represent alumni of the college in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. A fellow Kappa Delta sister, I have fun memories of performing a "tribal scream" with Celia in the wee hours of the morning in our sorority dining room during finals week! The sleeping sisters never did understand what we were doing that morning! Hi to Celia, **Peter Cooper '80**, and their brood!

In October 2000, **Leslie Rosenthal** Jacobs was honored as one of the top 100 female insurance executives in America. Currently, Leslie serves as president of the Hibernia Rosenthal Insurance Agency in New Orleans, with a client base which includes industry specialties such as energy and marine, construction and bonding, transportation, real estate, and automobile dealerships. Leslie is perhaps best recognized in Louisiana for her work to improve public education. A former member of the Orleans Parish School Board, she is a member of the State Board of Education and of the governor's K-12 Policy Team.

**Kenyon Erickson**, MPS HA '81, and wife **Betsy (Murphy) '80** are happy in Vienna, VA, with their three adopted children. The Ericksons recently moved into a new co-housing community called Blueberry Hill.

Lots of folks are in the New York/New Jersey area. **John Jureller**, MBA '82, lives in Scarsdale, NY, with wife Susan and their three sons. In October 2000, John joined the Gartner Group as senior vice president of business development. Before joining Gartner, John was with Caribiner International, and has worked at PepsiCo, GE Capital, Bankers Trust, and Emcor Group. **Susan Scarf** Merrell lives in Sag Harbor with her husband, architect Jim Merrell, and children Maggie, 9, and Jake, 5. In March 2000, Susan published her first novel, *A Member of the Family* (Harper Collins), the story of a family's struggle to incorporate a difficult adoptive child into their home. In Metuchen, NJ, **Steven Barre** was recently promoted to vice president, general counsel, and secretary of US Industries, the manufacturer of Jacuzzi bath products and Ames/True Temper hand tools. In North Caldwell, NJ, **Alyssa Alia** Malanga has become one of the busiest food stylists in the metropolitan area, working for companies including Kraft, Nabisco, Perdue, and Goya. Having studied at the New York Restaurant School and Le Cordon Bleu in Paris, Alyssa is now an expert at making food look good. What are her favorite restaurants in the area? We have the scoop: Chanterelle or One If By Land, Two If By Sea in Manhattan; Bruschetta in Fairfield and Mezzanotte in Caldwell; and Saddle River Inn or Callahan's in Bergen County. There you have it—enjoy the cuisine!

In the Massachusetts area, we Cornellians are having fun, too! **David Hoff** and wife Karen welcomed their third child, Margaret Dominica, in July 2000. Proud siblings are Patrick, 6, and Charlotte, 4. The Hoff's live in Melrose. In Jamaica Plain, **Michael Yaffe**, MD and PhD, writes that he recently married Sung-Yun Pai, a pediatric oncologist who works at Harvard Medical School. Michael just took a position as assistant professor in the biology department at MIT. He works mainly on protein structure and engineering approaches to biology and he states, "Sounds nerdy, doesn't it?" The newlyweds keep busy running, wine-tasting, and fixing up their new condominium in Boston.

That's all for now. See you at Reunion! In the meantime, we are just an e-mail away. Drop your class correspondents a line or two! ♦ **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, 114 Harrington Rd., Waltham, MA 02452; e-mail, [lashoto@rcn.com](mailto:lashoto@rcn.com); **Betsy Silverfine**, 1601 Third Ave., #4E, NYC, 10128-3452; e-mail, [bsilverfine@brownraysman.com](mailto:bsilverfine@brownraysman.com); and **Jennifer Read** Campbell, 14824 Hunting Path Pl., Centreville, VA 20120-1230; e-mail, [RonJenCam@aol.com](mailto:RonJenCam@aol.com).

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Hello, everyone. Greetings from Phoenix, where on a sunny autumn day I thought it would be great to present a January workshop in Portland, ME. Now that

it is still sunny enough in Phoenix to be enjoying a nice Saturday afternoon eating shrimp cocktail on the patio, and I keep getting reports of snow accumulating in all locations East, I am wondering if the part of me that lived four years in Ithaca has forgotten that winter weather and traveling just don't mix. Maybe those are the brain cells that die after 40. Oh well, it will give me stories to share in the next *Cornell Magazine*. Here is some news from some wiser classmates.

**Miriam Honore Akabas** writes, "After two years of construction, we finally have a home . . . we joined two Manhattan apartments. It kept me busy for quite some time. While I was doing the renovation, I was working part-time doing computer consulting, which I am still doing. I was able to control the hours while my children were not in school. I have a new job, middle school computer teacher at the Birch Wathen Lenox school in Manhattan. My children are Eli, 6-1/2, and Ariel, 3. My husband is David Kaminsky.

A WORD FROM THE PREZ, **Wendy Raymond**: "'So, Wendy, I hear you're a Cornell man!' This greeting got my attention as I dropped off my son Caleb at preschool one snowy morning. **Robert "Woody" Wood '80** lives in Williamstown with his wife and children Oona, 6, and Derek, 4. Caleb's and Derek's outstanding preschool teacher, **Fern Chin Murtagh '79**, is also a Cornellian. No, she hasn't taught them the "Alma Mater" yet. Thankfully, this tiny little town (Williamstown, MA: population 6,600) has interesting residents, because it looks like I'll be staying here for a while. I just became a tenured professor of biology at Williams College, and my family is ready to settle down. That is a novel concept for us. Many of our class officers and council members (myself, **Bob Ramin**, MBA '85, **Lorraine Aronowitz**, Lorraine's husband Rob Danzig, **Lauren Silfen**, **Charles Stuppard**, Miriam Akabas, and **David Russo**, JD '85) met for a working brunch in Manhattan in early November at Lorraine Aronowitz's home. We're working toward a great reunion, June 6-9, '02. Please send us your ideas and SAVE THE DATE. Make it a vacation and come up to the Finger Lakes region a day or two early."

**Ellen Houston Daniels** was appointed vice president of development for Bedford, MA-based NuSphere, a Progress Software company and provider of open source software and commercial services for MySQL-powered websites. Prior to her work at NuSphere and Progress Software, Ellen held a variety of positions at Cadre, Computervision, and Prime Computer. **Earle Weaver**, MBA '84, writes, "My wife Becky and I had our third child on Aug. 31, so now we have Sarah, 4, Tommy, 2, and Joey, 4 months. A year ago I became president of the White-Rodgers division of Emerson Electric Co. I have been with Emerson ever since graduating from business school, so I'm either loyal or stupid. I wonder how many others in our class have worked for only one company?" Earle, you just gave me my next question to all readers of

## Base Camp

PAUL WINTER '82

A 300-acre wilderness camp is giving homeless children a chance to go on canoe trips, learn self-defense, and even gain survival skills. Scottie's Place, founded by Paul Winter and his wife, Jo-El Wadsworth, is a free, two-week camp offered year-round. To teach their charges to become as self-sufficient as possible, the Winters have the children gather food from the garden and woods, collect eggs, and help care for animals (oxen, llamas, chickens, and dogs). "We let the kids control their experiences because where they live, they have no control over their lives," says Winter. "We want them to realize they are much stronger than they ever thought they could be."

Winter, who majored in social work on the Hill, has worked with children and adults with special needs for nearly twenty years. He and Wadsworth opened Scottie's Place—named after a homeless boy Winter once knew—in June 2000. The camp, located in Peterstown, West Virginia, hosts six to ten children at a time; prospective campers must be aged eight to eighteen with no violence or drug use in their backgrounds. "There are few programs for these kids," Winter says. "We want to bring national attention to the problem of homelessness and help as many children as possible."

— Laura Thomas



this column: How many of you HAVE worked for just one company? And who among us has worked for the MOST employers? I can't wait to see your answers.

**Thomas Flickinger** married Dr. Louise Matthews, an obstetrician and gynecologist from Flemington, NJ. Tom is senior vice president for business development at Information Human Resources, a market research company in Chicago. Lathan & Watkins law firm has appointed **David Gordon** as managing partner of its 200-lawyer New York office. David is rated as one of the top US project finance lawyers in the latest edition of the Chambers reference guide. **Nir E. Margalit** is the new vice president and general counsel for Best Western International Inc. In this newly created position, Nir will assume management responsibilities for the legal function of the worldwide lodging brand. (Here's a new one; to check out Nir's photo, go to [www.news.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20000920/LAW003](http://www.news.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20000920/LAW003).) Nir has also worked as an associate at Krupin, Carr, Morris & Graeff in Washington, DC, as a partner in Margalit, Yellott & Cooper (also in Washington), and in the hotel

industry for CapStar Hotels and Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide.

**Tom and Murrie Lambers Ispording** (Murrielee@aol.com) live in Sandusky, OH. There, Tom has a busy pediatrics practice and Murrie stays busy with her work in an optometrist's office and driving her children to their many sports activities. Tom has discovered stress management via bicycling. Murrie writes, "Last July he even managed to drag me to Vermont for a bicycling vacation. I never realized how flat Ohio was!"

**Janet Harman Sooch** (janetsooch@dellnet.com) writes that life has been busy in Austin, TX. Her husband Nav's company, Silicon Labs, went public and he won the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award. But fortunately, Janet reports, he is still a nice guy and still changes light bulbs around the house. Janet is very busy herself. She coordinates the local school library volunteers, works weekly in the library, leads Kevin's Webelos den, co-leads David's Bear Scout den, visits daughter Kelly's kindergarten weekly as a table mom, and volunteers in the school store. AND she volunteers once a week in the neo-

natal unit of the Children's Hospital. AND she is co-chairing a fund-raising gala for a family service organization called Lifeworks and serves on the board of the Children's Hospital Foundation. Hmmm . . . Janet, if you have a little time left in your schedule, I know a classmate named Murrie who just might be interested in trading places with you the next time her husband suggests a bicycling vacation.

I don't know about the rest of you but it

## “NASA astronaut Edward Lu took his first space walk.”

LINDSAY LIOTTA FORNESS '84

seems as though within days of turning 40 my eyes went bad and my knees felt old. But you don't want to hear about THAT, you want real news! For that we depend on you. This column is as interesting, or as slow, as the news that comes in. Please tell us what you are up to! I know it's gotta be good. Won't you please take a minute and send us the details?

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This month's column begins with family news. Jeanette and **Harlow Russell** are proud to announce the arrival of Bryanna Karina in October in Singapore. The Harlows moved from Stamford, CT, to Singapore at the end of August. Harlow works as a director for Mercatella. Congratulations also to **Amy Sheon**, who recently gave birth to her third child, Evie Rose. She joins big brothers Zachary, 7, and Jesse, 3. Amy lives in Ann Arbor, MI.

Other classmates are on the move. **Michael Buthe** and his family relocated to England at the end of 1999. He is employed by American International Group (AIG) Inc. and works as their European Regional Investment Officer, responsible for investment strategy and oversight of various life and pension businesses. Michael, wife **Sheila (Palmer) '84**, and their children Matthew, 5, and Caroline, 3, enjoy living in the U.K. and traveling within Europe. Sheila has been spending her time raising the children and touring London during school hours. Michael recently caught up with **Ronald Kawauchi** who is a physician and was living in Chicago. After marrying last year, Ronald and his bride moved to Florida in August. The Buthes are hoping to meet with them later this year.

Dr. **Mark Mendel** and his family are relocating to St. Louis. Mark recently co-founded a new firm, RiverVest Venture Partners, to invest in medical device, biopharmaceutical, and genomics companies. Mark and wife Amelia Gallitano have a son, Giacomo, 2, who seems to love skiing and climbing as much as his parents.

Dr. **Barbara Erny** writes from Emerald Hill, CA. In fall 1999, she was a volunteer

physician in the Amazon Basin in Peru. Working with the Rainforest Health Project group, Barbara provided basic medical care to indigenous people who otherwise would have no access to primary care. She also incorporated traditional medicine with the help of an ethnobotanist. As a tourist, she swam with piranhas and saw dolphins and caymans in the Amazon. "The trip was rewarding emotionally, spiritually, and intellectually," Barbara wrote.

**Steve Hardardt** is glad to be back on the East Coast. He and wife Nancy and their sons Steven, 13, and Danny, 9, live in Midlothian, VA. Steve is a director of human resources at Honeywell International in Richmond. He is looking forward to seeing **Dan Newman** and wife Hilary and their family.

"Bill and I are loving our new life in the South," writes **Caryn Zimmerman** Zoffer from Chapel Hill, NC. "Bill is a lawyer at Glaxo Wellcome. When I'm not driving Josh, 9, Emily, 5-1/2, and Mollie, 1-1/2, to Tae Kwon Do, soccer, baseball, swimming, basketball, or gymnastics, I'm teaching legal research and writing to first-year law students at U. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill school of law." The Zoffers, prior to moving to NC 3-1/2 years ago, lived in the Maryland suburbs of Washington, DC, for eight years.

Some classmates have been traveling with Adult University (CAU). **Joel Davidson**, ME '84, and **Paula Fitz** studied the North Coast of Australia, the Great Barrier Reef, and the Coral Sea last summer. **Teresa Melcher** studied No Place Like Home: Designing, Building, and Selling the American Home (and the American Dream). **Kim Pavlik**, MA '83, attended a writing workshop titled Reality, Imagination, and the Problem of "Truth" in Autobiographical Writing. **Robert Webb** studied landscape design.

News from academia: Dr. **Julia Fox**, PhD '99, is an assistant professor in the telecommunications department at Indiana U. She and husband Bruce Lockwood have children Loretta, 10, and Edward, 2. Dr. **Eileen Lacey** is an assistant professor of integrative biology at U. of California, Berkeley, and an assistant curator of mammals at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology in Berkeley. Eileen, **James L. Patton** '67, MPA '72, and Guy N. Cameron recently edited a book, *Life Underground: The Biology of Subterranean Rodents*. Congratulations to Dr. **Karen Parfitt**, who was recently promoted to associate professor of biology and granted tenure at Pomona College. Since joining the Pomona faculty in 1994, Karen has been awarded research grants from the National Institute on Aging and the National Science Foundation.

Several classmates have reported job changes. Last summer **Eric Hanson** started a

position with The Bostonian Group as director of the life, disability, and estate planning division. Eric lives in Andover, MA. Dr. **Ronald Dreifuss** recently changed jobs. He was the chairman of radiology at Jamaica Hospital. He is now the director of radiological services for Catholic Medical Centers of Brooklyn and Queens. In addition to administrative work, he continues an active role in providing interventional radiologic services. **Fred Koury** has been appointed vice president of human resources for Victoria's Secret stores. He will lead all recruiting, associate relations, and management development efforts for the company. Fred and wife Ann and their two daughters live in the Columbus, OH, area.

**David Everhart** and wife **Susan (Place) '84** live in Boulder, CO. They own an intercultural services firm that teaches American corporate executives how to work and communicate with the Chinese and Japanese. David reports his primary role is being Dad to Naomi, 6, and Sara, 4. They enjoy swimming, skiing, and camping. **Elizabeth Sager Metz** reports she retired from the federal government after 15 years in human resources. She currently enjoys a quiet family life in Colorado with husband Mike, two children, and a dog.

**David Sibley** has written a field guide for bird watchers, *The Sibley Guide to Birds*, published by Knopf. For the past six years, David has painted pictures and written text for the book. His book shows pictures of every species in flight and has detailed descriptions of voice, songs, and calls. **Karen Gottschalk** and husband **Ed Bakos** '85, BArch '86, enjoy brownstone living in New York City and plan to remodel soon. Karen works as the research and development director for *Entertainment Weekly* magazine. Ed is a principal architect at the Rockwell Group. One of his projects was exhibited at the Triennial Design Exhibit at the Cooper-Hewitt Museum. **Lauren Hefferon** and husband Mauro Rugiero live in Arlington, MA, with their children Valentina, almost 2, and Lorenzo, 3. Lauren owns Ciclismo Classico, a tour company specializing in bicycle tours of Italy. In business since 1989, Lauren's company runs trips over 26 routes, including a ski trip in the Dolomites. Cycling is a way of life for Lauren, who says she last drove a car in 1981 or 1982. In fact, she takes her son to preschool every morning on the back of her Merlin titanium bike, on which she averages 150 miles a week.

Please send e-mail updates to Jennifer, Patty, or Scott at anytime during the year. Be sure to check out our class website at [www.classof83.cornell.edu](http://www.classof83.cornell.edu). ❖ **Scott** and **Patty Palmer Dulman**, 109 N. Liberty St., Arlington, VA 22203; e-mail, [pdulman@earthlink.net](mailto:pdulman@earthlink.net); and **Jennifer Hughes Kern**, 1882 Yuma St., Salt Lake City, UT 84108; e-mail, [jenniferkern@juno.com](mailto:jenniferkern@juno.com).



**Virginia Greene** writes from Huntington, NY, that she and her family participated in a session of Adult University (CAU). Virginia, spouse **N. Scott Johnson**,

BArch '85, and daughters Ginny and Olivia really enjoyed it, with Ginny taking veterinary science! Virginia also expanded her office and computerized all architectural drawings. She saw **Randi Rosenbaum '85** and **TJ Costello '85** at a Long Island AIA meeting. Scott also had a first: he played in a cello concert which included a world premiere performance of "January Joining" by Charles Porter. Other classmates have attended CAU in 2000: **Robert Hole** (Zen), **Joey Asher** and wife **Johanna (Costa) '85** (Golf), **Catherine Barber** (Natural History), **Emily Liu** Filloramo and family (Tennis), **Paul and LuAnne Hoffman Howard** (Outdoor Skills), **Andre Lamontagne**, MS C '85 (Rowing), and **Christopher Sagovac** (Wine).

**Gus Arnavat** is married to Gigi Chaves, whom he met while at the Kennedy School in the mid-1980s. Their family includes Sebastian and Gabriela. After five years as a securities lawyer on Wall Street, Gus is now an investment banker with Morgan Stanley in their Latin America Group. **Sharon Toll** Rubinson lives in Manalapan, NJ, and is a veterinary associate in a small animal hospital. She is married to Elliott and they have sons Ethan and Bryce and a dog named Willie. Sharon has been in touch with **Linda Zell** Randall, her sophomore roommate, and **Beth Budin** Raff. Linda, an attorney, and Beth, a teacher, have two children each.

Midwest Notes: NASA astronaut **Edward Lu** took his first space walk while on a mission with the space shuttle *Atlantis* in September! The 110-foot journey to lay cable and install a boom for a navigation unit was the furthest distance any NASA space walker had ventured while tethered. The latter part of the mission included the delivery of thousands of pounds of supplies to the International Space Station. **Sarah Pradt**, PhD '96, is in St. Paul, MN, teaching Japanese language, literature, and film at Macalester College. Sarah has returned to Cornell as a student twice since we graduated: she earned an MA in East Asian Studies in 1988 and a PhD in East Asian Literature in 1996! **Andrew Loder** lives in Maple Grove, MN, with wife Marci and daughters Madiline and Margaret. Andrew works for Cargill Group as a manager of eTransformation. **Kathy Lin Yang** is married to **Tony**, PhD '84, and has two children and a yellow Labrador. Kathy has spent the last four years as a full-time Mom and is looking forward to returning to work, applying her past experience as a management consultant. **Douglas Tseng**, MPS HA '83, visited Kathy's family: he works for McDonald's Taiwan as a vice president in human resources. **Eric Darnauer** is the chief of medical operations and plan for the US-led multi-national peacekeeping division in the Bosnia Stabilization Force (SFOR) in his role as a mobilized National Guard soldier. By this publication, Eric should be back home to civilian life in Harker Heights, TX, with his family.

It's a small world: **Tom Codella** and I never met at Cornell, but we met at our children's elementary school Halloween party, all due to his daughter's Cornell cheerleader cos-

tume! Read locally in *Washingtonian Magazine* and noticed in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* by **Christine Miller**, MBA '89: **Ann Coulter**, a conservative pundit and author of the pro-impachment book *High Crimes and Misdemeanors*, is pleased she is leading in *Playboy's* online poll of "Beltway Babes," the winner getting a shot at a mag spread.

Eastern USA: **Karla Sievers** McManus and **Catherine "Kitty" Cantwell** visited Cornell to see Hillary Clinton. Kitty also writes that she and husband **Kevin McCormick** are very glad that all five of their children are now in school! **Debbie Goldman** Weis writes that she is senior brand manager with Glaxo Smith Kline for a new, non-prescription cold sore medicine, Abreva. Debbie lives north of Pittsburgh with husband Mark and sons Jason and Matthew. **Nicholas Kambouris** tells us he now lives in Crownsville, MD, but no other news! **Lois Baskin** had baby girl Hannah in April 1999 and continues to work as a corporate relocation consultant. Hannah joins brother Sam and daddy Bill in the Taubenfeld family. Lois notified us of **Caroline Sommers's** marriage in Albany to Marcelo Barujel, the birth, in Maine, of **Nancy Forster Holt's** second son, Sam, and the birth of Zak to **Amy Lippman** in 1998. **Eleanor Rich** Jensen is living in East Syracuse with her family, including new son David who joins big brother Kevin. Eleanor is now a full-time Mom which she "really enjoys and which keeps me very busy!"

Our condolences go out to **Claire Vollbract** Moulé, who was widowed and laid off from her job in 2000. Claire writes from East Islip, NY, that she loves to read, spend time with her brothers and sisters and their families, and exercise. She left the Roosevelt Savings Bank after 13 years, and now works for her church as a program assistant, preparing children and their parents for the sacraments.

**Anne Hoskins** is in South Orange, NJ, with four children and husband Bob Zdenek. Anne works for Verizon Wireless as regulatory counsel and Bob is an executive with United Way. Anne sees neighbor (and optometrist) **Beth Schlein** frequently. **Emily Sherman** Brooks wants to reestablish contact with **Ted Jonas**, JD '91, **James Roth '82**, and **David Rosenthal**. Emily lives next door to **Esther Goldbas** Tanenbaum '86, JD '90, her husband Dan, and their four children. Emily and husband Glen Brooks have children Laura and Julianne. Fellow Hotelie TA **John W. O'Neill** was promoted to full professor at Johnson & Wales U. in Providence, RI.

Western US: **Marc Weinstein**, MBA '86, married Andie Neidorf in 1998 and is working for Andersen Consulting's Strategy Practice. Marc saw **Jim Taschetta**, MBA '86, in Silicon Valley. **Hank Tillman** moved from the Bay Area to San Diego a few years ago. Hank's wife Loree is a sales rep for a large book/publication services company and Hank is an inventory/import manager and also with the Naval Reserves. **Doug Belden** is also in San Diego with wife Jeannette and children Rosemary and Byrne. Doug is a consultant for Watson Wyatt working in Boise, ID, and

Portland, OR. He plays ice hockey, body surfs, and plays with his kids. Doug's ice hockey league includes **Bob Koenig '83**. **Ed Yang** was married to Laurie in September 2000 and the newlyweds are moving to Boston in 2001 so that Ed can complete a two-year pediatric surgery fellowship.

From the South: **Anne Gumkowski** Pierce is in Weston, FL, and celebrated the birth of her first child, Benjamin, in May 2000. The family moved to Florida for her husband's new job as CFO for Charter Schools USA. Anne is a vice president at Gemini Consulting. **Linda Leahey** Fullam is in Tampa and works as the program manager of the Health & Weight Management Center at University Community Hospital. **Maria Gallo**-Meagher lives in Gainesville, FL, and writes that she visited with **Robin Drucker Blakely** and husband **Bruce '83** in Vero Beach.

Overseas: **John Wanvig** is a vice president/market director for General Mills and travels to Latin America, Asia, and the Middle East. John lives in beautiful Lausanne, Switzerland, with wife Elisa Dot Bach. **Joanne Swisher** Yildirim is in Istanbul with husband Onat and baby Ayla, born in December 1999. Joanne is enjoying being a "mom-at-home." Keep those notes coming! ♦ **Lindsay Liotta** Forness, 1410 Carrington Lane, Vienna, VA 22182-1422; e-mail, fornesszone@aol.com; and **Karla Sievers** McManus, 19 Barnside Dr., Bedford, NJ 03110; e-mail, klorax@aol.com. Class website: www.cornell-84.org.



With apologies for the delay, I present in this month's column news that was passed on to us by our predecessor correspondents **Lisa Bluestein** and **Linda Messinger**, DVM '90. (Thanks for your patience, everyone!)

First, here's what's up with our docs: **Paul E. Johnson** is our newest MD, having received his degree from the Baylor College of Medicine last May. Paul is now doing a residency in radiology at the U. of New Mexico. **Stephen Weinman** wrote that he is working as an emergency physician in New Paltz, NY, and that he had taken a break from his hospital duties so that he could spend the winter in Colorado teaching snow boarding. Although he was coy about the details, I'm guessing that his tutelage was successful enough that he avoided creating new patients on the slopes! Moving from Colorado's snowy peaks to Florida's sunny shores, we received word that **Alejandro Badia**, a Miami orthopedist, was inducted last March as a fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, "the largest medical association for musculoskeletal specialists." Congratulations, Dr. Badia! Also deserving of kudos is **David Bloom** who reported that he passed a national exam to become certified in sports medicine, and then quickly got the chance to exercise this new prowess in treating his former crew teammate **Scott Carhart '84**.

**Robert Mack**, a Chicago ophthalmologist who specializes in refractive surgery and

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cornea consulting, keeps his eye on both his medical practice and his "wild boys, Ian and Eliot." Robert also states, "I keep in touch with **Jim Moore**, **Mark Russell**, and **Jill Hai**, none of whom is nearly as good looking as I am." Ahem. (I note here that sometimes the best policy is not to comment on our readers' comments.) **Randy Rich** e-mailed us to say that he had completed his commitment as a Navy physician and was now at Yale doing a medical oncology fellowship. Randy says that he stays in touch with his Chi Phi brothers **Steve O'Brien**, MBA '86, **Jim Tacci**, and **Jim Rosecrans**, whom he describes as "all sad and lonely." (See above note re: not commenting on readers' comments!) **Scott Bookner**, a pediatrician in Scarsdale, tends to both his patients and his own kids (Ilana, Molly, and a third child whose name I could not read, owing to Scott's doctor-like handwriting!). When not doctoring, Scott draws cartoons for a website that he created, [www.CurbYourDog.com](http://www.CurbYourDog.com). Scott urges all readers of this column to look at his site, which he says he updates weekly with the assistance of webmaster **Joon Kim** '84. Speaking of doctors on the Web, **Jill Grossman** Denowitz wrote to say that she was both a part-time internist in Westport, CT, and an Internet TV star. Jill is "appearing as the physician on [healthscout.com](http://healthscout.com)." Check her out!

In other Web news, [Need2Buy.com](http://Need2Buy.com), "a business-to-business online marketplace for buyers and sellers of electronic components" in Westlake Village, CA, announced that **Clark Decker** was selected to be the company's vice president of strategy. Clark, who received his MBA from the Anderson School of Business at UCLA and was previously a senior manager of supply chain strategy with Andersen Consulting LLP, is now in charge of formulating [Need2Buy.com](http://Need2Buy.com)'s overall business strategy. Clark has plenty of '85er company in the Internet executive suite because Pseudo Programs Inc., "the world's largest original Internet TV network," has appointed **Larry Kramer** to be its COO and a member of the company's board of directors. Before joining Pseudo, Larry worked as a television agent at the William Morris Agency, as director of legal and business affairs at CNBC, and as an associate at the law firm Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, where we once toiled together. (Now I can say, "I knew him when!")

In other lawyer news, **Doug Masters**, a partner in a Chicago firm that specializes in intellectual property issues, wrote to say that he had been appointed an adjunct professor at Northwestern U. school of law, where he teaches a course in trademarks and unfair competition. Doug also noted that he had traveled to London last July to speak at an American Bar Assn. meeting.

Thanks to all of the above-named classmates for passing along their good news and for their patience in waiting to see it in print. If you have news that you would like to share, please write or e-mail and I'll see to it that (eventually) your news is seen here. ♦ **Risa Mish**, 611 Briarcliff Dr., Ossining, NY 10562; e-mail, [rmish1@juno.com](mailto:rmish1@juno.com).

With our 15th Reunion around the corner, a few bits of business need addressing.

For the first time ever (drumroll, please), our class has created a scholarship. We need to raise \$37,500—which an anonymous donor has agreed to partially match—so that a \$50,000 fund will be available. Every year the university will choose a student, based on need, to receive our scholarship. Help the class of '86 live forever while concurrently helping someone who otherwise might not be able to attend Cornell. When you make a donation to the Cornell Fund, you can allocate your money specifically toward our Class Scholarship (what a way to make a difference!). Speaking of reunions, here's an example of how attending can lead to great things above and beyond a terrific weekend.

At our 10th Reunion in 1996, **Victoria T. Lee** met **Henry L. Sanders** for the first time. They married on July 22, '00. The ceremony was at the Sacred Heart Church in Bellevue, WA, with a reception at the Four Seasons in Downtown Seattle. Cornellians and classmates who attended included **Mark McCarthy**, MMH '98, **Irene Hendricks**, **Steve Getman**, **Aaron Osofsky** '85, **Tony Lacke** '85, **Mark Sheraden** '85, **Reneta Hartmanis McCarthy** '84, **Steve Eno** '84, **Allen Wong** '85, **BS Hotel** '87, **Mark Nassi** '89, **MBA** '91, **Colin Bryar** '89, **ME I** '90, **John Pirie** '83, **ME I** '85, **Jack Nickles** '81, **Nate Taylor** '85, and **Alex Wernberg** '96. From the looks of the photos that Victoria e-mailed me, it was quite a festive, lively affair. If you want to see them, contact Victoria at [vickie@coldstream.com](mailto:vickie@coldstream.com). **Richard C. Seestedt Jr.** got married on Oct. 21, '00 in Atlanta and then honeymooned on St. John's Island. Richard is a neurologist and probably can explain why he didn't supply the name of his bride.

Baby news (and related offerings): **James "Jimbo" W. O'Connell** ([jocommel@yahoo.com](mailto:jocommel@yahoo.com)) and wife had son Kyle William on Nov. 24, '00. No word yet on whether the "Bo-Burger" already has Kyle on ice skates and practicing his wrist shot. **Jonathan D. Roth** and wife **Lilli (Siegel)** '88 celebrated the arrival of daughter Talia Miriam on Nov. 10, '00. Jonathan says that her big brother Jeremy is taking good care of her and doing a fine job of interrogating prospective play dates. Jonathan now serves on an advisory committee for the Cornell endowment. He and Lilli recently bought a new apartment in Manhattan across the street from their home of many years, the Schwab House.

Speaking of new abodes, in December **Vivek "Punj" Huthesing** ([vhuthesing@home.com](mailto:vhuthesing@home.com)) and wife Anjali bought the home they have been renting in Berkeley, CA. Within 24 hours of the closing, Vivek had a dishwasher installed. He and Anjali report that the machine has exponentially improved—if not saved—their marriage. In September of 2000, Vivek formally launched and capitalized a new business, Shakti Ventures, LLC ([www.shaktiventures.com](http://www.shaktiventures.com)), a technology venture capital firm that leverages the Indian IT sector.

On the business front, **Fanny M. Chin** continues to work full-time running her company, Inner Works Enterprises Inc., which makes the "Creative Calendar" products ([visit www.creativecalendar.com](http://www.creativecalendar.com)) that several years ago were featured in the *New York Times* and in a Gannett newspaper in Westchester, NY. Its products now are available from e-tailers and independent specialty retailers, thanks to an army of independent sales representatives with whom Fanny works. Fanny lives in Huntington Station, NY, with husband Matthew Kleisler (who does most of the company's graphics), whom she married in September of 1997. Outside of the office, Fanny teaches Bible studies to children at her church.

**Christopher S. Selland** has left the Yankee Group (a subsidiary of Reuters) to become eSupportNow's vice president of marketing. **Lisa Rugg** Weinstock is a technical staffer at a division of Lucent Bell Labs in Whippany, NJ, and was featured last October in a *Wireless Week* article on female engineers in the wireless industry. **Melanie L. Moen** has left the American Film Marketing Assn. to pursue creative endeavors. At the moment, she and husband David are living on a boat in Marina del Rey, where she finds inspiration for her writing. Intellectual property expert **Laura Peter** now is assistant general counsel for Micromuse Inc. in San Francisco.

**Peter A. Quinter** ([quinter1@aol.com](mailto:quinter1@aol.com)) was good enough to summarize his recent and not so recent news. After attending law school at American U., he worked for the United States Customs Service in Miami, FL, before joining Ft. Lauderdale's Becker & Poliakoff in 1994. He now is the partner in charge of its customs and international trade department. Peter has been married to Sandy (Sohn) since February 1990 and has children Jake, 4-1/2, and Alexandra, 3. They live in Boca Raton.

Finally, magic has returned to the life of **Jeffrey W. Cowan** since making partner at Los Angeles litigation boutique Kendig & Ross. Last April, I attended an invitation-only sleight of hand convention in Batavia, NY, and managed to make a quick trip to Ithaca for a campus visit and a deep dish pizza at the Nines. Still perfection. In July, I traveled to Lisbon, Portugal, to attend the tri-annual international "Olympics of Magic" convention. In December, I successfully debuted at the Magicopolis night club ([www.magicopolis.com](http://www.magicopolis.com)) in Santa Monica, CA, and have been invited to perform on a quasi-regular basis, which I will do. And speaking of miracles, my firm's website ([www.kendigandross.com](http://www.kendigandross.com)) is finally operational, complete with photos and copies of the firm's infamous annual gag newsletter, which has received national media attention.

I should note that after approximately ten years as a class columnist, I'm passing the torch to others. It's been a pleasure to keep in touch with so many of you, and I hope you'll contact me if you're going to be in Los Angeles and have time for a schmooze. I'm not precisely sure when the transition will occur, but I will forward any news that arrives after I'm "off duty." For now, send that exotic news to me.

Hope to see you in June at Reunion! ♦ **Jefrey W. Cowan**, 1114 Sixth St., #10, Santa Monica, CA 90403; jwcesq@pacbell.net; **Michael Berkwits**, 230 N. 22nd St., #12A, Philadelphia, PA 19103; e-mail, berkwits@mail.med.upenn.edu; and **Hilory Feder-green** Wagner, 108 Nicole Dr., S. Glas-tonbury, CT 06073; e-mail, hilvag@aol.com.



I've been very busy, as I'm sure most of you have been as well. Even though this column comes to you well after the Thanksgiving turkey has been digested, holiday gifts have been opened, and celebration candles have been extinguished, it is actually being written while I am thick in the middle of all of the end of the year holiday madness. I hope that you all have survived the madcap rush to the New Year and are enjoying 2001. This column is filled with random news items and information.

**Pam Mandell** Freedman and husband Jon have moved to Paris, where Jon is on a two-to-five-year global business development assignment. Pam also has a new assignment: son Will (born Aug. 5, '00). They would love to hear from fellow expats in Paris. **Karl** and **Karen Fann Townsend** report the birth of their second baby, Austin Karl. Austin joins big sister Sierra. **Davy Zonerach** and wife Amanda welcomed daughter Lauren Julia in 2000. **Adrienne McVicker Reing** reports that "as an embryologist at a highly successful IVF program in West Orange, NJ, I enlisted my co-workers to help **Charles '86** and me start our own little family. One IVF child, Abigail Sara, was delivered from a gestational carrier in PA." Adrienne and her family are all incredibly joyous over the arrival of this miracle child.

**James Richardson** reports that he has a new job as senior scientist at Genovo Inc. in Sharon Hill, PA. After ten years of marriage, Jim and wife **Lisa (Magid)** are very happy with sons Michael James and Matthew Phillip. News from **Kathleen Bliss** Callow: She and her 5-year-old son Mark traveled to Antigua, Guatemala, with the God's Child Project to volunteer for two weeks. She has been sponsoring a child's education with this program for three years. She had the opportunity to meet the child and her mother. She, along with 28 volunteers, spent time in Guatemala putting the finishing touches on a new school building and library, and building six simple houses. She was able to see the new school building dedicated and learned a lot about the poor in Guatemala.

**Amy Selick** Siegel is living in New Jersey with husband Jaime and 5-year-old daughter Morgan. She is a gynecologist working in private practice in Manhattan and on the faculty at NYU Medical Center. **Peter J. Davis** has four children (Whoa! Do you ever get any sleep?). He is a senior associate with the DC office of Morrison and Foerster where he specializes in intellectual property, particularly in the area of biotechnology and life sciences patent law.

Winning the award for coolest job this

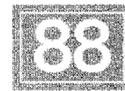
month is **Tiffany Vasilchik** who is still working as the director of consulting at Faith Popcorn's Brain Reserve. **Karen Lado** moved from Washington, DC, to Denver, CO, in late 1999. She is currently the director of the Denver office of the Enterprise Foundation, a national non-profit affordable housing and community development organization. **Sher-ry Logan** had a busy year. She traveled to India and Nepal for three months. Back in New York in April she started a new job with the New York Independent Budget Office as a senior budget and policy analyst, focusing on waste export and recycling issues. In September she was married to Eli on a vineyard on Long Island. Several classmates attended: **Mick Gilbert**, **Liza Wilson**, **Ellen Dodson**, and **Sandy Williams**.

**Frank Goldman, JD '94**, and **Lynn Wurzburg** are living in Atlanta. Frank has started his own small law firm in Atlanta, called Mattern, Fisher & Goldman, and Lynn continues as the vice president for human resources at CNN. **Karen Morel** Joostema juggles work for AT&T wireless in marketing and lots of fun "mommy activities" for Katherine and Kristin (who, by the way, at 2 years old can sing the Cornell "Alma Mater"). **Scott A. Holter** has joined Meaden & Moore, a regional accounting and business consulting firm in Cleveland, OH, as a senior manager with the Management Consulting Group. **James R. Whitley** recently received the eighth annual Naomi Long Madgett Poetry Award for his manuscript, "Immersion." James is also completing his law degree at Northeastern U. **Stuart Kolinski** recently joined Regeneron Pharmaceuticals as the vice president, general counsel, and secretary. **Stephanie Day** Williams has been promoted to director of hotel sales at the Inn on Biltmore Estate. She will oversee all aspects of hotel sales.

**Hollis Thomases** wrote to let us know that she was recently selected to receive the Aetna Smart Solutions award for the DC Metropolitan Area for her work as President and Founder of WebAdvantage.net (www.webadvantage.net). WebAdvantage.net is a full service Internet marketing, advertising, and public relations firm. This award recognizes the importance of creativity in successful leading-edge operations. Congratulations to Hollis.

And in keeping with last months theme of regional news . . . Classmates living in the Peach State include **Eric A. Szweda**, whose third daughter was born in May. **June Bell** is loving working from home as an editor at the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and free-lancing. **Melissa Harshman** is associate professor of art at the U. of Georgia. From Louisiana: **Joanne Tetens** is working on her PhD at LSU. From Florida: **Paul Di Giorgio**, wife, and two children live in Delray Beach. From Portland: **Gus Espinosa** announces the birth of his first child, Julia Noelle. From Pennsylvania: **Tom Riford** traveled to Maui with his three children, and recently accepted a new position as COO of Name Engine-Register Free, a very successful dot-com company. From Delaware: **Brooke Johnson** White is

busy running a small luxury hotel and raising her triplets Colin, Camryn, and Lauren. From South Carolina: **Jill Eskin Major** HaLevi had a mini-reunion with former housemates **Jenny Wang**, MA '91, **Andrea Blander**, and **Tammy Wang '86**, MA '91. From North Carolina: **Andrea Karen Blythe** Dickerson is practicing obstetrics and gynecology in Fayetteville. She has children Adriana, 6, Theresa Ann, 3, and Edward V., 10 months. ♦ **Debra Howard** Stern, 235 W. 108th St. #45, NYC 10025; e-mail, dstern@acksys.com; and **Tom S. Tseng**, c/o SOAR, Stanford U., 301 Encina Hall, Stanford, CA 94305-6076; e-mail, tstseng@stanford.edu.



**Corinne Orts-Gunkle** lives in Center Valley, PA, with husband and Gavin, 4, Monica, 2, and Spencer, born May 24. Corinne enjoyed a five-month maternity leave before returning to work as a technical manager at Lucent Technologies, microelectronics division. **Kaveh Alizadeh**, MD '93, returned from a volunteer surgical mission to South America, performing mostly reconstructive plastic surgery on children, and planned a similar trip to the Middle East in the fall with the Physicians for Peace organization. Kaveh maintains a cosmetic plastic surgery practice on Long Island and in New York City.

**Kimberly Brockett** (kb222@cornell.edu) has currently relocated to the New Haven (CT) County area and would love to hear from local alumni, as well as become involved in alumni events. **Peter Moss** and wife Georgie are new parents to son Andrew. Peter, who lives in Princeton, NJ, was promoted to partner in the NYC office of Jackson Lewis, where he practices labor and employment law. **Karen Franklin** Smith works at John Hancock Financial Services (Boston), where she manages the company's retirement plans. Karen is mom to Andrew, almost 4, and Shannon, born February 3.

I'm sorry for this month's abbreviated column. (Cornell Magazine policy regarding publication of engagements vs. weddings and pregnancies vs. births prevents me from explaining further. Stay tuned!) ♦ **Diane Weisbrot** Wing, 727 Anita St., Redondo Beach, CA 90278; e-mail, AXEL3@aol.com; **Larry Goldman**, 139 W. Maple Ave., Denver, CO 80223; e-mail, lig2@cornell.edu.



By the time this article is published, the maple syrup will be flowing in upstate New York and winter will be almost out of energy . . . but as I type this up, the "lake ef-

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fect" snows continue to pound western New York. It's a good day to be writing in a basement office with a wood stove!

Headlining is news from out west in Phoenix where **Alisa "Tex" Schmitz** (alisan@fh.org) has made home. She is very busy with world travel as the associate director

## “Part of my research was kind of like watching paint dry or grass grow.”

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of church relations at Food for the Hungry, an international Christian relief and development organization. Tex writes that she recently saw **Peggy Siegel** Hauter and daughter Emily, as well as **Scott Ainslie '88**, MBA '96, when he was on business in Phoenix. Alisa keeps busy with work-related travel and goes snow skiing whenever she can. She would love to hear from any of the Baker/Boldt West Campus gang, Kappas, and Language House residents.

**Roger Pilc** wouldn't get us caught up, but his wife Mary Beth Carney sent news that after grad school at Stanford and an MBA at Harvard, he's the vice president and general manager of Web hosting and Internet services at Winstar Communications in Manhattan. Roger and Mary Beth make their home in Cos Cob, CT, and enjoy world travel for fun. Roger still works on his jump shot weekly. Contact him at rpilc@winstar.com.

With news of babies being born, **Melinda Fellner** Bramwit of Bedminster, NJ, writes that she and husband Mark welcomed Harry Ethan on March 15, '00. Mark is a radiologist in New Brunswick and Melinda is an attorney in Florham Park, NJ. Melinda writes, "While on maternity leave, I created www.mommies-nj.com. 'Mommies' is a great website which is the information source for New Jersey moms and moms-to-be." The site is information-rich, with very helpful links to information sources. Expansion plans include New York City, California, and other areas. Good luck, Melinda.

Cornell couple **Deb Silverman Shames** and husband **Martin** send news of their new addition: Matthew Daniel arrived Sept. 10, '99 (4-1/2 hours from 9/9/99!). Deb tells us she is taking two years off for maternity leave from her job as a guidance counselor at the River Dell High School in Oradell, NJ. I'm sure Matthew and big brother Jonathan Abraham (now 3) will treasure the time and keep you more busy than if you were at the job. Martin continues professionally as a management consultant at Ernst & Young. After a law degree from Indiana U. in Bloomington, IL, and a health law degree from St. Louis U., **Doug Blair** works as a staff attorney for BJC Healthcare System in St. Louis.

Although the exact date wasn't provided, we can congratulate **Andrea Reinwald** on her marriage to Paul Dabbar. Andrea is a director of marketing for licensed products at the Golden Books Family Entertainment Co. in

New York. Paul is a vice president for mergers and acquisitions at J.P. Morgan & Company in New York. On August 20, 2000, wedding bells rang for **Francine Hirsch** and Mark Hessman. Francine started the fall of 2000 with a new appointment as assistant professor of Russian and Soviet history at the U. of

Wisconsin. After Cornell, she earned a master's in Russian studies and a master's and PhD in Russian and Soviet history from Princeton. Prior to her new job at the U. of Wisconsin, Francine was an assistant professor of Russian and Soviet history at SUNY Binghamton. Mark is a senior Web applications consultant for Genuity, providing Internet services to corporations. On Oct. 15, '00, **Tom Nemeth** married Laura Ryland Minor in Sonoma, CA. Cornellians in attendance were **Peter E. Lee '63**, **Jim Merry '87**, BS Eng '90, **Mark Lacy**, and **Azhar Khan '92**. Tom spent the six months prior to the wedding building a house in Oakland, CA, in which he and his new bride will live. Anyone who'd like to visit can contact Tom at tan6@cornell.edu.

News coming from Plantation, FL (west of Ft. Lauderdale), is an update from **Dan Canning**. After graduation, Dan went to Lyon, France, for six months to learn French and was seriously infected by the international business bug. Back stateside, Dan went to the U. of South Carolina for an MBA, specializing in international business, and worked for Avery-Dennison in Santiago, Chile, and Buenos Aires, Argentina, for a year. In the mid-'90s he moved to Miami, FL, and worked for Western Union's Latin America program. In the last six months, a B-school friend persuaded Dan to leave a "good job" and join the ranks of "dot-comers" with a start-up called latpro.com. Their company specializes in placement of bi-lingual and tri-lingual (English, Spanish, Portuguese) professionals in the US and Latin America. Send Dan an e-mail (dan@latpro.com). He'd love to hear from the Boldt Hall gang or some of the other men from Sigma Chi. ♦ **Mike McGarry**, 9754 Burns Hill Rd., West Valley, NY 14171; e-mail, mmcgarry@dma-us.com; **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, 5 Glenwood Rd., Plainview, NY 11803; e-mail, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Lauren Hoeflich**, 2000 Lincoln Park W., #1107, Chicago, IL 60614, lahoefflich@aol.com; and **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, 105 Overlake Park, Burlington, VT 05401; e-mail, ac98@cornell.edu.



Good things come in threes, and so it is that co-correspondents Alisa and Carole have passed the Mar/Apr column to me. If you think as a consequence that the class column has gone to the dogs, just hold

on, there, Sparky. You'd better ask **Laura Leasburg** Weis. She's a small animal veterinarian in Ottsville, PA, and had her first child in October 1999. Somehow, Laura found time to get together with **Jane Davenport**, MA '92, in Washington, DC, last Christmas. Perhaps you'd like a second opinion? I recommend **Alysia Sinrod** Reid. She works at a veterinary clinic in Maryland and "had a girl!" Rebecca Marie was born in June 1999. For those of us south of the Mason-Dixon line, **Lori Schneider** Curd might be able to offer some sound advice. She obtained her degree in veterinary medicine from Oklahoma State in 1998 and works as a medical advisor for Mission Animal Hospital in Texas. She has kids Tyler, born August 1996, and Karen Ann, born May 1999, and would especially like to hear from animal science/Ag classmates. Everyone west of the Mississippi should direct inquiries to **Lori Hanchett Brockman**, wife our classmate **Ivan**. She finished Cornell's Vet school in 1994 and worked full-time until their daughter Sara was born in November 1999. Now she stays at home while Ivan, who received his law degree from Penn in 1994, works at Goldman Sachs as an investment banker in Menlo Park, CA. Folks a little closer to the slope should contact **Holly Jean Nachbar** Heidelberger, who took a three-week mission trip to Tanzania, Africa, with her husband and four youth group members. Holly's brother, **Scott Nachbar '87**, DVM '91, is opening his own veterinary clinic in Springville, NY, and may be able to provide a definitive diagnosis.

What if it's contagious? Is there a doctor in the house? Good thing **David Sam** finished his residency in family medicine at Brown U. and began his practice in Providence, RI. I also feel better knowing that **Jessica Lattman** graduated NYU medical school in 1994 and finished her residency at Manhattan Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital in 1998. She married **David Rosenberg '89**, MD '93, and their daughter's second birthday is March 4. **Lisa Baylor** David finished her residency in otolaryngology (that's "ear, nose, and throat" for us non-medical types) and began private practice in Opelousas, LA. She hooked up with **Margaret King** Coleman, MS HE '96, in New York City last March. After I finish typing this, I may need to consult with **Moody Kwok**, who finished a hand surgery fellowship at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and joined a group of orthopedists in Willow, PA, as head surgeon. **Ray Baculi** finished his family medicine residency at Valley Medical Center in Renton, WA. **Jennifer (Bergoine)** and **Philip Wilken** both finished up medical training, he in internal medicine/pediatrics and she in pathology. They are both in private practice in Orange County, NY. **Deborah Thibodeau** and her husband moved to Simsbury, CT, after living in California for six years. She's working in prenatal genetics at the U. of Connecticut Health Center and enjoying life in New England.

**Doug Alling**, ME M '91, is in good company. He finished his internal medicine and pediatrics residency at Ohio State and

started work in both specialty areas with the Canandaigua Medical Group. He and wife **Sally (Hawkins) '89** welcomed their second child last July, and they love being back in upstate New York. If I haven't put you to sleep yet, **Lauren Berkow** can help, she joined the faculty at Johns Hopkins as an anesthesiologist.

Now that I think about it, it could be just a good old case of spring fever. I remember sitting in class and staring out onto the Arts Quad and watching a fluffy sheepdog freely frolicking for freshmen from Framingham. It might not be sunny on the Hill in March, but spring brings word of new beginnings. **Christy Clark Pambianchi** relocated to upstate NY when she and husband **Mike '89** accepted positions with Corning Incorporated. They became parents to Phineas in September 1999 and they love it! Christy also tells that Mike just finished his MBA at Harvard. Word about town also has it that **Alok Reejhsinghani** became vice president/convertible trader in the convertible bond department within the equity trading department of US Bancorp Piper Jaffray in San Francisco.

There are more graduations to report! **Deborah Dubois** graduated from George Washington U. with an MBA and chums **Becky Holmes** and **Cristy Boccuti '91** helped her celebrate in style. She is manager of Industry Analysis for Blackboard Inc., an Internet software company. **Jeannine Cavender-Bares** received her PhD in biology from Harvard and started a dream job at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center in Washington, DC. **Chet Scoville** received his PhD from the U. of Toronto English department. **Cheryl Grant Ferris** finished up her MBA in marketing and operations management at NYU and works for Pepsi in Purchase, NY, as a business planner, overseeing national sales and education. **Alice Vessel** received her dental degree from Tufts in May 1999 and started practice in Colorado Springs while **Rodrigo Levy**, ME C '94, finished his MBA at the U. of Chicago school of business. His son, Jacob Alexander, was born shortly thereafter. **Ming Shao** graduated from Harvard Law School in 1994 and recently became senior counsel at MicroStrategy Incorporated in Vienna, VA. He keeps in touch with **Julian Ha** and **Diana Choi**, ME E '92. **Scott Blake** is working on a second master's degree at Columbia U., and his son, Benjamin James, was born in September 1999. **Scott Beijer** has two kids and is still working with Pepsi Bottling Group in Pueblo, CO, as the area sales manager. He's had sightings of both **Jeff Capra** and **John Rossettie** in Colorado. **Sumi Lee Kim** started with Goldman Sachs & Co. as vice president, equities management, and husband **Stephan** joined a hedge fund called the Shoreline Group in NYC. More good news, **Lisa Lilienfeld** and her husband still love working together in the psychology department at Georgia State U. She writes that **Beth Rosen** married Stanford grad Nathaniel Shiedley at a wildlife sanctuary in Wellesley, MA, in June 2000.

That's all for now! Send thoughts, comments, and updates to: ❖ **Amanda Willis**,

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## REUNION

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Can you believe it? Our 10th Reunion is coming soon. It is scheduled for Thursday to Sunday, June 7-10, 2001! Will you be there? There's a whole section of the new Class of 1991 website dedicated to Reunion 2001: [www.classof91.cornell.edu](http://www.classof91.cornell.edu). At the site you'll find everything you need to know about the festivities. It is updated all the time, so check back frequently. I am writing this in December—I hope your holiday season was wonderful.

I received an e-mail from **Jeremy Dodds**, ME C '92, last summer. He wrote, "I am living on Cape Cod now and working as a high school math teacher. I got married last summer (1999). Her name is Kristin and she teaches at the same high school." **Andrew Puzio**, MPA '92, e-mailed this update: "Aidan Kyle Puzio, was born on Oct. 4, '00." Maybe we're looking at a member of the Class of 2022! **Liza Cohen** makes her Class Notes debut this month with this e-mail: "I wanted to share that I got married in September to William Tillinghast. Cornellians at the wedding included: **Sarah Walkling**, **Susan Lyons**, **Scott Rix**, **Beth Kravchuck Hensel '92**, **Wendy Griffen Valente '92**, **Karen Hovorka '92**, and **Kevin Lyons '92**. We are living in Manhattan where I am the director of business development at a B2B Internet company called MaritimeDirect." Good to hear from someone new! Thanks, Liza!

**Jennifer Leeds** and **Rob Hess** e-mailed this happy news: "Our son, Tjaden Adam (Recognize the name? Next time you're standing in front of Sibley, look to the left!) turned two in October! We get to see **Julie Voveris** a lot. Rob is at BioTrove, the biotech company where he is vice president of business development. I'm finishing up my postdoc at Harvard Med and hope to be hired soon! I spent the last four years hanging out with **George O'Toole '88**, as he was postdocing across the hall! We speak to **Amy (Lawrence)** and **Alex Flueck**, PhD '96, a lot and got to see them and their son Ian this summer in Ithaca (where they were attending the wedding of **Jamie Dumas**, MS Ag '95). We spend a lot of time in Ithaca, as my mother recently married EE professor Terry Fine!" **Lucinda Rosenfeld** also makes her big Notes debut this month. She e-mailed the following: "Hi! This is my first time writing in. I live in Brooklyn, NY, am (gasp) unmarried and childless, own no property, have not woken up via an alarm clock in many years, and am quite happy, thank you. What else? In September, after five years of hard labor, my first novel, *What She Saw* . . . , was published by Random House. Which is to say, please buy a

copy! It's basically a dark comedy about all the guys in one girl's life, beginning in fifth grade and continuing into her 25th year. Currently in its second printing, the book was excerpted in the *New Yorker* magazine in early July, and got great reviews everywhere from *Vogue* to the *LA Times* to "All Things Considered" on NPR. Meanwhile, Miramax has purchased the film rights; with any luck, the movie will be in production by early 2002. It's been an interesting year. That's about it. Not sure if I'll get to Reunion or not. I've just started a new novel. I don't miss college."

Some happy news from **Carolyn Richmond**: "**Sharon Kaufman** and **Dan Moreland** were married at the Puck Building in New York City on Sept. 24, '00. (To further the Cornell theme, the rehearsal dinner was held at the Cornell Club.) In attendance was **Debbie Rogow Silverstein**, **Karyn Ginsberg**, **Tracy Stemple**, MS Ag '93, **Karen Rosenberg '92**, **Susan Segalowitz** Bernbach, **Wyatt Gotbetter**, MPA '92, **Jon Fisher**, **Amy Carver '90**, and best man **George Brenlla '92**. Sharon has also become a named law partner in Schoenfeld, Moreland & Reiter, PC, in Shrewsbury, NJ, while Dan continues to practice labor law in NYC. **Meredith Clark** Shachoy e-mailed, "Just went to **Elizabeth Kuo's** wedding in NYC. It was quite an affair with many different events focused around food. The reception was at the Rainbow Room and just beautiful. Other Class of '91 in attendance: **Krissy Hurley**, **Heather Bracher**, **Jill Weisman**, MBA '97, **Sabrina Strickland**, **Hilary Morse** Carver, **Elleke Monster** Haggerty, and **Richard Fertig**. It was great to see everyone and we all had a wonderful time. The bride and groom are off to Hawaii!"

**Michael Reading**, ME M '92, wrote, "I was married on July 15, '00 to Christine Mansfield in Worcester, MA. Many friends and family from Cornell were able to make the trip to attend the wedding. Cornell alumni in attendance were **Craig Bloom**, BS Eng '93, **Will** and **Chika Aker Dow**, **Eric "Ersk" Jones '93**, **Rich Kowalczyk**, **David "Norm" Kroll**, **Deb Reading** Leuffen '85, **Jon "Tablewine."** '94, ME CS '95, and **Jen Pierson Logan '95**, **Will '89**, MBA '92, and **Diane Holynski Neafsey**, ME I '92, **Doug Pascale**, ME I '92, **Joe** (Michael J.), ME I '92, and **Beth Livolsi Riordan '92**, **Pat (Herrington)** and **Skip Singley**, both '55, **Andy Vitolins '93**, and **Jeff**, MD '95, and **Robyn Lipsky Weintraub**. A fun time was had by all and we closed the evening by singing the Cornell "Alma Mater." After a wonderful honeymoon in Hawaii, we are living in our new house in West Newbury, MA." The *Worcester Sunday Telegram* added that Christine is a graduate of Boston College and received a master's degree in teaching from Simmons College in Boston. She is a fifth grade teacher at the Bagnall School in Groveland, MA. Michael works for software.com in Lexington, MA, as a technology consultant.

**Jill Cohen-Garcia** wrote that she gave birth to a son on Sept. 13, '00. His name is Ryan Joseph. Congratulations! **Joel Freund-**

lich, MC CH '92, and wife Karen "most joyfully" welcomed their daughter Grace into the world on Sept. 8, '00. She is their first child and is keeping them quite busy with her many talents. Joel, Karen, and Grace reside in Princeton, NJ, where Joel works for a biotech company. Karen is a full-time mom/part-time consultant. Grace plays with her teddy bear Ezra given to her by godfather **Roddy Shuler.** **Sargent Gardiner** was married to Aimee Nassau in Washington, CT. Sargent is an architect with Robert A.M. Stern Architects in New York. He earned a master's from Penn. Aimee is a Dartmouth College and Fordham Law School graduate. She is an associate at Friedman, Wang, & Bleiberg in New York. **Marc Paul** married Nancy Furman in Mamaroneck, NY, on Sept. 17, '00. Marc went on to get a law degree at Penn after Cornell. Nancy went to Yale (we forgive), followed by Harvard Law. Both are associates at Washington law firms.

Fellow meteorology major **Gary Wojcik** e-mailed me recently. Here is some of what he had to say: "I am still in graduate school. For my dissertation, I am studying how weather conditions influence curing concrete on bridge decks, over the first four days after it is poured. If the temps get too high, the concrete can crack and will be generally weaker. I've taken endless good-natured ribbing about this as part of my research was to go to bridges that are being poured and monitor for four days—its kind of like watching paint dry or grass grow. I actually do like this project a lot because it is a practical problem. I had left school for about a year and worked as a fund-raiser for an environmental group, and also worked for an archaeologist for awhile—this job was really cool! I decided I wanted to finish the program here, but that I wanted to do some practical, applied research. Fortunately, the NYS Dept. of Transportation wanted info on how weather affects curing concrete—the timing worked out." Great to hear from you, Gary!

After this one, I have only one column left to write. If you want this position, let us know! ♦ **Kevin Lemanowicz**, 25 Fox Dr., Dedham, MA 02027; e-mail, KPL6@cornell.edu; and **Linda Moerck-Cisz**, 2 Susan Dr., Northport, NY 11768; e-mail, cisz\_mark@jpmorgan.com.

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Thanks for the e-mail messages. Please continue to update us with your news. Also, let us know any news you have about friends you keep in touch with (make sure they want it publicized, of course!). E-mails keep the news recent so feel free to bombard us!

In August 2000, **Danielle Girard's** first suspense novel, *Savage Art*, was released in paperback. Her second book, *Ruthless Game*, will be out in June 2001. Danielle and husband **Chris Kraus** are living in the San Francisco Bay Area, where Chris works for PKF Consulting along with classmate **Shelley Halloran**. Danielle and Chris are also very busy with their daughter Claire Elizabeth, born Jan. 14, '00. Congratulations to **Jessica (Weiner)** and

**Barney Feingold** who were married on Aug. 26, '00 at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City. Among the many Cornellians in attendance (including Barney's parents), were '92ers **Jennifer Conn, Victoria Draper, Stephen Dexter, Adam Klausner, Laura Carucci, Carmen Disunno, Kevin Drumm, Sajal Dutta, Benny Woo, Jeffrey Earle, Ginnae Harley, Perry Hindin, Kenda Kroodsma, Jason Lehner, Christina McCormack, Dana Rozansky, and Wes '88 and Erica Wallace Somerville.** Following their wedding Jessica and Barney took a rainforest honeymoon in Costa Rica and had a great time.

All of Jessica's and Barney's wedding guests have news, too. In Manhattan, Jennifer Conn is an associate with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, and Victoria Draper is studying Italian while working at US Trust. On the doctor front, Adam Klausner is Chief Resident at Mt. Sinai, in Urology, and Laura Carucci is a radiologist at the U. of Pennsylvania. Sajal Dutta, living in Nashville with wife Manjuó Sajal, is a doctor and a new dad. Benny Woo, also a doctor, lives in Ohio with wife Elizabeth and son Brennan. Ginnae Harley received her MBA from Washington U. in St. Louis and moved to Atlanta. Perry Hindin was married in May 2000 and is living outside of Washington, DC. Jason Lehner and wife Susan are living and working in Toronto and are the proud parents of Rachel. Christina McCormack has been living and working in London for the past few years, and Wes and Erika Somerville are living in Philadelphia where Wes works for the Prince Music Theater.

Wedding bells also rang for **Suzanne Bystrak** and Graeme Miller, who were married on May 22, '99 in Suzanne's hometown of Fairport, NY. **Jenny Abbott, Kate Buehl, Heidi Grenek, ME M '93, Linda Sbarra, Amy Sussman, and Laura Weisbein** were there to celebrate. More wedding news from **Steven Barber** and Andrea Tobias, who were married on Oct. 7, '00. **Chrissy Sadowski** Frutschy writes that she is working for Intel in Arizona and is in close touch with **Beth Wrona**, who is living in London. **Audrey Van Voolen** Kissel received her PhD in clinical psychology in May 2000. After receiving her PhD, Audrey started an internship at Georgetown U. Medical Center's pediatrics department.

**David Fishbach** recently moved to Boston and is working as a project manager with a clinical trial software company called Phase Forward. Prior to his entry into the dot-com world, David spent eight years with the Dow Chemical Company. **Kelly McKittrick** is living in Seattle, teaching eighth grade human biology at a private school. Kelly vacationed in Romania in 1999 and planned to climb Mt. Rainier this year. **Adam Jordan** is the director of product development for Zowie Entertainment and is living in San Francisco. **Marguerite Duane**, MHA HE '94, graduated from medical school at SUNY Stony Brook in May 2000 and is now in a family medicine residency program in Lancaster, PA. **Bridget Coll** is living in Montclair, NJ, and working as

a personal trainer and sports nutritionist at a private spa in Cedar Grove, NJ.

We look forward to hearing from you soon. Write (the old-fashioned pen and paper way) or e-mail us with your news. Remember, we cannot report engagements or pregnancies, but please let us know when the happy weddings and births happen! ♦ **Debbie Feinstein**, 6114 Temple St., Bethesda, MD 20817; e-mail, Debbie\_Feinstein@yahoo.com; and **Renee Hunter** Toth, 3901 Thomas Dairy Lane, North Garden, VA 22959; e-mail, rah24@cornell.edu.

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We have a bunch of new news to report this column so we'll get right to it. Wedding bells were ringing for our class again as **Anastasia "Stacey" Malacos** married Kevin Robert La Follette in Rye, NY, in November 2000. Stacey is currently an assistant director for programs and media projects in Manhattan for the Council on Foreign Relations. Also tying the knot were **Andrew Cohen** and Natasha Sinel in Washington in October 2000. Andrew is a senior associate working on debt issues for Whitney & Company in Stamford, CT. Portland, OR, was the setting when **Mary Lou Mercer** wed Trent Green, also in October 2000. The newlyweds honeymooned in Hawaii and now live in Chicago where Mary is a health-care consultant for Cap Gemini Ernst and Young in Chicago. The wedding party included **Gabrielle Ritchie** Richter. September 2000 saw the wedding of **Gretchen Trefny** to Jason Sears at Historic Rock Ford in Pennsylvania. The couple lives in Philadelphia where Gretchen is employed by the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society as a public landscapes project manager. **Shiley Lechner** served as one of Gretchen's bridesmaids. Shiley currently resides in Chapel Hill, NC.

In news that's a little old, in April 1999, **Melissa Carver** married Gregory Sottile in Farmington, CT. Melissa and Greg live in a 218-year-old colonial in Hartland, CT. Melissa writes that "the restoration is a never-ending project for us!" Joining them at their wedding were Cornellian friends and family including: Melissa's dad, **Paul Carver '49**, MEng '57, **Lawrie** (Lawrence D.) **Jackson**, MS Eng '56, **Oskar '59** and **Wynne Barringer Rogg '59, Debra Alzner Martin, Christy (Bleyle) and Yanai Frank, ME C '94, and John and Patty Noonan.** Melissa is still a principal consultant with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Hartford, working in human resources consulting. In September 2000 Melissa graduated with her MBA in marketing from the U. of Georgia, so she's "happy to finally have some free time after the past two years!" Melissa finished her second Boston Marathon in April 2000, improving her time by more than 30 minutes and finishing in under four hours.

This month's prize for most exotic wedding location goes to **Margo M. Kramer '92, BS Ag '93**, who married Jonathan Hall in Holland. Margo's parents live in Holland and her husband's are from Rome. The couple are taking up residence back in the states though,

in Colorado Springs, CO. Margo is a physician's assistant with Pikes Peak Cardiology. Runners up for most exotic wedding locale are **Douglas Eisenberg**, BS '95, and Wendy Abels. Their marriage took place in August 2000 at Vail Mountain in Colorado. The couple met while they both served as editors on the *Law Review* at Brooklyn Law School. Douglas is the managing director for acquisitions and finance at Urban American Partners in Union City, NJ.

In professional news, **Robert C. Stokes III** has joined Solomon & Benedict PA as an associate. Robert graduated from the Georgetown U. Law Center. **Anthony Sciaccia** joined Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. as an associate director responsible for structuring and marketing credit derivatives. **Cornelia Taudt** writes that she is working for ADD Inc. in Miami Beach, FL. ADD is an architecture and interior design firm. **Jason Scopp** writes in that he recently celebrated his first anniversary and is applying for orthopaedic surgery fellowships in sports medicine. Jason hopes to move back to California in 2002. **David M. Fine**, JD '99, writes that he is living in New York City and working for the law firm of Arnold & Porter in Manhattan.

**Michelle Argersinger**, DVM '96, writes that she is working as a veterinarian at Westside Animal Hospital in Durham, NC. Michelle and husband Gregory Guilmette just bought their first house this past summer. **Jennifer Keiser** Babb writes that she is now Webmaster for Tektronix Inc. in Beaverton, OR. **Jason Halio** writes that he recently moved to Boston, MA, after finishing business school at Dartmouth. **Paul Trisket** also writes that he is a PC route manager for Orkin Pest Control in Syracuse, NY. **Scott** and **Julie Levinson Werner** report that they recently bought a house in Westfield, NJ. Scott is still working as a CPA for Ernst and Young, while Julie is an attorney specializing in employment law at Lowenstein Sandler PC in Roseland, NJ.

**Kim Martucci** writes that she is still doing weekend weather at WFXT in Boston. She joined her alumni rowing organization (BNIA Boat Club) in the women's 8s competition at last year's Head of the Charles Regatta. Their boat placed fourth out of 70 boats in their division. Congratulations to the team of all-Cornell-alum rowers. Joining Kim were: **Louisa Edgerly** '91, **Sandy Stroope** Dupcak '91, **Tory Frank** Canfield '92, **Gailyn Perrin** '94, **Jen Wolfson** '95, **Shaileen Crawford** Pokress '95, **Kim Rothman** '00, and coxswain **Chris Bassler** '88, MBA '99.

More future Cornellians were born recently, including Mollie Jordan Katzen to proud parents **Stuart** and **Erin Katzen**. Mollie, their first child, was born on Sept. 4, '00. The Katzens live in Bala Cynwyd, PA, where Stuart is the owner and director of Montgomery Chiropractic. **Kelly Ann Voll** Foley reports that she is busy taking care of son Conner, born in 1996, and daughters Megan and Emily born in 1998 and 2000. The family plans to move to Germany in 2001.

Please remember that the more you write

in with your news, the more we have to publish in this column. We hope 2001 is starting off well for all of you. ♦ **Gregg Paradise**, 96 Fifth Ave., Apt. 17K, NYC 10011; e-mail, gparadise@Kenyon.com; and **Yael Berkowitz**, 310 W. 95th St., #7A, NYC 10025; e-mail, yberkowitz@buckconsultants.com.

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Following on the heels of recent wedding announcements from my fellow class correspondents **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasylik and **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, I'm happy to add my own good news. On July 22, '99, I wed Mark Borowsky at New York's City Hall before marrying him all over again in a formal ceremony at the U. of Toronto a year later. The heavens poured rain but the evening was great, thanks in part to my "best women" **Elizabeth Gonzalez**-Marcellino and **Carol Rim** Hanscom. In addition, there were enough Cornellians to fill the dance floor: **Larisa Alonso**, **Nico Marcellino**, BFA '95, **Chris Hanscom**, **Julie Jong**, **Doreen Lee**, **Mara Leff** '95, **Hemda Mizrahi**, **Praveena Nallainathan**, **Brian Penney**, **Seth Stuhl**, and **Kirstyn Cassavechia** and **Steven L. Smith**. According to Kirstyn, Oliver Stauffer Smith, their pride and joy, "was born Feb. 12, '00 (Charles Schultz's death date, according to the new mom) in Rochester's Strong Memorial Hospital."

It isn't too late to send your congrats to other new parents: **Sari Leichter** Nathan and her husband Rodney have a daughter Kelsey Brooke, who was born last May. Sari reported that **Amy Fischberg Aberman** and **Michael** '93 are also the parents of a little girl, Alexis Sophie. Another classmate in the Newlywed Game is **Kaye Anderson**, who married Jeffrey Frank last March in San Francisco (**Dena Huff** was a bridal attendant). Kaye is the director of social services at "a residential treatment center for teens with mental and emotional disturbances." Courtesy of the *New York Times*, we learn that **Marni Miller** wed Bennett Spencer on October 21 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Philadelphia, and that the couple now resides in Chicago. **Rosario Gonzalez**, a middle school science teacher in Hollywood, FL, recently tied the knot with **Luis Rodriguez** '93 in a religious ceremony attended by **Mari Carmen** Cividanes, **Rosellina Ferraro**, MS '98, **Emily Brown**, **Diane Pena**, **Veronica Avila**, **Erick Carrera**, **Josue Bastera**, **Dorothy Isecke**, **Alejandro Colindres**, **Edward Negron**, **Mauricio Rodriguez** '95, **Fanny Wong**, **Victor Hernandez** '95, and **Enrique Chiriboga**.

**Carrie Kurtz** married classmate **Chris Turner** on September 9 in Miami. The guest list included our very own alumni class council president **Seth Klugherz** and his wife **Jolee** (Rosenau), as well as **Christina Do**, **Jennifer Feeney**, **Charlie Dawson**, **Adam Binder**, **Scott Alessandro** '96, **Sarah Wilkinson** '97, **Adam Borah**, **Michael Buckler** '96, **Doug Piper** '93, **Art Holmes** '95, **Amy Carpenter-Holmes**, **Lisa Mills**, **Tom**

**Boorady** '92, and **Bobby Bose**. Wrote Carrie, "A regular Cornell reunion! Strangely enough, we ran into **Jessica Garno** at the hotel. She was in town for her brother's wedding." **Frederick Mischler** reported the September wedding of **Paul De Marcellus** to Susan Duggan in Atlanta. In attendance were **Don Patterson**, ME E '95, **Corey**, ME E '95, and **Esther Hwang Wendling**, **Steve Conlon** (who is an admiral's aide in Puerto Rico), **Carla Zeppieri**, **Anne Keith**, **Kevin B. Smith**, and **Mark Antholt**, ME E '95, who resigned his commission as a Navy SEAL and currently plans to "roam the world for a year."

In career news, **Carrie Oliver** finished her MBA at Vanderbilt U. and now lives in Cleveland where she does "e-business strategy work for Deloitte Consulting." Carrie is racking up her frequent-flyer miles on business trips. Other travelers: **Leonardo Etcheto**, who is working in Canada; and **Neil Cantor**, who spent five weeks last year in France, Italy, and Spain, where he took "a crash course in art history and living out of a bag," followed by another five weeks spent "dodging bullets in Israel and Jordan." **Rob Stevens** is learning Japanese as he undergoes the difficult but fun job of opening a new office for FreeMarkets in Tokyo. He reported that **Dan Plafcan**, MA '00, is also in Tokyo, studying Japanese-US technology, and that **Ken Yamamoto** '99 is a fellow employee at FreeMarkets. **Andrew Leung**, ME I '95, and wife **Chuek Wah Ada Lee** '96 stayed closer to home in a sentimental journey to Ithaca, where they celebrated their first anniversary. Wrote Andrew, "We first met at the RPU dining hall. We actually went inside to take a look. It's very different now but still brings back a lot of memories." **Rebecca Shuford** is finishing up her master's degree in preparation for a PhD in marine science. She described her area of expertise as follows: "Specifically, I study life history traits of large pelagic migratory fishes such as yellowfin tuna."

**Gnanamba Varun Kondagunta**, MD '98, who will be starting a fellowship in hematology/oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering, is a third-year resident in internal medicine at NYU Medical Center. **Valerie McGuire**, a landscape architect for Baltimore City Dept. of Recreation and Parks, recently bought a house. I'm sure the grounds will be beautiful. **Amy Finkelstein Snider** is living in Fort Collins, CO, where husband **Matt** '95 runs a Web design company called Snider Designs. Amy works as the general manager of a women's semi-pro soccer team, which she founded five years ago. She might want to talk to **Daniel Weinberg**, a producer at ESPN

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who works on the "Sportscentury documentary series." **Renee Wicks** Boehnlein works for Fresenius Medical Care in Medina, OH, as a renal dietitian.

On a more sober note, **James K. Lee** reported back in November that he'd been diagnosed with Stage Four colon cancer in December 1999. He added that his condition had improved and that he had received get well cards from **Nicole Vantuno** and **Kristin Van Duynes**. ♦ **Dika Lam**, 204 E. 90th St., Apt. 4E, NYC 10128; e-mail, [DikaEsme@aol.com](mailto:DikaEsme@aol.com); **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasyluk, 1111A N. Taylor St., Arlington, VA 22201; tel. (703) 312-7031; e-mail, [dmp5@cornell.edu](mailto:dmp5@cornell.edu); **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, 155 E. 29th St., Apt. 10C, NYC 10016; e-mail, [jar1229@hotmail.com](mailto:jar1229@hotmail.com).



Greetings, everyone, and welcome to the beginning of spring! If only we still had spring break this time of year.

... and, for that matter, to have summer vacation looming in the near future. Now wouldn't that be great to have again!

For some of us, spring break and summer vacation are still very much a part of life, or at least were until very recently. Slick segue into graduate school news . . . **Jason Lee** ([lee7117@mit.edu](mailto:lee7117@mit.edu)) writes that he is currently pursuing an MS at MIT. Also in school, though on the other coast, is **So-Yon Ahn** ([ahn@2003.law.ucla.edu](mailto:ahn@2003.law.ucla.edu)), who sends word that she has started her first year at UCLA law school after five years working for Citigroup. **Jed Axelrod** ([ja1@cornell.edu](mailto:ja1@cornell.edu)) is currently a fourth-year medical student at SUNY Upstate Medical U. in Syracuse, NY, and is applying to residency programs in orthopedic surgery. In the "I'm done!" category, **Meredith Rosenberg** ([mqr6562@is.nyu.edu](mailto:mqr6562@is.nyu.edu)) recently completed her doctorate in child/school psychology at New York U.

**Letitia Chan** ([letitiachan@yahoo.com](mailto:letitiachan@yahoo.com)) was a bundle of news about her goings-on and those of several classmates. Letitia graduated from U. of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business in May 2000 and now lives in San

alyst. Thanks for the lowdown, Letitia!

Proceeding along life's natural progression, what should follow graduate school news, but job updates . . . and there are loads of 'em! Following the completion of her MS at Harvard, **Jennifer Ma** ([jenma@netvigatator.com](mailto:jenma@netvigatator.com)) returned to Hong Kong to join the advertising industry. Now she's started her own Internet company, [admanGo.com](http://admanGo.com) Ltd. In more start-up news, **Aaron Maass** ([aaron@maassmedia.com](mailto:aaron@maassmedia.com)) left his bank consulting position with KPMG in 1998 and started his own Internet marketing technology firm. He has sold his company and, since April, has worked as director of Internet Marketing for EF Education in Boston. Aaron was recently visited by **David M. Kelly**, who, after graduating from U. of Virginia medical school, is a resident in radiology in Miami. **Megan Cleary**, another alum in the Boston area, recently graduated from law school at Boston U. and works as a first-year associate in litigation at Martin, Magnuson, McCarthy, and Kenney. Leaving Boston, **Patrick Reuss** ([patrickr@benchmarkinc.com](mailto:patrickr@benchmarkinc.com)) moved to Raleigh/Durham, NC, to take a promotion as director of Benchmark HR Solutions Inc.'s Research Triangle Park office. Ensneced in the South, Patrick ran into **Daniel Hirschman**, who is an attorney with the Southern Environmental Law Center.

**Maria Daane** ([mdaane@aol.com](mailto:mdaane@aol.com)) is enjoying life in Oakland, CA, working as membership director for the YMCA, and meeting up with friends **Ryan Flynn** and **Nicole Carter** regularly in San Francisco. **Thomas Hughes** ([tchughes@gw.dec.state.ny.us](mailto:tchughes@gw.dec.state.ny.us)) is working for the NY State Dept. of Environmental Conservation in Stony Brook, NY, and recently received a permanent appointment to the Bureau of Freshwater Fisheries. Tom spends his free time with many classmates, including **Jeffrey Kline**, **Patrick Omilian**, **Veronica Brooks**, and **Janice Siegford**. **John "Jack" Jeziorski**, JD '98, is a member of the Business Litigation Service Group at Stites and Harbison in Louisville, KY. In Newtown, MA, **Holly Decker** ([hdecker@copernicusmarketing.com](mailto:hdecker@copernicusmarketing.com)), who

his local Cornell Club in southwest Ohio. "We're heading into an exciting year for alumni activities!" he says. **Michal Lieberstein** ([mliebers@lehman.com](mailto:mliebers@lehman.com)) is in New York working for Lehman Brothers and would like to hear from other Cornellians (please e-mail him!).

The update cards I received from **Bethany Spinler**, MAT '98 ([bspin1@excite.com](mailto:bspin1@excite.com)) and **Kristina Davenport**, MPS HA '95 ([krisport@visi.com](mailto:krisport@visi.com)) contained fountains of news (thank you both!). Bethany is one busy lady. She is teaching AP chemistry, volunteering with American Assn. for University Women, serving as chair of Education and Equity, a district leadership member for CALS alumni, and interviewing prospective students through Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN). Wow! In Bethany's spare time, she keeps in touch with **Paul Lengermann**, MS ILR '96, who is finishing his PhD at the U. of Maryland in labor economics; **Jason Nicoll**, who finished his law degree at NYU; **Todd Hodgman**, who works for a pharmaceutical company in NYC; and **Kellie Maunakea**, who works as a department manager for Liberty House in Hawaii. On to Kristina's note. She just moved back to her hometown of Minneapolis, started her own consulting company, and works with the ExxonMobil Travel Guide (I never knew they had a travel guide). In a mini-reunion of MPS HA '95 alumni, Kristina "spent a glorious weekend in Lake Tahoe" with **Miriam "Yama" Filipowicz** Foreman, **Adam Riess**, **James Munson**, **Susan Carlston** Graven, **Rachel Rothman-Ould**, and **Roger Ahlfeld**.

Continuing with the circle of life theme, our next stop is weddings! Which of us have taken the plunge recently? **Annemarie Segaric** e-mailed that she and **Jose Garcia '94** were married on Sept. 30, '00 in NY, with Cornellians in attendance including **Kavitha Chetty**, **Anne Marie O'Halloran**, **Sayaka Karitani**, and **Bob '94** and **Monique Dean Holden '94**. **Lillian (Bauer)**, MAT '96 ([lvanrompay@greenhillsschool.org](mailto:lvanrompay@greenhillsschool.org)) writes that she married classmate **Paul Van Rompay** in June 2000. "Cornellians there included **Mayank Thanawala**, who thrilled everyone by singing to us, Paul's mom, **Irene '65**, and my uncle, **Burt Knandel '57**, who designed marvelous floral arrangements for us." Quite the Cornell family affair!

If you were wondering why **Silas Martin** was missing from Reunion last June, it was because he was planning his wedding. On July 8, '00, Silas married Christa Kohler on his father's farm in New Hampshire. He writes, "We had a beautiful summer day and celebrated outside. There was a good Cornell contingent in attendance, starting with my dad **Peter Martin '67**, and two of my groomsmen, **Mike Bergelson** and **Andrew Clark '94**. Also on hand from New York were **Jan Pieter Hommen** and **Elif Bali**. Making the trip from Boston were **Andrew Gronewold** and **William "Chip" Rollinson**. **John Court '96** rolled in from DC, while **Jay Shimshack** represented the West Coast, traveling from Ber-

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Francisco, working at Thomas Weisal Partners with fellow Cornellian and Columbia Business School graduate **Karen Fellowes**. Furthermore, Letitia reports that **Michelle Madriaga** is a third-year student at UC Hastings Law School; **Dharinee "Sona" Sanganee** is in her second year at Harvard Business School; and **Christopher Chouinard** is in San Francisco at Bank of America as an Equity Research An-

never thought she'd be on the market research side of the world, is working in market research. **Abby Rapoport**, a pal of Holly's, is teaching second grade in New York City. **Brian Rose** ([brian.rose@airmail.net](mailto:brian.rose@airmail.net)) is an investment analyst at HBK Investments in Dallas, TX. **David Beck** ([becks@onebox.com](mailto:becks@onebox.com)) is senior purchasing manager at Procter and Gamble, and, more importantly, is president of

keley, CA. **Clay Carol '96** flew halfway around the world from where he is working in Indonesia."

And visiting the final phase to be discussed in this article, birth. **Helen Barfield** Prichett (prichett@episcopalhighschool.org) gave birth to daughter Baily West Prichett (love that name!) in September. Big congratulations to all those graduating, getting married or promoted, having children, and simply enjoying life! Thanks very much to all who sent in their snippets. Please keep them coming! ♦ **Abra Benson**, 575 Brimhall St., Saint Paul, MN 55116; e-mail, abm8@cornell.edu; **Alison M. Torrillo**, 1330 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Apt. 203, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, amt7@cornell.edu.

## REUNION

**96** Are you planning to attend Reunion 2001 on the weekend of June 7-10? Don't let your memories of disastrous prelims and fried cheese dinners at RPCC keep you from descending on Ithaca like a giddy freshman. If you've always longed to frolic on the Arts Quad—without the unrelenting pressure of undergraduate life—this is your opportunity. Of course, if you're a graduate student, you may want to bring a few books along. For more information or to update your address with Cornell, go to [www.classof96.cornell.edu](http://www.classof96.cornell.edu). Reunion Chair **Matthew Heberger** may need some help organizing the festivities, so e-mail him (mgh5@cornell.edu) if you would like to volunteer.

I'm kicking off this installment of *Wedding Watch 2001* with an e-mail from **Brian S. Wolkenberg**. Brian married Sari London (Brown '96) last June in Milwaukee, WI. He reports that "many other Cornellians participated in the spectacular three-day celebration, including my brother and best man **Scott Wolkenberg '98**, groomsman **Alan S. Becker**, my sister-in-law and groomsman **Adrienne Bratis '98**, and groomsman **Jeff Venuti**, ME E '97. **Susie C. Sohn** and **Darren Leung** were among other great friends who traveled to the Dairy Land to party and dance the Hora of the Millennium, along with **Bob '71** and **Nina Gordon Schwartz '71**, Sari's sister-in-law-to-be's parents. (Got that one? Hint: her brother is engaged.) A great time was had by all, and we look forward to swapping stories next June in Ithaca!"

**Alexandra Bonney** and **E. Timothy McAuliffe Jr. '95** tied the knot last November in East Hampton, NY. The wedding announcement, which appeared in the *New York Times*, says that Alexandra is a "sales associate for the fashion designers Mark Badgley and James Mischka." Her husband is an associate of the New York City law firm Kaufman, Borgeest & Ryan. A few of our classmates have returned to Ithaca to celebrate their nuptials with their friends and family. Medical student **Sumitra Chari** attended the wedding of **Laura Bogardus** and **Charles Rose**, MPA '97, at Sage Chapel in June and spotted **Patricia Halsey**, **Rebecca Sheil**, **Ailie Silbert**, **Paul O'Connor**, **Craig Rathmill**, **Jonathan Pinto**, ME C '99, **Gil Shapiro**, and

**Stephen Dadio**. Sumitra says that she has spent a few months trekking in the Indian Himalayas, and in the spring she's going to Ecuador for three months to work in hospitals and travel.

Cornell University graduate students **Stephanie Walker**, GR '96-97 (Wells College) and **Gregory Hoffman** were married at First Presbyterian Church in Ithaca. The groom's brother, Eric Hoffman, served as the best man. **Peter Kleinman '89**, PhD '99, was also a groomsman. Congratulations to all the happy couples.

Class correspondent **Courtney Rubin** passed on the following news from **Pinar Ustun**. She has moved back to Istanbul after working at Gensler NY and London as an interior designer. She worked for *National Geographic* affiliate *Gez* magazine until she decided to go back to design and currently works as the group sales director for the largest furniture manufacturer in Turkey, called Koleksyon. She will be in Havana with her Cornellian boyfriend **Oded Calderon Ashkenazi '90**, BArch '00, for New Year's. Pinar keeps in touch with **Nathalie Picquot '97**, **Sarah N. Ngo**, **Celia Koukouli '97**, **Giovanni Revedin '97**, **Cavit Oral '98**, and **Selin Maner '99**. Every summer for a week they make sure they meet and sail in the Mediterranean courtesy of Alesia Yachting.

Courtney has also done extensive traveling in Costa Rica (with **Erica L. Siegel**, MPA '97), Australia, and Boulder, CO. In addition to working full-time and writing for a variety of magazines, she finished her second Marine Corps Marathon in 2000.

For everyone who has submitted news but has yet to see his or her name, there's still hope! Here are a few items that didn't make it into my last column. **Jennifer Paige Adams** Graziano '96, DVM '99, is an equine/small animal vet in Middleboro, MA. She bought a house in the same town and would love to have visitors and hear from old friends. **Nicole A. Bell** graduated from Tufts U. school of medicine on May 21, '00. According to a letter from Lenox A. Bell, she will "pursue training in obstetrics and gynecology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine-Long Island Jewish Medical Center." **Kerry A. O'Brien** is entering her fourth year in a PhD program focusing on how to overcome drug resistance. Finally, **Amy Broderick** graduated from UCLA law school. She took a long (one month) vacation in Europe and began working at a downtown LA law firm in October. If you have any news to share, please write one of your class correspondents. You can also use *Cornell Magazine* online ([cornell-magazine.cornell.edu/](http://cornell-magazine.cornell.edu/)) to make updates. To contact me, please use the e-mail address Allie.Cahill@tvguide.com. I have acquired more than my share of e-mail accounts over the last five years, but this is the only one I actually use. ♦ **Allie Cahill**, 519 Ninth St., Brooklyn, NY 11215; tel., (718) 832-7727; e-mail, Allie.Cahill@tvguide.com; **Courtney Rubin**, 1727 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Apt. 403, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, crubin@washingtonian.com; and **Sheryl Magza-**

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Notice a familiar face on the "Today" show last summer? Perhaps you were one of the 30 million people watching

**Ruby Huang's** television debut on Monday, August 21. Ruby was one of the people demonstrating urban rebounding, a new fitness program, with Katie Couric and Matt Lauer. Also in New York City, **Megan Clark** is still at Calvin Klein, where she works as a public relations manager drumming up publicity for fashion shows and the women's collection. She visited Turkey with **Josh Eisenberg '96**, JD '00, and keeps in touch with **Lynn Stravinski**, **Sarah Glovsky**, **Emily Mead**, **Todd Jacobson**, **Jenn Tishman '96**, **James Eisenberg '96**, **Elizabeth Guevara**, and **Maneli Garahan**. **Anne Gorham** has also done some traveling. She's been to Brazil twice doing research for her master's in soil science, which she'll be collecting this spring.

**Shirin Doratotaj** (shirin@chickmail.com) is in her second year at Jefferson Medical School in Philadelphia. **April Bruning** (aprilbruning@yahoo.com) lives in Cambridge, MA, and works in Boston at Copley/Wolff Joint Venture Landscape Architects. **Laura Goddard** (lgoddard@ucdavis.edu) is in graduate school at U. of California, Davis studying entomology and coaching polo. She's seen **Steve Lasher**, MS I '98, **Mary Beth Turell**, **Margaret Macris**, and **Dan Murray**. In May, **Kevin Wells** (kevinwells@yahoo.com) said he had been accepted into a dual master's program in International Relations and Korean Studies. He will spend his first year at American U. in Washington, DC, and his second year at Korea U. in Seoul. **Chris Groppi** started his fourth year in the PhD program in astronomy at the U. of Arizona, where he specializes in learning how stars and planets form. He observes microwave radiation emitted by molecules like carbon monoxide in star-forming gas clouds and designs radio receivers used to detect this information. Chris planned to spend one month at the South Pole this winter installing a radio receiver he helped build on a telescope. He notes **Janice Lee '95**, MA IN T '96, is a second-year student in the program. **Anne-Marie Compton** (ac23@dana.ucc.nau.edu) is also in Arizona, studying chemistry as a graduate student at Northern Arizona U.

On the East Coast, **Gareth Davis** (gadavis@mac.com) started working for the USDA's Plant Germplasm Quarantine Office in Beltsville, MD, in March 2000. The office handles a large portion of the plants coming into the country that go to germplasm storage centers; Gareth works on eliminating contamination (e.g., bacteria, viruses, fungi) so that the material can be released to the intended recipients. **Carl Mittleman** (mittleman-carl@aramark.com) has left the Mile High City and relocated to Pittsburgh where he is ARAMARK's general manager at PNC Park, the baseball park for the Pittsburgh Pirates slated to

open in April 2001. Carl's bought a house and has begun to settle in. **Jeremiah Grossman** (jlg9@cornell.edu) has been working as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Philippines for two years, and last year applied for a one-year contract extension through July 2001. Jeremiah is helping squatter farmers living in a national park by developing alternative livelihood projects that are more environmentally responsible and have higher potential than their traditional slash-and-burn farming. Jeremiah said he came home in July 1999 to see **Aldora Wun** and **Jarek Hepel** tie the knot. **Tamarra Strawn** (tls5@cornell.edu) was planning to work for Dillingham & Murphy in San Francisco last summer and looking forward to graduating from Cornell Law School this spring. Tamarra spent a summer at Cornell's Summer Institute of International and Comparative Law in Paris, and has kept up with **Brad Marshall**, **Heather Sandford '98**, **Esra Acet**, and **Luke Shoberg**.

After working two-and-a-half years in Washington, DC, **Brian Yeh** moved to San Francisco in April 2000 to work as a network engineer for Scient Corp., an Internet consulting firm. In September 2000, he and **Josh Norek** served as groomsmen at the wedding of **Jay Venkatesan** in Merced, CA. **Mona Walls**, a doll artist, has launched Monalala Dolly. She hopes to branch into children's clothing in the coming year. The company can be found at [www.monalala.com](http://www.monalala.com).

Of course, this would not be a real Class of '97 column without some wedding news. **Samara Friedman** (samarafriedman@hotmail.com) and **Dan Turinsky** wed on Aug. 19, '00. Cornellians attending included **Matt Hartman**, **Ray Wang**, **Pete Nguyen**, **Dan Davidson**, **Todd Peskin '95**, **MBA '97**, **Lenor Marquis '98**, **Meredith Chaiken '98**, **Joan Greenspan '64**, and **Ross Friedman '00**. Dan graduated from George Washington Law School in May and planned to begin work at Sills Cummins, while Samara is finishing up medical school at Stony Brook and preparing for an orthopaedic surgery residency. **Jason Eichenholz** married Jennifer Rosner in Miami in July 2000. Jennifer planned to begin studying for a PhD in clinical psychology at Fairleigh Dickinson U., and Jason works as an e-commerce consultant with Siebel Systems. **Heather (Ziegler)** and **Bryan Weitzel '99**, who met on a Wilderness Reflections trip during orientation five years ago, got married on June 17, '00, in Indianapolis, IN. **Jessica Adema**, **Hiro Kiguchi '99**, and **Doug Hill '99** were in the wedding party, and more than 20 Cornellians attended the event, including **Rachel Kaufman**, **Natalie Sierra '98**, and **Brent Alspach '95**, MS C '97. Heather (heather\_weitzel@hotmail.com) is working on her PhD in biology at Pittsburgh's Carnegie Mellon U., while Bryan works as a fluid systems engineer for Westinghouse. **Elisa Kim** and **Trey Billings** tied the knot Aug. 12, '00, at Sage Chapel. Classmates in the bridal party included **Grace Kang**, **Terresa Ock**, **Geoffrey Moran**, and **Jonathan Luminati '98**, ME E '99. Elisa likened the event to a

mini-reunion and estimated at least 50 Cornellians got together for a photo at the reception behind the A. D. White House before the couple dashed off to honeymoon in the Finger Lakes.

In Washington, DC, **Colin Cushing** and **Elizabeth Soto-Seelig** got married on Oct. 1, '00. Cornellians attending the event included maid of honor **Melissa Carey**, **Michelle Cirino**, **Peter Quinn**, **Peter Heissenbuttel**, **Dan DiPasquo**, and **Ben Krein**. Elizabeth shared updates on everyone. Melissa is finishing her second year at the LBJ School of Public Policy at the U. of Texas, Austin, and will graduate in June. Michelle is still working for General Mills and was transferred to Toledo, OH. Peter Quinn moved from NYC to Colorado where he works for Great West Life. Pete Heissenbuttel lives in Connecticut and works for Priceline.com, while Dan is in Northern California working for IdeaLab.com. Ben graduated from George Washington U. Law School last year and is working for Katten, Muchin, and Zavis in DC.

**Mira Sullivan**, MS M '98, sent news from the Netherlands, where she was on temporary assignment for Cordis. Before she left, she attended **I-sah Hsieh's** wedding to Lindsay West in St. Helena, CA. Mira shared a long list of Cornellians who attended the wedding in wine country, including classmates **Vera Kim**, MS M '98, **Cherilyn Nadal**, **Jill Dash**, **Jeff Tompkins**, **Grace Hsu**, **Kerstin Johnson Mukerji**, MS Ag '98, **Kevin Maskell '98**, **Ryan Nakagaw**, and **Phil Baugh '96**, as well as Professor Scott Tucker. Finally, congratulations to **Eric Saidel** and wife **Tahl (Ben-Yehuda) '92** who had a daughter, Eliana Dora Saidel, on Aug. 31, '00.

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The buzz is that Cornellians form a unique bond when left together for four years in Ithaca, NY. I am starting to understand why the rumor is such! Please note: I am uneasy about my reporting in this next section as I have done the unfathomable and reduced all these significant weddings into a shopping list. So please pardon the brief description and accept our fondest wishes for happiness in your new ventures together!

**Kelly DiNardo** and **Thomas Lewis** recounted the spectacular weather they had for their wedding in New York; **Pamela (Nelson)** and **Dan Unger '97** wrote about their honeymoon in Italy; two weddings took place at Sage Chapel: that of **Ada (Vaccaro)** and **Nathan DeFanti**, and **Michelle (Nagle)** and **Mathew Grow**; **Lorna Hagen-Metzler** is married and now resides in Brooklyn. **Suzan Ayasun** and **Gary Thomson** planned a luxurious post-wedding four-night cruise aboard the *Majesty of the Seas*. **John Ruszkiewicz**, MPS Ag '00, is married and living in Pine Island, NY, where he is an onion farmer with both his uncle and father! **Maribeth Burnham** and **Scott Bluyus** are married and residing in DC.

The word on the Bluyus wedding is that **Virginie Decker** was a bridesmaid and **Josie Mok** caught the bouquet. **Chris Pernoud** and **Kathryn Casto** were married in 1999 and now live in Texas where Chris is in the MBA program at Rice. **Jane Cine Kim**, married and living in New Jersey, will be attending the Cordon Bleu in Paris in fall 2001. Stay tuned! **Rachel Etes** married Jason Green and **Alison Burnes** was Rachel's maid of honor. **Peter J. Brown** and **Melinda Stites** are at home in Jackson, WY, after their honeymoon to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. Their outdoor wedding took place in Teton Valley Ranch in Wyoming. And an exciting note on which to conclude: **Adam** and **Jennifer Dwyer Kelly** proudly announce the birth of their daughter **Madison Grace Kelly—Cornell Class of 2021!** Congratulations on this wonderful news!

**Brian Cresenzi**, ME C '99, works for Parson-Brinkerhoff and lives in New York City, but on his most recent trip to Italy he "got to see the Pope!" Striking a familiar chord in many of our hearts and souls is **Luke Vitarius** who now owns Then and Now Records (the artist formerly known as Rebob). **Trisha Covigit** claims to have met "Mr. Ho Plaza himself!" **Kelly Flegel's** adventures have ranged from Scandinavia to the Arctic Circle to Pompeii to Bourbon Street. She is currently in Rochester as executive director at New York Sustainable Agriculture Working Group. **Jed Davis** writes about his travels in Africa with **Fred Nelson**: "Fred Nelson for President!" **Karen Appell** is living in NYC with **Amanda Barnhart** on the Upper East Side. She describes her occupation as building wetlands for Louis Berger Group Inc. **Shirley Hapangama** works for Datek Online and lives in New Jersey. She participated in a THREE-DAY walk for breast cancer in California, from Santa Barbara to Malibu, with classmate **Karesha McGee**. **Rachel Barnhart** just relocated to Rochester as a news reporter for WROC-TV. **Zubin Varghese** followed his dream and moved to Berkeley, CA. He is currently riding the wave as employee Number 7 for an Internet start-up. Are you still hanging in there Zubin? **Jessica Tenenbaum** has huge entrepreneurial news, with the opening of her store Rec Arts. It is a store in Savannah that specializes in clothing for "people who like it au naturel, namely hikers, campers, kayakers, rock climbers, and other travelers."

Still plugging away at degrees are: **Derek Dorn**, a 2L at Yale Law School; **Natalie Brown Michalek**, a 3L at Baylor U.; **Adam Rayman**, a 3L at Boston College law school; **Joanna Turner**, a second-year med student at Rush Medical College; **Susan Sepenowski**, a first-year vet student at Ohio State U.; **Georgina Cheng**, a med student at the U. of Illinois at Chicago; **Joanna Kipnes**, a med student at the Jefferson Medical College; and **Rebecca Spokony**, a grad student in insect science at U. of Arizona. She writes that her travels have included "working in a frog development lab at the U. of Pennsylvania." **Angela Bradley** wrote to us from the Windy City where she is a 2L at the U. of Chicago

and **Heather Kirby** a 1L. Angela is not just tackling her studies, but also the pavement; she finished the Chicago Marathon in October with **Lehia Macauley!** Congrats, ladies! Their cheering section included **Phil Debush** and **Sasha Nel**.

**Agnes Galvez** passed the registered dietitian exam and is now a nutritionist for Northeast Health Corp in the HIV division. **Karen Easty** received her master's in education from Harvard and is currently teaching at Irvington Middle School in Irvington, NY. ♦ **Anna Sise**, 334 E. 74th St. #3, NYC 10021; e-mail, annasise@hotmail.com; and **Molly Darnieder**, Cornell U., 114 Day Hall, Ithaca, NY 14853; e-mail, mbd4@cornell.edu.



Well, we've got a lot to share and not a lot of space to share it in, so I'll get right to the news and try to include as many people as humanly possible this time around! This column's spotlight is the many and diverse grad students the Class of 1999 has produced. From vets to lawyers to geophysicists, we've got all the bases covered.

Is there a doctor in the house? There will be! **Edward Cho** attends Yale's School of Medicine. Further south, in New York City, **Jessica Stern** studies at NYU medical school and **Ariz Mehta** at New York Medical College. **Vladimir Salomon** is a student at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, while **Eve Moscato** braves the snow in Buffalo as a medical student at the U. of Buffalo. **Karen Ben-Dor** is loving life as a medical student at MCP-Hahnemann in Philadelphia, finds the time to volunteer with sixth graders, and hopes to spend the upcoming summer in Kenya working with a free clinic.

Not that we'd expect any malpractice suits, but just in case . . . Future lawyers: **Natalie Bridgeman** is a law student at UCLA in the public interest law program. She's continued singing with her group Mayim and is happy to report that they've finished their second CD "Soul's Song!" **Erica Zunkel**, currently in her second semester at UC Berkeley law school, spent eight weeks overseas last summer with a program called Operation Crossroads Africa where she worked on an environmental project with a Senegalese non-government organization. While there, the lovely Ms. Zunkel had the chance to visit with **Anne Gaven**, who joined the Peace Corps last year and works on a health project in Ivory Coast. After spending last summer traveling through Europe, **Margo Ferrandino** is now a law student at NYU. Perhaps she's run into **Kessar Nashat**, also a law student at NYU. Rounding out the group, **Maria Corsaro** studies law at the U. of Pennsylvania and **Kara Buscaglia** at the U. of Buffalo.

On to the future veterinarians! **Allyson Berent** is a veterinary student at Cornell, hoping to do a residency in small animal surgery and become a board certified surgeon. After deferring her enrollment for a year to work at Forest Hill Animal Hospital as a veterinary assistant to gain experience, **Maria-Richetta**

**Camille Harris** is now a vet student at Mississippi State U. **Megan Whelan** is also a vet student at Tufts U.

Meanwhile, some of our other classmates continuing to deal with midterms, papers, and finals include: **Matt Patrick**, pursuing a master's in geophysics at U. of Alaska, Fairbanks, and **Dianne Miller**, studying atmospheric science at the U. of Illinois. **Jennifer Mautone** is a doctoral student at Lehigh U.'s school of psychology and **Laura Rossier** is a grad student at SUNY Stony Brook. **Blair Barton-Percival** misses CU's scenic campus while a grad student at the U. of Michigan for a master's in social work. **Wendy Nissen** is a grad student at the U. of Central Oklahoma, concurrently doing her dietetic internship at the University Hospitals of Oklahoma City. Another future nutritionist, **Katherine Zutt** is completing her dietetic internship at Keene State U. in New Hampshire. **Laura Kirsch** is studying forensic science at George Washington U., **Paul Hurh** is a grad student at UC Berkeley in the English literature department, and **Christine Fairbank** studies at Columbia U.'s school of social work in NYC. One of the winners of the prestigious Fulbright Scholarship, **Chiann Bao** is working on her master's in arbitration and dispute resolution at City U. of Hong Kong. She's keeping busy with all sorts of extracurriculars like the William Vis Moot conference taking place in Vienna this April, Mandarin classes at Chinese U. of Hong Kong, and travels to Korea, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Malaysia. Another Fulbright star, **Violetta Ostafin** is back in the US after completing her studies in Poland.

Wow. Just when you thought you were the only one not in school, here's the latest from some of the gainfully employed. "More alumni than you'd imagine for such a small place," is how **Michael Pritchard** describes Aspen, CO, where he enjoys working (at CGY Architects) and playing (hiking, biking, skiing, snowboarding) in the mountains. "Life is good at mile high" are the inspiring words from another CO resident (and avid snowboarder): **Austin Gayer** works as a financial analyst at Ciber Inc. Austin spent part of last summer in Bali with fellow alum **Esther Kang '96**. **Alison Hsieh** works for Ford Motor Co. in Michigan, and elsewhere in the Midwest, **Alyson Engle** lives in Chicago.

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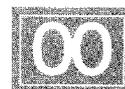
MICHAEL PRITCHARD '99

Back in dear Ithaca, **Crystal Brown** works as a student supervisor at Olin Library and remains active with Colorguard. **Rob Burak**, ME MAT '00, is an engineer for IBM in Burlington, VT, and lives with another IBM employee and '99er, **Mike Choi**, ME E '00. **Bryan Walker** is surfing and, oh yeah, has a job at IDEO design in Palo Alto. **Brian**

**Rahm** works for the medical school at the U. of Rochester.

Over on Capitol Hill, **Juliana Perry** has joined the House Veterans' Affairs subcommittee on health after working as a museum assistant at The Phillips Collection gallery in Washington, DC. Enjoying her new southern life in Athens, GA, **Jill Ausiello** is an assistant manager at Athens Country Club. After traveling to the Florida Keys to do some sailing, **Darin Van Houten** returned home to Pearl Center, NY, where he's a manager of a garden center. **Dakin Campbell** enjoyed his tenure with Americorps so much that he's stayed on board and now works for the program in Boston.

We could go on forever. Please keep sending us your news. We love hearing from you! ♦ **Jennifer Sheldon**, 436 Commercial St. #3, Boston, MA 02109; e-mail, jls33@cornell.edu; **Melanie Arzt**, 47 Paulina St. #2, Somerville, MA 02144; e-mail, snoopy mel@hotmail.com; and **Jess Smith**, 641 E. Tropical Way, Plantation, FL 33317; e-mail, jesssmith99@excite.com.



All right, Class of 2000, how is this for scary? Drum roll, please. (Imagine actually hearing one—it's too hard to spell it phonetically.) You are now almost one full year out of college! And even more frightening, some of you have been out nearly eighteen months. While it may seem like just yesterday that you unpacked the trunk and said "Hasta la vista, baby" to your parents, five years has been merely a blip on the radar in that vague, ambiguous, nebulous thing they call life. (Who "they" are, I haven't quite figured out yet. I'll let you know when—more like if—I do.)

And although the transition from college student to responsible adult proves quite the struggle for most, making it through that first-year hump is a relief and a triumph of sorts. Because inevitably, we all begin to develop a sense of perspective concerning the significance of the "college experience," that there is still ample opportunity, a lifetime's worth in fact, to truly discover ourselves. No one's expecting you to have all the answers now, just as they weren't when you walked out of Schoellkopf in your black gowns and multi-colored tassels on the road toward self-discov-

ery. So get rich and famous, but have fun exploring life and who you are in the meantime.

Without a doubt, the Class of 2000 has been living life to the fullest. **Julie Dittmer** (forever remembered as the best Class Council President ever) reports that Boston Cornellians are truly flourishing. She wrote to tell me that **Jenna Barrows** currently attends Boston Col-

lege law school and lives in Coolidge Corner in Brookline, MA. Right in her neighborhood dwells **Lindy VanDalen**, who is also completing her first year at BC Law. Not too far away, **Scott Weiss** continues at Harvard medical school, where Julie says he is studying as hard as ever. When last seen he was cheering the Big Red on at the Cornell/Harvard football game up in Cambridge. Thank goodness he still knows which team to support! And Miss Dittmer continues to take the world by storm. She already received a promotion at the luxury apartment community she runs in Hull, MA. She is now a community manager there. In addition, the group she works with was recently awarded Team of the Quarter in the Northeast Region, and Julie herself was presented with the Excellence Award of the Quarter from her company, AvalonBay Communities Inc.

Other news from the Boston area includes that of **Lori Kramer** who is currently part of Gillette's human resources department and living in Brighton, and **Colleen Marocco**, who works for Tishman Speyer and is involved in their Boston real estate department. There have also been sightings of **Rob Hunter** out and about, and I was asked to report that **Jen Little**, who was in Boston over the summer and now works in Cornell's alumni office in Ithaca, is sorely missed by her Boston pals. **Joanna Krablin** wrote to tell me that she currently teaches preschool in Mission Hill in Boston, MA. She has met several Cornellians through her roommates (non-Cornellians) and through a community chorus that she is a part of. She says, "We are everywhere!"

Rest assured, the Class of 2000 also thrives in other parts of the country. **Rebekah Gordon** continues to enjoy living on the West Coast and she was happy to provide updates on the army of friends she has in graduate school. The law school contingency includes **Jenny Mogy** at Tulane U., **Amy Killoran** at Duke U., **Jen Hogan** at Pace U., and **Allie Wesson** at Washington U. in St. Louis. And of course we cannot forget the doctors in the group. **Oceane Aubry** attends vet school at Ross U. on St. Kitts in the West Indies, while **Marie Kayton** studies under the sun at St. George's U. medical school on the island of Grenada. These ladies get a tropical vacation every day of the year! And I would be lying if I said I wasn't jealous. Just the word "vacation" makes me green with envy. As for Rebekah, she continues to work for VmWare Inc. in Palo Alto, CA. She is now an associate recruiter for the firm and promises to be on the lookout for Cornell students and alumni to fill their positions. She also told me a story which clearly proves the theory that there is a real, live Cornell after Cornell. She met **Leigh Greatbanks** at an Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) reception last September for students from the Bay Area interested in applying to Cornell. Since then, they have become good friends. Leigh works as a business strategy consultant for matchFIRST in San Francisco.

Our Class Historian wrote in to tell me that she is in the Pennsylvania area. **Rachel Helfeld** works in Bucks County ABB in a management development program. And her

friend **Liliana Vidal-Quadras** is settled in Washington, DC, working for the Four Seasons. Another class officer, **Barrett Yates**, told me that she and **Cammy Cronin** continue to take New York City by storm. The two claim they are attempting to survive their first-year analyst "experience" in investment banking at Merrill Lynch. Barrett and Cammy have also been up to Ithaca on several recruiting missions, but admit they already feel somewhat out of place in Collegetown. Class President **Betsy Stein** says she is traveling a great deal and absolutely loving Seattle. Her roommate **Sarah Sherertz** is thrilled with her job at Microsoft and enjoys being back on the West Coast where she can now spend more time with her family. As for my peeps, **Reena Thomas**, **Eric Hudson**, and yours truly were last seen hitting the stores at Astor Place while reliving *Daily Sun* adventures and the hours they wasted watching "Dawson's Creek" and "Felicity." (Although truth be told, they still haven't been able to kick the WB habit.) Reena loves her new job as a copy editor at Rockefeller U. in NYC. She concentrates on science journals and gets to hang with **Henry Chou** who also works there as a copy editor. Reena's partner in crime, **Eileen Martin-Yeboah** is working at KPMG, an investment firm in New Jersey, where she is involved in vendor setup.

They also tell me that **Deepak Jain** is an associate software engineer at Primary Knowledge Inc. on Broadway, while **Dennis Liu** is studying to be a youth pastor at Fuller Theological Seminary in California. And **Colleen Chan**, another of their cohorts, is currently working toward her master's degree at Columbia U. teachers college. She is also teaching English and debate at a private school in the city, continuing with her strong commitment to literacy. Colleen was the former project coordinator of the America Reads Challenge/REACH program at the Public Service Center. Colleen says she loves teaching and enjoys every moment working with her students! Another teacher in our midst is the aforementioned unstoppable, definitely unbreakable Eric Hudson who has a great fire dance story if you ever happen to run into him. He is an English and journalism teacher at the Kingswood-Oxford School in West Hartford, CT. He also coached soccer last fall and looks forward to spearheading a successful tennis season this spring. He informs me that **Shyam Uttamchandani** is in medical school at the U. of Florida, while **Susan E. Brown** attends law school at U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Some of Eric's other former housemates include **Patrick Zhang**, who is getting his master's in Engineering at Cornell, and **Erica Franz**, who has moved to Maui, HI, where she currently works for a non-profit whale foundation.

As for the rest of the crew, I dragged one **Michael Copans** out to the Cornell/Columbia football game at Baker Field in NYC last fall where we happily watched the Big Red trounce the competition in a very exciting second half. Mike works for Andersen Consulting and happily resides in Hoboken. Also

working at Andersen is **Redwan Ahmed**. Last August, Redwan and Mike ran into each other during Andersen training and renewed an acquaintance which had begun freshman year in Donlon Hall on the sixth floor. (I am a proud alum of 6th Floor Mary Donlon as well!) And one of our shared New Year's resolutions is to make an effort to get together more frequently, right, guys?

Here's a special shout out to the 6th Floor. You know who you are. Please write me, e-mail me, tell me what you guys are up to, so I can devote an entire section to our floor! Two more shout-outs if you'll oblige me. (By the way, if y'all want to stop hearing about my friends, you need to E-MAIL me!) **Eman Tsourounis**, your "One-L" is almost over. Congrats. You'd better make plans to be in the Big Apple this summer. And to Miss **Nina Lee**: I can't wait till we can actually watch "Ally" together again! And to the rest of the Class of 2000, I want to hear from you as well. You can contact **Andrea Chan** (amc32) or me (sjs34) day or night, 24/7, round the clock. Maybe you're not saving the planet just yet, but you must be up to something. I'll catch your acts later! ♦ **Sarah Striffler**, 124 E. 79th St., Apt. 11D, NYC 10021; e-mail, sjs34@cornell.edu; and **Andrea Chan**, 5 Rozlyn Ct., Eatontown, NJ 07724; e-mail, amc32@cornell.edu.



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Several volunteer opportunities are still available, including committee positions working on publicity, Tower Club, fraternity and sorority challenges, phonathons, and door-to-doors, as well as many others. For more information on currently available positions and opportunities, please contact either **Seema Prasannakumar** at sp95@cornell.edu or **Jennifer Brown** at jab85@cornell.edu. Your class correspondents **Itai Dinour** and **Lauren Wallach** would love to hear from you about your plans for the coming year. Send updates to Itai at id22@cornell.edu or Lauren at law15@cornell.edu. Thanks, and enjoy the rest of the semester! ♦ **Kimberly L. McKenzie '94**, Director, Young Alumni Program, Alumni Affairs and Development, Cornell University, Alumni House, Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 255-8978; fax, (607) 255-7533.



A Long-standing Tradition . . . **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* (see [www.ruralheritage.com/bookstore](http://www.ruralheritage.com/bookstore)), hosted the 17th Farriers Conference at Cornell, November 11 to 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.

Congratulations are in order . . . In November, the NY State Veterinary Medical Society conferred Distinguished Life Service Awards upon **Stanley E. Garrison, DVM '50**, **Richard C. Grambow, DVM '57**, **Robert F. Case, DVM '61** and **William Zitek, DVM '59**. The award is the highest honor to be conferred upon a member of the NYSVMS. It honors individuals of the highest caliber in the profession; and ones who have been good and faithful NYSVMS members for a period of 35 years and have actively and fully partaken in society activities.

Also, his peers named **Douglas A. Aspros, DVM '75**, NYSVMS Veterinarian of the Year. This award is designed to recognize a member for his/her contributions to the profession and dedication to the programs and activities of the NYSVMS.

Active in both the Capital District VMS and the NYSVMS, Dr. Garrison served as CDVMS president in 1963, NYSVMS president in 1971, and NYSVMS treasurer from 1972-75. He served as chairman of the Management Relations Committee and as annual meeting scientific chairman and general chairman. He assisted the State Board for Veterinary Medicine and was a member of the Advisory Council to the College. Active in his community, Dr. Garrison is a charter member and past president of the Burnt Hills Rotary Club and past president of the board of directors for the Charlton School. He was a member of the Schenectady Chamber of Commerce, Farm Bureau, the Eastern Regional Draft Horse Assn., and the Holstein Friesian Assn. of America.

Richard Grambow was founder/owner of the Fairmount Animal Hospital in Syracuse for 28 years. He retired in 1993. A member of the NYSVMS and Central NY VMA since graduation, Grambow was elected by his colleagues to the state executive board in 1982 and served until 1986 when he became president-elect of the NYSVMS. A loyal alumnus, Grambow chairs the Advisory Council for the CVM. In 1994 he received the prestigious Daniel E. Salmon Award for distinguished alumni service. He has been active in several professional veterinary associations and served on numerous committees and boards. In 1990 he was named NYS Veterinarian of the Year.

Robert Case served in the US Veterinary

## Animal Act

JAMES PEDDI, DVM '65 AND  
LINDA REEVE PEDDI, DVM '65

Their patients have included Eddie from "Frazier," the elephant from *Operation Dumbo Drop*, and the puppies from *101 Dalmatians*. For thirty years, husband-and-wife "veterinarians to the stars" James and Linda Peddi have done everything from giving routine shots to extracting an elephant's infected tusk. Eddie, one of their favorite patients, comes to the Peddis' home for checkups and plays with their pets. "Eddie flies first class in his own seat, wherever he goes," says James. "And he eats only premium dog food, because he has a sensitive stomach."



The Peddis' list of film credits fills eight sheets of paper. They've cared for creatures appearing in such movies as *The Green Mile*, *The Edge*, *Larger Than Life*, *The Ghost and the Darkness*, *The Jungle Book*, *Dances with Wolves*, and *George of the Jungle*. "I've never been hurt by an exotic animal," says James. "The worst injury I've ever had was a bite by a senile Siamese."

— Margaret Lekander '01

Corps for two years after graduation. He then practiced at a number of veterinary hospitals before joining the NYS Dept. of Health in Albany, NY, in 1977. There, he was responsible for evaluating animal care programs in research facilities and teaching institutions. Dr. Case was elected president of the NYSVMS in 1984, and was integral in strengthening the relationship between the Society and the College, and placing students on the NYSVMS committees. He has served on numerous additional committees serving the veterinary profession. Active in community service, Dr. Case has been a member of the Kiwanis Club of Latham since 1982 and served as president in 1993. He has been the Kiwanis liaison to the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation's NY East Leadership Seminar for the past five years.

William Zitek recently retired as owner of the North Fork Animal Hospital in Southold, NY, but continues to work part-time. Dr. Zitek is past president of the Long Island VMA and served with distinction as state executive board member for six years. As state society president in 1992, Dr. Zitek's leadership helped propel the NYSVMS into national prominence as being dedicated to protecting the rights of veterinarians to responsibly use all FDA-approved drugs. Bill was recognized by his peers in 1994 when he was named NYS Veterinarian of the Year. In 1996, he was elected by the AVMA House of Delegates to the Council on Veterinary Services for a six-year term. He was a member of the Advisory Council at the CVM and continues to offer his input.

Doug Aspros has been a member of the NYSVMS since his graduation from the CVM in 1975. He is hospital director at the AAHA accredited Bond Animal Hospital in White Plains and managing partner of the local Veterinary Emergency Group, PC. He was named Northeast Practitioner of the Year by the AAHA in 1999. Doug is an active member of his regional association, the Westchester/Rockland VMA, and served as a board member for three years and as newsletter editor and president. In 1997, he served as NYSVMS president and was elected to the executive board in 1988. At the heart of the 1997 legislative agenda was an ambitious program to address the critical need for more LVTs available to work in clinical practice in NYS. Under Dr. Aspros's leadership, the NYSVMS focused its energies on educating members and legislators about the important role of the LVT in practice and the critical shortage affecting veterinary practices across the state.

Dr. Aspros is currently co-chairman of the Management Relations Committee and served as chairman of the Government Relations Committee. An active alumnus, he serves on Cornell's CVM Advisory Council. At this year's AVMA meeting, Dr. Aspros was elected by the AVMA House of Delegates to the Council on Education. He will serve for six years. ♦ **Tracey L. Brant '84**, College of Veterinary Medicine, Office of Public Affairs, Box 39, Ithaca, NY 14853-6401; e-mail, [tlb10@cornell.edu](mailto:tlb10@cornell.edu); tel., (607) 253-4230.

'12 ME—**Robert C. McElroy** of Fairview, PA, February 18, 1997.

'20 BS Ag—**Lois Webster Utter** (Mrs. Howard H.) of Stanley, NY, October 12, 2000; retired farmer; former secretary, Wellesley College Botany Dept., Wellesley, MA. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'22 ME—**Abram Blum** of Potomac, MD, exact date unknown.

'24 BA, MD '27—**Samuel F. Herrick** of Southampton, NY, exact date unknown; retired president/CEO, Herrick Hardware, Inc.. Sigma Pi.

'24 BA—**Margaret Mashek Ludlow** (Mrs. Chester W. '24) of La Canada, CA, formerly of Laguna Hills and South Orange, NJ, July 7, 1999. Alpha Omicron Pi.

'24—**David W. Traub** of Menands, NY, August 16, 2000; retired general, US Army; veteran. Theta Delta Chi.

'24 BA—**Clifford R. White** of Weobley, Herefordshire, England, June 15, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

'24 BA—**Mary E. Yinger** of Montclair, NJ, November 2, 2000; retired assistant principal and teacher, Mount Hebron School; active in professional and alumni affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'25 BA—**Margaret Pritchard Haskins** of Phoenix, AZ, North Adams, MA, and Meredith, NH, November 19, 2000; former teacher. Husband, Stuart C. Haskins '25.

'25, BS HE '28—**Amy Stanton Swindells** (Mrs. Sydney Springer '24) of Quincy, MA, formerly of Wollaston, June 20, 2000; painter.

'26 BA, JD '28—**Alfred Appel** of New York City, September 6, 2000; former managing partner, Proskauer, Rose, Getz & Mendelson; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'26 BS Ag—**W. E. Benning** of Horseheads, NY, October 25, 2000.

'26 BA—**Grace Morris Campbell** of Atlanta, GA, July 1, 2000; retired teacher; active in alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'26—**Clarence W. Cobbs** of Philadelphia, PA, January 17, 2000.

'26—**Arleyne Vaughan Ebersole** (Mrs. Raymond A.) of Houston, TX, December 1998.

'26, BS Ag '27—**J. George Hutzler** of Mal-

vern, PA, exact date unknown.

'26—**Albert R. Kenyon** of Bristol, RI, December 1997.

'26 BA, EE '28—**Norman A. Miller** of Evanston, IL, June 23, 2000; retired electrical engineer, Sargent & Lundy Consulting Engineers; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Theta Xi.

'26 BA—**A. Howard Myers** of Boca Raton, FL, March 6, 1998.

'26 BA, PhD '29—**R. Whitney Tucker** of Washington, DC, November 8, 2000; retired reports officer, CIA; writer; active in religious and alumni affairs.

'26 ME—**Kenneth K. Wells** of Northampton, MA, September 7, 1997. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'27-28 Sp Ag—**Catherine A. Baber** of Plattsburgh, NY, exact date unknown.

'27 BS Ag—**Anna Mae VanDeman Bacon** (Mrs. John E.) of Lakeland, FL, formerly of Hamburg, NY, September 10, 2000; retired high school teacher; active in community affairs.

'27 BS HE—**Olive Kinney Brandt** (Mrs. Walter B. '26) of Watertown, NY, August 30, 2000; active in religious affairs.

'27 BA—**Caroline Lewis Grays** (Mrs. Nathaniel) of North Syracuse, NY, January 2000.

'27 BA, MA '28, PhD '30—**Margaret L. Plunkett** of Bloomington, MN, September 14, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

'27 BS HE—**Rebecca Martin Starr** (Mrs. John V., PhD '28) of Hightstown, NJ, September 11, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Chi Omega.

'28 BS Ag—**Paul T. Gillett** of Houston, TX, November 23, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Seal and Serpent.

'28 BS Ag—**G. Lloyd Godfrey** of Fort Myers, FL, formerly of Fairfield, CT, June 14, 2000; retired owner, Godfrey Tree & Garden Expert Co., Fairfield; veteran.

'28 BArch—**Edwin Howard Jr.** of Chicora, PA, August 18, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'28—**Homer A. Humphreys** of Williamsburg, VA, formerly of West Point, October 18, 2000; former instructor, College of William and Mary; retired supervisor of education,

Williamsburg-James City County Schools; active in professional affairs.

'28 BA—**Ruth Pederson Powers** of Saint Louis, MO, July 25, 2000; retired social worker, Buffalo, NY, Family Services; former manager, Homemaker Service Program, Community Service Society, New York City. Delta Gamma.

'28 BA, MA '29—**Mary McCormick Scott-Craig** (Mrs. Thomas S.K.) of Greenwood, ME, May 1999.

'28 BA, JD '30—**Charles Snitow** of Scarsdale, NY, June 28, 2000; former lawyer; active in alumni affairs.

'28 ME—**George H. Woodard** of Bryn Athyn, PA, August 20, 2000; management consultant. Phi Gamma Delta.

'29 BS Ag—**Dorothy Reed Corbett** (Mrs. Thurston '26) of Rochester, NY, August 6, 2000; retired high school teacher; active in community affairs. Delta Gamma.

'29 BA—**Dorothy English Degenhardt** (Mrs. Ira H. '28) of Ross, CA, November 9, 2000; retired physician; active in alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'29—**John P. Gifford** of Oakland, CA, June 15, 2000.

'29 CE—**Elvin R. Heiberg** of Fort Belvoir, VA, June 2000; retired brigadier general, US Army.

'29 ME—**Charles E. Huddleston** of Easton, MD, September 18, 2000.

'29 BS Ag—**Helen Lloyd Jarvis** (Mrs. Samuel B. '33) of Bloomingburg, NY, exact date unknown.

'29 BA—**David W. Lewis** of Oradell, NJ, September 10, 2000; retired vice president, Bankers Trust Co.; active in alumni affairs.

'29 BA—**Herman M. Seldin** of Ravenel, SC, July 13, 2000; retired Coast Guard commander; veteran.

'30 BS Ag—**Harold H. Bate** of New Bern, NC, August 26, 2000; active in community and alumni affairs.

'30 BS HE—**Ruth A. Beadle** of Oakland, CA, October 3, 2000.

'30 BS HE—**Miriam D. Bloomer** of Hamden, CT, exact date unknown.

'30 BA—**Henry P. Cowen** of Cincinnati, OH, June 3, 2000; retired president, MacGregor Sporting Goods Co.; founding member, LPGA; active in alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'30 BA—**Nathan Hilfer** of Forest Hills, NY,

September 16, 2000.

'30 **GR**—**Hazel Converse** Laun (Mrs. George C.) of Hartford, CT, formerly of Putnam, September 22, 2000; retired owner/floral designer, Grove Street Greenhouse, Putnam; active volunteer; active in community and religious affairs.

'30—**Evelyn Reader** McShane (Mrs. J. Russell) of Basking Ridge, NJ, formerly of Montclair, July 2000; former president, Newark Junior League; active in community and alumni affairs.

'30 **BA, MD '33**—**Ruth Lyman** Mider (Mrs. G. Burroughs '30, MD '33) of Silver Spring, MD, formerly of Rochester, NY, July 14, 2000; former general physician; active in community and alumni affairs.

'30—**Donald L. Otis** of East Aurora, NY, August 15, 2000; retired dentist; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'30 **BA**—**Evelyn Collier** Roberts (Mrs. C. Hayward) of Allentown, PA, June 18, 2000; former director, Allentown Pneumatic Gun Co.; volunteer, Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Gamma.

'31—**Edward P. Babcock** of Wilmington, DE, July 7, 2000. Pi Kappa Phi.

'31 **BA**—**Louis C. Covell Jr.** of Williamsburg, VA, September 26, 2000; veteran; retired division chief, CIA; active in community and religious affairs. Zeta Psi.

'31—**James P. Florance** of Englewood, FL, May 18, 2000. Kappa Delta Rho.

'31, **BS Hotel '32**—**Kevin E. Howard** of Daytona Beach, FL, September 26, 2000.

'31 **ME, MD '41**—**Edward C. Riley** of Fort Myers, FL, June 18, 2000; retired physician; active in alumni affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'31 **BA, EE '33**—**William B. Shepard** of North Wales, PA, October 25, 1999; active in alumni affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'31, **BArch '32**—**John S. Townsend** of Auburn, AL, May 2000; retired architect; active in alumni affairs.

'32 **DVM**—**Morris E. Blostein** of La Jolla, CA, August 3, 2000; retired veterinarian.

'32 **BA**—**Henrietta Liebman** Creamer-Lazarus of New York City, June 2000.

'32 **BA**—**Vera Sherwood** Davies of Thousand Oaks, CA, April 16, 2000.

'32—**Marjorie Speiser** Fried (Mrs. Herbert) of Glencoe, IL, January 2000.

'32 **BA, JD '34**—**Albert Heit** of New York City, November 21, 2000; entertainment attorney; former business manager, Sam Spiegel, film producer; active in alumni affairs.

'32 **BS Ag**—**Martha Armstrong** Kulp (Mrs. John J.) of Marietta, GA, December 9, 1999. Chi Omega.

'32 **BS HE**—**Virginia Melious** Munson (Mrs. Frank) of Newark, NY, October 28, 2000.

'32 **ME**—**Arthur H. Ross** of Leesburg, FL, March 3, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Phi Delta Theta.

'32 **B Chem**—**W. Lee Sheppard Jr.** of Havertown, PA, September 6, 2000; retired chemical engineer. Phi Kappa Psi.

'33 **BS HE**—**Katherine Long** Bobbitt (Mrs. Joseph M.) of Mendota Heights, MN, formerly of Bethesda, MD, June 2000; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Phi.

'33 **BA**—**Guido A. De Blasio** of Pelham, NY, April 18, 2000; retired physician, Mt. Vernon, NY.

'33 **BA, PhD '39**—**Frederic D. Garrett** of Lacey, WA, December 1, 2000. Wife, Barbara (Crandall) '36.

'33 **MD**—**Thomas G. Harvey** of Kennebunk, ME, October 2, 2000; retired physician.

'33 **BA**—**Arthur A. Kaplan** of Utica, NY, exact date unknown; retired pediatrician.

'33 **BS HE**—**Marjorie Volker** Lungert (Mrs. John P.) of Atlanta, GA, May 4, 2000.

'33 **BS HE**—**Marie Calhoun** Post of Nashua, NH, June 1, 2000. Kappa Delta.

'33 **EE**—**Anthony J. Strozinski** of Horseheads, NY, exact date unknown.

'34 **BA, MA '36**—**Muriel Kaiser** Corcoran (Mrs. John J.) of Boca Raton, FL, formerly of Grand Island, NY, September 2, 2000; retired elementary school teacher.

'34 **BA**—**Martin Warren Davenport** of Clifton Heights, PA, November 24, 1999; retired vice president, W. H. Newhold's Son & Co., Inc., Philadelphia, PA. active in alumni affairs.

'34—**Ruth Van Sickle** Downing (Mrs. Clair W.) of Cayuga, NY, September 4, 2000.

'34 **MS**—**Lois Sweet** Fogelsanger (Mrs. Aldus, GR '31-39) of Ithaca, NY, July 24, 2000; former volunteer nurse's aide, American Red Cross; past president, Friends of the Tompkins County Public Library; active in community and alumni affairs.

'34 **EE**—**Richard Francis Hardy** of New

London, NH, July 27, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'34—**Samuel W. Henderson Jr.** of McAllen, TX, August 11, 2000.

'34—**Thomas C. Law Jr.** of Atlanta, GA, May 2000. Chi Phi.

'34 **MD**—**Edward P. Roemer** of Capistrano Beach, CA, exact date unknown.

'34 **ME**—**Edmund C. Sulzman** of North Palm Beach, FL, August 24, 2000; retired president/owner, Cummins Diesel Metropolitan Inc., Newark, NJ; active in community and religious affairs.

'34, **BA '35**—**Herbert M. Ueberall** of Binghamton, NY, exact date unknown; physician.

'34 **BA**—**Pierre Van Valkenburgh** of New York City, exact date unknown; retired president, Van Valkenburgh Associates, Inc.; active in alumni affairs.

'35 **BA**—**George C. Brady** of Buffalo, NY, July 18, 2000; retired internist; clinical assistant professor emeritus, University of Buffalo School of Medicine; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'35—**Eugene H. Carter** of Fort Worth, TX, November 26, 2000; co-founder and chairman emeritus, Carter & Burgess Co.; active in civic affairs.

'35 **MS**—**Dorothy Dyott** Clagett of King City, OR, November 30, 2000; retired librarian, Washington State Library, Olympia; former chemist, Atomic Energy Commission, Richland; active in community and religious affairs. Husband, Frederick Clagett '39.

'35, **BS Hotel '36**—**Thomas W. Clarkson** of Lakeland, FL, May 12, 2000.

'35 **BS Ag**—**Abe L. Feuer** of Gastonia, NC, May 16, 2000; retired otolaryngologist; active in professional and religious affairs.

'35 **BS Ag**—**Richard D. Hammond** of Lake Wales, FL, May 7, 2000.

'35—**Gerald F. Hick** of Carmel, NY, July 28, 1999.

'35—**Phylis Martin** Johnston (Mrs. Clyde E. '34) of Springville, NY, former secretary, Central Advisory Committee, NY State Extension Service Central Advisory Council; past chairwoman, Home Demonstration Dept., Erie County Cooperative Extension; active in community affairs. Delta Gamma.

'35 **BS HE**—**Margaret Robinson** Jones of Arden, SC, June 16, 2000; retired teacher, Baldwin High School, Utica, NY; active in religious affairs.

- '35—**Thomas G. Kennedy Jr.** of Kenosha, WI, January 13, 1999.
- '35 BA, DVM '38—**Marion L. Leighton** of Riverhead, NY, exact date unknown; retired veterinarian; active in alumni affairs.
- '35 EE—**A. Roy Longenecker** of Yorktown Heights, NY, November 23, 1999.
- '35 DVM—**Raymond J. Pierce** of Crown Point, NY, July 8, 2000; retired veterinarian.
- '35 BS HE—**Marjorie Shaver** Planty (Mrs. Earl G., PhD '41) of Boca Raton, FL, February 28, 2000; retired extension agent, Johnson & Johnson; active in community affairs.
- '35 BA—**Paul H. Reinhardt** of Palo Alto, CA, November 3, 1999.
- '35 BS Ag, PhD '40—**Earl F. Savage** of Experiment, GA, January 24, 2000. Alpha Zeta.
- '35 BA—**Robert B. Schnur** of Santa Maria, CA, July 12, 2000. Sigma Phi.
- '35 LLB—**George N. Stevens** of Mill Creek, WA, exact date unknown.
- '35 BA—**Constance Stern** Strauss (Mrs. Frank M.) of Long Island City, NY, February 3, 2000.
- '35 BS Ag—**Phillips B. Street** of Berwyn, PA, August 5, 2000; retired vice president, First Boston Corp., Philadelphia; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.
- '35 B Chem, Chem E '36—**James B. Sullivan Jr.** of St. Simons Island, GA, March 26, 2000. Chi Phi.
- '35—**Jack E. Tyng** of Lake Worth, FL, April 1, 1999. Alpha Sigma Phi.
- '35 BS HE—**Helen Sands** Wolpert (Mrs. Bernard) of Fairfax, VA, October 12, 1997. Delta Gamma.
- '36—**Thomas M. Beckwith** of Seattle, WA, exact date unknown. Delta Kappa Epsilon.
- '36 BA, MD '40—**Everett C. Bragg** of Milwaukee, WI, August 2, 2000; retired orthopedic surgical consultant, Milwaukee Industrial Clinics and the Occupational Medicine Clinics; former orthopedic surgeon, Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center, New York City. Sigma Nu.
- '36 B Ch, B Chem E '37—**Henry C. Brown Jr.** of Lancaster, PA, July 30, 2000; retired manager of insulation research, Armstrong Cork Co.; former general manager of consumer products research; former manager of personnel; active in community and religious affairs. Sigma Phi.
- '36-38 GR—**Charles F. Doty** of West Henrietta, NY, June 22, 2000. Sigma Nu.
- '36 BA—**Victor H. Dropkin** of Bloomington, MN, formerly of Minneapolis, exact date unknown.
- '36—**Jack D. Freund Jr.** of Chapel Hill, NC, April 25, 2000. Zeta Beta Tau.
- '36 BS Ag—**W. E. Gilman Jr.** of Ocean-side, CA, December 5, 2000. Phi Delta Theta.
- '36 BS Ag—**Max M. Kleinbaum** of Lake Ariel, PA, formerly of Rutherford, NJ, June 20, 2000; retired senior executive, Jewish Federation of Community Services of Bergen County; former assistant to the president, Brandeis University, co-founder, Jewish Peace Fellowship.
- '36 BS HE—**Josephine Halsey** Miller of Albion, NY, exact date unknown. Husband, Merton W. Miller '36.
- '36-38 Sp Ag—**Michael Oristian** of Washington, DC, June 2, 2000; retired dentist; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.
- '36 JD—**Alfred J. Swan** of Plandome, NY, October 21, 2000; retired law partner, Maggin & Swan; veteran; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs.
- '36 LLB—**Rudolph E. Uhlman** of Madison, NJ, exact date unknown; attorney, Guggenheimer & Untermyer, New York City.
- '36-37 Sp Ag—**James A. Walker** of Addison, NY, exact date unknown.
- '36 BA, MD '39—**William G. Woodin** of Fayetteville, NY, November 13, 2000; retired allergist; founder, allergy teaching clinic, State University of New York Upstate Medical Center, Syracuse; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs. Theta Chi.
- '37 B Chem, Chem E '38—**Robert J. Agnew** of Richmond, VA, September 29, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.
- '37, BArch '38—**Charles A. Baker** of Lewiston, NY, July 11, 2000; retired president, Wright and Kremers, Niagara Falls, NY; former architect; active in community and religious affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.
- '37 MS, PhD '69—**Nellie Tidline** Brodis of Detroit, MI, July 16, 2000; retired teacher, Miller High School, Detroit; active in community and religious affairs.
- '37 MS Ag, PhD '41—**M. E. Cravens** of Columbus, OH, August 2, 2000; professor emeritus, Ohio State University; former professor, Michigan State University.; active in professional and religious affairs. Wife, Louise (Manley) '36.
- '37 BS Ag, MS '46—**Lester Halbreich** of Floral Park, NY, October 25, 2000.
- '37 MD—**Helen J. Neave** of Quakertown, NJ, December 24, 1999; physician; active in alumni affairs.
- '37 BS Ag—**Beatrice Carpenter** Novidor (Mrs. Benjamin) of Lowman, NY, and Coconut Creek, FL, July 10, 2000; former co-operator, New Central Meat Markets; retired proprietor, Red Jacket Motel & Restaurant, Lowman; active in alumni affairs.
- '37 BS Ag—**Philip K. Putnam** of McGraw, NY, August 16, 2000; retired teacher, McGraw Central School; active in community and religious affairs. Wife, Kathleen (Pierce) '44.
- '37 BA, LLB '42—**John C. Weld** of Yarmouth Port, MA, May 23, 2000; retired lawyer; veteran. Delta Upsilon.
- '37 JD—**Daniel C. Williams** of Fayetteville, NY, exact date unknown. Wife, Jean (Sherwood) '36.
- '38 BA—**John H. Albert** of Arlington, VA, November 25, 2000; active in alumni affairs.
- '38 BS HE—**Thelma Lainhart** Beatman (Mrs. John E. '39) of Clinton, CT, September 20, 2000; retired social worker, State of Connecticut Dept. of Social Services; active in religious affairs. Delta Delta Delta.
- '38—**David T. Brookman** of Wellsville, OH, January 24, 2000; real estate agent, Century 21; former superintendent, H.K. Porter Co.; former director, Perpetual Savings Bank; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.
- '38 MA—**Francis A. Brown** of Grinnell, IA, September 21, 2000; retired professor, Grinnell College; veteran; active in professional affairs.
- '38 BA—**Robert D. Cloyes** of El Cajon, CA, October 7, 2000; retired physician, San Diego Public Health; co-founder, Grossmont Hospital; veteran.
- '38—**Wilson T. Day Jr.** of Horseheads, NY, July 27, 2000; dairy farmer; former director of Chemung County Farm Bureau; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Theta Chi.
- '38 BS Ag—**Alma Naylor** Elliott of Morris, NY, June 21, 2000; retired president/CEO, Naylor Co., Inc., H. W.; active in alumni affairs.
- '38—**Ferris H. Fisher** of Van Etten, NY, June 21, 2000; former director emeritus, Tioga State Bank; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.
- '38 BA—**Norman J. Freudenheim** of Boca Raton, FL, October 30, 2000; retired opera-

tor, The Country Couple clothing store; veteran. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'38 DVM—**Henry E. Grossman** of Great Neck, NY, October 16, 2000; veterinarian, Kings County Animal Hospital, Brooklyn; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'38 BS Ag—**Allen M. Loomis** of Rushville, NY, November 1999.

'38 BS Ag—**James B. Outhouse** of West Lafayette, IN, September 21, 2000; professor emeritus, Purdue University; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'38 BA—**Jean Atkinson Parker** of Sun City, AZ, August 28, 2000. Delta Delta Delta.

'38—**Lois K. Rohwerder** of Chicago, IL, March 22, 2000.

'38-39 Sp Ag—**Donald L. Schierbaum** of Voorheesville, NY, exact date unknown.

'38 BS AE M—**Charles S. Willcox** of Birmingham, AL, December 16, 1999; retired mechanical engineer, Willcox & Allen Co. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'39 ME—**Roger O. Benjamin** of Littleton, CO, March 16, 2000. Seal and Serpent.

'39—**Thomas W. Burke** of Farnham, NY, June 19, 2000; retired president, American Steamship Co.; active in community affairs. Chi Phi.

'39 BA—**Mary E. Deutschbein** of Pittsfield, MA, September 19, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

'39 BA—**Marjorie Bergmann** Douglas of Silver Spring, MD, exact date unknown; retired engineer, Seminare Consulting Associates.

'39 EE—**Merrill R. Dungan** of Exeter, NH, July 31, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

'39 BS HE—**Helen Gustafson** Graveling (Mrs. Clarence H.) of Ithaca, NY; retired farmer; former occupational therapist; active in community and religious affairs.

'39 BS Ag—**John L. Kling** of Wauchula, FL, and Kill Devil Hills, NC, formerly of Fonda, NY, July 28, 2000; former co-owner, Kling Farms, Fonda; retired operator, Kling Phillips Builders; former newspaper columnist, Amsterdam, NY, Recorder; active in civic and political affairs. Wife, Elizabeth (Cincotta) '40.

'39 BS Ag—**William H. Latham** of Cortland, NY, November 2, 2000; retired petroleum meter specialist, Agway MTS Division; active in religious affairs.

'39 BA—**Anita McHenry** Manchester (Mrs. Mac Arthur H.) of Granville, NY, May 19,

2000. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'39 BA—**Betty Malabar** Nilsen of Miami, FL, April 23, 2000; former lead engineer, Cape Canaveral.

'39 BS Ag—**Naomi Doniger** Rothwell (Mrs. George J. '40) of Glenn Dale, MD, formerly of Washington, DC, July 12, 2000; retired chief, Human Factors Research Center, US Census Bureau; former study director, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, US Dept. of Agriculture; active in community affairs.

'39, BS AE M '40—**Edwin R. Weeks** of North Rose, NY, exact date unknown. Phi Kappa Psi.

'40 BS Ag—**Herbert W. Bean** of Venice, FL, and Sterling, NY, June 21, 2000; retired manager, Agway Inc., Owego, NY; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'40 BA—**James Jarvis Bettmann** of Williston, VT, formerly of New York City, December 30, 2000; veteran; active in alumni affairs.

'40—**Enid McKinney** Cruse of Ithaca, NY, August 11, 2000; retired registered nurse; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'40—**Edward B. Danson** of Sedona, AZ, November 30, 2000. Delta Upsilon.

'40—**Walter B. Gallant Jr.** of Stratham, NH, October 13, 1999. Theta Delta Chi.

'40 PhD—**Perry W. Gilbert** of Sarasota, FL, October 15, 2000; retired director, Mote Marine Laboratory; author; active in alumni affairs.

'40 BA—**Thomas C. Hassett** of Utica, NY, July 8, 2000; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'40 ME—**Reeves K. Johnson Jr.** of Exeter, NH, April 3, 2000.

'40 BA—**Henrietta Baker** Phillips (Mrs. Edward L.) of Cumming, GA, formerly of Penn Yan, NY, exact date unknown. Delta Delta Delta.

'40—**Walter M. Pobol** of Altamont, NY, August 13, 2000; retired draftsman, General Electric; active in community affairs.

'40 BA, LLB '42—**Jack L. Ratzkin** of Boynton Beach, FL, October 4, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'40 BA, LLB '42—**Joseph Taubman** of New York City, November 13, 2000; retired entertainment lawyer; tax law expert; editor, *Financing a Theatrical Production* (Federal Legal Publications); veteran; active in alumni affairs. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'40 BS Ag—**John J. Whalen** of Bonifay, FL, July 1, 2000; retired, New York State Conservation Dept.; veteran.

'40 BS Ag—**Betty Banes** Wright (Mrs. Eugene) of Warwick, NY, May 7, 2000; retired newspaper publisher, The Warwick Valley Dispatch.

'40 BS Ag—**Leo P. Yaeger** of Dade City, FL, May 14, 2000.

'41—**Samuel E. Bird** of Goshen, IN, exact date unknown. Seal and Serpent.

'41 BS HE—**Jane Allison** Cameron of Westfield, NY, June 8, 2000; retired medical records librarian, Brooks Memorial Hospital, Dunkirk, NY; former chemist, Carborundum Co., Niagara Falls, NY. Kappa Kappa Gamma. Husband, Courtney Cameron '41.

'41 MS Ed—**Karl D. Ebers** of Eldred, NY, June 21, 2000; retired teacher and principal, Eldred Central School; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'41 BA—**J. Britton Fisher** of Evergreen, CO, exact date unknown; president/CEO, NCA Inc. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'41—**John B. Holt** of South Bloomingville, OH, August 15, 2000; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'41 MCE—**John D. Jarema** of Suffern, NY, exact date unknown.

'41 BS AE M—**Calvin S. Lenderman Jr.** of Katy, TX, December 8, 1998. Kappa Sigma.

'41 BCE—**Howard P. Lynch** of Dover Foxcroft, ME, July 1997.

'41 MA—**Isabel Riexinger** Mettler of Charleston, SC, June 22, 2000; former president, Florence Crittenton Home; active in community and religious affairs. Husband, John C. Mettler II '41.

'41 BS Ag—**John C. Perry** of Englewood, FL, formerly of Ithaca, NY, July 6, 2000. Seal & Serpent. Wife, Arleen (Heidgerd) '42.

'41 PhD—**Lewis H. Rogers** of Gainesville, FL, September 18, 2000; retired chief scientist/consultant, Air Resources Division, Environmental Science & Engineering, Inc.; former executive vice president, Air Pollution Control Association, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'41—**Paul A. Schoellkopf** of Buffalo, NY, October 8, 2000; retired president, Ontario Marine, Inc.; active in alumni affairs.

'41 BA, MD '43—**Quinton D. Schubmehl** of Rochester, NY, May 27, 2000; retired psychiatrist, Wilson Memorial Hospital; veteran.

- '41 **BS HE**—**Ruth Jones** Wolff of Amityville, NY, exact date unknown.
- '42, **BA '46**—**Fred Antkies** of Rancho Mirage, CA, formerly of Los Angeles, November 14, 2000; investment banker; owner, Abingdon Enterprises.
- '42 **BS HE**—**Barbara Arther** Bald of Jacksonville, FL, January 10, 2000. Pi Beta Phi.
- '42, **BS AE C '43**—**Donald A. Bundy** of Elma, NY, September 6, 2000; veteran; Lambda Chi Alpha.
- '42 **BS HE**—**Phyllis Agnes Colling** Burke (Mrs. Bradley P. '42) of West Winfield, NY, June 1, 2000; retired farmer; active in alumni affairs.
- '42 **BA**—**Wallin G. Foster** of Denver, CO, June 9, 2000; chairman of the board and president, Bayly Manufacturing Co.; veteran; active in community affairs.
- '42 **BS HE**—**Elza Chaszar** Gilboe of El Paso, TX, May 12, 2000; retired teacher, Edgemere School.
- '42 **BS HE**—**Ruth E. Gould** of Perry, MI, October 3, 2000; retired dietetic extension specialist; active in religious affairs.
- '42 **BS Ag**—**Keith R. Hopkins** of Beaufort, SC, December 5, 2000; retired regional administrator, Niagara Frontier State Parks & Recreation Commission; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.
- '42 **BArch**—**John W. Kruse** of Woodside, CA, November 8, 2000; retired architect; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.
- '42 **BA**—**Herbert A. Laughlin** of Westfield, NY, June 2, 2000; family physician; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.
- '42 **DVM**—**Charles R. Leahy** of Whitney Point, NY, exact date unknown; veterinarian; active in alumni affairs.
- '42—**Marvin F. Levitt** of New York City, exact date unknown; physician.
- '42, **BS AE '43**—**Robert F. McCann Jr.** of Portland, OR, July 8, 2000; president, The McCann Org.; former salesperson, Mercedes Benz Truck Co.; active in alumni affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.
- '42 **DVM**—**Guy E. Morse** of Albany, NY, June 10, 2000; retired Catholic priest; former veterinarian; former professor, Cornell Univ. College of Veterinary Medicine.
- '42, **BME '43**—**William B. Pierce** of Richmond, VA, August 13, 2000; retired systems analyst, Continental Group, SEC Computer; former president, Commonwealth Construction Corp.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.
- '42 **BS AE M**—**Mayo E. Roe Jr.** of Maumee, OH, September 15, 2000; retired founder/chairman, Roe Incorporated; active in religious and alumni affairs; veteran.
- '42 **MS Ag**—**Gino R. Treves** of Princeton, NJ, June 11, 2000; retired president, GAT Labs; former researcher, FMC Corp.; active in alumni affairs.
- '43 **MS Law**—**John L. Curtin** of Sun Lakes, AZ, December 12, 1999.
- '43—**James B. Dunkel Jr.** of Pinehurst, NC, August 7, 2000. Beta Theta Pi.
- '43—**Ralph T. Fulmer** of Oneida, NY, October 13, 2000; owner, Black River Ice Co.
- '43 **MS Ed**—**Lilla Cortright** Halchin (Mrs. Matthew) of Alexandria, VA, July 2000.
- '43 **MD**—**Daniel V. Hickey** of Laguna Nigel, CA, exact date unknown.
- '43 **DVM**—**H. Dean Hopper** of Erwinna, PA, October 11, 2000; former owner, Ridgewood Veterinary Hospital, Ridgewood, NJ.
- '43 **BA**—**Jean Copeland** Jones of Naples, FL, exact date unknown. Husband, Herman L. Jones '42.
- '43 **BA**—**Jack A. Kaman** of Rochester, NY, January 5, 2001; attorney, Kaman, Berlove, Marafioti, Jacobstein & Goldman; former chairman, Family Law Section, NY State Bar Association; former trustee, Monroe County Bar Association; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.
- '43 **BS HE**—**Jane Bartholomae** Keely of Red Bank, NJ, October 9, 2000; retired writer.
- '43 **BA**—**Alice Thompson** Matten of Denton, TX, January 14, 2000. Pi Beta Phi. Husband, Charles W. Matten Jr. '42.
- '43, **B Chem E '44**—**Fred J. Meyer** of North Miami Beach, FL, December 1998; consultant; former owner, Eagle Industries, Hialeah, FL.
- '43—**44 GR**—**James A. Moulton** of Hiram, ME, October 8, 2000; farmer; active in community and religious affairs.
- '43, **BA '44**—**Jeanne Beilby** Robinett (Mrs. James M. '40) of Beaumont, TX, February 25, 2000. Alpha Xi Delta.
- '43, **BS Ag '48**—**Milton G. Soper** of Geneva, NY, July 26, 2000; retired partner, Soper Brothers Farm. Alpha Gamma Rho.
- '43 **BA**—**Carol Miller** Wilkins of Homosassa, FL, and Campbell, NY, August 1, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi. Husband, George M. Wilkins '44.
- '44—**Robert M. Casson** of Wheat Ridge, CO, October 28, 2000; engineer, Stearns Roger; retired lieutenant commander, US Navy; active in community and professional affairs.
- '44, **BA '43**—**Richard A. Holman** of New York City, September 18, 2000; founder, editor/publisher, *The Wall Street Transcript*; veteran.
- '44, **BS Ag '47, PhD '51**—**John L. McGurk** of Frankfort, NY, October 28, 2000; lecturer, St. Elizabeth School of Nursing, Utica, NY; former dairy farmer. Alpha Zeta.
- '44—**Thomas L. Nied** of Rector, PA, October 22, 2000; retired funeral director, Nied Funeral Home, Swissvale, PA; active in community and religious affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
- '44—**Geneal Summers** Pavlock (Mrs. Paul A.) of Atlanta, GA, formerly of Fairport, NY, March 3, 2000. Delta Delta Delta.
- '44 **BA**—**Amo J. Piccoli** of Morristown, NJ, February 19, 2000; retired physician; active in alumni affairs.
- '44, **BA '47, JD '49**—**Samuel L. Pierce** of New York City and Washington, DC, October 31, 2000; attorney; former cabinet secretary for the Reagan Administration; former partner, Battle, Fowler, Stokes & Kheel; co-founder, Freedom National Bank; active in alumni affairs.
- '44, **BS Ag '47**—**William M. Quinn** of Syracuse, NY, exact date unknown; retired agent, Onondaga County Cooperative Extension; former agricultural coordinator, New York State Fair; former board member, Blue Cross Blue Shield; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs. Wife, Elizabeth (Kehoe) '43.
- '44, **DVM '47**—**Eugene R. Scholtz** of Merritt Island, FL, October 20, 2000.
- '44—**Lester W. Watson** of Scottsdale, AZ, September 16, 2000; retired superintendent, Phoenix Wastewater Treatment Dept.; former dept. manager, Pfizer; active in community affairs.
- '45—**Fred J. Archibald** of Frederick, MD, November 7, 2000.
- '45, **BA '44**—**Bernard A. Bass** of Westbury, NY, January 23, 2000.
- '45—**Victor J. Bassani** of Yakima, WA, August 21, 2000; president, H.R. Spinner Corp.
- '45, **BS ME '44**—**Henry G. Bernhardt** of

Great Neck, NY, December 14, 2000; consultant, H. G. Bernhardt, P. E.; former mechanical engineering consultant, NY State Dept. of Housing & Community Renewal, New York City; active in alumni affairs.

'45 BS EE—**John A. Bernier** of Lexington, MA, exact date unknown; manager, Fisher Scientific Co., Jarrell Ash Division, Waltham, MA.

'45—**Charles C. Bradford Jr.** of Naples, FL, formerly of Shaker Heights, OH, August 10, 2000; retired owner, Bradford Sales & Engineering Co., Cleveland, OH, veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'45—**Harry C. Cushing IV** of New York City, October 24, 2000; investor; veteran.

'45—**William L. Davis** of Tampa, FL, July 5, 2000; real estate agent, Five Star Realty. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'45, BME '44—**James B. Fields** of Pasadena, CA, April 5, 2000; retired project engineer, Anheiser-Busch, Van Nuys, CA; former principal, Ralph M. Parsons Co., Pasadena; active in alumni affairs.

'45, BA '47, LLB '49—**Richard A. Hagen** of New York City, exact date unknown; attorney. Theta Xi.

'45 BA—**Janice Phillips** Hormes (Mrs. Cullen H.) of Lutherville, MD, exact date unknown. Kappa Delta.

'45, B Chem E '47—**Thomas M. Jackson** of Littleton, CO, May 2000; active in alumni affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'45, BS Ag '47—**Eric C. Oesterle** of West Lafayette, IN, October 20, 2000; retired professor, Purdue; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'45 BCE—**Edwin C. Paul** of San Rafael, CA, March 2, 1998; retired Navy engineer; active in community affairs.

'45, BME '44, MME '48—**William F. Pearson** of Bethesda, MD, October 17, 2000; retired owner/operator, Pearson Machine Controls; veteran. Beta Theta Pi.

'45 BS Hotel—**Mary Scheffler** Rose (Mrs. Arnold B.) of Short Hills, NJ, April 25, 2000.

'45, BCE '48—**James M. Shaw** of East Amherst, NY, August 21, 2000; president, Superior Constructors, Inc., Williamsville, NY; active in alumni affairs. Delta Chi.

'45—**Winston H. Wease** of New Orleans, LA, November 6, 2000; professor, Louisiana State University; president, South Central OB/GYN Society. Sigma Chi.

'46 BA—**Frances Foster** Anderson (Mrs.

Norman N.) of Rochester, NY, July 4, 2000; real estate agent, John T. Nothnagle Gallery of Homes. Pi Beta Phi.

'46, BS HE '45—**Nancy Dekeyser** Harap (Mrs. Richard '45) of Westport, CT, exact date unknown.

'46, BS Ag '48, PhD '51—**Ernst Knobil** of Houston, TX, April 13, 2000; neuroendocrinologist; retired dean, University of Texas-Houston Health Sciences Center Medical School; active in professional affairs. Wife, Julane (Hotchkiss) '56.

'46—**Andrew M. Linz** of New York City, November 12, 2000.

'46 MD—**Harry A. Sinclair** of Washington, DC, August 5, 2000; retired physician and farmer; veteran; active in alumni affairs.

'46—**Stewart M. Sommers** of Oceanside, NY, August 21, 2000.

'46 BS HE—**Betty Halpin** Stephenson (Mrs. Robert J. '52) of Hamburg, NY, October 8, 2000; retired secretary, Wayside Presbyterian Church; active in religious affairs.

'46, BA '45—**Burton L. Travis** of Miami Springs, FL, exact date unknown; physician. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'47—**Victor S. Chesler** of Sherman Oaks, CA, October 24, 2000; retired physician's assistant; former registered nurse; veteran; active in religious affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.

'47 BS Nurs—**Agatha Chipley** Hughes (Mrs. Thomas P.) of Philadelphia, PA, exact date unknown.

'47, BS ME '46—**Robert J. Miller** of West Monroe, NY, October 6, 2000; retired engineer, Miller Engineering; former owner, Miller's Orchards; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'47 MA, PhD '50—**Irene Pierce** Stiver (Mrs. Ray B. Jr.) of Chestnut Hill, MA, September 24, 2000; psychologist; founder and former director, psychology dept., McLean Hospital, Belmont, MA.

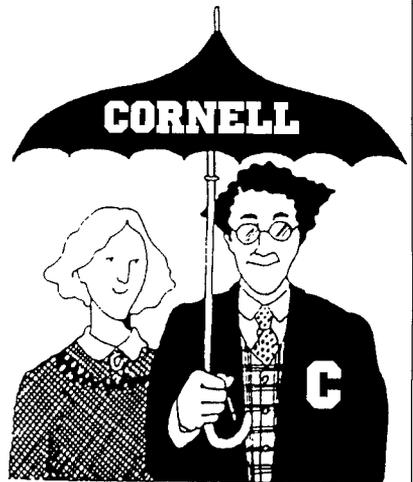
'48 BA—**Joan Egan** Dows of Bon Air, VA, October 5, 2000; co-owner, Stamp & Coin Dept., Thalhimers store; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Chi Omega. Husband, Lawrence R. Dows '48.

'48 LLB—**Harry A. English** of Bend, OR, exact date unknown.

'48 BA—**William M. Gray** of Kalamazoo, MI, February 19, 2000.

'48—**Raymond B. Janney** of Marblehead, MA, November 14, 2000; chief aeronautical engineer; associate Fellow of the American In-

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**'48 BEE—Frederick W. Koch III** of New Freedom, PA, March 28, 2000; retired engineer, Baltimore Gas & Electric. Sigma Nu.

**'48 BS Ag, MNS '49—Lawrence MacHlin** of Livingston, NJ, exact date unknown; director, Hoffman LaRoche.

**'48—Harold L. Polanski** of North Easton, MA, December 22, 1998.

**'48, BA '49—John T. Prince** of Tequesta, FL, June 28, 2000; retired physician; active in community and professional affairs.

**'48 BA, MA '50—Roland E. Ransom** of Beaufort, SC, September 7, 2000; former principal/teacher, Mahopac School District, Mahopac, NY; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

**'48 BA, MBA '49—Robert E. Vogel** of Wilmington, NC, August 25, 2000; retired senior planning consultant, IBM Corp.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

**'48 BA—Laurel Fox Vlock** of Woodbridge, CT, July 8, 2000; TV producer; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Delta Phi. Husband, Jay Vlock '47.

**'49 BA—John P. Alfano** of Phoenix, AZ, March 18, 1999; consultant, Common Sense Consulting. Watermargin.

**'49—Helen Kullman** Belknap of Redding, CA, June 22, 2000. Husband, Daniel A. Belknap '47.

**'49-51 GR—Leon L. Beratan** of Potomac, MD, October 9, 2000; retired chief of earth sciences research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission; veteran.

**'49 BArch—Ray C. Bump Jr.** of Abingdon, MA, July 16, 2000; president, Massachusetts Golf Association; active in professional affairs.

**'49 BME—Thomas N. Coffin** of Richmond, IN, exact date unknown. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

**'49, BS Ag '47, DVM '49—F. Langdon Davis Jr.** of Augusta, ME, June 17, 2000; retired veterinarian. Wife, Jeannette (Powell) '49.

**'49 MD—James Gilmore** of Pittsburgh, PA, October 6, 2000; retired obstetrician; former chairman, Allegheny General Hospital's Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology; president, Century Medical Group; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

**'49 MD—Jean Schmidlapp** Humes of Lo-

cust Valley, NY, September 2, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

**'49 LLB—Alexander R. Imlay** of San Rafael, CA, September 9, 2000; retired attorney, Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro; veteran; active in community affairs.

**'49 BEE—Robert E. Mendoza** of Hilton Head Island, SC, May 6, 2000.

**'49 BA, MA '50—Albert P. Nadler** of Saranac Lake, NY, June 8, 2000. Wife, Adelaide (Vagnarelli) '44.

**'49 BS Nurs—Gertrude Hardy** Osterhout (Mrs. Donald P. Jr.) of Savannah, GA, exact date unknown.

**'49 BS AE M, M Ed '61—Harvey N. Roehl** of Vestal, NY, June 21, 2000; owner/operator, Vestal Press; retired administrative dean, Broome Community College; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

**'49 MS—Howard W. Rorabaugh** of Syracuse, NY, November 1, 1998.

**'49 JD—Gordon T. Stulberg** of Los Angeles, CA, October 12, 2000; film studio executive, Polygram Pictures; former negotiator, Writers Guild of America; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

**'49 BA—Peter Swerling** of Pacific Palisades, CA, August 25, 2000; analytical mathematician; founder, Swerling, Manasse & Smith; radar technology consultant; active in professional affairs. Watermargin.

**'49 BA—Norman Tinkle** of Spofford, NH, and Boynton Beach, FL, November 1, 2000; retired real estate agent, Martocci & Henry, Brattleboro, VT.

**'49 MS ILR—Paul Yager** of Metuchen, NJ, August 28, 2000; retired director, Northeastern Region of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, New York City; veteran. Wife, Naomi (Rosenhaus) '43.

**'50 LLB—Richard G. Borden** of Binghamton, NY, May 27, 2000; former partner, Birch, Borden & Pierce Law Firm; veteran; Boy Scout Troop leader; active in community affairs.

**'50 BEE—John C. Corbin Jr.** of Louisville, KY, July 16, 2000.

**'50 BS Ag—John J. Link** of Lantana, FL, formerly of Springville, NY, August 22, 2000; retired owner/operator, Able Rent-All, Lantana; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

**'50 MBA—Joseph E. McKinney** of Clearwater, FL, September 14, 2000; former professor, University of Tampa; retired colonel, US Army; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

**'50 MA—Shirley Johnson** Nisbet (Mrs. Fred J., PhD '49) of Tryon, NC, July 20, 2000; retired elementary school teacher.

**'50—Conrad A. Rock** of Melbourne, FL, exact date unknown; retired project engineer, ANCO Technical Services, Inc., Amherst, NY.

**'50 BEE—James A. Shelly Jr.** of Ft. Myers, FL, August 4, 2000; retired real estate agent, Horsepen Hollow Subdivision, Cosby, TN. Phi Delta Theta. Wife, Priscilla (Bragdon) '47.

**'51 BS Ag—Bradley E. Donohoe** of Goshen, IN, September 8, 2000; general manager, Ziggity Systems Inc.; active in alumni affairs.

**'51 MS Ag—Ann Wills** Frame (Mrs. L. W.) of Blacksburg, VA, July 29, 2000; retired district agent and program leader, Virginia Tech. Southeast Extension District; active in community affairs.

**'51 MS—Rachel Ice** Hubbard of Columbus, OH, June 26, 2000.

**'51, BS Ag '55—Arthur A. Huber** of Ennice, NC, formerly of Atlanta, GA, and Bedford, NY, July 18, 2000; executive vice president, First National Bank of Atlanta; former senior vice president, Bank of America; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Phi.

**'51 LLB—Robert M. Johnson** of Anandale, VA, July 1, 2000; former government liaison, General Electric, Washington, DC; veteran.

**'51 BA—Herbert M. F. Kutz** of Carmel, NY, June 24, 2000; retired administrative manager, Seven Springs Center, Mt. Kisco. Cayuga Lodge.

**'51 PhD—Edward O. Moe** of Blue Springs, MO, August 26, 2000; retired principal sociologist, USDA Cooperative Research Service; former professor, University of Utah; active in professional and alumni affairs.

**'51—Velma Bryant** Owens of Washington, DC, December 24, 1997.

**'51 MA, PhD '53—Miriam Mark** Salpeter (Mrs. Edwin E.) of Ithaca, NY, October 24, 2000; professor, Cornell University; active in professional and alumni affairs.

**'51 BS Ag—John K. Wilson** of Dansville, NY, September 18, 1999. Wife, Ann (Richardson) '53.

**'51 PhD—Charles J. York** of San Diego, CA, July 18, 2000; virologist.

**'52 JD—James R. Blanning** of Bristol, CT, April 8, 2000; clergy, First Church of Christ, Congregational.

'52 BA—**David E. Blais** of Fort Worth, TX, December 6, 2000; vice president, Dal-Worth Developers Inc.; retired colonel, US Air Force; active in civic and community affairs. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'52 MS Ag—**Samuel P. Coker Jr.** of Hartsville, SC, exact date unknown.

'52—**Cynthia Harvey Collum** of Jamesville, NY, August 22, 1999. Kappa Alpha Theta. Husband, Edward B. Collum '49.

'52 LLB—**Richard H. Hughes** of Newton, NJ, September 3, 2000; partner, Hughes & Hoffman.

'52 BCE—**Jack Lurie** of Hartsdale, NY, April 2000; CEO, Republic Lens Co., Englewood, NJ. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'52, BCE '53—**David W. Rauchfuss** of Pine Plains, NY, and Phoenix, AZ, August 14, 2000; manufacturing engineer, Honeywell, Inc.; veteran; active in religious affairs. Triangle.

'52 BS Ag—**Laurence M. Sandler**, exact date unknown.

'52 PhD—**G. Congdon Wood** of Ridgefield, CT, October 9, 2000; former assistant vice president of professional education, American Cancer Society.

'53 PhD—**Helen Illick Breed** (Mrs. Henry E.) of Troy, NY, January 4, 2001.

'53 BS Ag—**A. Fenton Carruth** of Seneca Castle, NY, October 21, 2000; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'53 BS Ag—**John K. Chadwick** of Pewee Valley, KY, July 4, 2000; retired FBI special agent; former director of foreign missions, US State Dept., Chicago.

'53-54 Sp Ag—**Myron P. Gardner** of San Antonio, TX, formerly of Evans Mills, NY, and Port Charlotte, FL, October 11, 2000; veteran.

'53, BS Ag '52—**George P. Georghiou** of Riverside, CA, November 6, 2000; entomologist; professor emeritus, University of California-Riverside; active in professional affairs.

'53 BCE—**Earle F. Ginter** of Woodbury, NJ, October 14, 2000; active in alumni affairs. Acacia. Wife, Evelyn (Glasier) '53.

'53 LLB—**Arthur D. Goldstein** of Great Neck, NY, June 28, 2000; attorney, Samuel Goldstein & Sons, New York City.

'53 BS HE—**Veronica Sayers Haight** of Delhi, NY, exact date unknown; clerk, Cannon Free Library. Husband, Donald L. Haight '53.

'53, BS ILR '55—**Reese Hammond** of

Washington, DC, August 10, 2000; retired labor education and pension consultant; former research and education director, International Union of Operating Engineers; veteran.

'53 BS Ag—**Frederick W. Muller** of Norwalk, CT, September 2, 2000; real estate agent. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'53 BS Hotel—**Henry P. Pitts Jr.** of Washington, DC, May 21, 2000; owner, Pitts & Woodruff; veteran. Theta Delta Chi.

'53-54 GR—**Phil L. Snyder** of Fullerton, CA, exact date unknown.

'53 BA—**Rose Fredrickson Thompson** of Saratoga Springs, NY, July 26, 2000; attorney.

'53—**Charles H. Throm II** of Cocoa Beach, FL, May 7, 2000. Delta Phi.

'53 BS Hotel—**Robert T. Wiese** of Hayward, CA, June 12, 2000; owner, Robert T. Wiese Real Estate; active in alumni affairs.

'54—**John E. Drotning** of Mayfield Heights, OH, August 26, 2000; retired professor, Case Western Reserve University; labor relations arbitrator; active in community affairs. Chi Phi.

'54—**Philip B. Gausby** of Waddington, NY, August 23, 2000; rector, St. Paul's Episcopal Church; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Sigma Pi.

'54 PhD—**Donald Y. Perkins** of Mulberry, FL, exact date unknown.

'54 BA—**Ronald H. Stone** of San Francisco, CA, May 25, 2000.

'55 PhD—**W. Wayne Boyle** of Phoenix, AZ, February 28, 2000; retired professor, Pennsylvania State University.

'55 BS Hotel—**Richard H. Brandt** of Cleveland, OH, December 30, 2000; real estate agent, Brandt Realty Consultants; veteran. Phi Delta Theta.

'55—**George S. Brooks** of Fort Lauderdale, FL, May 1999.

'55 MD—**Kent G. Kimball** of San Diego, CA, February 1999. Wife, Denise (Cutler) '52.

'55—**William D. Paine** of Intervale, NH, exact date unknown; lawyer, Carroll County District Attorney, North Conway, NH.

'55, BME '56—**Theodore F. Reusswig Jr.** of Glastonbury, CT, September 21, 2000; retired engineer, Pratt & Whitney Aircraft; former adjunct professor, RPI; active in professional and religious affairs. Wife, Joan (Jeremiah) '57.

'55, BEP '56—**Howard Sklar** of San Fran-

cisco, CA, September 21, 2000; retired engineer, Stanford Research Institute. Watermargin.

'56 BS Hotel—**Charles L. Coulson** of Cambridge, MA, May 1999; retired CPA, Harvard Varsity Club, Boston, MA.

'56, BS Nurs '57—**Irene Buckley Degnan** (Mrs. Robert J.) of Tappan, NY.

'56 LLM—**Karl O. Jacob-Steinorth** of Stuttgart, Germany, exact date unknown.

'56 MA—**Letizia Comba Jervis** of Torre Pelice, Italy, February 2000.

'56 MD—**Abdolhossein E. Samiy** of New York City, August 9, 2000; psychiatry professor, New York Hospital, Weill Cornell Medical Center.

'56 BS Ag—**Barbara Krause Schneider** of Beverly Hills, CA, September 12, 2000; former president, Music Center Operating Co.; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'56—**Peter L. Stammberger** of West Lake Village, CA, December 1999.

'56—**Douglas J. Terman** of Warren, VT, December 28, 2000. Kappa Sigma.

'57—**Louis D. Cosgrave Jr.** of Devon, PA, August 30, 2000; retired executive marketing director, Family Guide Network, Jenkintown. Phi Gamma Delta.

'57 BA—**James A. Fielding** of Georgetown, ME, October 7, 2000; active in community and religious affairs. Acacia.

'57, BS Ag '63—**Robert L. Gardner** of Tigard, OR, November 3, 2000; owner, Gardner Trust & Fiduciary Services; former vice president, Key Bank of Oregon, Portland; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Acacia.

'57, BA '58—**Eleanor Sosnow Levitt** of Livingston, NJ, exact date unknown.

'57 BA—**Robert I. Levy** of Morristown, NJ, October 28, 2000; senior vice president, American Home Products Corp.; former National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute director, National Institutes of Health; former vice president and professor, Columbia University Medical School; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'57 B Chem E—**John F. Lombard** of Louisville, KY, June 21, 2000; manager, United Catalysts, Inc.; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs.

'57 MS—**Leslie A. Sirkin** of Johnsbury, NY, June 25, 2000; geologist.

'58 BA—**Robert J. Axelrod** of Princeton,

NJ, January 23, 2000.

'58, BEE '59—**Murray Gallant** of Branford, CT, September 13, 2000; former vice president, Prudential Securities; active in alumni affairs.

'58 JD—**Louis R. Garcia** of Eastchester, NY, formerly of Brooklyn, exact date unknown; vice president, Teachers' Insurance & Annuity Association, New York City.

'58, BA '60—**Richard R. Hampton** of Southbury, CT, September 7, 2000. Watermargin.

'58 BS Ag—**Richard D. Hewitt** of Palm Harbor, FL, formerly of Winchester, NH, June 9, 2000; retired co-owner/operator, Hewitt's Garden Centers, Albany, NY. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'59 BS ILR—**Richard A. Benson** of Kennedy, NY, July 19, 2000.

'59 BA—**Diane Divers Blair** of Fayetteville, AR, June 26, 2000; professor, University of Arkansas; author, *Arkansas Politics and Government: Do the People Rule?*; advisor/senior campaign researcher for former US President Clinton; active in alumni affairs.

'59 BA—**Nathaniel J. Cravener** of San Leandro, CA, exact date unknown. Sigma Pi.

'59 PhD—**Lewis H. Dickson** of Knoxville, TN, August 15, 2000; professor emeritus, University of Tennessee Agricultural Extension; airline transport pilot certificate holder; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'59 BME—**John L. Laemle** of White Plains, NY, July 13, 2000; retired manager, IBM Corp.; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'59, BEE '60—**Peter Van Raalte** of Wilton, CT, July 7, 2000; engineer, Perkin-Elmer Corp.

'60 BS Hotel—**Alfred L. Barnes** of Hulls Cove, ME, September 15, 2000; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'60 MPA—**Warren E. Bishop** of Monument Beach, MA, June 3, 2000; retired administrator, Tobey Hospital, Wareham, MA; former lecturer, Yale University School of Medicine; active in community affairs.

'60 DVM—**Gardner W. Kenneson** of Bradford, ME, July 10, 2000.

'60—**Louise Bruckner Schuerger** of West Chester, PA, July 30, 2000; consultant, Mary Lou Schuerger, Inc. Husband, John H. Schuerger Jr. '57.

'60, BME '65—**William M. Watkins**, Janu-

ary 22, 2000. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'60 BS Ag—**Leon E. Wright Jr.** of Franklinville, NY, August 19, 2000; dairy farmer; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'60, BArch '61—**Bruce A. Zwingelstein** of Dalton, MA, exact date unknown; architect. Alpha Chi Rho.

'61 BS Ag—**James S. Brodnicki** of Ovid, NY, December 27, 2000; partner, Brodnicki Bros. Tires.

'61 BA—**Ronald Leroy Hall** of Scottsdale, AZ, exact date unknown. Beta Theta Pi.

'61 MA—**Judith Levey Kurlander** of Ithaca, NY, November 21, 2000; poet; teacher, Ithaca College Writing Program; active in community and religious affairs.

'61 MBA—**Roger L. Schultz** of Stamford, CT, August 22, 2000; president, Dynagraphic. Delta Phi.

'61 BS ILR—**Boyd H. Shore** of Ocean Park, ME, October 25, 2000; veteran.

'62 BEP—**A. Lee Atkinson** of Chelmsford, MA, exact date unknown. Delta Tau Delta.

'62 JD—**Warren I. Cohn** of Rockville, MD, November 2, 2000; attorney, Federal Highway Administration. Washington, DC; veteran.

'62 PhD—**A. Richard Seebass III** of Boulder, CO, November 14, 2000; professor, former dean, University of Colorado College of Engineering and Applied Science; former associate dean, Cornell University College of Engineering.

'64 BA—**Philip P. Berelson** of New York City, December 5, 1999.

'64 MBA—**James W. Fallon Jr.** of Marion, MA, January 26, 2000; sales manager, Foot-Joy, Inc., New Bedford; former president, Cover Concepts Ltd., Blackstone.

'64 BS Ag—**Thomas R. Jones** of Duncanville, TX, June 26, 2000; retired director of contracts/group leader, Superconducting Super Collider Project; retired lieutenant colonel, US Air Force. Sigma Nu.

'65—**Patricia A. Hermann** of Vieques, PR, formerly of Brooklyn, NY; clothing manufacturer/retailer, Bali Llama stores, Vieques; retired assistant principal and former teacher, FDR High School, Brooklyn; active in community affairs. Delta Phi Epsilon.

'65 MBA—**James M. Judd** of San Antonio, TX, exact date unknown; former vice president, Security Federal Savings & Loan, Albuquerque, NM.

'65 BS Ag—**David Kirtland** of Brook-

tondale, NY, November 15, 2000; retired Swine Farm Manager, Cornell University; past assistant chief and president, Brooktondale Fire Company; veteran.

'66 BA, MA IN T '68—**Pamela Felton** Miller of Rock Hall, MD, formerly of Crofton and Crownsville, June 2, 2000; retired teacher, Prince George County School System; active in community and professional affairs. Delta Delta Delta. Husband, Richard S. Miller '65.

'66 BS ILR—**Arthur J. Freedman** of North Tonawanda, NY, exact date unknown; counsel, Great Lakes Bureau, Inc., Buffalo; former associate, Jacobowitz and Gubits, Esqs., Walden.

'66 BS Eng, ME M '67, PhD '83—**Robert C. Ricketson** of Ithaca, NY, exact date unknown; researcher, Digicomp Research Corp., Ithaca. Delta Chi.

'67 PhD—**Richard J. Engen** of Portland, OR, March 31, 2000; retired research chemist, Arabian Oil; veteran.

'67 MS—**Earl S. Feinman** of East Aurora, NY, exact date unknown.

'67, BArch '68—**Mark W. Haag** of Ithaca, NY, July 6, 2000; landlord; owner, Southwind Tree Farm; former architect.

'67 PhD—**George S. Kanahale** of Honolulu, HI, September 15, 2000; founder, Native Hawaiian Tourism and Hospitality Association; active in professional affairs.

'67, BME '69—**Anthony L. Robb** of San Diego, CA, October 9, 2000; former program manager, CACI Products Co., La Jolla, CA; consultant. Beta Theta Pi.

'67 MA—**Deborah Lucas** Schneider was mistakenly listed as deceased in the November/December 1999 *Cornell Magazine*.

'67 BS Hotel—**James A. Scorup** of Tucson, AZ, exact date unknown; supervisor, First Data Corp.

'68 BS Ag—**Lawrence E. Bartkus** of Albany, NY, October 7, 2000; retired owner/operator, Bartkus Landscape & Design Co., Clarksville; former volunteer, Slingerlands Fire Dept.; active in community and religious affairs.

'68 BS ILR—**Alice Berman** Carlton of Kailua, HI, exact date unknown.

'68 DVM—**Peter N. Casadei** of Old Westbury, NY, July 12, 2000; veterinarian.

'68 BS Ag—**William B. Craine** of Red Creek, NY, December 2, 2000; owner/operator, Craine Dairy Farms; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'68 BS HE—**Madeleine Foisy** Jopp of

Ithaca, NY, September 25, 2000; retired director of pupil personnel services, Ithaca City School District. Husband, John D. Hart '52.

'69—**Timothy B. Anderson** of Westfield, NJ, November 26, 1998.

'69 MBA—**Norman E. Condit** of Avon, CT, July 29, 2000; assistant vice president, Aetna Life & Casualty Insurance Co., Hartford, CT; former chief investment officer, Savings Bank Life Insurance; veteran; active in civic affairs.

'69 BA—**Janet L. Entersz** of Massapequa Park, NY, April 30, 1999; ESL teacher, Boston University; former librarian, Olin Library, Cornell University.

'69 MS, PhD '76—**Paul W. Steiner** of University Park, MD, October 28, 2000; professor, University of Maryland; co-developer, Maryblyt™ fruit grower's software program; active in professional affairs.

'69, BArch '70, MArch '73, MRP '77—**Emmanuel-George Vakalo** of Ann Arbor, MI, exact date unknown; professor, University of Michigan. Alpha Delta Phi.

'69 BS Ag—**Philip L. Woolf** of Portland, OR, June 3, 2000; administrator, Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; former professor, John Tyler Community College, Chester, VA.

'70 BS Ag—**William R. Jenkins** of Pensacola, FL, September 12, 2000; real estate agent; scoutmaster, Boy Scouts of America Troop #495; active in religious affairs. Pi Kappa Phi. Wife, Vicki (Schaus) '71.

'70 BS Ag—**David J. Truesdale** of Niagara Falls, NY, September 22, 2000; professor and assistant to the president, Niagara County Community College; management consultant, Truesdale Associates; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'71 BA—**Gail Hassan Jacoby** (Mrs. Itzhak '71) of Bethesda, MD, November 26, 1999.

'71 JD—**Philip C. McGovern** of Beverly, MA, November 1, 2000; adjunct professor, Boston University School of Law; of counsel, McGovern & Dawson; former director of international tax service, Coopers & Lybrand; active in community and alumni affairs.

'71 BA—**Sandra Raub Mitchell** of Alpena, MI, September 27, 2000; librarian, Jesse Besser Museum; former archivist/curator, Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, Hyde Park, NY.

'71—**Joseph E. Totten** of Baltimore, MD, December 16, 1998; retired pastor, Metropolitan Community Church.

'72 BA—**William A. Esson Jr.** of Nashua, NH, July 12, 2000. Wife, Virginia (Nep-

tune) '74.

'72 BS Ag—**Patricia Gibbs Winn** (Mrs. Kenneth F.) of Ithaca, NY, exact date unknown.

'73 BS HE—**Terry L. Emerick** of Chamblee, GA, December 17, 1999; manager, Buster Brown Shoes, Atlanta; former US Army official, Ft. Wainwright H. Q., Seattle, WA.

'74 BA—**Richard N. Weber** of Elmira, NY, exact date unknown.

'75 MS—**Norman W. Pauling Jr.** of Morrisonville, NY, exact date unknown; former agricultural consultant; retired agent, Cornell Cooperative Extension; former assistant professor, Canton Agriculture & Technical College; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'76, BS Ag '77—**Harry G. Bays** of Bath, NY, July 13, 2000; veteran; active in religious affairs.

'76 BS HE—**Patricia M. Roth** of Oakland, CA, February 18, 2000.

'76 BS Hotel—**Donald R. Weber** of Gaylord, MI, October 24, 2000; president, DRW Management & Marketing; former general manager, Marsh Ridge Resort; former president, Gaylord Area Convention & Tourism Bureau; active in community and professional affairs.

'78 MA, PhD '86—**John M. Maier** of Ithaca, NY, July 18, 2000.

'78 BS Nurs—**Marianne Reith** of Portland, OR, formerly of Seattle, WA, May 4, 1999; registered nurse; active in professional affairs.

'79, ME CI '80—**Francisco E. Alfonso** of Palo Alto, CA, August 12, 2000; principal, Alfonso Harmon Architects.

'79 BS Ag—**Janice Comber Auger** of Tampa, FL, May 30, 2000; marketer, IBM Corp., New York City. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'79 BS Ag—**Noel R. Bower** of Fort Myers, FL, September 28, 2000; sales manager, Diagonal Data Corp., Lakeland.

'79 BS Eng—**Michael P. Graf** of Saint Louis, MO, exact date unknown.

'79 BS Ag—**Denise Hicklin** of New York City, April 2, 2000.

'80 BS Ag—**Mark Germansky** of Monsey, NY, November 13, 2000; office manager, Zemo Leasing, Nyack.

'81 BS Eng—**James M. Cameron** of Hawthorne, CA, exact date unknown.

'81 JD—**Mary Barstow** Ferguson of Or-

chard Park, NY, September 4, 2000; attorney, Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber.

'81 JD—**Andrea S. Lederfine** of Andover, MA, August 30, 2000; former attorney; active in community affairs.

'84, BA '86—**Patrick Kobina Mends** of Irvington, NJ, September 25, 2000; pharmacist, Novartis Corp.

'84 PhD—**Michael G. Smart** of Schaumburg, IL, June 24, 2000.

'87 PhD—**Caren S. Fried** of Paramus, NJ, August 12, 2000; science writer.

'87—**Gary L. Newman** of Ithaca, NY, May 5, 2000; self-employed book distributor.

'88 BS Eng—**Harlan B. Williams Jr.** of Arlington, VA, September 9, 2000; attorney, Williams Intl. Patent & Trademark. Kappa Delta Rho.

'89 ME C—**James A. Kankam** of Moreland Hills, OH, May 16, 2000; professor, University of Akron.

'89 BS Eng—**Israel A. Litwack** of Lake Ronkonkoma, NY, exact date unknown; computer programmer, CRC Information Systems, New York City.

'90 BS Eng—**Paul J. Munley** of Chicago, IL, September 25, 2000; vice president, business integration, MVP.com. Phi Kappa Psi.

'90, BS Hotel '91—**Clement A. Dear** of Jersey City, NJ, exact date unknown; TV manager, Protravel International, New York City.

'90 BA—**Daniel H. Taylor** of Burbank, CA, August 1, 2000. NROTC.

'91 JD—**Carlos L. Caceres** of Puerto Rico, September 6, 2000; relief worker, United Nations Refugee Agency.

'91 BA—**K. Shannon Smith Stuckey** of Columbia, SC, October 1, 2000; attorney. Delta Delta Delta.

'94 JD—**John K. Flanagan** of Jackson Hole, WY, May 17, 2000; attorney, Flanagan & Flanagan.

'95 BA—**Vincent D. Zayas** of Bronx, NY, exact date unknown. Watermargin.

'96 BS Eng—**Michael A. Smiarowski** of Phoenix, AZ, May 29, 2000.

'97 BA—**Michael Joshua Deresh** of Pinellas Park, FL, formerly of Dewitt, NY.

'99 MBA—**Isaac B. Starr** of Glenside, PA, July 4, 2000.

'00 MMH—**Keith A. Mugambi** of Nairobi, Kenya, June 28, 2000.



## CRAZY LIKE A FOX

THE PRANK-PERPETRATING, TOBACCO-CHEWING VET PROFESSOR APPROACHES EIGHTY



COW TALES: THE FAMED ROUTE 366 RAILROAD TRESTLE, SET TO BE UPDATED ON MARCH 11; THE DOCTOR WITH PATIENT

If you want to know how old F. H. Fox is, get on Route 366 and look up. The vet professor's age is emblazoned on an overpass a mile east of campus and repainted every year for his birthday on March 11—something of a holy day of obligation at the Vet school for more than half a century.

In past years, Fox's natal day has been celebrated with a

procession of pallbearers carrying a casket into his lecture hall. Students have left live sheep in his office (also a dead cow). They've jacked up his car on cinder blocks. They've taped him to a wheelchair and taken him on "hell rides" around the school. They've bricked up his office, filled it with 1,000 helium balloons, moved its contents to the roof of the Vet research tower. "I've tried different things, different locks," Fox says, "but it never works."

Fox, however, gives as good as he gets. His decades of shenanigans are

immortalized in a book compiled for his seventieth birthday (when students dressed him up in a cow suit and had a belly dancer escort him to his party). *The Fox Chronicles* features tales of his veterinary good deeds—but also stories of him luring unsuspecting students for a quick farm call only to keep them captive all day; having a box of "horse apples" made up to look like candy and handing them around; driving all over upstate New York with hapless students in the backseat, their mouths full of his prof-

fered chewing tobacco and nowhere to spit. "He really is a legend—everybody knows him, and everybody loves him," says surgery instructor Leslie Appel '90, DVM '94, a colleague and former student. "I've learned so much from him, not only about veterinary medicine, but also about life."

Fox arrived on campus in 1941, earning combined BS and DVM degrees in 1945. (He likes to joke that he "fought the battle of Guadalupe.") Except for a year at Ohio State he's been on the Hill ever since, teaching ophthalmology and large animal medicine, among other subjects. Although the birthday celebrations have been scaled back since his retirement in 1992, the Route 366 overpass is still painted every March by third-year students. And Fox, who turns seventy-eight this month, still goes on farm calls several days a week and teaches the senior seminar—where, he says, "I make the pups toe the line."



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