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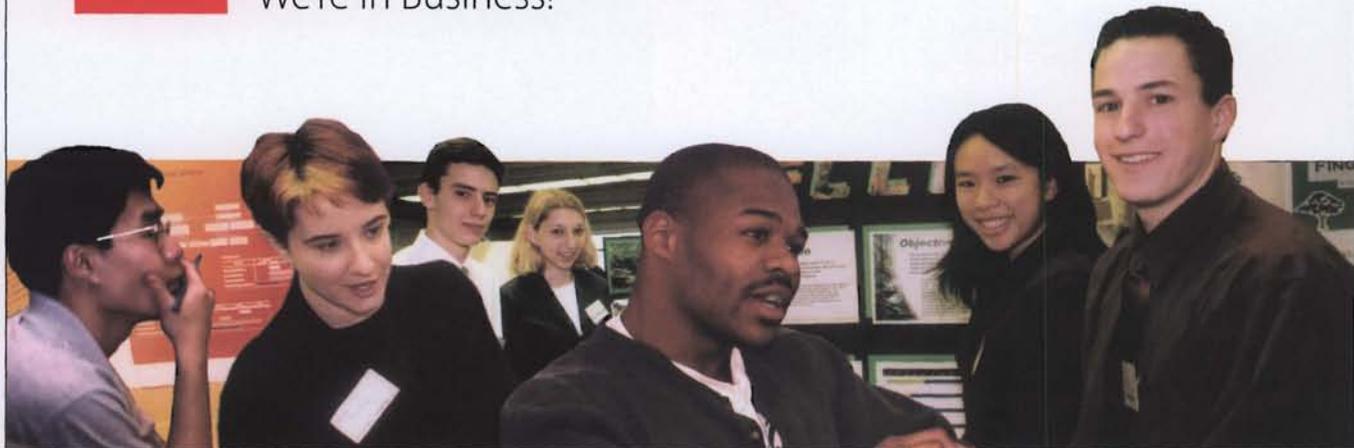




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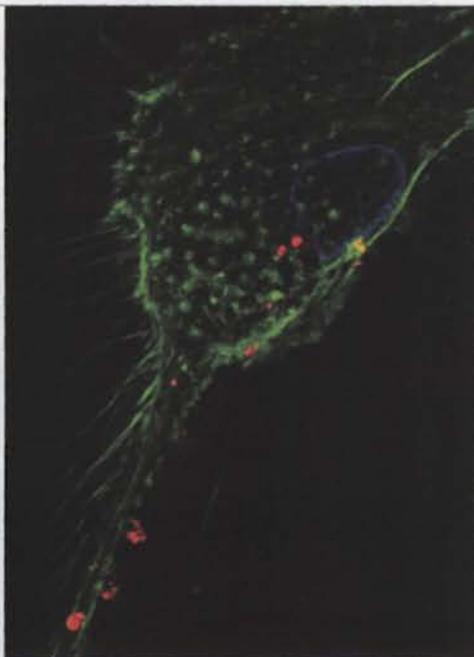
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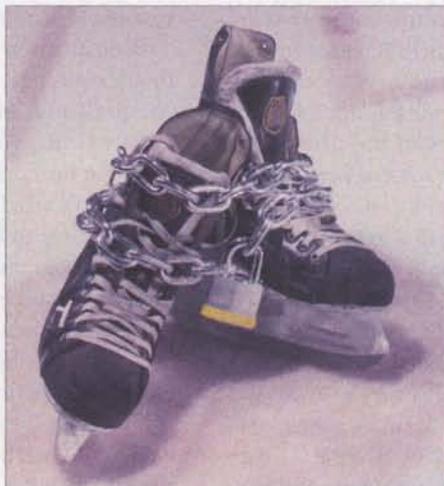
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## FIRST WEST CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL HOUSE OPENS

**d**URING THE THIRD WEEK OF August, students began to move into Alice Cook House, the first new unit to open on West Campus as part of the Residential Initiative. About two-thirds of the 372 residents are sophomores; the rest are upperclassmen and transfers. “We’ve always assumed that there are different kinds of students at Cornell,” says Vice Provost Isaac Kramnick, who has helped lead the project since its inception six years ago during the Rawlings Administration. “Some want to live off campus and some want to live in fraternities and sororities, but there’s another group that has never had a possible ‘line on the menu’ for a different choice—an opportunity for residential life that provides informal contact with faculty and the exciting cultural, social, and intellectual energy that provides.”

Kramnick stresses that the new houses represent an option and are not intended to displace any of the traditional residential choices. There are currently 1,800 West Campus beds, and when all five of the new houses are completed there will still be 1,800 beds. (All of the University Halls are being demolished to make room for the new structures. The Gothic dorms will remain and are being incorporated into the house system—Boldt, Boldt Tower, Baker Tower, and North Baker are part of Alice Cook House—but there are no plans, as yet, to renovate them.) The idea, Kramnick says, is to provide the kind of “living-learning” environment available at many of the schools with which Cornell competes but that has been missing here. In addition to offering close contact with the faculty who will serve as house dean and fellows, the new houses will also provide a continuing identity for their members. “The bulk of the students will move out after one year,” Kramnick says, “but they will remain members of the house for their junior and senior years. It will be an important source of community and friendship while they’re here, and a source of mythical memories after they’ve graduated.”

Professor Ross Brann, the dean of Cook House, says that life there will include many special events in addition to the usual eating and sleeping. “This fall, we are taking advantage of the fact that it is an election year,” he says. “We’ll have voter-education and voter-registration events, as well as house fellow-professors and



Campus life: Alice Cook House offers a new residential option for undergraduates.

STEPHAN GREEN

distinguished visitors coming to the house after the election for ‘post-mortem’ analysis and discussion.” Cook House has thirty-five faculty fellows, Brann notes—including Hunter Rawlings. An apartment is available for visiting professors and other dignitaries; one of its first occupants will be Janet Reno ’60, who will be in residence during the election. Alumni guests will include 102-year-old Helen Reichert ’25.

Construction of Carl Becker House is well under way, and it should open next fall—a year ahead of schedule. As each house is occupied, more of the U Halls will come down. The Noyes Community Center will also be razed, to be replaced by a new Noyes Center in the northeast corner of the site, adjacent to Psi Upsilon. “The whole area looks a bit rough right now,” says Kramnick. “It will continue to look rough until it’s all done in 2009, and the slope has been restored to its natural contours. Then there will be more green space than there is now.”

Some students wonder how many of their peers will want to live in the new houses, but the initial signs are positive—Cook House was the first residence filled in this year’s housing lottery. It remains to be seen how life on West Campus will affect the quality of the student experience on the Hill, but many of us, I suspect, are just a bit envious of the undergraduates who can take advantage of this new option for residential life at Cornell.

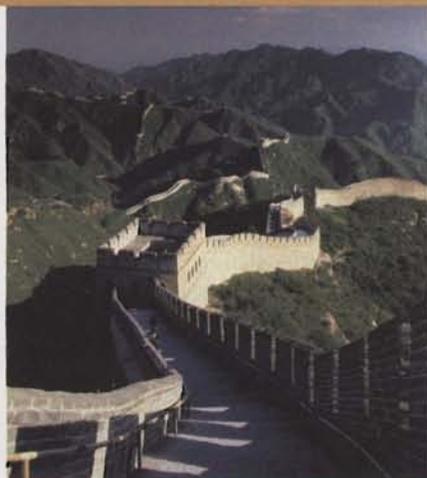
— Jim Roberts



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# Warmonger or Idealist?

## WOLFOWITZ PROFILE ELICITS STRONG FEELINGS

FEATURING PAUL WOLFOWITZ '65 IN the July/August 2004 issue was a questionable judgment. He is what we used to call a warmonger. Cornell has always stood for peace and fairness. (Incidentally, I served at sea as a Navy line officer in both Korea and the Mediterranean when the United Nations supported U.S. operations in the '50s.)

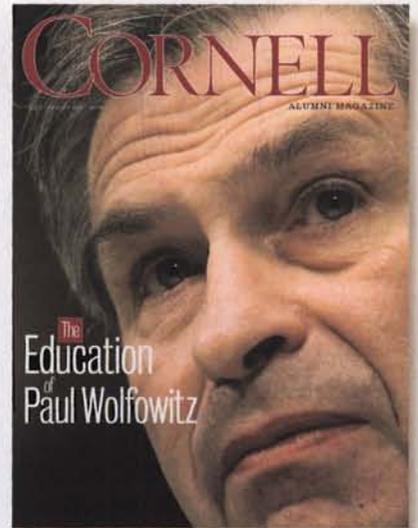
*William Phillips '51  
Trustee Emeritus  
Old Saybrook, Connecticut*

I FOUND IT INTERESTING THAT Wolfowitz was on the cover of an issue that also included an article about the

murder of Nicholas Berg '00. Mr. Wolfowitz, the "architect of the war in Iraq," is certainly among those responsible for Mr. Berg's death.

*Lonnie Hanauer '56, MD '60  
West Orange, New Jersey*

AFTER READING THE ARTICLE ON Wolfowitz, my thoughts went back to McGeorge Bundy, a member of LBJ's coterie, who had been a dean at Harvard. I need not reiterate the details of that sorry performance by our national leaders—and now we have an equally sorry performance by Wolfowitz *et al.* in leading our country into war in Iraq. This illustrates



the fact that our Brightest are not our Best when it comes to staffing the upper levels of government policy-making.

Wolfowitz's shabby performance before a Congressional committee was quite

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revealing: he did not know the details of American casualties in Iraq and was off by more than 30 percent. As someone who was a young Army officer in Korea, I find Wolfowitz's actions inexcusable and indeed beneath contempt. He should resign.

*George Miller '50, MBA '55  
Deltaville, Virginia*

DAVID DUDLEY OUGHT TO BE ASHAMED of himself, and so should the rest of you who published his article without apparent editing. "Bloodbath"? "Notoriety"? This is what they mean when they talk about liberal bias. But of course you don't notice—you think it's fact. Many readers don't. They recognize it for what it is, a partisan treatment of a famous graduate in what purports to be a biographical sketch. And do I detect a dose of anti-Semitism thrown in? Clean up your act, guys, or suffer the consequences.

*Nan Baron Prener '60  
Grahamsville, New York*

YOUR PROFILE OF WOLFOWITZ WAS scholarly. Yet I am awed at the irony of how mortality crept undetected into that issue. To abstract a few phrases: "architect of the war in Iraq . . . probably the most influential deputy defense secretary in U.S. history . . . the misguided idealist who managed to deceive himself about the price of regime change." And then, in *From the Hill*, the obituary of Capt. Richard Gannon II '95, "killed during a fourteen-hour firefight in the western Iraqi city of Husaybah." Were it the obit of one of Paul and Clare's three kids, the irony would have had Greek-mythic proportions. As it is, Paul's unbounded idealism was sadly paid for by a fellow alum.

*Stephen Wald '62, PhD '66  
Indianola, Washington*

YOU CHOSE WOLFOWITZ FOR YOUR cover story even though he refused to be interviewed. Your article implied but failed to acknowledge openly the link between his father's fervent Zionism and the foreign policies he has pursued. And to say that he "managed to deceive himself about the price of regime change" is inexcusably superficial. The U.S. invasion of Iraq has cost hundreds of American and thousands of Iraqi lives and billions of dollars. It has served the interests of Iran and boosted the recruitment efforts of Islamist terrorists. While Israel is more secure militarily,

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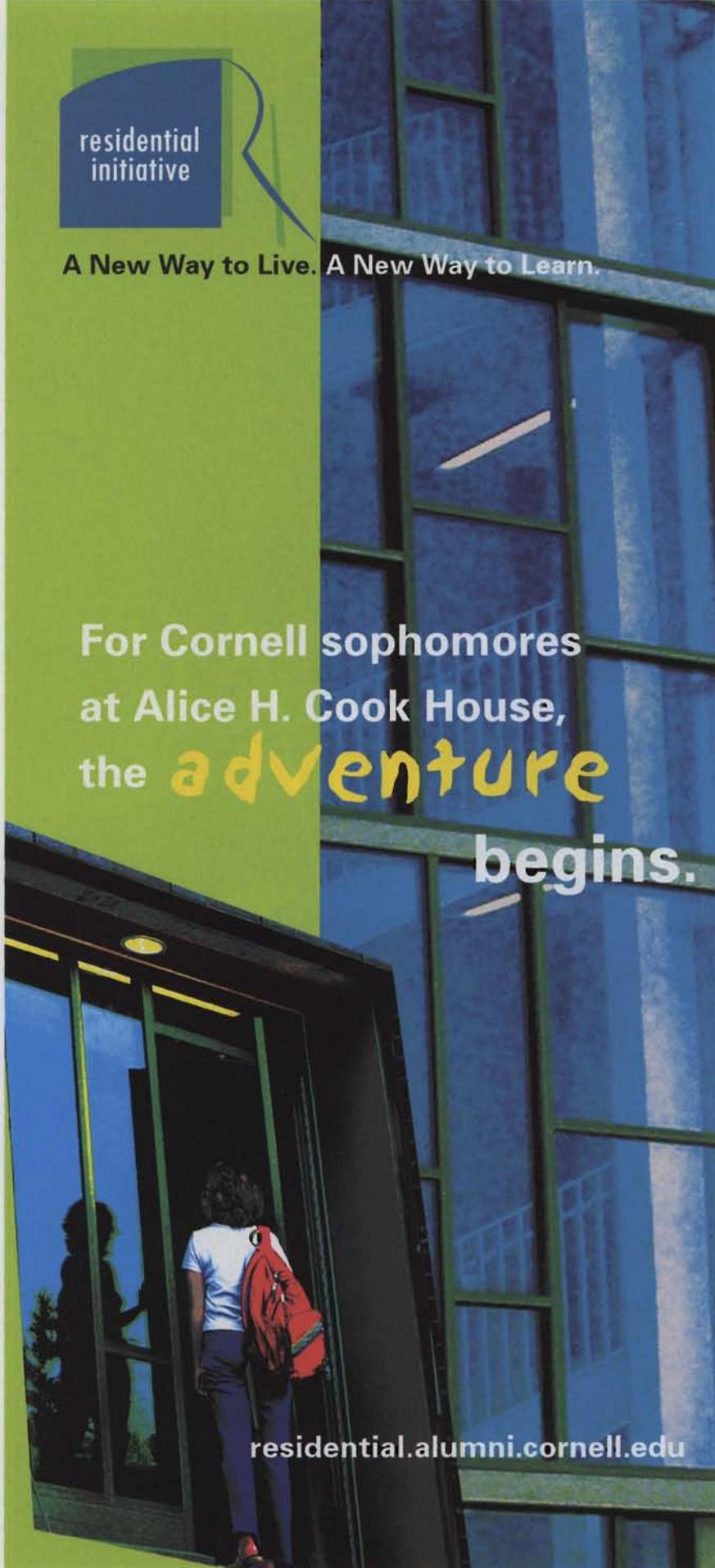
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*Richard McKee '63  
Arlington, Virginia*

THE WOLFOWITZ FEATURE BROUGHT back memories of my senior spring, when, with Robert Matson '64, BS Ag '65, and Beverley Beisner Noia '67, I helped found the Committee on Critical Support for U.S. Policy in Vietnam. Bob and Beverley took the helm of the organization; I served as secretary and historian.

The Committee began as a response to a May 7 standing-room-only teach-in at Bailey Hall. When the session ended at 4:30 a.m., about 100 of us remained. Most were leftists, who shouted down anyone who disagreed with them. We were frightened by the war, but we were adamant that everyone had the right to be part of the dialogue. A lot hinged on the word "Critical"—if we came to the conclusion that we disagreed with the government, we reserved the right to say so.

We had a reading list on Vietnam and gave speeches from the soapbox in front of Willard Straight Hall. The day of the silent counter-protest depicted in your magazine, I cut class to attend the rally. I am the unnamed third person mentioned in the article. I'm not sure what effect our little group had on the national political scene, but I'm embarrassed to admit that, after saving a box of documents related to the Committee for more than thirty-five years, I got rid of it all just four years ago.

*Gerald Kestenbaum '65  
Orangeburg, New York*

I LOOK FORWARD TO EACH ISSUE OF CAM because it offers information and usually gets me to thinking. I am sorry to say the article on Paul Wolfowitz was a waste of my time. The author, in my opinion, wasted his talents on hearsay and third-party information. I think it would have been best to wait until Wolfowitz submitted to a personal interview.

*Harry Merker '51  
Las Vegas, Nevada*

*Ed. Note: Numerous requests for an interview were made, over a period of more than six months. It became obvious after a while*

# Enophile crossing #2.



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Houston II	November 11
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that we were never going to be granted one.

I FIND IT HARD TO IMAGINE A WORSE picture of a famous alumnus than the one of Paul Wolfowitz on your cover. I doubt that Sandy Berger '67 or Janet Reno '60, let alone this year's convocation speaker, would be given the same treatment. No wonder people are worried about liberal bias high above Cayuga's waters.

Thomas Post '84  
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

*Ed. Note: Actually, it's far above Cayuga's waters.*

### Bread Poisoning

THANKS FOR WRITING ABOUT MY dispute with Dan Brown over *The Da Vinci Code* ("Lifting Leonardo," *Currents*, July/August 2004). I was also interested in the profile of Steven Kaplan [in the article "Bread Battle"] and the French poisoning case involving hallucinations and gangrenous symptoms. Those symptoms are classic for ergot poisoning, caused by a mold on rye grain that produces an LSD-type hallucinogen that has the unfortunate terminal effect of constricting blood vessels. It's thought to be responsible for many bouts of satanic possession, insanity, St. Vitus Dance, and witchcraft. I've been trying to work this into one of my thrillers for about twenty years now.

Lewis Perdue '72  
Sonoma, California

### Diplomatic Gaffe

HOW DOES AMERICAN AMBASSADOR to Chile William Brownfield become the "Chilean Ambassador" ("High Ambition," *Currents*, July/August 2004)? You must have had a good reason for changing Mr. Brownfield's citizenship. What was it?

Philip McIndoo '57  
Lawrenceville, New Jersey

*Ed. Note: We did not intend to alter Mr. Brownfield's citizenship by calling him the "Chilean Ambassador" in the subhead and caption to the story. When writing heads and captions, we occasionally sacrifice complete accuracy for concision, sometimes to the point of making a technical error. We regret any confusion this may have caused.*

### Author's Query

MY CURRENT PROJECT IS DESIGNED to accompany my book *Cornell: Glorious*

to View, published in 2003 by the Cornell University Library. Most university histories have been told from the institution's point of view. I want former Cornell students to speak for themselves in this new work, which will contain selections from diaries, memos, letters, records, blogs, and e-mails that represent students over time and in their own time. Short extracts will feature extracurricular life, academic life, the dorms, the Greek system, athletic teams, views of the faculty, and comments about the University and Ithaca.

I have approximately ninety Cornellians represented so far and seek more letters or diaries, especially from the period 1920 to 1980. All materials will be returned or deposited in the Department of Rare and Manuscript Collections. The literary rights will remain with the writer and his/her literary heirs, and nothing will be used without requesting permission.

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### Corrections

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Legacies (pp. 113–119): Andrew Coffin '07 was listed as a fourth-generation Cornellian, but he is really fifth generation; his great-great-grandmother (the mother of Carolyn Slater Cooley '23) was Carrie Adsit Slater 1891. In the listing of students who are both great-grandchildren and grandchildren of Cornellians, the name of Gregory Wojtaszczyk '07 was misspelled.

Due to a publicist's error, the photograph in the alumni profile entitled "Parents Again" (p. 84) is not Dot Noll Hostage '55.



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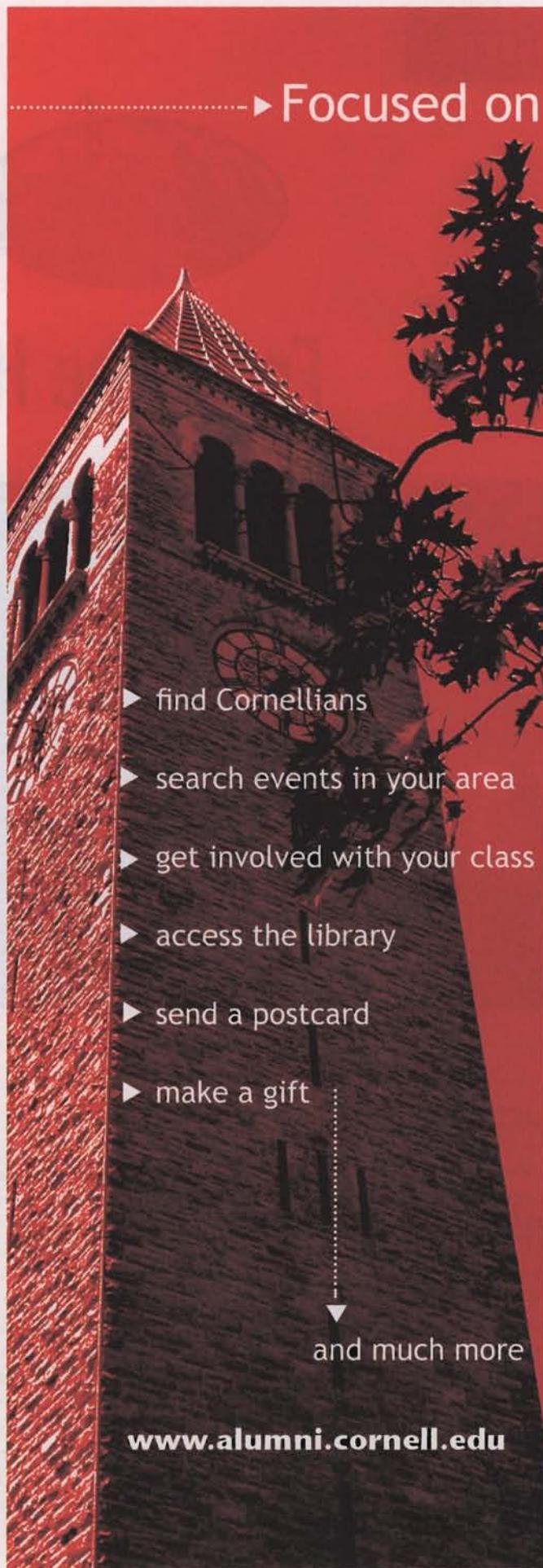
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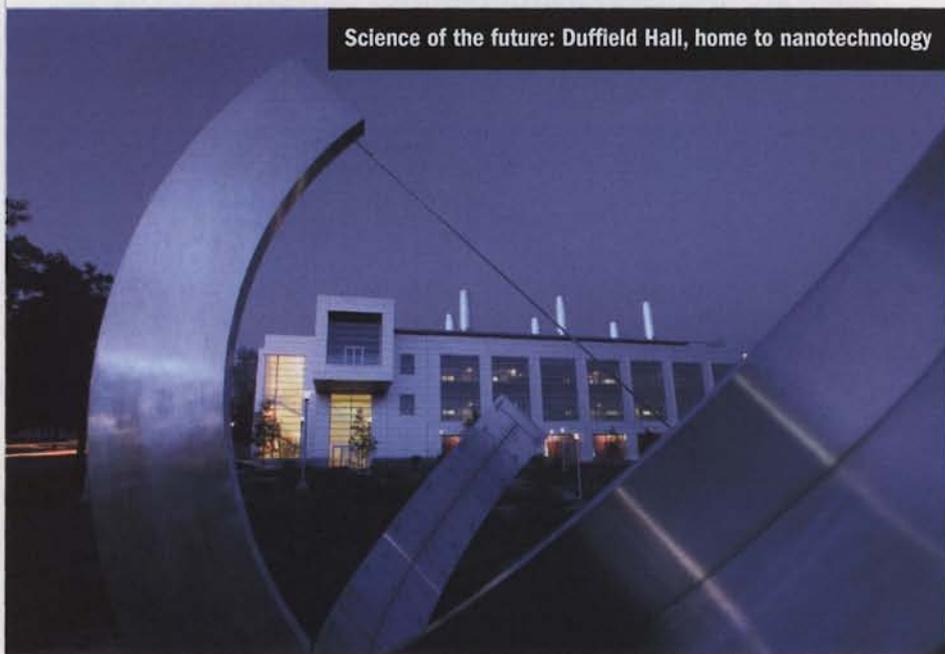
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## From the Hill

Science of the future: Duffield Hall, home to nanotechnology



### Duffield Hall Opens

DEDICATION SET FOR OCTOBER 7

CONSTRUCTION OF DUFFIELD HALL IS nearly complete, and the building will be formally opened at a dedication ceremony on October 7, 2004. Work on the \$70 million nanotechnology center, designed by the architectural firm of Zimmer Gunsul Frasca, began in June 2001. It is named for David Duffield '62, founder and former CEO of PeopleSoft Inc., who has provided major financial support for the project.

Situated on the eastern end of the Engineering Quad, Duffield is connected to Phillips and Upson halls by a large, enclosed atrium with dining and meeting

areas. Its three floors house research facilities for the Cornell NanoScale Science and Technology Facility (CNF), the NanoBiotechnology Center (NBTC), and the Cornell Center for Materials Research (CCMR), including a 26,000-square-foot "clean room." There are also twenty-eight individual labs, as well as offices for nineteen faculty and more than 100 graduate students from six departments. The project also included a \$4 million reshaping and relandscaping of the Engineering Quad; the remaining green space has been leveled, with steps leading up to Duffield's western entrances.

### Bush or Kerry?

STUDENTS HOLD MOCK ELECTION

THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WON'T CAST their votes for U.S. President until November 2, but Cornell students will state their preference a little sooner. Mock Election 2004, a student-led program that kicked off with a voter-registration drive as students returned to campus, continues with a series of lectures and debates that will culminate in an online vote on October 18–21. "It's my hope that Mock Election 2004 will help to reverse the alarming trend of youth political apathy," says Michael Zuckerman '06, president of the Mock Election Steering Committee. Among the scheduled speakers are U.S. Representative Maurice Hinchey (D-NY) and Alan Keyes '71, the Republican candidate in this fall's U.S. Senate race in Illinois. The debates will include a face-off between Richard Trumka, secretary/treasurer of the AFL-CIO, and Thomas Donahue, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, over job outsourcing.

Mock Election 2004 continues a tradition that stretches back to 1916, when faculty and students cast 1,759 votes in a straw poll conducted by the *Daily Sun*. Woodrow Wilson topped a field that included Theodore Roosevelt, Charles Evans Hughes, and a half-dozen other candidates. For information on this year's event, go to: <http://mockelection.cornell.edu>.

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# R&D

More information on campus research is available at [www.news.cornell.edu](http://www.news.cornell.edu).

A team led by Weill Cornell's Dr. Craig Basson, director of cardiovascular research at the Greenberg Division of Cardiology, has discovered the genetic mutation responsible for both myxoma, a rare form of benign heart tumor, and trismus-pseudocamptodactyly syndrome (TPC), a crippling—and seemingly unrelated—muscle condition.

*Listeria monocytogenes* can persist for up to a year or longer, according to a study in the July issue of *Journal of Food Protection* authored by doctoral candidate Brian Saunders and assistant professor of food science Martin Wiedmann, PhD '97. The pathogen can cause listeriosis, a deadly disease that kills about 500 people each year.

Obese mothers are more likely than healthy weight mothers to abandon breast-feeding, in part because they have a lower prolactin response to suckling and thus produce less milk for their infants, reports nutritional sciences professor Kathleen Rasmussen in the May issue of the journal *Pediatrics*.

Regular use of asthma drugs such as albuterol and terbutaline could lead to tolerance, making the drugs less effective in true emergencies, according to a report in the May issue of *Internal Medicine*. The study was conducted by professor emeritus of physics Edwin Salpeter and his daughter Shelley Salpeter '75, a physician and clinical professor of medicine at Stanford University School of Medicine.

Rural patients enrolled in Medicare health maintenance organizations must travel up to 34 percent farther to reach a hospital than traditional Medicare patients, according to a study by assistant professor of policy analysis and management Liam O'Neill published in the June issue of *Medical Care Research and Review*.

In an analysis of New York State's \$4.7 billion child-care industry, associate professor of city and regional planning Mildred Warner, PhD '97, recommends including it in New York's economic development strategy, both to support small business and promote school readiness.

Using laser-based microscopy, Dr. Karl Kasischke and engineering professor Watt Webb have developed an explanation for how positron emission tomography works, and in the process settled a long-standing debate among neuroscientists about how brain cells process energy. Their findings were published in the July 2, 2004, issue of *Science*.

## Number One Star

### DRYDEN NAMED TO CABINET

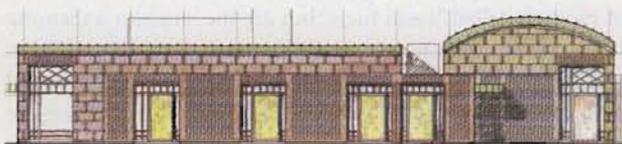
BIG RED HOCKEY GREAT KEN DRYDEN '69 IS RISING through the ranks of Canadian politics like a hard slap shot. In May, Dryden resigned from his position as vice chairman of the Toronto Maple Leafs to run as a Liberal Party candidate in the parliamentary election. He won a seat representing the Toronto-area riding (district) of York Centre and shortly afterwards was appointed to Prime Minister Paul Martin's cabinet as Minister of Social Development. The fifty-six-year-old former goalie—who helped Cornell win its first NCAA men's hockey title in 1967 and went on to capture six Stanley Cups with the Montreal Canadiens—is already being mentioned as a potential candidate for prime minister.



COURTESY OF KEN DRYDEN

## Breaking New Ground

### AFRICANA CENTER EXPANDS



SHEPLEY BULFINCH RICHARDSON AND ABBOTT

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AFTER STUDENT PROTESTS AND A takeover of Willard Straight Hall led the University to establish a center for academic studies of the African diaspora, Cornell's Africana Studies and Research Center has moved one step closer to the Spring 2005 opening of a newly renovated and expanded facility. President Jeffrey Lehman '77, Provost Biddy Martin, and ASRC faculty joined members of the Cornell Black Alumni Association and a drum ensemble at a public groundbreaking during Reunion weekend. The \$4.23 million project will also include the construction of a 5,480-square-foot addition to house the John Henrik Clarke library and a multipurpose room.

During construction, the library has been moved from the Center's Triphammer Road location to Olin Hall. Classes will also be held on central campus. Principal architect for the project is Ralph Jackson of the Boston-based firm Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott. "Credit goes to all our students and members of our community who fought very hard thirty-five years ago to establish the center and to James Turner, the founding director and faculty member, who over the years worked very hard to maintain it, develop it, and call for its programmatic and intellectual expansion," said acting director Salah Hassan. "Cornell has become a better educational institution as a result of the events of 1969."

## Maverick Mind

THOMAS GOLD, 84

ASTROPHYSICIST THOMAS "TOMMY" GOLD, FORMER HEAD of Cornell's astronomy department and influential scientific contrarian, died on June 22 in Ithaca. Famed for his co-authorship—with Fred Hoyle and Hermann Bondi—of the steady-state cosmological theory in the 1950s, the Austrian-born Gold played a leading role in a variety of scientific controversies over the past sixty years. In 1948, he hypothesized about a feedback mechanism used in human hearing, a theory dismissed by audiologists until proven correct in the 1980s. He arrived at Cornell in 1958, and in 1959 founded the Center for Radiophysics and Space Research, which oversaw the new Arecibo Observatory. Gold's 1967 assertion that the recently discovered phenomenon of pulsars was caused by rapidly rotating neutron stars caused a furor in astronomical circles; likewise, his infamous mid-1960s advocacy of a lunar surface model involving a deep layer of fine dust was sharply at odds with NASA geoscientists.

Over the last twenty years of his career, Gold championed perhaps his most controversial theory—that primordial hydrocarbons seeping up through the Earth are not only the source of most so-called "fossil fuels" but are the basis for a teeming subsurface biosphere of primitive microbes. Most geologists remain dubious, and debate persists. "He had a fundamental interest in the truth, but he also had a delight in proving the experts wrong," physicist Freeman Dyson told CAM in 2003. "But those two things can go together."



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## Dean Named

HAZAN TO HEAD BECKER HOUSE

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT CINDY Hazan has been named professor and dean of the Carl Becker House, the second residence to be built for the West Campus Residential Initiative. Hazan, whose research focuses on human

mating and pair bonding, joined the faculty in 1988. She has received Cornell teaching or advising awards nearly every year and has served on the West Campus Council since 2000. The Becker House, scheduled to open in Fall 2005, honors the cultural and intellectual historian who taught at Cornell from 1917 through 1941, and will serve as home to 360 upperclassmen. Said Hazan: "I will do my best



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to foster an intellectual environment that embodies the values of scholarship and mentorship exemplified by Professor Becker's contributions to undergraduate life at Cornell."

## Redbud Redux

CITY APPEALS PARKING LOT DECISION

THE LENGTHY DISPUTE BETWEEN CORNELL AND THE CITY of Ithaca over a proposed parking lot isn't over yet. In July, Mayor Carolyn Peterson said the city would appeal a ruling by State Supreme Court Justice Robert Mulvey, who had directed the Ithaca Landmarks Preservation Commission to issue a "certificate of appropriateness" for the 175-space lot. Cornell wants to build the new facility, which will replace parking spaces lost during the construction of the West Campus residence houses, on a University Avenue site known as Redbud Woods. It is within an area designated as the University Hill Historic District. "The principle that the public has a legitimate interest in the preservation of historic sites and structures is one that should be squarely placed before our appellate courts," Peterson told the *Ithaca Journal*. A date for hearing the appeal has not yet been set.

## Can't Stop the Music

NAPSTER GOES TO COLLEGE, AGAIN

A FEW YEARS AGO, THE FREE MUSIC FILE-SWAPPING service Napster was all the rage on college campuses, with millions of users downloading billions of songs. A wave of legal challenges from the music industry shut Napster down in 2001, but now it's back on campus, this time with Cornell's blessing, as a legitimate subscription service.

The University joined six other schools in offering all students free Napster subscriptions for fall 2004. The financial deals worked out by the individual institutions varied, but in Cornell's case the one-year pilot program cost \$210,000, most of which will be covered by an anonymous corporate donation, plus \$25,000 from the Division of Student and Academic Services. Students have access to Napster's library of 800,000 songs, but only via streaming or so-called "tethered" downloads that can be played on PCs but not burned onto CDs or used in portable MP3 players. (Napster isn't compatible with Apple computers or iPods, either—only students running PCs with Microsoft Windows 2000 or XP need apply.) For \$0.99 per song, students can choose to buy files for permanent download. In fall 2005, the Student Assembly will vote on whether to continue with the service, which will eventually be available at a reduced annual subscription rate that is likely be \$20 per student. Napster is currently priced at \$10 a month.

The University's embrace of legal file-sharing comes after years of mounting concern over online music piracy. In a press release, Dean of Students Kent Hubbell '67, BArch '69, said that it is a "commercial and technological experiment to come up with a method by which this generation of young people can . . . learn about the appropriate use of protected intellectual property." It's also a way to ease the off-campus Internet traffic that file-sharing generates: most of the Napster downloads are expected to be handled by an on-campus cache server.

## Meanwhile, in Space

CASSINI PROBES SATURN,  
MARS ROVERS KEEP ROLLING

AS THE CASSINI-HUYGENS SPACECRAFT approached Saturn after a seven-year, 2.2-billion-mile journey to study the giant planet and its moons, Cornell astronomers played key roles. On June 23, senior astronomy researcher Peter Thomas, a small-satellite expert, described unusual geographical features—including exposed water ice—on the small moon Phoebe; a week later, vice provost for physical sciences and engineering Joseph Burns, PhD '66, helped thread the craft through the planet's outer rings during a treacherous orbital insertion. Astronomy chairman Joseph Vererka serves on Cassini's imaging team, as does professor Steve Squyres '78, PhD '81, who was lead scientist for the two geological rovers that have been operating on Mars since January.

Those rovers, Spirit and Opportunity,

continue to far exceed their original three-month life expectancies. By the end of July, both craft had doubled their mission durations, despite the arrival of a power-draining Martian winter and a number of age-related infirmities. In early August, Spirit was climbing the steep Columbia Hills searching for rocky outcroppings, while Opportunity continued to investigate ancient bedrock features deep in the bottom of a stadium-sized crater called Endurance. The August 6, 2004, issue of the journal *Science* was devoted to eleven papers based on data from Spirit, including an overview by Squyres, who reported that no evidence had been found to support the pre-mission hypothesis that the rover's Gusev Crater landing site was a former lake.



## Diamond Anniversary

PLANTATIONS CELEBRATES SIXTY YEARS

ON AUGUST 15, THE CORNELL PLANTATIONS, THE UNIVERSITY'S 3,000-ACRE OFFICIAL botanical garden and arboretum, marked its sixtieth anniversary. Festivities included a jazz quartet, the debut of a basil-lemon ice cream created by the Cornell Dairy, and a guided tour around Beebe Lake.

The Plantations includes bogs, fens, gorges, glens, wet and dry meadows, and woodlands throughout the Cayuga Lake region, attracting close to 100,000 visitors each year, and traces its beginnings to the 1875 construction of Sage College, which included an arboretum. Current collections within the Plantations include the International Crop and Weed Garden, the Willard Straight Rock Garden, the Muenscher Poisonous Plants Garden, and the Mullestein Winter Garden. Plans for expansion include development of a tropical conservatory and renovation of the Lewis Education Center. "There were several false starts," says Plantations director Donald Rakow. "It wasn't until Liberty Hyde Bailey came up with the name and enunciated the vision of a modern public garden in 1944 that the Plantations really got its start."

## Give My Regards To . . .

These Cornellians in the News

Molecular biologist and former Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research VP for research **David Stern**, named president of BTI.

Assistant professor of astronomy **Jean-Luc Margot, PhD '99**, awarded the 2004 Harold C. Urey Prize by the Division for Planetary Sciences.

Assistant professor of chemical and biomolecular engineering **Matthew DeLisa**, awarded a \$200,000 early career award from the New York State Office of Science, Technology, and Academic Research.

**The Northeast Center for Food Entrepreneurship**, recipient of a USDA Secretary's Annual Honor Award for supporting increased economic opportunities and improved quality of life in rural areas.

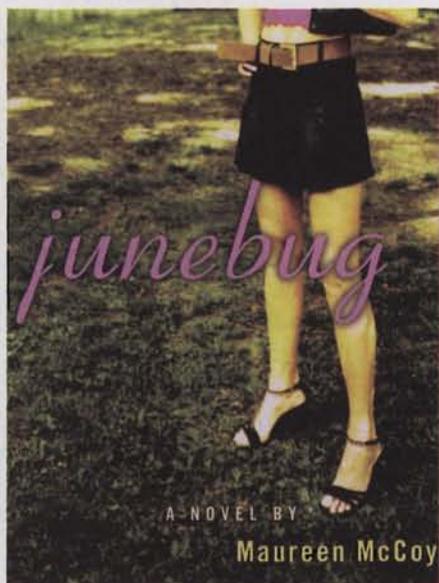
**Kevin Newman '92, ME '95**, awarded the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Scientific Achievement Award in Engineering for his work in the development of hydraulic hybrid technology.

Communication professor **Dietram Scheufele**, awarded the International Communication Association's Young Scholar Award.

Assistant professor of entomology **Laura Harrington** and **Arthur DeGaetano**, director of the Northeast Regional Climate Center, awarded a \$495,000 Global Program grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to study a climate-based model for predicting mosquito disease risk.

Professor of physics emeritus **Hans Bethé**, awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of Frankfurt, where he began his doctoral studies in 1924 and served as an instructor in 1928-29.

**Hope Comisky '74**, elected a Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers.

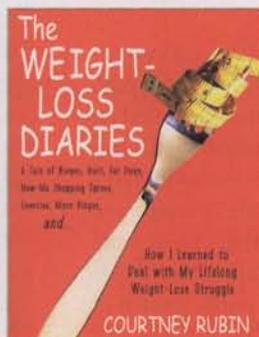


## In Brief

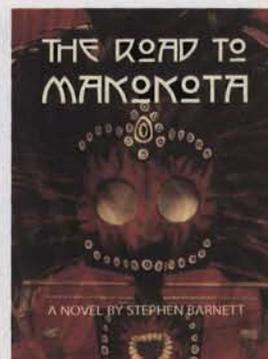
**JUNEBUG** by Maureen McCoy (Leapfrog Press).

Junebug Angel Host, the hyper-sensitive seventeen-year-old narrator of Cornell MFA Program professor McCoy's fourth novel, has been visiting her mother, Theresa Host, in Ellisville Reformatory for Women ever since she was five years old, when the former beauty queen bludgeoned a neighbor to death. Theresa reels in her wild daughter by revealing the motive she has kept to herself since the day of the murder.

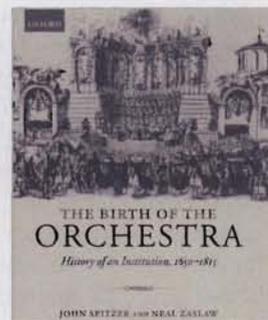
**THE WEIGHT-LOSS DIARIES** by Courtney Rubin '96 (McGraw-Hill). Rubin, a *People* magazine contributor and CAM correspondent for the Class of '96, spent more than two years chronicling her diet struggles in a regular column for *Shape* magazine, from her most ridiculous excuses to her days of flirting with eating disorders. She tells the story of binges, guilt, fat days, shopping sprees, exercise regimens, the seductions of comforting carbohydrates, discouragement, and how she transformed herself from a couch potato to a two-time marathon runner.



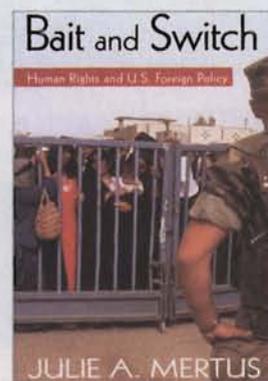
**THE ROAD TO MAKOKOTA** by Stephen Barnett '76 (MacAdam/Cage). The author's first novel tells the story of Craig Allan Hammond, a black American who returns to a West African country in search of his former love and their son. Sixteen years earlier, he had left them behind after finishing a road-building project. Now the country is torn apart by civil war. Wracked by guilt, Hammond tries to find mother and son to take them from the killing zone.



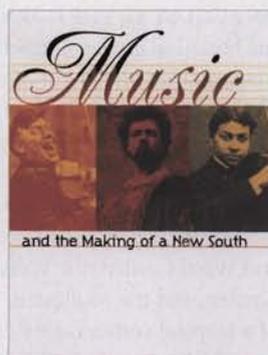
**THE BIRTH OF THE ORCHESTRA** by John Spitzer, PhD '83, and Neal Zaslaw (Oxford University Press). The story of the orchestra, from sixteenth-century string bands to the "classical" orchestra of Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven. Zaslaw, the Gussman professor of music at Cornell, and Spitzer, a professor at the Peabody Institute, document instrumentation, social roles, repertoires, and performance practices in Europe and the American colonies, concluding around 1800 with the widespread awareness of the orchestra as a central institution in European life.



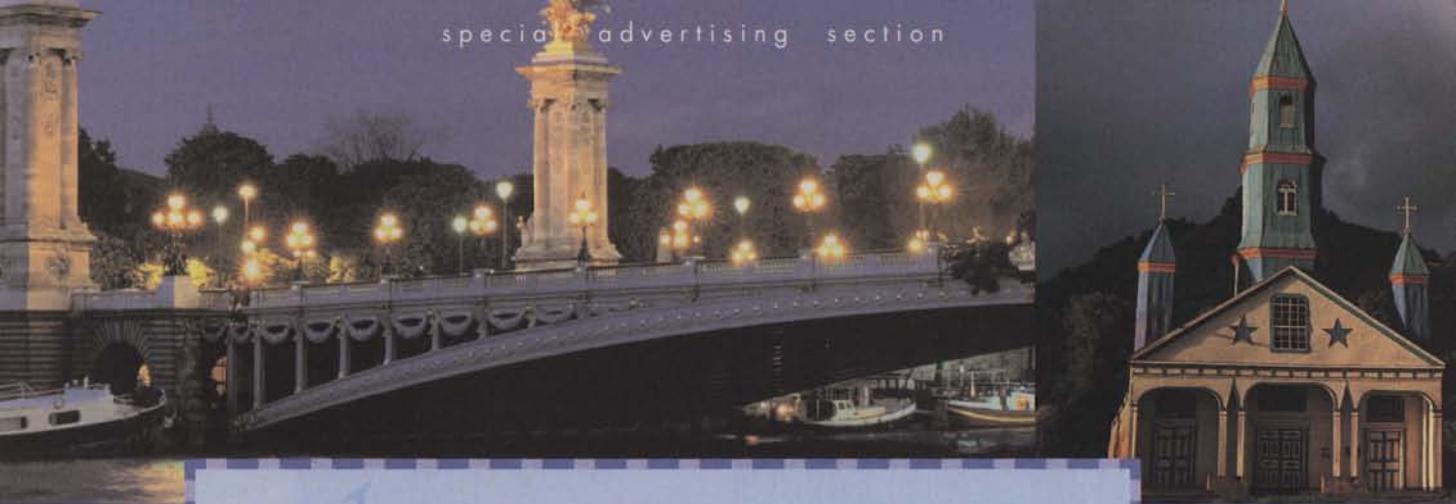
**BAIT AND SWITCH** by Julie A. Mertus '85 (Routledge). A professor at American University and co-director of the Ethics, Peace, and Global Affairs Program argues that talk of human rights has become the political equivalent of a "bait and switch." Based on extensive interviews with foreign policy makers, military officials, and human rights advocates, Mertus's book shows how America's attempts to promote human rights have, paradoxically, undermined such protections in other countries.



**MUSIC AND THE MAKING OF A NEW SOUTH** by Gavin James Campbell '92 (University of North Carolina Press). Campbell, an associate professor of American studies at Doshisha University (Kyoto, Japan), examines the role of three early twentieth-century Atlanta musical institutions—the visiting New York Metropolitan Opera, the Colored Music Festival, and the Georgia Old-Time Fiddlers' Convention—in the forging of a regional identity for a New South.



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# Envisioning Paris



## A writer hunts through the City of Light.

red-piped Centre Georges Pompidou. The inside Georges looks like a Gehry building, with undulating zinc walls. The images you intend to transplant into your protagonist's eyes will also include your favorite hidden plaza, the Place du Marché Ste-Catherine, in which a fish swallower appears nightly. He is a mangy, wiry man with knotted blonde hair and scruffy German shepherd the same coloring. The fish swallower takes great gusto from a gallon-jug of gasoline. When he spits his poisonous

**I**f you are in Paris and trying to write a novel about it, as I was, you have the task of a butterfly collector—to gather specimens and pin them in frames for your return to a cold place, say Michigan, from which you will have to imagine the city of lights, mansard roofs, green stalls hovering over the quays, opera houses made of mirrors, and libraries made of glass.

If you are in Paris and trying to write a novel about it, start by collecting sounds: the street sweepers come at 6 a.m., with the slush of water and the steady drone of their mechanized cart. The street sweepers have green plastic brooms. You remember your grandmother telling you that they have green plastic brooms because the city was in an uproar over the switch from natural to synthetic brooms, so a careful government official thought green plastic was a good compromise. You wake at six for the street sweepers because you're sharing an apartment with a friend, and you take weekly turns sleeping on the floor. This week, it's your turn on the floor, and you sleep next to the window, and wake up because it sounds as if the street sweepers are going to clean out your ears with their hoses. Next, at 8 a.m., note the tapping of the blind students

on their way to school. The approaching and withdrawing sounds of canes reminds you of a rainstorm gusting in and blowing away, the myriad pattering of raindrops against a tin roof. When you buy bread every morning from the same woman, who refuses to acknowledge that she even dimly recognizes you, you memorize the pitch of her voice after each customer: "Y avec ceci?" If you could write it out in music, the notes would be B, A, B-flat, high D. There is a young couple living upstairs from you—the Portuguese wife has thick, unspooling red curls. One night, you awaken to "Oui, oui, oui," and a deeper, bass-sounding, "Ai, ai, ai." You realize it's the first time you've ever heard lovemaking in French.

**Paris is a vain city**, a city like a woman who knows the best way to angle her face and widen her eyes for a photographer. So you must try and find images that are not already sold in an unfolding accordion of postcards. You know that the best views of Paris are not from the top of the Eiffel Tower, but either from the top of La Samaritaine, the department store (there's a counter there where a girl in a blue uniform will sell you beer in a plastic cup), or from the Restaurant Georges atop the blue-and-

lights them with his torch, the flames illuminate the sides of the buildings like puffs of light being spilled. Then he angrily demands tips from everyone around.

**If your novel** is about Nazi art theft and the attempt of a Jewish family to retrieve their lost collection, you will make a pilgrimage to 21, rue La Boétie, site of the Rosenberg Gallery, on which your own novel's gallery and art-dealing family is based. You will take pictures of the gallery's wrought-iron doors and marvel that the former center of Paris's art world—Picasso and Matisse—is now vacant, emptied of art, with only a sun-faded blue sign advertising "Available for rent" hanging over it. A cell-phone store and a second-rate shop selling prewrapped chocolates and gold paper flank the glorious, abandoned gallery.

If your novel is about stolen art, then you try to contact the families of survivors who have lost precious objects and interview them. In a gallery on the rue des Beaux-Arts, an art dealer tells you, "To have a picture of art stolen is worse than a rape, it is like the death of a child." And so you write in your novel a child who dies too young. You try not to cry during the interviews, but succeed only sometimes. At one interview, you

by Sara Houghteling

are shamed into weeping when a war orphan shouts at you, "How dare you write fiction about the Holocaust? I wish it were fiction that I lost my four brothers and my parents in the Shoah. I wish it were fiction that I didn't resent my own son for being older than my father was when he was deported. I wish it were fiction that I didn't look at every child as being in danger." In a daze, you stumble away from her apartment and its gilded mirrors and floral sofas and reel back from the chasm of her grief. You acknowledge that Paris mixes the unspeakably beautiful with the unspeakably terrible. No city's history is untainted. You visit the Musée Nissim de Camondo, the house-turned-museum of a family of Jewish

---> **Paris is a vain city**, a city like a woman who knows the best way to angle her face and widen her eyes for a photographer.

bankers and art collectors whose family line ended in Auschwitz. You walk away from the museum through the Parc Monceau, a sea of glossy green leaves with chalky white Roman statues scattered throughout.

**If you are lost in Paris**, as I often was, perhaps you will buy a *Paris Pratique* map and a compass. Charting your coordinates, you may come across the rue du Quatre Septembre or the Place du 25 Août 1944, respectively commemorating the proclamation of the Third Republic in 1870 and the liberation of Paris. The network of street names proclaims a geographically lucid map of history. But, as you discover in all cities, the visible history is only the beginning—it is the invisible that it is your task to uncover, take home, and imagine. And when you are back in Michigan, or Cambridge, and working on your novel about Paris, you will write, in a sense, in invisible ink. Only later, when you return to France again and the city spills out over your pages, will you see if what you have written holds true. ♦

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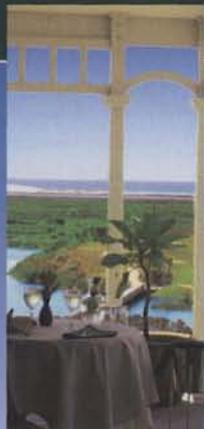
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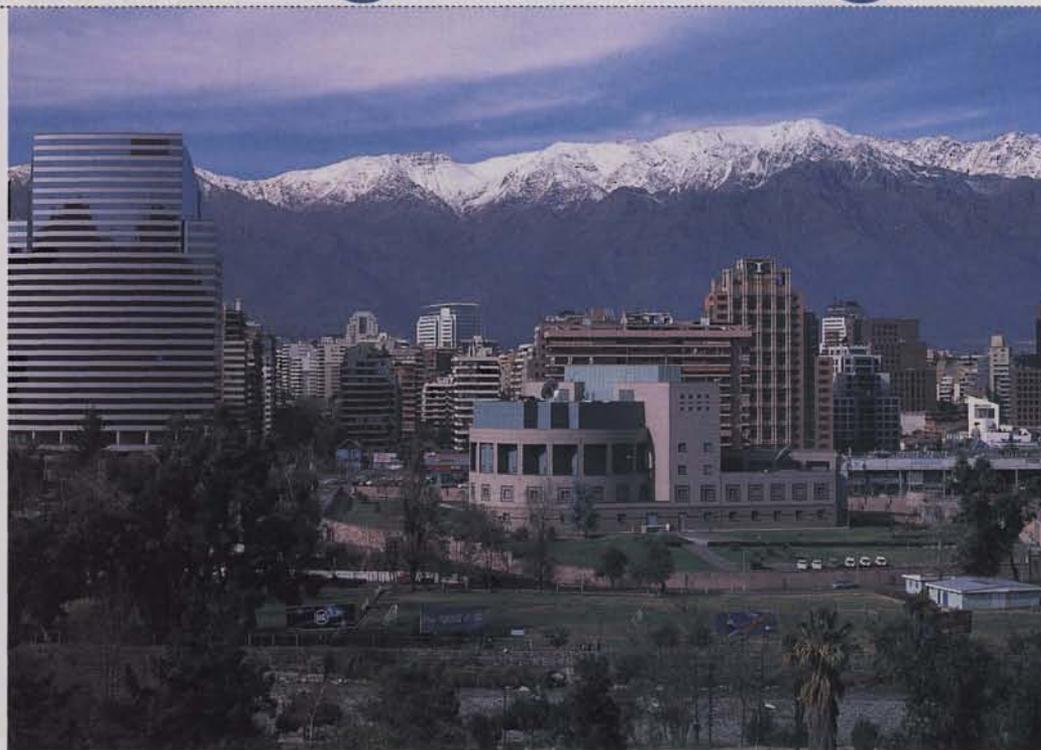


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# Seeing Santiago



## On foot in Chile's capital city

Cristóbal, anchors Santiago's largest park, and can be your terminus, if so desired, for an old-fashioned funicular ascent and even more expansive panoramas; the Bellavista neighborhood at the foot of the park is dense with restaurants and nightclubs.)

Descend to the east and you are in an elegant old neighborhood of quiet streets, fine homes, and dignified small hotels. A few blocks down Merced, the artsy alleys of Plaza Mulato Gil is lined with tables of antiques vendors, where the items on offer

**F**or many visitors, Santiago is only a way station—a modern international airport and the jumping-off spot for Chile's other pleasures. That's understandable, because those pleasures abound: fine Andean skiing or hiking; the beautiful lake district or spectacular Torres del Paine, a park to rival Yosemite, in the Patagonian south; the Pacific beaches 90 minutes west of the capital city; or the weird lure of the dust-dry Atacama Desert of the country's Far North.

But why jump so quickly? Santiago itself practically fizzes with attractive urban life readily accessible to travelers who feel at home in North America or Europe. Even if business calls you to the sleek international office towers of the Providencia district and the accompanying residential high-rises of Las Condes east of central Santiago, you can quickly sample the traditional city in a half-day (or longer) walking and grazing visit downtown.

On the main (red) line of Santiago's light, airy, and quiet (rubber-tired) Metro subway, the Santa Lucia station—between the stops for Universidad Católica and Universidad de Chile—deposits you at the

Biblioteca Nacional. Just east is the entrance to Cerro Santa Lucía, founding site of the city in 1541 and, ever since it was imaginatively and amazingly planted and populated with plazas, follies, and fountains in 1872, a delightful park and view point. If you decide on a visit, you meet with an unfamiliar example of Chilean order and control: one must sign in to enter a public park.

The meandering, shaded walk up the hill offers its own amusing rewards, with increasingly fine vistas as you near the summit, about at the height of the surrounding office buildings. The vast breadth of Santiago spreads before you, from the eastern Andean foothills and west toward the range that interrupts the Pacific breezes. In the nearer distance below, along Avenida Libertador Bernardo O'Higgins (the principal east-west artery, called the Alameda by almost everyone), a virtual river of yellow buses and black and yellow taxicabs streams by, suggesting the long commutes many Chileans endure each day. And in the immediate foreground, each bench and grotto is likely to be the site of very public displays of serious affection—a result of unmarried adult children living with their parents in a housing-poor country. (The solitary peak to the northeast, Cerro San

range from a brass bottle opener in the shape of a lobster to all manner of used books.

Six blocks west of Santa Lucía, at Bandera 361, is Santiago's most important cultural showcase, the Museo Chileno de Arte Precolombino ([www.precolombino.cl](http://www.precolombino.cl)). Somewhat ironically housed in a vast, arcaded Spanish colonial edifice, not meticulously restored, the museum houses an enormous private collection assembled by architect Sergio Larraín García-Moreno.

Although the objects on display are carefully arranged by geography and described by culture and age, the casual visitor may find the experience particularly pleasing because they are grouped aesthetically, from polychrome jars of the Arica culture to delicately woven textiles in vibrantly colored geometric patterns to blunt, larger-than-life-sized ax-shaped Mapuche funerary and ancestral figures. There are Moche copper masks and bells from northern Peru, figures whose cheeks are distended from chewing coca leaves, and even vaguely familiar Maya works. The overall impression is of the remarkable diversity of pre-Columbian peoples, reflecting the varied topography and climates of the continent—a heritage barely known in comparison to the world popularity of the ancient Egyptian and Chinese civilizations. In a remarkably tourist-goods-free country, the museum's small shop has

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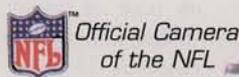
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Having earned a break, proceed a block east, and then north along Paseo Ahumada (called Puente a couple of blocks farther on), alongside the heavy stone cathedral on your left and the vast and formal Plaza de Armas, first laid out in 1541, on your right.

Three blocks farther north, near the banks of the Rio Mapocho, lies the triply rewarding Mercado Central. The building itself is a Victorian wedding cake of steel lat-

that stunningly fresh seafood. Be brave and have cold abalone as an appetizer (insist that the mayonnaise be served on the side; apparently a national sacrament, it is dished out in smothering, artery-clogging portions), or broiled razor clams with Parmesan cheese. Then make room for a fish course, the inevitable sweet beverage, and a sustained period of quiet postprandial satisfaction.

Thus refreshed, you could turn south again, returning to the subway by way of other museums highlighting national history and reli-

lies north across the river, to the vast, utilitarian sheds of La Vega, Santiago's multi-block central market. It is here that modern Santiago and its antecedents come together, a sensory overload of traditional goods and new merchandise on offer in the old-fashioned way. The flower stalls feature towering and formal funerary and religious arrangements. The meat markets, perhaps not cutting edge in terms of sanitary science, nonetheless can accommodate any taste from half a butchered steer to nameless entrails. There are packaged and dry goods in numberless profusion, and finally, close to the source, the dazzling fresh produce—raspberries and plump clusters of grapes, every kind of vegetable—that we unfortunate inhabitants of the lands north of the equator see only in the most attenuated fashion during the long months of our winter. It is a reminder that the riches of today, like the riches of the pre-Columbian past, do not spring only from North America and Europe. ♦

*Alyssa Bloomfield, having traveled in Mexico and Spain, welcomed the chance to enrich her Spanish with Chilean idioms.*

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tice and glass, built in England and assembled in Chile in 1868. Its perimeter houses the stalls of Santiago fish merchants, who display remarkable examples of the Pacific's bounty, from gorgeous sea bass to conger eel. And within the central court is a superb restaurant, Donde Augusto ([www.dondeaugusto.cl](http://www.dondeaugusto.cl)), where one can happily indulge in a formidable multicourse Chilean lunch of

gious silverwork, or the Palacio de la Moneda, the official seat of government. Before touring its courtyards, take note of recent change in Chilean public life: a statue now commemorates Salvador Allende, the president who died within the building during the 1973 siege that ushered in the era of repressive military government under General Augusto Pinochet.

But the hardier, and less touristy, course

# Oasis

## Beneath the Arizona desert in winter

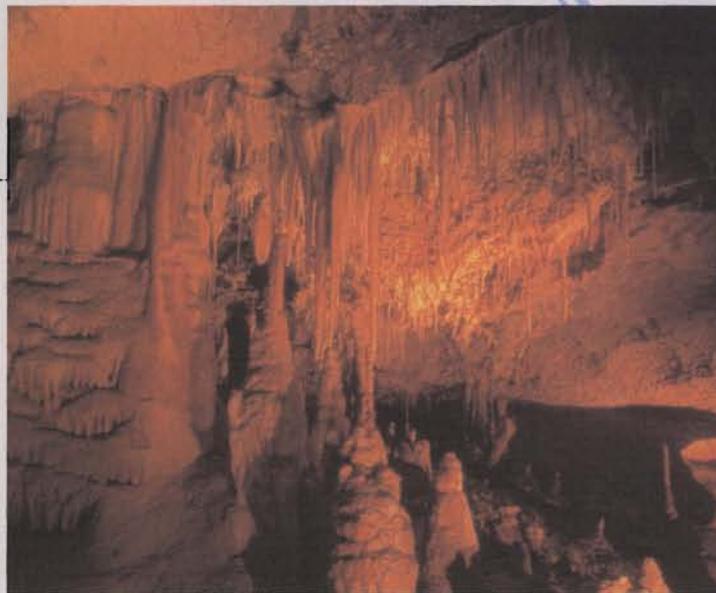
**T**he most reliably moist spot in Tucson's arid environs lies under a limestone lid some 50 miles southeast of the city. As good a route as any takes you south on Kolb Road, through the ranks of mothballed military jets at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, and on to I-10, eastbound toward El Paso.

Tucson's strip-mall miles recede in the distance, with just a brief, jarring reminder at exit 302, where a herd of gas pumps, junk-food joints, and a motel or two gather round for new-times sake. They, too, are promptly left behind as you drive down State Route 90, with its expansive views over the wide San Pedro Valley and the sharp mountain ranges beyond, and proceed nine miles to the turnoff for Kartchner Caverns State

Park. Once parked, you are likely to discover at once that an hour of driving (taking into account Arizona's 75 miles-per-hour interstates) has carried you nearly 2,000 feet higher than the city, to a refreshing elevation of 4,600 feet.

Many travelers head for this corner of the state to see the thousands of sandhill cranes wintering over in Willcox, or to take in the hummingbirds' wingbeat on their seasonal flyways. Until 1974, nothing suggested anything the least bit interesting about a couple of nondescript Whetstone Mountain foothills.

It was then that cavers Gary Tenen and



Randy Tufts shimmied through a crack at the bottom of a sinkhole and discovered a living, wet cave of remarkable mineral diversity and beautiful formations. Their four years of private, painstaking exploration, and an ensuing decade of careful cultivation of the Kartchner family, who owned the property, resulted in the Nature Conservancy-assisted state purchase in 1988 and the ensuing \$33-million development of protective measures and accessways for public visits.

The world-famous Carlsbad Caverns

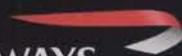
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National Park is overwhelming, a massive display of soaring domes and tremendous pillars. Kartchner is anything but—an intimate, visually rich palette of underground Earth, perhaps much more representative of the fragility of nature. To protect the caverns' essential temperature and humidity (68 degrees and 98 percent, respectively), each small tour group of 15 visitors and two guides passes through a series of six doors and controlled-atmosphere chambers. Gauges monitor temperature, moisture, and gas levels continuously. To offset the wicking effect of your dry clothes (the exterior evaporation rate is 800 times greater than that prevailing within the cavern), expect to be misted en route. To guard against the introduction of alien fungi or bacteria, visitors are prohibited from touching any rock surface, the stainless steel handrails are wiped down daily and washed with a bleach solution weekly, and the trails themselves are cleaned regularly. (The wash water is pumped out and used for irrigation.)

In return for these precautions, you are rewarded with an unusually accessible, pristine cave experience. There is evidence of the resident bat colony (tours of the affected parts of the cavern are suspended during the breeding season, from mid April to mid October). Beyond generic food characterizations—translucent sheets of rock “bacon” hanging from a ceiling, “strawberry”-colored stone tinted by iron, delicate calcite “soda straws,” “fried egg” stalagmites, bulbous “turnips” first described at this site, and a wall of wild mineral projections dubbed “wayward fettucini” by construction workers—cave features are left blessedly free from formal names. You are free to perceive things as they really are, and to give your imagination rein. Either tour—the 90-minute “Rotunda/Throne Room” passage opened in 1999 and available year-round, or the 105-minute “Big Room” visit offered since November 2003 during the non-bat-roosting months—is likely to prove absorbing, and to last just long enough, from brief

tram ride up the hillside to the entrance through your return to sunlight.

Aboveground, and suitably dehumidified by the ambient air, you can picnic at covered tables (stock up in Tucson before setting out); learn more about the cave's formation and development in a colorful and informative “Discovery Center” and look for hummingbirds in the garden just outside; acquire the obligatory souvenir (best bet: the long-sleeved T with a bold “This Cave Rocks” slogan on the back).

Better still, the park has two trails suitable for part-day hiking. A 2.5-mile Foothill Loop Trail, accessible from the Discovery Center parking lot, circumnavigates the cave site with some moderate climbs and dips through ocotillo, prickly pear cactus and other succulents and affords fine views over the San Pedro Valley. The Guindara Trail, 4.2 miles one way, departs from campgrounds a few minutes' drive west in the park, climbing from 4,900 feet to more than 7,000 into the Whetstones, and ending in reportedly strenuous grade. Either affords an extra, unexpected perspective on the geological excitements underfoot in what otherwise seems, to the unschooled visitor, a terrain of fissured rock and the hardiest of hard-scrabble plant life—a setting suitable on

**“We came for the beasts.**

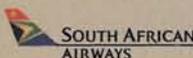
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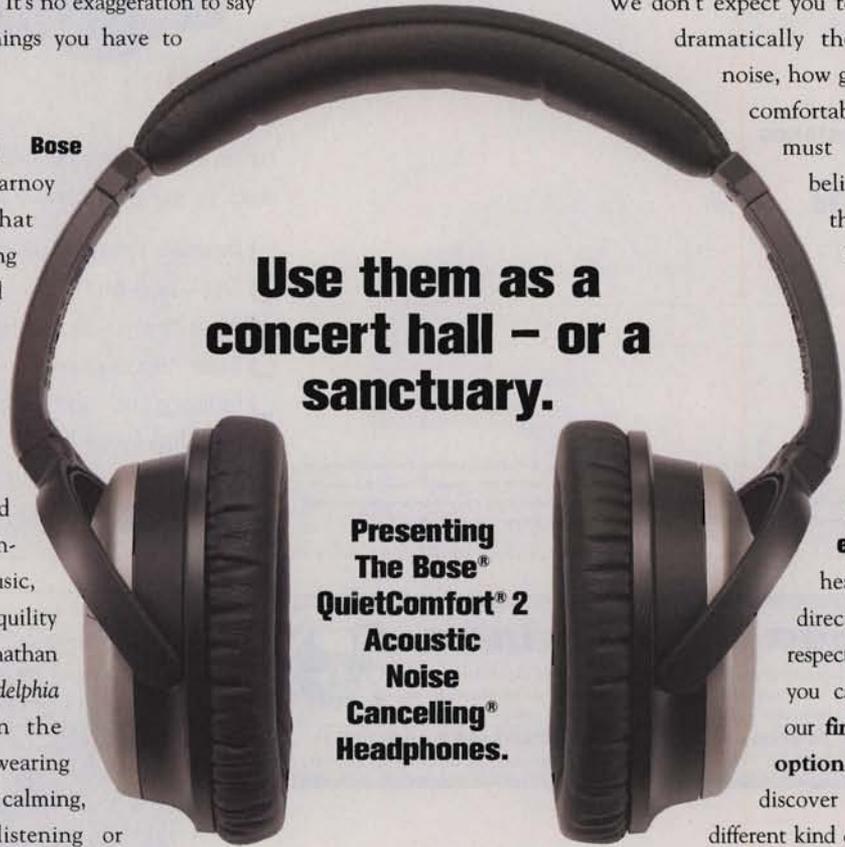
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# The Rookie

KNOWLES BRINGS BLUE-COLLAR WORK ETHIC  
TO BIG RED FOOTBALL



NICOLA KOUNTOUPES / UP

**T**HE CORNELL FOOTBALL PROGRAM is a mess—literally. Evicted from their Schoellkopf Hall offices because of renovations, the varsity staff is camping out for the summer far above the field in the stadium pressbox. As a lone fan blows hot air around the narrow room, coaches and assistants wrestle with dozens of cardboard boxes spilling over with files, recruitment letters, and hundreds of videotapes. In a few weeks, they'll find more stable quarters in converted squash courts during the two-year Schoellkopf renovation project, but right now the moving-day disarray seems to underscore the bigger challenges facing

**First-year football coach Jim Knowles '87: "I've had this vision for what Cornell football should be for a long time."**

head coach Jim Knowles '87 as he attempts to turn around a troubled team.

After a 1-9 (0-7 Ivy) season doomed Tim Pendergast's three-year tenure at the helm, athletic director Andy Noel undertook a job search that stretched to nine weeks after his initial four finalists either dropped out or turned down Cornell for NFL posts. When Knowles got the call, he had already settled on a new job—he was reporting as linebackers coach at the University of Nebraska. "I'd shown up with

my bags in Lincoln," Knowles recalls, sitting in the closet-sized booth he's using as an ad-hoc office.

In tapping Knowles, Noel went with a thirty-eight-year-old defensive specialist with no varsity head coaching experience but abundant Cornell credentials. An All-Ivy defensive end in 1986, Knowles and wife Nancy Schlie '83 were married in Sage Chapel, and their daughter, Halle, was born in Ithaca. After graduating from the ILR school, he put a business career on

hold to serve as a part-time assistant to head coach Maxie Baughan; he ended up staying nine seasons, leaving in 1997 to begin a six-season stint at Western Michigan University. Last year he coached the linebackers at the University of Mississippi, which posted its first ten-win season since 1971 and defeated Oklahoma State in the Cotton Bowl.

The Cornell job represents a homecoming of sorts for the Philadelphia native. The first in his family to attend college, Knowles was an all-Catholic line-

'Jimmy is part of this tradition,' says athletic director Andy Noel, 'and he has an excellent ability to share his experiences here as a player and a coach.'

backer at St. Joseph's Prep when he was recruited. "Cornell was the place I had always dreamed of, growing up in the city, but I didn't know really existed," he recalls. After visiting the campus, he turned down offers from Harvard and Princeton because, he says, "it was easier for a guy with a blue-collar background to feel comfortable here. It felt like home." Director of football operations Pete Noyes, a defensive coordinator at Cornell during the mid-1980s, remembers Knowles as "the epitome of a coach's player" on the field and a quick study as a grad assistant. "The more responsibility you gave him, the more he'd shine." Knowles was on the coaching staffs of the '88 and '90 squads that each took home a piece of the Ivy championship; according to Andy Noel, those two rings gave Knowles an edge over the other candidates. "Jimmy is part of this tradition,"



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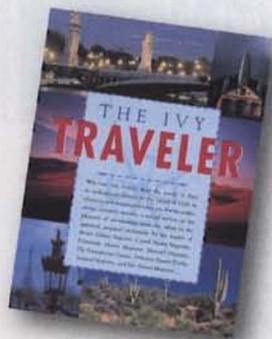
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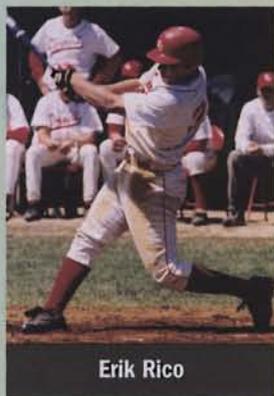
Noel says, "and he has an excellent ability to share the experiences he had here as a player and a coach."

He's been busy doing just that, bringing in such Big Red eminences as business consultant Ken Blanchard '61 and former lacrosse coach Richie Moran to talk to his new staff and "tell them what Cornell is all about." Lesson number one: no whining about the Ivies' no-scholarship policy. "We have to play to our strengths and not make an excuse out of the admission process," Knowles says. "I didn't hire coaches who wanted to be coaching at the scholarship

level—they want to be in the Ivy League." Those new hires include defensive coordinator Clayton Carlin, a high school teammate and former special teams coach from New Mexico State, and linebackers coach Mike Roark '92. Former Kalamazoo College head coach Tim Rogers will run the offense, and he's bringing Brian Coon, his offensive coordinator at Kalamazoo, along as a line coach. The only holdovers are Noyes and veteran defensive line coach Pete DeStefano.

They have their work cut out for them: last year's winless conference

**MOUND MOVE** The career of **Erik Rico '02** as a professional baseball hitter appears to have ended, replaced by a career as a professional baseball pitcher. Rico hit .275 in 122 minor league games in 2002-03 before moving to the mound in 2004 with the Auburn Doubledays, the New York-Penn League affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays. A southpaw, Rico was named the 2002 Ivy League Player of the Year after hitting .380 for the Big Red. Joining him in the New York-Penn League this year was **Dan Baysinger '04**, who earned All-Ivy honorable mention with 40 strikeouts in 37 innings in his senior year. Drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals, Baysinger was assigned to the club's New Jersey farm team.



Erik Rico

SPORTS INFO

**HALL OF FAMERS** Eight All-Americans will be among the 10 new members of the Cornell University Athletic Hall of Fame. The All-Americans are football players **John Jaso '49**, **Mort Landsberg '41**, and **Chris Zingo '94**; cross country and track stars **Brian Clas '94** and **Pam Hunt '94**; women's lacrosse player **Tina Hennessey '93**; and wrestlers **David Hirsch '94** and **Pat Waters '90**, **BA '93**. Joining them for the November 6 induction ceremony will be track champion **Susie Curtis '93** and volleyball standout **Jennifer Strazza '93**.



Melody Davidson

SPORTS INFO

**CANADA'S COACH** Women's hockey coach Melody Davidson has been named head coach of the Canadian national women's hockey team that will compete at the 2005 World Championships and 2006 Olympics. Davidson was an assistant coach for Canada from 2000 to 2002 before taking over the Big Red program. She will coach the Cornell women's team during the 2004-05 season before taking a leave of absence for 2005-06.

**SILVER MEDALIST** **Jen Munhofen '06** helped the U.S. women's inline hockey team to a second-place finish at the 2004 World Championship in London, Ontario. Munhofen, who led the Big Red women's ice hockey team with 19 points last season, scored six goals and collected four assists as the American team went 7-1, losing only to Canada in the title game.

**NET GAIN** One of the best players in college volleyball history will now guide the Big Red program. Deitre Collins was named Cornell's eighth volleyball coach in June, replacing Christie Roes, who left to pursue a teaching career after leading the team to a second-place Ivy League finish and a 21-4 record in 2003. As an undergraduate at the University of Hawaii, Collins was a two-time Broderick Award winner (national player of the year) as she helped the Rainbow Wahine post a 110-5 record and win two NCAA Division I titles. Collins comes to Cornell after eight years as head coach at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.



record was the worst since 1975, and attendance has tumbled over the past few years. In a preseason media poll, Cornell was ranked last in the Ivies. It's enough to make a rookie coach nervous, but Knowles doesn't seem worried. "Coming off a terrible season, two months without a head coach ... these are all just details," he says. "It's important that everyone believes there's a greater vision. Our goal is to win as many hearts as possible—to get people thinking positive thoughts about the football program again."

— David Dudley

**SCHOLAR-ATHLETE** For only the second time in school history, Cornell has a three-time academic All-American. Gymnast **Rachel Goldberg '04** finished her Big Red career as a first-team Academic All-American after earning third-team honors as a sophomore and junior. A three-time All-American in the vault and president of the Student Athletic Advisory Council, Goldberg had a 3.97 GPA as a psychology major in the College of Arts and Sciences.



Rachel Goldberg

**CAUGHT IN THE DRAFT** Two returning members of the men's hockey team were taken in this year's NHL draft, along with incoming freshman **Raymond Sawada**, selected by the Dallas Stars in the second round. Sawada scored 26 goals and had 48 assists in 79 games last season with the Nanaimo Clippers in the British Columbia Hockey League. Defenseman **John Gleed '06** was a seventh-round pick of the Montreal Canadiens, and forward **Mitch Carefoot '07** was selected by the Atlanta Thrashers in the eighth round.

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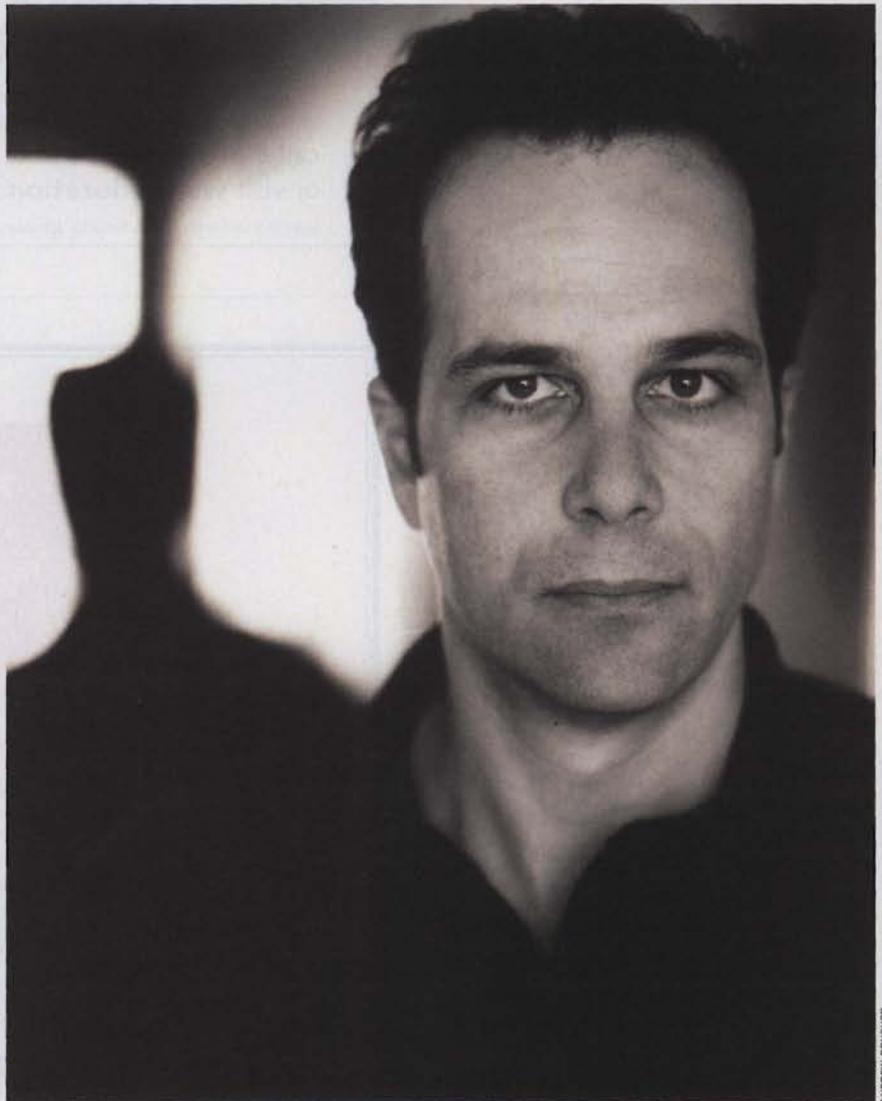


# True Stories

NEW YORKER WRITER CONFRONTS REALITY

**T**HE TRUTH IS THAT THERE IS no truth,” a flamboyant criminal lawyer once told Philip Gourevitch '83. The *New Yorker* staff writer—whose subjects have included Siberian tigers, small-time boxers, and the U.S. presidential race—disagrees. “My expectations are very modest,” says Gourevitch, whose chronicle of the Rwandan genocide, *We Wish to Inform You That Tomorrow We Will Be Killed with Our Families*, has been credited with renewing the debate over how and when the world should intervene in mass slaughter. “But it’s very important to make sure that attention is paid to places easily ignored. Over time, the effort to get the story straight is a value in itself.”

This summer, Gourevitch hit the campaign trail, combining meticulous research, a novelist’s eye for detail, and an academic’s sharp analysis in regular dispatches for the *New Yorker*. Howard Dean has “plump Rotarian looks,” while John Kerry resembles “an equestrian statue (man and horse).” His sharp pen pokes Republicans and Democrats alike. “If anything, Bush’s insistence on the righteousness of his script has intensified,” he writes of the President in a late July analysis of John Kerry’s foreign policy. “He jokes about never reading newspapers, lets it be known that he communicates with the Almighty, and dismisses his critics as pessimists.” In the same article, he skewers the Democratic nominee’s public speaking: “At his declamatory worst, Kerry can turn good, sound thought and cogent argument into a swamp of sound that inclines



ANDREW BRUCKER

**Campaign correspondent:** Philip Gourevitch is tracking—and skewering—the presidential candidates. “Over time,” he says, “the effort to get the story straight is a value in itself.”

the listener to tune out, much like the *mwah-mwah-mwah* of adults in 'Peanuts' cartoons."

An aspiring fiction writer since childhood, Gourevitch entered the Arts college in 1979 as an anthropology major, switched to history, and then dropped out. "I wasn't persuaded that you could learn writing in writing classes," he says. "I wanted to see if I could do it with no one leaning over me, by doing a lot of sitting still in my room." So he tended bar, made pizza in Ithaca hangouts, and wrote. "Most of my short stories weren't very good," he admits, "but I learned the tools of my craft."

After a two-year leave, Gourevitch re-enrolled as an English major, published some fiction in the *Daily Sun*, and, in 1986, finally graduated. As an MFA candidate at Columbia, he became nonfiction editor of *Columbia: A Journal of Literature and Art* and discovered the colorful narratives of *New Yorker* luminaries Joseph Mitchell and A.J. Liebling. He freelanced for a few years, then decided to get a regular job.

His freelance credits already included assignments for the venerable Yiddish paper, the *Forward*, which launched an English language edition in 1990. So when the editor opened a search for a New York bureau chief the following spring, Gourevitch inquired—despite his lack of newsroom experience. "If you can tie a necktie," the editor told him, "you can do the job." He could and he did, working for a year before he was promoted to cultural editor, a title he held until 1993, when he left the paper.

In 1995, the *New Yorker* approved Gourevitch's plan to investigate genocide in Rwanda. His 16,000-word report ran in the magazine's December 18, 1995, issue; a 7,100-word follow-up ran two years later. In 1998, Farrar, Straus and Giroux published his 356-page account of the 100 days in which the world stood by as 800,000 Rwandans were murdered. Throughout, the author blends vivid imagery with hundreds of interviews with heroes, murderers, and victims. Soldiers' eyes "glare the color of blood oranges." A rain-soaked Bible rests on the stomach of a corpse. Even killers have their say. "I like to trust readers' moral sense," says the

author. "I don't supply the outrage for them."

A former senior fellow for the World Policy Institute and frequent participant in human rights conferences, Gourevitch speaks and writes regularly about genocide. Despite his highest hopes, however, he calls himself "a skeptic" who believes the world remains far more prepared to deplore mass slaughter than to do anything meaningful to stop it. He sees more evidence to support his view in Darfur, western Sudan, where thousands of civilians have been killed and more than one million displaced in ongoing violence.

Throughout his work, Gourevitch has rejected what he calls some reporters' "cagey or confrontational" interviewing styles. And while he's succeeded in drawing out a range of subjects, he says there's no particular strategy he uses to keep them talking. "I try to be conversational, building gradually, bit by bit. It's a question of doing one's homework—saturation reporting, so I can put the pieces together. The more specific my questions, the more specific the answer."

Gourevitch's approach relies on repor-

torial precision and narrative flair. In *A Cold Case*, his 2001 character study of a mob-linked murderer and the aging cop who cracked a decades-old case, a murderer meets his accomplice at a showing of *Gun Crazy*, a film about "fugitive lovers on a crime spree hurtling to their doom." He describes a feisty attorney "forever popping up on tiptoes . . . as if someone had just shouted, 'Let's cha-cha!'" And in that late July *New Yorker* report, he likens Kerry's oratorical style to that of a man hailing a ship, "one hand clutching a mike in front of his Adam's apple, the other hand pistoning from shoulder to waist like an oil-field pump jack, his voice hammering along to the same relentless rhythm, a seesaw booming." It's the sort of telling detail Gourevitch deploys in his efforts to reveal the truth, whether the topic is an international crisis or the contradictions of American political life. "There is no getting around the sheer carnival goofiness of an American political campaign," he has written. "Civilization-defining issues may hang in the balance, but the asinine and the inane always hover close at hand."

— Bill Kirtz



A laugh a minute: As freshmen in the sketch comedy group the Skits-O-Phrenics, Jeff Solomon '02, Chris Principe '02, and Geoff Haggerty '02 plotted to launch a professional troupe. Jump ahead four years: after graduation, they moved to the Big Apple and teamed with fellow Skits alumni Alexander Zalben '99 and Stefan Lawrence '99 to form Elephant Larry. ("We knew how important the name was, and we didn't want to sabotage ourselves," says Haggerty. The group's moniker incorporates a nonsense word, Phantlar, the guys adopted and then abandoned.) Although they have seven full-length shows to their credit and billing as one of *Back Stage's* Top 10 Comedy Best Bets of 2004, Haggerty admits the troupe hasn't yet turned a profit. "We would love to do it full time," he says, "but right now it's kind of a second job."

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# Grade Expectations

FORMER ACTRESS EDUCATES AND MOTIVATES L.A. SCHOOL KIDS

**T**EN-YEAR-OLD TERA AGYEPONG was coasting through fifth grade in First Lutheran Elementary School with a B average. She was happy and her teachers were happy, but her parents, immigrants from Ghana, weren't. So they decided to send her to an upstart tutoring agency for a little extra attention.

"There were up to ten kids of all ages in this little apartment," says Agyepong, "and I'd go in the bathroom and sit on the toilet seat and study." Today, Agyepong is a graduate of Stanford, one of hundreds of beneficiaries of the in-your-face educational philosophy of Angeles Echols '79, founder of Los Angeles-based Educating Young Minds.

"Ms. Echols took me to a higher level and kept me there through high school," says Agyepong. "At first it was shocking—her aggressive style, her refusal to beat around the bush, her insistence on excellence. You had no option but to learn the material, finish the work, and do your best."

Echols and a staff of twenty serve about 200 mostly African-American students. Most are in academic or disciplinary difficulties, though some, like Agyepong, need only a dose of motivation.

Relying on what the *Los Angeles Times* has called a "tough love approach to tutoring," Echols has built a college-prep powerhouse from unlikely beginnings—and, in addition to shepherding troubled kids through school, has helped her students secure more than \$300,000 in college scholarships. "I started twelve years ago with two children in my living room," says Echols. "Now we've got 5,000 square feet in an office building, and we're planning for a building of our own."

Echols, who majored in psychology on the Hill, never expected to become an educator. "I was pre-med," she says. Her ambitions shifted toward the performing arts after she began attending Ithaca's Calvary Baptist Church, singing in the choir and then directing it. She also directed a cam-



COURTESY OF ANGELES ECHOLS

**Class act: "I teach responsibility, accountability, and consequences," says Angeles Echols.**

pus musical called "An Evening of Soul."

After graduation, the six-foot Tennessee native sang and danced in "The Wiz" and other Broadway musicals, and landed parts in a few sitcoms. But she was never consistently employed. "I was too tall to be an ingenue and too unstatuesque to play mothers," says Echols. She kept herself afloat by teaching and tutoring, eventually realizing that her day job was her true calling.

"I teach because of where I come from. I wasn't one of the popular ones in school. I didn't feel pretty. I always felt bright, though. Today when I see kids who are hanging on for dear life, I see me. I lived in the projects of Memphis; the stabbing and killings were right outside my door. That's where I come from."

Children often come to the EYM program two or three years behind in school, yet many exit a few years later with college acceptance letters in hand. "I teach responsibility, accountability, and consequences, along with phonics and the Pythagorean theorem," Echols says. "Too many black and Hispanic kids are grow-

ing up without male mentoring and support. The single moms keep their babies, especially the boys, too close to their bosoms. Their world is so small that they don't learn about their options."

So Echols works to change attitudes—sometimes emphatically. "Sure, I yell at the kids," she says. "I yell real loud. I'm a loud person. They understand that I hold them accountable because I care. When they see that, then it's a lot easier to hug them."

At first, EYM offered just after-school tutorials and study halls. "Children came to me with homework in fractions, and I found that they didn't know their times tables," she recalls. "I had to get some of those babies out of school, where they were too far behind to progress, and remediate them with intense one-on-one teaching."

EYM, located in the racially diverse Koreatown section of L.A., operates from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays. During the first half of the day, tutors help kids who have been pulled from the school system, striving to bring them up to grade level and mainstream them. "It's academics, lunch, academics," Echols says. In the late after-

noon and evening, other students come in for help with homework. An SAT prep program keeps EYM humming on Saturdays.

Parents pay tuition when they can. Most of the funding comes from foundation grants and gifts from such donors as Disney CEO Michael Eisner and basketball great Magic Johnson; such sources also fund the college scholarships that Echols provides to many deserving students.

Echols, who was appointed to the President's Council of Cornell Women (PCCW) last year, has turned down sev-

eral personally lucrative offers to affiliate EYM with larger public and private educational establishments. "I like the idea of growing from within, and I like autonomy," she says. "In fact, I *need* autonomy to serve the children. I need to be able to say to a parent, 'This is how it's going to be from now on if we're going to work together to save this child.' I need to say to the child, 'This is how it is—no whining, no manipulation. Just learning. Just success.'"

—Bart Mills '64

## Meet the Beetles

### INSECT INVADER THREATENS ORNAMENTAL PLANTINGS



**t**he exotic European viburnum beetle first appeared in New York State in the mid-1990s. Since then, the voracious nibbler has spread to thirty-five counties and six nearby states, leaving defoliated and dying host plants in its wake. The beetles, which lack natural predators in North America, dine exclusively on viburnum plants and threaten to wipe

out a good portion of the variety native to New York, a sweet-smelling, flowering ornamental favored by landscapers. "Once the food is gone, their numbers will crash," says entomology professor Richard Hoebeke. "But as long as there's a reservoir of viburnum, the beetle will be around. Without bio-controls, it won't end until the last plant is destroyed."

Researchers at Cornell's Turf Farm have begun testing biopesticides, but in the meantime, the only defense against the creatures is diligent autumn pruning and expensive insecticides. Horticulture professor Lori Bushway and entomology professor Paul Weston have teamed up to create the online Viburnum Leaf Beetle Citizen Science Program ([www.hort.cornell.edu/VLB](http://www.hort.cornell.edu/VLB)) to battle the bugs through public education.

At the Plantations, Integrated Pest Management Program manager Donna Levy says the collection's approximately 500 plants have definitely been affected. "We've had the beetle here four or five years," she says. "Every year the creature has increased in population and broadened its host range. There are presently only a few varieties that aren't affected yet, and it's probably just a matter of time for them." Plantations gardeners have fought the bugs with a variety of strategies, including removing plants, pruning egg masses, spraying with reduced-risk foliar spray, and drenching the soil with insecticide. "Nothing has actually died yet," says Levy, "but many plants were severely stressed this year, and you never know what's going to happen after that."

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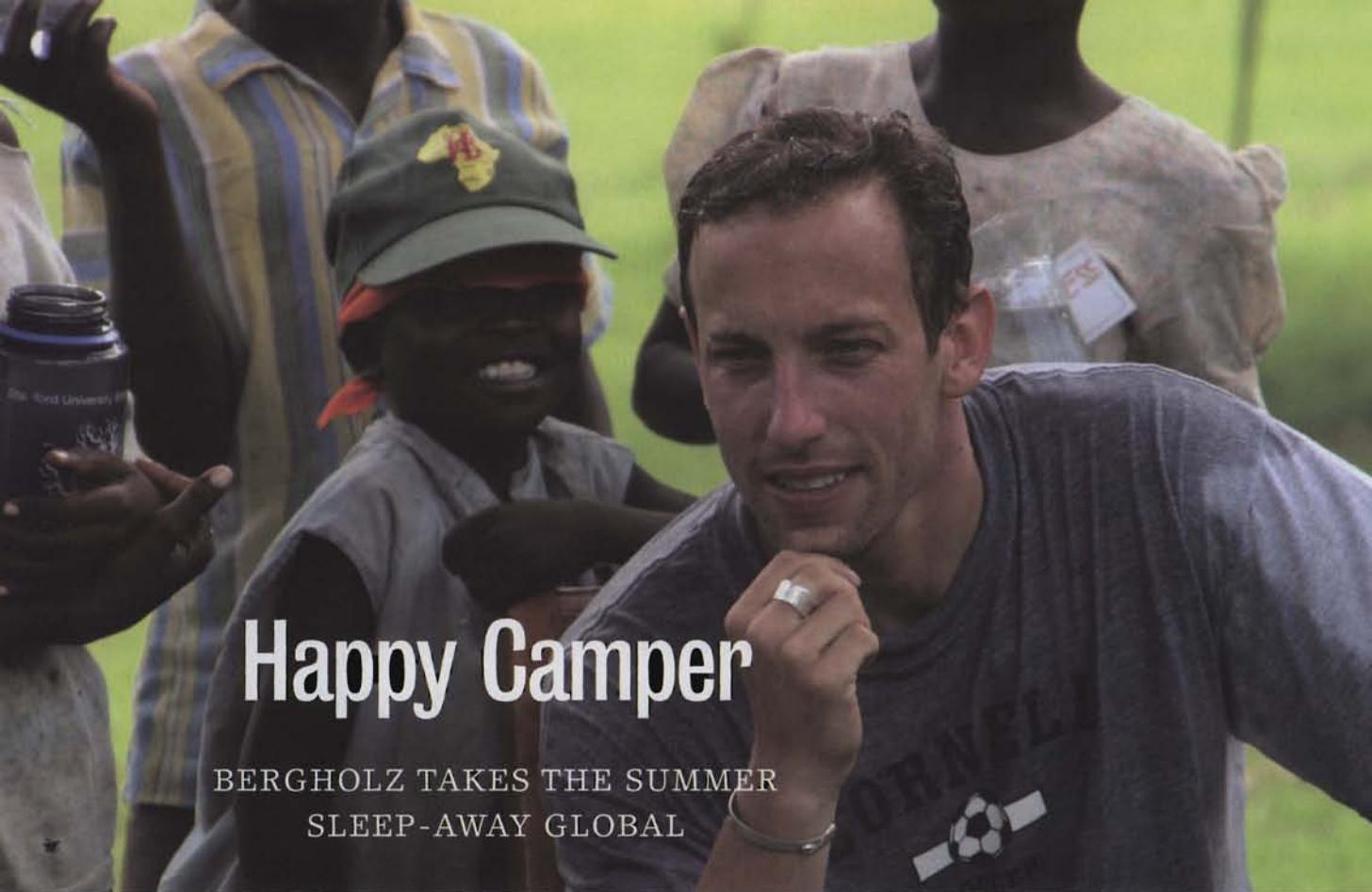
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# Happy Camper

BERGHOLZ TAKES THE SUMMER  
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KAREN LAST

**f**OR MOST AMERICANS, THE WORDS “summer camp” conjure up memories of canoeing, ghost stories, and crafts involving Popsicle sticks. Lou Bergholz ’94 went to that kind of camp. Starting at age seven, he attended sleep-aways near his native Pittsburgh, and at sixteen he became a counselor. A self-described “camp junkie,” Bergholz lived for the weeks between Memorial Day and Labor Day. “Being at those places, where there can be this amazing mix of learning and recreation, has always allowed me to express a side of myself that I couldn’t express anywhere else,” Bergholz says. “About four or five years ago, I realized that the rest of my year was just waiting for camp.”

Since then, the perpetual camper has transformed his summer gig into a full-time career. In 1998, Bergholz began laying the foundation for Edgework Consulting, a company he established to offer camp-style retreats for corporate executives. For the Human Ecology grad, it’s not only a way to make grown-up money doing what he’s loved since he was a kid, it’s also a way to subsidize work that’s even

closer to his heart. With clients including Paul Newman and the Rotary Club of Sarapee, Thailand, Bergholz is bringing the camp experience to kids in need all over the world.

“I think I’ve found my calling,” says the thirty-two-year-old. “It took a lot of what might kindly be called ‘productive floundering’ to get here, though.” After graduation, most of his friends pursued professional careers. “Instead, in those first five years out of school, I had seventeen jobs in three countries. I worked on one of the largest turkey farms in Israel. I was one of the first male human sexuality teachers in the state of Maine. I folded towels in a fitness center. I did lots of different things, but I wasn’t finding my niche.”

And every summer, he dropped what he was doing to work at camps. At last, when he was twenty-six, Bergholz drifted into part-time work as a facilitator for a corporate teambuilding program, and he found that he could support himself by doing what he knew best.

Bergholz immediately began building on those connections to establish his own consulting business. With activities rang-

ing from ropes courses to improvisational theater techniques to custom-tailored teambuilding, Edgework Consulting now draws upon the talents of 200 freelance educators and independent consultants and is developing a reputation as a creative alternative to more traditional business training services. Bergholz is based in Boston; local clients include Boston Children’s Hospital. His national client list includes Brown Brothers Harriman, Unilever, Pfizer, and the U.S. Army.

Even as his business started to take off, though, Bergholz knew he wouldn’t be satisfied unless he could do even more important things with his experience. Back in 1998, he had spent a few months working at a program for critically ill children, and he realized that while camp was the quintessential “normal” childhood experience for most kids, it could be even more meaningful for those whose lives were anything but normal. And then the final piece clicked into place: Paul Newman went on safari.

The actor and activist, known for the charitable giving from his Newman’s Own brand of food products, had long sup-

ported the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp, located outside Ashford, Connecticut, for children with life-threatening illnesses. When a trip to Africa brought Newman face-to-face with hundreds of children whose lives were affected by HIV, he wanted to help.

A contact brought Bergholz together with one of the organizations charged with establishing Newman's Africa program, and he was soon alternating corporate engagements in the States with trips to southern Africa. Since 2002, Bergholz has helped establish children's camps with permanent on-site staff and partnerships with safari companies in Namibia, Botswana, South Africa, and Malawi. These companies, some of the major economic players in the region, have lost hundreds of staff to the AIDS epidemic. Through the program, about 1,000 children per year learn more about the relatively well-paying careers that the safari companies could offer them—and about how protecting themselves from HIV infection can help them reach these new economic levels.

The program has been so successful that Newman's organization asked Bergholz to set up a similar program in Thailand. Working with the Rotary Club and other local business organizations in the country, he is establishing a curriculum, dealing with political red tape, and seeing the program through what he describes as the "make or break" first three years. "I don't get to be present for most of these programs," Bergholz says. "This kind of work is very labor-intensive, and I'm working with nonprofits with limited budgets. That's one reason why I keep up the corporate part of my business. I have to come back to the States and do that work, but I feel good that even though I can't be there when the programs happen, I'm doing the work that makes them possible."

He's taken a similar approach with Grassroots Soccer, another program in southern Africa, created by "Survivor" winner and soccer player Ethan Zohn. By recruiting volunteers from the ranks of African soccer and teaching sports skills as well as HIV prevention strategies, the program aims to instill confidence in kids

## New Wave

### STUDENT HAMS STILL BROADCAST FROM THE 'SHACK'

**C**hase Million carries a cell phone everywhere he goes, but when he enters the Cornell Amateur Radio Club's "shack" in Barton Hall, he steps back in time to an earlier era in wireless communication. Ham radio, the equivalent of today's online instant messaging, had its heyday before the explosion of computer technology. The first amateur radio club formed in 1909 in New York City, and the first amateur licenses were issued in 1912. "You would do ham radio so you could stay connected, but that's not a problem anymore," says Million '05, the club's president. "People are interested in the technical side of things, and ham radio gives you a direction in your tinkering."

Most of the club's sixty-one members use their round-the-clock access to the shack to talk with other hams around the world and to dabble with the electronic equipment, but they join forces during competitions. Each November, the CARC competes in the ARRL Sweepstakes, a contest the club has won each of the past three years. The Sweepstakes last twenty-four to forty-eight hours, and the goals vary. One year they might try to contact the most people using a pre-determined frequency range; another year they might attempt to contact as many countries as possible, or reach a club in each of the Amateur Radio Relay League's regional divisions. "It's one of the few times all of our members show up," says Million, a physics major. "Some of us stay the whole weekend and sleep on the floor."

It's not all about electronics and competitions, says club advisor Mike Hammer, who has spoken to Barry Goldwater and the King of Jordan via radio. Last September, Million talked to astronaut Ed Lu '84 during a club-arranged contact with the International Space Station. Says Hammer: "It's the most amazing thing to turn on the radio, spin the dial, and just see who's on."

— Sarah Brubaker '06



who feel that they have nothing to live for. For Bergholz, himself a former Big Red varsity goalkeeper, the project is especially close to his heart.

"Kids in Africa think that soccer is cool, and that is going to make more difference in whether they listen to you than all the scare tactics in the world," he says. Bergholz believes that the summer camp model for education is successful precisely because it offers kids access to information on their own terms. Through songs, stories, games, and athletics, camp celebrates the playfulness and self-expression missing from these children's everyday lives.

"People can be skeptical about this kind of program, because they wonder what we can possibly accomplish in one or two weeks at a camp," Bergholz says. "But we're taking these kids out of their regular environment, showing them new possibilities. We follow up through outreach programs, and we tell the kids why they are amazing and valuable. When you're only eight or nine years old, that kind of message sticks with you. I know getting that message when I was at camp as a kid really made a difference for me."

— C.A. Carlson '93, MFA '96

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# Food of the Gods

MARC BRUNO, GOLD MEDAL CATERER

**m**ARC BRUNO '93 COULDN'T control the smog, the terrorists, the traffic, or the unfinished stadium, but at least he made sure that everyone at this summer's Olympic Games got plenty to eat. The Hotel grad is a vice president for the managed services company ARAMARK, and he took charge of the firm's contract to supply dining operations for the Olympic Village in Athens, Greece. The Philadelphia-based catering colossus partnered with the Greek Daskalantonakis Group in the herculean task of feeding 25,000 athletes, coaches, and officials for the sixty days that the Village was open. That works out to two million meals, give or take a plate of moussaka—"the largest food and beverage event in the history of the world," as Bruno says.

Bruno lived in Athens for a year to prep for the event, his third Olympiad since he joined ARAMARK in 1993. The son of Italian restaurateurs, Bruno now cooks on a scale several orders of magnitude greater than the family spaghetti house back in Chicago's Little Italy. ARAMARK doled out 3,000 gallons of Greek olive oil and enough cheese—more than 52,000 pounds—to cover 100,000 pizzas. But the numbers alone don't convey the complexity of the task: Bruno had to accommodate the ethnic and religious dietary preferences of athletes from 202 nations, with a 1,500-item "World Menu" that included ample vegetarian, vegan, kosher, and halal options. "From an ethnic perspective, the diet was very diverse," he says. "The quantities we went through were so astronomical, we needed to have a huge variety."

The culinary focus in the 6,000-seat

main dining room was on Greek cuisine. Summer Olympians feasted on Cretan goat's milk and local baklava while also sampling fare from designated restaurants catering to central Asian and other international tastes. Cooking and serving



MARTIN MAYO

duties were handled by a staff of 2,000 that could dish out 55,000 meals a day at peak times. To add to the challenge, all the food brought into the Village—every one of those half-million bananas—had to be X-rayed because of security concerns, an Olympic first. The notorious construction delays at the Athens venues didn't make things any easier, either. But for Bruno, who first became intrigued by the challenge of Olympic-size catering when an ARAMARK executive guest-lectured at Cornell during his freshman year, the sheer scope and complexity of the job was all part of the appeal. "If we can do this," he says, "we can do anything."

# Here's Looking at You

## GRADS OFFER VIDEO-CHAT BREAKTHROUGH

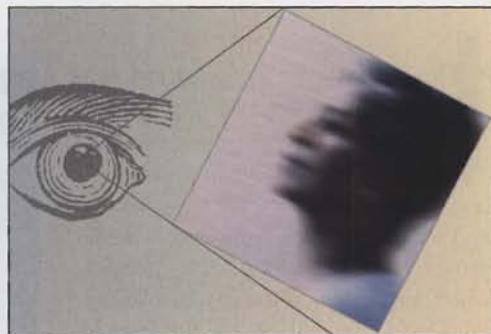
**R**EMEMBER THOSE TELEPHONES with TV screens we were all supposed to be using by now? The first working videophones debuted at the 1964 New York World's Fair; forty years later, we're still waiting. "It's been the Next Big Thing ever since," says Brad Treat, MBA '02, who's gambling that his Berkeley-based start-up, SightSpeed, will finally usher in the home tele-talk revolution.

Of course, computer users with webcams can already talk on video-chat features now offered by AOL or Yahoo, but it remains a little-used gimmick: because of bandwidth demands, the tiny, jerky image lags behind actual speech. SightSpeed uses a video compression algorithm developed by Cornell information theory professor Toby Berger, who spent eight years studying how the human eye perceives video and then paring the information down to the essentials, blurring details and accentuating outlines. The software, designed in Cornell's DISCOVER Lab with SightSpeed co-founder Aron Rosenberg '02, runs at thirty frames per second, eliminating image "latency" so mouth movement is synchronized. It's fast and fluid enough to catch the subtle nods and eye-rolling that make face-to-face conversation meaningful. "The value of visual communication has to hit a certain threshold," Treat says. "It has to convey emotions."

It also has to be marketed to the right people. When Treat—who came up with SightSpeed's business plan and lured investors from BR Ventures, a fund run by Johnson School students—was first approached by Rosenberg and Berger with the idea of turning their software into a business, he thought about why videoconferencing is still a high-end executive novelty. "We had to identify who would use this and why," he says. "When you think about who you want to see, it's not your boss—it's your family." Accordingly, he's targeting older, less tech-savvy users who want to keep up with growing

grandkids or see a distant spouse—41 percent of subscribers are over fifty. Five dollars a month buys unlimited chat time. (In appreciation of their Big Red roots, SightSpeed offers free subscriptions to anyone with a [cornell.edu](mailto:cornell.edu) e-mail account. Go to [www.sightspeed.com/cornell](http://www.sightspeed.com/cornell) for details.) The interface resembles the instant-messaging applications familiar to millions and is designed, says Treat, to be "Grandma-easy."

Early SightSpeed clients are pointing their webcams in unexpected places. One subscriber uses the feature for online classical guitar tutorials; another does hair transplant consultations. The technology has also been embraced by the deaf com-



STEFANIE GREEN

munity—the image is sharp and quick enough to keep up with a sign-language conversation. "People will come up with creative ways to use this," says Treat, who sees SightSpeed as fulfilling a decades-old promise. "It's the kind of thing that will change the world."

## COUNTRY ESTATE

Built by Cornell alumni at the turn of the last century as a showpiece for country living, this country estate is now being sold by Cornell alumni after 30 years of careful custodianship. Throughout the last century, the great red barn and Queen Anne Revival house became a landmark and a touchstone for country living. The milled lumber for the post-and-beam barn was imported from Scandinavia. Cow stanchions, horse stalls, a hay shoot, and a granary all evoke a bygone era of agriculture. The house boasts high ceilings, large rooms, and chestnut trim. The heating, plumbing, and electrical systems have been completely replaced for comfortable modern living. The kitchen, bathrooms, and master bedroom suite renovations blend with the old, while incorporating 21st-century conveniences. The addition of a three-car garage and one-bedroom apartment was designed to complement the character and structure of the original house. Other features include an elevator, spacious indoor/outdoor dog kennel, hardwood and tiled floors, and a commercial cook-top with grill. The 80 acres are mostly wooded; the east branch of the Cayuga Inlet runs through the property. The grounds around the buildings contain mature trees, including several varieties of beech and dawn redwoods. This property is located seven miles southwest of the City of Ithaca and minutes from the Lindsay Parsons Biodiversity Preserve.



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# Power Play

AMPUTEE ICERS SKATE TO NATIONAL PROMINENCE

**T**WENTY-FOUR YEARS AFTER THE underdog 1980 U.S. hockey team upset the Soviet juggernaut in Lake Placid, chilled inspiration still lingers in the air at the Olympic Arena, and memories of the famous gold medal game serve to remind the hockey hopefuls who train there that the impossible isn't. For David Crandell '84 and the team he leads, it's a lesson they already know.

Three years ago, Crandell, a physiatrist at Harvard's Spaulding Rehabilitation Center in Boston, founded the American Amputee Hockey Association, made up entirely of players missing at least one arm or leg. The AAHA hosts camps and tournaments for amputee skaters from Salt Lake City to Boston and sends teams to compete around the world. In 2003, the AAHA's flagship squad placed second in the inaugural World Amputee Ice Hockey Championship, held in Finland. This March, Crandell and his cadre prepared for their second global tournament at a Lake Placid training camp with a familiar goal in mind: winning gold. "It's an exciting feeling, just being out on the ice with that history," Crandell says. "For some of these players, being in Lake Placid, staying in that Olympic training center, putting on a USA hockey sweater, and being on the '80 rink is a dream come true."

While sled hockey—played on sledges instead of skates—has existed as a Paralympic sport for fourteen years, upright amputee hockey has only recently gained enough popularity for the U.S. to field a national team. The upright amputees wear prosthetic limbs, use a full-size rink and standard equipment, and follow International Ice Hockey Federation Rules. The only differences between Cornell's varsity teams and Crandell's squad are that the amputees can't body check—and they have a co-ed roster.

For Crandell, who specializes in working with disabled athletes, the team's success is the culmination of nearly a decade



PHOTOS BY TOM KIMMELL

**Ice time: For American Amputee Hockey Association players, a missing limb is no handicap.**

of behind-the-scenes persistence—and a lifetime of passion for the sport. Growing up on Long Island, Crandell converted snowy church parking lots into makeshift rinks. As a neurobiology and behavior major at Cornell, he played intramural hockey for Sigma Pi—albeit primarily as a beer-drinking benchwarmer—and road-

tripped to Boston his freshman year to watch the Big Red play in the 1981 ECAC Championship.

After graduation, Crandell headed to SUNY Buffalo Medical School and then Boston, where he first encountered disabled athletes as a resident in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Tufts Uni-

versity. "In 1993, the National Wheelchair Championships were held at UMass, so a group of my fellow residents and I went to volunteer," he says. "I saw these athletes going around in slick racing wheelchairs, and I saw people doing the field events either standing as amputees or sitting in wheelchairs. I just thought, Wow, this is way cool."

The following year, 1994, he began a fellowship in sports medicine at the New England Medical Center. While still in training, he traveled to Berlin as the U.S. National Paralympic track and field team's physician, where he watched blind, paraplegic, and otherwise disabled athletes compete at the Olympic stadium where Hitler shunned Jesse Owens in 1936. For Crandell, it was a life-changing experience. "With disabled athletes, you really look at the pure essence of sport," he says. "They do it for the joy of being on a team. They want to represent their country, and they want to play."

But Crandell's favorite sport, hockey, wasn't represented. In June of 1999, colleague Mark Pitkin, a Russian-born bio-engineering professor at Tufts who founded the Institute for Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors, suggested hosting an upright amputee hockey game between some St. Petersburg athletes and local players. But the number of available American amputee skaters was so limited that they ended up joining the Russians for an exhibition match with a hastily recruited local amateur team. "As it came down to crunch time, I only had one or two players, but the Russians were already on their way, so they ended up playing not an amputee team but able-bodied guys from the Lowell post office," says Crandell, who staged the practice between periods of a UMass-Lowell college game. "Most of the people in the stands had no idea. If they'd known the players were skating on prostheses, they'd probably have been more impressed."

From that haphazard contest, the AAHA, which Crandell started in June 2000, was born. Initially, he struggled to gather even enough players to practice. Now the organization boasts more than 100 members and a budget of \$100,000-plus. "It's taken me four years, but now we actually have to tell people that if they



**Slap shot:** Assistant coach Jamie Reilly uses a below-knee prosthesis with skate attached.

aren't in shape or not good enough, they won't make the team," Crandell says. "If you look at the players now, it's hard to tell that they're missing anything—they just put their leg on and then their skates."

The current squad boasts goalie Mike Ginal, a below-knee amputee who backed up the net at Harvard from 1996 to 2000. He's the first player in NCAA history with a lower limb prosthesis, and he knows how competitive upright amputee hockey can get. "There are players on the Canadian team who have played Juniors and Junior A hockey," Ginal says. "And there are players for the U.S. that have played college hockey. These are people who can play at a very high level."

For the AAHA, the ultimate goal is a spot in the 2010 Vancouver Paralympic Games. Though the team has been recognized by USA Hockey as the national upright team and is ready to compete, three more nations must still add squads for the sport to officially join the Paralympic roster.

Crandell plans to be around when that happens, but family duties (he and wife Wendy have two daughters) and his

day job may force him to relinquish at least some of his roles on the AAHA—he currently serves as team president, physician, major financial backer, director of personnel, and graphic designer. "It's become part of who I am," he says. That commitment level isn't lost on his players. "He sees that having a disability is not the end—it's a new beginning," says goalie Ginal. "He sees what a tremendous opportunity this is and how many amputee hockey players are out there. He senses how big it can be."

After breaking camp in Lake Placid, Crandell and the eighteen members of the national team went to Prague in April for the 2004 world championships, competing against teams from Finland, Russia, the Czech Republic, and Canada. And, just as in 2003, the Americans skated away with silver, losing to Canada in the final. It was a meaningful moment for the fledgling team, but Crandell is already looking to the future. "At this point, I can't let it go. If there's a player out there who will help us be competitive, I want to find a way to get him to play."

—Everett Hullverson '05



## Well Heeled

### STEPPING OUT WITH BOSTON'S STILETTO QUEEN

**a**NTIQUE SHOPS, UPSCALE RESTAURANTS, and boutiques line the streets of Beacon Hill, the stately Boston neighborhood full of Brahmin mansions and newly arrived hipsters. But strolling the area's cobblestone sidewalks in 2001, Karen Fadden Fabbri '96 thought something was missing. "I took a look around and saw new furniture, clothing, and gift stores," she says. "But there was one thing lacking."

Fabbri, a former public relations executive and full-time footwear aficionado who says she has "too many shoes to count," saw an opportunity to turn her passion into a profession. "It doesn't matter how tall, short, thick, or thin you are—you can always find something that will fit and make you look good in a shop with shoes, bags, and accessories," she declares. In October 2001, she opened Moxie, a shoe-and-bag emporium where styles by Kate Spade, Cynthia Rowley, and Marc Jacobs line the shelves. Since then, the former government major has sold close to 5,000 pairs of shoes.

Located on a tony stretch of Charles Street, Moxie boasts a hip vibe, with Sinatra and Norah Jones mingling on

the sound system; a burgundy velvet couch and a mirror framed in leopard-print fabric complete the look. Fabbri says she relied on instinct for the store's décor. "I did the same when I began picking out shoes and accessories," she says, slipping off a pair of gold-heeled, white leather Kate Spade sandals decorated with crystal flowers over the toes. ("Very comfortable," she says, "and quite fabulous.")

That same instinct also guided her decision to attend Cornell and helped her find her first job after graduation (advertising, in Manhattan, after flipping through binders in the Career Services office). After a move to Boston, marriage to former Intro to Italian classmate Gian Fabbri '96, and the birth of the couple's son, she wanted more time for her family. "I didn't want to give up things in my own life to work for other people," she says. "But I still had such a drive to work." Self-employment seemed the answer. "I loved the idea of running my own business, and I loved the neighborhood where we had settled down."

This summer, cozy Moxie was a burst

of color with feminine, flirty shoes and accessories in pink, green, yellow, baby blue, and multi-colored Pucci prints. "The shoes are for professional ladies with style, moms who want to feel a little glam, and ladies with events to attend and errands to run," says Fabbri, who calls her stock "salon-level." Prices range from \$38 for a pair of terry flip-flops to \$300 for high-end pumps. Besides the big-name designers, Fabbri has kept an eye out for relatively unknown independent designers. "I love Claudia Ciuti shoes. She's been around for about five or ten years with her own line, but prefers to be in boutiques—and Bergdorf's."

When it comes to bags and accessories, what Fabbri calls her "little extras," the thirty-year-old takes a similar approach. "We sell delicate satin clutches from Lulu Guinness in an assortment of candy colors and large tote bags by Jack Gomme—perfect to carry everything but the kitchen sink," she says. Accessory prices range from \$15 for a Colette Malouf hair pin to \$350 for a pair of 18-karat gold Lauren Harper earrings with purple garnet and pink tourmaline. "We are certainly designer," says Fabbri, "but we aren't the highest end. Manolo Blahnik and Jimmy Choo don't live here." Instead, she caters to the *Sex and the City* aspirations of Beacon Hill's would-be Carries and Mirandas. "We provide higher-end merchandise at a more affordable price. Our shoes are still a special purchase, and our customers appreciate the quality of the leathers, the feel of a well-made shoe, and the overall look that a beautiful pair can bring to an outfit."

The fashion press has been equally enthusiastic. Shopping mag *Lucky* gushed over a \$190 pair of "kittenish, wooden-heeled HollyWould mules" Fabbri offered, while viewers of Boston's Channel 7 News rated Moxie the number one shoe store in New England. "I feel so happy when I walk into Moxie and see all the beautiful things," says Fabbri. "But even more rewarding is watching other people come in, and seeing their reaction to items that I picked out. Most people can't help but smile. It's a great feeling."

—Margit Feury Ragland '94

## Native Treasure

In the latest chapter of a tale the *New York Times* dubbed "Dickensian" for its plot twists, Cornell has acquired one of the world's largest collections of Native American materials. On June 15, as two moving vans waited outside to remove the most valuable papers, University librarian Sarah Thomas signed a \$2.5 million deal transferring ownership of the Bronx-based Huntington Free Library's collection on the archaeology, ethnology, and history of the native peoples of the Americas to the University. "It is a story of a lot of turmoil, a lot of trouble," Huntington library president Edward Morgan told the *Times*. "But it's a happy ending and a new beginning."

Originally part of the Museum of the Native American in New York City, the collection was transferred to the Huntington Free Library and Reading Room in 1930. Sixty years later, when the Smithsonian

## LIBRARY BUYS MAJOR AMERICAN INDIAN COLLECTION

Institution's National Museum of the American Indian absorbed the Museum of the Native American, Smithsonian curators figured the paper materials at the Huntington—more than 40,000 volumes, 1,300 rare books and monographs, and close to 100,000 manuscript pages—would accompany the artifacts to Washington. Huntington officials disagreed, launching a legal battle that would range through the New York State and federal judicial systems and last more than a decade. When it was over, the Huntington had won, but its coffers had been drained, leaving it without the resources to acquire new books or repair its crumbling, red-brick home.

Library officials decided their best bet for future solvency lay in selling the crown jewels of their holdings, and



GEORGE CATLIN, 1833 / CORNELL LIBRARY

in April accepted the University's purchase offer. Cornell curator of rare books Katherine Reagan calls the collection, appraised at more than \$8.3 million in 2001, "full of treasures." Highlights include rare dictionaries of Native American languages, original drawings of American Indians by the artist George Catlin, a 1765 peace treaty between the Delaware Nation and Britain's superintendent of Indian affairs, and records of the Women's National Indian Association.

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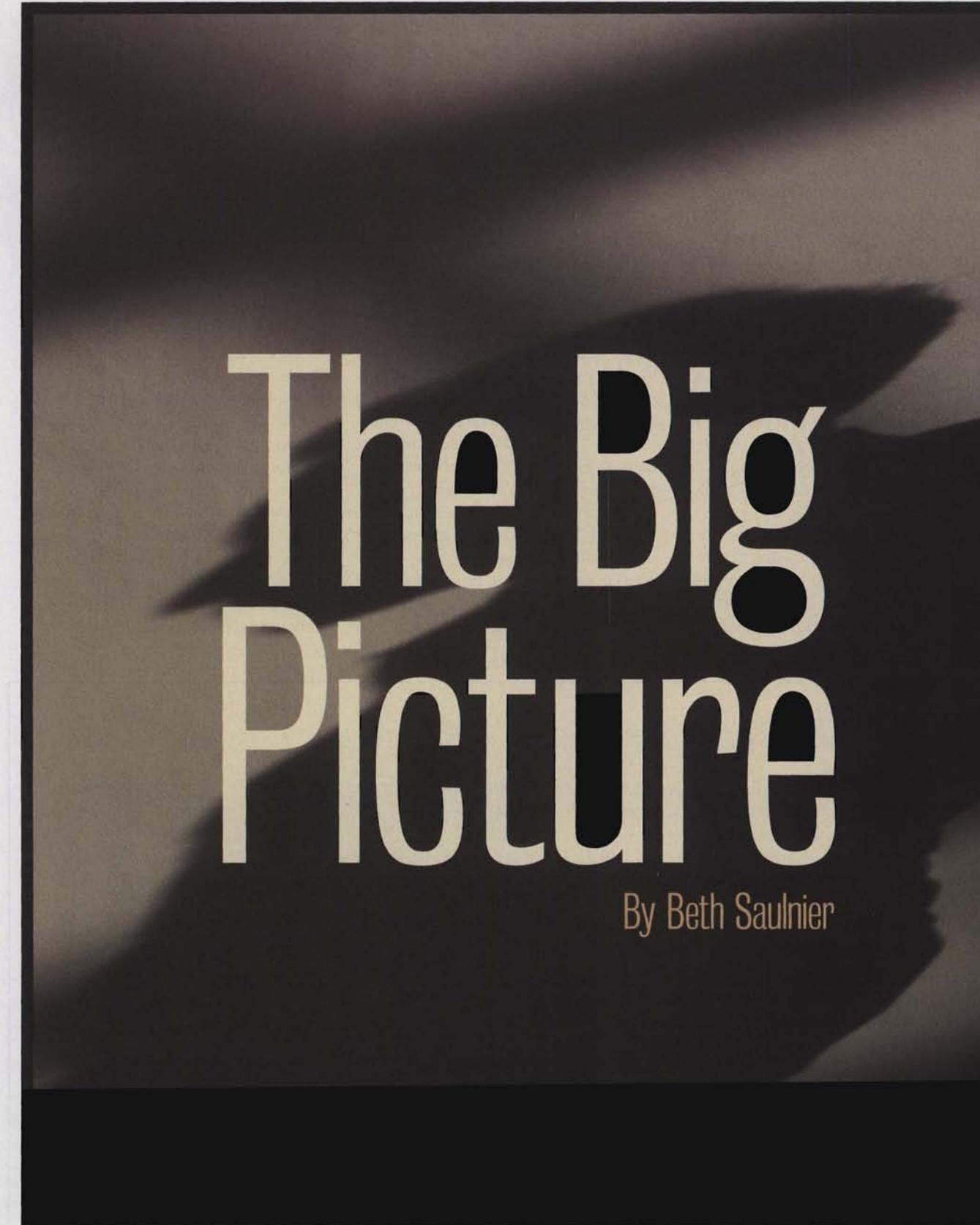
High on a hill overlooking Cayuga Lake, the estate's grand semicircular driveway meanders past granite columns and French post street lamps to a limestone staircase and columned entrance. The Neoclassical Revival mansion has been painstakingly restored by master craftsmen to its original glory. Features elegant wainscoting, moldings, chandeliers, and stained and leaded glass windows. Includes a spectacular chandelier from the Overlook Hotel, featured in Stanley Kubrick's movie *The Shining*, and a stunning stained-glass window salvaged from a historical Pennsylvania train station. The new interior spaces, including a massive executive library and kitchen, all merge seamlessly with the original design.

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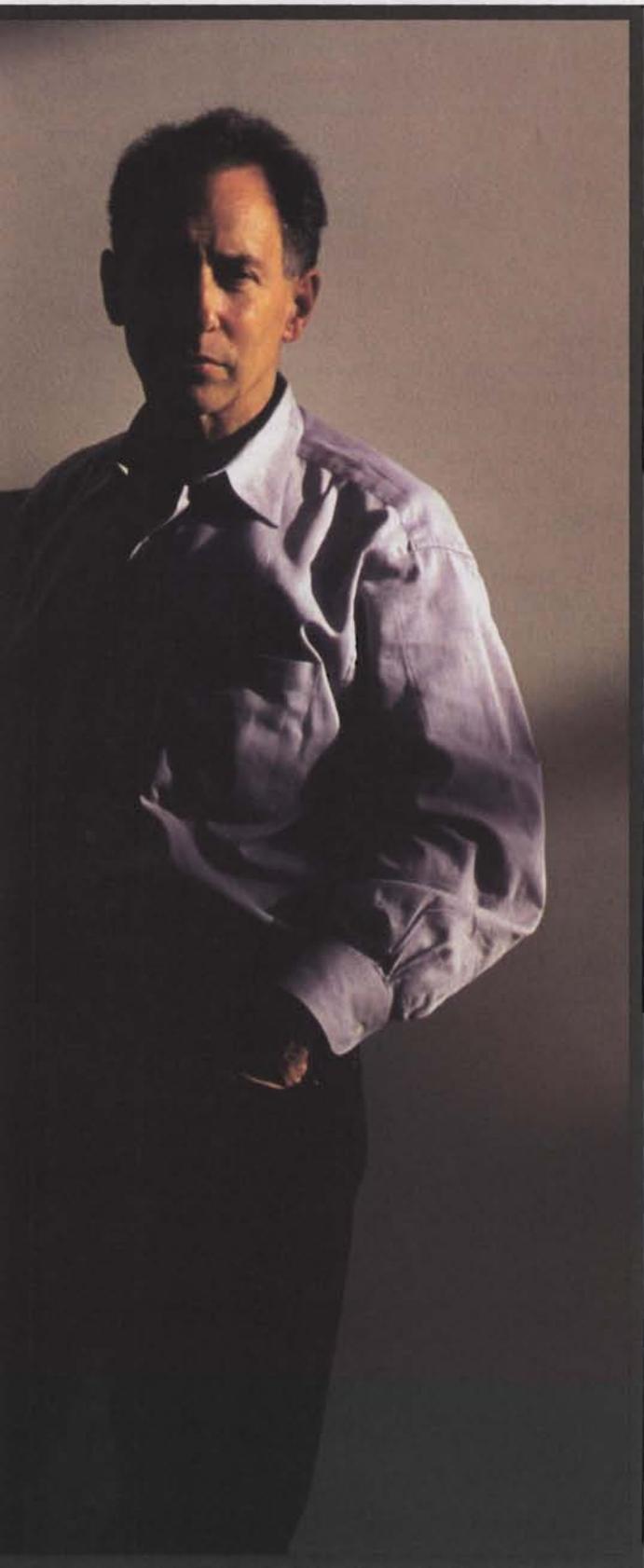


# The Big Picture

By Beth Saulnier

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**Top doc:** Robert Langer's credentials include undergraduate training at Cornell, a PhD at MIT, and a Harvard postdoc. In the last thirty years, he's been awarded more than 500 patents, plus the Draper and Lemelson-MIT prizes. But in the beginning, his work foundered, as higher-ups declined his grant applications and decided not to renew his first academic appointment.



For three decades, MIT professor Robert Langer has been seeing biomedical innovations where other scientists saw nothing at all.

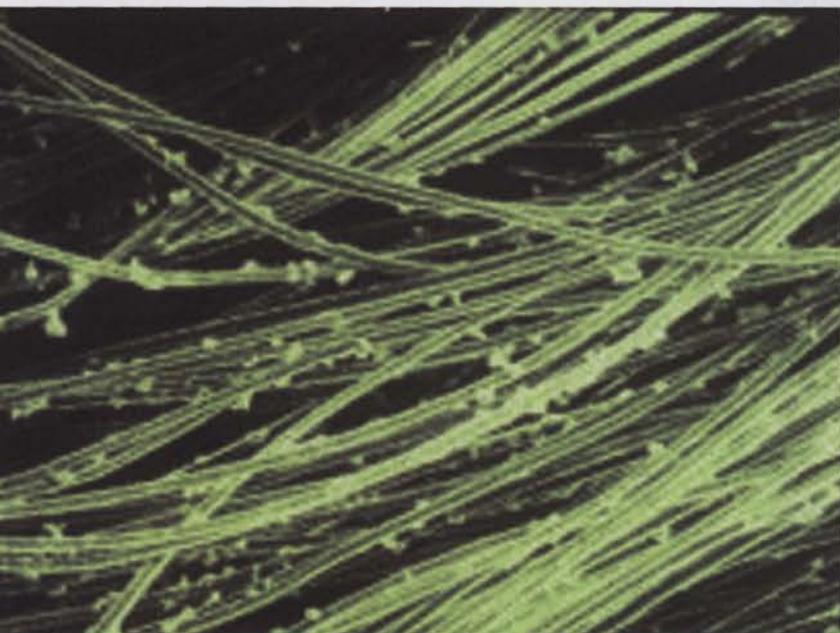
**I**n 1976, when he was a postdoc at Harvard, chemical engineer Robert Langer '70 was asked to give a talk to a distinguished group of polymer chemists in Michigan. The topic: his research on plastics that could be used to release molecules slowly, potentially aiding the study and treatment of cancer. Langer was nervous, so he rehearsed for two weeks—practicing his twenty-minute talk into a tape recorder, again and again. When the talk was over, he thought it had gone pretty well. He was wrong. “They didn’t believe anything I said,” Langer recalls. “It went against conventional wisdom, went against what they’d learned and done. There was an enormous amount of skepticism.”

After the talk, Langer wrote nine grant proposals in the hope of supporting his research; all were rejected, often with highly negative reviews. His academic job search foundered, and he wound up in the nutrition and food science department at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, his graduate alma mater—only to be told shortly thereafter that his three-year appointment wouldn’t be renewed. “It was depressing, how badly received my research was,” he says. “I was very discouraged, but I just kept plugging. You write papers, you give talks, you do more experiments to convince the skeptics.”

Flash forward three decades. The lowly assistant professor who was nearly out of a job is now one of the country’s best-known scientists—holder of more than 500 patents, winner of such awards as the \$500,000 Lemelson-MIT Prize and the equally

'The future of biotechnology is enormous,' says Robert Langer, whose MIT colleagues say they expect he'll soon win a Nobel Prize. 'It's starting to change the world.'

remunerative Draper Prize, engineering's answer to the Nobel. In May 2003, the *Boston Globe* put Langer on the cover of its Sunday magazine, under the headline THE SMARTEST MAN IN BOSTON. As if that weren't enough exposure, Langer's work has even been featured on the TV show "ER": a brain cancer treatment he helped develop was used to prolong the life of a beloved character. "Bob is the most brilliant researcher I've ever known, and I've known some pretty good ones," says Alexander Klibanov, a longtime colleague at MIT. "He's a visionary. He has



**Under construction:** Clinicians hope to replace damaged tissues with cells cultivated on degradable polymer scaffolding, which breaks down after implantation in the human body. Here, scanning electron microscopy reveals growing liver cells.

the ability to identify truly important problems and then relentlessly go after them."

Langer's field—creating and manipulating polymers to improve human health—barely existed when he was a postdoc, hence the skepticism from his academic elders. The idea that a chemical engineer with no formal background in biology could develop medical treatments wasn't just novel—it was downright presumptuous. "When I started doing this in 1974," he says, "there were almost no engineers working in medicine." Back then, researchers adapted existing materials for medical pur-

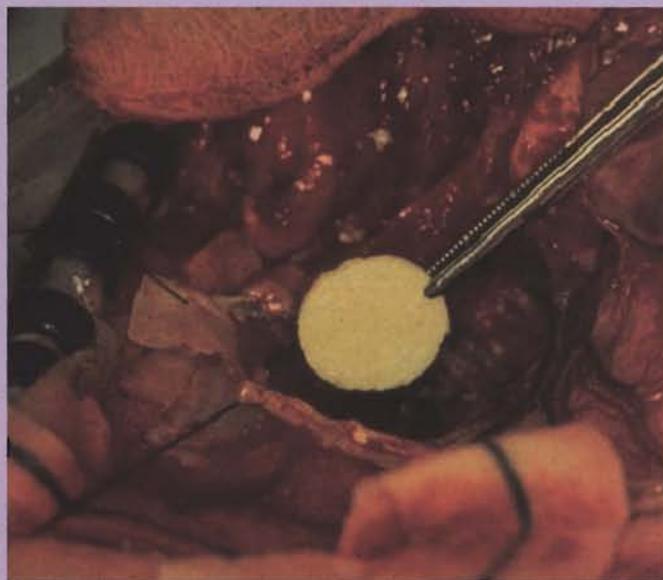
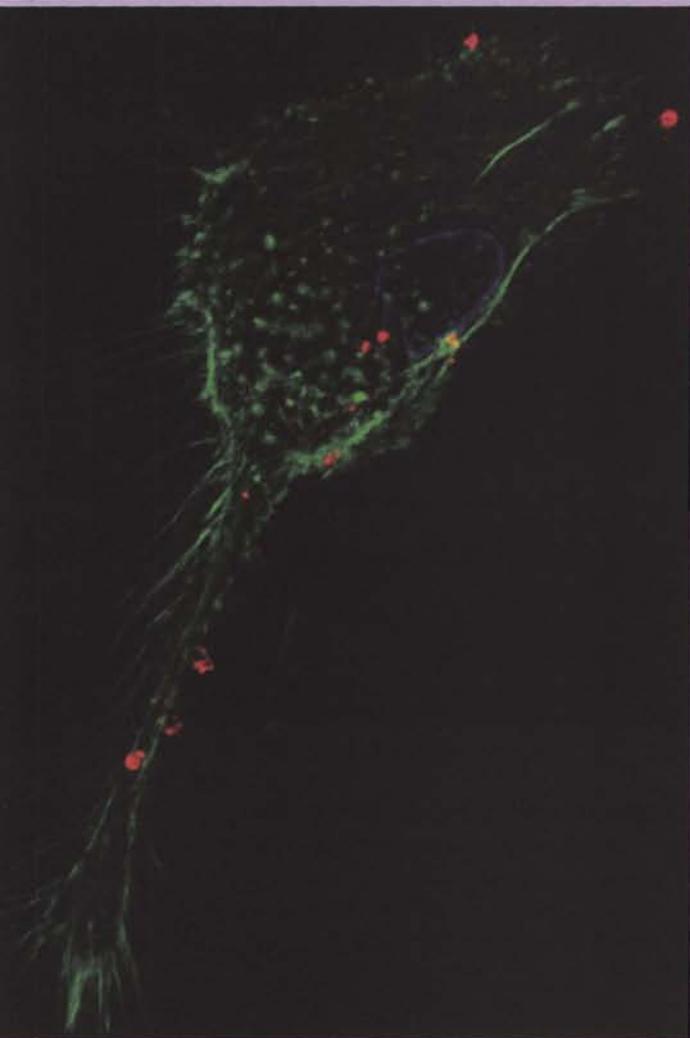
poses: ladies' girdle fabric was used in the first artificial heart and breast implants were filled with mattress stuffing.

The medical devices Langer envisioned—and would eventually design—were more "Star Trek" than "ER": implantable computer chips that release drugs in slow, controlled doses; artificial skin for the treatment of burn patients; lozenge-sized chemotherapy wafers

implanted during brain tumor surgery; plastic scaffolds on which human tissues could be grown, potentially obviating the need for donor organs. "The thing about Bob is that he doesn't know any boundaries—when he gets to one, he figures out how to get over it or around it," says Michael Marletta, a former MIT colleague now at the University of California, Berkeley. "He brings a perspective that no one else seems to have, and he's done it time and time again. It's a combination of intellect, drive, and an ability to step back and see the big picture. I wouldn't be at all surprised, given the impact of his work at the interface of chemistry and engineering, that he would win a Nobel Prize."

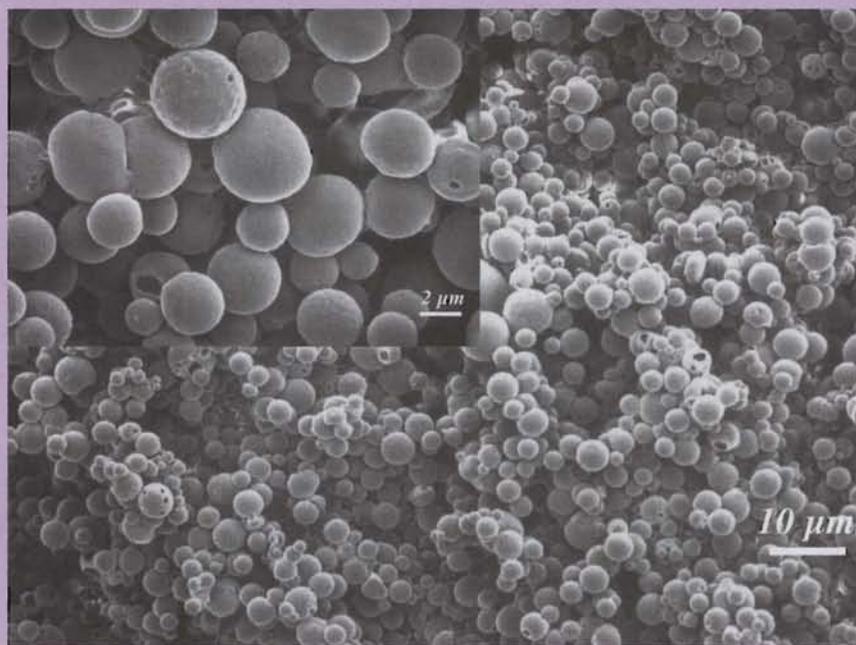
The fruits of Langer's research are everywhere, from the nicotine patch to the stents implanted in cardiac patients. His chemotherapy wafers, developed with Dr. Henry Brem of Johns Hopkins, represented the first new brain cancer treatment in decades. His artificial skin has been approved by the FDA; artificial cartilage, bone, corneas, and blood vessels are in clinical trials; animal trials are being conducted on artificial spines and vocal cords. The latter has drawn the interest of actress Julie Andrews, who lost her singing voice after surgery to remove nodules on her vocal cords; she has visited MIT several times to raise awareness of the lab's research. "The future of biotechnology is enormous," says Langer, a slender man with curly salt-and-pepper hair. He's clad in a polo shirt and black jeans for a Monday at the office. "It's starting to change the world, and I think it'll change it even more."

Langer is a scientist with a businessman's savvy, known for his ability to connect academia and industry—to overcome the inherent suspicion the nonprofit world has for the for-profit one. In partnership with his colleagues and former students, Langer has founded more than a dozen companies, some of which have been sold to larger firms. He sees the collaborations as vital to his scientific mission, arguing that such considerations as regulatory compliance and clinical trials are the province of industry, not university professors. "Bob realized that concepts developed in academia could often only be implemented through rigorous development already in place in industry," says MIT health sciences and technology professor Elazer Edelman. "He recognized early on that there was great value in working hand in hand with industry to improve the quality of people's lives, and that industry was dedicated to the same goals as engineering and the physical sciences—to make people's lives better, easier, healthier."



**As seen on TV:** Real-life surgeons implant Robert Langer's plastic chemotherapy wafer after removing a brain tumor, above. On the show "ER," character Mark Greene had an awake craniotomy in which doctors successfully used the treatment after he was diagnosed with cancer.

**Drug delivery:** Using pH-sensitive polymer microparticles (right, seen under scanning electron microscopy), Langer's lab delivers DNA vaccines to a human dendritic cell (above, with vaccine in red). The cells serve as the generals of the immune system, directing the body's response to infection and disease. Scientists hope to one day use the microparticles to treat such diseases as HIV, cancer, and malaria.



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**Second opinion: MIT postdoc Sangyong Jon, part of the drug delivery research team, consults with Langer. Says MIT professor Elazer Edelman: "The number of people he has trained who are full professors or department chairs or presidents of major companies is astonishing."**

Langer insists that his corporate partnerships aren't driven by a profit motive. He cites the case of the brain cancer treatment, which he and Brem had licensed to Nova Pharmaceuticals—only to have the company taken over by Scios, which declined to develop it because the wafers would have a relatively small market of 14,000 patients. Langer was on the verge of litigation when a deal was struck: he and Brem slashed the licensing fees to which they were entitled, and a small Scios spin-off company brought it to market. "The royalties are next to nothing," Langer says. "But we don't care, because we wanted these things to get out and help patients."

At fifty-six, Langer estimates that he works sixty to seventy hours a week, though those who know him say his mind is always on. They call him a parallel processor, a non-linear thinker, an inveterate multi-tasker. "He watches two TVs at once, checks his e-mail, and talks to someone

else on the phone," says former Langer postdoc David Putnam, now a biomedical engineering professor at Cornell. "He can do multiple things at once, and do them well." Langer is famous for answering his messages almost instantly, regardless of where he is on the globe. Says Klibanov: "We have a joke here at MIT that if he hasn't returned a phone call or an e-mail message within ten minutes, something may have happened to him."

But the scientist does take time out for a daily run. He met his wife, Laura, while jogging on a track at MIT. She holds a PhD

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in neuroscience, though she presently stays home with their three children, aged ten to fourteen—and, as Langer puts it, “organizes our lives.” Among his few hobbies is a longtime interest in magic, especially card tricks and sleight-of-hand. “There are two kinds of magic,” he says. “Stage magic is something you do far away—sawing the girl in half is really just a good prop. I like close-up magic, something I could do right in front of you.”

Langer grew up in Albany, New York, the son of a liquor store owner and a homemaker. (His father, a navigator in World War II, held a BA from Union College and did master’s work in English at Harvard. “He was a really smart, intellectual kind of guy,” Langer says, “probably more than I am.”) As a child he was no prodigy, though he was partial to his Gilbert chemistry set, and he went off to college with no clear idea of what he wanted to do with his life. “In high school, the only things I was good at were math and science, and the guidance counselor told me I ought to become an engineer,” Langer recalled in his acceptance speech for the 2002 Draper Prize. “At that point, however, I thought that engineers ran railroad cars, and I wasn’t really clear why math and science were going to help me so much with that.”

During his first semester at Cornell, Langer managed only a B-minus average. But eventually he did well in the rigorous chemical engineering program, which had recently been switched from a five-year curriculum to four. The schedule—he had five 8 a.m. classes his junior year, including one on Saturdays—didn’t leave much room for a social life. After graduation he was attracted by the intellectual diversity of MIT’s chemical engineering program, earning a PhD in four years; his dissertation analyzed enzymatic regeneration of adenosine triphosphate (ATP), a nucleotide that transports energy to cells for biochemical processes. “When I got done, most of the chemical engineers went to the oil industry,” he says. “I remember going to Exxon in Baton Rouge for an interview, and the guy said, ‘If we can increase the yield of oil by point-one percent, that’s worth billions. Isn’t that wonderful?’ I remember flying back on the plane and thinking, ‘I don’t want to do that.’ I wanted to do something important with my life, something that would have an impact, but I didn’t know what it was.”

The newly minted PhD had always had a social conscience; as a grad student, he’d helped found a high school for poor children in Cambridge, running the math and science departments. In 1974, he began a postdoc with Dr. Judah Folkman, a professor of surgery at Boston Children’s Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Folkman had pioneered the then-controversial theory of angiogenesis: the concept that cancerous tumors were fueled by blood vessels, and that by choking off that blood supply the tumors could be killed. It was under Folkman’s tutelage that the young scientist began developing polymer systems for the slow release of molecules in cancer study and treatment. But because many of the molecules were large or had significant electrical charges, conventional wisdom said such a system was impossible. And though Langer made promising discoveries, the scientific community gave his work a decidedly cool reception—as in the 1976 Michigan lecture. But eventually other researchers in academia and the pharmaceutical industry began to replicate

# launch pad

Robert Langer has participated in the founding of more than two dozen companies, including:

**Nova Pharmaceutical Corporation**, founded in 1982.  
Function: drugs for central nervous system

**Enzytech, Inc.**, founded in 1987.  
Function: injectable microcapsules

**Neomorphics, Inc.**, founded in 1988.  
Function: tissue engineering

**Opta Food Ingredients, Inc.**, founded in 1991.  
Function: beverage supplements, fiber, ingredient systems

**Focal, Inc.**, founded in 1991.  
Function: liquid surgical sealants

**Acusphere, Inc.**, founded in 1993.  
Function: biotechnology and drugs

**EnzyMed, Inc.**, founded in 1993.  
Function: enzyme drug development

**Reprogenesis, Inc.**, founded in 1993.  
Function: biopharmaceuticals

**Sontra Medical, Inc.**, founded in 1996.  
Function: medical equipment and supplies

**Advanced Inhalation Research**, founded in 1997.  
Function: biotechnology and drugs

**MnemoScience Corporation GmbH**, founded in 1998.  
Function: medical products incorporating polymer shape memory

**MicroCHIPS, Inc.**, founded in 1999.  
Function: medical equipment and supplies

**TransForm Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**, founded in 1999.  
Function: scientific and technical instruments

**Momenta Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**, founded in 2001.  
Function: therapeutics

**Pulmatrix**, founded in 2003.  
Function: aerosol therapeutics

**Pervasis Therapeutics, Inc.**, founded in 2004.  
Function: tissue engineering

# patent protection

Robert Langer's research has yielded more than 500 patents, ranging from oral contraceptives to animal health and waste disposal. Among his protected innovations:

- controlled drug delivery
- heparin diagnostics, neutralase, polysaccharide drugs
- pharmaceutical that prevents blood vessel growth
- orthopedic implants
- transdermal diagnostics and delivery
- contraceptive implants
- heart valves
- degradable polymers
- pain management
- messages on packaging
- aerosols
- orthopedics
- oral drug delivery
- drug delivery systems
- gene therapy
- anti-sense delivery
- biomedical devices and materials
- novel packaging devices
- new oxide formulations
- novel polymers, new vaccines
- implants
- microcapsules
- aquaculture
- tissue engineering products
- floculents (waste disposal)
- removal of undesired substances
- cholesterol lowering systems
- bone tissue engineering
- tissue production
- new detection methods, non-invasive techniques
- imaging
- IV delivery and imaging, nasal delivery
- bioadhesive microspheres
- animal health
- angiogenesis inhibitor
- high thrupt screening formulation technologies
- gene therapy
- bone (dental products)
- sterilization
- RNAi delivery
- fat reduction
- polymers/angiogenesis system

Langer's results; rather than showing him the door, MIT gave him a promotion. "Most of the world's scientists work on problems that are not that important—they're minor little things," Klivanov says. "Even if they're wildly successful, they will not change the world. Bob has this drive to formulate really, truly important problems, then pursue them."

His focus on big-picture issues has drawn a great deal of press over the years. He got some of his biggest headlines in the late 1990s when a photo of a human ear growing out of a mouse's back hit the mainstream media. The much-downloaded picture showed the bizarre results of a tissue-engineering experiment. Some pundits took it as a harbinger of a brave new world—and late-night comics had a field day. As Langer told *Forbes* in a 2002 interview: "The publicity wasn't so great. But the science behind it, that was fine."

To the lay visitor, the Langer Lab doesn't look any different from hundreds of facilities like it all over the country. Located on the third floor of an MIT health sciences building, the lab comprises several large rooms filled with workbenches, expensive instruments, umpteen glass vessels, blaring rock music, and a cadre of smart, intense people in their twenties and thirties. "Our lab," says Ying Chau '95, a fifth-year PhD student in chemical engineering, "is very crowded and messy."

In one corner, a PhD student in materials science uses MEMS (micro-electro-mechanical systems) in a tissue engineering project, creating flexible, implantable materials for possible vascular applications. Nearby, a postdoctoral chemical engineer works on spinal cord regeneration and a Berkeley-educated PhD in materials science tinkers

The ears have it: Closeup of a replacement organ grown on degradable polymer scaffolding

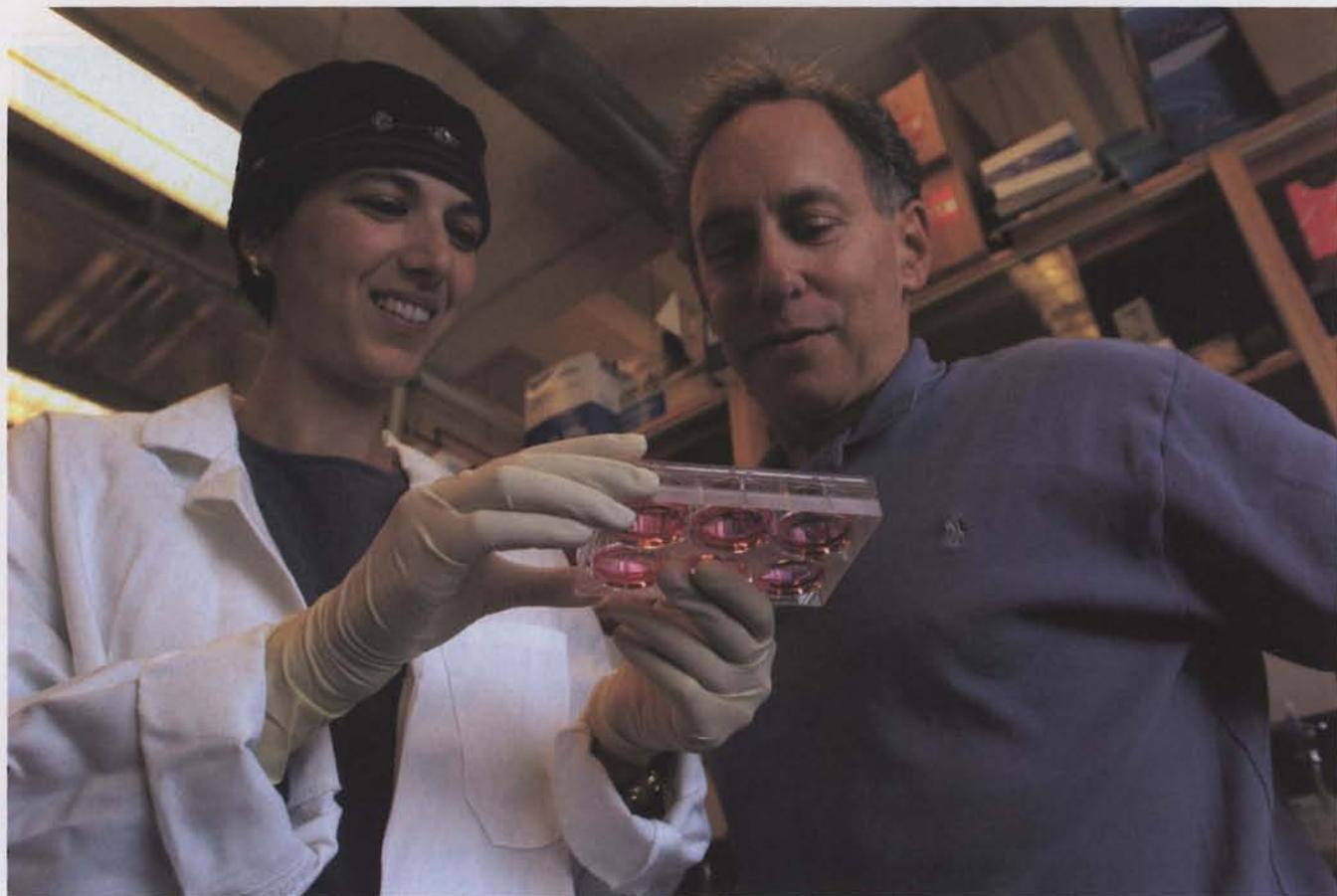


with the "pharmacy on a chip" technology Langer pioneered, studying its chemotherapy value in treating tumors in rats. In another room, a chemical engineer creates "DNA vaccines," in which DNA is injected into immune cells as a potential preventive for viral infections such as influenza and HIV; down the aisle, a colleague searches for ways to alleviate chronic pain through long-term local anesthesia. Chau, a Hong Kong native who

studied agricultural and biological engineering on the Hill, is studying ways to target cancerous tumors with an existing chemotherapy drug.

"It was very interdisciplinary within the lab," David Putnam recalls. "There were polymer chemists, physical chemists, biochemists, geneticists, engineers. If you had a question, you could walk down the hall, knock on a door, and have a conversation. And if you weren't able to solve the problem, there was a network within Boston—someone knew someone who could collaborate on a project. And if you couldn't solve the problem that way, Bob would give you a list of five people and say 'Call them,' and you'd be done."

Langer fosters camaraderie within the sixty-person lab with



DONNA COVENEY / MIT

**Growth factor:** Research associate Shulamit Levenberg and Langer examine 3-D scaffolds “seeded” with human embryonic stem cells.

weekly seminars, receptions for departing members, an annual beach party at his family’s vacation home on Cape Cod, and a lab softball team. (He’s the designated hitter.) Students describe him as an ideal mentor: one who offers guidance without micro-managing or stifling creativity. “Working with Bob is like watching a maestro conduct,” says Edelman, who became Langer’s second graduate student after attending a 1978 talk he gave on polymeric drug delivery systems. “He has this incredible ability to see the beauty and grace in everything, from a work of art to a work of science—an ability to create synthesis and harmony by leading large groups of people, and for each of them to feel like he’s providing the highest degree of individual attention.”

Every year, Langer gets some 2,000 applications for a handful of postdoc openings. And in an increasingly brutal academic job market, having the Langer Lab on one’s résumé is something of a gold standard. “The number of people he has trained who are full professors or department chairs or presidents of major companies is astonishing,” Edelman says. “I don’t think anyone matches that. He has changed the way in which science is performed, by training so many people who have such profound influence in academia and industry.”

Edelman likes to tell a story about how Langer, invited to speak at the 350th anniversary of the University of Helsinki, insisted on sending him instead. “He could’ve gone to this very prestigious talk,” Edelman recalls, “but he thought of me at a time when I was nothing, and promoted me in a way that was a real

honor.” Edelman gave the lecture to hundreds of dignitaries in a centuries-old auditorium; afterward, dozens of people wanted to speak with him—but not about his talk. “Everybody who came down asked me to give regards to Bob Langer, and each of them told me he was their best friend,” Edelman recalls with a laugh. “Each of them told me how he’d helped them get a job, helped their company, helped them with some personal thing. Every single one had their own story about how Bob had had an impact on them, and they felt this burning need to let him know they were thinking of him.”

The point, Edelman says, is that Langer isn’t just a world-class scientist; he’s also a nice guy. It’s a recurring theme among his colleagues and students: the genius is a mensch. “There are some people who succeed in spite of their personalities,” says longtime colleague Mike Shuler, the Eckert professor of chemical engineering at Cornell. “Bob is not one of those. He’s genuinely interested in people, in trying to be helpful. He’s by nature a generous person.”

His colleagues also reiterate the obvious: Langer is a very, very smart guy. “Bob thinks differently from everybody else,” says Edelman. “Some people simply read a letter or a syllable at a time, other people read words at a time, and there are some people who can read phrases at a time. Bob sees the page as an image. He’s like a grandmaster chess player who sees not how individual pieces move but what the board is going to look like at the end of the game. Then he transforms the pieces at every specific point to get where he wants to be.” ●

# Faces of Reunion '04

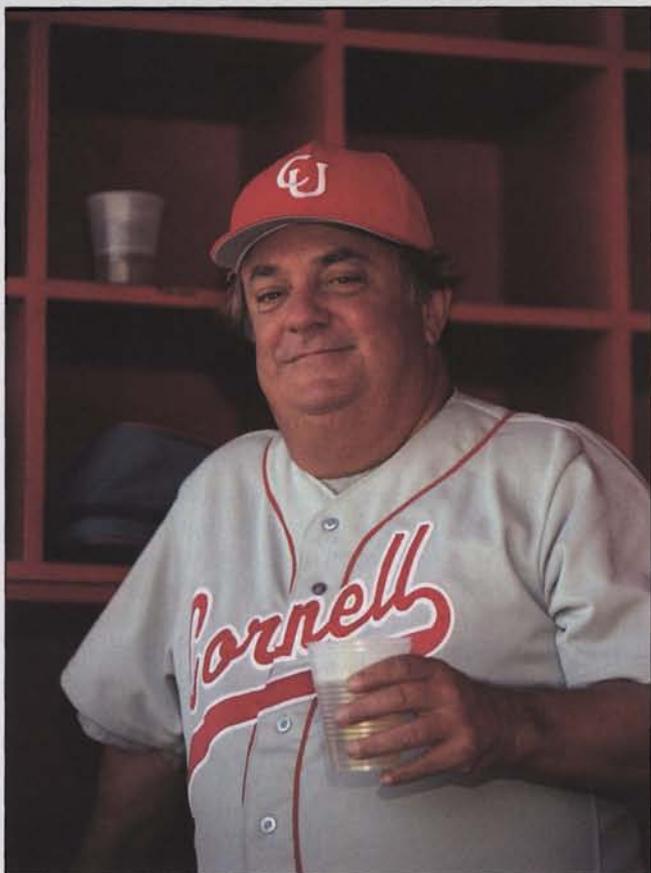
Interviews by Carolyn Bonilha '06, Photographs by Shai Eynav

Nearly 4,200 alumni returned to campus for Reunion 2004. Many brought along a guest—about 1,500 non-alumni joined the party—and some took their children: nearly 1,000 kids came for the weekend. But everyone brought a story. We roamed the campus looking for faces in the crowd, then asked them what was on their minds.

► **Bob Fabricatorre '66, Orlando, Florida**

Every year since 1996 they've had a Cornell alumni baseball game. I've got a torn rotator cuff, so I'm not really tearing up the field like I used to, but it's a fun event. I suppose you could say I mucked it up a little bit by having a beer while the game was going on, but we won. They're playing this 100 percent legitimate now. Before it was, "Nobody's gonna get a walk, let's just have some fun." Now nobody's losing any sleep over it but it's a legitimate game. You might be sixty years old, but you're still gonna play real baseball.

I was on the baseball team all four years. When I was being interviewed for admission, one of the admissions officers asked if I was just coming to play baseball, and I laughed right in his face. I said, "Cornell is *not* a famous athletics school. If I was gonna be doing that for a living, I'd be going to the University of Miami." He didn't like that, but hey, I got in.

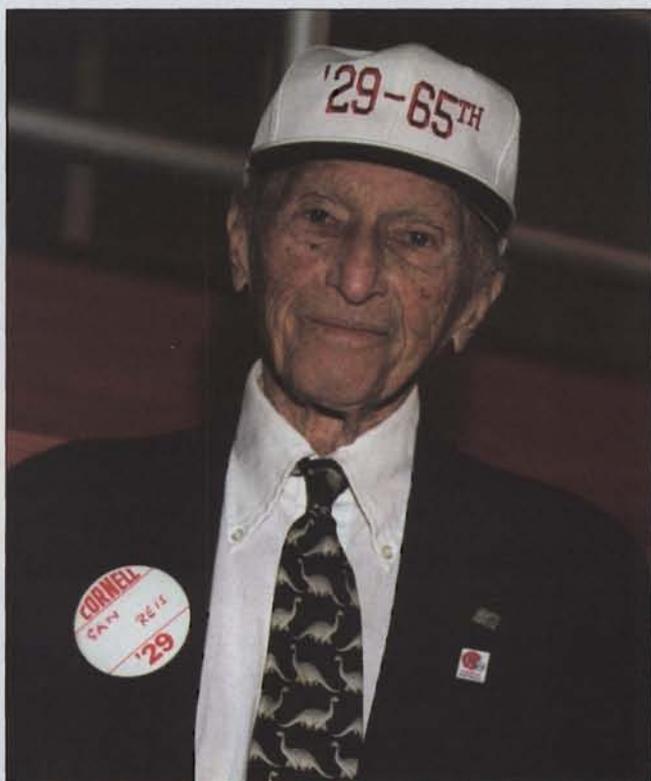


**Karlene Rogers-Aberman '94 (second from left, with Jun Hwa Lee '94, Marisol Nicoll '94, and Carmen Vasquez-Boothe '94), New York, New York**

My friends and I were all RAs at the summer college for high school students. It was cool to meet these kids that were so young, but still so ambitious. They came to us for advice, everything from doing well in the classes to problems with people down the hall to romance.

I'd done the program as a junior in high school myself, and I don't think it's changed much since then. It shows you what college life is going to be like, and lets you interact with people from all over the country, sometimes all over the world. If you're from a small town, or the inner city, like I was, you generally don't meet a lot of people who are not like you, so having that experience really opens your eyes.



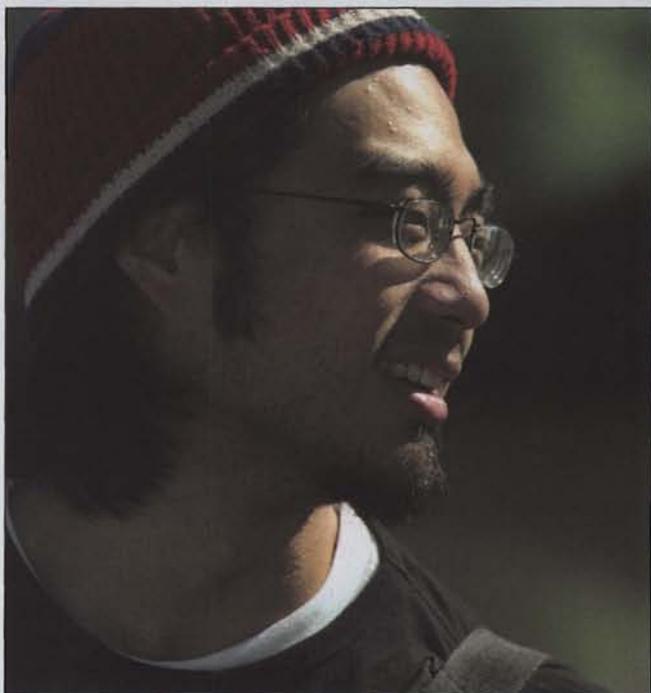


◀ **FHTR Alumni Service Award winner Sanford Reis '29, Sarasota, Florida**

There were only three members of my class at Reunion. One of them was in a wheelchair, so he wasn't doing much, and one was a woman who I never knew. The population at a 75th Reunion is very small. I would describe it as harmless.

My wife, Josephine (Mills) '29, and I were classmates. We've been married for seventy-two years. I don't think it's ever been thoroughly researched, but I think we have the world's record in the history of Cornell for durability of marriage between members of the same class. It's a limited victory, I think.

I did the *Sun*, played a little baseball, class poet ... it's ancient history. I'm giving Cornell a lot of money. Who picks those service awards? I'd like to figure out who voted for me and who voted against me, because I doubt it was unanimous. I want to do something good for my friends and something bad for my enemies.



▲ **Chris Huang '99, New York, New York**

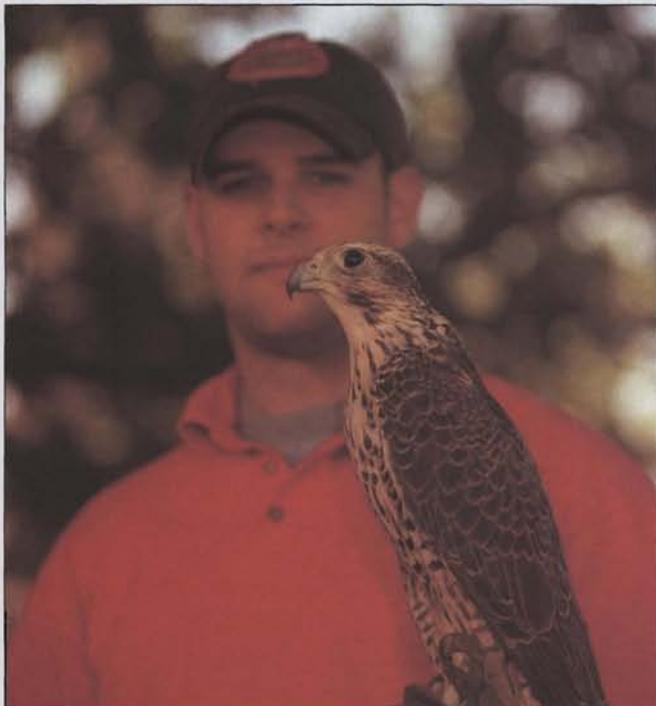
Mainly I spent my time at Reunion back at the gorge, which was excellent. We went down into the one where the suspension bridge is, down in the falls right below the power plant. Believe it or not, this was my first time down in the gorges. In four years I never went—I always watched from above. I don't know why. I should have spent a lot more time there. I studied way too hard when I was at Cornell.



▲ **Amy Stewart '99, right (with Pamela Mole Hollasch '99), Boston, Massachusetts**

Pamela and I met at Cornell, but actually became good friends when we both moved to Boston after college. We didn't plan on moving together—it was just a coincidence. We reconnected via a Cornell alumni happy hour. We did the Reunion Run on Saturday morning. She placed first for women in our age bracket and I placed second, but there was a significant difference in time. Her time was fabulous, and mine was like twenty-five minutes.

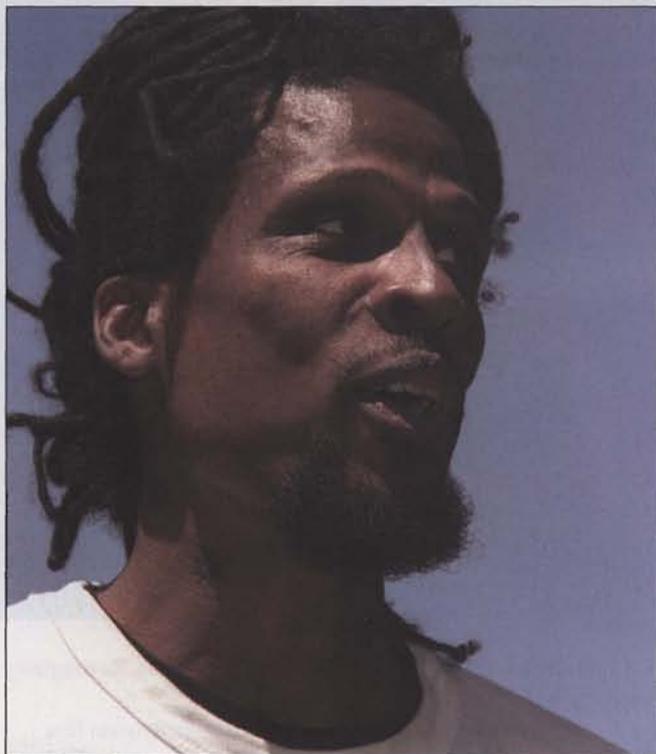
Freshman year I lived in Donlon. Amy Fox '99 was my roommate. On the Sunday of Reunion Weekend we snuck into our old room. We saw the view and remembered how garbage trucks would come beneath our window and wake us up. It was really something. The furniture was all the same, which gave me goosebumps.



◀ **Beau Parks '05, Ithaca, New York (with gyrfalcon)**

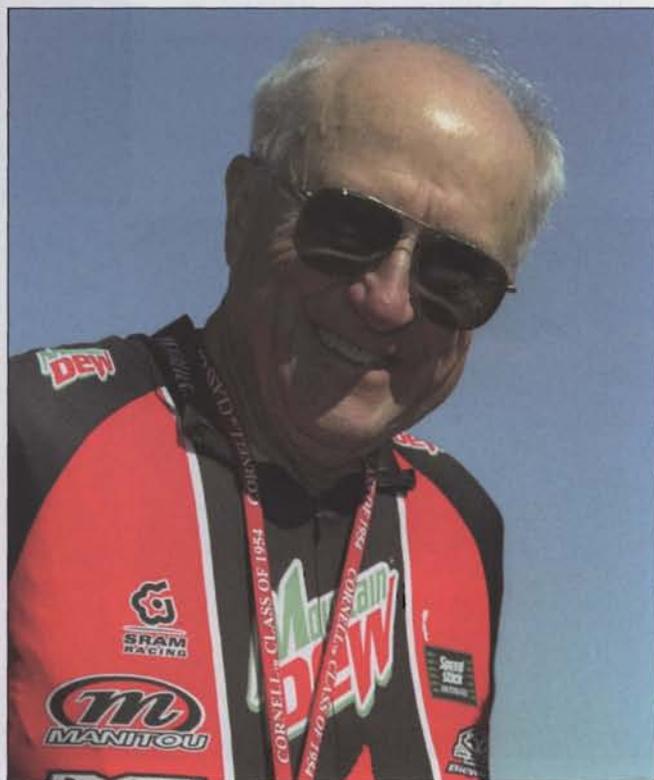
I'm a part of the Cornell Raptor Program. It's a small group, based on student volunteers. We get a lot of birds from the wildlife clinic up at the Vet college, so we try to nurse them back to health and release them. If we can't, we put them into our education program, where we take them around and show them to groups and try to get the word out that they're a special species in need of protection. And if they're not useful for that, we try to pair them for breeding, so we can produce young from permanently crippled birds and then release those young in the area.

I got involved with birds through my dad [animal science professor John Parks]. He's the director of the program, and he's also a falconer. That's when you train a bird, then take it out and hunt with it. I started working with birds when I was maybe ten or twelve, and I became a licensed falconer when I was about sixteen, I think. It's a family thing.



▲ **Claude Offord '74, Brooklyn, New York**

I was sitting outside of Olin Library with a classmate of mine. We just came back from listening to the chimes. At Cornell, we were so caught up in doing the schoolwork that we didn't have time to really appreciate things like the chimes. You hear them all the time, but to go up and watch them play, I'd never even thought about that. I was so busy going back and forth to class and to the library. That was the first time I'd been in the clock tower.



▲ **Bob Hill '54, Rutland, Vermont**

I met my future wife [Wendy Witherell '55] at Cornell. We met through skiing. She was on the Cornell women's ski team, and a [Sigma Nu] fraternity brother of mine, Dave Foss '53, lost an eye during Christmas vacation while he was skiing with some friends. A ski pole punctured an eye. He called me from the hospital bed and said, "Would you look up this gal, Wendy Witherell? We're co-chairmen of this ski event coming up, and I can't participate, and I was wondering if you could help me out."

Later, I reminded Dave that he helped us meet. He was happy for us . . . but he did lose an eye.

► **Astronaut Edward Lu '84, Houston, Texas**

(Lu gave the Olin lecture at Newman Arena; his talk, about the threat posed by near-Earth asteroids, was titled "Rocketships, Asteroids, Dinosaurs, and Immortality.")

There's a one in five chance in our lifetime that there's going to be the explosion of an asteroid hitting the Earth that's about seven hundred times the size of the bomb that leveled Hiroshima. That's the small end. The big end is a one-in-100,000 chance that everyone on Earth is going to die on the same day when a large asteroid hits the Earth. It's a pretty small chance, but your chances of winning the lottery are about a thousand times worse, so it's maybe something we need to think about.

Then the question is—what are you going to do about it? Some of the newer plasma engines being developed by Project Prometheus at NASA could land on such an asteroid, set down on the surface, and be used to deflect it. We're saying we should fly a test mission, because the first time you find something on its way in, you don't want that to be the test mission to see if the technology works.



▲ **Helen "Happy" Reichert '25 (with President Jeff Lehman '77 and his wife, Kathy Okun), New York, New York**

A funny thing happened. I regarded my advanced age of 102 as a great handicap. President Lehman changed that handicap into an honor. Every time a group of alumni had a meeting, I was invited to sit in the front row, and I was introduced to the group as the oldest alumni present. Many people I did not know came over to shake hands. They expected to see gray hair. Well, I don't have gray hair; I bleach my hair, so it's exactly the way it was when I was a young girl. And I happen to be very lucky with my skin; I'm not very wrinkled, so I look much younger than I really am. All my pictures surprise me.



▲ **Laura Cooke '89, PhD '95 (with daughter Noelle), Barrington, Rhode Island**

My daughter and I were at the Cornell Boathouse for Reunion Row. That's where the former varsity athletes come back, and everyone goes out for a row.

I had a friend from high school who went with me to Cornell. She tried out for the soccer team and got cut, and I tried out for the volleyball team and got cut. So we went to the phys ed sign-up, and one of the coaches picked us out of line and gave us this note that said, "Come to the crew meeting." We had never rowed before, but we said, "We don't have any other sports, so we'll try it." We both ended up rowing for four years.

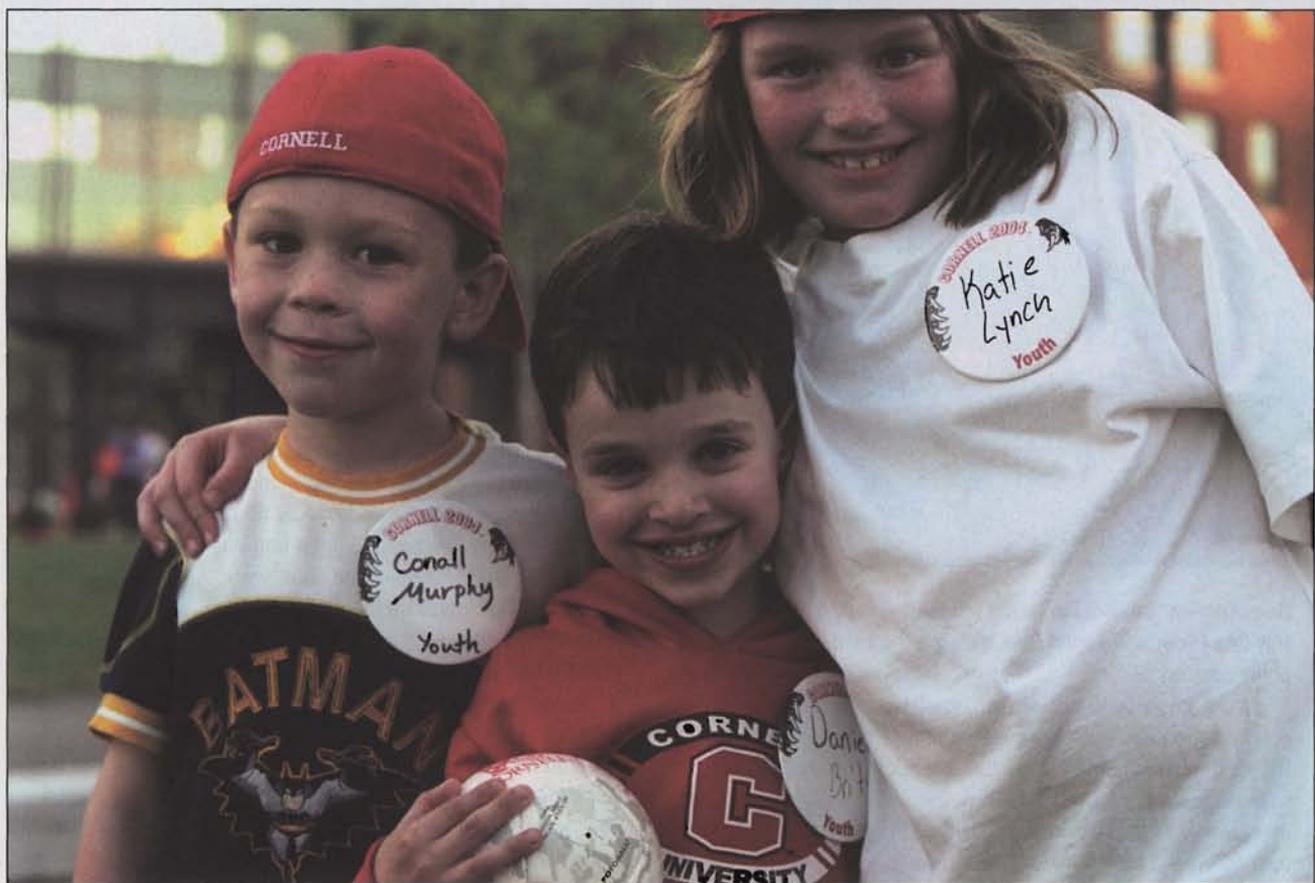
► **Bill Page '39 (with wife Marie), Raleigh, North Carolina**

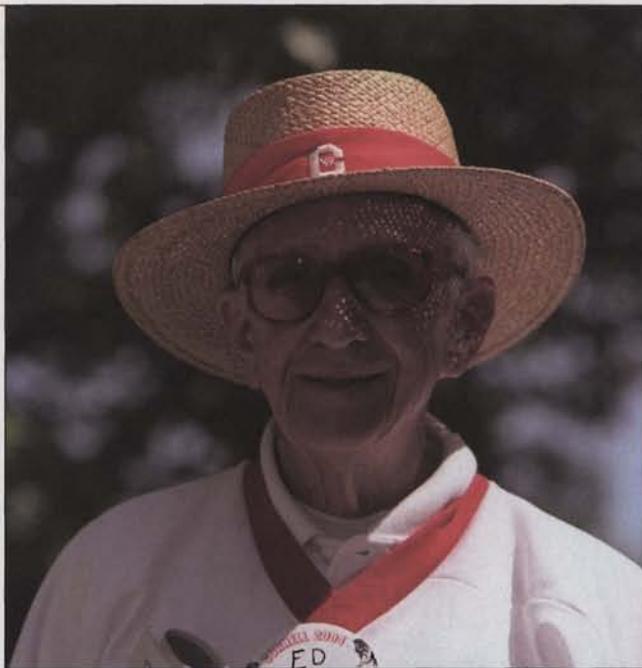
For three years, around 1915, Cornell had a live bear mascot, a different one each year: Touchdown One, Touchdown Two, and Touchdown Three. I decided that Cornell needed another one, so in August of 1939, I brought back a bear cub from New Hampshire, and she became Touchdown Four. We were living in Forest Home, and we kept her in the front yard. This was a bear born in captivity, and she was accustomed to having people around. When Cornell was about to play Ohio State in Columbus, some alumni called and said, "We'd like to take Touchdown to the stadium." So we sent her to them. Cornell was very much the underdog, but we won, and there was lots of celebrating. The alumni took her to a cocktail lounge, and they proceeded to give her a beer, and she decided she would climb a potted palm. Well, somebody called the ASPCA, and they came and took possession of the bear, and saw to it that she was released into the woods in Kane, Pennsylvania, where there are lots of bears. So maybe she had a full life, with a Cornell victory and a beer.

▼ **Conall Murphy, Daniel Brit, and Katie Lynch, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania; Katie's father, Mike Lynch '78, says:**

It was during dinnertime, and the kids got a little restless. We played football up at Schoellkopf, went down to the suspension bridge, shot some pool at my old fraternity, Psi U.

The kids enjoyed living in the dorm. We had two adjoining rooms, and they were in one by themselves, so they thought they were hot stuff.

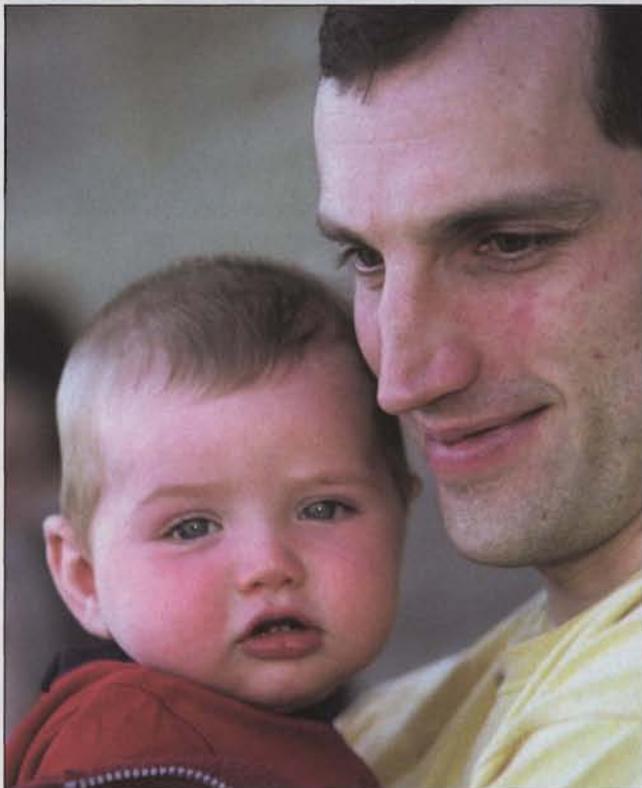




◀ **Ed Younghouse '49, Vero Beach, Florida**

My wife and I were walking to Sage Chapel. We'd been to the concert there the first night. We enjoyed the initial musical performance by the Savage Club, and we were impressed with the place; my wife wanted to see it again.

I started in '42. At that time, there was a scholarship given from East St. Louis, Illinois, the Albert C. Murphy Scholarship, so we had a whole contingent from East St. Louis that was at Cornell at the same time. We had a good time. We were back for the 50th, and I think the 40th.



**Sean Dineen '94, Boston, Massachusetts (with Cael Dineen)**

This was taken at Reunion Row. It wasn't too hard—they took it pretty easy on us.

When you're on the crew team, you have to replenish your energy, so you end up spending a lot of time in the dining hall. We used to hang out in the Kimball Room of Okenshield's, so we called ourselves the Kimball Society. There'd be a table of rowers there every day that would basically hold the table from when it opened up at 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.



▲ **Diana Diblee Carroll '39 (with Willem Kolff), Newtown Square, Pennsylvania**

One interesting thing I noticed at Reunion is that all women seem to wear slacks today. We were not allowed to wear anything but skirts on the Arts campus. We weren't even allowed to wear ski pants in the winter—that's how strict they were.

I was in love with the Cornell campus, and I tramped all around it and in all the gorges. My friend Mary and I liked to do daring things. We'd climb all the roofs we could find. In Risley, we went up into the tower and found a trap door up to the roof. We slept up on top of it during one finals week. We used to go up onto a lot of buildings on the Ag campus, too. Somehow, we always found ways to get up. Oh, the stupid things that college kids do. That was a long time ago.

Next to me is Dr. Willem Kolff. He's a well-known inventor of artificial organs—he made the first artificial kidney—and we're very close friends. We met at a retirement community, and we've been going together for five years. He's ninety-three years old, but he does what he can and keeps in touch with people, pushing them to do the things he'd like to be doing himself. ☺

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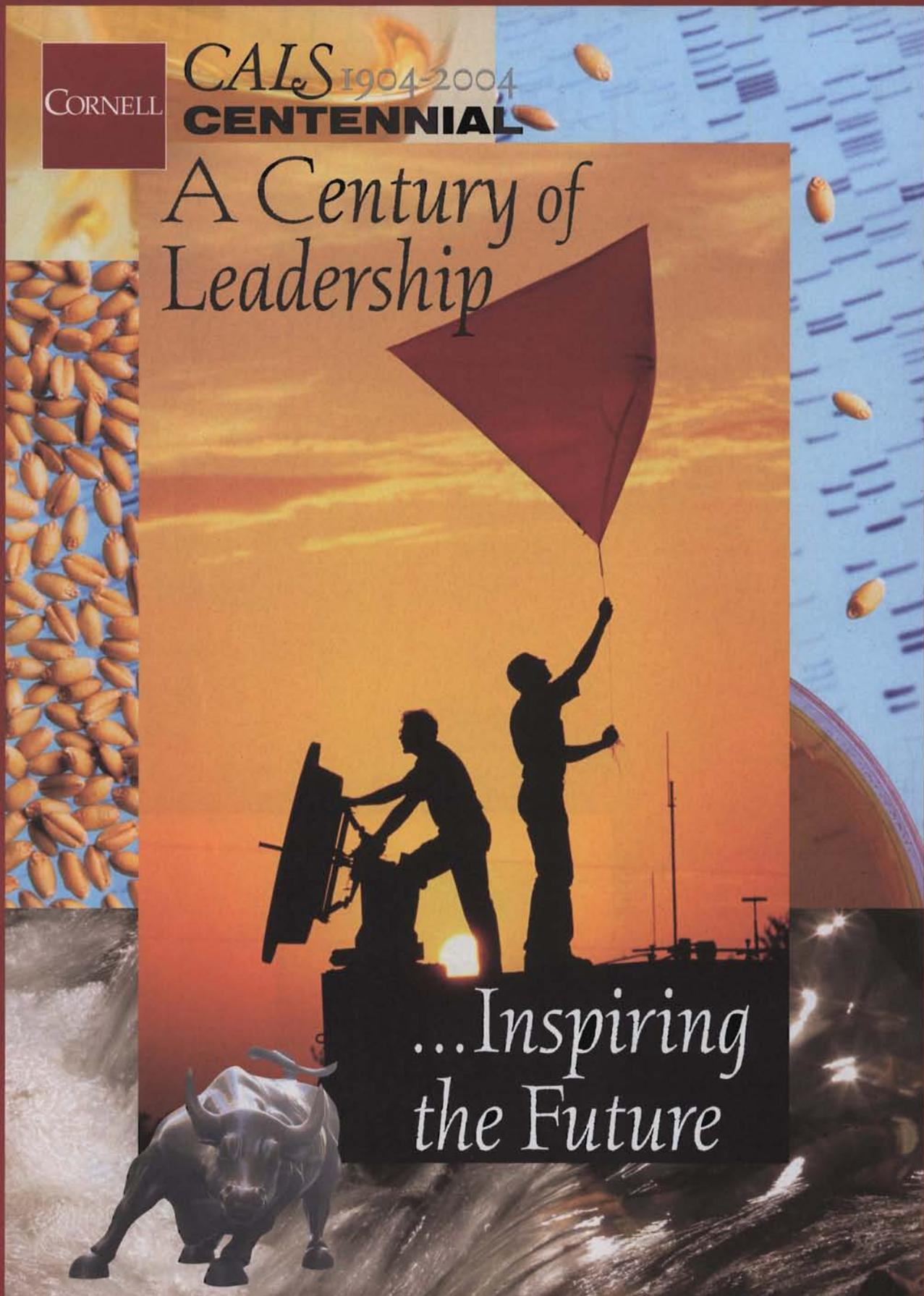
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## *A Message from the Dean*

**E**zra Cornell founded Cornell University in 1865 —“an institution where any person can find instruction in any study”—and it was designated as New York’s land-grant college. Agricultural education was a requirement of the Morrill Land Grant Act, which was signed by President Abraham Lincoln in 1862, and central to Ezra Cornell’s vision. He believed in bringing science to the aid of agriculture. When the first 442 students enrolled in 1868, botany, agricultural chemistry, and veterinary medicine were among the topics they studied.

On May 9, 1904, the New York State legislature appropriated \$250,000 to officially establish the New York State College of Agriculture at Cornell. Liberty Hyde Bailey, a visionary botanist and innovative educator who was the Dean of the College at the time, lobbied hard for this designation. Upon his triumphal return from Albany on May 12, 1904, the students organized a parade in his honor—the very parade the College re-enacted on May 12 this year.

Today the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences is the second largest college at Cornell, with 385 faculty, more than 3,100 undergraduate students, 1,100 graduate students, and upwards of 45,000 living alumni.

We are proud of our 100 years of service to Cornell’s land-grant mission. Although food and agriculture remain major global concerns, the priorities of today’s College have broadened as society’s concerns have expanded and new technologies have emerged. Today, our priorities in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences include social sciences such as communication, education, applied economics and management, and information technologies; new life sciences like genomics, molecular biology, and informatics; environmental sciences like natural resources, ecology, and biological and environmental engineering—as well as food and agriculture.

Diverse strengths across the biological sciences, our commitment to biodiversity, and our record of translating groundbreaking discoveries into commercial practices and educational outreach make the College a leader in Cornell’s New Life Sciences Initiative. It is leadership we come to naturally, as much of the world’s pioneering work in plant and animal sciences has been conducted by Cornell faculty and students in fields, greenhouses, and laboratories, here and abroad.

As we celebrate our century of leadership, we are reminded how our faculty, researchers, and extension educators have improved lives and responded to the changing needs of human society. In 2004 and beyond, the College seeks to embrace the strategic directions set forth by the University. Our goal as active collaborator and partner is to help create a better future for us all.

Please take a few minutes to celebrate our achievements with us and honor the students, faculty, staff, and alumni who are our past and our future. Our celebration goes far beyond what these few pages can illuminate. I challenge you to join me in the inspiration of our next 100 years.



NICOLA KOUNTOPEE / UP

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan A. Henry". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Susan A. Henry, Ph.D.  
The Ronald P. Lynch Dean of  
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# Centennial Parade Kicks off Year-Long Celebration

BY LINDA MCCANDLESS '74

On May 12, 1904, students and faculty rounded up six black bulls, a cadet band, an entomology float, and more than 2,000 people to march in a parade celebrating Cornell University's designation as the official New York College of Agriculture.

One hundred years later, the re-enactment of that same parade featured an entomology float, "Liberty Hyde Bailey" (née plant biology chairman Bill Crepet) and his original plow, horsedrawn carriages, antique cars and tractors, floats from fourteen departments, members of the Cornell polo teams on their horses, the Big Red Marching Band, and thousands of marchers and spectators.

Participants convened on Ho Plaza in front of Willard Straight Hall, passed between Sage and Olin libraries, marched by Day Hall and up Tower Road past the Ag Quad, and finally came to a halt in front of Fernow Hall. Susan A. Henry, the Ronald P. Lynch Dean of Agriculture and Life Sciences, led the celebrants before occupying a reviewing stand with former CALS deans and other VIPs to award parade prizes and make celebratory remarks. An ice cream social followed, featuring the unveiling of a new flavor developed by the Cornell Dairy in honor of the Centennial: "Bailey's Cream with Henry's Crunch." A rip-roaring thunderstorm capped off the old century, and the band played on.

"The Centennial parade was a great opportunity for the Cornell community to celebrate an important historical event in the life of the University and showcase the diversity of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences," said Marvin Pritts, a member of the organizing committee and chairman of the Department of Horticultural Sciences.

## Politically Charged, in 1904

Designation of Cornell's agriculture department as the official State College of Agriculture in 1904 was the culmination of several years of lobbying on behalf of

Bill Crepet, chairman of Plant Biology and director of the Liberty Hyde Bailey Hortorium, stepped into the role of Liberty Hyde Bailey for the parade. FRANK DIMEO / UP



Cornellia, the mascot of the Dairy Bar, rode proudly on the Food Science float. Rated number 1 in the country by the Gourman Report, Food Science proudly proclaims they are "so good you can taste it." DIMEO

The Mann Library band—(L-R) Philip Halcomb, Michael Cook, Janet McCue (director), and Nan Hyland—composed a special Centennial Song they performed at the reviewing stand. DIMEO





Department chair Mike Walter brought a buzz to the Biological and Environmental Engineering float, the winner of the Dean's Award for the Best Overall Parade Float. KELVIN TAN



The Big Red Bear greeted the festive float from the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva; along for the ride were (L-R): Ed Broderick, Kathy Morobito, Nestor Ortiz, Francisco Badenes-Perez, Cy Lee, and Jan Nyrop. TAN



Dean Susan Henry, Peter Henry, Vice Provost Francille Firebaugh, and Provost Biddy Martin enjoyed the ride aboard the horse-drawn Dean's Carriage that led the parade. TAN

the College by Liberty Hyde Bailey, or "LHB," as he was known. One of the founding fathers of the College, Bailey came from the Michigan Agricultural College in 1888 to become professor of horticulture at Cornell and was named dean of the faculty of agriculture in 1903.

A botanist by training, Bailey believed science on behalf of agriculture had to be useful to the students and farmers who would put it into practice. He was a man of vision with a decidedly practical bent, and he broadened the field of agricultural education to include research, resident teaching, and extension.

When Bailey became dean in 1903, he set out to secure funding for the agriculture department and gather support from the farm groups and other agencies involved in agricultural education. Bailey had good working relations with then Cornell President Jacob Gould Schurman, Whitman H. Jordan (director of the Geneva Experiment Station, which was founded in 1880 and became part of CALS in 1923), and F. E. Dawley, director of the Bureau of Farmer Institutes. Schurman believed that Cornell needed to be "a People's University . . . for the people of every class and profession," as opposed to an institution for the landed elite. Men like Schurman and Bailey convinced the legislature to accept their view that the state had a special responsibility to its land-grant institution.

On May 9, 1904, the train reached Ithaca bringing word that New York Governor Benjamin Odell had signed the State Agriculture College bill, appropriating \$250,000 for the construction of a college of agriculture on the Cornell campus. This was the signal for a celebration in which more than 2,000 students took part. They wheeled out the big guns from the armory, fired more than 100 rounds of ammunition, and headed to Bailey's house for a speech.

On May 12, a more official celebration took place, including the parade and a spectacular bonfire (newspaper accounts called it "the biggest ever seen"). Chimes pealed out from the clock tower, followed by a display of fireworks on Libe Slope with a finale that included a ground display spelling out "N.Y. AGR."

The whole event ended with a banquet at which everything served came from the University's farm. Among other oddities was a boiled egg at every plate stamped, "Laid on the farm/Brooded over for years/Hatched in Albany."

On May 1, 1905, the College broke ground for Roberts Hall. ■

# A CALS Gallery of Achievement

## CELEBRATING THE PAST

### *Pioneering Plant Breeder*

BARBARA McCLINTOCK '23, PHD '27

**W**ith little more than a microscope and a small field of Indian corn she tended herself, geneticist Barbara McClintock rewrote the rules of biology. Based on years of careful observation of pigmentation changes in generations of plants, her theory of gene transposition—which holds that genetic material is not fixed but capable of “jumping” both within and between chromosomes—caused a furor when officially presented in 1951; decades later, molecular biologists confirmed the theory and cemented McClintock’s stature as a pioneer in the ongoing efforts to unlock the mysteries of evolution.

McClintock came to Cornell in 1919, where she studied plant breeding and botany, played the banjo, and was elected president of her freshman women’s class. After earning her PhD, she was steered into her lifetime work with maize genetics by College of Agriculture dean Rollins Emerson. Her peers in the department included Nobel laureate George Beadle, PhD '30, and Marcus Rhoades, PhD '32, both of whom also became acclaimed cytogeneticists. McClintock stayed at Cornell as an instructor until 1936, but did much of her important work at the Carnegie Institute’s Cold Spring



Harbor genetics laboratory, where she continued her research until her death in 1992. In 1983, at age eighty-one, McClintock won the Nobel Prize, belated recognition for her 1951 breakthrough.

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## A Naturalist's Artist

ANNA BOTSFORD COMSTOCK 1885

**A**s a child, Anna Botsford could identify sixty wildflowers and a dozen constellations. "Companionship with life out-of-doors" inspired her personal and professional accomplishments. She completed two years of study at Cornell in 1876 but then left school; she returned two years later, after marrying entomologist John Henry Comstock 1874, and finished her bachelor of science degree in 1885.

A self-taught artist, Comstock produced illustrations for her husband's lectures that were praised as the work of a master and created wood engravings that were exhibited internationally. In 1888, she was one of the first women initiated into Sigma Xi, a national honor society for the sciences. Circa 1896, Comstock began a series of nature-study leaflets for rural teachers that formed the basis of her *Handbook of Nature Study*, published in 1911. She became the first woman to hold faculty rank at Cornell when she was appointed assistant professor of nature study in 1898, but trustee opposition resulted in her demotion to lecturer. Comstock continued to teach and was named full professor in 1919. In 1923, the National League of Women Voters named her one of America's twelve outstanding women who "have contributed most in their respective fields for the betterment of the world."



## Struggling for Home and Human Development

MARTHA VAN RENSSELAER '09

**C**ooks on the Cornell faculty? "Never!" declared President Jacob Gould Schurman in 1899, after New York State Librarian Melvil Dewey suggested offering home economics courses on the Hill. But four years later, Liberty Hyde Bailey appointed Martha Van Rensselaer and Anna Botsford Comstock to teach the University's first classes on home and family life. Their course became a full-fledged department in the College of Agriculture in 1907, and the two women were eventually named full professors. Then, in 1925, the department became the College of Home Economics, with Van Rensselaer and Flora Rose, GR '08, as co-directors. (In 1969 it was renamed the College of Human Ecology.)

Van Rensselaer began her Cornell career in 1900, as an extension assistant charged with teaching reading as a correspondence course for farm wives. Her first brochure, "Saving Steps," incorporated ergonomics, bacteriology, and family psychology to help women increase their efficiency as homemakers. Other early efforts in the field included consumer protection and women's suffrage.

Today, Human Ecology's five departments combine research, education, and extension work in nutrition and health, development and the life course, design and technology, and economic and social well-being.



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In 2000, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman named Bauman to a newly formed advisory committee on agricultural biotechnology, and he has received the USDA Superior Service Award and the Alexander von Humboldt Award for research considered significant to American agriculture. His contributions to public understanding of food and agricultural science were acknowledged with the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology's Charles A. Black Award. Bauman, a Liberty Hyde Bailey Professor, has been included in *Who's Who in the World* since 1992 and received the CALS Outstanding Faculty Award in 2000.

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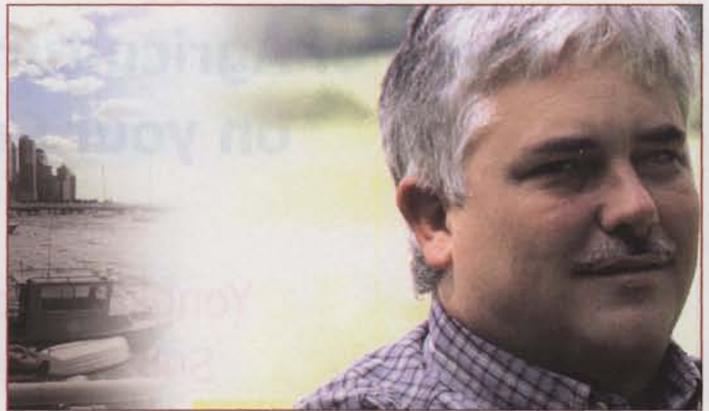
**M**artin Wiedmann, PhD '97, an assistant professor of food science who studies molecular pathogenesis and the evolution of bacterial and foodborne diseases, joined the Cornell faculty in 1999. He subsequently developed PathogenTracker, a database that uses the Web to quickly identify and track bacteria outbreaks and provide agencies like the Centers for Disease Control with the information needed to pinpoint the epicenter of outbreaks and contain them. The database, developed with the assistance of engineering, computer science, and food science specialists as well as Cornell students, identifies pathogens through genetic fingerprinting, greatly speeding the process of containing outbreaks and adding to scientists' understanding of



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bacterial subtypes and biodiversity. In February 1999, an outbreak of listeriosis was quickly halted by an early version of PathogenTracker.

Wiedmann is also co-coordinator of CALS Food and Water Safety, a cross-disciplinary program that integrates research, teaching, and extension outreach to identify and address food safety challenges. Through this program, he works with food industry professionals, the state health department, and farmers to utilize new technologies and improve practices to prevent the spread of foodborne disease. Wiedmann was presented with a U.S. Department of Agriculture Honor Award in 2001 for his pioneering work.



PAUL BAIN

## Post 9/11: Dredging the Hudson River

MARK BAIN

**A**n associate professor in the Department of Natural Resources, Mark Bain spent two years assessing the environmental impact of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in New York City. During the early stages of the recovery effort, emergency dredging was carried out around the piers of Manhattan's lower west side—four blocks north of the World Trade Center site—to accommodate the barges that ultimately removed 100,000 truckloads of debris from the site. Bain, an aquatic biologist and ecosystem scientist who is also the director of Cornell's Center for the Environment, led a research team that took samples from eight sites to assess whether there had been any impact, either from the collapse of the towers or the subsequent dredging, to the fish and invertebrates in that area of the Hudson River.

Early results of his study, which wrapped up in the summer of 2004, showed that the variety and health of the aquatic life appear to be satisfactory, but further research is necessary, Bain says. The report also provided a valuable census of aquatic life in the area, and will eventually inform assessments of whether recovery efforts are necessary to restore the ecosystem.

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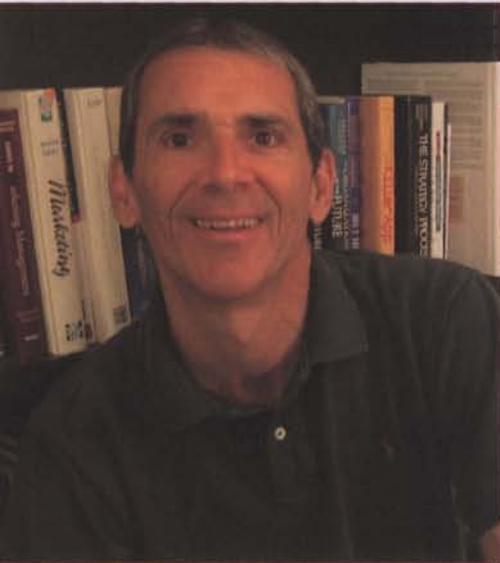
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McLaughlin guided the department through the rigorous accreditation process. Today, the AEM program he directs is one of only two accredited programs of its kind in the Ivy League. A legendary teacher esteemed as “the best of the best,” he is as at home with undergraduates as he is with the food-industry professionals who enroll in the highly regarded Food Executive Program, an executive training program that he also directs.



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Snover-Clift is assistant director of the Northeast Plant Diagnostic Network (NEPDN), as well as a plant disease diagnostician and a senior extension associate. The Plant Disease Diagnostic Clinic, located in the Department of Plant Pathology, has a thirty-year track record of diagnosing plant diseases. In 2002 it became the foundation of the NEPDN, which was selected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Office of Homeland Security to coordinate an advanced surveillance and detection program in the Northeast.

Snover-Clift has tackled outbreaks of pathogens such as the plum pox virus, surveying New York orchards to make sure that the disease, which severely damaged Pennsylvania fruit crops, had not migrated north. Through the diagnostic clinic, she utilizes DNA-based analysis and advanced communication methods to keep the state and the nation on alert for dangerous pathogens. Working with her colleagues in the NEPDN, she educates other diagnosticians on proper testing protocol and procedures.



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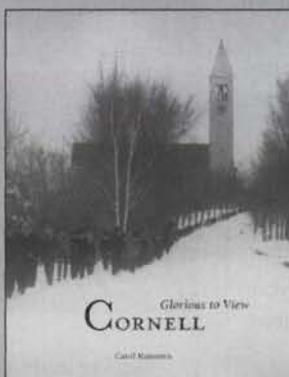
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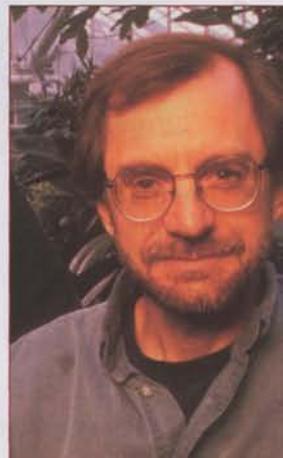
## INSPIRING THE FUTURE

### *He Saw a 'Big Boy' . . . And Drew a Surprising Conclusion*

STEVEN TANKSLEY

**E**ight years after he left Cornell, geneticist Oved Shiffriss, PhD '41, bred the "Big Boy" tomato for the Burpee seed company, transforming the plant from a delicate, sprawling vine that bears small fruit to a compact, disease-resistant bush that rewards hobbyists with full, fragrant fruits that weigh up to a pound. They may be tasty on a BLT, but such tomatoes come at a distinct disadvantage to the plant, which in its wild past relied on small, seed-laden fruits to propagate. Liberty Hyde Bailey Professor of Plant Breeding Steven Tanksley wanted to find the genetic key that allowed the tomato to evolve to more than 1,000 times the size of its tiny ancestors. Collaborating with a computer scientist in the Engineering college, he found the answer in a comparison of human and plant biology—a similar mutation in the "stop sign" gene that would normally tell the tomato to cease cell division also causes abnormal cell growth in people. Doctors call it cancer.

As head of Cornell's ongoing Genomics Initiative, Tanksley expects to participate in many more such collaborations. "Genomics is the study of the genome, which is the code of life," he says. "It's what gives rise to everything that is, everything that was—and, through evolution, everything that will be."



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Walker, a native of Detroit, was drawn early on to the connections between food,



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population, and the environment and the new area of sustainable development. In his work on renewable energy, he has bridged subject areas and colleges to branch into biology and bioengineering, launching collaborations with other Cornell faculty that are bearing fruit today in the areas of microbiology and nanobiotechnology.

Walker has studied compost piles as complex examples of molecular ecology and cultivated microorganisms for industrial

use. He leads a multidisciplinary faculty cluster that spearheaded Cornell's role with the Sun Grant Initiative, a federal effort to create a network of land-grant universities dedicated to solving the country's energy needs. Walker mentors graduate students through a U.S. Department of Agriculture program and is a member of the National Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

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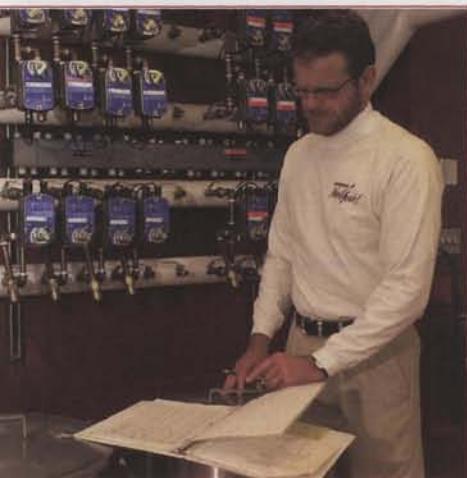
GERI GAY

**A**s the director of Cornell's Human Computer Interaction Group (HCI), Geri Gay explores the rapidly shifting frontiers of technology and communication—and the real-world impact of the gadgetry that is reshaping society. A professor in the Department of Communication and Information Services, Gay conducts research that deals with the educational



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possibilities of an increasingly interactive world, studying how classroom computer use can affect learning and developing GPS-enabled hand-held wireless technologies that can function as campus tour guides or help museum patrons learn about and interact with exhibits. In 1985, long before the ubiquity of wireless Web access and cell phones, Gay founded the Interactive Media Group—HCI's precursor—as a multi-disciplinary think tank that brought computer scientists together with anthropologists, sociologists, and psychologists to address how the information revolution would change the way people communicate. The aim, she says, is to make the most of the technology that surrounds us. "Part of what our group does is stay ahead of things," Gay says. "We try to envision the future."



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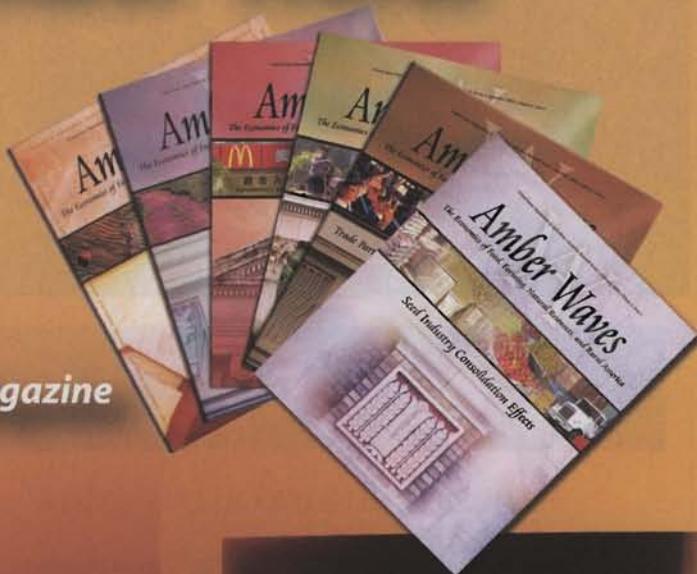
## Making Better Wine from New York Grapes

THOMAS HENICK-KLING

**A**s a child growing up in Germany, Thomas Henick-Kling accompanied his father to vineyards and wineries across Europe. He worked in an Australian winery before beginning graduate studies at the University of Adelaide as one of only two enology (winemaking) students. Now an associate professor of enology and director of Cornell's wine extension program at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, Henick-Kling has partnered with research groups and winemakers around the world and presented benchmark wines to New York winemakers. His research in wine microbiology has had a major impact on wine quality.

Since 1995, Henick-Kling has co-taught Understanding Wine and Beer, a course so popular that the CALS leadership decided to develop a new undergraduate program to accommodate students interested in careers in the wine industry. Henick-Kling co-chaired the faculty committee charged with developing the curriculum, which combines enology and viticulture (grape growing) studies with courses in food and plant science, business, and hotel administration. The first students enrolled in spring 2004. Hands-on winemaking may eventually be offered through the Cornell Vinification and Brewing Technology Laboratory, a mini-winery dedicated to research and teaching, which Henick-Kling helped establish. It is considered the best of the few such facilities in existence. ■

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area's most planted European-American hybrids.

A taste of the 2002 Hosmer Cayuga White, which costs around \$8 a bottle, provides ample evidence of why the variety has achieved popularity. Fresh, clean, redolent of apples, and medium-sweet, this light- to medium-bodied wine is brought into balance by just enough acidity. Hosmer feels that it sings particularly well with hot or spicy Chinese or Mexican dishes. One suspects that most picnickers would likewise find a chilled bottle of this Cayuga White more than agreeable.

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DANA MALLEY is a wine buyer and the manager of Northside Wine & Spirits in Ithaca.



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# Liberty Hyde Bailey, 1858–1954

## A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS

**L**iberty Hyde Bailey was dean when the State Legislature designated the New York College of Agriculture at Cornell. He was a visionary capable of bringing many ideas into practical, workable form, whether it was to amass one of the finest horticultural collections in the world, start a world-class college of agriculture, or recommend an extension and outreach system for the nation. Many of Bailey's ideas about biodiversity, sustainability, and education are as viable today as they were in 1904.

"Liberty Hyde Bailey continues to be an inspiration to all of us who follow in his footsteps," says Susan A. Henry, the current dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. "Long before I came to Cornell, I had admired him as a botanist and a scientist."

### TO FARMERS BORN

Bailey was born in Michigan in 1858 to a hard-working pioneer family who cleared woods, built a farm, planted an orchard, and produced much of their own food and clothing. They earned income from selling butter, eggs, maple sugar, and wood. They were skillful and innovative farmers, and their farm became known for its prize-winning apple orchard that eventually included more than 300 cultivars. Young Liberty became an expert on grafting; his skills were in great demand among his neighbors, and later among his students.

Bailey graduated at age twenty from the Michigan Agricultural College (now Michigan State) in 1878, with a degree in botany. After working at Harvard with the renowned botanist Asa Gray to arrange and classify a large collection of pressed plants from Kew Gardens in London, he returned to Michigan to teach horticulture and landscape gardening.

In 1883, Bailey married Annette Smith, the daughter of a Michigan cattle breeder. They had two daughters: Sara May, born in 1887, and Ethel Zoe, born in 1889. Ethel, an accomplished botanist in her own right, accompanied her father on collecting trips until 1938, helping collect and label specimens.

### A LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO AGRICULTURE

Throughout his life, Bailey sought to understand the diversity and taxonomy of plants, and to bring botanical science within the grasp of the ordinary person. It was in the study of cultivated plants that Bailey made his most significant and lasting contribution as a horticulturist. He argued that such plants were especially worthy of study. Genetically complex and inadequately recorded, yet economically important, they presented many problems of classification and nomenclature. Bailey developed new collecting methods and photographic techniques using cyanotypes to document his taxonomic studies of *Rubus*, sedges, and palms. The resulting collections at the Bailey Hortorium remain among the finest in the world.

In 1888, Bailey joined Isaac P. Roberts at Cornell to create an outstanding team for teaching, research, and dissemination of knowledge about agriculture. He believed that horticulture should be an applied science based on pure biology, and that it should reflect the application of basic botanical knowledge. He was charged with building a new curriculum in practical and experimental horticulture.

As a researcher, Bailey was a lifelong contributor to the science of horticulture. He published the first detailed study of the growth of plants under artificial electric light,



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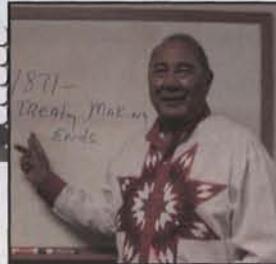
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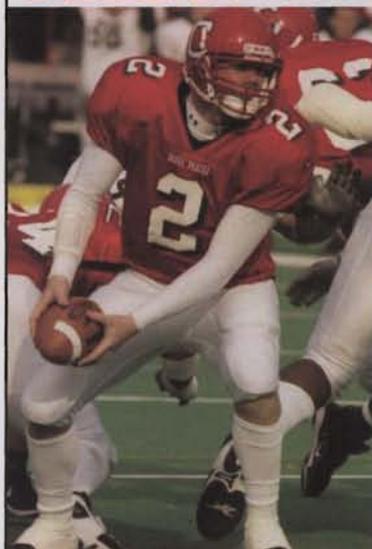
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Bailey also dominated the field of horticultural literature, writing some sixty-five books and a large number of individual entries in the several encyclopedias that he edited.

Supported by state funding, Bailey began a program at Cornell to teach nature study in rural schools. To him, the fundamental purpose of education was to serve the people. Through extension bulletins, lectures, demonstrations, and farm visits, Bailey and Roberts built support for their programs among the state's farmers and in the State Legislature.

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As a countryman, Bailey believed that the requirements of a good farmer were fourfold: "... the ability to make a full and comfortable living from the land; to rear a family carefully and well; to be of good service to the community; to leave the farm more productive than it was when he took it."

In 1904, Bailey convinced the legislature to pass the bill that established the New York College of Agriculture at Cornell. He was the College's first dean. In that role, he established new departments to complement existing fields of study and appointed Cornell's first women professors: Anna Botsford Comstock, Martha Van Rensselaer, and Flora Rose.

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The mission of the CFA is to support, encourage, and promote Cornell varsity football and to develop and reinforce the bonds between the University and its alumni and friends.

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The annual big game event is **Schoellkopf Sellout II**, to be held during the home opener against Yale on **September 25**. The CFA and the Cornell community will welcome new head coach **Jim Knowles '87** and honor all former football players, led by the teams of 1948-1952, Cornell football's greatest generation. In support of this event, the CFA is leading a promotion to attract 20,000 fans to Schoellkopf Field to cheer on Coach Knowles and the Big Red. See below for more information about this event.

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Bailey retired from Cornell in 1913, but continued his scientific, practical, and philosophical pursuits. He made his home in Ithaca for the rest of his life. He wrote and edited numerous books, from textbooks to essays and poems, traveled extensively on botanical collecting trips, and continued his studies of palms, blackberries, grapes, cabbages, pumpkins, and squashes.



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— Liberty Hyde Bailey  
(from *The Holy Earth*, 1915)

Bailey Hortorium, a term he coined for a place for the scientific study of cultivated plants. The hortorium is now a unit of the Department of Plant Biology.

During his lifetime, Bailey received innumerable awards and honors. He died in 1954 at the age of 96. ■

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# A Tale of Two Deans

W. Keith Kennedy, PhD '47, and David L. Call '54, PhD '60, have nearly a century of service to Cornell between them. Kennedy, recognized throughout the nation for his work as an agronomist and by his colleagues for his strength as an administrator, served as the ninth dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences from 1972 to 1978. He retired from the University in 1984. David L. Call, an agricultural economist and the H.E. Babcock Professor of Food Economics in the graduate school of nutrition, was concerned with every aspect of the food system, from diet and health to food production and marketing. He served as the College's tenth dean, from 1978 to 1995. Here are some of their thoughts as we asked them to look back and anticipate the future.

## W. KEITH KENNEDY

**W**hen you ask me about the biggest changes that occurred during my tenure as dean, I have to say the continuous cutbacks in state funding at a time of great growth and productivity were the most difficult to manage. My predecessor, Charlie Palm, PhD '35, who served as dean from 1959 to 1972, had built very good relationships with the governor and administrators in the Division of the Budget, but the State University of New York (SUNY) became increasingly involved in the College's funding process during my tenure. To offset reductions, we had to cultivate additional sources of revenue. One source was federal funding, available under the Hatch Act, the National Science Foundation (NSF), and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Faculty in the College was quite successful in obtaining federal research grants. And we relied on federal matching dollars to build facilities such as Bradford and Emerson halls.



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Another change that came about as a result of decreased state support was the more aggressive posture we took with alumni to encourage them to support the College. Joe King '36, BS Ag '38, Laing Kennedy '63, and other alumni leaders were instrumental in establishing better alumni relations that helped offset some of the loss in state funding.

International agriculture has been a particular strength of the College since we first established a partnership with the University of Nanking, in China, in the 1920s. Dean Palm expanded the scope of international programs, and we

maintained that expansion during my tenure.

Liberty Hyde Bailey set a good model for us as a visionary. He taught us how to deliver information far and wide, and how to cultivate friends in Albany and farm organizations around the state. Our friends in the New York Farm Bureau and the New York Ag Society have been important to us. Liberty Hyde Bailey showed us how to build an effective land-grant institution with their help.

Of course, I may be biased, but the quality of students and faculty is particularly critical in the agricultural and life sciences. Historically, the College has been able to recruit some of the best in the world. Of that, I am enormously proud, and I fully expect it to continue.

## DAVID L. CALL

**T**he College is a dynamic institution and has been undergoing change since it was first established. One of the ongoing changes that occurred over the past fifty years is the substantial change in the structure of New York agriculture to fewer, larger farms. If we had continued to rely on enrollment from rural areas or farm-reared youth, enrollment would have plummeted. Under my watch, we chose to broaden our appeal by developing new curricula and majors in the social sciences, the life sciences, and the environment to attract a student body that was changing.

Another major change was the revolution in biology that started with Crick and Watson back in the 1960s. In the mid-1980s, when substantial numbers of faculty were retiring from production agriculture, we took the opportunity to redefine our mission and focus additional resources on the biological sciences. Reorganization also allowed us to increase the number of female faculty and students, which further strengthened our base and allowed us to move into a leadership position in the new area of biotechnology.

Then there was the revolution in information technology. When I was named dean in 1978, there were two personal computers in the College, and both were handmade from Radio Shack kits. We had to find the money and the infrastructure to support this overwhelming paradigm shift.

I also agree with Keith: the decline in state funding and the increasing role of SUNY have meant we have had to broaden our support among our stakeholders and our alumni, and look harder for other sources of funding. In Cornell's capital campaign, held from 1990 to 1995, the College surpassed an ambitious \$95 million goal under John Dyson's leadership, and raised more than \$138 million. That significantly increased the College's endowment and built important new relationships with alumni and friends.

But what's going to be important in the years ahead is the same thing that's been important in the past: the quality of our faculty and the quality of our students. Hire the brightest and the best faculty and depend on them to lead the College in the right direction as far as research and teaching are concerned. Offer them decent salaries and good facilities, and provide them with the best students.

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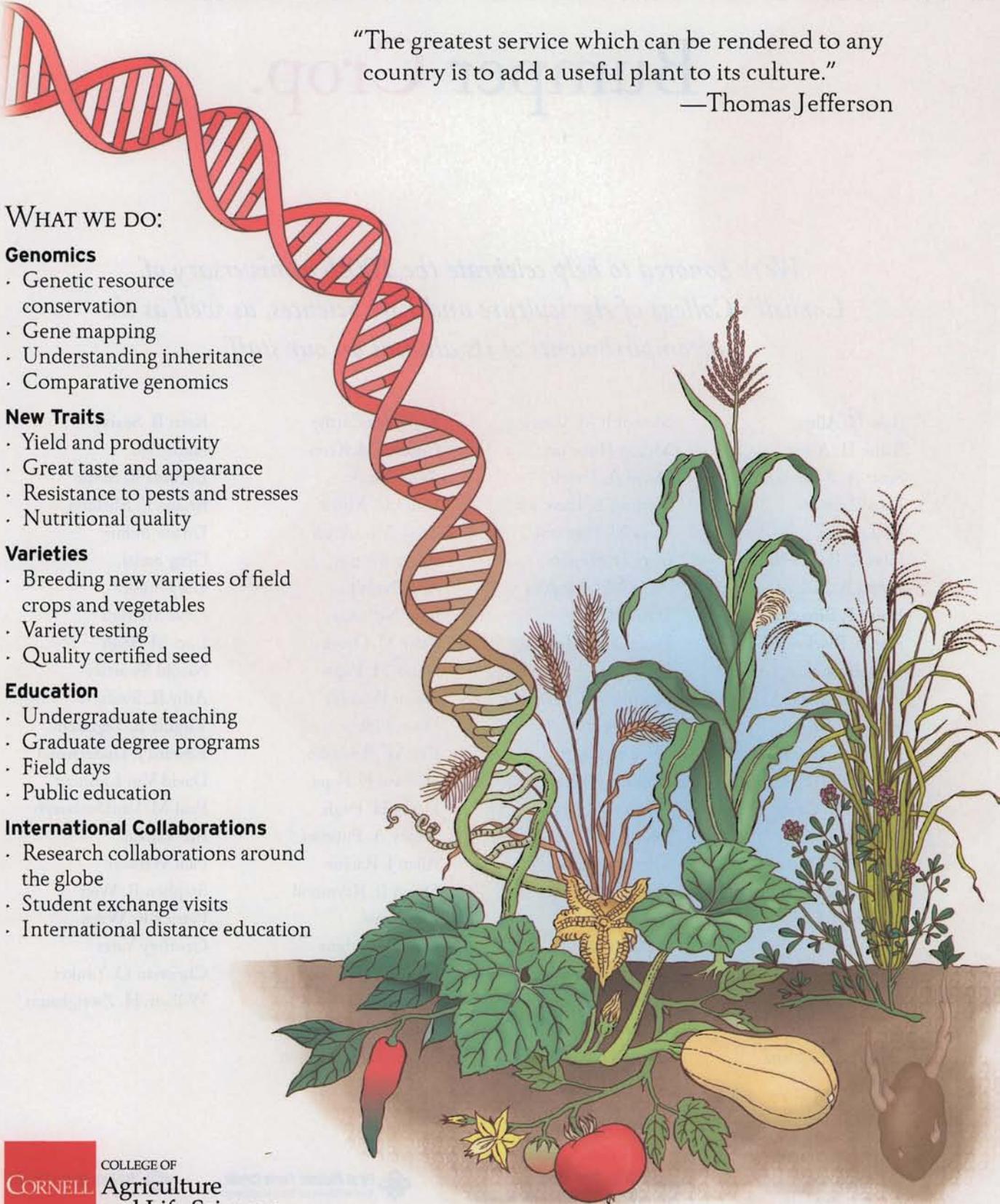
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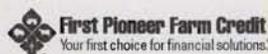
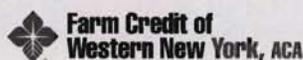
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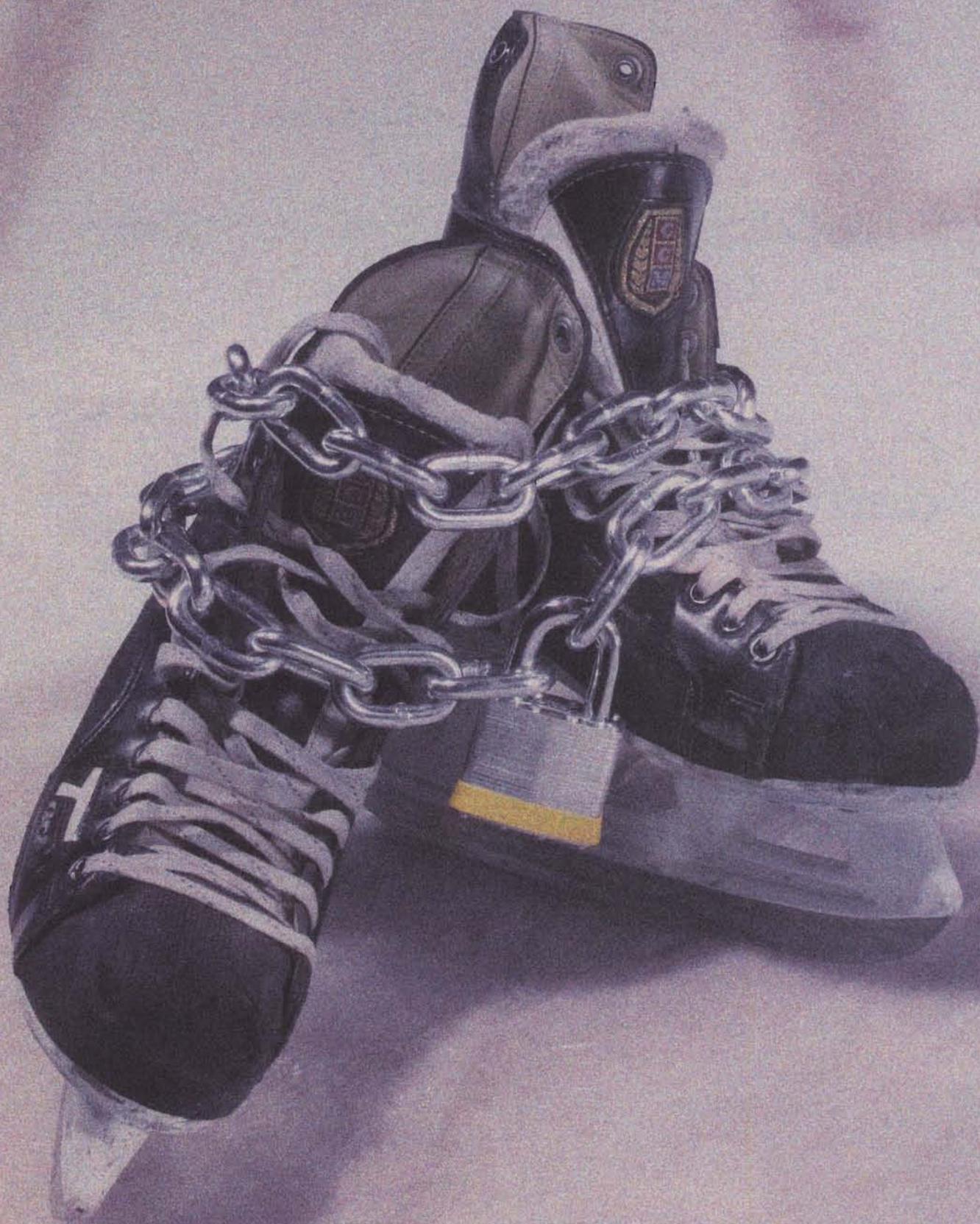
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Commissioner Gary Bettman is betting the future of the National Hockey League on a September showdown with the players' union that could shut down the game indefinitely. Will he be the man who saves pro hockey—or kills it? *By Art Kaminsky*

# Frozen Out

**O**n September 15, the collective bargaining agreement between the National Hockey League and its players' association expires. And then, nearly every observer and fan of pro hockey agrees, the rinks will go dark and the players will go home. The NHL is bracing for an all-but-inevitable work stoppage that could imperil the 2004–05 season. For a league already beset by a multitude of problems, from receding television revenues to shrinking public visibility, it's an absolutely critical time. But Gary Bettman '74 wants to emphasize the positive.

"While I surely agree that we have major problems when it comes to our economics, it is frustrating that our considerable achievements are overlooked," he says. Sitting behind the desk in his airy, spacious office at the league's headquarters in midtown Manhattan, the fifty-two-year-old hockey commissioner ticks off the list of achievements he's racked up since assuming the job in 1993. "After being absent for years, we restored the league as a constant presence on national TV. Four years in a row, we drew twenty million fans in total paid attendance. The game is now played in every region of this country. We have more teams in California and Florida than New York and New Jersey. We are the most international of the four major North American sports. And

above all, our revenues have grown almost five-fold over the past decade—from \$430 million in 1993 to more than \$2 billion this year. That makes us a pretty decent-sized business."

Few would argue that the game has changed dramatically during Bettman's tenure. Eight new teams were added in little over a decade, and the commissioner's determination to grow professional hockey transformed what was once the brawling wintertime obsession of a few snowbound cities into an aggressively marketed sports-entertainment conglomerate with a transcontinental footprint from Vancouver to Miami. According to an independent financial audit that Bettman commissioned, the new, extra-large NHL is also hemorrhaging cash—\$273 million in 2002–03, with nineteen of the thirty franchises in the red. Two teams, the Buffalo Sabres and the Ottawa Senators, filed for bankruptcy in 2003. Hockey's national television ratings in the U.S. are at historic lows, and many of its marquee stars—names like Wayne Gretzky and Mark Messier—are either retired or will be soon. Many fans say part of the problem is the product on the ice: overpadded goalies and stifling defensive tactics such as the neutral zone trap have turned games into low-scoring slogs.

Bettman admits the league faces some enormous challenges, and none is greater than the looming expiration of the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) with the players' association. Bettman has made his priorities abundantly clear: before any of these other issues can be confronted, the league and the union must hammer out a revised economic arrangement. And, with both sides willing to gamble on shutting down the NHL, the stakes couldn't be higher. As one hockey insider bluntly put it, "Gary has made this the fight of his life."

How did a nice kid from Long Island find himself in the middle of such a big mess? Blame Cornell, where Bettman learned about both labor negotiations and being a big-time hockey fan. After graduating from Half Hollow Hills High School in suburban Suffolk County, Bettman arrived in Ithaca in the fall of 1970; Cornell was his top choice for college, and he was thrilled to be accepted by the ILR school. "I had a fabulous four years at Cornell," he says. "It certainly prepared me very well for my future career. What could be more relevant to what I do than courses on 'organizational structure and dynamics' and 'collective bargaining'?" Bettman's favorite teacher was legendary constitutional law scholar Milton Konvitz. "He was a terrific instructor and friend. But, above all, he was simply more intellectual than I ever imagined someone could be."

Bettman enjoyed a prototypical Big Red experience, complete with fraternity membership (Alpha Epsilon Pi) and "four years of regular attendance at Lynah." He also met his wife, Michelle Weiner '75, on the Hill. Both of their children have followed in those footsteps: daughter Lauren '01 graduated from ILR, while son Jordan '06 is enrolled there now.

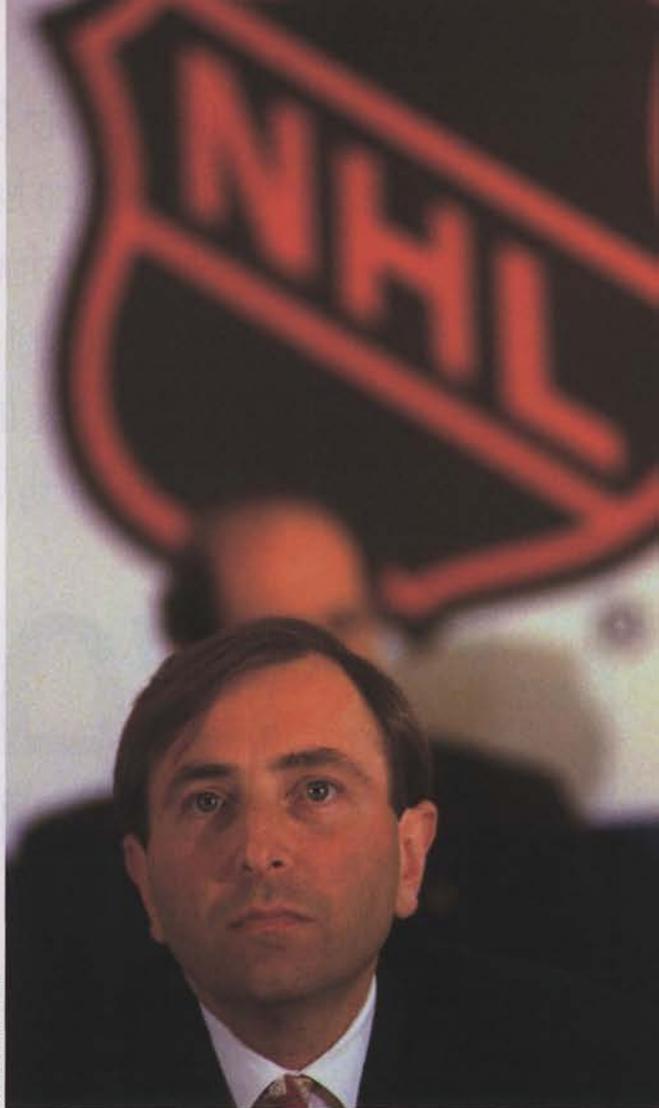
After law school at NYU, Bettman joined the large and prestigious New York law firm Proskauer, Rose. While a litigation associate, he became friendly with David Stern, a partner whose clients included the National Basketball Association. Stern became the NBA's general counsel in 1978, and he brought Bettman along soon after, naming him the league's assistant general counsel in 1981. Three years later, Stern succeeded Larry O'Brien as NBA commissioner, and from 1985 through 1993 Bettman served as Stern's general counsel.

Stern is recognized as the man who modernized the NBA, and Bettman's admiration for his old boss is evident. "David taught me that a CEO must be able to look at the entire picture," he says, "to figure out how—and what you need—to make what is good, great." As one of Stern's key aides for more than ten years, Bettman says that he learned from the best. "You need to be flexible and be willing to adapt. Knowledge of subject matter and preparation is absolutely critical, and it pays to know who are the people who can get things done for you—especially in areas such as television and marketing."

When the NHL's top job came open in 1992, it appeared to almost all insiders that Stern's young deputy was the most qualified person for the position. He was named the league's first commissioner (the post was previously called "NHL president") in February 1993.

**B**ettman wasted little time in fulfilling his mandate to change the face of professional hockey. Gone were the NHL's traditional conference and division names, replaced with geographic labels. A wave of expansion and relocation swept the league, and it grew to thirty teams, some of them in such unlikely spots as Phoenix and Nashville. This dramatic growth, along with an influx of players from outside Canada, opened pro hockey to new markets—and changed the character of the league.

But it is dysfunctional economics that are at the heart of the present crisis. Despite revenues that trail those in the other major professional sports by substantial sums, the average NHL salary has ballooned to \$1.9 million—and the increasing share



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**Lynah faithful: NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman '74 became a hockey fanatic during his "fabulous four years" on the Hill.**

of revenues going to the players is threatening the survival of some franchises. "We absolutely must fix our entire system of doing business and restructure a rational relationship between revenues and expenses," says Bettman. To the players, that sounds a lot like a call for a salary cap, and union spokesman Ted Saskin's reaction has been blunt: "We're not prepared to negotiate an artificial limit on salaries," he told the *New York Times*. "It is a complete non-starter."

A savvy veteran when it comes to collective bargaining, Bettman understands how critical it is to win fan support in the showdown with the players' union. In 2003, he asked Arthur Levitt, former head of the American Stock Exchange, to prepare an objective analysis of the NHL's finances. "I wanted someone of unquestioned integrity—with serious financial expertise—to take on this assignment," Bettman says. "He spent an entire year doing the research and, most significantly, we paid him in full and in advance. We wanted to remove any idea that his opinions or conclusions could be purchased. What we did gives me tremendous comfort going into the bargaining sessions."

Levitt's accounting of the league's \$273 million loss painted a bleak financial picture. For Bettman, the key numbers are these: "In the NHL, 75 percent of revenues go to pay player salaries and benefits. The comparable figures are 58 percent in the NBA, 62

percent in the NFL, and 63 percent for Major League Baseball.”

While Bettman concedes that “the players deserve their fair share,” he’s worked hard to pound home the message that they are receiving a disproportionate—and dangerous—share of league revenues. Asked whether a salary cap is the only solution, the commissioner is guarded. “We have never insisted on a cap,” he says, “and we are open to any suggestions from the union on how to create a better relationship between revenues and expenses.”

Has the union made any such suggestions?

“Nope,” he intones gravely. “None at all.”

**K**en Dryden ’69, the Cornell netminder who went on to a Hall of Fame NHL career with the Montreal Canadiens, is an old hand at all this. (And he knows a few things about the art of negotiation: a former president of both the NHL players’ association and the Toronto Maple Leafs, he was elected to Canada’s House of Commons in June and now holds a cabinet appointment as Minister of Social Development.) The players’ position, he says, is relatively simple. “For the union, it’s always ‘time is on our side,’” says Dryden. “From the players’ perspective, the owners have always caved in at the end. And regardless of the terms of the CBA, management has continuously discovered all sorts of non-coercive and non-economic reasons to spend generously.”

Former Big Red All-American goalie Brian Hayward ’82, who went on to play for four NHL clubs, says that the fundamental problem is one of perspective. “There are a number of owners

who don’t understand the difference between hockey and the other major pro sports,” he says. Despite Bettman’s determination to expand the NHL’s geographical presence and borrow a page from the marketing handbooks of the NFL, NBA, and MLB, the bottom line is that pro hockey must get by without the lucrative television contracts and merchandising tie-ins that fatten the coffers of the big three. “The league is currently spending too much on player salaries, especially since we don’t have the same revenue streams as the other sports,” says Hayward.

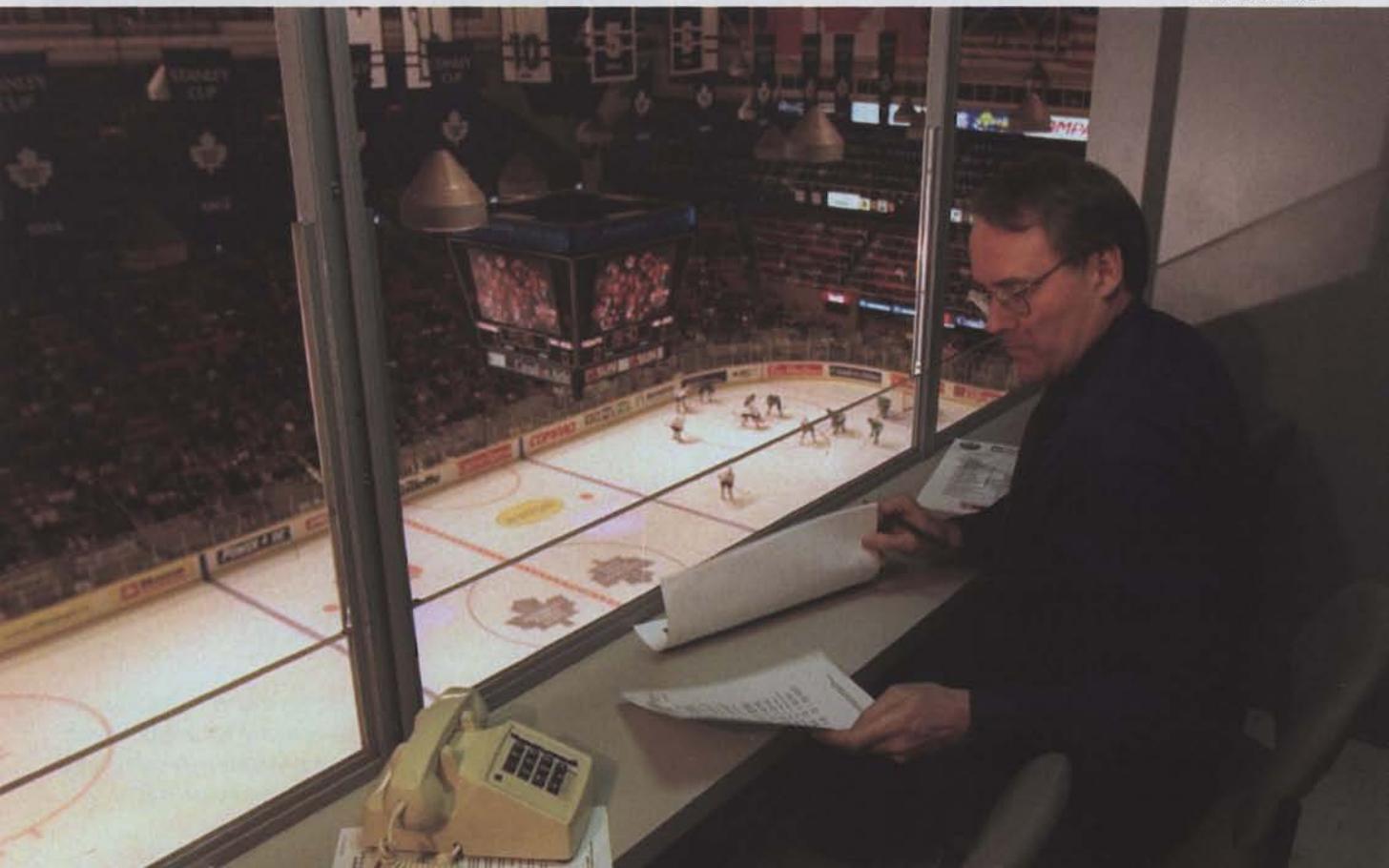
Accordingly, it is no surprise that both parties anticipate an ugly impasse. The last time hockey’s labor and management went gunning for each other was in 1994, when the owners locked out the players on October 1 and negotiations with the union—again, the key issue involved the owners’ insistence on salary controls—dragged on for 104 days. By the time a settlement was reached, 468 games had been cancelled; each team played an abbreviated forty-eight game regular season.

This time, the players are a decade tougher—and much richer: the players’ association has enough resources to bankroll a hefty strike fund. Furthermore, the NHLPA’s leader is Bob Goodenow, a former Harvard icer known for a stubborn, often silent negotiating style and a willingness to mix it up with management. In 1992—his first year as union boss—Goodenow led a ten-day strike, the first in NHL history.

But the union, like the game itself, has changed in the past decade. International players have reshaped the virtually all-Canadian game’s demographics. Today’s 728-player league is barely half Canadian, with the rest of the players coming from the U.S., Europe, and the nations of the former Soviet Union. Will

**Keen observer: Big Red hockey great Ken Dryden ’69—a former Montreal Canadien who served as president of the NHL players’ association and is now a Member of Canada’s Parliament—says public pressure will force the NHL’s owners and players to reach an agreement.**

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# Art Saves!

## Seven ways to rescue the NHL

Is the current impasse over the NHL's collective bargaining agreement a true watershed moment for the game? After all, the rivalry with the upstart World Hockey Association during the 1970s might have been a bigger threat. Numerous triumphs by the Soviet juggernaut squads of 1972 through 1991 raised serious questions about the on-ice supremacy of the NHL. And a lengthy work stoppage almost ended it all for the league in 1994.

Those were scary times—but they also represented opportunities for constructive growth. Eventually, the NHL absorbed the four strongest WHA franchises, including the Edmonton Oilers and their young star, Wayne Gretzky. Additionally, the merger of the two leagues provided the springboard for further expansion that almost doubled the size of the NHL. Despite a few devastating defeats at the hands of the USSR national team, eventually the best of the NHL emerged triumphant on a regular basis. And more important, the end of the Cold War brought Russian and European stars west to become fixtures on the NHL scene. Finally, even the trauma of the 1994 lockout led to a decade of labor peace—along with a significant growth in attendance, revenues, and the number of franchises. Perhaps the current cloud will also have a silver lining.

First, remember that—as Ken Dryden '69 often reminds me—there is a distinct difference between the National Hockey League and the sport of hockey. The latter includes all the kids playing on youth teams, the junior leagues, the colleges, and the entire network of teams governed by the International Ice Hockey Federation. Having represented hundreds of college players who entered professional hockey, I was always struck by the paucity of contacts between the NHL and NCAA schools. In fact, the two entities often work at cross-purposes, creating rules and procedures that totally ignore the other's existence. Meaningful partnerships should be forged to assist and coordinate growth in each of the various segments of this business.

Regarding the labor struggle, it is hard to be optimistic. The core of the current dispute is indeed economic—management wants a significant reduction in the players' share of league revenues. But the explanation for the current situation is neither economic nor legal. Unlike the other North American professional leagues, whose expenditures are indeed governed by economic calculations (adding big stars wins more games, sells tickets, and increases television revenue) and degrees of legal freedom (baseball, basketball, and football make free agency and arbitration available to many players at far lower levels of service), hockey seems governed by a vast mixture of often inexplicable forces. An owner who can't lose a top player to free agency until age thirty-one will still pay him \$10 million annually at twenty-five. The New York Rangers sell out their rink and disburse the league's biggest payroll, but they've failed to qualify for the playoffs in the past seven seasons.

NHL owners seem motivated to hand over gobs of money to players for a mixed bag of motives and reasons. Some

Canadian teams consider keeping certain star performers north of the border a matter of national pride. Others owners fear that their great European players will flee back across the pond if not fabulously compensated. Whatever the rationale, the current owners have been unable to control their spending, and they hope that a new collective bargaining agreement will provide a legal structure to rein in their profligacy.

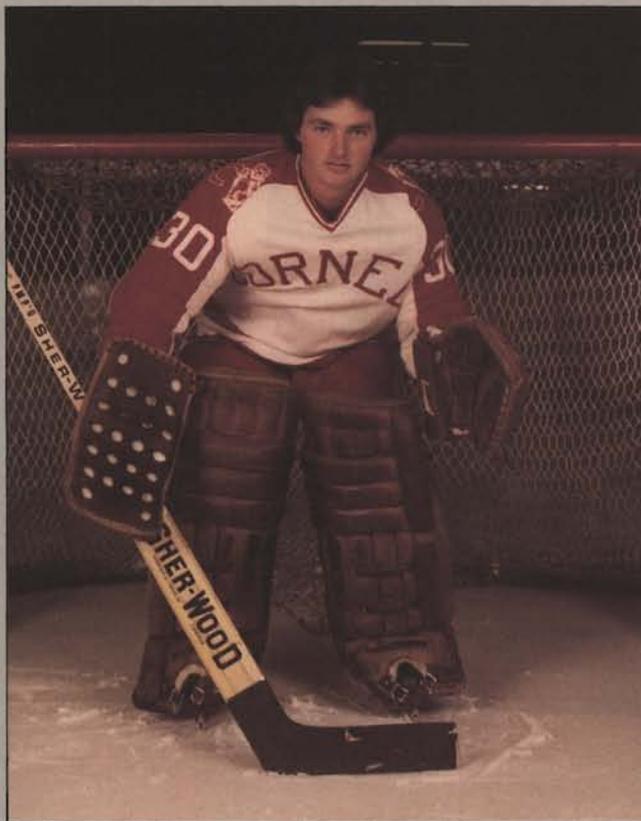
I predict that the players will eventually accept some sort of reduction in their revenue share—gradually reaching a point somewhere in the neighborhood shared by the other pro leagues. But, unless Commissioner Gary Bettman '74 institutes league-imposed cost controls, I fear the owners will continue to spend, spend, spend.

In any case, a new labor agreement won't address all the underlying problems that bedevil the game. But I shall. The following, therefore, is the Kaminsky list of suggestions for better NHL hockey. Specifically:

1. Adopt the international rink dimensions. Keep the 200-foot length, but widen the ice surface to 100 feet—a fifteen-foot increase. Although opponents of this reform often have good arguments—Mighty Ducks color man Brian Hayward '82 fears the game would have too little body contact, while former Big Red player and coach Brian McCutcheon '71 predicts hockey would “become soccer on ice”—it is more likely that an exciting, wide-open, free-flowing, higher-scoring game would result.



Brian McCutcheon '71 was one of the top scorers on the great Big Red teams of 1968–71, notching 59 goals and 67 assists. Now an assistant coach with the Buffalo Sabres, McCutcheon says playing on a larger rink would make hockey like “soccer on ice.”



**Brian Hayward '82, an All-American goalie who went on to play for four NHL teams, now provides color commentary for the Mighty Ducks of Anaheim. He advocates changing the rules to outlaw the oversized pads worn by many current goaltenders.**

2. Get rid of the stupid red line. This World War II "innovation" was intended to shorten games (thereby conserving energy) by reducing icings and offsides. Eliminating the center stripe would re-open the game to legal two-line passing, stretching

the rink and reducing the effectiveness of the dreaded neutral zone trap (see below). Fans of the international game—along with those of us having college hockey roots—know well how much more fun the game can be *sans ligne rouge*.

3. Shrink the size of goalie pads and equipment. McCutcheon—also a varsity lax star as an undergraduate—says that NHL net-minders have come to resemble the giant, panda-like goalies common in box lacrosse. Hayward, an eleven-season NHL backstop, fears young goalies rely too much on their over-stuffed protection—and not enough on their skill and reflexes. "Gotta do it," he implores.

4. Eliminate—or at least reduce the influence of—the neutral zone trap. The New Jersey Devils rode this defensive tactic to a trio of championships, and its use has become widespread. The result is dull hockey with scoring totals more reminiscent of World Cups than Stanley Cups. The NHL should get rid of this monster.

5. Strike a compromise on fighting. Although I'd like to wave it good-bye completely, here's a middle-of-the-road proposal: since some purists crave hand-to-hand combat on ice, let's allow one fight per game. Since they especially love it in Canada, we'll permit one more at contests played in the True North Strong and Free. If both opponents are Canadian, make it three. Anything above those totals would result in immediate ejection and a next-game suspension.

6. Don't forget the usual suspects. Find and promote new stars (such as Calgary's brilliant Jarome Iginla and Tampa Bay's transcendent Martin St. Louis) to replace the departed Gretzky and outgoing Messier. Modernize NHL promotion and re-double efforts to grow the game in the southern and western states.

7. Hope that Ken Dryden becomes Canada's prime minister while ex-St. Paul's varsity icer John Kerry takes residence in the White House. Imagine—two world leaders whose primary athletic infatuation is the ancient and honorable game of shinny.

— Art Kaminsky

all this new blood translate into a different attitude, a new approach to the bargaining table? It's possible that the international players will exert a moderating influence on the NHLPA; certainly, the owners hope so. And with Arthur Levitt's report backing their claims of drowning in red ink, management is unlikely to give in easily this time. Few hockey pundits have expressed any confidence that labor peace can be achieved soon. Breaking the stalemate, says Dryden, may require a popular uprising from the paying customers. "The only party that can do it is the public—the fans and season ticket holders," he says. "It may take a while. But when the public begins to fear the entire season may be lost, then they will quickly begin to insist that a solution be achieved."

Dryden warns that professional hockey cannot afford to slip any lower on "the importance meter in North American sport." A lengthy lockout could do just that, turning off newly minted fans in non-traditional markets and toppling the shaky Sunbelt franchises that Bettman worked so hard to establish. And even if

a timely settlement can be achieved, a return to pro hockey's status quo would hardly be a victory. This may be the NHL's biggest problem of all. In an increasingly competitive sports and entertainment market, nothing could be more damaging to the league than to linger in a fading fourth place. And for Bettman himself—despite all the new franchises, the international diversity, and the increased revenues he has brought to the league—it is the current labor negotiations that may determine his legacy as NHL commissioner. ●

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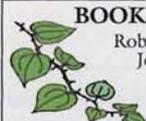
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## Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series

### *How to make the most of faculty speakers*

By Larry Taylor '73

**E**ach spring, Cornell faculty hit the road to speak with alumni across the map. Thanks to support from Cornell Visa card royalties, the Cornell Alumni Federation Faculty Speaker Series has expanded and now reaches almost all of the eighty-plus Cornell Clubs and Alumni Associations. Organizers of clubs ranging from thirty to 1,300 members report that having a faculty speaker is often the signature event of their annual program. What lessons from club leaders might expand this outreach and extend the intellectual excitement of campus to even more alumni? In other words: how do we put more bodies in seats?

**Content:** Besides wine-tasting—always a crowd-pleaser—what topics have a large draw? Alumni respond to subjects that are current, practical, and directly connected to their life or community. Smart event organizers look for a “hook” for their community—such as Martha Haynes, Goldwin Smith Professor of Astronomy, speaking at the Arizona Science Center. Alumni Affairs staff will match expert faculty speakers with the topics volunteers identify.

**Communications:** Clubs should try to make the seven impressions that marketers say are needed to motivate. The first is a high-quality



**Road scholar:** Faculty speaker and professor emeritus of applied economics and management Gene German (second from right) chats with John Cayer '90, Wendy Cayer (left) and Susan Stiles '81 (right) after his talk at the Interlachen Country Club in Edina, Minnesota.

invitation designed and mailed by Alumni Affairs staff. Follow up with four e-mail reminders—they're not a burden to your audience if each is brief and upbeat. Making announcements at a prior event or on your website is free. And finally, if you really want to fill those seats, divide up the membership list and start placing personal telephone calls a week in advance.

**Format:** “Drive-time” receptions are eclipsing evening dinners as the most frequent type of event. The critical program bookends before and after the speech allow ample time for fellowship on one end and questions on the other. For managing the content in the middle, experienced emcees remind us that brevity and punctuality are the keys to successful events.

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# Calendar of Events

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## Worldwide

**All Cornellians**, Oct. 21—International Spirit of Zinck's Night. Check the Web for your local event: <http://zincks.alumni.cornell.edu/>. Don't see an event near you? Plan to organize one by contacting [Zincks@cornell.edu](mailto:Zincks@cornell.edu).

## International

**CC/Korea**, Oct. 16—Mountain climbing. Contact Bong-Sung Oum, [bsoum@inance.com](mailto:bsoum@inance.com).

## NY/Ontario

**CC/Genesee-Orleans**, Oct. 21—Fall dinner with guest speaker Kathryn Boor, associate professor of food science, at the Apple Orchard Inn in Medina. Contact Melissa George, 585/344-1716.

## Metro/New York

**CC/Northern New Jersey**, Oct. 17—Family hike through Jockey Hollow in Morris County followed by potluck picnic at Lewis Morris Park. Contact Matthew Sola, [matthew.sola@ubs.com](mailto:matthew.sola@ubs.com), 973/378-9527.

**CC/Northern New Jersey**, Oct. 24—Fall walk-a-thon for the American Heart Association. Contact Beth Zoller, [bzoller@wolfblock.com](mailto:bzoller@wolfblock.com), 973/324-1652.

**CC/Northern New Jersey**, Oct. 24-25—Bus trip to Cornell for interested high school students. Contact Doug Goldstein, [dggldstr@juno.com](mailto:dggldstr@juno.com), 973/227-1227.

**CC/Northern New Jersey**, Nov. 11—Dinner lecture and book signing with Barbara Mitnick, former president of CC/Northern New Jersey and author of *Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge*. Contact Eileen Napolitano, 908/658-7935.

**CC/Northern New Jersey**, Nov. 13—Cornell football at Columbia. Contact Penny Haitkin, [psh3@cornell.edu](mailto:psh3@cornell.edu), 201/825-7587.

## Northeast

**CC/Boston**, Sept. 23—Member appreciation party. Contact Kathy Liu, [membership@cornellclub.org](mailto:membership@cornellclub.org), 617/393-2257.

**CC/New Hampshire**, Oct. 3—Faculty speaker Joe Laquatra, Human Ecology, on "What You Don't Know About Your House Should Concern You." Contact Jill Mayo, [ijm28@cornell.edu](mailto:ijm28@cornell.edu).

**CC/Cape Cod**, Oct. 6—Luncheon with Boston University physics professor James Rohlf on "Cape Cod Wind Farm—Pros & Cons." Contact Judith Carr, [judith\\_carr@netzero.com](mailto:judith_carr@netzero.com), 508/539-0809.

**CC/Boston**, Oct. 9—Cornell football at Harvard. Contact Jens Kullmann, [programming@cornellclub.org](mailto:programming@cornellclub.org), 781/330-9131.

**CC/Cape Cod**, Nov. 3—Board meeting. Contact Judith Carr, [judith\\_carr@netzero.com](mailto:judith_carr@netzero.com), 508/539-0809.

**CC/Boston**, Nov. 4—Etiquette consultant Jodi Smith

on "The Art of Conversation." Contact Zuania Pomas, [scholarship@cornellclub.org](mailto:scholarship@cornellclub.org), 617/953-6680.

## Mid-Atlantic

**CC/Washington**, Sept. 17—Group therapy happy hour. Contact Lauren Myers-Marion, LM32@cornell.edu.

**CC/Delaware**, Sept. 18—"Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition" at the Franklin Institute. \$12 members, \$14 guests. Contact John Torge, 610/388-3839.

**CC/Washington**, Sept. 21—Young alumni career speaker panel at Fran O'Brien's Steakhouse, Capital Hilton. Contact Lauren Hall, [lrh10@cornell.edu](mailto:lrh10@cornell.edu).

**CC/Washington**, Sept. 29—Financial planning seminar at Altius Financial Advisors in Bethesda Metro Center. Contact Mehmood Nathani, [mnathani@altiusfin.com](mailto:mnathani@altiusfin.com), 301/961-1585.

**CC/Maryland, CC/Greater Philadelphia, CC/Washington, CC/Delaware**, Oct. 2—Cornell football at Towson. Contact Eric and Suzette Kossoff, [ehk24@cornell.edu](mailto:ehk24@cornell.edu).

**CC/Washington**, Oct. 3—Book discussion on Kafka's *The Trial*, led by Helen Schwartz, professor of English at Indiana University. Contact Mary Bowman, [mcb47@cornell.edu](mailto:mcb47@cornell.edu).

**CC/Washington**, Oct. 11—Climb Old Rag Mountain near Sperryville, VA; 8 a.m. start from the Cornell Center at 2148 O Street NW. Contact Bob McKinless,

[rhm10@cornell.edu](mailto:rhm10@cornell.edu), 703/256-5451.

**CC/Washington**, Nov. 1—CAAA bus trip to Cornell for high school seniors. Contact Grace Morgenstein, [gmm11@cornell.edu](mailto:gmm11@cornell.edu), 301/983-8552.

**CC/Washington**, Nov. 6—John Philip Sousa's 150th birthday brunch: Marine Band musical tribute and tour of Sousa's Capitol Hill neighborhood with former Big Red band director Marice Stith. Contact Bob Day, [dayhaven@starpower.net](mailto:dayhaven@starpower.net), 301/438-7755.

**CC/Delaware**, Nov. 6—Community service project at Fort Delaware State Park. Contact Meg Tallman, [mev22@cornell.edu](mailto:mev22@cornell.edu), 302/836-6254.

## Midwest

**CC/Minnesota**, Sept. 21—Reading group at Amore Coffee, St. Paul: *A Small Treatise on the Great Virtues* by Andre Comte-Sponville. Contact Judy Morgan, 651/688-6113.

**CC/Pittsburgh**, Nov. 10—Three Rivers Film Festival opening night at Regent Square Theatre: *The Forgotten*, written and directed by Vincente Stasolla '93. Contact Mady Bauer, [mab79@cornell.edu](mailto:mab79@cornell.edu), 412/831-9039.

**CC/Michigan**, Nov. 12—Cornell men's hockey at Michigan State. Contact Midwest Regional Office, 312/236-7850.

**CC/Michigan**, Nov. 14—Cornell men's hockey at Michigan State. Contact Midwest Regional Office, 312/236-7850.

## Southeast

**CC/Gold Coast**, Sept. 19—Membership social. Contact Betty Lou Nanovsky, [nanovsky@gate.net](mailto:nanovsky@gate.net), 954/370-8763.

**CC/Gold Coast**, Oct. 2—Outdoor Odyssey with Todd Miner, director of Cornell Outdoor Education, at West Lake Park in Hollywood. Contact Ken Woliner, [knw6@cornell.edu](mailto:knw6@cornell.edu), 954/770-6009.

**CAA/Atlanta**, Nov. 1—Third annual fall hike at Amicalola Falls State Park. Contact Hannah Neufeld, [kathanga\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:kathanga_2000@yahoo.com), 404/286-6476.

**CC/Gold Coast**, Nov. 4—Young alumni networking event. Contact Chase Twomey, [crt6@cornell.edu](mailto:crt6@cornell.edu), 954/474-0794.

# Come Home to Cornell!

## October 16

### Celebrate Cornell's Homecoming 2004 It's Happening on the Hill!

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**Affordability:** Most clubs would like to have a low-cost or free event. The hors d'oeuvres reception format is probably the most cost-effective. Inexpensive venues can be found at churches/synagogues and colleges/universities, or at members' offices or private clubs. Low-cost catering is often available from a friendly vendor or a local Cornellian. Members may donate a sampling of wine or loan audio-visual equipment. Dinner functions can include a dessert-only option, and club receptions can have a dinner-after option.

**Synergistic collaboration:** Many clubs have extrapolated from their Ivy collaborations to partner with other organizations. An appropriate hook can be the basis for a co-sponsored event with a high-profile local institution. For example, Nutritional Genomics fostered a joint event with a health club, the Plantations with a botanical garden, and Food Safety with a culinary institute. The collaborator may be able to provide a venue and resources that reduce expenses and attract additional attendance, while generating local recognition for Cornell.

**Publicity:** Events in collaboration with local institutions may be worthy of local media attention. In some cases, press releases by clubs have yielded radio and television interviews with the visiting Cornell professor. Other than the limitation that the flier mailed from campus cannot advertise for-profit organizations, clubs are free to co-promote with organizations and companies.

**Location, location:** Upscale, "cool," or new venues can indeed draw guests, but seasoned planners note that the decision to attend is equally influenced by practical matters. A convenient location with parking is important to our senior set, commuters, and those needing to get home to the family. A comfortable room with intimacy, unobstructed visibility, and good acoustics trumps "cool."

**Invitees:** To paraphrase Ezra, "I would found an event where any person . . ." Clubs should cast a wide net, with invitations stating that all alumni, parents, family, and friends are welcome. Invitations are also

often extended to CAAAN contacts at high schools and to accepted high school seniors and their families.

**Specials:** Some clubs get double-duty out of their spring mailings. Alumni who are not yet members are invited to join by the time of the event and receive the next year's club membership as a bonus. Some clubs have

injected fun extras into the event, such as a mini-auction or a quiz with prizes.

When faculty visit your alumni club or association, welcome them with a strong turnout. For further ideas, contact the Alumni Affairs staff (607-255-2390) or fellow alumni event organizers. Best wishes for successful faculty speaker events in 2005!

## Welcome to the Board

### *New Alumni-Elected Trustees Take Office*

The four-year terms of alumni-elected trustees Cheryl Parks Francis '76 and Robert Huret '65 officially began on July 1, 2004. Francis, a former executive vice president and chief financial officer for RR Donnelley and Sons, received her MBA from the University of Chicago and now lives in Burr Ridge, Illinois. The mother of a Cornell sophomore, she's an active alumna in class and regional events. Huret, a general partner in Financial Technology Ventures in San Francisco, California, received an MBA from Harvard and served for many years on the Cornell University Council Administrative Board; his two daughters graduated from Cornell. Both new trustees have been active alumni and board members of for-profit and non-profit organizations.

While large compared to many university boards, Cornell's Board of Trustees is seen as one of the best among its peers in terms of collegiality and effectiveness. One key to that success has been in the attention given to welcoming new members. In June, Francis and Huret joined the five other new board- and student-elected trustees in an orientation at the Weill Cornell Medical College in New York City. Their orientation included presentations from the medical school and discussions with President Jeffrey Lehman '77, Board Chair Peter Meinig '61, and other senior members of the administration, along with committee meetings.

The two new members were reminded that trustees have the responsibility to set policy and oversee the management of Cornell, leaving operation and execution to the administration and staff. Using case studies, Provost Bidy Martin, University Counsel Jim Mingle, and Vice President Susan Murphy '73, PhD '94, discussed how balancing competing interests at Cornell can be quite difficult (such as when a trustee is approached by an interest group or individual for a specific favor). Additionally, while a trustee may have been appointed or elected by a specific constituency, once on the board the trustee needs to make decisions that are in the best interests of the entire institution, not just a certain group.

"I was struck by the time and attention that was invested into orientation of the new trustees," says Francis, who attended committee meetings on a wide range of topics. Each new trustee is assigned a mentor to help learn the ropes. Trustees are actively encouraged to be involved in one or more of the board's many committees and to participate in all decisions that affect students, faculty, and alumni. Huret, who credits Trustee Emeritus Mary Falvey '63 with helping him reconnect to Cornell many years ago, says that getting fellow grads to take an active role in University affairs will be a priority. "I want to be a reconnection catalyst for other Cornell alumni," he says, "encouraging even wider participation and involvement."

**34** Here's the Class of '34 reporting in on its 70th Reunion. In a nutshell, it was a most successful and joyful weekend. Sixteen of our classmates returned for this occasion, along with some 30 spouses, relatives, or friends accompanying them. The group was most congenial. They had a fine time catching up, reminiscing, and renewing old friendships, and were kept busy with the long list of Reunion events and optional offerings. On top of that, the weather was perfect at all times. All in all, the Class of '34 70th Reunion—our "Last Hurrah"—was a huge success.

'34 was housed and largely fed in the Statler Hotel. There we had comfort, superb service, and our own bathrooms—not dormitory style! All three of our breakfasts and our three banquet-style dinners were served in the Statler. The hotel was a most convenient location, central to the campus and to reunion activities—one of the advantages of being in the oldest group!

What a great bunch. There were four women and 12 men back. Two of the men came all the way from California. To all who came back, our sincere thanks for your determination and efforts!

Unfortunately, like many others, I was unable to be present. My wife Anne and I were so disappointed to miss out on the fun. I also felt bad for missing my responsibilities at Reunion. My spirit was willing, but the body just was not up to it. Fortunately, our Reunion co-chairs **Winnie Loeb Saltzman** and **Ed McCabe** did yeoman service. They ran a superb Reunion—as I heard from many present. It went like clockwork! To Winnie and Ed, our class owes great thanks and gratitude. I also want to thank our longtime class treasurer **Marcus Breier**, JD '36, who replaced me and presided over our class business meeting. Marcus and I worked well together on the class's financial matters. He has served as class treasurer for some 35-40 years. His help at this reunion and over the years has been priceless (and also salary-less!).

Our class had a lovely trip and visit on Friday morning. We were transported by bus from our hotel to the brand new Ornithology Lab, just a short ride from campus. There we were met by **Scott Sutcliffe** '75, asst. director of the Lab. Scott talked about this unusual facility, its purposes, and its goals, then took the '34 group on an extended tour. A box luncheon was served out on a beautiful terrace overlooking a lovely pond full of waterfowl, surrounded by trees and shrubs being enjoyed by many birds. We were joined at this luncheon by our honored guests, former Pres. Frank Rhodes and his gracious wife Rosa. Pres. Rhodes, a long-standing friend of our class, thanked the group for being at Reunion and for their long and loyal support of the university.

At the class dinner on Thursday evening former Pres. Hunter Rawlings III joined us and spoke to our group. He is back teaching Classics at Cornell. He stressed the strength of our class and its loyalty to Cornell and also mentioned how delighted he is to be able to stay in Ithaca teaching at the university.

The weekend was full of things to do. The Olin Lecture on Friday afternoon and President Lehman's State of the University address on Saturday morning were great presentations enjoyed by all. All-alumni lunches at Barton Hall are noisy but fun, and a great way to see lots of friends. The Savage Club and Cornelliana Night are two fun events, full of home-grown talent and lots of spirit. All these made for a wonderful Reunion. But scheduled events still left time to relax—to sit around, reminisce, "swap lies," make new friends, find your favorite old haunts of the '30s (if they still exist), visit your sorority/fraternity, walk around the beautiful campus.

The Class of '34 set several fund-raising records during this past year. We broke the record for the largest number of donors of any 70th Reunion class—15 percent over the old mark. '34 also set a new high for percentage of participation for a 70th Reunion class—45 percent—as well as the largest number of members in the Cayuga Society. The members of the class are to be congratulated. You set these records—these markers—for future classes to aim for and surpass.

It was also announced that over these 70 years, the Class of '34 has given to Cornell a total of more than \$25,700,000! For a Depression class, that's quite a sum! As they say, "That's a lot of money, even if you say it fast!"

Congratulations, Class of '34. You are the greatest! And thank you, Cornell, for providing us with such a great 2004 Reunion. Long live Cornell! ♦ **William R. Robertson**, 143 Rivermead Rd., Peterborough, NH 03458; tel., (603) 924-8654.

**39** Our 65th Reunion was a wonderful experience for me. No rah-rah, no raucous jollity, just a warm, affectionate recognition of old times and old friends, and present appreciation of our opportunity to meet once again at Cornell. Alumni House says we were 1,296 freshmen in 1935, that 928 of us were graduated in 1939, and that there are about 300 of us left, of whom 32 men and women (and the widows of two former classmates) returned to celebrate together.

The University treated us royally, with excellent accommodations, great food, and efficient, courteous service. We were housed at the Statler, with bus service at the door, Barton across the way for lunches, and help everywhere for those



Long-distance call: An unidentified alumnus checks in by cell phone during Reunion 2004.



with canes, walkers, or wheelchairs. We were coddled and it made the whole weekend very special. Most of us chose to do those activities we could handle, like the Savage Club, the Glee Club concert, and Cornelliana Night, along with a few bus tours, but the best part was the talk. We remembered, we caught up, we laughed, we got a little sentimental now and then. It was very satisfying.

Since our men's correspondent, **Phil Twitchell**, could not come, I had the pleasant duty of talking to the men, most of whom I had never really known. I couldn't get around to all of them, but those to whom I talked were extremely interesting. Of course **Austin Kiplinger** and **Daniel Kops** were there and in fine form, telling stories. It was Kip's father, the founder of the Kiplinger Group, who hired Dan away from his job in Texas and really started him on his journalistic career. **William Page** spoke about his 50 years in radio and then television and eventual administration in these media in North Carolina. He and his wife Marie now live in a retirement community, and he is still involved in many service activities.

**John MacDonald**, who came with his son Donald, talked about his many years in steel production control till 1960, when the great steel mills in Pennsylvania began to close, and in allied fields since then until his retirement. **John Hull** spent years in the US and abroad working in the field of business management and consultation. He lived for 25 years in Sweden and still goes back every summer with his wife Astrid to his home on an island in the bay near Stockholm. **Robert Leigh Brown** is busy writing his autobiography, called "Bob's Crossing, Christ and Cornell," which will be published in the fall of 2004.

President **Jeffrey Lehman '77** and his wife Kathy Okun visited with us Thursday night, and former President Frank Rhodes and his wife Rosa were with us for dinner on Friday night. Frank gave a delightful talk. Did you know the Rhodeses are honorary members of our class?

And our women! **Helen Cooney Bourque** came with her daughter Susan, who is Dean and Provost of Smith College. **Florence Morgenstern Dreizen**, who is reuniting for the first time, has been an administrative judge in New York City, still working (!) in labor law, and full of fascinating stories about labor unions and city politics. **Janet Wasserman Karz** is still a professional potter in Rochester and has a son who makes documentary films. **Patricia O'Rourke Smith** came from Florida and told me about a second book to be published. She is very involved with literacy help for migrant workers and their children.

I shall have to continue this in my next column, but I do want to report that our class officers for the next five years are: **Sally Steinman Harms** (President), **Anne Newman Gordon** (Treasurer), **Ruth Gold Goodman** and **Philip Twitchell** (Class Correspondents), **Dan Kops** and **Barbara Babcock Payne** (Cornell Fund), **Barbara Babcock Payne** (Remembrance Garden Fund), and **Betty Luxford Webster** (Reunion Chair).

It was a great reunion. We missed all of you who could not come. Hang in there, and perhaps we'll all be lucky enough to be together again in 2009. ♦ **Ruth Gold Goodman**, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-6357; e-mail, bg11@cornell.edu.

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The **Kestens** did it again! Reunion 60 was the grandest in numbers (for a 60th, urged by **Art's** challenging mailings, and in 60th dollars for the university, piled up by fund-raisers **Bates Miller** and **Levitan**—and in camaraderie. People were just having good times in perfect weather—cool, sunny, and breezy. Half the group was housed in comfortable dorm rooms at **Hurlburt House** and half at **Hotel Statler**. Besides our own scheduled buses, 40 others ran round and round the campus from 7 a.m. till 1 a.m. Between events and at days' ends we gathered in the community room at **Hurlburt**.

So what did we do? According to **Art's** printed schedule, people drifted in on Thursday (drivers having received a last minute communiqué to note that parking spaces were room-numbered) and were metted and greeted with a beer or a coke. Dinner that evening was an international salad buffet in the tent behind **Hurlburt Dorm** (our daily breakfast bar there too). President **Jeffrey Lehman '77**—the only Cornellian to claim the crown) and First Lady **Kathy Okun** (U. of Michigan grad who bonded with **Bud Rundell**, who earned his master's there) were guests of honor. Pres. **Lehman** addressed the group and happily received the super-large check, '44's gift to Cornell. Some of us went to the traditional **Savage Club** concert; others just sat about chatting.

Friday morning we assembled with the Class of '54 in **Call Auditorium** at **Kennedy Hall** to hear three speakers—ex-Pres. **Frank Rhodes** on advanced education, **David Call '54** himself on food and agriculture, and Prof. **Glenn Altschuler** on current American culture. The latter was most amusing and right on the mark—the three Cs—consumerism, celebration, and connectivization. Then the traditional **Moose Milk** party for lunch at the **Straight**. **Art** did squeeze out the tasteless jock strap, bra, and red sock. **Bill Falkenstein**, we missed you, especially then.

On to the lecture by astronaut **Edward Lu '84**, who had just returned from 260 days in space. He would be willing to sign on for a three-year trip to Mars. Many of us visited our newly renovated **Class of '44 Memorial Room** and checked the exhibit at **Barton** where each college displays its unique offerings.

On to get dressed up (coat and tie) for our only fancy event—cocktails and dinner at the **Statler**. **Bob Gallagher**, MC for the banquet, gave an entertaining talk. Some of us went down to the tents to dance—only three this year with **Dixieland**, rock and roll, and music of the '40s by a 15-piece band. It was only 9:30 so not much action. The **Rundells** were joined by two other couples who soon quit, as did we—grass too high; should have been mowed for dancing. Lots of people standing around—good listening!

Back to **Hurlburt** and a perusal of the **Kestens'** books—86 pages of more than 650 legit '44s with addresses and phone numbers, 25th and 55th reunions with lots of photos, and three separate binders of website pages. Next-day plans for **Hotel** and **DVM** breakfasts, fraternity, sorority, and **Plantations** visits were made.

Saturday morning in our red porkpie hats and VPs in the **Club '44** shirts, we gathered at

**Bartels Hall** (the much enlarged **Field House**) for the President's address. On to **Barton Hall** for the sitting for the **Big Picture**, and '44's parading around the **All-Alumni Lunch** tables. A few of us later went down to **Uris Hall** to take a trip to **Mars** and to listen to a lecture on electioneering.

After our clams and lobster dinner in a tent behind **Roberts Hall**, we marched up to **Bartels** with all the other classes for **Cornelliana Night** when all the big numbers are announced and we sing the favorite songs. Now for the numbers: We registered 126 classmates, 21 other Cornellians, 56 guests—total 203. Yes, we really broke the 60th record of 105 classmates held by the **Class of '38**. The check for the university added up to \$3,206,348 from 245 donors (dues-payers 347). **Tower Club** members number 38—60-year **Reunion Record** and a new class best.

Now, how about our in-house statistics? Who traveled farthest—**Bill Felver** from the **Isle of Bute**, **Rothesay**, **Scotland** (two of his sons met him on his arrival in **Ithaca**). Who traveled hardest—**Stanton Bower** and son crossed the **US** in their **RV** from **San Luis Obispo, CA**, and back. **Dunbar King** drove his antique **Ford** from **Verona, NJ**, followed by his friend **Richard Fairchild '46, BS '49** (just in case). His traveling companion, a well-stuffed springer spaniel, guarded his car at **Hurlburt House**. Some facts about the car—1926 **Model T**, racing green in color, gray wool upholstery, comfortable spring seats but no heater, no defroster, requires eight adjustments to start. **Dunbar** called me to report the car made it back 200 miles to a restoration shop in **Hibernia**—just 25 miles from home. Shop owner says it is finished, but **Dunbar** won't give up.

**Andy, MD '46**, and **Sherrill Capi** took off for their usual two summer months in **Portugal** and the rest of us just started home, heads full of nostalgia, lots of good memories, and everlasting appreciation and admiration of the **Kestens**. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski Rundell**, 20540 **Falcons Landing Cir.**, #4404, **Sterling, VA** 20165; tel., (703) 404-9494.

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A grand time was had by all! The **Gilberts**—**Inger (Molmen)** and **Jack**—did it again! We sure thank them and the **Cornell staff** and students for a very enjoyable 55th **Reunion**. The weather cooperated beautifully, once Thursday's rain cleared. Lots of meeting and greeting at our headquarters, after careful observation of name tags! Great to see **Doris Kershaw Guba**, **Babs Stern Isaacson**, **Bill Barber**, **Bill Eldred**, **LLB '53**, and **Harry Flood**, to name a few. The **Savage Club** show had a lot to like—skits, solos, duets, the band, piano, sing alongs, even juggling, and a bedtime story—and so to sleep.

Friday's continental breakfast in the **Mews** tent was a perfect chance to make new friends like **William Wade** and **Iris**, **Jim Mayer**, **Dick** and **Rena Lustberg**. Congratulations to our athletes: **Ralph Coryell** was first in the 70-and-older **Cornell Run**; the **Golf** class winner was **Ronald Hailparn**; in the tennis tournament, only six stalwart, olde bodies played—**Russ Meyer** and **Lee Regulski** were the best. **Jack Rupert, JD '51**, **Dick** and **Rena Lustberg**, and *moi* gave it the old col-

lege try. **Norm Baker** finally rowed stroke, setting the pace. Beebe Lake class luncheon saw an influx of new talent: **Chuck Reynolds** and **Sis, Ken** and **Sally Wallace Murray '50**, and **Dick** and **Joan Noden Keegan '50**, among others. Lectures, the Cornell Store, and exploring the campus filled the afternoon, followed by a tasty class barbecue on the Ag Quad, with more new faces appearing—**Wendel Kent**, **Lee Metzger**, and **Donald** “Red Dog” **Johnston**. A number of us attended the Cornell Chorus (co-ed) concert at Sage—very impressive. Singalongs took place each eve at headquarters with **Tom Foulkes '52** on the piano. Stand beside **Faith Goldberg** Hailparn—she knows all the words! She says, “Can’t remember what I ate yesterday but . . .!”

Saturday morn at breakfast we perused a *Cornell Daily Sun* June 10, '49 newspaper to make sure we had graduated. All names were listed individually by college. One headline read “3,000 'old' alumni return for Reunion Week Gaiety.” So, were you? The four lesser tennis players tried again while others went to the Johnson Museum to see early Chinese ceramics from the Shatzman Collection (Herbert and **Eunice Frohman** Shatzman). President **Jeffrey Lehman '77**, son of **Leonard** and **Imogene Lehman**, gave an informative and inspiring State of the University Address at 10:30. After our milk punch party, thanks to **Carl Schwarzer** and **Barbara Bickford**, the All-Alumni Luncheon at Barton was enjoyed and our class picture (pictures!) were taken. Perhaps a lecture or even a nap this afternoon. The class reception, banquet, and business meeting at the Statler came next. A delightful surprise was the visit of **Ingrid Arnesen '76**, daughter of the late **Leif Arnesen**, at our Saturday banquet. We managed to seat her with a group of Psi Us, including Leif’s roommate. We were honored to have President Lehman and his charming wife **Kathy Okun** join us for dinner. *Cornelliana* Night fun. Our class gave \$1,606,521 and set a record of 460 donors, and tied the record of 39 Tower Club members.

Our officers for the next five years are as follows: President—**John J. Gilbert Jr.**; VPs—**Inger Molmen Gilbert**, **Richard J. Keegan**, and **John E. Rupert**; Treasurer—**John E. Rupert**; Class Correspondent—**Richard J. Keegan**; Cornell Fund Rep.—**Richard H. Lustberg**; Secretary/Historian—**Bette McGrew** Benedict; Reunion Chairs—**Doris Kershaw** Guba and **Ken Murray**.

Now here is something to strive for. I met Cornell’s oldest Reunion attendee this weekend—102 years young and really with it! Good luck and take care! I enjoyed being your class correspondent. Bye! [*Mary, the class thanks you profusely for your enjoyable columns. Please enjoy your retirement.*] ♦ **Mary Heisler Allison**, 1812 Puerto Bello Dr., Lady Lake, FL 32159; tel., (352) 259-0203.

**54**<sub>R</sub> Two hundred and ninety classmates did return in June to “tread the Hill again.” Including spouses and other guests, we totaled about 480 souls. Our 50th Reunion, comfortably headquartered in Court Hall, was meticulously planned and graciously executed by co-chairs **Ken Hershey** and **Rosemary Seelbinder** Jung. As those “remembered chimes” rang out over the campus,

we scattered far and wide in perfect weather, many seeing the changed landscape for the first time in 50 years. Ithaca weather was cooperative, allowing for golf, tennis, biking, hiking, strolling, and a great dinner at the Plantations.

Your reunion committee arrived early and managed to send winds and rain on their way by noon Thursday when the celebrants began to arrive. The tennis and golf players had a bit of a soggy time, but those who chose to taste some of the best of the local grapes had a good trip up the lake for lunch and wine-tasting at **Sheldrake Wineries** under the able stewardship of **Lew Stone**. Dinner Thursday was to be found in our tent directly across from Class HQ, with **Hope’s Way** serving the first of their fabulous meals. Some of us managed to leave the convivial atmosphere to make the **Savage Club Show**, relocated to Sage while **Bailey** is under renovation. Others talked well beyond sunset, seeing some classmates for the first time in 50 years.

The “green elms” of our youth have faded into memory, but we can still bring to mind those “golden dreams” as we hurried from class to class from one quad to the next with only ten minutes to navigate through the crowds. This time we walked or bussed from Court Hall to: Call Auditorium in **Kennedy Hall** to hear **Dave Call**, PhD '60, Pres. Emeritus **Frank Rhodes**, and **Glenn Altschuler**, PhD '76, discuss “What May the Future Hold for our Grand- and Great-grandchildren” in the areas of education, society, and food; to **Uris**, where professors **Ted Lowi** and **Joel Silbey** debated “The (Un)Making of the President 2000”; to **Martha Van** where in great numbers we listened as Professor **David Levitsky** told us all about the latest low carb diets; to **Uris** to hear about “The Big Red Planet” by members of the astronomy dept.; and to **Sibley Hall** to see “Being Eisenman—Being Back”, a video of **Peter Eisenman’s** work followed by his informal remarks.

Pres. **Jeffrey Lehman '77** and his wife **Kathy Okun** were the honored guests at our banquet Friday night at **Barton Hall**. **Johnny Russo’s** band played, as it did for us the entire weekend. **Bob Levitan** introduced President Lehman to the class, and he welcomed us back with a few memory-jogging anecdotes.

Nearly 20 classmates were returning to the campus for the first time in 50 years. Many wished they had returned sooner. From “distant lands” came **Abdul Assifi**, who is presently in his native Afghanistan working with the new government. Regular returnees **Lee** and **Mary Fitzgerald Morton '56** were not able to attend this year, having been in a plane accident in Denver this past spring. As of June they were undergoing burn treatments in San Francisco.

A number of classmate contributions helped insure we had the proper atmosphere in which to recall those “visions of enchanted times.” **John Mariani’s** Banfi Wines were a taste sensation throughout the weekend. **Bill Pinchbeck’s** beautiful palate of pastel roses graced our dinner at **Barton Hall**. **Bob Benzinger’s** magic playing insured a rousing chorus to two of the songs we knew so well as undergraduates. We may forget car keys, but the words flowed like it was 1952. **Peggy Hill’s** incredible quilt, won by **Robert**

**Martin**, LLB '60, was the focal point of our headquarters. The quilt glowed with its subtle collection of muted red fabrics. **Chick Trayford**, MBA '60’s ability to run the maze of university databases not only led to the discovery of several lost classmates, but also aided in the even flow at registration. **Duane Neil**, who for years has been the mainstay of our fund-raising, spearheaded this year’s total sum of \$1,742,567, giving us a lifetime total of \$20,173,164. **Carl Dudley** once more led our Memorial Service that honors those classmates who have passed on. It was a total team effort reminiscent of those that sent Cornell to the top in the Fifties.

Best wishes were in order for newlyweds returning to the Hill: **Burt** and **Sylvia Taub** Bernstein-Tregub of Los Angeles, **Elizabeth** and **Jim Ritchey** of North Carolina, and **Joan** and **Bill Pinchbeck** of Vermont. **Bill** actually had his Senior Derby with him, and **Paul Nemiroff** managed to wear our rejected Dink throughout most of the weekend.

You elected a new slate to carry us through to the next reunion in 2009. **Ken** and **Rosemary** will serve as co-presidents to be ably assisted by VPs **Clancy Fautleroy**, **Louise Schaefer** Dailey, and **Lew Stone**. Our Web genius **Jan Jakes** Kunz will begin a revision of our site, so stay tuned for new features. **Bert Rosen** will step into **Lew Stone’s** shoes as treasurer, while **Warren Breckenridge** will take on the task of Fund representative. **Mitzi Sutton** Russekoff will continue her duties as secretary. Having been so successful in locating people, **Chick Trayford** has signed on as reunion co-chair along with **Jack Vail**. **Bob Levitan** has been elevated to President Emeritus, and yours truly will remain as your class scribe.

The entire list of those returning for reunion can be found at: <http://reunionreg.aad.cornell.edu/attended.cfm?class=54>. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, [ljreed@speakeasy.net](mailto:ljreed@speakeasy.net). Class website, <http://classof54.alumni.cornell.edu/>.

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Magical . . . loads of fun . . . so much to see . . . fabulous . . . an emotional high. Thus did people summarize their experiences during our 45th Reunion on June 10-13. More than 280 people, including 175 classmates, attended our reunion, with most of us staying in the townhouses on North Campus. Among us were eight classmates attending their first-ever reunion. Many classmates worked to make Reunion memorable, with especial credit going to Reunion Co-Chairs **Gwen Woodson** Frazee and **Fred Harwood** and Registration Chair **Jane Taubert** Wiegand. Our class represented over 25 percent of the total 2004 reunion contributions to the university—\$11.7 million out of \$44 million. Included in this amount was the Class of '59 Scholarship endowment.

Cornell notables who joined our class at various events included **Susan Murphy '73**, PhD '94, vice president for student and academic services, who spoke to us during our Friday evening dinner at Appel Commons. “The demographics she presented—contrasting the incoming class of 2009 with our Class of 1959—were breathtaking.”

said Fred Harwood. **Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76**, the Thomas and Dorothy Litwin professor of American studies, provided dynamic and nostalgic insights about the 1950s and our generation, using numerous examples from our years on the Hill to illustrate his points.

He was followed by Christine Schelhas-Miller, director of the Carol Tatkon Center, a resource center for first-year students located in the south wing of Balch Hall. Classmate **Carol Clark Tatkon**, who had a remarkable career in the oil industry and served as a university trustee, died in 1997. Her daughter **Heather Tatkon Powers '91**, MPA '93, and son-in-law **Eric '86**, MBA '93, worked with the university to find a fitting use for her bequest to Cornell. Many of us toured the center, which hosts poetry readings, course-review sessions, study-skills workshops, and writing services. There are meetings in conference rooms, discussions in seminar rooms, a variety of programs in a fully equipped classroom—and lattes and smoothies available in Carol's Café.

This year's class forum, "Making a Difference," was conceived and organized by **Stefanie Lipsit Tashkovich, M Ed '64**, and moderated by **Barbara Benioff Friedman**. **Sid Wolfe** spoke about his work as director of Public Citizen Health Research Group; **Katy Boynton Payne**, an acoustic biologist in the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, described her studies on communication in forest elephants; and **Mike Green**, who retired last year from the National Academies, talked about his efforts on managing research programs in developing countries. **Chuck Hill**, an investment analyst covering the technology industry, talked about recent ethical misbehavior that has tarnished the investment profession, and **Barbara Hirsch Kaplan** described her efforts to raise money and plan special events for non-profit organizations such as MANNA, a group that feeds and counsels individuals and families living with AIDS and HIV.

We visited the new state-of-the-art Friedman Wrestling Center, for which **Steve** and **Barbara** provided initial funding. The center, which opened on Jan. 26, '03, seats 1,000 fans and features a training room, a strength and conditioning room, a study lounge/video viewing room, coaches' offices, and locker rooms. **Steve** held his classmates' attention as he spoke about an entirely different matter: his work as President George W. Bush's top economic advisor and head of the National Economic Council.

Saturday evening events began with a student musical in Lincoln Hall, with performances by some of Cornell's most gifted undergraduates. During the reception that followed, groups of us visited the practice room funded by our class gift in 1999. **Hyun Kyong Chang '04**, a senior music major practicing therein, commented, "All of us fight to get this room because it has the best piano, plus windows that give us a view of the greenery outside."

During a farewell brunch on Sunday morning, we paused for a moment of silence in remembrance of classmates who are no longer with us. A list of those who passed away during the years since our previous reunion, or whose deaths became known to the university during

that time, was posted nearby.

**Dave Dunlop** presented the slate of class officers, which was voted into office for a 5-year term, 2004-09: Co-Presidents **George Schneider** and **Barbara Hirsch Kaplan**; Vice Presidents **Ron Demer** (Affinity Groups), **Steve Fillo** (Advice & Counsel), and **Marian Fay Levitt** (Scholarship Endowment); Webmaster **Al Newhouse**; Treasurer **Diane Dogan Hilliard**; Secretary **Bill Kingston**; Cornell Fund Representative **Bill Day**; Reunion Co-Chairs **Dave Dunlop** and **Harry Petchesky**; and yours truly as Class Correspondent. In addition, we approved the creation of a new office, Class Historian, and voted to appoint **Chuck** and **Nancy Sterling Brown** to the position.

**Chuck** then announced the results of the Beebe Lake run/walk, in which participants announce ahead of time how long it will take them to go around the lake. Winners—those who came closest to correctly predicting their times—were **Dave Chandler, ME '63**, for twice around the lake and yours truly for once around. Which in my case demonstrates that one needn't be an athlete to win an athletic event at Cornell! ♦ **Jenny Tesar, 97A** Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, jet24@cornell.edu.

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What a great Reunion! One of the best, everyone agreed. Just about everything about it was perfect: the weather (clear and cool), the attendance (238 classmates, a near-record for a 40th, with spouses and significant others making a total gathering of 360-plus), the food (a hugely delicious variety), the music (including a fabulous '60s rock band), the seminars and special events . . . you name it! Those of us who attended owe a big thanks to all who organized our weekend and made sure all went smoothly during it, especially **Sue Mair Holden**, **Barbara Lutz Brim**, **Don McCarthy**, **Judie Pink Gorra**, **Ed Dealy, MBA '66**, and **Joanne Herron**.

A personal observation: just about everyone there looked better—trimmer, more fit, overall healthier—than we did five years ago. This was underscored by our sometimes frenzied dancing Friday night, when we overflowed the dance floor and rocked into the wee hours. And everyone was so darned positive. For all the calamities and geo-political woes that have pummeled and traumatized America since our last reunion, our classmates are embarked upon renewed lives: some into retirement, others into new careers, still others continuing to work happily away in their chosen fields. It's great that we all get along so well, whether we knew each other on campus or not, as we are bonded by shared memories—not only of our time at Cornell, but of subsequent influential events, both personal and otherwise. All-in-all, a great weekend that left everyone anxious for the next reunion.

Now to news. **Paul Reading, MD '68**, retired May 1 after 30 years in his clinical ob/gyn practice. **Paul** and wife **Kathy** live in Poway, CA. **Earle Marie Low** Manson is also retired (June 2003), she from a 27-year career as a chemist at Los Alamos Nat'l Laboratory, ending as division leader of the 900-person engineering sciences

and application division. She and also-retired husband **Dean Carstens** spend time traveling (recently including a tour of Alaska, a five-week East Coast driving trip, and frequent visits to Mexico), plus swimming, hiking, skiing, and bridge. They still live in Los Alamos.

Yet another recent retiree is **Ann Wilson Rounds**, who had been a teacher and district coordinator and still works part-time as an English curriculum coordinator. **Ann** and husband **Tom** enjoy singing, hiking, opera, and bird-watching. They recently traveled to Germany and Portugal. The **Rounds** live in San Mateo, CA. **Valerie Jesraly Seligsohn** recently retired from her position as an associate professor of art with the Community College of Philadelphia, then took a similar position with the Daytona Beach (FL) Community College, the new home for her and husband **Melvin**. She is continuing her work at U. of Pennsylvania College of Design's board as Florida director. Select works of **Valerie's** were part of a special exhibit at Reunion. In 2002, a large landscape of hers, "Lake of Life," was made a focal point of Bellevue Hospital's Rita J. Kaplan Breast Imaging Center. She enjoys music, reading, walking, golf, and bicycling, while cutting back on her workload and professional life.

**David Austin, MS '67**, retired last March after 37 years at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory designing naval nuclear propulsion systems. **Dave** and wife **Mary Anne**, still living in Scotia, NY, spend their time as volunteers, supporting several Christian outreach groups, and enjoy traveling to visit friends and see new places. **Michael Graves** retired in June after 37 years as a teacher and social studies instructional leader at the Green Central School District. **Dave** enjoys photography. He and wife **Suzanne** live in Fairport, NY.

Not retired is botanical artist **Sally Greenstein Jacobs**, who lives in Los Angeles. **Sally** writes, "I'm thrilled with my final and most surprising career, painting watercolor plant portraits that are shown in exhibitions throughout the country." Physician **Morris Pollock** is a gastroenterologist who enjoys golf and extensive travel with wife **Suzanne** from their home in Raleigh, NC. **Suki Sharp** Starnes is a lawyer involved in human rights mediation. Last April, she and husband **Colin**, who live in Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, spent five weeks touring China and Thailand.

**Carolyn Spiesz** Hagan is a counselor with Student Support Services (a TRIO project) and coordinator of summer programs at the Center for Gifted Studies at Western Kentucky U. She and husband **John** live in Bowling Green, KY, and have done lots of travel recently—to Arizona, Colorado, and New Mexico, plus lots of weddings coast to coast. When it comes to travel, **David Marion, MA '66**, has a special situation. He has a psychotherapy practice in his hometown, Berwyn, PA, but his wife and teenage daughter live in New South Wales, Australia, where she moved to take a new job. **David** tries to get there each April and August.

Scientist **Leonard Berman** writes that he was unable to attend reunion because he was in Milan, Italy, for a meeting of the Int'l Standards Organization. **Leonard**, who enjoys sailing and tennis, lives with wife **Charlotte** in Huntington,

NY. **George** and **Patricia Lenihan Ayres** have a 60-acre farm in Shortsville, NY, where they raise berries, corn, pumpkins, soybeans, wheat, rye, and alfalfa. Pat is berry manager of their Fresh Ayr Farm and is baker and manager of the Fresh Ayr Farm Market. For all that, they're into theater, dining out, and travel, recently to North Carolina and California to visit family. The Ayres are also active with Cornell (the NESARE Project), serve on the Farmington Agricultural Advisory Committee, and serve on their two local library boards and their community development corporation.

**Abby Stolper** Bloch, a nutrition consultant, is VP of programs and research for the Dr. Robert C. Atkins Foundation. She and husband Stanley live in Manhattan, from which she teaches skiing, plays golf, rides Stanley's Harley-Davidson motorcycle, and goes to all New York Mets home games. On the flip side of life in the Big Apple, **Charles Kentnor** sells real estate in Sonoita, AZ, and also with his wife operates a bed-and-breakfast facility and a horse operation on their property. Chuck is into bike riding, horseback riding, sporting clays (shooting), and travel, recently to the Cook Islands and Argentina where they have a small vineyard. Chuck manages to get to Tucson for Cornell Club meetings, is on the board of directors of Seesi, and is treasurer of his Rotary Club. He reports recently seeing classmates **Gary Ehlig**, MBA '66, **Tony Anthony**, and **Steve Halstead**, MBA '66. He plans to sell the B&B shortly, but in the meantime invites classmates in the Tucson area to drop by and see their paradise.

Back in NYC, **Richard Hecht** is a senior partner in the country's 36th-largest accounting firm, Marks, Paneth & Shron. His interests include tennis, golf, biking, running—and creating a fair federal tax system. Dick and wife Susan live in White Plains, where he is on the school board. A recent trip to Europe found the Hechts in France, Belgium, Luxemburg, Italy, and Spain. Also in Manhattan, with husband Hal, **Leslie Seiden** still works as a psychiatrist, with no plans to retire. She says she seems to work longer and harder all the time, but still finds it deeply rewarding.

That's all for now. Keep the news flowing—and be sure to visit our class website: <http://classof64.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, [blamont@tribune.com](mailto:blamont@tribune.com).

**69** Crisp, bright skies and comfortable temperatures were the backdrop for our 35th Reunion—just right for walking the campus hills. For those of us attending, there was plenty of opportunity to get calf muscles back in shape. The class was headquartered in Cascadilla Hall, so it was uphill to most venues. If you don't remember this graceful 19th-century building, that's probably because it is located across the gorge, off Stewart Avenue, and was a graduate student dormitory in our time. Its comfortable lounge with large windows framing a view over Collegetown created a relaxed setting to reminisce with old friends and to forge new ones.

The reunion activities began on Friday morning with a thought-provoking class forum organized and introduced by **Doug Antczak**, a profes-

sor of genetics at Cornell. Dr. **Philip Reilly**, CEO of Interleukin, held our unwavering attention during his talk, "The New Biology: Ethical, Legal & Social Issues." He challenged the audience with numerous ethical dilemmas. For example, what is a doctor's responsibility when confronted with a patient that has a genetic disease with potentially serious impact on the health of an offspring? Is the physician ethically bound to respect doctor-patient privacy or to inform the child? Having earned both a medical and a law degree, Phil was singularly qualified to lead the lively discussion. Everyone came away with new perspectives and a conviction that the program should be shared with a wider Cornell audience.

Both Friday and Saturday allowed time for campus-wide activities that were sponsored by nearly every college and affinity group. There were alumni athletic events, tours, meetings, and lectures. **Edward Lu '84**, a NASA astronaut and veteran of three space missions, talked on "Rocket Ships, Asteroids, Dinosaurs, and Immortality." He recently returned to Earth after spending six months aboard the international space station. The audience was delighted to see a photograph of the Cornell campus from space. Ed explained that he had passed over many times beginning in the month of April, and it had taken until August to find a cloud-free day.

The class reassembled for cocktails and dinner in Trillium, a contemporary glass-walled room on the Ag Quad, which was followed by the traditional tent parties on the Arts Quad. At the dinner, the class took the opportunity to thank outgoing class presidents **Joe Cervasio** and **Tim Schiavoni** for their efforts. A special thanks goes to Tim, who arrived before Reunion began and did yeoman's work to help set up the class headquarters. The dinner also gave us a chance to catch up with classmates. Joe has recently published *Bad News on the Doorstep*, a saga about a blue-collar ethnic family that is set in the '50s. **Bob Tallo** is the athletic director at a college in North Carolina and will be teaching a new course on ethics when classes begin again. **Gail Papermaster** Bender-Satz was there with her husband of two years, Dr. Mark Satz.

At Saturday's breakfast buffet, **Joe Burleson** had us laughing with his story of freshmen pouring over pictures of coeds in the pig book. When **Stan Chess**, JD '72, joined the banter, we laughed even harder. After a morning full of activities, the class met at Barton Hall for lunch and the class picture. There were two popular lectures in the afternoon. The first, "The Red Planet: An Up Close and Personal Look at the Mars Rover Mission," was presented by **Steven Squyres '78**, PhD '81, Cornell astronomy professor and leader of the Mars Rover mission. He delighted the audience with the newest pictures of the Martian surface and described the designing, testing, and operation of the two mission robots. The second lecture, "The (Un)Making of the President 2004," given by Theodore Lowi and Joel Silbey, was standing-room-only.

The major class event of the weekend was cocktails and dinner at the Johnson Art Museum. Although the outstanding venue offered a fine collection and generous views, most people didn't see

them, preferring to remain in the lobby reuniting with classmates. We learned that **Ken White**, MEE '70, is a consultant and president of his enterprise, Visual Sense Systems, located in Ithaca. He also arranges for the guest speakers at the monthly meetings of the Cornell Society of Engineers. **John Wilkens**, MEE '71, our able class webmaster, works for DuPont and lives in Kennett Square, PA. **Rich Nalevanko** took the opportunity to retire from Mobil when they merged with Exxon. After a lifetime of relocating to various parts of the world, he and his wife Joy have settled in Alstead, NH. Classmates tell us their guest quarters are located in remodeled boxcars on their farm. After dinner, the Alumnae Chorus/Glee Club entertained in the new Bartels Hall athletic facility, where **Knight Kiplinger** impressed fraternity brother **Roy Little** and his wife Betsy by remembering all the words.

Our reunion chair **Tina Economaki** Riedl worked tirelessly to make the reunion a success. Everything from choosing venues to designing banners to paying the student assistants was her responsibility. As our solo reunion chair, she deserves much of the credit for a memorable weekend. One of Tina's choices, the fleece stadium blanket that was part of the reunion gift, immediately came in handy for the women staying at the Alpha Phi house. At night when the temperature dropped into the fifties, **Libby Peters** Blankenhorn, **Kathy Eagan**, and **Kristin Keller** Rounds used them to augment the thin cotton coverlets on their beds. This was Kristin's second trip to Cornell in as many weeks, as her daughter **Jessica '04** just graduated from the College of Human Ecology. Kristin's younger daughter Stephanie is a sophomore at Wellesley. **Ted Joep** talked proudly about attending 17 consecutive football games at Tufts to watch his son play. This is even more impressive when you know that Ted lives in California, and Tufts is located in Massachusetts. **Ronnie Schwartz** Monsky had to leave Reunion early to see her 10-year-old daughter dance in a ballet recital. Back in Hillsdale, NY, Ronnie has a thriving psychology practice. **Stephen Goldberger** took time from his ear, nose, throat, and allergy medical practice in Missouri to attend Reunion. During the weekend, he sparked some lively political debates. **Andrew Nierenberg** flew all the way from Coral Gables, FL, to be with us. Back home, he is an attorney with a busy private practice. **Sandy Schroeder** Brinker and her husband Jeff found time to get away from the management of their two retirement communities located in Pennsylvania. They could be seen around campus leading their two beautiful and well-behaved golden retrievers; the foursome even toured Cascadilla gorge! The Brinkers' pets revived memories of our student days when dogs ran free over the Cornell campus.

Alpha Tau Omega always has a strong contingent at reunions and this year was no exception. **John Rees**, MCE '70, was back and has agreed to serve as our new class president. At home in Oregon, John is president of Rees & Associates, a real estate development, management, and investment company. **Bob Potter**, having served as class president and now a vice president, vows to do some "drum beating" so that our next reunion

will have a record-breaking attendance. Recently, Bob sold his company, Centre County Community Foundation, and is enjoying well-earned leisure time. Another fraternity brother, **Alan Cody**, and his wife **Elisabeth (Allen)**, MAT '70, were on hand. Elisabeth, a landscape architect, impressed those on a Plantations garden tour by recalling the Latin name of a rare species of tree. Alan is a business consultant. The Codys live in Newton, MA. Before closing, the class wants to thank **Sandy Mathis** Tarpinian, MAT '73, for her hard work as registration chair. ♦ **Arda Coyle** Boucher, 21 Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031; e-mail, aboucher@airmar.com.

**74** Our reunion was a blast this year! The weather was great—thankfully so for all of those staying in the dorms—and there were plenty of activities to keep us busy. We had an informative town meeting with President **Jeffrey Lehman** '77, and a box lunch affair outside the Johnson Art Museum, followed with a private tour. For those of us able to get up early, there was horseback riding, tours of various parts of the campus, and a book group discussion. We all enjoyed a lunch held at the Plantations, and Beebe Beach was the venue for a beautiful evening party. On Saturday afternoon there was the Duffield Hall tour, followed by the Notables dinner at Barton Hall that night.

**Renee Alexander** won the Fred Bosch award at the Notables dinner. This award was created seven years ago, in memory of the late **Fred Bosch** '74, to honor the classmate whose volunteer work on behalf of Cornell has made the largest impact on the class. Renee promised to bring back at least 30 African-American classmates for our 30th Reunion—an ambitious goal and one that if achieved, would increase the number of '74 AA Reunion attendees by more than 1,000 percent. Renee met her goal, and we all benefited from that! She reconnected many classmates with Cornell and with each other. Our class has the largest number of African Americans who matriculated of any class, ever, before or since, at Cornell. One more thing that makes the Class of '74 so remarkable! Thanks go to **Janet Crawford** and **Bill Walker**, among others, for assisting Renee.

During dinner, everyone who attended reunion had their yearbook picture flashed on the big screen. It was very amusing to see how young we all looked. Acknowledgments were also made to those who made the reunion such a hit. At the end of the night, classmates checked under their chairs to see if they were the lucky winners of a donated prize.

Thanks go out to the following people who graciously contributed items to Reunion: **Bob Dicator**, **Jacqueline Leidenfrost**, **Mike Sansbury**, **John Rolfs**, **Charlie Henry**, MBA '76, **Ed Evans**, MBA '75, **Gary Bettman**, **Eddy Daniel**, **Steve Heyer**, **Jay Spiegel**, **Jack Wind**, **Mort Bishop**, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, Laboratory of Ornithology, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell Plantations, Cornell Outdoor Education, Cornell University Press, Cornell Libraries, Cornell Recreational Services, Cornell Athletics Dept., University Photography, Johnson

School, Cornell Entrepreneurship Program, and the Hotel school. **John Foote**, **Carolyn Gregg** Will, and **Joe Kowalik** are to be congratulated for all of their hard work in putting our reunion together. It was greatly appreciated by all who attended.

**Kristen Rupert** sent me some info on Reunion stats. The number of classmate attendees was 312, breaking Cornell's record for a 30th by more than 70 people. When you add in other adults (alumni from other classes, spouses, and friends), that's another 130 people. Plus, we had 100 children. It is amazing that 46 classmates attending had never been back to the campus since 1974.

For fund-raising, we are very close to our goal of 1,200 donors with about 1,017. We had 102 Tower Club donors as of June 13, very close to our goal of 125. The mere fact that we have more than 1,000 donors is remarkable and it places us ahead of all other reunion classes in 2004. The fund numbers will change, because gifts will come in through June 30. We've raised about \$4.5 million dollars, well on the way to our goal of \$6 million.

New class officers were voted into office over Reunion Weekend. John Foote has agreed to be our new President. Other officers include: Vice Presidents—**John Alexander**, **Renee Alexander**, **Brian Beglin**, **Mary Berens**, **Linda Meyers** Geyer, **Kristen Rupert**, and **Evan Stewart**; Membership Contacts—**Jessica Bram** and **Cris Cobaugh**; Webmaster—**Andrew Chang**; Treasurer—**Dale Lazar**; Class Correspondents—**Betsy Moore**, **Bill Howard**, and **Steve Raye**; Cornell Fund Representatives—**Paul Burmeister**, MBA '76, and **Nancy Maczulak** Fisher; Secretary—**Ann Goodwin**; Reunion Chairs—**Betsy Beach**, **Joe Kowalik**, **Helga Valdmanis** Toriello, and **Carolyn Gregg Will**. A Class Council is being formed. If you are interested, please let John Foote know.

This column had to be turned in shortly after the end of Reunion. Needless to say, that left little time to gather stories from everyone. So please forward all of your Reunion stories to one of our correspondents for inclusion in the upcoming issues. **Bill Howard** and **Betsy Moore** have volunteered to join **Steve Raye** in writing the class news as **Betsy Beach** and I (**Linda Meyers Geyer**) go on to other jobs for the class. They can be reached at: ♦ **Steve Raye**, [sraye321@aol.com](mailto:sraye321@aol.com); **Bill Howard**, [billhoward@comcast.net](mailto:billhoward@comcast.net); and **Betsy Moore**, [bmoore@cazcollege.edu](mailto:bmoore@cazcollege.edu).

**79** ReUnioN 25 was a huge success! The weather was spectacular—blue skies with light breezes, temperatures in the mid 70s during the day and mid 50s at night, and crystal clear visibility. A total of 367 classmates, 158 adult friends and spouses, and 241 children attended and enjoyed the diverse activities. Hats off to **Brad** and **Mary Maxon Grainger**, MPS '87, who did an absolutely remarkable job planning and organizing the weekend! And special kudos to Class President **Jeff Berg**, MBA '81, who, along with **Mary** and **Brad**, seemed to be everywhere during the weekend, making sure that everyone else in attendance was having a wonderful time!

Many thanks, too, to the following classmates who served on the Reunion Committee and took on significant tasks: **Susan Call** Terasaka, MPS '81 (food and beverage); **Steve Fontana** and **Mike**

**Furman** (entertainment); **Mary Anderson** Ochs (souvenirs); **Elina Hum** Pratt (corporate gifts); **Karen Jewett** (door prizes); **Jordan Schell-Lambert**, ME '80 (classmate authors); **Sarah Lumley** Bean and **Jeff Ford** (class directory); **Lori Glass** Citak (classmates at Cornell); **Peg Caldwell**-Ott (our faculty invitations); **Ruth Chatterton** Robinson (confirmations); **Christie Gilmartin** Waters (gift wrapping); **Jennifer Engel** Young (local tourism); and **Judi Greif** (yearbook photos).

"Then and now" photos adorned the walls of the Balch Unit 1 Lounge and provided an entertaining way to check out who had already arrived. The souvenir table was stocked with great items, including red fleece vests that saw plenty of action as classmates headed out in the night air to the tent parties.

On Thursday evening, the class dinner was held next to Beebe Lake under a tent with "Captain Kush's [**Barry Kushelowitz**] Beebe Bash" providing musical entertainment. **Brad Grainger** arranged for complimentary canoes, which were a big hit, enabling attendees to explore the lake and relax. Each evening, "Afterglow" was held in the Unit 1 Lounge of Balch Hall, complete with beer, wine, soda, and snacks, and many classmates and guests could be found hanging out and chatting into the early morning hours.

Friday evening, a BBQ Dinner was held on North Campus under a big tent. President Emeritus **Frank Rhodes** gave a pithy, heartfelt "welcome home" speech that was greatly appreciated by all. After dinner, classmates went to the tent parties, looked at the stars at the Fuertes Observatory, bowled at **Helen Newman**, visited the Hot Truck, and/or just sat around and caught up on each other's lives.

Saturday morning, some classmates listened to the first State of the University Address delivered by President **Jeffrey Lehman** '77. Others participated in athletic events or wandered around campus. Everyone converged on the Arts Quad at noon for a picnic lunch that featured wine served by **David Peterson**, the general manager of Swedish Hill Winery and Goose Watch Winery. **Dave** is married to **Joan** and they have children **Amanda**, 21, who is an accounting student at **St. John Fisher** in Rochester, and **Kyle**, 13.

At the picnic, the following classmates provided this news about their lives: **Gary Weiss** ([gweiss@orrick.com](mailto:gweiss@orrick.com)), wife **Michiko Tamate**, and their children **Maia**, 15, **Natasha**, 11, and **Kenzo**, 5, live in San Francisco. **Gary** is the managing partner of **Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe's** Menlo Park office. He is an intellectual property trial lawyer, specializing in trade secrets and industrial espionage cases. **Gary** writes, "It's great to be back in Ithaca!" **David Cordon** ([dcordon@svcmcnyc.org](mailto:dcordon@svcmcnyc.org)) and wife **Susy** have been married 15 years and have children **Rebecca**, 4, and **Gabriella**, 5. They live in Upper Montclair, NJ. **David** is a psychiatrist and runs the adult services at Saint Vincent's Hospital in NYC.

**Joann Sikorski** Watterson earned her MBA at Columbia and then worked at MCI/Worldcom for 18 years. In 2000, **Joann** left work to stay home with daughter **Livvy**, 4-1/2. **Joann** has been married to **Kerry** for 17 years and they now reside close to family in Bay Village, OH. **Valerie Litwin**

Meyers is living in New Jersey with husband Larry and daughter Sarah, 10. After practicing law for a number of years, Valerie retired from that career. For the past 12 years, she has been the office manager for Larry's dermatology practice. The Meyers enjoy traveling, most recently to Israel. This summer, they plan to visit Austria and Switzerland.

**Phil Ribolow** is married to Anne Downes, a native of New Zealand. Phil works for Deutsche Bank in real estate finance with a focus on the hotel industry. **Dana Wilde** Kozlarek (danakozlarek@msn.com) and family moved back to the US last year after living in Russia for 11 years. They work with The Navigators, a nondenominational Christian ministry. Currently, the Kozlareks are living in Colorado, where they love the mountains, weather, and people. They have children Katie, 16, Amy, 14, Cameron, 12, and Nicholas, 9.

**Diane Solomon Doppelt** and husband **Earl, JD '71**, are the parents of Kyle, Brad, and Meredith. Kyle was accepted to Cornell early decision last fall, but will defer his enrollment until Fall 2005 so that he can attend the Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy in Florida. **Debbie Heffter** and husband have children Zoe, 10, Tristan, 9, Quinn, 5, and Drew, born in January 2004.

**Clarence Reed** has completed his first and second travel goals and is currently working on his next two goals: first, visit every state; second, visit every US revolving restaurant; third, ride 250 different roller coasters; and fourth, visit every spot mentioned in the song "Kokomo." **Tim Miller** (Miller@stargen.com), a civil engineering major, is the co-founder and CEO of Stargen Inc., a venture capital-backed start-up that makes semiconductor products. Tim and wife Sarah have children Russell, 13, Ryan, 11, and Allison, 3.

**Deborah Webster** (Deborah\_Webster@hotmail.com) lives in Merrimac, MA, where she is between career stops after being downsized earlier this year. She is keeping busy serving as a deacon in her church, acting in the Merrimac Community Theater, and working as a troop committee member of her son Alex's Boy Scout Troop. Alex is working on his Eagle Rank and daughter Meredith has been accepted to the Commonwealth College at UMass Amherst. **Rowlie Bates**, MPS '84, is living in Boston with wife **Pam (Carney) '81** and their sons Chris, Trevor, and Graham. Rowlie commutes to New Jersey weekly to develop a new private golf club and residential project on NY Bay overlooking the Statue of Liberty and the Manhattan skyline.

At the buffet dinner at Bartels Hall, where we also enjoyed the fruit of Dr. Konstantin Frank Wine Cellars, courtesy of **Frederick Frank**, the new class officers were elected. Class President Jeff Berg (who will serve as our class president for another five years) announced that our class had raised, as of that evening, over \$6.6 million from 900 classmates for our 25th Reunion gift! Many classmates won door prizes, and Mary and Brad Grainger learned that the class was sending them on an R&R vacation to recover from their efforts as the 25th Reunion chairs. Around 11 p.m. many classmates headed off to the Arts Quad for the Tent Parties and the delights of the Hot Truck.

Sunday morning arrived and attendees were treated to a wide array of food at the brunch

held on the Terrace of Balch Hall's Unit 3. By noon many families had packed up and were on their way back home, each with the glowing, sunny sight of Ithaca in their rearview mirrors.

In closing, we have a new classmate joining us as class correspondent: **Cindy Williams** of Huntsville, NC. Please don't forget to e-mail us at classof79@cornell.edu so that we can all keep in touch. Or write to us directly. Happy autumn! ♦ **Cynthia Ahlgren** Shea, cynthiashea@hotmail.com; **Kathy Zappia** Gould, rdgould@suscom.net; and **Cindy Williams**, cew32@cornell.edu.

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Reunion was SPECTACULAR! We owe many thanks to **Janet Insardi** and **Kitty Cantwell**, our reunion co-chairs, as well as our class officers and the many other classmates who volunteered before and during the weekend. A special note for those who missed reunion: **Mike Whiting**, husband of **Wendy (Zeh) '85**, works with Pfizer and orchestrated the welcome bag with Listermint pocket packs and other goodies. We broke our previous attendance record, with more than 345 classmates attending. With partners and families, our total attendance was well above 750! It was great fun to be based at Donlon, which has considerably more indoor space to meet and greet everyone than the old West Campus dorms. By the time our 25th rolls around, we will probably be in a new dorm, all the rooms of which are air-conditioned! **Ed Lu**, our astronaut extraordinaire, provided two lectures during the weekend: the Olin Lecture, which I am sure is being covered elsewhere in this magazine, and a second talk given especially to the sons and daughters of our class. Special transportation was provided for all kids in the Cornell Youth Program as well. Ed provided a "home" video of life aboard the International Space Station, as well as descriptions of various training tasks undertaken before this six-month mission.

Far above Cayuga's Waters, **Christine Miller**, MBA '89, married Harry Whaley on May 8, '04 at St. John's Episcopal Church, and the ties to her hometown and alma mater were clear. Christine's sister, **Diane Miller '88**, was the maid of honor, **Terri Port McClellan** was a bridesmaid, and other Kappa Alpha Thetas joined in the celebration. **Penny Rhodes** McDonald is back on the East Coast with her husband Dan and three children. **Margaret Nagel** Gnegy '85 made the trip from West Virginia to see her "big sister" tie the knot. The Johnson School was also well represented by **Shannon Patsey**, MBA '89, **Nancy Schlie Knowles '83**, MBA '89 with husband **Jim '87** (who had moved back to Ithaca just days before the ceremony), and **Martin Resch**, MBA '90. Christine is still in pharmaceutical marketing at Merck, where she has been for 15 years, working on a product that treats osteoporosis. Harry runs a small consumer products company, Woodstream Corp., and they are now living in Downingtown, PA. The couple traveled to Hawaii for a honeymoon before returning for the 20th Reunion.

These notes were gathered during Reunion Weekend. Many Donlonites enjoyed being back in our old dorm and seeing a few others from that primal scream-filled freshman year. **Sherri Klein**

is in Boca Raton, FL, running Klein Communications. **Kitty Cantwell** and **Kevin McCormick** brought their children Nicholas, Matt, Patrick, Meg, and Kate, and all seven family members participated in the Reunion Run on Saturday morning. Some family members even took honors in the Run! **Bill Lee** and wife **Pat (Lehtola) '83** had a great time! Bill has been in touch with **Michelle Rossi**, **Jon Fitch**, **Janet Perales**, and **Bruce Calkins**, all of whom could not make it to Reunion. **Kathy Marinelli** started a new job with the counsel's office of the New York State Education Dept. It was fun to finally meet Kathy's partner Karin, who gets the credit for getting Kathy to give me an update! Kathy's sister **Karen Marinelli** and husband Bill Gomez enjoyed the weekend without their young daughters, who were with Grandma. Karen and Bill are living in Chicago and have both been with Marriott for more than 15 years!

**Sandy Stephens** (s.docandsons@aol.com), a pediatrician, traveled to Cornell from South Carolina with her mature and well-spoken children for the first time since graduation. **Duncan Perry**, MBA '88, recently reconnected with **Bob Geise** and **Scott Sumner**, who have settled in California. Business is taking Duncan to San Francisco on a regular basis. Duncan also headed up major gifts fund-raising for our class this year, with **Kersten Lanes**. Duncan was spotted in the Donlon Main Lounge catching up with **Bob Plunkett**, MBA '88, until the wee hours of the morning. **Dave Devereaux** is living in Arkansas, spending most of his time seeing nursing homes across the country for Beverly Healthcare. Dave is COO of Beverly, still spends time near the baseball field, and recently had a few cold ones with **Mark Giangulio**. Mark is living in Summit, NJ, with wife Debra and their hockey-playing daughter and son. Mark coaches his daughter's team, which my son Brian just joined. You can find Mark at the Grand Summit Hotel and Shackamaxon Country Club, as general manager of both organizations. **Daisy Ash** Lisansky showed her favorite free-time activity all weekend, as she wore a Tampa Bay Lightning jersey one day and a Cornell jersey the next. Daisy says, "If you're ever stuck in traffic in the Tampa/St. Pete area, turn on your radio. I might get you out of your jam!" **Karl Haakonsen**, known in his Cornell days by a different moniker, was pleased to see that the graffiti commemorating him is still there outside his old room in Donlon Hall.

**Cathy Hibbard** recently returned to the East Coast after living in Northern California for 12 years. She works for the US Fish and Wildlife Service's Northeast Regional Office in Western Massachusetts. She enjoys competing in long-distance horse rides with her mustang mare, Chance. Cathy and her freshman roommate **Anne-Marie Schultz** Macchia shared a room at Reunion, too! Anne-Marie is living in Madison, NJ, with her husband and two boys and has been working with L'Oréal for a long time. **Timothy Harrod** attended Reunion with his adorable daughter Jordan.

**Ruby Saake** came to our dinner table on Saturday night and gave us this note: "I thoroughly enjoyed seeing old classmates and meeting so many I hadn't known before. I reside in Brooklyn and remain active with Cornell." **Karen Beck-**

man and husband Peter live in NYC with their 1-year-old daughter Ruby. **Jack Tierney**, **Guy Donatiello**, and **Mary Wertz** Fitzpatrick all have family members attending Cornell! **Ted Kalinka** gave up the high tech world to build new homes in New Jersey as founder of Kalinka Homes LLC. He says it's been hard work, but fun, and a great learning experience. Ted recently hiked in the Franconia Notch area in New Hampshire. **Brad Wilson** is VP of Operations for W Hotels. Brad was the general manager of the first W Hotel in 1998. Currently there are 20 W Hotels and many more to come as the brand grows domestically and internationally. Brad recommends the El Tamarindo Resort in Mexico to anyone needing a good escape. Brad and **Liz Schafer** are exchanging e-mails to plan a birthday dinner. In the same crowd of friends, **Juliette Feeney-Timsit** was at Reunion and spent quality time with **Rob Kline** and his family. Juliette lives in Paris with her husband and two daughters, and Rob is in Northern California, where he's been based since graduation. **Chris Conroy**, like Brad, is a NYC hotelier, in the restaurant business.

News from the mailbag in the next issue! ♦ **Lindsay Liotta** Forness, [fornesszone@aol.com](mailto:fornesszone@aol.com); **Karla Sievers** McManus, [Klorax@attbi.com](mailto:Klorax@attbi.com). Class website, <http://classof84.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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Wow—our 15th Reunion was amazing! We had 224 classmates, 120 children, 90 adult guests, and 28 non-class alumni attend.

Those are impressive numbers! Thank you to **Erika Ange**, **Carol Borack**, and **Debbie Schaffel**, our reunion co-chairs, for making it all happen. The weekend was filled with activities including class breakfasts, Happy Hour, a barbecue dinner at Noyes, a picnic on the Arts Quad with the Hangovers entertaining the adults while a magician mesmerized the kids, a family scavenger hunt, and a Caribbean dinner at Beebe Lake with a surprise visit from retired university president Frank Rhodes. Plantation and winery tours were also planned for '89ers along with dozens of lectures, Cornelliana Night, and the evening tent parties.

People came from near and far. The person who definitely traveled the farthest was **Heather Doering** Mitchell, who came from Australia. **Julie Eskay**-Eagle was a close second, traveling from London. Classmates came from all parts of the country, like **John Dunn**, from Seattle; **David** (and Sharon) **Harap** from Austin; **Amy Susman**-Stillman from Minneapolis; and **Jamie Platt** Lyons from Atlanta. Nearly 30 were attending reunion for the very first time.

During Cornelliana Night our class was recognized as having new class bests for the number of Cornell Fund donors (totaling 760) and Tower Club members, reaching 17. Our class raised \$258,381 dollars for the Cornell Fund—thank you to all who donated! We have 42 Quadrangle Club members and 69 Charter Society members, and a whopping 587 class duespayers. Again, we all thank you for that!

Reunion starts the next term of class officers. Many thanks to the outgoing classmates who devoted so much of their time over the past five (or ten!) years to working for our class. **Elise**

**Billings** Hamann, president; **Melinda Fellner** Bramwit, vice president; **Gretchen E. Brooks**, secretary; and **Ross Rubin**, webmaster. Our new officers, who will serve from June 2004-09, are: **Rob Chodock** and **Debbie Schaffel**, co-presidents; **Shannon Gallivan**, vice president; **Carolyn Day** Flowers, treasurer; **Michael Dabrush**, secretary; **Stephanie Avidon**, **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, **Lauren Hoeflich**, and **Michael McGarry**, class correspondents; **Joy Higa**, **Tom Nemeth**, **Jamie Platt** Lyons, and **Leslie Scheidt** Redd, Cornell Fund representatives; **Erika Ange**, **Carol Borack**, and **Debbie Schaffel**, reunion chairs. Class Council representatives will be **Elise Billings** Hamann, **Lauren Hoeflich**, **John** and **Laura Pearlman Kaufman**, **Leslie Morgan**, **Joel Seligman**, MS '00, **Trevor Steer**, **Cathy Taylor**, and **Suki Tepperberg**.

Now onto the news: Joel Seligman sent an e-mail to let us all know about his exciting news. He and his partner Steven Ralston had a commitment ceremony on Oct. 18, '03 in York Harbor, ME. Nineteen of the guests were Cornellians, including classmates **Joe Dessi** from San Francisco, **Dave Houggy**, MEng '91, from Chicago, and **Bruce** and **Amy Tietjen Smith** '88 of Lebanon, NH. Joel honeymooned for two weeks in Brazil and the Galapagos Islands and lives in Boston, where he is executive director for university communications at Boston U.

**Lisa Waldman** and husband Paul had their first baby girl, Hailey Nicole, on Dec. 16, '03. While in the maternity ward, she ran into **Debbie Skolnik**, who gave birth to her second daughter. **Carolyn Day** Flowers was back at Reunion with her two 3-month-old twins. **Shadi Feiz**-Fahid sent an e-mail about the birth of her daughter Roxanna Alyssa Fahid, born on Apr. 6, '04 in London. **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell passed along news about **Catie Blackler**, who had a terrific time at Reunion despite being 38 weeks pregnant. Catie gave birth two days later (June 15) to her second daughter, Elizabeth Mahoney Blackler Raymond. Catie, husband Derek Raymond, and big sister Caroline, 2, live in Rochester, NY.

**Gayle Shomer** Brezicki sent an e-mail about her marriage to husband Paul in May 2002, and about the birth of son David Ross on Sept. 16, '03. Gayle lives on Lake Norman, north of Charlotte, NC. She took a one-year leave from her job as staff photographer for *The Charlotte Observer*. A press release came in announcing that **Matthew Biben** joined The Bank of New York as managing counsel. Prior to that, Matt was an assistant US attorney in its criminal division, where he received the Attorney General's Director Award for superior performance.

Please keep sending us news. Here's to the start of another wonderful five years until we all get back together for our 20th! ♦ **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, [stephanieavidon@optonline.net](mailto:stephanieavidon@optonline.net); **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, [ac98@cornell.edu](mailto:ac98@cornell.edu); **Lauren Hoeflich**, [laurenhoefflich@yahoo.com](mailto:laurenhoefflich@yahoo.com); and **Mike McGarry**, [mmcgarry@dma-us.com](mailto:mmcgarry@dma-us.com).

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Was Libe Slope always this steep? Were the rooms at Sperry always this small? Inquiring minds were sparked by our 10th Reunion, which unfolded under glorious skies free of Itha-

cation (the never-ending rain that you might have forgotten). Singer-songwriter **Sam Shaber** (whose latest album, "Eighty Numbered Streets," was released in 2003) was scheduled to kick off the festivities with a performance in our class tent (one of many big-tops that dotted the campus like a series of marathon wedding receptions). Speaking of nuptials, the Friday night barbecue outside the Johnson Museum yielded happy news from **Karlene Rogers**, who wed Adam Aberman on May 30 in Bermuda. Bridesmaids **Carmen Vasquez** and **Marisol Matos** were also present. Carmen is an attorney at Lester Schwab Katz & Dwyer, while Marisol works in finance at Citigroup. **Romy Bakhru** Minaya gave news of **Julie Kim**, who married Ryan Richards on May 28 before setting off on a honeymoon cruise to Turkey and the Greek Islands. Romy, husband Jose, and 2-year-old daughter Isabella live in Berkeley Heights, NJ.

Bright and early Saturday morning, while less-active members of the Class of '94 were resting up for the winery tours, **Jeremy Matz**, father of twin girls, took part in the five-mile Reunion Run. He shared updates on **Eric** and **Catherine Manlove Smith**, MEE '94 (who drove to Ithaca from Iowa), **John Kapitan**, who has four children (Avery, Hayden, Larson, and Emmet), and **Chris Fry**, who celebrated his marriage to Ying Wang at a reception in Buffalo. Also in Buffalo is former *Daily Sun* columnist **Lisa Wiley** Moslow, who brought her baby girl to Reunion. When asked if having an infant was challenging, Lisa said, "Oh, she has two older brothers at home."

Following an a cappella concert on North Campus, classmates wandered to the tent outside the new North Campus dorms for dinner. In the quesadilla line, **Angie Fernandez Winchell** cradled her newborn daughter Ellisa. She and husband **Mike** are living happily in Vermont. **Meghan Concannon** Hess, our class president, is the proud mother of twin girls, Evelyn and Natalie, born in February. **Anne Paoletti** is an eighth grade math teacher in the Boston area. **Jack Hughes**, MEE '97, was a fount of information, having just attended the wedding of **Tammi Miller** to Gabriel Fox on June 6 in Tappan, NY. Jack and wife Amy are part of what Jack describes as a "Cornell colony" in Falls Church, VA, where colonists **Andrea Palm** and husband **Marty Newhouse** live down the street from the Hugheses. Andrea works for the House of Representatives while Marty punches the clock at Accenture. Jack adds that if you happened to look at *Gourmet* magazine last fall, you might have spotted a story on brothers **Mark** and **Brian Nicholson**, whose organic apricot orchard is reportedly the largest of its kind on the East Coast. Further updates: **Christy Wallace** moved to Cape Cod for a new job, **Holly Staid** got married, and **Derek** and **Kristi Morrison Bohn** just celebrated their tenth anniversary.

After climbing 161 steps to the top of the clock tower, **Hemda Mizrahi** and **Julie Jong** were greeted by cookies, chimesmasters, and **Carol Huang**, a dermatologist in Manhattan. Hemda, an outplacement counselor at JP Morgan Chase, is building a freelance practice for those who are looking to make a career change. Julie, a pediatric dentist, hangs her hat in Leonia, NJ. Also calling

the Garden State home are **Esmerita Sepulveda-Lusky**, who works for Morgan Stanley, and **Mark Antholt**, MEE '95, who manages a coffee plant. At Ruloff's, one of the few recognizable establishments on an ever-changing stretch of College Avenue, some alumni were bemused to be carded. Screenwriter **Jessica O'Toole** showed off a picture of her guinea pigs Suge, Janet, and Mitzi, who were included in the pilot that Jessica recently sold to the Oxygen Network. She and husband **Jesse Mullen-Carey '92** bought a house in the Los Feliz area of Los Angeles.

Under the 84-year-old telescope at Fuertes Observatory (remember Astronomy 102?), **Kathy Burdette** and her husband gathered with former floormates **Sandip Tarafdar**, MCE '95, and wife **Carly Powell**, as well as **Laurie Taylor**. Kathy is a litigator in Boston. After the farewell breakfast (bagels, bagels, and more bagels), **Trevor Connor**, a native of Ontario, didn't have far to travel. An Ithaca resident, the competitive cyclist was planning to head to the Canadian nationals two weeks after reunion.

Some non-reunion e-mail reports: **Jen Spirn** wed Richard Bernich last September and now lives in Northport, NY. She wrote, "I'm a partner in a law firm in Woodbury, Long Island, having finished a fellowship with the Center for Capital Litigation in Columbia, SC, where I was representing indigent clients on death row." **Susan Bryan** earned a master's in landscape architecture from U. of Michigan and started her own design firm. She wrote, "It is rewarding for me when spring comes and everything looks great!" **Timothy Simpson's** wife Alicia Grandey penned an update on her husband: Tim earned a PhD at Georgia Tech in 1998 and is now an associate professor in engineering at Penn State U. The couple was married in Baltimore.

An important correction. Due to a syntax mix-up, **Abhinav Singh** was mistakenly reported in the March/April issue as having married **France Jaffe '95**. His wife is Catherine Roure. France Jaffe was a guest at the wedding. ♦ **Dika Lam**, dikaweb@yahoo.com; **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasylik, dmp5@cornell.edu; **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, Jennifer.marchant@kraft.com.

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Dining room food theft. Co-ed sleeping arrangements. Walking cross-campus uphill, both ways. Ah, REUNION 2004. It was like the MTV Summer Beach Party, minus the beach. Otherwise, essentially the same.

First and foremost, kudos to reunion chairs **Meagan Ballard**, **Logan Pandolfi**, **Brenda Sonnenstuhl** Kirouac, and **Sheyna Horowitz** for staging such a fabulous "Reality TV"-like weekend. I know that people enjoyed it because they kept telling me. Little do they know that the class columnist is responsible only for dishing the gossip post-Reunion, not for any of the real work. So, thank you, ladies!

Like a fine five-year aged red wine (to go with the dozens of cheese-and-cracker receptions), the Class of '99 poured into Clara Dickson Hall for a memorable weekend resulting in a marriage proposal by **Gerry Lee** and an acceptance by senior year biochem lab partner **Jennifer**

**Kwong** (*Mazel tov!*); the 27th birthday of **Elina Zaretsky**, complete with dorm decorations and RPU b-day cake; a Cornell Campus Store book-signing premiere for *New York Times* best-selling author **Lauren Weisberger** (*The Devil Wears Prada*); the harrowing admission of a full house of guys that they had dubbed **Julie Allmayer** their "untouchable" dream woman senior year; and the continuation of a five-year speculation that **Dave Sandoval** is a top underwear model—a rumor that he will "neither confirm nor deny."

It is certain that the past five years have matured us all. This became immediately apparent when wine bottles started disappearing from the Dickson lobby. I will not point fingers. However, there was one kickin' Happy Hour at 4 p.m. in the rooms of **Alex Kunz**, **Nick Barnard**, **Pat Purcell**, **John Anderson**, and **Chris Stanek**. Our budding adulthood was also evident when **Evan "Norm" Yavarkovsky** encouraged the women to strike a Janet Jackson Super Bowl pose for the class photo. And who could forget **Sam Goldberg's** exit from the dining hall (aided reluctantly by **Drew Sawyer**) with a full double-fudge chocolate cake that he threw from the suspension bridge later that evening? If you saw the Class of '99 banner affixed to the top of the clock tower on your way out of town—yeah, that was Sam, too.

It was both odd and nostalgic sleeping in that extra-long twin-sized bed again; gossiping over Fruit Loops at dinner with **LaShonne Watts**, who's now a successful lawyer in New York with Pillsbury Winthrop; seeing another New York lawyer **Charlie Michael** register digits at Dino's straight into his cell phone; dining with former President Hunter Rawlings at Saturday night's "Mexican Fiesta"; enjoying a glass of chardonnay with **William Adam Slivers** who, thanks to the alphabet, sat next to me in Wines, where we never overpoured; recounting Baker Court rooms and residents with **Kevin Wood**, **Cate Strauss**, **Zivah Perel**, **Ed Morrell**, **Rob Burak**, ME '00, **Cheri Shack Day**, **Bill Reilly**, and **Miriam Post**; and canoeing around Beebe Lake with **Jay LeBoeuf** and **Jon Felske**, who defied the mandatory life-jacket rule.

It was a time for reminiscence spotting **Ian Kaufman** sporting his "Ithaca is Gorges" tee on the Arts Quad, while **Philipp Meyer** donned the "Ithaca is Gangsta" version in Okenshields; seeing **Jodie Hamill** Sadowsky jogging her familiar college route, now with husband Scott in tow; sharing a sink to brush my teeth with former roommate **Amy Weiswasser**, who's now an assistant district attorney in Brooklyn; and learning that **Andrew Sorkin** could enjoy an afternoon tent party while simultaneously submitting his *New York Times* Sunday Business column.

Five years more accomplished, **Liz Borod** is now an associate editor of *Folio*, a magazine for the magazine industry, having worked for *Fortune.com* and *Good Housekeeping*. Five years has turned **Will Friedland** into a prominent commercial real estate agent in New York City and **Sarah Cantrowitz** into a commercial real estate investor. **Paulette Rudolph**, ME '00, is enjoying the creative side of construction, and has just bought her first home in Austin, TX. **Lisa Lerner** is in nursing school in Philly and works for the

Urban Nutrition Initiative, teaching kids about nutrition through gardening and cooking. And **Jamie Roth** is a news reporter for WFSB Eyewitness News in Hartford, CT. By the way, did anyone notice that Sam Solovey—that pesky guy who was the first one fired on "The Apprentice"—was in our freshman year Facebook? If anyone's got any gossip on him, you know where to send it.

Being just five years out, some of the more special moments were ones spent reveling in the re-un-ing of those who had tossed their caps well before we were even in diapers. **Allegra Schaffer** had the honor of meeting Cornell's eldest chimesmaster, age 103. And **Liz Arguelles**, **Tim Holden**, and I watched sweethearts of the Class of '34 swing dance in the Big Band tent.

May we all be swing dancing into our golden years at our fair alma mater on the Hill. Here's to a fun weekend, Class of '99! See you in another five! ♦ **Jess Smith**, jessica@fenton.com; **Melanie R. Arzt**, snoopymel@yahoo.com; and **Jennifer Sheldon**, jsheldon@law.uconn.edu.

**CRC** The Hill was alive with the sounds of Reunion, and about 100 Big Red-blooded members of the Continuous Reunion Club (CRC) were there to carry on the tradition that 13 dedicated fledgling alums established in 1906. There are those for whom only one reunion every five years just isn't enough. So men and women of CRC attend every year. This time, there was almost nothing but blue skies to go with intellectual stimulation as required, the pleasure of good company, a chuckle or two here and there, fine food and drink, and strongly moving moments.

CRC's 98th Reunion met in the Low Rise 9 dorm, aka Just About Music, on North Campus. It's peopled by musicians during the school year. For this long weekend, it was filled with the sound of laughter, grownup conversation, and, at one point, a swinging set of music-makers of mature years. On Thursday night, lots of the CRC crew went to Sage Chapel for the Savage Club show, a traditional display of the talent that springs from the Cornell well. (The Savage Club began in London during the time of Victoria and quickly established branches all over the world, including Ithaca.) Back at the dorm, there was discourse until late.

The Friday CRC lunch goes back longer than most people can recall. Once again coaches were guests of the Club at the Statler Ballroom. We paused at the beginning to note the conspicuous absence of **Bill Vanneman '31**, who usually drives over from Cape Cod, but who thought it was maybe a bridge or two too far this time, and also of **Lee '54** and **Mary Fitzgerald Morton '56**. They were healing from burns sustained in an air crash. Lee was flying, and, it is said, his skill averted a worse outcome.

The senior member (honorary), **Ted Thoren**, longtime baseball and freshman football coach who has been one of us nearly a half-century, kicked off with pungent Thorenisms before revealing what he really thinks of new football coach **Jim Knowles '87**. Even though three pro coaches rejected Cornell when it was hiring last winter, he says "we hit the jackpot." Ted allowed as

how Jim, who had played and coached here, was a winner then and is “Cornell qualified”—he knows his way around CU and the Ivy League. Ted pointed out that his own football teams had won 109 games and he hopes Knowles will catch up with him. Later, Thoren asked the MC (*moi*) to introduce **Ed Savitsky '59**, who was his first coal mining area football recruit, and an excellent one. Done.

Knowles, who played defense end for the Big Red for three years in the '80s, and won the team's Doc Kavanagh Training Room Athlete of the Year Award in 1986 for “distinguishing pain from injury” on the field, recalled turning down offers from Princeton and Harvard recruiters and deciding after a visit to Ithaca, “This is the place for me.” He returned after graduation as an assistant coach but moved on. Last winter he said no thanks to Nebraska, which wanted him for linebacker coach, to return again to Alma Mater. He spoke with pride of how his team rallied to ride a bus to Ohio last spring for the funeral of teammate **Jaime McManamon '07**, killed in a car crash on the way to his little sister's First Communion. Knowles said his team will be imaginative and tough and “we will find a way to make Cornell victorious.”

Women's basketball coach Dayna Smith accepted a donation—CRC makes one every year to a deserving team. She said she had just met me for the first time a day or so before and appreciated my appreciation of below-the-rim roundball like what her team plays. “But Jim,” she continued, “if I run across a 7-foot-tall center who can dunk the ball, I guess I'll take her if I can.” Athletic Director Andy Noel praised coaches and players, reporting that, for the second year in a row, seven Big Red teams won Ivy League titles. Women's polo won a fifth consecutive national title.

Lacrosse coach Jeff Tambroni, whose team endured searing tragedy but nearly made the NCAA final four, told of the death of senior captain **George Boiardi '04**, struck by a ball in a game—and how the team played the season for him, managing major upsets of Harvard and Princeton “with the strength of George” to reach the playoffs. Richie Moran spoke in warm support. Many who were at the lunch said later they felt they had been in on a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Gerry Grady gave a financial report and evoked the memory of the players, CRC members **Bill Fuerst '39**, MS '61, **Gertrude Kaplan Fitzpatrick '37**, and **Mary Savage Webster '58**, lost in the year past, and, on the national day of mourning, Ronald Reagan.

At tea time that Friday, pianist **Tom Foulkes '52**, klezmer fiddler **Stu Warshauer '53**, MBA '54, and clarinetist **Lou Pradt '53** serenaded CRC at Just About Music. **Jon Wardner '79** and fellow alumni Hangovers sang for our Saturday night supper at Dempsey's, out Route 34.

We thank those who made it happen, like Andy Noel, his aides John Webster and Kathleen Bolton, **Margaret Gallo '81**, **Cathy Hogan '70**, Kelly Woodhouse, our magnificent Reunion clerks **Anna Angel '06** and **Caitlin Warren '06**, and many others.

Coming to Schoellkopf Sellout II vs. Yale Sept. 25? ♦ **Jim Hanchett '53**, 300 1st Ave. #8B, NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

**31** Since the Class of 1931 has now graduated to the “emeritus” (Latin for out of merit?) status of senior citizens of the alumni/ae body, with no more routine “News and Dues” letters going out annually to all '31ders, there is no longer a ready source of news for your correspondent. Now it is up to you loyal classmates who subscribe directly to *Cornell Alumni Magazine* to keep me informed!

So you think you don't have news to report? Please, think again! How about that visit with a great-grandchild? You bragged to your friends and neighbors, didn't you? Brag to us! (You won't mind, will you, if the rest of us brag right back about our handsomer, more beautiful, brighter great-grandchildren?) Or how about your recollection of life on the Hill in our day—things common to us but unknown to the more recent classes, some of whom may read this column now that we are near the top? For instance:

The crews traveling to the Poughkeepsie Regatta in Pullman sleeping cars a week or ten days ahead of time to practice on the Hudson River course and get in shape for the four-mile race (freshman and sophomores in the upper bunks, upperclassmen in the lower, coxswains and managers in the bar car or equivalent). Lodged in Vassar College dormitories (all girls then), but with the girls all gone! Training table. Steaks for dinner. Bountiful breakfasts. (**Dodie Butler '30**, Varsity number 2: two large pieces of toast with four poached eggs on each piece! Weight at start of training in January: 172 lbs.; weight at Poughkeepsie in June: 172 lbs.)

Or spectacular events like the time the shell of the old Psi U house on Central Ave. burned to the ground (it was being torn down to make room for the Law school and Anabel Taylor). The Kaps across the street enjoying the blaze in the comfort of their pajamas. And speaking of blazes, what is the truth about the Alpha Delt fire? The brothers rescued their piano, but was it just gravity that made it slide down the hill (on the ice from the fire hoses), across the street, and into the old Tri-Delt house?

While I am on this nostalgia trip, perhaps I can add a personal footnote to the Cornelliana article on the last page of the May/June issue of this magazine about Hall of Famer and Cornell baseball coach Hughie Jennings. Jennings “quit the Tigers in 1920, finishing his baseball years as an assistant coach on his friend McGraw's New York Giants.” That line ties in neatly with a tale by my late wife Rosamond, of a New York Giants coach who lived across the street from her when she was a child in New Rochelle, NY. He annually took all the kids on the block—

boys and girls—to a ball game at the old Polo Grounds. I had long forgotten the name, but am now certain it was Hughie Jennings who made her a Giants fan. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, Thirwood Place, #250, 237 N. Main St., S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2088; tel., (508) 760-4250.

**32** From time to time the editors of this publication distribute to those of us who write Class Notes a four-page document titled “Suggestions for Class Correspondents.” The most recent one opens with, “Your classmates look to your column for news of all their friends in the class. For this reason, try to use items about many different people . . .” They go on to say that the returned News and Dues forms will provide much of interest and satisfy the great hunger for material about our contemporaries. Sounds great, but for those of us who deal with a limited number of senior citizens, it doesn't work. No one is to blame for this problem. It's probably all part of growing up.

Since I submitted my previous copy I have spent more time poking through my precious copy of the *Cornell Freshman Handbook 1928-1929* and continue to find it both entertaining and, if the term may be applied to an artifact created in my lifetime, quaint. The rules for rushing were, and perhaps still are, complex and strict. The opening sentence under the heading “Sororities” is: “Fourteen national sororities, two of which are Jewish, have chapters at Cornell.” A little deeper into the matter, the little book says: “From the time of arrival in Ithaca until Monday, Oct. 8, 1928, there shall exist natural intercourse between sorority and entering girl except for the period of non-intercourse specified below. A) Natural intercourse shall mean, 1) No calling, 2) No entertaining or spending of money, 3) No voluntary conversation, 4) No initiative at any time on the part of a sorority girl toward an entering girl.” There follows a baffling section dealing with the meaning of “natural intercourse existing between ‘grandmothers’ and regularly assigned ‘grandchildren.’” If any reader understands any of the above, please DO NOT trouble to explain it to me.

Incidentally, under the most stringent conditions possible to insure the careful preservation of this little book, which I consider irreplaceable, I took the relic to a table of friends with whom I often have lunch and entrusted it to **Frank Harding '50**. Despite a time warp problem, he claims to have enjoyed it. If I can obtain the same assurances from **David Newcomb '45**, BS '48, I may entrust the treasure to him for a few days.

Following is another excerpt from the e-mail **Ben Falk** sent me under the subject: How Did We Survive? I call them Ben's Musings. "Oh, yeah . . . and where was the Benadryl and sterilization kit when I got a bee sting? I could have been killed! We played King of the Hill on piles of gravel left on vacant construction sites, and when we got hurt, Mom pulled out a 48-cent bottle of Mercurochrome and then we got our butt spanked. Now it's a trip to the emergency room, followed by a \$49 bottle of antibiotics, and then Mom calls the attorney to sue the contractor for leaving a pile of gravel where it was such a threat." ♦ **Jim Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209; tel., (716) 886-1314.

**34** The class column for this issue can be found with the Reports of Reunion Classes, which begin on page 62.

**35** After an old-fashioned winter with plenty of North Wind, spring arrived reluctantly, and we looked forward to the rare days that June promises.

We recently received a note from **Ginny Lauder Sayles** of Lodge 117, 200 Tabernacle Rd., Black Mountain, NC 28711, reporting that husband **Henry** had passed away March 16 after a five-year illness and 64 years of married life. Following law school, Hank served in the Navy in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters, and joined Corning Inc. where he became assistant secretary for 20 years before retirement in 1972. In the mid-seventies they moved to western North Carolina where they became pillars of the community for many years. They have four daughters. We send our deepest sympathy to you and your family, Ginny.

**Charles A. Ernst Jr.**, 1400 Waverly Rd., V-51, Gladwyne, PA 19035, writes that he served in the US Navy in 1942 through 1945, on one destroyer that was lost in the Mediterranean and on another that was hit by a kamikaze off the coast of Okinawa in April 1945. What a record, Charles! **Bill Mudge**, 105 Clubhouse Dr., #257, Naples, FL 34105, recalls that he and wife Melisande eloped to Etna, NY, on Spring Day 1935 between the morning ballgame and the afternoon crew race. They now live in retirement in Naples and "dream about our days on the Hill." They have one son, three grandchildren, and four great-grams.

**Kitty Morris** Lockwood, 79 Sutton Manor, New Rochelle, NY 10801, has traveled to 50 countries and now spends much of her time on church activities and visiting in the hospital. She belongs to a serious Shakespeare Study Club, which was founded in 1908. Two of her sons are Cornellians, a third went to Penn, and her daughter attended Wellesley.

I have just learned that **Frances "Sansie" Wheeler** Lauman passed away at Kendal at Ithaca, where she lived for several years. Sansie was class secretary beginning in 1935 for the women's class and continuing in 1985 for the joint class.

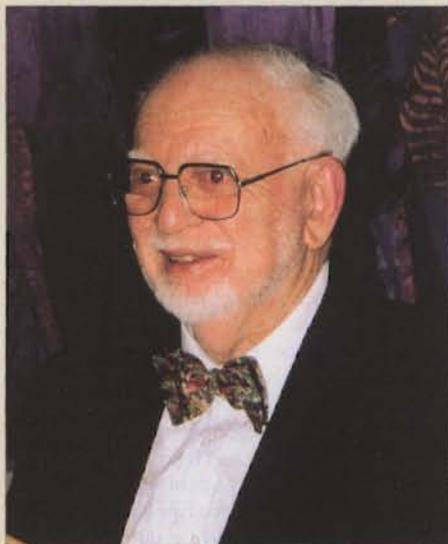
We are pleased to have received new News Forms, which we will pass along as space permits. Thank you for sending them. I hope that

## Life in Print

JESSE ZEL LURIE '35

**n**inety-one-year-old Zel Lurie speaks optimistically of the Middle East's future: children. The retired journalist believes the key to peaceful coexistence between Palestinians and Jews is bilingual education. "When you grow up together you realize that the other side is a human being like yourself," says Lurie, "and that's how you teach peace."

After graduation, Lurie moved to Haifa and worked his way from bank messenger to head the Tel Aviv Bureau of the nascent *Palestine Post*, later the *Jerusalem Post*. After a stint in the U.S. studying journalism at Columbia, Lurie spent thirty-seven years editing the magazine *Hadassah*. Since retired to Delray Beach, Lurie established the Eliav-Sartawi Awards for Middle East Journalism in 1999, to recognize articles that promote peace in the region. Lurie named the prize for former Labour Party head Lova Eliav and



Arafat advisor Dr. Issam Sartawi, whose joint peace efforts cost the Israeli politician his career and the Palestinian his life. Says Lurie: "I decided I would commemorate them since most people have forgotten them."

—Michael Margolis '05

you had a pleasant summer and are looking forward to a beautiful autumn. ♦ **Albert G. Preston Jr.**, 252 Overlook Dr., Greenwich, CT 06830; or e-mail, davada35@aol.com.

**36** **Art Glasser** (8001 Sand Point Way NE, #C33, Seattle, WA 98115) tells us, "The key event has been the publishing of a book. While at Fuller Theological Seminary I taught a course—Announcing the Kingdom—on the great theme enunciated by the Lord, only I developed the theme in terms of its worldwide proclamation today, with no thought of publishing. However, recently two fellow faculty members and a doctoral student asked for permission to prepare the material for publication, and they did (about 350 pp, Baker Book House, 2003). I understand that it is in considerable demand." Congratulations, Art. He continues to keep busy working with former students, etc. Then he says, "Good news. **Harold S. Wright**, MD '39, my first roommate and key Cornell friend, is still flourishing. He made my entrance into Cornell life a delight, and by all accounts is a good doctor."

By coincidence, this came from Harold (PO Box 7044, Cape Porpoise, ME 04014): "All is OK

here. Enjoy hearing about fellow Cornellians. We're 'trying' to enjoy being real seniors!" **William D. Kyle Jr.** of River Hills, WI, passed away in April. He had written us previously about the death of his wife Norma and his new marriage to Nona four years ago. William had five daughters and 15 grandchildren, with new twins on the way. Impressively, he continued to go to the office, where his family has an investment firm.

**Richard Vonnegut** (8140 Township Line Road, #4110, Indianapolis, IN 46260) moved to this "old folks home" three years ago and says he is not as agile as he used to be (who is?). He thanks us for the 2004 pocket calendar and hopes to get back for our 70th. Another classmate hoping to return is **Jack Bauernfeind**, PhD '40 (3664 NW 12th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32605), who is in good health but, sad to say, kept busy caring for his wife, at home with dementia. Hope you can make it, Jack. Dr. **Jerome Sherk** (19333 W. Country Club Dr., #1626, Aventura, FL 33180) is in good shape and "still tutoring illiterates."

And now we hear from **Ralph Heinicke** (1124 Rostrevor Cir., Louisville, KY 40405), who sends this tantalizing bit of information: "Still working furiously. I always hated working, but loving it. This fall I had to hug hundreds of

women in Copenhagen. I did not get to hug the mermaid. She was taking a bath and I dislike acid baths." Sounds like a tough job, Ralph, but I guess somebody has to do it. **Carlton Edwards** (4 Leifs Way, Ithaca, NY 14850) says that his time at home is "spent on body maintenance (medication and doctor visits). We travel to visit family members from here to Georgia, Seattle, and Victoria, BC." **Enoch Bluestone** (5773 Island Reach Lane, Boynton Beach, FL 33437) spends his time between Florida and NYC. Meanwhile his family keeps growing, with daughters **Judith Bluestone Wexler '64**, MS '65, and Michele (Wisconsin '67), four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Now, from the ladies: **Elizabeth "Fessy" Fesenden** Washburn (6000 Park South Dr., #348, Charlotte, NC 28210) has this news: "I am in the process of making a major change in my life, what one friend under similar circumstances called moving to a 'pleasant penitentiary of my own choosing' (an assisted living facility), except that the choice was forced on me by circumstances beyond my control, what my father called 'too many birthdays.' Basically, my knees were paying me back for all those miles I hiked and all those mountains I've climbed, none of which I would have given up. As many of you have already found out, it is a difficult adjustment at our age, much more so than when we were introduced to a room in Sage complete with a strange roommate (who soon became a best friend after we discovered that we both were wearing braces on our teeth). But I'm blessed with three nieces and two nephews who are most athletic and helpful, and I still have my 40-year-old parrot with me." We're sure you will handle the adjustment well.

**Gladys Godfrey MacKay** (162 Kendal Dr., Oberlin, OH 44074) writes, "At this age I guess I've had my travel, but it must be 'gold watch retirement' time for I'm in Marquis's *Who's Who in America*." Gladys was also in the first class of women officers, USNR WWII. **Margaret Wilson Van Winkle** has a new address: Freedom Plaza #5551, 13373 Plaza del Rio Blvd., Peoria, AZ 85381. And **Jean Sherwood Williams** (5100 Highbridge St., #22C, Fayetteville, NY 13006) keeps active by interacting with family from San Francisco to New York State and points in between. She hopes to get to our 70th, and we hope so, too. If you are looking for **Katrina "Puss" Tanzer Chubbuck**, you'll find her at 1624 Stickney Point Rd., #102, Sarasota, FL 34231 in the winter and 51 Miles Ave., Fairport, NY 14450 the rest of the year. More next issue. ♦ **Bill Hoyt**, 8090 Oakmont Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95409; e-mail, subilhoyt@SBCglobal.net.

**37** It was good to hear from **Helen Saunders Engst**, MS HE '65, who attended Reunion in June as our class alumni representative. Helen said that she thought that those of us who attend reunions just enjoy luncheons at Barton, browsing, visiting, and campus tours. According to Helen, her grandchildren and children are too many to mention by name—five children, ten grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and 15 spouses. For Helen, travel days are almost over except for possibly once a year. She keeps busy

by reading and participating in local organizations and their meetings.

**Mary Schuster Jaffe's son John '74**, PhD '82, is now with Pacific Northwest Lab in Richland, WA. Mary's hobbies are music and playing the recorder. Her last vacation was a cruise from Chattanooga to Memphis. We heard from **Grace Jones Henley**, LLB '39, who said that her son Peter was involved in the organization of a church 11 years ago that now has 3,000 members. He just opened another church in Seattle. She adds, "We're still kicking! Living in our own house and enjoying our swimming pool."

**Margaret "Margie" Kincaid** Look, who wrote the 1937 Women's Class History following our 50th Reunion, sent a wonderful note: "It is sad to read of the deaths of classmates, many of whom I had reconnected with when I wrote the Women's Class History. I enjoy living in Nye, MT, in the home my late husband Travis and I purchased in 1991, at the foot of the Beartooth Mountains on the Stillwater River. My children and grandchildren visit me every year, and I visit them often. I continue to write for publication and for pleasure, such as the family history in story form. I write a column entitled 'Stop, Look, and Listen' for the *Post-Journal* in Jamestown, NY,

Bob reports, his only Spanish is "Feliz Navidad!" and the caretakers seemed to have difficulty understanding even that! Bob is home now and on the mend.

**Dr. Selig Finkelstein** has shared his expertise in the use of hypnosis in the practice of dentistry in an article published last year in the international *Journal of Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis*: "Rapid Hypnotic Inductions and Therapeutic Suggestions in a Dental Setting." Selig practices dentistry five days a week in Pleasantville, NY. He also teaches a course in hypnosis for the dental residents at the Westchester Medical Center. He is a fellow of both the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis and the Society for Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis, and the only dentist on the board of editorial consultants for the latter. Selig was president of the American Board of Hypnosis in Dentistry for ten years.

It was good to hear from **Charles Gray**, PO Box 271, Clay Center, KS 67432-0271. Charlie is a retired hospital administrator. He has three sons and two daughters. Activities include "golf when able." Travel is limited to short trips—like the 175-or-so miles to Pittsburg, KS, for a grandson's wedding last year.

'This fall I had to hug hundreds of women in Copenhagen.'

RALPH HEINICKE '36

where I worked for many years. This lifestyle suits me just fine. I can sit at my computer, my lifeline to the entire world, and still watch a resident bald eagle as he sits on a tree branch, scanning the river for fish. We call this place 'Paradise.' Come visit me (P.O. Box 519, Nye, MT 59061)."

Please keep the news coming and enjoy your lives! ♦ **Selma Block** Green, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583.

During our 2002 reunion, **Irving Friedman** was tempted to try a nostalgic climb of the Library Tower to revisit the lofty perch where Cornell's fabled chimes are rung. Irv, an assistant chimesmaster in his undergraduate years, decided—at the 40th step—that he wasn't as spry as he had been in 1937 and called off the adventure. These days his music-making is mostly on the violin or the piano. During the three mid-winter months, the Friedmans escape New York City's inhospitable weather to live at a lovely retirement center, The Classic, in West Palm Beach, FL, where it turns out the general manager was a Hotel school graduate. In June 2003 Janet and Irv, veterans of more than 50 cruises over the years, enjoyed a delightful cruise to Bermuda.

Following a Mediterranean cruise last fall, **Robert Brown** was booked on a transatlantic cruise from Portugal home to Florida. Unhappily, en route through the Costa del Sol in Spain he broke a leg and spent two weeks in a Spanish hospital. That was in "interesting experience" as,

We express sincere thanks to **Peter Cantline** for his service to the Class of '37 as he relinquishes the "portfolio" of treasurer. Pete was class president from 1967 to 1972. The Office of Alumni Affairs will watch over our treasury till the next election. ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd. N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

**38** **Clara Rhodes** Rosevear (DeLand, FL) writes that she is keeping busy as a parliamentarian for the Woman's Club of DeLand and the Presbyterian Women of Central Florida, as treasurer of the local P.E.O. chapter and of the DeLand Museum Guild, and with home responsibilities. She likes to travel but is not doing as much. "Home looks pretty good in these times!" she says. **Gerald Fried** (Scottsdale, AZ) is also still active. He plays tennis and has won three awards for his extensive volunteering. Gerald and his wife Cecile enjoy their two beautiful granddaughters who live close by with his son and daughter-in-law. He had a wonderful time at the 65th Reunion: "The Doolittles did a tremendous job." He travels a lot and says that he's lived a full and happy life. "When I mention I attended Cornell, people look at me with respect."

We're sad to report the deaths of two classmates: **Charles Hall** died on February 14, 2004. He is survived by his wife Margaret, three children, and five grandchildren. **Holt "Pete" Andrews** died on November 26, 2003.

**William Kumpf** reports from Elk City, OK, that he's slowly becoming an adopted Ookie. Bill moved to be near his son and family, and though he doesn't miss the snows of Rochester, NY, he can't get used to the wind on the Plains. He's thankful for reasonably good health. **Thomas** and **Helen Brew Rich** (Venice, FL, in winter; Skaneateles, NY, in summer) both report good health. "Doctors keep us going!" they say. In Florida they have three daughters most of the time. Tom hurt his leg and has not been doing much, but grafts and operations are fixing things up. Tom adds: "Cornell Golf can use money. Help! Help! Call for what to do."

**Elizabeth Shanaman Meier** (St. Petersburg, FL) has "moved next door" from Isla Del Sol to College Harbor, a retirement home she enjoys immensely. "There are several of us Cornellians here: **Emily Gorman '31**, a great lady, and **Al Goldman, JD '29**, who turns 100 this year. Eckerd College is next door. We attend some classes there. It is great having a college so close." Elizabeth remembers her old roommates **Betty Tompkins** (Staten Island), **Bucky Buckman** (California), and **Mary Randolph Prozeller** (Rochester, NY), who became great friends. **John Kittle** (Tucson, AZ) would love to hear from '38 friends. His e-mail is: jkittle@mailbu.com.

**Margaret Brown** Coryell wrote from her home in Barefoot Bay, FL: "I have the first cold I've had in years. I suppose these horrible things go with age. I will be 87 in October. How many do you suppose will attend our next reunion? My golf game has suffered over the past couple of years, but I refuse to quit as long as I enjoy it! It was great to see so many friends at reunion. I had not known what to expect. Hang in there, girls, for another four years."

**John Pistor** (Marco Island, FL) reports that he took a cruise last July on the inaugural cruise of the *Crystal Serenity*. Julie Andrews did the christening before the beautiful ship sailed from Southampton to Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Scotland, and Ireland. His young son and his two daughters sailed with him. "This fall my older son and his wife will sail with me on the *Crystal Symphony* from New York City to Montreal. I spend time here in Florida on the 4H Foundation Board and too much time with doctors." John regrets that he doesn't see any Cornellians.

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**40** We received an address but no news from **Robert Eisele** of Belmar, NJ. This is the first time Robert has been mentioned here, so if anyone knows of him, please drop me a line. **Ellen "Toni" Saxe** Stewart lives in Kendal at Ithaca. She volunteers for McGraw House, the Presbyterian Church of Trumansburg, and

Kendal. A few months ago **Francis '39** and **Theo Beckman Thomas** sold their home in the Adirondacks where Theo grew up and moved to 1502 Maryfield Court, High Point, NC 27260. Theo would enjoy hearing from friends. She and Fran visited me in Hartford, NY—she is fine.

I also have a note and picture from **Peg Boardman Young**. **Ross Friedman '00** is with her in the picture. He is the head purser on the *American Glory*, a small cruise ship on which they traveled from New London up the Hudson to Albany and back—a well-fed week. She is enjoying classes in complex embroidery/cross stitch taught at an embroidery guild near her home in Fort Myers, FL.

**Mary Savage** Kyle has moved to Laconia, NH. Living in that great and beautiful area, I'm guessing she walks a lot. Her two sons Robert and Richard live close by. She has sent a contribution to the Cornell Plantations, a favorite of our class. **Margaret Tammen Perry** sends news from Glenwood, FL. She has joined the world of computer owners. She gives time to the Presbyterian Church committees in DeLand, FL, on global mission and outreach.

**Raymond Morrell** has retired. He enjoys following the high school sports in which his grandsons participate—swimming, baseball, football, and wrestling. He also likes to read about early US history in his spare time. He has three daughters, who surprised him and his wife at their 60th wedding anniversary party when a 15-piece band played tunes of the '30s and '40s!

**Bill "Bumper" Baird**, your recently appointed reunion chairman, reports that in June he attended the Class of '39 Reunion to check it out, and wants you all to plan now for next year's 65th! ♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, P.O. Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; phone, (518) 632-5237.

**41** Once again we prove that we are the "Great Class." Today your 2004-05 News Forms started to arrive.

You can be sure there is enough news to fill several issues. Please be patient. Your name and news will appear.

**Jack Weintraub** leads off: "This retirement business is exhausting. With duplicate bridge, volunteerism, and social life, we hardly have time to show pictures of our grandchildren." **Bill Sorn** is keeping busy delivering Meals on Wheels, taking kids to the Shrine Circus, and with Kiwanis Project and Knights of Templar—plus e-mails to **Bob Randall**. **Bob Harley** moved again, downsizing to a patio home near his daughter. **Stanley Reich** is still teaching radiology at UC Davis and one day a week at UC San Francisco Medical School.

**Robert Hoyle** was 84 years young last May. His wife had a stroke last year and is recovering slowly. He sold his Tri-Pacer plane after 25 years of flying over the US and Canada. He and **Ross Watson, PhD '42**, who did graduate study at the Ag college, "did a lot of flying on an Ag School research program." Bob hears from **Charles Avery '42, JD '47**, a classmate from Auburn High School who went on to earn a law degree after WWII. **Don Robinson, MS Ag '54**, lives half the year in New York State and the other half in Florida. His

wife **Thelma (Drake) '42** died in Jan. '04 from a leg infection. Don writes that his lungs are in bad shape, requiring oxygen, but that he is on the Board of Directors of the Wyoming County Fair in Pike, NY. He was secretary and general superintendent of the fair for 25 years.

**John Ayer**, a winner in every decade, is continuing to come in first. "Two years ago I won the World Championship Marathon. It was easy. No one else entered!" **Frederick Munschauer** has retired as chairman and CEO of Niagara Machine and Tool Works in Buffalo, NY, and is a member of the Tower Club Committee. **Stanley Cohen** felt it was payback time and gave seed money for a journalism library in the *Cornell Daily Sun's* new home. "I owe more to the *Sun* than I can ever repay." At his age he says he's okay. **Harry** and **Maggie Wetzel** are happily retired in their Alexander Vineyard and Winery in Healdsburg, CA. Harry writes: "This part of California is crawling with Cornellians: **Jay '63**, **M Ch E '65**, and **Karen Dean Abbe '65**, **Law Platt '63**, **Frank Woods '54**, **Tom Reed '55**, **Marty Pogue '51**, granddaughter **Margaret Wetzel '03**, and sophomore grandson **Kevin Wetzel '06**! ♦ **Ralph E. Antell**, Beaufort Towers, 7015 Carnation St., Apt. 408, Richmond, VA 23225-5233.

I want to thank all my classmates who sent in so many notes about their lives this past spring. **Edith Lewis** Allen writes that in December 2003 she and husband Henry moved to Sterling Park at the Osborn, a continuing care community where they are being "spoiled rotten" having everything done for them. **Doris Tripler** Kiely, **Sylvia Weintrob** Kessler, and **Dorothy Newman** Seligman all live in the Rye, NY, area and get together often to reminisce about the good old days. Edith is still running two support groups: one, a well spouse group for spouses of the critically ill, and one for people with Parkinson's. The motto for the Well Spouse Foundation, a national organization of which Edith was one of the founders, is, "When one is sick, two need help."

**Ruth Marshall** Kibbey of Tuscaloosa, AL, has nothing new to report, but she is still walking, volunteering, and enjoying life. **Betty Niles** Gray says she and John are still traveling. Their last trip was to Costa Rica and Panama to look at wildlife. Their next trip is to the Art Institute in Chicago for a one-week Elderhostel program. At home she spends her time reading, gardening,

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and playing golf and bridge. **Jane Frier** Bertrand of East Syracuse, NY, is still traveling and had a great 16-day cruise in February from Ft. Lauderdale through the Panama Canal to San Diego with many stops.

From **Susan Stauffer** Blaser '71: "I am writing on behalf of my mother, **Ruth Myers** Stauffer, to let her friends from Cornell know that she is now in Jacksonville, FL, in a private assisted living home less than one mile from me. She is in good physical condition, but struggling with dementia and eyesight issues. Her love of Cornell remains strong, however, with her diploma proudly hanging over her desk. She delights in the fact that her grandson Neil Blaser (my son) has his sights set on Cornell already at age 13. She sends her love to all her Cornell friends, especially her sisters from Alpha Phi." Ruth can be reached at 8100 Jose Circle West, Jacksonville, FL 32217.

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JACK WEINTRAUB '41

**Gloria Brown** Mithers of Oceanside, CA, is enjoying a moderately active life in reasonably good health. The big joys of life are her "late-in-life grandkids." A highlight of last summer was attendance at an intergenerational Elderhostel where I learned about my Melissa's great people skills. In late March I had a brief reunion in Palm Springs with **Lillian Strickman Hecht** and husband **Norman** '42, BS Ag '47."

**Elizabeth Turvey** Cornish enthusiastically writes that "Ithaca is a great place to live." She is still working as a stockbroker with AG Edwards and enjoying it. A boat on Cayuga Lake, a daughter and son-in-law in town, and activities at the Chamber of Commerce and on the McGraw House Board all complete an ideal schedule. "I am looking forward to our Reunion in 2006." **Ruth Kessel** Butterly says she has now had her 15th year as a volunteer at the New York Public Library. Among her several jobs: she enters menus that are part of a collection dating back to 1860! ♦ **Dorothy Talbert** Wiggins, 415 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850-6506; e-mail, flower@localnet.com.

**42** **Will Templeton** (Oceanside, CA) sent beautiful photos of the dedication of the memorial to the USS *San Diego* (CL-53) and her crew. He seems to have been the one in charge of the affair. In her three years of service during WWII, the USS *San Diego* steamed over 300,000 miles and engaged in most major naval campaigns from Guadalcanal to Tokyo Bay, earning 18 battle stars. Bill says, "The memorial has occupied all my time and I am still working on the details. We had 75 shipmates attend—300 including families and friends. A large number, consid-

ering they are mostly 80 years old." **Ed Markham** (Bainbridge Island, WA) is recuperating from a bad accident. We wish him well. **Greta Adams Wolfe** '48 reported his accident and hopes to visit my area soon. **Art Foster** (Bellevue, WA; dogpaw@earthlink.net) enjoyed visits from his daughters, who are gourmet cooks.

When I find out someone is a Cornellian, I like to follow their activities. Some Cornellians making the news are, of course, the very unfortunate **Nicholas Berg** '00, who attended for two years and was a great student but did not graduate. I also enjoy watching **Keith Olbermann** '79 on MSNBC every evening. Now I hear that **David Ross**, co-class correspondent for '73, who has excellent name recognition because he is the local Seattle morning broadcaster, is going to run for the House of Representatives. Dave is a really splendid fellow and I wish him luck. Also

the Colorado Senate Race was shaken up when Gov. Bill Owens revealed that **Pete Coors** '69 is throwing his hat into the GOP ring.

**Paul and Greta Wilcox Leighton** '44 (Scottsdale, AZ) recently moved to a lifecare retirement community. Paul is still doing consulting management work and both are active in church work. They enjoyed the 50th Reunion. **Jean Fenton** Potter (Washington, CT) has kept busy with her garden club and bridge and playing in the bell choir at church. She also enjoyed a *QE2* cruise to London and Lisbon. Other activities include golf, watercolor painting, and enjoying her eight great-grandchildren. **Helen Zinn Arenson** (N. Palm Beach, FL; opyc@gate.net) visited Plymouth, MA, for her granddaughter's wedding. She enjoys boating and is active at the Old Port Yacht Club as editor of the club's monthly publication. She also boasts three sons, four grands, and one great-grand.

**John Chesebro** (Springfield, VA) is retired US Army. **Thomas Keene** (Elkhart, IN) boasts five children, 14 grands, and two great-grandchildren. **Glenn and Margaret Botsford** are well settled at Kendal at Ithaca. I received an e-mail from a cousin of **Frederika Lofberg** Decker, who is trying to locate her. He is doing a genealogical study of their family and believes she would be interested. He can be reached at RobertLofberg@cs.com. **Joseph and Roma Hoffman** (Scottsdale, AZ; joehoff592@msn.com) are active with their homeowners association, as Joe is on the board. They met with **Bernard and Lillian Kornblum Sachs** '43. They traveled to China, visiting Xian and sailing the Yangtze River. They are very interested in the changes in the 20 years since they last visited. Joe likes his digital camera and computer, plays some golf, and has nine grandchildren, one

of whom graduated from Cornell.

**Edna "Jonesy" Jones Berry** (Atlanta, GA) is officially retired, but is unofficially editing her husband's writings. She has traveled all over the eastern and southern US and England and celebrated her 55th wedding anniversary. She is interested in Bible study and history, as well as journaling, cooking, correspondence, and reading biographies. She loves watching sports and has four children and five grandchildren, all of whom have specialties. She enjoys "updates on classmates who had such inspiring lives in their relationships with the direction and activities of Cornell." Sadly, **Marcia Mehr** (W. Orange, NJ) reports that **Lou** is very ill, although he's still interested in stamp collecting and the history of the Civil War. [*The University received word that Lou died on Nov. 13, '03.*] **John Jackson** (Palm Beach, FL) reports that his wife passed away shortly after they celebrated their golden anniversary. A belated farewell to **Helen Libisch Elmer** (Corning, NY), who passed away in '02. She is greatly missed by her husband Thomas, her children, and her three grandchildren, who are Cornell graduates.

You can take a 70-second virtual visit to Cornell on the Internet by going to [http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/cornell\\_fund/spring.htm](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/cornell_fund/spring.htm). Depending on your computer and connection, it may take a few seconds to load. And here's our new '42 website: <http://classof42.alumni.cornell.edu/>. Do write to all those submitting their e-mail addresses, as well as to me. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 8815 46th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; tel., (253) 265-6618; e-mail, ceefinn@juno.com.

**43** Sad news: **Phyllis Dittman McClelland** died in February. It was she, you'll remember, who broke the glass ceiling of the Library Tower by becoming the first distaff Head Chimesmaster. She also starred as Mom in the only mother-daughter chimesmaster team. In 1999 we, the class of '43, honored Phyllis by funding the casting and tuning of a new bell inscribed with her name. Here's a quote from a letter she wrote at the time: "Someone asked me if I ever dreamed, when I went out for Chimes competition that it would come to such notice and such honor. My answer was I didn't at all; I just wanted to ring those bells."

From recent—ha! It's June here in Bucks County—letters and e-mail: **Bill Dickhart** (Fort Washington, PA): "After three major trips a year for decades, we are now down to one; we visited Madeira for a couple of weeks in March for some sun and fun." **Jerry Batt** (Williamsville, NY): "Dorothy and I spent a couple of months in Florida, some of it golfing with Dorothy's twin Dolores and her husband Joe. I allowed as how I needed to return to the practice range, but Joe insisted that I need a new set of irons. I find gardening less aggravating anyway, so I'll forego the new irons; use the old set to cultivate the garden." In a recent (June) phone call I was thanking Jerry for sending me a book by **Wilson Greatbatch** '50, who invented the pacemaker. In reading it I discovered that our own **Sam Hunter** had lent a

helping hand. I don't have a pacemaker, but I can now lecture on the subject. But back to Jerry. He threatened to visit **Dave Estes** at the Landfall, his fine eatery at Wood's Hole, MA, now under new management—the next generation of Estes.

**Robert E. Warren** (Spruce Head, ME) writes: "Have lived here since retiring from General Electric Co. in 1983. Spent 15 years sailing to and in the Bahamas. Wife Ruth died in 1998; remarried in 2001 to Nancy. Three children, eight grandchildren, five great-grandchildren." **Joseph Hickey** (Falmouth, ME) visited relatives in Ithaca last fall. He keeps in touch with **Al Drake** in Lake Placid, NY. **Clifford Cole** (Ponte Vedra Beach, FL) writes that he's alive and very well. "I can hardly find time to do all that I and my dopamine and serotonin want me to do." Dr. **Ben Kaplan** (Sarasota, FL): "After graduating from Columbia U. Dental School, went into Navy for two years, then private practice for 54 years. Retired since 1999. Now live in Florida and Dalton, MA." **Ann Morgenstern** Cohen (Mt. Vernon, NY): "Had a great time at the 60th Reunion and, God willing, plan to come to the 65th."

From **Tom Baskous** (Schenectady, NY): "Keeping busy playing fiddle with the Adirondack Fiddlers, mandolin with the Saratoga Mandolin Ensemble, and racquet with a bunch of old tennis guys. [Cornered the market on cat gut, eh, Tom?] **Jerry Kennard** (Fairview Park, OH): "For about 20 years we've seen fellow Cornellians **Gus** and **Betty Davis Ruetenik**, both '47, who supply our Christmas trees from their farm at Zoar, OH. Betty was my lab partner in the dreaded Metals Lab. Old friends dig deep. Our other item of note was a Scout Court of Honor for our third third-generation Eagle Scout. There were six Eagle Scouts in the family picture. Oh, yes, my Chapter made Barbershopper of the Year. I am drinking from my saucer 'cause my cup has overflowed."

**Harry Cumpston** (Naples, FL) lives in a life-care community. "Cut off from tennis, but make a buck or two at golf and bridge." **Marion Rossman Tozier** (Belfast, ME) also lives in a retirement community. She sings: "O, give me a home / Where the elderly roam / Where the foxes and chipmunks play / Where seldom is heard / A discouraging word / And the ships sail by on the bay." **Gene Saks** called from his room at the Statler overlooking Cayuga and the cost of long-distance. He and Keren, along with 25,000 others, were there for the graduation of daughter **Annabelle '04**. "Thrilling," said Gene. Twenty-some years ago when I learned Keren was pregnant, I said, "Gene! You'll be in a wheelchair by the time this kid is old enough to play catch." Well, I don't know if that catch ever happened; the kid became a high hurdler, horsewoman, and crack student, and it's I who belong in that wheelchair. Meanwhile, I searched for and cannot find in Guinness the record for oldest parent of a Cornell graduate; maybe next edition.

Last month—it was May, right?—Tracy and **Barbara Wahl Kaufman** Cate drove cross-state from Maplewood, NJ, to visit for a few hours before the four of us drove down to Philly and dinner with Emily and **Leon Sunstein**. We dined at The Prime Rib, where Barbara and Emily

promptly ordered The Vegetable Plate. Sad sight. Memorable afternoon/evening.

OK, I'm outa here right this sec lest this column—and Jerry's saucer—overflow and swamp the ships sailing by on the bay. ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.

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**45** The latest issue of Beta Theta Pi magazine contained a three-page article entitled "Midland's Elder Statesman" about our noble classmate **Herbert Dow Doan** (Midland, MI), including a full-page portrait with the Libe Tower in the background. Herb, as he was called in our time but recently known as Ted, retired in 1971 after a distinguished career with the huge company his grandfather founded and of which he became president 42 years ago; he's a highly respected leader in community affairs in his hometown. When I needed relief as our Cornell Fund Representative, I called on him. Always a loyal Cornellian, he took charge and marched off successfully. Like many in our class, Herb enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1943, served as a staff sergeant in the weather service, and returned to acquire his ChemE in 1949. But he definitely considers himself a '45er; let's hope he shows up at our reunion!

Many of us write annual holiday newsletters, which often accompany the news forms for this column—a good source of material. Some are boastful of the accomplishments of offspring, and some are lugubrious, but a particularly joyful message arrived from **Charlotte Madison Devers-Wallace** (Tucson, AZ), who is so busy with volunteer work at an Alzheimer's hospice and other cultural activities that she needs more time and energy, but still is sneaking away for trips to Sicily and to visit with her family in Boulder, CO, and Lake George, NY. It's best that she tell this herself: "**Bob Wallace**, MD '47, and Sherry met at Cornell and dated several times; Bob gave Sherry his fraternity beer mug to remember him. The war was on and they parted. Bob went into basic training and then on to Cornell Medical College. Sherry graduated in 1944 and later from graduate school. Years passed. Bob retired from active medical practice, Sherry from library management. They remet at our 50th Reunion; Bob didn't know Sherry, but Sherry knew Bob because he had an oversize name button and she had traveled around the country with the beer mug, using it as a pencil holder. It had Bob Wallace printed on one side. Neither could remember the giving of the beer mug.

"Meanwhile, Sherry's husband had died. Another five years passed and they met again at the 55th Reunion. During the next few years e-mails passed back and forth, exchanging news. Bob's wife Flora died in 2003 after being ill for some time. Sherry invited Bob to Tucson as a place of beauty where he could relax and rest from the stress that he and his family had been through. Bob visited in May for two weeks, dur-

ing which they rekindled a warm interest in each other. Sherry paid Bob a visit in Utica in late June; they visited Cornell and had a mini-reunion with some classmates. Sherry's 80th birthday was fast approaching; she had already planned a big party in August and invited Bob. He accepted, arrived on August 4, and voila! A wedding took place on Aug. 9, the day before Sherry's 80th, as Bob did not want to be introduced to Sherry's fabulous array of friends as her 'special friend from up north.' So we are living in and loving Tucson in the winter; Utica (New Hartford), Lake George, and the Northeast in the warm months. May your lives be as happy as ours." The obvious moral of this story: Attend reunion—good things happen!

Another gladly received form came from my old EE buddy **William T. Duboc**, BS '44, who moved to Naples, FL, in 2000 after 25 years in Pittsburgh, PA. Bill retired from Westinghouse in 1982, spent 15 subsequent years on the board of Allegheny General Hospital, and was widowed twice, which may explain why we lost track of him. He is now off our "Lost Classmates" list and says he may attend the 60th. I hope so and will certainly try to do likewise, as we haven't seen each other since 1951, when he was in the Med, serving in the cruiser USS *Albany* and I was driving a submarine around them. That's what reunions are for. Bill's also been to South America, South Africa, and Australia. Another happy note from **William G. Doe** (Harvard, MA) reports all is well after a pacemaker replacement in April. He is helping his older brother **Whitney '43** run a beautiful 35-acre "you-pick" orchard, where the berries start in July and last until the mid-December "cut-your-own" Christmas tree season. Whit was a footballer; Bill a crew man.

Great gal **Gloria Marti** (NYC) says she's in a rut; her third year of skiing at Alta was followed by tennis and "dancing forever." She's still busy doing financing at F. Marti & Co. and wears me out just thinking about all that! A bit more relaxed, **Albert**, BS '48, PhD '51, and **Margaret Smith Brown '48** (Lincoln, NE) may be back home after their usual summer on the Outer Banks in Southern Shores, NC. Al says that between the Iraq war and the lack of enjoyment in air travel these days, they have stayed closer to home than usual. Amen!

As previously reported, the class website will be changed shortly. Meanwhile, use the new

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**46** I love you, I love you! Just when I was beginning to despair about what to write for the column due June 15, I got 26 letters. Wow! Heard from old faithfuls and even from some I haven't heard from in years. Now I have a few months' supply of news. Our new President **Lloyd Slaughter** wrote and you responded. We can always use more news, so if you haven't written yet, please write now.

Unfortunately, I got some sad news too: **Dotie Taylor Prey** (Pittsburgh, PA) wrote that **Chuck** died Dec. 5, '03. Chuck was co-chair of our 1991 Reunion. He had been ill for over nine years after his 1994 stroke. She wrote, "We miss his presence, even though he could not speak." I remember how he led the singing at reunion. We'll all miss you, Chuck. **Alfred Devine** (Malvern, NY) wrote that his wife of 56 years, **Marilyn (Mayer)**, died Jan. 21, '04 of pulmonary arrest.

**Dottie Hotchkiss Haberl** (Golden, CO) wrote, "Lost **Bud '47** in February 2001 after 53 years of marriage. I am blessed with four children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Two children are professors—one in Boston and one in Texas. Tomorrow is Easter and we just had ten inches of snow! I live a very active life and enjoy skiing (over 65 years) and tennis and am trying to master golf. I'm still living in the same house we built 45 years ago. Also into golfing is **Emily Briggs** Hendrickson (Valley Stream). She's awaiting great-grandchild No. 6 in May. In February she had lunch with **Kathy Keys** (Palm Desert, CA).

Another golfer is **Marguerite Ann Fellows** (Bradenton, FL). She plays year-round and helps as a sports psychologist (to lower scores using new techniques). She started helping at Mt. Snow golf school in 1978. "I taught at Russell Sage College 1959-1962. After my MA, I finished my doctoral work in 1970, having attended Teachers College at Columbia, U. of Wisconsin, U. of Buffalo, and U. of Colorado. I retired from SUNY Brockport 1963-1987. Enjoy opera, travel, skiing, and reading." **Janet Elwin Starr** (Hanover, PA) has lived in a retirement community (Homewood at Plum Creek) since **James '44**, MS Ag '48, died. "My son lives nearby. I'm off to Ireland in June for my sixth Cornell alumni holiday with my sister, **Muriel Elwin Zepp '47**. I went to Russia last summer with my sister **Nancy Elwin Pegues '52**. These trips are a wonderful way to travel.

Here's my new address again—y'all write! ♦ **Elinor Baier Kennedy**, 9 Reading Dr., Apt. 302, Wernersville, PA 19565.

**Joseph Brozina** is in a rehab hospital in Hackettstown, NJ, recuperating from a stroke to his left side. Hopefully, he will continue to im-

prove. His wife Lea has taken an apartment nearby. Joe and Lea would love to hear from classmates and friends. Send e-mail to: [LLBrozina@goes.com](mailto:LLBrozina@goes.com), or write them at: Heath Village, Apt. 217, Schooley's Mtn. Rd., Hackettstown, NJ 07840.

**Joseph and Susan McKinney McConnell** (Mansfield, PA; [jmconcel@npacc.net](mailto:jmconcel@npacc.net)) retired to the family farm in 1988. They are the fourth generation to live there near Mansfield U. and its fine music school. Joe plays the french horn with MU's distinguished wind ensemble. He also plays piano and trumpet with other groups. That repertoire runs the gamut from Dixieland to Big Band swing. Susan runs Mansfield's Episcopal Church. **Stanley Bender** (Delray Beach, FL; [stanbender@adelphia.net](mailto:stanbender@adelphia.net)) graduated in 1945 after transferring to the Navy V12 program. He retired from GE in Cincinnati in 1989. Since then, he and Louise have taken up bridge with a vengeance. They became tournament bridge players, bridge teachers, and tournament directors, both on land and on cruise ships. They have acquired more than 3,500 master points each and are Gold Life Masters. That's roughly ten times the amount your correspondent brags about.

**Sanford and Marilyn Klion** (Palm Beach, FL; [wecinq@aol.com](mailto:wecinq@aol.com)) are proud to announce a third generation at Cornell. Granddaughter **Jodi Klion** has just matriculated at the ILR school. She is the daughter of **Seth Klion '78** and is the sixth in the family to attend Cornell. Marilyn revealed the secret to her recruiting success. "I am a Cornellian by osmosis since I attended Adult University (CAU) for three summers. As each granddaughter reached 10 she was taken to the Hill, and the seed of love was born!"

**Frederick and Betty Kircher** (New Hartford, NY) celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary last September with a 30-day ocean cruise. They sailed from Copenhagen to Rome, making 19 port calls in nine countries. Fred said, "We enjoyed every minute of it." Their favorite locales were St. Petersburg and the hill country of France and Spain. **Joseph Andersen** (Destin, FL) had planned to attend the WWII Memorial Dedication in Washington, DC, on May 29 with fellow members of D Company, 303rd Infantry Regiment, 97th Division. It was not destined to be. Joe blew out a knee days before the dedication and had to cancel and settle for his buddies' reports. But all was not gloom for Joe. He reported that a family member has, at last, come within the fold. Granddaughter **Caitlin Andersen** has transferred from NYU into Cornell's Class of 2006.

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**47** I've received much new news from you! Thank you. In fact, I received so much news that it won't all fit in this column, so I'll let it out slowly over the next few months. It has been quite enjoyable to hear from so many of you that I haven't heard from in years.

Class VP **Barlow Ware** has achieved another first. He was the centerfold picture, and story, in *Communiqué* for agreeing to bequeath the bulk of his estate to the Athletics dept. It's a very nice article that details so many of Barlow's contributions to the entire university. His generosity was also written up in *Spirit!*, the Athletics dept. publication. This past spring, the Cornell Club of Rochester celebrated its 100th anniversary with a big party that also toasted President **Jefrey Lehman '77** and his wife. It was a grand affair, organized by, among others, class president **Pete Schwarz** and yours truly. I saw **Joy Gulling Beale** and husband **Bill '46** at the party, and we had a good visit. I am happy to report that she is doing well.

In May, my husband **Doug Anderson '50** and I attended the memorial service in Sage Chapel for **Scharlie Watson Handlan, M Ed '58**, whose death I reported last issue. Scharlie had worked for Cornell from 1969 to 1988, and many of her former colleagues spoke at the service and remembered her fondly. I, however, was the only one at the service who knew her as an undergraduate. At a reception that followed in the Memorial Room, I visited with her husband **Ray '53** and her two sons and their wives, and I was happy to be able to tell them stories of Scharlie and our times together.

Scharlie's freshman roommate, **Arlene O'Hara O'Connor**, writes that she is active in her church and that one of her 13 grandchildren was recently ordained as a deacon in Baltimore. Arlene is also happy that a granddaughter has recovered from a heart transplant three years ago and graduated from high school this past June. **Maxine Stern Moore, MS '48**, wrote me from Princeton, where she tries to stay in touch with all her friends from Cornell. One of those friends, **Lauraine Serra Warfield**, who attended Curtis High School in Staten Island with me, writes that she is "glad to be alive!" She is recovering from heart surgery and is reengaging in her community activities. Her husband **George, PhD '50**, a retired professor of electrical engineering from Princeton, was honored by having a classroom named for him. Their children are quite active socially all over the country. Lauraine and George have retired to a farm in Vermont, where they celebrated the birth of 205 lambs from 80 ewes this spring. I marvel that a girl from New York City learned to deliver lambs!

**Fred Lathrop, MD '52** ([flathrop@blast.net](mailto:flathrop@blast.net)) wrote from Flemington, NJ, to say that he and his wife have celebrated 50 years of marriage. He has retired from his pediatric practice and teaches computer classes to senior citizens. He and his family are very active in their church. Congratulations to **Robert Ormsbee, DVM '47**, a veterinarian, who recently turned 90. He has six children, 19 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

I was delighted to hear again from **Lois Stamey Spear**. She and **Barbara "Bimby" Everitt Bryant** ([bryantb@umich.edu](mailto:bryantb@umich.edu)) both wrote to tell of a mini-reunion they had in Scottsdale in the spring with Lois's husband **Monty '46** and **Dorothy "Dot" Rynalski Manser '49, MA '53**, and her husband **Lyman, JD '53**. Lois writes that

she hopes to make our next reunion. **George Field** and his wife Virginia have decided to for-sake winters in California for the glorious ice of Ithaca, where Virginia was born and raised. I guess the memories of "traying" were stronger than the pull of the surf. **Stu LaDow** and his wife

appointed to statewide commission task force on emergency medical services as the public member. Going on an Elderhostel trip to South Dakota. Wasn't at the 55th as I was saving myself for the 60th. Had to see a sick friend that weekend. Celebrated 50 years of marriage July '03."

## 'I guess the memories of "traying" were stronger than the pull of the surf.'

ARLIE WILLIAMSON ANDERSON '47

split the year between Pennsylvania and Florida, where Stu is still active in sports and may be one of the few Cornellians allowed to vote by Florida officials. Though Stu has retired from business, he brags that he still reads the *Wall Street Journal*.

**Betty Miller** Francis had three grand-nieces at Cornell this past school year: Elizabeth Sargent in the Grad School, a second Elizabeth Sargent who was a senior, and **Morgan Miller '07**, a freshman. Betty took a cruise on the Rhine and Moselle rivers last summer and liked it so much that she took a cruise down the Danube this summer from Passau to the Black Sea. In between cruises, Betty stays busy with the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo and the Fine Arts Center. It was nice to hear from **Mary Lou Gedel**, who joined **Eileen Peck '48** and other Cornellians on an Antebellum South Intracoastal Waterway trip last fall. Mary Lou's only regret was that she was the only attendee from our class. **L.R. "Andy" Anderson**, MS '48 (andpeg@aol.com) spends a lot of time traveling. He and his wife Peggy split the year between Chautauqua and Arizona, and Andy says he goes to the US Tennis Open every year. He also lists trips to the Norwegian fjords, a Balkan capitals cruise, and four photo safaris to Africa.

I gratefully acknowledge the help of my son **Roger '78**, who helped me compose this column, since I am still not fully recovered, and my editor for her patience. Send news to ♦ **Arlie Williamson** Anderson, 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610; e-mail, arlie47@aol.com.

**48** **Albert Eisenberg**, Hypoluxo, FL: "Present activities include president of Condo Assn., plus tennis, golf, ocean fishing, and gym in summer when up North. Taking senior continuing education courses at Hofstra, and in Florida taking some courses at Palm Beach County Community College. Couldn't make 55th Reunion—but just wait till the 60th rolls around!" **Anatole "Tolly" Browde**, St. Louis, MO: "Enjoying life and writing. Recovering from surgery. Off to Ithaca for a council meeting then to New York City to await arrival of grandchild No. 2. Couldn't travel for a while, so missed 55th. Had great family reunion in August '03. Children and grandchildren made new friends. Problem: persuading our country that the Iraq war was justified." **Gerald "Gerry" Sal-lus**, BS Eng '49, Albany, NY: "Part-time attorney. Active in local civic and legal associations. Just

**Franklin M. Wright**, MA '49, Memphis, TN: "Retired from faculty of history, Rhodes College, Memphis in 1989. Read, write, occasional trips, recovered from surgery and illness. Would rather be visiting friends in London. Dr. Samuel Johnson told his friend Boswell, 200-plus years ago, that 'a man who is tired of London is tired of life!' I think his words still hold true. Trying to keep active mentally and physically. Enjoyed visit from longtime East St. Louis friend **Edwin C. Young-house '49** and his wife. We both held Murphy Scholarships at Cornell, saw service in WWII, and returned in '46 to finish our studies. Problem: having to fill out this 'News' form decently, while trying to avoid the Scylla of Taciturnity on one hand and the Charybdis of Loquacity on the other. The solution is self-evident. Most recent discovery is the phenomenal growth of the English language as a means of international communication since 1900. The meaning of life was definitely stated by the great Alexander Pope in his 'Essay on Man' written 250 years ago." (Yes, Frank, but we need it boiled down to 25 words or less.)

**Murray Heimberg**, MNS '48, Memphis, TN: "Professor emeritus of pharmacology and medicine, after being chairman of the pharmacology department for 20 years. Primary interest is in endocrinology and metabolism. I currently work half-time at post-graduate teaching, caring for patients with lipid disorders, diabetes, and related problems. I'm also involved in clinical trials and offering guidance where possible for research with my former colleagues. Plan to work as long as health holds out. Family affairs kept me from 55th." **Hamilton "Hamy" Miller**, Longview, TX: "I cut out small wooden cars and helicopters, paint them, and donate them to the women's shelter and two hospitals in Longview. It's a hobby. Couldn't travel to Ithaca for 55th."

**Barbara Matlack** Hughes, Alexandria, VA: "Macular degeneration kept me from the 55th Reunion. Nevertheless, I loved reading about it. I'm now a great-grandmother of two little boys. Really a great achievement." **Madelene Miller** Bennett, NYC: "Tearfully reporting that cherished husband of 53 years, Jay, died suddenly Sept. 30, '03. Problem: getting along without Jay. Solution: time."

**Art Behrer**, Trent Woods, NC: "Pay bills, yard care, dog care, civic club activities, golf, duplicate bridge. Participated in fund-raising yard sale for New Bern Civitan Club (charitable organization). Keeping healthy playing golf. Couldn't

travel to 55th. Had to stay home to care for adopted greyhound guard dog. (Really a peaceful, quiet, loving, and wonderful couch potato.) Attended Schoenhut Toy Collectors Annual Conference in Winston-Salem. Problem: religious intolerance, world competition for raising family incomes, and erasing worldwide poverty—plus warfare and terrorism. Solution: ??"

**Dana Keller**, Ralston, NE: "I review, correct, and/or approve electrical plans for contractors part-time. Update my computer a great deal for church work. I'm an elder in the Community of Christ. Golf once or twice a week. Belong to a 1940s dance club." **Bob and Marge Wright Mueller**, Cleremont, FL: "Marge leads water exercise group every day for one hour. Bob investigates genealogy of our family and relatives. We play bridge four times a week. Bob devotes hours to computer games and e-mail. Explored Canada for three months in our 22-foot RV—New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador, and Prince Edward Island. Had beautiful weather, views, campgrounds, and restaurants. Enjoyed reunion." **John Osborne**, Vestal, NY: "AARP tax counseling for the elderly. Grandson graduated from Appalachian State U., Boone, NC. Meaning of life: love, hope, and joy."

**William Thompson IV**, Oakdale, NY: "Manage tree farm in New Hampshire and apartment house in Oakdale. Modest work with parishes and clergy in deployment process. Enjoy leaf-color changes in New England. Visited son **Erik '93** and brother **Sawyer '47** in Georgia and Florida. Spent Christmas at Arctic Circle in Norway on board coastal ship *Trolefjord*. Enjoyed reunion, even though I came in second in the *Casablanca* contest. Pleased to hear from **Barbara 'Marty' Borden** Floyd. Problem: shirts and food, water, population. Solutions: wash-and-wear, enlightened leadership. Looking forward to sleeping in the Statler at our 60th Reunion." ♦ **Robert W. Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; tel. and fax, (516) 767-1776.

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The class column for this issue can be found with the Reports of Reunion Classes, which begin on page 62.

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I will begin this column with a tribute to our devoted classmate **Sam Johnson**, who died in May. Sam expanded the Johnson Wax Company, started by his great-grandfather, into the consumer giant S. M. Johnson. He was a loyal and generous Cornellian, especially for the Class of 1950. We are grateful that he lived long enough to be honored last fall with a distinguished outstanding Cornellian award, together along with his lovely wife **Imogene (Powers) '52**. Classmates **Al Neimeth**, JD '52, and **Hugh Flournoy** roomed with Sam near Lowry Air Force Base for Intelligence School assignment in June 1952. They had been together for advanced Air Force ROTC at Cornell, and were in class together again from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon each day, and enjoying bachelor life in Denver as new 2nd Lieutenants. They had just completed demanding graduate studies at Harvard Business

School (Sam), Princeton (Hugh), and Cornell Law School (Al). Al remembers Sam being most generous in offering the use of his new cream-colored Oldsmobile convertible and arriving in Denver in the twin engine airplane he flew. He also noted that there were many phone calls each week to a lovely coed in Connecticut who later became his wife. We send our special sympathies to Imogene and their children.

We also send sympathy messages to the family of **Henry Ten Hagen**, who died in April. Henry had been self-employed as a horticulturist and was involved in the research and development of freeze-drying and cloning of various types of flowers.

**Gerhard Schad**, Glen Mills, PA, is a professor of parasitology at the Vet school at the U. of Pennsylvania. He writes that he married Margaret Willson on Sept. 28, '03, at Cape May, NJ. Congratulations to both of them. **Ollie Myslichuk McNamara**, La Jolla, CA, tells us, "I am busy writing my memoirs as I take a course in this subject. My Cornell years were a big part of meaningful changes at a young age." Ollie is retired from her fashion business, where she owned her own store and traveled to New York and Europe on buying trips. It was a rewarding and all-consuming career for 25 years. She moved from Phoenix to La Jolla in 2000. Her daughter Cindy Wright Jones lives in La Porte, CO, and son James Patrick lives in San Francisco.

**Dick**, MBA '51, and **Ursula Sennewald Myers** write that Dick had knee replacement and is back on the tennis court. It is so great that available spare parts help us keep a healthy lifestyle. The Myers flew to London last year for a week and then returned on the *QE II*. They report it was a wonderful experience. **Laura Cassidy Bitter**, Tryon, NC, writes that she is very involved in her Methodist Church, serves on her condo association board, and hosts the Landrum Quilters. "I do very little quilting. Typical of quilters, I have an ample stash of fabric beckoning for me to become creative. My contribution to the Landrum Quilters is to host a monthly quilting bee. I have the largest living room with great light." Laura has a great-granddaughter in Hangzhou, China. Baby Wendy Jane arrived on April 1, '03. Because of the International date-line, Laura learned of the birth on March 31!

Thanks to **Bob Fite**, correspondent for the Hotel school, we have news of the Hotelies. **Al Gentner**, Portland, OR, reports the death of his wife Carol after 53 years of marriage. Al sold one of his hotels, The Imperial, and they had hoped to have time for some travel. Our sympathies go to Al and his family. **Bill Keithan**, Seattle, WA, may have been involved in the WWII Memorial in Washington, DC. His primary activity has been as archivist for his WWII 42nd Infantry "Rainbow" Division. I hope all you veterans have seen or will get to see the memorial. Living so close to Washington, DC, I've had the opportunity to go, and it is quite magnificent.

**Robert Davenport** and wife Patricia, Kingston, NY, spend three months of the year in Florida. There should be an active Cornell '50 club there with so many of the class now in Florida. Robert plays golf, fishes, and still mows

his own lawn. Other time is spent enjoying 16 grandchildren. **Bob Feller**, Oxnard, CA, had a great reunion with his daughters and spouses in Mammoth Lakes for a Christmas/New Year's skiing event. **Paul Gruber**, Arlington, VA, is among the 50th anniversary celebrants. He and wife Shirley celebrated last October with their four children and five of their seven grandchildren. In the area of "after hours" extracurricular events, he drives for Meals on Wheels and is past president of Friends of Arlington Parks. Paul has given 21-plus gallons of blood to the Red Cross!

New dues notices will reach you soon. Please pay and send news of yourselves. We will catch up with all of you as soon as possible. Hope to see many of you at Reunion in June 2005. ♦ **Ruth "Midge" Downey Kreitz**, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; tel., (703) 860-2991; e-mail, rdk12@cornell.edu; and **Paul H. Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA 50131; tel., (515) 278-0960; e-mail, phj4@cornell.edu.

**51** Bedford Hills, NY, saw a three-family house for single-parent families and elderly and disabled individuals named after **Albert Marchigiani**, JD '53, on March 26. Albert was a co-founder of the organization A-Home in 1985. He wrote the first by-laws, filed for incorporation and tax-exempt status with the IRS, and is a member of the President's Council, in spite of suffering an incapacitating stroke in March 2003. A-Home creates and maintains stable, affordable, innovative housing opportunities for Westchester County's most vulnerable citizens. Joan Arnold, A-Home's executive director writes, "In our early days the guts of our operation were at Albert Marchigiani's Bedford Hills law offices. Every meeting held was an opportunity for Albert to cook." Albert served three two-year terms as Supervisor of the Town of Bedford from 1973 to 1979. He was honored for his professional contributions to the Antioch Baptist Church and with a Public Service Award from the Westchester County Recreation and Park Society in 1980. He was recognized for 50 years of continuous membership by the American Legion in 1999 and 50 years of professional service by the Westchester Bar Association last year. He took great pleasure in attending Cornell Law School's Continuing Legal Education Program in March 2003 and staying at the Peace Tower.

**John Carl Huttar Jr.** reports from Gainesville, GA, that **Edward "Ted" Reifsteck**, LLB '54, is moving from Honeoye Falls, NY, to a condo in nearby Pittsford. Both were Phi Kappa Upsilon and 150 lb. football players at Cornell. Ted also reports that **Herman Haneman** '52, MEE '57, recently completed a trip to Eastern Europe. **Thurl** '52 and **Barbara Clarke Merritt**, Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY, retired from business (Merritt Florist) in 1989 after 34 years and have enjoyed trips to England, Denmark, Germany, France, Israel, and Alaska, as well as visits to children's families in Florida, Washington State, and California. They have three children, Robin, Craig, and Glenn, and three grandchildren. Barbara teaches floral design and is vice president of the PTA, treasurer and financial secretary for their church, and a literacy volunteer.

**Reginald "Reg" Rice**, MBA '52, Menlo Park, CA, reports successful cataract surgery and unsuccessful skiing and tennis. He's retired, but not from duplicate bridge, where he has accumulated 200-plus Master Points. All children and grandchildren are self-supporting and out of jail. **Jim Stocker** lives nearby, but doesn't play bridge. **Harold "Mike" Gould**, Pavilion, NY, FFA president at Cornell, still enjoys farming, going to auctions, and friends. He and Rose celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June '03.

**Rhoda Ratner Barr**, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY, writes that she is still working full-time for a management consulting firm focused on governance of non-profit organizations, chair of the Hastings-on-Hudson Planning Board, and "still married to my wonderful Cornell husband" **Martin** '49. **Bud** and **Jane Huffman**, Bethlehem, PA, report March skiing with **Bob** '50 and **Jane Post**, Mantoloking, NJ, with no spills while staying at the Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe, VT. The Huffmans spent January in Spain and were planning a September trip to China.

**Joseph Bertino**, Branford, CT, moved from the Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in 2002 to become associate director of the Cancer Institute of New Jersey at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. He continues his research and sees patients with lymphoma. **Richard J.** '49 and **Joy Stern Gilbert** report a three-week trip to Russia and Estonia, two weeks visiting Michigan and Wisconsin, and a three-week cruise to Argentina and Brazil. They plan a visit to Cornell for Rick's 55th Reunion in June. **Elizabeth King Black**, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, NM, expects to have moved to Spokane, WA, near daughter Lorna and grandchildren by the time this appears. **Sally Williamson** Williams and she plan to be in Kenya for a 10-day safari in September—her ninth and Sally's first.

**John** '50 and **Alice Halsey Mix** report in from Venice, FL (winter), and Brattleboro, VT (summer). **Richard** and **Inez Borden** report in from Portland, OR, without sending any news. **Janet Armstrong Hamber**, Santa Barbara, CA, writes: "Despite the incredible ups and downs of the Condor Recovery Project, I still spend quite a bit of time acting as the Condor Information System database archives manager, or out in the field at Hopper National Wildlife Refuge monitoring the movements of the California condor and watching a nest we hope will produce the first fledgling of a condor in the wild in California since 1982."

**Thomas O.** and **Marilyn Nuttle**, Baltimore, MD, hope to get their granddaughter Molly into Cornell next year. They toured the Italian Mediterranean last fall and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Hawaii in May. **Marcus Bressler**, Knoxville, TN, writes that he sees **Don Griffin**, Pittsburgh, PA, during ASME boiler and pressure vessel standards committee meetings several times a year. **John Stone**, BS '54, M Ed '66, attended a Pi Kappa Phi reunion at Blue Waters Lodge on Santeetlah Lake, Robbinsville, NC, May 4-5, 2004, hosted by Joan and **Harold "Buck" Farmer**. They carpooled the 51-mile Charahala Skyway to Tellico Plains, TN, for lunch, stopping at a 100-foot waterfall along the way.

We've lost touch with some of our classmates and hope that readers of this column can help us find a current address for **Anna Schmitz Barrow**, **Harry A. Bates**, **Nicholas Bawlf**, **Jane Ellen Perrine Beres**, and **Dr. Merton B. Berger** (for a second try). **Barry Nolin's** '51 Web page is <http://classof51.alumni.cornell.edu>. Please send your news to ♦ **Brad Bond**, 101 Hillside Way, Marietta, OH 45750; tel. (740) 374-6715; e-mail, [bbond@ee.net](mailto:bbond@ee.net).

**52** Good news. Enough members of the Class of '52 now subscribe to *Cornell Alumni Magazine* to give us 1/3 more space for Class Notes. This is truly terrific, as you are good correspondents. At least some of you are. There are many of you, and you know who you are, who never write. You may have written a lot as undergraduates, but what happened? Who are you? Where have you gone? What are you doing these days? Last year's lapse is forgiven, but the new dues notices with their open-ended, easy to return, prestamped post cards—eminently suitable for your news—will shortly reach you. No excuses, now. Write!

For now: **Graham Jamison** now lives in Pine Bush, NY. A retired dairy farmer and retired supervisor of the town of Crawford in Orange County, Graham is now director and chairman of the board of Walden Federal in Walden, NY. He has served with the bank for more than 30 years. **Richard Dye**, MPA '56, of Pleasantville, NY, writes that he and wife Anita were visited by our webmasters **Paul and Polly Prine Herman**, who were in from the Northwest enjoying October's fall colors. Dick continues to be active with his international education consulting work, International Education Solutions, which has recently taken him to South Africa, Bangladesh, Jamaica, and two Caucasus republics, Armenia and Georgia. **David Murray**, Syracuse, NY, also stays busy with his own business. Having retired from Upstate Medical University, where his field was orthopedic surgery, he went back to school at NAWCC School of Horology, Columbia, PA, and now runs "Doc's Clocks," a repair service.

**Cynthia Fabian** Gray writes from Illinois: "I'm learning to paint, spend time at the Winnetka Thrift Shop, and take courses at our Senior Center. No grandchildren, but one great son, Stephen." **Ann Burrhus** Kent writes from Walton, NY, that her husband James died in April of last year. Surgery at Sloan Kettering was followed by a heart attack. Their oldest son **Dave '78** (MBA, Duke) is spending the next two years with her. He is at Binghamton U., switching careers from the corporate world to high school education. Ann says, "I could have told him 30 years ago when he was helping his kid brother at the dining room table that he was a born teacher, but they don't listen at that age. We'll go back to his home in Falmouth, MA, at the end of the two years and proceed from there."

**Irwin Lublin**, Los Angeles, CA, reports that in November, **Ina Perlstein** Loewenberg of Iowa City flew to Los Angeles to visit, "thus renewing an acquaintance that began in 1948 in freshman

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INA LOEWENBERG '52

As we age and finally acknowledge that we are old, we seem to develop a new hunger, a hunger to tell stories from our life," writes Ina Loewenberg in *The View from 70*. The book, Loewenberg's first, collects the memoirs of forty-two septuagenarian women from around the world with contemporary photographs the author took of each subject. "The variety of these lives is striking," she writes. "Yet some of the same life experiences, attitudes, and decisions keep reappearing, drawing our attention back to the fact of being born in 1931."

Loewenberg devotes the book's final chapter to her own autobiography. A philosophy major on the Hill, she later became a college instructor, accountant, and artistic photographer. "You need to think of us as the genera-



tion that came of age in the Fifties," she says. "The expectations of women and the roles women can play have changed more in our lifetime than those of men."

—Carolyn Bonilha '06

English." Irwin further reports that the acquaintance has been greatly enhanced via e-mail during the last two years, and that they spent five pleasant days reminiscing, mainly about Cornell. **Stephen Michelman**, New York, NY, follows up on the 2003 *New York Times* wedding announcement: "Culminating our eight-year relationship, Margaret Scott and I got married last February. Each of us has one son. We're very happy and we feel extremely blessed." Steve is still practicing law, part-time now, dealing primarily with the elderly and their caregivers. He runs a weekly short story reading and discussion group at All Souls Unitarian Church and, as frequently as possible, he bikes to Chelsea Piers, five minutes away, and hits golf balls.

**George Vlahakis**, Nashville, TN, says, "Nothing much new," but reports that wife Marina is still undergoing therapy and making gradual progress in her recovery from a stroke in 1999. They were able to spend three weeks in August 2003 with family in Maplecrest, NY. The group went to Ithaca to visit grandson Gregory Crownover, who was beginning his freshman year in Arts and Sciences. They stayed at the

Statler and had dinner with **George Bantuvaniss '51**. **Mary Anne Cranston** Sovocool, LeRoy, NY, is another who says, "Not much new news this year." She has retired, but now tutors junior and senior high school students. She still writes warmly of her Cornell sons and the grandchildren who attend the university. Mary Anne belongs to the Genesee-Orleans Cornell Club and the Cornell Women's Club of Batavia.

**Richard C. Smith** writes from Moore, SC. "After visiting family and attending Homecoming, Belle and I took several days to regroup and then flew to Portland, OR, to take a weeklong trip on the stern wheel paddleboat *Queen of the West* up and down the Columbia, Snake, and Willamette rivers. It was a bit on the cold side, but we found it very interesting and enjoyed it a lot." **Joan Schoof** Hoffman, Bogart, GA, also took a trip: "Enjoyed a two-week cruise with American Safari Cruise Lines from Seattle to Juneau (Inside Passage). Crew of 10; 11 guests. A-1, 5-star, over the top in all respects." You may recall that **George Conneman**, MS '56, and wife **Diane (Knack)** received the New York State Agricultural Society's 2003 Distinguished Service Citation in

January of that year. News received this year notes that, in addition to their distinguished careers, the Connemans enjoy travel. They had been to Australia, China, Peru, and England in the past and planned a trip to Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam.

**Herb McCarter** of West Palm Beach, FL, sent a list rather than a note. The items are ballroom dance and music, tennis, handyman, volunteer nonprofit/charitable organizations, senior single. I'm not sure whether that last refers to Herb's game or status. Word from **E. Whitney Mitchell**, Stuart, FL: "All goes well. Florida in the winter, Nantucket in the summer. Tough life. Sold my real estate company. Lots of golf. Lots of friends and many Cornell grads nearby."

**Joan "Jay" Dudley** Goldspinner, Greenfield, MA, after more than 20 years of professional storytelling, had pretty much stopped, but after September 11 returned with a program of stories and poems in varied voices of the Middle East. Under the sponsorship of the Northampton Friends Meeting, she performed the stories to "a lively and interested audience on Nov. 8, '03." Proceeds benefited two peacemaking groups. Jay plans to tell her stories in other places, "to people of all ages, hoping to bring a

of Kafka's *The Trial*, the book that will be mandatory reading for all incoming freshmen. Check the Class of '52 Web page, <http://classof52.alumni.cornell.edu>, for news and comments on this class project. That's it. Send news. Please. E-mail is fine, but do fill in the subject line, unless your e-address identifies you. ♦ **Joan Boffa** Gaul, 7 Colonial Pl., Pittsburgh, PA 15232; e-mail, [jgcomm@aol.com](mailto:jgcomm@aol.com).

**53** Some of us are indeed always returning to our old Cornell. So '53 was present at the June reunion of the young whippersnappers of '54, who have passed the 50th Reunion milestone and become certified codgers, with a geezer or two thrown in. Some, like **Bob Dailey**, **Stu Warshauer**, MBA '54, and **Don Unbekant**, accompanied spouses (spice?). Fifth-year engineer **Bill Gratz**, BME '54, counted himself as '54 for the weekend and was warmly received. **Warren G. Grady**, BME '54, however, is at present a member of '54 (honorary), as he is of Dartmouth '53 (honorary). Gerry earned his way by presiding over what was billed as an ice cream social for '54, complete with all the traditional ingredients, including, well, a sock. It's said '55 was scouting him, too.

## 'Let's pack the place to welcome a new coach and a new life for Cornell football.'

JIM HANCHETT '53

little more peace and community into the world." The mail brings all sorts of news, and it's all part of life. **Herman Stern** of Sarasota, FL, writes gamely: "Not much new. But Parkinson's is making inroads in body and mind. I'm definitely not playing with a full deck of cards, but I hang in there!"

Rabbi **Ronald Millstein**, Great Neck, NY, sent a lot of news on one post card. He announced the birth of his sixth grandchild and first grandson Auriel Micah Wish. **Beth Millstein** Wish '89 is the boy's mother. Ronald, who is emeritus rabbi at Temple Israel of Jamaica, also wrote that he had officiated at the funeral of classmate **Kenneth Katzner** on May 27. He keeps in regular touch with **Bernie Gold**, who retired from Proskauer, Rose LLP and now teaches at UCLA Law School. He also enjoys New York theater frequently with **Paul Avrich**, retired Distinguished CUNY Professor of History. The Millsteins took "an enlightening trip in Russia—old and new."

Official word: If you were double-billed for dues, or received identical notices from Cornell, know that the university has converted to a new database for alumni information that will offer many advantages when fully operational. Startup difficulties could result in a few multiple mailings for items such as class dues. Please be patient until the bugs are worked out.

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Many attended as members of the Continuous Reunion Club (CRC), such as **Jim Blackwood**, **Judy Resnik Chabon**, **Clark and Claire Moran Ford**, **Ernie**, PhD '69, and **Jane Little Hardy**, **Peter Haswell**, **Louis Pradt**, **Bill Sullivan**, Gerry Grady, and your obd't servant, *moi*. (More '53 classmates would be welcome additions. Just let me know if you're so inclined.)

Judy Chabon and husband **Bob** '52, M Ed '55, went to the Van Cleef Dinner at the Laboratory of Ornithology. This was '53's freshman year of eligibility to that event for members of classes that have passed their 50th Reunion. They reported a **Nancy Van Cott** Jones sighting among a flock of '53s at the Sapsucker Woods sanctuary. **John and Lea Paxton Nixon** made rare off-year reunion appearances as the College of Human Ecology honored Lea with its prestigious **Helen Bull** Vandervort Alumni Achievement Award. Veteran portsider **Don** (The Unknown) Unbekant pitched what he said was his final inning in the Alumni Baseball Game at Hoy Field—and gave up no hits. Let's hope he, like Roger Clemens, decides to retire.

Warm memories of our supercolossal 50th Reunion linger. **Paul Makosky** (St. Michaels, MD) tapered off with a sunny, says he pointedly, drive to see old friends above Keuka's waters. Later in the summer he visited old friends from his Pakistan days in Oakville, Ont., arriving ten minutes after the lights went out for most of the northeast. He shunpiked home via Titusville, PA,

to view "Col." Edwin Drake's original 1859 oil well site (mandatory pilgrimage for Chem Es, says he). Back home, he has for years been helping with a local chamber music festival, serving on the county economic development council, and donating his time to the county hospice organization. Wife Linda begins her second five-year term as county planning commissioner. He "gets to carry her briefcase when the conventions are in Rehoboth or New Orleans." "The older grandchildren are becoming computer proficient," he adds, "so we'll have to break down (and get) our first to do e-mailing—assuming the (kids) never learn to write actual letters."

**Jim Dolliver**, PhD '60 (Grover Beach, CA) has moved somewhat to the west and considerably closer to the Pacific, a few miles from San Luis Obispo. **Bill McBurney** (NYC) and remote cousin **Kay McBurney** Brady (Bradenton, FL) finally met at our 50th. They had sort of thought it would happen by chance back in those good old days on the Hill, but it didn't. When they finally got together, they decided they were farther removed kin than they had suspected, since they didn't share the same great-grandfather back in Ireland after all. A photo was supplied but the voracious computer worm of last May ate it. Bill lives near the Cloisters in upper Manhattan, and since, he says, he isn't ready to be on vacation full-time, he continues to seek achievement by marketing co-op apartments and finding them for buyers. He says, "The process keeps me in touch with the town and its dynamic populace, lets me into beautiful places in well-architected buildings, and requires a lot of purposeful walking that I find preferable to a treadmill."

No doubt you remember the Sixties. Some were doves, some were hawks. A few were dawks. Others remained true to their generation and remained silent. Or didn't notice. **Sylvia Hart** Wright (Eugene, OR) participated, or so says she in "Breaking Free: A Novel About the Sixties," published online. It moves from the Berkeley antiwar scene to NYC where a young white woman grows increasingly involved with Black Panthers. Sylvia says the book is based on personal experience. It's posted at [www.westbynorthwest.org](http://www.westbynorthwest.org). She adds that her nonfiction *When Spirits Come Calling: The Open-Minded Skeptic's Guide to After-Death Contacts*, about contact with loved ones who have become deceased, remains available. Medic **Marguerite Goetke** Larsen (Middletown, NJ) is "learning to do nothing, i.e., read, cook, day-trip to NYC," now that she is "mainly retired" from armed services consulting. **Marcia Wright Treiber** (Tulsa, OK) reports that husband **Ken**'s retired from the company he helped found 17 years ago.

See you at Homecoming Oct. 16? Or the Schoellkopf Sellout II vs. Yale at Schoellkopf Sept 25? Let's pack the place to welcome a new coach, **Jim Knowles** '87, and a new life for Cornell football. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., #8B, NYC 10009; e-mail, [jch46@cornell.edu](mailto:jch46@cornell.edu).

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**55** Get your calendar or PDA (for the more up-to-date among us) handy. June 9-12, 2005 is the date for our not-to-be-missed, once-in-a-lifetime ("That's a joke, son") 50th Reunion.

Speaking of reunion, here's a special request from **Joan Weisberg Belden**, who's volunteered to head up the Affinity Groups part of the planning. She needs a lot of willing helpers to call, e-mail, or write to friends and classmates, encouraging them to come to reunion. Nothing succeeds like that personal touch, as you know. If you can lend a hand here by contacting members of your Cornell sorority, fraternity, dorm, team, club, or organization, please tell Joan. Her e-mail address is [rsbelden@worldnet.att.net](mailto:rsbelden@worldnet.att.net). Another e-mail address to make note of: **Janet Scanlan** Lawrence at [louisdixneuf@aol.com](mailto:louisdixneuf@aol.com). She's the one to notify that you plan to be with us next June. Her address is: 229 Marlton Rd., Pilesgrove, NJ 08098-2725; tel., (856) 769-3497. Janet will be posting and updating a list of attendees on our class website, <http://classof55.alumni.cornell.edu>.

Now on to the news. Some of it came in a while ago, but I'll try to get everyone's included sooner or later. **Fred McFarlin** says he's finally found his "ten-plus acres and a bass pond" in Havelock, NC, and moved there a year ago. The creek is reported to be full of 4- to 5-lb. bass and speckled trout. "Fishing, anyone? Come on down!" Fred says he's glad to note "the beginnings of two stable democratic states in the Middle East, without which there could never be peace between Muslims and the rest of the world." **Sylvia Verin** Mangalam, MA '57, keeps busy up in Nova Scotia with the Food Action Committee and the Ecology Action Center and as one of the "Raging Grannies." Her newest discovery is that "people think I can sing!" **Barbara O'Connor** Kenny's discovery about herself is that "organization is a skill that you're born with and it's very difficult to acquire as the years go by," despite well-meaning friends and family who ply her with how-to books and articles. But success seems to be at hand: "This new knowledge is very slowly being absorbed by a last-minute crammer," she reports.

About 50 classmates and friends enjoyed a wonderful April afternoon at Buckhorn, the private home of **Joel and Sherry Vogel Mallin**, collectors of contemporary art, in Pound Ridge. Buckhorn comprises 15 acres of woodlands and gardens, a lake and orchard, and close to 60 outdoor sculptures, plus the Art Barn, which houses installations, paintings, photography, videos, and sculptures. The Mallins themselves conducted an entertaining and informative tour, sharing with the group their own relationship with the art and artists. Regretfully, magazine policy doesn't permit a listing of all the attendees' names, but we express our thanks once again to the Mallins for graciously hosting this marvelous pre-reunion event.

Among many classmates who've settled in Florida is **John Cohen**, who married off the last of his three daughters last summer. Over in Sarasota, **Joe and Vera Steiner Simon** enjoyed visits from **Ralph De Stefano**, **Phil Harvey**, and **Bill Sledge** over the winter. Joe also reports that

**Hans "Swede" Dahl** is president of the local barbershop group. The Simons celebrated Vera's 70th birthday with a family reunion at Skytop in Pennsylvania. Their four Cornell children were there, plus Vera's brother **Ernie '63** and six grandchildren. Speaking of grandchildren, **Joanne Burford** Brown is setting the bar pretty high: can anyone beat 18?

**Irene Adler** Hirsch and husband Henry have lived in Netanya, Israel, for 14 years. Life there is "exciting and rewarding," says Renie. They live a block from the "warm, blue-green" Mediterranean, stay active with volunteer work, and are looking forward to seeing everyone on the Hill in June 2005. **Hans "Wolfi" Duerr** was the subject of a great article in his local Tucson paper. Wolfi has been named to the newly formed Sahuarita Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, an appointment for which he seems well suited. He organized the Desert Strollers, a group who walk, bicycle, and birdwatch around the Greater Tucson area, and also founded the Quail Creek Boys men's singing group. Wolfi has now started a lapidary club as well. "I have an interest in seeing more people enjoy their free time or their retirement time," he says.

Wolfi definitely plans to head back to Ithaca in June 2005, as do **Seymour Musiker**, **Dick Kurtz**, **Norm Nedde**, and **Debbie Golub** Leibowitz. We were sorry to learn that **Priscilla Rice** Ebert's husband Chuck died last December. "He was just days short of his 90th birthday," explained Pris, "but as active as he had been at 70." The Eberts enjoyed a number of CAU trips in recent years, and although Chuck was not a Cornellian, "he knew the words to all the songs we sang." Please feel free to send your news to me via e-mail. I look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Nancy Savage** Petrie, [nsm55@juno.com](mailto:nsm55@juno.com).

**56** I am writing this at the beginning of the summer when many of our classmates are enjoying vacation or taking trips. **Curt** and **Pamela Reis** will be in Botswana, **Jerry Tarr** is in his yearly two-week spot with Nonnie in Capri, and Gail and I just returned from Italy. As we reach the magic age, it surprises me how so many of us are still productively working. For those that are retired, enjoy yourself! The same thing to those that are still on the job. As long as we are all healthy.

**Keith Kellogg** of Phoenix, AZ, recently took a trip on the new *Queen Mary 2*. He said he had a ball. He also attended a party given by **Bill Doerler '55** at Princeton last fall and saw a lot of his fraternity brothers. He is looking forward to our 50th Reunion. **Miriam Mattinen Shearing** (Incline Village, NV) is chief justice of the Nevada Supreme Court. She writes that her husband **Steve** just retired from ophthalmology but is still busy in real estate. They attended the Santa Barbara Film Festival where their daughter Leslie had the US premier of her film *Dogs in the Basement*. She was producer, director, and writer of this work, which received good critical notice. **Joan Hillsley** MacKenzie is a psychiatrist with an outpatient practice of children and adults. She also helps at a camp with severely disabled children, most in wheelchairs. She is the mother of a son

and daughter and lives in Redondo Beach, CA.

Our condolences to **Phil Chase '54** on the death of his dear wife **Merle (Root)**. They were residents of Port Jervis, NY, and the parents of five children. She was a teacher, an environmentalist, a volunteer in the local hospital, and an overall exceptional mother who guided her children through the financial maze of college. She will be missed by her family and the community.

Apologies to **Helene Reiback** Berger for not catching up to her letter earlier. From Coconut Grove, FL, she tells us that she missed our 45th Reunion due to a conflict with husband **Ady's** 50th at Dartmouth. He retired this year after building homes for 44 years. She is happy that they can spend more time in their home in the Berkshires. Helene is chair of the Jewish Education Service of North America as a capstone of her career of service to the Jewish community. Her son is chief of cardiology at Pennsylvania Hospital, while her daughter is a tenured professor of mathematics at MIT. Helene is a grandmother of four. She still loves Cornell and looks forward to seeing any of her classmates who are in the area.

**Virginia Brooks** Hochberg, MA '61, is still teaching at Brookline College and has five grandchildren. **Carmela Suckow** Ackman of New York City has retired as a lawyer and recently took a fascinating trip to Havana. Keep your letters coming to us. We enjoy reading and printing them. Stay well! ♦ **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., #2A, New York, NY 10128; e-mail, [catplan@aol.com](mailto:catplan@aol.com).

**57** Mark your calendars for Homecoming, October 16. We not only play Colgate, but all classmates are invited to the dedication of the Class of '57 Kinkeldey Room in the Main Library. Many of you had a tour of the room under renovation during our 45th Reunion. However, why wait until the 50th to see the completed work? If the weatherman cooperates, can you imagine the view from that room? A reception is planned so that all attendees can see their campus legacy.

Some classmates were back on campus in June for the Law school reunion, as well as the Continuous Reunion Club. **Judy Richter** Levy, LLB '59, reports that she saw **Ellie Meaker** Kraft, LLB '60, who works on criminal appeals in the San Francisco area. **Connie Santagato** Hosterman enjoyed the weekend. Connie passed along the news that **Phyllis Shames** Korn is chairing the capital campaign and building committee for a new rehearsal hall at the Seagle Music Colony in Schroon Lake.

**Olga Duntuch** Krell, BArch '58, was awarded the first Honoris Causa Doctorate in architecture and design by the Faculdade de Belas Artes, Brazil. Although she hasn't practiced architecture since three years after graduation, she was being recognized for her dedication to promoting the profession and professionals, primarily through her magazine, *Espaço D'*. Olga travels a great deal in her job as editor and publisher, so she missed the Cornell Glee Club when it toured Brazil. However, Olga writes that her daughter **Lisa Krell** Aulicino '92, also with the magazine, "did the honors for the Krells and helped all she could."

Finally, a sad note to report, the death of **Priscilla Kiefer Parrish**. "johnnie," as she was known to one and all, was a regular attendee at our reunions. But after putting up a "feisty fight" (as she wrote in her annual Christmas letter) against lung cancer, she passed away in March. Condolences to her husband Steve, a well-known Wordsworth scholar, and her children **Kit Baker-Carr '87** and Sue Baker-Carr. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.

**58** **Carol Boeckle** Welch and husband Peter hosted a class party on April 17, and a great time was had by all. Newlyweds **Marjan Schneider** Carasik and **Gary Davidson** (our reunion match) drove down from S. Egremont, MA, while **Jerry** and **Eileen Funcheon Linsner** came all the way from Buffalo (never miss a party!). First-timer **Vanessa Marshall** (Nursing undergrad and Harvard PhD) joined **Ronne Schulbaum** Strell, Joanne Marren and **Alan Goldman**, **Betty Anne Steer** Merritt, **Jon** and **Maryann Howell**, **Larry Severino**, Ivan and **Paula Rivlin** Glickman, **Robert Snook**, **Meyer** and **Karen Gross**, **Mike Young** and **Judith Welling**, and **Bud Baker**.

**Ann Gaffey** Coyne is still teaching social work full-time at the U. of Nebraska, Omaha. She spent six weeks last summer in Nicaragua studying Spanish and supervising one of her graduate students. Her daughter Cathy and her husband adopted Shoshannah in Nicaragua last year. Both Cathy and Shoshannah have artificial legs. **Robin Bielski** Kadar retired from the practice of law, retired from refurbishing over-the-hill real estate, sold it all, and moved South! She no longer bundles and shivers, and now swims and sunbathes! She is located in Jupiter, FL, in a gorgeous two-bedroom apartment overlooking the Atlantic and loves it! **Ellie DeMov** Schaffer is a lady of leisure these days, enjoying reading, learning the computer, working out, needlework, and helping with her seven grandchildren when needed. She recently took a cruise to the Panama Canal and has had several trips to Florida. **Muriel King** Taylor, MD '62, recently took a 1,300-mile voyage (at 4-5mph) in the *Murrelet* (husband Jack's design and construction), their geriatric motor sailer, from Lake Huron to Charleston, SC, via the Great Lakes, Erie Canal, Hudson River, and Intercoastal Waterway. "Along the way, we visited **Jane (Thomson)** '60, MD '64, and **Bill Hickok**, **Cecily Selch** Whiteford, **Marian Chow** Michal, and **Marilyn Bates** Mathias. We had a wonderful trip, and the *Murrelet* survived until the exit from the ICW into Charleston Harbor, where the diesel died. After a brief, pleasant sail, she was towed to the Marina. We donated the *Murrelet* to the Boy Scouts, and my husband is delighted he no longer needs to maintain her!"

**Roger** and **Irene Rizzi Metzger** had a life-altering experience last year when their daughter and her family were involved in a serious car accident—all survived. "Everyone is coming along nicely, and we are so grateful no one was killed, but it's been a long haul." Rog continues in his devotion and contribution to the Food Bank of Western New York, and Irene is active as

a leader/facilitator in a women's faith-based, ecumenical discussion program. **Roberta Arvine** Fishman left reunion last summer, re-packed, and left to sail from St. Petersburg to Moscow, Russia. "St. Petersburg is gorgeous if you go to the sherbet-colored restorations or the gilt-covered churches, but where people live and shop is just plain sad. Things have improved significantly in Moscow, where the new oligarchy is alive and rich. The GUM store was more like Rodeo Drive!"

**Robert McGuire**, M Ed '63, has just completed his term as president of the NYS Association of Agricultural Fairs. He also completed 21 years as a director of the Cobblestone "Sunshine" Fair. **Dale Reis Johnson** was supposed to go to Spain last October, but husband **Dick** had a bicycle accident so couldn't go. However, they did go to Hawaii in December. **Dick Caines** retired from the Oswego County Health Dept., where he was a medical entomologist and studied encephalitis and Lyme Disease. He now is enjoying hunting, fishing, Cornell sports, and Syracuse Crunch hockey. ♦ **Jan Arps** Jarvie, 6524 Valleybrook Dr., Dallas, TX 75254; e-mail, JJarvie386@aol.com; **Dick Haggard**, 1207 Nash Dr., Fort Washington, PA 19034; e-mail, rhaggard@voicenet.com. Class website, <http://classof58.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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**60** A news release announcing the appointment of **George Hays** of Morristown, NJ, as president of NACE International, the Corrosion Society, arrived in last week's mail. George, who worked at Ashland Specialty Chemicals as an engineer for 34 years before retiring and now serves as a consultant, was formally inducted into his new office at the annual NACE banquet in New Orleans at the end of March. He had previously received an award from NACE, and has published several articles on controlling corrosion in industrial cooling water systems.

**William "Billy" Leagans** of Elmhurst, IL, reports that he's "been busy, healthy, and still not wise," and hopes to see classmates at reunion in 2005. Billy, who played Big Red football as a quarterback before leaving in 1958 to work for the Ford Foundation in New Delhi, India, returned to Ithaca in 1961, later spent a year with the Los Angeles Rams, and then worked for 20 years for Thatcher Glass. He is now with a Chicago-area firm, Advance Industrial Construction, that uses steel to erect bridges, machinery, cranes, and tanks.

Also thinking about our next reunion is **Burdett "Burt" Lent** of Wasilla, AK. He continues to work as a landscape architect and planner in Alaska, and reports that he had his busiest year yet, but is looking forward to retirement "and more Cornell reunions!" Burt says that he and Celia stay in touch with **Peter**, MS '61, and **Diane Cestari Andrewes** of Halifax, Nova Scotia, but didn't mention how they do so, given the thousands of miles that separate the two families.

**Betty Cohen Gruber** notes that she and **Marty**, DVM '62, are now spending the winter

months at their condominium on a golf course in Sarasota, FL. The rest of the year they are in Chelmsford, MA, where three of their grandchildren live around the corner with daughter Wendy and her husband. Their son **Ron**, DVM '89, and his wife are in Avon, CO, and are parents of the Grubers' two other grandchildren.

**Dolores Furtado** of Overland Park, KS, has moved in a new direction professionally, and just completed her first year as an elected official, Johnson County Commissioner, after spending many years as a professor of microbiology at the U. of Kansas medical school. Dolores notes that many of the skills she relied upon as a teacher, such as careful preparation of background material, thorough understanding of the issues at hand, and effective communication in public settings, are now serving her well in public office.

**Arthur Block's** communiqué from San Juan, PR, during the winter reported that the island "had just endured a cold snap, with the temperature at times plunging to 72 degrees." (Thanks for making those of us about to be stuck in the frigid North feel bad, Art!) Art and Maria Elisa traveled extensively in 2003, visiting Denmark, Sweden, and Finland, several cities in Russia, then Warsaw and Prague, trips which demonstrated that Art had nicely recovered his mobility after two hip replacements the previous year. The Block offspring "are maturing," says Art. Daughter Frances and her husband have opened a boutique that specializes in beach and exercise wear, and daughter Karin is finishing graduate work in geology at the City University of New York.

**Gerrie Jordan** Congdon and husband Steven moved from Wilmington, NC, a few years ago after a discouraging series of hurricanes, and are now enjoying their semi-retirement in Santa Rosa, CA, in the wine country. Gerrie works part-time as a Web administrator for the Surface Design Assn., indulges what she describes as her "passion for art quilting," and is very active in her local church. **Samuel Gilbert** is still practicing law full-time in New York, specializing in trusts and estates, real estate and corporate transactions, and pre-nuptial and marital-separation agreements. He and wife Susan have one grandson and more on the way. They divide their time between an apartment in Manhattan and a house in New London, CT.

When last we heard from **Anita Wasserspring Yusem**, she and **Stephen** '58 were planning to build a vacation house on Sebago Lake in Maine, which was being designed by their architect son **Michael** '88. Anita reports that the house is now completed and being enjoyed by all the Yusem family, which also includes daughter **Caren** '86, who lives in Chicago and works as the marketing director for the Terra Museum. When they're not on vacation in Maine, Anita and Stephen can be found in Gwynedd Valley, PA. **Judy Gantert** Schuster writes from Cambria, CA, where she is a fiber artist specializing in portrait tapestries, that she had a wonderful trip to Hungary in June 2003, where she was hosted and royally entertained by the Hungarian Tapestry Artists Assn. Judy reports that just prior to her trip, her artwork was favorably reviewed by *American Craft* magazine.

In a brief note from San Rafael, CA, **Rachel Rosenfarb** McClung reports that her daughter Devra Coren Moehler began work as an assistant professor of government at Cornell in 2003-04. Also brief was **Robert Aldinger's** report from Aiea, HI, that he recently retired for the second time, from ten years of teaching seventh grade math at the local school; he had previously retired from a career in the US Navy. I suspect Hawaii will be a great place for Bob's retirement.

**Peter Rodgers** says he got a surprise e-mail from **Steve Rothschild** last year, so called him in California and "had a blast rehashing the last 40 years." Peter and Steve talked about getting a group of old Cornell friends together, but at last report were looking for somebody to take the organizational lead. Peter lives in Chester Springs, PA, and Steve is in Alamo, CA, where he works with his son Daniel in the Rothschild Group at Smith Barney. Steve's daughter Livya designs and manufactures women's clothing at her company, Ana Capri. Send news to ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jw275@cornell.edu.

**61** **Jeff Rubens**, editor of the widely regarded *Bridge World* magazine, was inducted into the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) Hall of Fame in NYC in July. Founded in 1929, the magazine is regarded as the primary resource for expert players around the globe. Jeff has represented the U.S. in world championships and has won several North American championships. With 170,000 members, the ACBL is the world's largest bridge organization, supporting 3,300 local bridge clubs and more than 1,200 tournaments.

**Judy Rensin Mandell** and her husband **Jerry '58**, MD '62, have a total of eight grandchildren, only one of which is a girl. **David Bershad** is now a proud grandfather, thanks to son **William Bershad '92** and daughter-in-law **Bleema**. **Mike Wahl** and wife **Beth** also have their first grandchild, born to son **Peter '92** and daughter-in-law **Parul Desai '91**. Mike enjoys his regular golf game, weather permitting. He sees **Chris Brown** every now and then.

**Barbara Lester** Margolin sent us news about the wedding of daughter **Sarah Margolin '95** to **Christopher Jacobson '95** in April at the Boathouse Café in Central Park, NYC. Among the 24 Cornellians attending were the bride's sisters **Carolyn Margolin '01** (now a PhD candidate in marine biology at the U. of Miami) and **Julie Margolin '99** (an inventory manager for Royal Caribbean). When they are not at their weekend home in West Dover, VT, Barbara and husband Arthur naturally spend some vacation time on cruises, including a recent South American cruise and one to the Baltic.

Katherine and **Al Dybvig** visited **Adelle Case Picking** and husband **Skip '60**, MBA '62, at their Vail condo last ski season. The Pickings have three grandchildren. **Nelson Hunter Spencer's** leisure activities include running in marathons and other races, rowing, rugby, photography, and bronze sculpture. **Marshall** and **Rosanna Romanelli Frank** biked and hiked throughout the Cyclades Islands (Mykonos, Delos, Santorini, etc.) with six

other couples in May. The group included **Morty** and **Nancy Simon Hodin '62** and Marshall's brother **Sid '63**.

What a year for **Bobbie Horowitz's** Times Square Group! **Bobbie** and son **David Slone '90**, JD '94, founded the group to bring TV, theater, film, and music workshops into NYC public high schools. During a TSG workshop at an alternative high school on Manhattan's Lower East Side, students wrote and performed a series of playlets and monologues. The project was a huge success when the students got to perform their work at The Soho Playhouse with Tony Award nominee **Andre De Shields** guest-starring as a father. What made this show so special, according to **Bobbie**, was that her hunches paid off when the school's "bunch of sullen, self-doubting teens were put into the arts project, stuck with it, and subsequently formed a joyful, creative, and supportive family." TSG has applied for a grant to continue these types of programs.

**David Miner** moved from New York City to Los Angeles, taking with them their two granddaughters, **Emily** and **Jessica**. "They left us bereft, but also left us the apartment we had all bought together and that we had planned to move into at some future date. So we spent last spring downsizing from a large house in suburban New Jersey preparing to move to a two-bedroom apartment on the Upper West Side, a short walk from Lincoln Center, the American Museum of Natural History, Riverside Park, and Central Park. We're loving it." Their son **Eric (Vassar '91)** lives in Providence, RI, and is with the East Coast Greenway Alliance.

**Pete** retired from being a professor at New Jersey Medical School last year, "which means he goes in to school four days a week instead of five, and doesn't teach or do administrative work or get paid. He's enjoying it." **Judy** (jweis@andromeda.rutgers.edu) is still having fun doing estuarine biology as a professor at Rutgers. She

'For those who haven't worked on reunion planning, I can only tell you that the meetings are a blast!'

DAVID S. KESSLER '61

A fall outing is scheduled for Oct. 23, '04, at the Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton, NJ, midway between NYC and Philadelphia. Open since 1992, this 35-acre sculpture park and museum features over 200 engaging, contemporary sculptures on beautifully landscaped grounds. The luncheon will be held at an exciting restaurant called **Rat's** in the park. For classmates in the southern New Jersey and Philadelphia areas, this is a must-attend event. If you did not receive an announcement about the outing, you can e-mail me for more details.

Reunion co-chair **Jon Greenleaf** wishes to remind everyone that the planning has already begun for our 45th Reunion, June 8-11, '06. "Save the dates," as they say. For those who haven't worked on reunion planning, I can only tell you that the meetings are a blast! Lots of reminiscing, story telling, and laughs. One of the planning get-togethers is scheduled to take place in Arizona, so be ready to respond positively when the call for volunteers goes out early next year. ♦ **David S. Kessler**; e-mail, dsk15@cornell.edu.

**62** A plea from class historians **Judy Prenske Rich** and **Peter Slater**: they are seeking class stationery, minutes of meetings, class gift project information, and other memorabilia from the class's early years. If you served as a class officer before 1987, please remind us! Reach **Judy** at jprcom1@aol.com or 535 East 80th St., # 9H, New York 10028. Or send to me along with your current news!

Last year **Pete '60** and **Judy Shulman Weis's** daughter **Jennifer** (Skidmore '89) and husband

has a lab full of graduate students, and they do field work in the Hackensack Meadowlands, among other places. **Judy** and **Pete** are both involved in musical activities. **Judy's** in the Village Light Opera Group doing **Gilbert** and **Sullivan**, and in the Choral Society of Grace Church. Last week at a chamber music concert they bumped into her former Cornell roommate **Pat Preller** Trester and her husband.

**Richard** and **Neil Ann Stuckey Levine '63** have sold their New York apartment and are building a second home in Greenville, NC, where their oldest son and three of five grandchildren live. The Levines do enjoy college towns: their main residence remains in Princeton, where **Dick** is in his 39th year with **Dow Jones**, currently as vice president and executive editor of **Dow Jones Newswires**. **Francine Oلمان** Hardaway (francine@stealthmode.com) remains in Phoenix, where she has just published a memoir of her experiences as a foster parent over the past 12 years. It's called *Foster Mom* and it's available on Amazon.com. Adds **Francine**, "I hope you enjoy reading how naive I was when I thought that just taking kids into your home was sufficient to make them successful (or happy)."

Other published authors include **Will Anderson**, whose 19th book, *The Lost New England Nine: The Best of New England's Forgotten Ballplayers*, was recently published. Author's note: "If you love baseball—and especially the Red Sox—you'll love this book!" **Will** resides in Bath, ME. New York is home to **Eric, M Ed '67**, and **Alice Dalton Brown**. She is an artist and has been showing there for 30 years. Check out the book about her work that was published two years ago,

or find posters of her work online. The Browns have three children and three grandchildren.

**Bob Crites '59** and I enjoyed a too-brief visit with **Fred '59** and **Carol Shaw Andresen** (candresen@triad.rr.com), who came through Portland on their way to a wedding in central Oregon. What a treat to see them—it's wonderful to be able to pick up just where one left off x number of years ago! Two of their three married children are in the process of relocating this summer, so Carol and Fred have been enjoying grandchild-tending. They've lived in Greensboro, NC, for 30 years. Carol is art coordinator at the Center for Creative Leadership there. Fred is retired from Ciba-Geigy, but enjoying management consulting with local start-ups.

Also enjoying babysitting for grandchildren is **Hal Karbiner**, whose adult children and their boys live near the Karbiners in Newtown Square, PA. Hal is retired. Enjoying both grandchildren and retirement are Nancy and **Bruce Steele**, BS Hotel '61, MBA '62 (brnsteele@aol.com). Bruce retired to Marco Island, FL, after a career in the computer industry in Boston. "I am mostly retired," writes **Douglas Pearson** from Eastsound, WA. "Neighbor **Richard Bowen**, MBA '64, is mostly retired, too." Douglas and **Joyce (Smith)**, MS '65 (dipearson@rockisland.com) have daughter Ann, an assistant professor of biochemistry at Harvard, and son David with Deloitte Consulting.

"Went to the Women's March in DC and didn't see a soul I know. Very exciting, though," reports **Katie Simmons Kaufman** (ksk26@cornell.edu). Katie and Steven live in Hollywood, FL. **Evelyn Eskin** (evieskin@aol.com) reports she and **Dave Major '61** have two new granddaughters. Mira HaLevi (daughter of **Jill Major HaLevi '87**) arrived in February from China at age 13 months and joins her 5-year-old sister Noa in Charleston, SC. Evie spent all of February in Charleston with Noa—"Delicious!" Valerie Thompson was born in May to Evie and Dave's middle daughter Jane in Reading, PA. Evie knows the road from Philadelphia to Reading very well.

A note accompanying class dues from **Robert Gillen** of Raleigh, NC (chiller919@aol.com) is worth repeating verbatim: "I have degrees from two other universities and have attended two others as a non-degree candidate, so need to make choices about whom I should support. I have to tell you that the election of trustees by alumni is the issue that made me think that it's better to support Cornell. My other two degree-granting institutions are embroiled in political/financial escapades that are shameful." Thanks, Bob! Hope to see more news and dues coming. Have you sent yours? ♦ **Jan McClayton Crites**, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97034; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

**63** The month of May in Racine brought some sad news for Cornell and for our city. **Samuel C. Johnson '50**, chairman emeritus of S. C. Johnson, died of cancer at 76. He was well liked and respected in the community for many things, but many feel he and his family are responsible for keeping Racine, Wisconsin, alive. We will surely miss him. Cornell's president

emeritus Frank Rhodes spoke at the Memorial Service. In attendance were former president Hunter Rawlings and our current president, **Jefrey Lehman '77**.

To the news of the Class of 1963. **Alice Miller Thomas**, MS '65, has been enjoying some of the most rewarding and challenging work of her career during the last three years. She is responsible for one component of a federal grant (which she received through a colleague at the U. of Minnesota) to assist a business university in the Ukraine to make adjustments to reflect the new market economy. She is assisting Ukrainian faculty in writing course syllabi, articulating high level cognitive student outcomes, and teaching and testing for those student outcomes. Alice feels she has "struck gold—professionally speaking!" **Alan Chimacoff** writes that "at this ridiculously advanced age" he has begun a new architecture firm called ikon.5 architects. The business opened its doors on Oct. 1, '03. His four partners are youthful and do the heavy lifting. They concentrate on architecture and planning for colleges and universities—and "as we did in our former lives, we'd love to do another building at Cornell." Alan's 18-year-old daughter Kate will take next year in France and Italy to become fluent in French and learn Italian and art history before attending Emory in the fall of 2005.

Bob and **Mary Dunn Medina** are still showing their beloved Tennessee Walking Horses. They have several world champions, which is exciting and challenging. Daughter **Liz (Vassar '93)** and son-in-law **Chris Whitney '87** have son George and daughter Helen. Mary makes the grandmother trip to Darien, CT, frequently. **Fred Parkin** had two children at Cornell, but as of graduation this past June, he was down to one. His daughter **Kathryn '04** has her first job in food service at the Olympic Village in Athens this summer. **Bill and Frankie Campbell Tutt** have son **Ben**, MA '97. Ben is manager of Wyndham's Martineau Bay Resort and Spa on the island of Vieques. Bill is chairman of US Space Foundation and chairman of the board of Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo. Frankie led a biking and kayaking tour in Vietnam last fall.

**Whin**, ME '68, and Joan Heathe **Melville** live in Pittsford, NY. Whin is practice manager at a software company called Real Time Enterprises. Their two oldest daughters, **Janet Melville Ford '96** and **Amy Melville Stipe '95** (married to **Jason '95**), both had their first children in February of last year. **Daniel Daly** retired from Smith Barney a year ago but continues to run his real estate operations. He and Mary Louise have five children and five grandchildren. **Mardee Sue Greenfield** Jenrette retired in August 2002 as associate provost of Miami-Dade Community College. She loved her job but also loves being retired. She enjoys having new educational experiences, traveling, catching up with friends, and having more time with her family. Daughter Coral lives in Boston. Peter and **Rae Messer** Reilly live in Ames, IA. Pete is a professor of chemical engineering at Iowa State U. Rae volunteers at a Fair Trade Shop in Ames, university museums, and her church; she enjoys her two stepdaughters and traveling. Last year Rae and Pete mixed business and pleasure to travel to Germany and the Republic of Georgia.

**Bill and Debby Seyl Wycoff** were at reunion last year. Daughter **Ann '85** and her husband presented the Wycoffs with a granddaughter last year. Debby wrote about a great trip she and Bill took to Patagonia a year ago March. They cruised Tierra del Fuego, then went on to the Chilean national park, Torres del Paine. The scenery was spectacular. They also took a bus/boat trip through the Andes from Puerto Varas in Chile to Bariloche in Argentina. Bariloche looks like Switzerland—beautiful mountains, lakes, and snowcapped volcanoes. **Jack, DVM '60**, and **Judy Cohn Bloch** divide their retirement between Sarasota and the Finger Lakes. Judy retired from a 14-year career as a real estate broker in Rochester. She plays tennis, skis, cooks, entertains, hunts for antiques, and volunteers in the community. She is also proud to be a breast cancer survivor. Judy created "Fan Fare," a cookbook for the benefit of fans of the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra. She and Jack have loved traveling to Africa, Israel, and Costa Rica with Adult University (CAU).

**Louise Salwitz Hochron** married Leonard in 1999. They are both retired and feel like they are always on vacation. They live six months in NYC and four months in Boynton Beach, FL, and travel the other months to Italy, Spain, China, and Central Europe. Louise retired after teaching high school and having a career in financial services marketing. Leonard was a dentist in Manhattan for 40 years. They "enjoy the complete change of lifestyle from condoland/mall America to trendy Upper East Side of NYC." That's all for this issue. Keep the news coming. The easiest way to communicate is through e-mail. ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke**, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, icke@execpc.com.

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**65** As you are reading this, the lovely fall colors are about to enfold the gorges, Homecoming is around the corner, and Ithaca is at its most beautiful. **Nicholas Kass**, MPA '67 (NLKass@aol.com) writes, "My daughter Elizabeth was married in May to Vesselin Miloushev, and both are in the MD/PhD program at Columbia. My son Andrew is a VP (Global Corp. Finance) at Deutsche Bank in San Francisco." Nick is still in private law practice in Queens, and is trying to move toward retirement by working one or two days less a week. He is also involved in the development of an agribusiness in the Orange-Sullivan-Delaware County areas. He would like to hear from Cornellians with farming or agribusiness experience in that area.

A new professorship in the AEM (Applied Economics and Management) business program was named for **John Dyson**. **Robert Dyson**, MBA '74, endowed the John S. Dyson Professorship in Marketing in honor of his brother, creator of the "I love NY" tourism campaign. The position is the program's first endowed faculty position since receiving accreditation in 2002. **Bruce**

**Smoller** was elected president of the Montgomery County Medical Society and for the past five years has been the editor of *Maryland Medicine*, the journal of the state medical society.

**Daniel Stern** says he "had a great three-week motorcycle trip in New Zealand in February." He is "enjoying retirement with friends, books, travel, and beer," and looking forward to reunion next year. **Diwan Kailash Chand** wrote, "I am still in Ottawa, and my younger son Vijay has joined me in the property development business. All doing fine." **Patricia Anderson Harwick**, who is a fundraising consultant to churches, says she is looking forward to spending less time working and more time making music with her husband Ray on hammer dulcimers and wirestring harp.

**Lawrence Lombard** wrote to say that he and Nancy Burmeister were married on Nov. 8, '03. **David Tetor** reports that he and wife Louise are still big Nascar fans and take their camper to as many races as they can each year. David was reelected town supervisor for the Town of Stanford, which he describes as "a difficult, low-paying retirement job—but someone has to do it." He has also been selected as an inaugural member of the new Liberty Hyde Bailey Leadership Society for the Ag college.

For the fifth year in a row **Maddy Gell Handler** and husband **Phil '62** have spent a year capturing on videotape the lives of graduates of the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning for presentation at reunion. The graduates talk about why they enrolled, what they experienced at Cornell, and how their professional and personal lives have evolved since they graduated. At the video showing, Maddy ran into **Roberta Kupfrian Tarbell**, associate professor of art history at Rutgers. **George Arangio**, MD '69, our reunion co-chair, was at reunion scouting things out in preparation for next year. **Ellen Fluhr Thomas**, who is still practicing law in New York City and serving on the University Council, was there with husband **Butch '64**.

Maddy says it was "a real blast from the past" to see **Deirdra Gray Polow** after not seeing her for 39 years. "Didi," who was there with husband **Ian '64**, was her freshman corridor buddy and junior year next door neighbor. In the top floor Tower rooms in Risley in the spring of 1964, Didi would blast the Beatles from a record player on their "terrace."

If this can happen in an off-year, think of the great reconnects that could happen at our 40th next year. Block out the dates on your calendar now for next year—June 9-12! And send news or updates to ♦ **Dennis Norfleet**, 3187 State Rt. 48, Oswego, NY 13126; tel., (315) 342-0457; e-mail, dpn5@cornell.edu; **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Ct., West Bloomfield, MI 48322; tel., (248) 788-3397; e-mail, rsh28@cornell.edu; and **Joan Elstein Rogow**, 9 Mason Farm Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822; tel., (908) 782-7028.

**66** We are retiring, traveling, consulting, enjoying our grandchildren, still working, and ... turning 60! **John Monroe**, PhD '70 (jwm28@cornell.edu) has retired but still consults with Hewlett Packard on matters and

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SIDRA STICH '65

**S**idra Stich's regional guides to contemporary art and architecture send readers far beyond the obvious destinations. Besides conventional museums and galleries, the former Berkeley Art Museum curator includes murals on warehouses, cafe districts, even office buildings in her ART-Sites series. "It is important to broaden the definition of art," says the Teaneck, New Jersey, native.

Stich, a Home Economics grad, credits her appreciation for all things visual to a three-month European tour during her undergraduate years. "I scurried about from city to city, country to country," she says. "It was the classic Europe-on-a-shoestring introduction, yet it totally opened my eyes to European culture and visual arts." In 1999, Stich launched the ART-site series to emphasize the modern artistic values of the places she had visited. Since then, she has penned guides to France, Britain and



Ireland, Spain, Paris, and San Francisco. She plans to expand the collection to include New York, London, and Berlin. "Exploring each region is hectic work," says the author, who recently returned from Italy, where she gathered material for her next book. "I visit the place more than once because there's always something different to see."

— Anastasia Poushkareva '06

strategies relating to international technical regulations for electronic products. He also enjoys teaching trombone to fifth to eighth graders. John and wife **Margaret (Warne)**, MS '68, took a cruise last year to Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Cyprus, and Greece. They were amazed at the impressive archaeological sites in the area.

Gerry and **Deanne Gebell Gitner** (dgg26@cornell.edu) cruised around Cape Horn last fall and saw lots of sea lions and penguins. The Gitners have become snowbirds, spending October to May in Highland Beach, FL, and the rest of the year in Fairfield, NJ. **Catherine Eugenia "Jeanne" Brown Sander** is the 2004 President of the Cornell Hotel Society. Larry and **Diane Stein Dobrow** (dsd24@cornell.edu) attended the wedding of **Wendy Miller Richman's** daughter Jennifer. Other classmates in attendance included **Alice Katz Berglas** and **Carol Atkin Kay**.

**Jonathan Reader**, PhD '81, was named the first Baker Professor of Sociology, a newly endowed chair in the social sciences at Drew U.

**Bob Feldman**, PhD '75 (rlf4@cornell.edu) joined current and alumni chimesmasters last October at a 21-bell chimes tower in Winchester, MA. It is one of two other bell towers as large as Cornell's and was cast by the same foundry. Bob and **Susan (Goodman) '67** now reside in Framingham, MA. **Ed and Belle Sauer** (sauer@zoomtown.com) are enjoying their grandchildren. Ed is doing part-time consulting in oleochemicals. He attended the Alumni Hockey Golf Tournament in July '03, where **Joe Nieuwendyk '88** brought the Stanley Cup for the weekend—a big thrill for all the old-timers who always aspired to that level of play. Hockey seems to be the only team sport where a revered trophy is allowed to travel with and be shared by the winners each year.

**Charles Rappaport** (elfish@tdstelme.net) is enjoying retirement. He reports that after four years in Maine, he has finally set up his home workshop. His wife is Penny Hall. **Judith Kurtz Polcer** (jpolcer@nyc.rr.com) has "early retired" and is spending more time on music (singing

jazz, theater, etc.), and literally (physically) working on Brooklyn's Prospect Park to keep it beautiful. She also teaches English as a Second Language to adult immigrants. She plans to travel more extensively with husband Ed, who is a jazz musician and performs in the US and Europe. **Fred Keller** has been teaching a course at Cornell titled Sustainable Business: The Challenge of the 21st Century.

**Paul Anderson** (pkanderson@yahoo.com) reports that he is no longer an innkeeper, having sold his second one in 18 years. He is now living back on Cape Cod. Retired teacher and guidance counselor **Donald Goldman** is thoroughly enjoying his new life. He worked for the New York City school system for 35 years. Don and wife Cheryl took a cruise to Greece last fall, seeing Athens, Siros, and Santorini. This was the first September vacation he had ever been able to take. **Nathan Wong** (natekelii@aol.com) notes that his youngest child is at Dartmouth. This will give him an opportunity to stop by Ithaca next fall on his way from Hawaii to Hanover. Nate is still a family physician with Kaiser Permanente in Hawaii, enjoying both clinical and administrative work. He is nearing retirement from the Hawaii Army National Guard.

**Stuart Peterfreund** (speterfreund@neu.edu) is now directing the W.E.B. DuBois Program in the Humanities. Administered by Bard College, the program offers six credits of humanities courses to adult learners who are at or near the poverty level. The program is in partnership with community-based agencies such as, in the Boston area, Roxbury Community College. Stuart is also a professor of English and director of English Graduate Programs at Northeastern U. He notes that his wife Christina Sieber and their daughter compete in various horseriding competitions. ♦ **Susan Rockford Bittker**, ladyscienc@aol.com; **John Miers**, John\_Miers@nih.gov; **Bill Blockton**, rbsfabrics@aol.com.

**67** Father's Day was warm and sunny in Washington this June, so with the other Cornellians in the house unavailable (my wife off teaching in China for the month and my daughter busy with everything rising sophomores—I know, we never used that term “in my day” as the late **Rym Berry '04** [that's 1904] might have put it—do during their summers) there was nothing to be done but go to the annual Cornell Club outing at the Kiplingers' farm out in Poolesville.

And sure enough there were all sorts of familiar faces, including classmates **Bill Newell** (Alexandria, VA; wfnewell@aol.com) and Col. **James D. Johnston**, USAF (Ret.), also of Arlington, and their wives, both still plying their governmental callings at the USDA and the USAF, respectively, the colonel having turned consultant. Also had a chance to catch up with **Jim Gutman '68**, now living in Laurel, MD, and **Art Spitzer '71**, whose e-mail is pretty irresistible: info@brainsurgery.com. Some day he'll tell me what that has to do with the ACLU.

Then I found myself being congratulated on my shirt choice for the day—a Cornell 125th tee with the inscription “Cornell-Stanford, first, last

& only game!”—by none other than the host **Austin “Kip” Kiplinger '39** who was also at that game out West and knows how to make you feel good. Asking if I had been “on the field” that day, I replied by recalling the greatest Cornell party ever on the sunken ball diamond at Stanford. That was better than noting that a quarter century or so earlier, I was already relegated to the press box.

While in New Jersey recently checking out courts in Camden, I caught up with **Peter Buchsbaum**, Stockton, NJ, just as he was about to become the newest judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey. Peter brings a many-sided

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SUSAN ROCKFORD BITTKER '66

and always distinguished career at the Bar to the bench. He clerked for the late famed New Jersey Chief Justice **Joseph Weintraub '28**, LLB '30, was counsel for the ACLU in New Jersey, joined the Office of the Public Advocate, and has practiced with a number of firms in Princeton, Trenton, and Woodbridge. His specialty is land use law. He's been recognized as a national authority by the American Bar Association and wrote a column for years taking on all comers on issues concerning the courts and the Bar in the *New Jersey Law Journal*.

While I'm still overseas myself, it's high time to recall my serendipitous attendance at a Cornell function far from Cayuga's waters. This was the 100th anniversary banquet of the Cornell Club of the Philippines, held at the Discovery Suites in Pasig City, in the Manila area, where I was staying while on an assignment and which of course was managed by **Tom Wisniewski '71** of the Hotel school, who had something to do, I think, with the rounds of fireworks set off in honor of the occasion. Club president **Corazon Santos de la Paz**, MBA '65, who heads the Philippine Social Security System, welcomed a large assembly. Some of you who took Econ 101 will recall **Vicente “Vic” Valdepenas**, PhD '69, then a section man and since a cabinet officer and now board member of a major Philippine bank, who was there with several family members who had journeyed to Ithaca for study.

Many at the dinner came to Cornell for graduate work. Program notes recalled how Filipinos and Filipinas had weathered the definitely different climate of snow. Others had participated in the Cornell-Philippines Rice Program at Los Banos. President **Jeffrey Lehman '77** mentioned his then-upcoming trip to China during his talk at the Father's Day picnic and he should know that he will find a loyal and enthusiastic group of Cornell alumni in the Philippines the next time he travels that way. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St., NW, Washington, DC; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

**68** I hope you are having a good summer. **Jim Kirkpatrick** received the Dana Medal, which recognizes outstanding scientific contributions through original research in the mineralogical sciences. Jim is executive associate dean, College of Arts & Sciences at the U. of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Professor **Jim Maas**, PhD '66, spoke at the May meeting of the Cornell Club of Boston. Classmates there included **Beth Deabler** Corwin and husband Rick, **Alan Stoll**, MPA '70, and **Joyce Pfeffer** Gordon and husband Neil. Joyce lives in Wayland, MA.

**Jane Frommer** Gertler reports seeing **Sue Selton Benjamin** at a conference in Phoenix in March. Sue and **Bob '67** live in Los Alamos, NM. Their daughter Alana is in medical school and son **Josh '99** lives in Stamford, CT. **Steve Steinhart** is enjoying retirement and playing a lot of tennis, basketball, and golf. Steve was ranked number 21 by the US Tennis Assn. in his age group and region. **Sue Mascette** Brandt reports, “After 31 years of an all-consuming law practice, I retired in 2002 and am now happy as a clam quilting and choral singing with two classical groups in Rochester.” Sue's son Nick (Williams '02) will attend Boston College Law School, and son Josh (Brown '04) is a civil engineer.

**Felicia Ackerman** lives in Providence, RI, and is a philosophy professor at Brown and a short story writer. Her philosophy research centers on themes in the work of Sir Thomas Malory and she also works in the field of bioethics, “to combat our society's eagerness to get rid of sick old people.” Felicia advises, “Support stem cell research. It may save your life someday.” **Ronni Gordon** Bergman lives in Pasadena, CA, and is a nurse practitioner. Her husband Richard is professor and chairman of physiology at USC School of Medicine in Los Angeles. Ronni's son Doug is an economist involved in energy distribution in California, and her daughter Elizabeth is a social worker.

**Richard** and **Karolyn Kinsinger Mangeot** live on a “mini-homestead” 20 miles from Louisville, KY, in the town of Croydon, IN. They keep busy volunteering for local community service organizations. Karolyn reported that **Bob Wiltenburg**, dean of University College at Washington U., coordinated the school's huge sesquicentennial celebration, which included a beautiful history of Washington U. written by Bob's wife **Candace O'Connor '70**.

**Jeff Burtch** lives in Orangeburg, NY. He was looking forward to a solo show of his sculpture at the Piermont (NY) Flywheel Gallery. **Naomi Weinstein** Berman and husband Emory live in

Plainview, NY. Naomi retired in 2002 after 31 years teaching. She has enjoyed travel to Australia and New Zealand. **Laura Sevush Langworthy** and husband **Dick '66** live in West Newbury, MA. Laura's grandson joined her for a family celebration in Switzerland in February—at 9 weeks old. He is the son of Laura's daughter **Kimberly Langworthy Blair '94** and husband Marc. Laura's son **Bill '97** is a writer and producer of a TV pet talent show called "Pet Star."

**Kathleen Maney** Fox and husband Gary live in Cortland, NY. Daughter **Melissa Toner** Lozner '97 was married in Sage Chapel in 2003 and is clerking for a federal judge. Kathleen retired in June 2004 and was selected (for the second time) in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. **Pete** and **Nonie Diamond Susser** live in Great Neck, NY. Daughter **Wendy Susser** Levinbrook '93 is a dermatologist in Connecticut, and is expecting her second child. Daughter **Carrie Susser** Goldin '96 is consumer marketing director for "Teen People." Their son Andrew attends USC.

Send in some information regarding your summer vacation. Our class is at a life stage where people are doing a wide variety of activities—some working in full-time careers, others fully retired, and others doing a combination. I look forward to hearing from you personally. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, 20 Rowes Wharf #510, Boston, MA 02110; e-mail, [gordon\\_silver@comcast.net](mailto:gordon_silver@comcast.net).

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**John Bandfield** ([jbandfield@aol.com](mailto:jbandfield@aol.com)) lives in Rose Tree, PA, with daughter Ann, 16. John retired in June 1996 and now collects and restores antique English cars, including Rolls-Royces, Bentleys, Jaguars, MGs, and Landrovers. He also enjoys gardening and water-gardening at his place. Recent travels have included Singapore, Bali, Aruba, and Barbados—"Great deep-sea fishing in Barbados." Ann caught a 70-plus-pound Wahoo, the largest catch in the family. John figures he'll never hear the end of it. Ann is a junior at the Baldwin School for Girls in suburban Philadelphia. She plays soccer, volleyball, and lacrosse and is beginning to look at colleges. "Hope she likes Cornell."

**Ligia Corredor** ([lichalic3@hotmail.com](mailto:lichalic3@hotmail.com)) retired in July '01 and has been enjoying travel both abroad and in the US. After spending two winters in Florida, she purchased a new home in Weston, FL, in the spring of '03. In August '02 her daughter **Suzanne Fishel '00** married **Jeff Ugine '00**, MAT '01, at the Cayuga Nature Center. **Anne Simon Moffat '69** attended with her husband Keith. After Ligia, Suzy, and Jeff took a trip to Alaska that October, the newlyweds departed for Mozambique to serve as Peace Corps volunteers. Ligia did volunteer work with the Rotary District 7040 in El Salvador in Jan. and Feb. '03.

After 20 years directing the publishing operations of the 2.7 million-member National Education Association, **Sam Pizzigati**, MAT '71, retired and now writes full-time. Sam and wife

**Karabelle (Lastique) '71**, PhD '76, recently celebrated their 30th anniversary. Sam is also celebrating the publication of his third book, *Greed and Good: Understanding and Overcoming the Inequality That Limits Our Lives*, this past spring. He will be in Ithaca Sept. 24, '04, to speak about his book at the Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality, one of the university's most exciting new interdisciplinary programs. Sam invites you to read excerpts of his book online at [www.greedandgood.org](http://www.greedandgood.org). The Pizzigatis live in Kensington, MD, and Sam may be contacted at [spizzigati@comcast.net](mailto:spizzigati@comcast.net).

After five years, **Toby Marion** and his wife continue living in Hong Kong while considering their next steps. He has been consulting in HK for three years with his own company and two years for a NASDAQ company. They have several ventures in the works for China and are eyeing California for retirement. This past March 19 the Cornell Club of Hong Kong had a scholarship gala and it was a great networking evening for local Cornellians. Toby can be reached at [tmarion@pacific.net.hk](mailto:tmarion@pacific.net.hk). **Carol Peacock** ([carolpeacock@comcast.net](mailto:carolpeacock@comcast.net)) is pleased to announce the publication of her two new children's books this fall. *Pilgrim Cat* (Whitman 2004) is a picture book about a cat who arrived on the Mayflower; *Death and Dying* (Scholastic 2004) is for readers aged 10-13 and is useful for parents as well. The latter book offers tools and strategies for grieving children. Carol lives in Newton, MA, with her husband Tom Gagen.

For over 20 years, **Cheryl Falkenburg** Newman, PhD '75, and husband **Stagg**, PhD '74, have done 50- and 100-mile one-day endurance racing on horses. Their sport has taken them over countryside from San Diego to Vermont and many places in between. They have been to Calgary for a North American Championship, as well as to Holland for a World Championship. Cheryl and Stagg feel fortunate to have horses that enable them to compete at these levels. One horse, Ramegwa Drubin, now 21 years old, has been competing for 17 years and this year was inducted into the Endurance Ride Conference Hall of Fame (only one per year). They are very proud! To support their "horse habit," Cheryl is employed at Lucent Technologies, and Stagg works at McKinsey. They are fortunate to live in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains (Candler, NC), a working virtual office.

Sadly, two of our classmates have died recently. **Michael Shearer Weber**, who lived in Gansevoort, NY, died Dec. 7, '03, after a short, fierce battle with metastatic lung cancer. He leaves a 19-year-old son Owen and a special best friend Denise DeGrasse. In recent years, Mike had taken advantage of Cornell's excellent trips to, among other places, Borneo and Central America. **David Linden** of Upper Saddle River, NJ, died of a pulmonary embolism on March 13, '04. David, a member of Phi Epsilon Pi, was a graduate of the College of Engineering (ORIE) and had been the owner of a men's clothing store until 2001. He then moved on to a second career in commercial real estate management. David's widow is **Gilda (Klein) '71**.

**Michael**, MS '72, and **Barbara Fuchs Turell**

'69 (Frederick, MD) spent a week last spring taking cooking lessons in the Tuscan region of Italy. Mike ([mturell@erols.com](mailto:mturell@erols.com)) continues to investigate "vector-borne" diseases, specifically why certain mosquitoes are able to transmit some viruses while others are not. The introduction of the West Nile Virus has necessitated a lot of extra work and has resulted in travel to Honduras, Trinidad, and the Republic of Korea. Mike is still active in Boy Scouts and is the adult advisor to the "Bug Patrol," a 4-H Club devoted to studying insects. **Kurt Krammer** (Concord, MA) changed professions two years ago. No more country clubs—human services instead. He is now the director in residence at an assisted living company. **Robert** and **Barbara Furst Gormley** have had their street name changed by the post office. They are now at 881 Artesia Way in Virginia Beach, VA. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, [conimae2@aol.com](mailto:conimae2@aol.com).

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Alumni Class officers are always working on activities to maintain our Cornell class connections.

Although this column is, of course, one of the mainstays of that purpose, only people who pay class dues see it regularly. We decided to try something different—an online discussion group. Look for it at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cornell71/>. We hope you will log on and join the group. The idea is to keep in touch with your friends and classmates, perhaps post a picture of you and your family, or share information about other Cornellians. Thanks to **Jan Rothman** for assisting me as co-moderator of the group and posting some 2004 graduation pictures of himself and wife **Debra (Greene) '73**. Now, we head on to the news.

Co-correspondent **Linda Germaine-Miller** sent me a report on the opening of **Leslie Kirpich** Brill's art exhibit last April. The exhibit, entitled "Seeing the Forest," was shown at the Blue Mountain Gallery in New York and featured scenes of Fall Creek Gorge. You may want to view images of Leslie's oil paintings at [www.artincontext.org/artist/b/leslie\\_k\\_brill](http://www.artincontext.org/artist/b/leslie_k_brill). The Class of '71 was well represented at the opening reception by **Leslie Jennis Obus**, **Diane Brenner Hardy**, **Dale Cohen**, **Cara Nash Iason**, **Gilda Klein Linden**, **Andrew Tisch**, **Steve Altman**, **Steve Gorfine**, **Jan Rothman**, and **Marilyn Young**.

The annual spring News and Dues mailing has begun to return news of '71ers. **Lisa Steinman**, PhD '76, who teaches at Reed College, read some of her work at the Andrew Dickson White House this past April. Lisa is an accomplished poet with five books of poetry, plus two books about poetry, to her credit. She is co-editor of the poetry magazine *Hubbub*. **Dennis Berman**, MBA '73, writes from Potomac, MD, that he and wife Robin led an entire high school of 185 students and 35 adults on a trip to Israel last Thanksgiving. His travels have taken him to Alaska, as well as to Israel six times. Interestingly, **Jonathan Ruskin**, JD '74, wrote that one of the classmates he was trying to find was Dennis Berman. It turns out that the Ruskins are also Beltway residents, less than 20 miles away from the Bermans in Falls Church, VA. Jonathan and wife **Ruth**

(Zafren) '75 have two children. He works for the Dept. of the Navy. Still another beltway classmate, **Earl Harrison**, MNS '73, lives in Greenbelt, MD. Earl was recently appointed to the editorial board of *The Journal of Nutrition*. Earl returned to Ithaca last December for the first time in over 20 years. He gave a seminar at the Division of Nutritional Sciences. "It was great to see Ithaca again and I look forward to more frequent trips there."

Horseback riding enthusiasts might want to stop in for a visit with classmate couple **Jay**, MEng '72, and **Juliann Reisner Carter**. After Jay retired from Lucent in 2003, he and Julie opened Maple Run Stables ([www.maplerunstables.com](http://www.maplerunstables.com)), an equine boarding and training center in Hillsborough, NJ. The Carters have two girls, and the older one is in the Hotel school. **Kristin Vandenberg** Whitfield, a self-avowed "Type A," combines an "after hours" occupation as state-level executive of Business and Professional Women of Massachusetts with a newly acquired professional accreditation—and solo practice—in acupuncture and oriental medicine. Similarly, **Nancy Ann Miller** received her Master of Acupuncture degree this past June 6. She is now a licensed acupuncturist in Arlington, VA, on the board of the Acupuncture Society of Virginia, and invites any classmates with an interest in acupuncture to contact her via e-mail at [maidstonebishop@cs.com](mailto:maidstonebishop@cs.com).

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stonebishop@cs.com. Across the country, in Seattle, **Charles Staadecker** reports that his real estate business is thriving. He specializes in bringing commercial tenants to Seattle. That's fortunate because, as the bumper sticker says, his money and both his children go to Cornell.

If you are among the millions who visit Orlando, FL, every year, you might stop in to see **Pete Watzka**. In fact, if you are a customer, take your compliment or complaint to him. Pete is chief customer officer for Marriott Vacation Club International. If you don't find him in the office, you will likely find him on the golf course. He and wife Penny have four children, including one from the Class of 2004, two also in college, and one in high school. ♦ **Matt Silverman**, mes62@cornell.edu; and **Linda Germaine-Miller**, linda\_germaine-miller@vmed.org.

**72** The Stanley Cup playoffs have just ended and now I will go into hockey withdrawal for several months. The Northern California alumni who are San Jose Sharks fans (including yours truly) were very disappointed that the Sharks lost in the Western Conference finals. When we were sitting in cozy Lynah Rink over 30 years ago watching the NCAA Hockey Cham-

pions, who would have guessed that in 2004, the Stanley Cup resides in Florida? Congratulations to the Tampa Bay Lightning. Let's hope that NHL Commissioner **Gary Bettman** '74 can help negotiate a settlement to the NHL labor dispute so the 2004-05 season can start on schedule.

**T.W. Hughes** sends an e-mail to inform us that he and wife Ben (short for Benjamin) and their German shepherd Tabu III recently completed their first year living in South Korea. It's his 11th country to live and work in, which T.W. says honestly amazes even him. He remembers years ago wishing and praying to work internationally; as they say, be careful what you wish for. IMG (International Management Group) asked T.W. to relocate from Hainan Island, China, to spearhead their move into South Korea. Before coming to Korea he was involved with IMG in his third golf club resort-opening project in China (out of 300 golf clubs in the entire country). This is IMG's first management agreement in South Korea, and T.W. manages IMG National Country Club. This is also the first time the Hughes family has had to deal with four real seasons in over ten years. Their rule up until now has been only to live where banana trees will flourish. There have been a lot of adjustments to living in Korea and having to deal with a real winter again certainly ranks right up there as one of them.

T.W. observes that Koreans are avid golfers. His club, with 27 holes, will do over 110,000 rounds this year. It's amazing, as they will play in snow or below freezing conditions, and rain is no problem. The funny thing is, T.W. doesn't play a very good game of golf. He came up on the management side—hotels, then resort hotels, then golf club resorts—and not the golf pro side. On top of that, T.W. says he works pretty hard normally, so he plays golf perhaps once a week at most. He points out that in Korea they play golf year-round. The day he sent the e-mail was a Saturday in winter. The temperatures were below freezing, and yet they had 101 teams booked to play the course! T.W. says that he enjoys golf, but when you need mittens and a scarf to play a round, forget it! The Hughes family would love to make the next reunion in 2007. T.W. has only been back to the States once in the past 15 years and he would love to show Ben Cornell and Ithaca (since he was a townie as well, graduating from Ithaca High School).

A press release from the Philadelphia intellectual property law firm of Caesar, Rivise, Bernstein, Cohen & Pokotilow Ltd. of Philadelphia announced that it has named partner **James Kozuch** as a shareholder in the firm. James joined the firm in 1998 and focuses his practice on liti-

gation, client counseling, and patent prosecution in the fields of mechanical engineering and business methods. A licensed professional engineer, James is on the National Roster of Neutrals of the American Arbitration Association (AAA), and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME). After getting his BSME at Cornell, James received his JD from Temple U. and an MBA from Lehigh U. Recently James was named to the "Pennsylvania Super Lawyers" list in the Intellectual Property Law section.

**Dr. Marc and Mary Davis Levenson** '74 proudly announce that son **Daniel** '04 graduated from Arts and Sciences, where he majored in linguistics. **Larry Baum** and wife Trudy write from Ithaca, "One down and one to go!" Their son Brian graduated from RPI with a degree in management. Brian's love of the theater will serve him well in his first job with Shakespeare and Company in Lenox, MA. He has been involved with Shakespearian acting in college and will be Network Administrator for them. The Baums' younger son **Ari** '07 is in the ILR school. The odd thing, says Larry, will be that Ari's reunion year will be the same as ours! Larry says that it's fun to have Ari around Ithaca. A big hockey fan, Ari is one of the founding members and column writer of RedLine, a student website dedicated to Cornell hockey ([www.curedline.com](http://www.curedline.com)). Since the time **Joe Nieuwendyk** '88 played for Calgary, Ari has been a big Flames fan and he was very excited with the Flames in the Stanley Cup finals this year. Ari actually got out to Calgary during Round One, and he and Larry went to Detroit during Round Two to see Calgary upset the Red Wings 1-0.

Larry also found time to be executive producer of the Cayuga Lake Wine Country DVD along with **Kevin Hicks** '90 and Eric Lindstrom. The DVD features the 15 Cayuga Lake Wine Trail wineries and is available at <http://www.cayugalakewinecountry.com>. Larry and Trudy now live in a newly renovated house on the west shore of Cayuga Lake, after 17 years in Cayuga Heights. Larry says that it's great to be on the lake, even in the winter when the lake is actually quite amazing. But the summer is much better! A former professional photographer, Larry has been going through his archives of negatives and slides from the '70s for **Arthur Mintz** '71 and radio announcer Adam Wodon, who are doing a book on the history of Cornell hockey.

**Beverly Roth** moved to the Park Slope area of Brooklyn. She invites any classmates living in the area to call her. **Bruce McGeoch**, ME '73, and spouse Cynthia made a big lifestyle move by leaving California and heading to Vermont. Bruce retired from his high-tech job and is starting a consulting business and planning to work part-time. After 30-plus years in high tech and 20 years in Silicon Valley, he says he is ready to slow down a bit. Bruce reports that he and Cyndy have a great summer house on North Hero Island in Lake Champlain and are building a new house at the Vermont National Golf Club in South Burlington. Cyndy has a brother and sister in the area, and Bruce's brother and father are near Albany, only about three hours away. He says that at this point in their lives they really wanted to be closer to

family. Bruce's father turned 90, so Bruce is looking forward to spending more time with him.

The McGeochs hope to get back to the San Francisco Bay Area for lots of visits, especially in the winter! They drove back East on their move and took the southern route, stopping at the Grand Canyon, then spending a few days visiting with **William "Wes" Schulz**, ME '73, and wife Diane in Houston. Bruce and Cyndy eventually ended up in Providence, RI, for daughter Lauren's graduation from Brown. Lauren earned Phi Beta Kappa and a science fraternity called Sigma Xi. She also played on Brown's water polo team that had a great season, making it to the NCAA Eastern Regional semifinals. Going in the opposite direction from the McGeochs, **Leonard Joseph** and wife Nancy moved from New York to California. Len is with the same company, Thornton-Tomasetti Engineers, just a different office. Send news to ♦ **Alex Barna**, alexander.barna1@nasa.gov; or **Gary Rubin**, glrubin@aol.com.

**73** Sometimes an instant changes your life. It reminds you of how important each instant is. On May 8, I managed to total my husband's car at 7:15 a.m. As you can see, I survived. Sometimes survival is what it's all about. Passing too fast, trying to do three things at once, I hit the rumble strips, then the median, and then flipped like I was on the hammer at the Tompkins County Fair. Two instants during that 20-second period kept me in the survivor column, I guess. One was when I just felt the word "safe." I'm guessing the airbag went off. The second was when the hammer started and I thought, "Just relax, nothing to be done, go with the flow," and I collapsed in the seat. When the crunching and spinning stopped I was still conscious and alive. Nothing seemed to be broken, although my right arm was rapidly going numb and my neck and back hurt like the dickens.

The kindness of strangers—what a blessing and a miracle, it would seem. I knew I must have looked pretty bad because the first person on the scene thought I was a man. (OK, no shower, short hair, not the first time someone's missed my gender.) Someone called 911 and I knew I was going to the hospital. No walking away from this one. What's a mother to do? Of course—call the husband and tell him what kids need rides that morning and that you'll call him from the hospital. Shock is an amazingly adaptive state of being. Eight weeks later I can finally begin to let myself feel the terror, fear, and relief of the moment I knew the kids still had a mother.

The next eight hours were busy with X-rays, MRIs, reflex testing, and cleaning the mud out of my ear (how did that happen?). As I prayed in the ambulance, the attendants told me to open my eyes and I'd be OK. Silly them, I was praying in thankfulness, not fear. One strained brachial plexus, bruises, and a severely sprained ankle later, I went home with pain medication and exhaustion. Boy, was this ever not how I expected to spend Mother's Day. But my learning was not over.

Four days later I drove again—to the dentist to get a cap replaced. Decay had snuck under a crown and I was eager to get it replaced. What

can I say—not my week. A freak dental accident sent me to the ER again. The final sanding disk caught the bottom of my mouth and drove the tip of the drill into my tongue. I felt my mouth fill with blood and thought, "Didn't get me the first time so now it's over." Wrong again, thankfully. My tongue filled my mouth and blocked my breathing. A night in the ICU ensured that the swelling would go down enough to send me home. The feel of the blood pressure cuff was almost more than I could endure. Pavlovian, I found myself clenching everything in terror every time it inflated. Home again, I can barely swallow liquids. No problem, hard to be hungry when all you can do is try and not hurt. And it didn't end there, either.

I had a cloud of "floaties" in my right eye and had planned on going to the optometrist to have them checked out after my dental appointment. You guessed it, I didn't make it to a retinal specialist until nine days after the accident. He informed me that surgery would be the next day, and that due to my nearsightedness I'd be driving an hour and a half to have a buckle put around my eye. One buckle and an air bubble later, I'm laying on my left side for a week. Eight weeks later I can finally get checked for a new prescription to correct my now nearer-sighted right eye.

The most telling instant, though, happened 16 days after the accident. The case nurse assigned to help me manage my medical needs for the car insurance company had visited me the Friday after my eye surgery. We talked about car accidents. She'd been in one and had injuries similar to mine. We talked about kids. She was off to pick up a grandchild in a nearby city. We talked about how much she drove and that she wished she would be assigned a car with better back support. When she left, I felt like I'd given her as much as she'd given me and I hoped I'd been present enough for her. I told her to take care driving. The next Monday, when I could read again, I opened the paper to the obituary section—you know, where we all look now that we're AARP material. In the center was a picture of the case nurse, along with her obituary. She died in a car accident shortly after leaving my house. Why her? Why not me?

So, in an instant we are left remembering that no one knows. Our purpose here constantly unfolds and every moment offers us the chance to touch someone with love and kindness. Every moment keeps us real and alive. Take your moments and hold them dear. Love yourself. Give to others. And always be present for the world. Thanks, Big Guy. ♦ **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, phg3@cornell.edu or Phyllis.grummon@scup.org.

**74** The class column for this issue can be found with the Reports of Reunion Classes, which begin on page 62.

**75** Another school year is beginning up at Cornell. I am writing this in June, which always reminds me of the best weather in Ithaca and of Reunion. Please reserve June 9-12, 2005 for our 30th.

President **Jeffrey Lehman** '77 has been making the rounds across the country, meeting Cornell alumni. Many of our classmates have attended and have had a chance to meet with Jeff and his wife Kathy Okun. I met them at the Cornell-Princeton football game last fall and spoke with them in between visits with members of the Cornell Big Red Band. I am not sure why, but our president has a special affinity for the tuba section and they were particularly grateful for the attention. **Karen Mueller** Buzby and **Carl Emilius** attended in Philadelphia. Karen is a nutritionist at Hospital University of Pennsylvania. Carl (carl@emilius.com) is president of J.A. Emilius Sons in Cheltenham, PA. The company manufactures equipment for the confectionery and food processing industry. **Max Rudmann** (maxlaw7@aol.com) attended in Palm Beach, FL. He is an attorney in Boca Raton. **Fred Hirschovits** (fhtwenty@cs.com) was in Naples, FL, with wife Susan and several Cornell Hotelies. Fred is president of Twenty/Twenty Worldwide Hospitality LLC. He founded the Cornell Hotel Society Suncoast Chapter in 2002 and is now president of the chapter. He is also on the Naples Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board and the Florida Gulf Coast University School Advisory Board.

In Dallas, **Caren Whiteman Kline** (ckline@dallas.net) was impressed with our new president. She brought along her husband **Peter** '69, MS '71. They live in Dallas with their daughters Catherine, 11, and Christina, 8. In Houston, **Richard**, ME '76, and **Wendy Haynes Hauptfleisch** '78 attended, as well as **Mike Rosepiler**, ME '76. Richard and Wendy live in Bellaire, TX, where they work for Exxon Chemical, and Mike lives in Katy where he is manager for finances for British Petroleum.

In Los Angeles, attendees included: **Cynthia Lewis** Cummings (imara@worldnet.att.net), **Joe Pesaresi** (jp338@cornell.edu), and **Alexandra Hawrylak** Soluk (cornellhello@hotmail.com). Cynthia is executive director of Community Parents Head Start in Brooklyn, NY. Joe works for Cornell Alumni Affairs in Ithaca, and Alexandra is in management at Vamp Inc. Joe also attended in San Diego, as well as **Richard Jaffe**. Richard is the president and managing partner of Jaffe Investment Group and Chairman/CEO of Alexis Communications. **Robert Wolfert** and **Howard Green** (heg22@cornell.edu) attended in San Francisco. Robert has been VP of Diagnostics for diaDexus Inc. since November 2000. He has spent most of his career in research and development, directing programs for the detection and treatment of ovarian, breast, and prostate cancer, osteoporosis, and neurological and cardiovascular disease. Howard is a consultant for Green and Assoc. in Los Gatos, CA. His son Michael is starting UC Santa Cruz this fall. Howard keeps in touch with classmates **Mark Powers** (powersma@aol.com), **Tom Berry**, ME '76 (tjb43@cornell.edu), **Paul** (morrissdo@aol.com) and **Marcia Langwell Morris** '74, and **Jon Rubinstein** '78, MEE '79.

There are several Cornell and Ithaca employees among our classmates: **Fred Schneider** is director of Cornell's Information Assurance

Institute. He is a professor in the Computer Science department and partners with the US Air Force in developing hacker-proof computer languages and networks. He is also an advisor to Microsoft, Intel, and other companies regarding computer security. **Scott Sutcliffe** (sas10@cornell.edu) is associate director of the Imogene Powers Johnson Center for Birds and Biodiversity at the Lab of Ornithology, which opened in 2002 on the edge of Sapsucker Woods in Ithaca. **Mary Hirshfeld**, MS '81, is Director of Horticulture at the Cornell Plantations.

We also have some classmates who have gone back to the Hill to help teach. The Ag college held a Centennial Forum in April with a "Return to the Classroom" on campus for its 100th Anniversary. One of the offerings was The Enology and Viticulture Major: Addressing the Needs of New York State's Wine Industry. Joseph Hotchkiss, chair of the Department of Food Science, and **Peter Saltonstall** of King Ferry Winery gave the class. After 25 years investing in distressed companies, **Jim Rubin** (jbr@resurgencellc.com) founded Resurgence Asset Management, where he is Chairman and Chief Investment Officer. He began speaking at the Executive Program at Cornell's Johnson School of Management. Recently, he began to co-teach a new MBA course that deals with investing in distressed corporations with MBA professor Jerry Hass, the first James B. Rubin Professor of Finance (endowed by Jim). As an MBA grad, I read all about this in a Johnson School publication, but I recently received an e-mail from Jim. All the proud papa could say for Class Notes was that his daughter Jessica was accepted early decision into the Class of 2008!

Another classmate involved in teaching at the Johnson School is our class president **Rich Marin**, MBA '76 (ram38@cornell.edu). He teaches a class on private equity investing. Rich is now Chairman and CEO of Bear Stearns Asset Management, and I was able to hear him give a talk about hedge funds at the Cornell Club of New York in May. I also attended a Cornell Club event covering an inside look at the NFL and Major League Baseball. **Buck Briggs** '76, Assistant General Counsel for the NFL, gave his take on NFL issues. Buck told me that he had been in Baltimore last fall to help celebrate a 50th birthday for **Brian Dawson** (bluehen@prodigy.net). Brian is counsel for Travelers Insurance and he has been watching his 10-year-old daughter Sydney compete and win in a state gymnastics championship. Also attending the party was **James Coffin**, MS Ag '80 (jlcof@aol.com), who is an attorney with N Plus Sport Management, **Barry Bernstein**, ME '76 (deanerin@aol.com), who is an attorney in Basking Ridge, NJ, **Charlie Zacharchuk** '76, and **Dave Dunn** '77.

I was glad that the president was visiting across the country with alumni so I would be able to get some news on classmates to report. It WOULD be easier if you would send us e-mails or letters, but don't worry, we will find ways to get the news out! Send your news to ♦ **Deb Gellman**, dsgellman@hotmail.com; **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, boroffka@shu.edu; **Joan Pease**, japease1032@aol.com; or **Mitch Frank**, mjfgator@aol.com.

**76** First of all, Happy 50th Birthday to all of those who have celebrated and to those about to celebrate. As I write this column in mid-June, I am hoping your summer was fun and restful. Having just received a slew of new News Forms, I have lots to share. **Carla Holder** writes from White Plains, NY, that she has taken the role of Manager, Financial Planning and Analysis with Mosaica Education, a firm that organizes and manages charter schools. **Steven Stein** is in his 19th year in solo practice as a gastroenterologist and in his eighth year as a partner in a real estate development company. His daughter Rachel was married this past fall, his son **David** is at Cornell (Arts & Sciences), son Andrew will be attending NYU, and daughter Julie will be in the arts. **Richard** and **Debra Sabin Nemchek** report that their daughter **Cara** is in the Class of '05 (Human Ecology), son Dennis is at Syracuse, and son Kyle will be a junior at Stamford High School. **Dale Brodsky Bernstein** was promoted to the position of Senior VP, Human Resources at the New York Stock Exchange and has become a member of the advisory council for the ILR school. She and husband **Gary** '75 have a son Zack who is at Georgetown U. in the School of Foreign Service. He will spend his junior year at the London School of Economics. Their son Max is at Stuyvesant High School and not looking forward to the college application process. Dale and Gary have recently visited with **Alice Mascette** in Washington and **Jeryl Dansky** Kershner in Boston. On a recent visit of the Kershners to New York, they also had **Ann Rosovsky** Beaton and her family over for brunch. **William Gullickson Jr.**'s daughter Emily is attending St. Lawrence U. this fall. Older son Eric is at the U. of Maine. **Amy Andersen** writes about her children Eric (Duke U. '07) and Carrie (Harvard College '08). Eric plays trombone in the Duke Marching Band and Pep Band. They have seen him a couple of times on TV playing at Duke basketball games. Carrie is planning to play in Harvard's band, too, and perhaps one ensemble. **Darlene Chakin** Basch has a full-time private psychotherapy practice in which she does body-mind therapy. She guides clients to a heightened sense of aliveness and consistent sense of self, grounded in the body using mental health tools such as breathing and journal writing. Darlene also writes that her oldest son Michael is at USC and manages a Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf store in Beverly Hills. Son Ethan is the star catcher at Beverly Hills High School.

**Ileana Acero Shook** and husband **Thomas** '73 write that their daughter Emily was married at Sage Chapel in June, with a reception at the Johnson Museum of Art. **Katrina Chan Leung** and husband **Kam**, PhD '77, proudly note that son Anson will be at Cornell this fall. The legacy continues. **Janis Versteeg** Halvorsen Olson was married on October 4, 2003 to a wonderful man, Kurt Olson. Her daughter Lara is expecting, so she looks forward to being a grandmother and adds, "What more can you ask for—and turning 50 to boot!" Her brother **Don Versteeg** '77 and his family attended the wedding. **Per John Ostman** and wife Susan hosted the Cornell Men's Heavy-

weight Rowing Team at an outdoor luncheon at their home in York, PA, after their regatta against Navy and Syracuse. Their son Per, a senior rower, arrived in a bus with 50 of his teammates, followed by a long boat trailer—all into their cul-de-sac. He also recently got together with fellow classmate and ATO brother **Andy O'Neill** on Cape Cod. **Paul Stander** continues to practice internal medicine and geriatrics and serves as medical director at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Phoenix, AZ. His oldest daughter Karli will attend Washington U. in St. Louis this fall. In addition to academics, she will continue her softball career after being captain of her high school varsity team, which captured back-to-back Regional championships.

**Roni Pelzman** Brissette will be traveling to India this winter to study with B.K.S. Lyengar, who was recently voted as one of *Time's* most influential people in the world. In the spring, Roni will be conducting yoga workshops in North Carolina. She also writes that her son Jackson will be entering high school in September '04. **Ann Rosovsky** Beaton and husband Neal celebrated lots of graduations in 2004. They proudly report that their eldest son **Eric** '04 graduated Cornell, and their middle son Greg graduated from Hunter College High School in NYC. He is foregoing Cornell's offer of admission and is heading south to warmer climates to attend Duke. Andrew, son number 3, will be starting 7th grade in 2004. **Sylvanus Ashamole** and wife Patricia live in North Brunswick, NJ. He has eight children: Sylvia, 28, (BA from Rutgers U., pre-med), Benjamin, 26, Robert, 13, Clifford, 19, Darlene, 11, Austin, 17, Marguis, 8, and Jeffrey, 15. **Cameron Munter** is still a Foreign Service officer, Deputy Chief of Mission in Warsaw. He and wife **Marilyn (Wyatt)** '75 write that their son Dan, 19, goes to Penn, and their daughter Anna, 12, is at the American School of Warsaw. **Gregg Krieger** and wife Joan have a daughter **Stephanie**, who will be graduating from Cornell in May 2005. Gregg notes that she had a wonderful experience majoring in Design and Environmental Analysis (DEA) and participating in the Gymnastics Club. Younger daughter Jocelyn will be going to William & Mary in September '04.

**Jody Jacobson** Wedret married Loren on Jan. 19, 2003 at Temple Beth Am in Los Angeles, CA. Cornellian **Maureen McCormick** was in attendance. Jody is a Getty Center docent and remains active in the regional board of the B'nai Brith Anti-Defamation League. She is a senior pharmacist at UCI Medical Center, and assistant clinical professor, College of Medicine, UCI family practice division. She co-authored her first book on collaborative pharmacy practice. And lastly, I look forward to celebrating a communal 50th birthday gathering in Aug. '04 with Cornell buddies **Sandy Widener**, **Pat Relf** Hanavan, **Ellen Cord**, and **Karen Polivy**. We are all taking a long weekend away from family and heading to Park City, UT, to remember the good old days! Be well and happy. Regards to all! ♦ **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, Krinsk54@aol.com; **Pat Relf** Hanavan, relf@tds.net; and **Lisa Diamant**, ljdiamant@aol.com.

**77** Cynthia Fairbank Lewis completed her Master of Science degree at SUNY Buffalo in May 2003 in evolutionary genetics in ecology. Currently, she is a research specialist studying coral-algal symbiosis and coral bleaching around the Caribbean, something she studied in Buffalo as well. She hopes to have the opportunity to study the real thing in the Caribbean.

Ned and Ellen Rifkin Dorman are still selling cheese. Thirty years ago when friends from Harvard and Yale would boast about the celebrities that attended their schools, including the Kennedys and Rockefellers, we would always point to Ned Dorman, of Dorman cheese, as our local celebrity. The Dairy Group, run by Ned and Ellen, is nine years old and going strong. Their daughter Maddy is a junior at Cornell presently studying abroad in London. Next year, their daughter Allison will be a Hotelier. Congratulations on continuing the Cornell legacy.

Michael L. Thompson is president of the Fair Oaks Farma LLC. The company produces meat products of all type for use in retail industry at several sites in the US, as well as internationally. Michael joined this company after 20 years at McDonald's, where he held many top-level management and office positions, the most recent being vice president at North American Supply, where he managed over \$7 billion of products and services. We wish Michael the best on his new endeavor.

Milt Stevenson has four children, ages 9 to 22, and has a senior who is ready to graduate from Kansas City Art Inst. Milt, a proud Cornell engineer, finds it particularly interesting that one of his children could be so artistically inclined. He just ended two years as president of an international technical association that took him to plants across Europe and meetings in some of the finest cities in the world, including Paris, Berlin, Prague, and Lisbon. But after 25 years in Syracuse the snow and cold weather has lost its appeal (some of us would argue that it lost its appeal a lot earlier). Milt also reflects on what his children would say if he told them about streaking. We look forward to future communications from Milt as he describes the response of his children after hearing about his extracurricular activities at Cornell.

Mark Petracca is in Irvine, CA, and in 2002-03, received the Distinguished Faculty Lectureship Award for Teaching. He is a professor of political science at the U. of California, Irvine, and traces his interest in politics back to his family. He spent a semester teaching at Beijing U. in China and had access to books from an extensive library that he had the opportunity to read. He was inspired by his Chinese students, many of whom had deep interests in politics and were motivated to democratize China. Many of these students were massacred in 1989 in Tiananmen Square. Currently, he devotes himself to studying the nature of democracy and the distribution of democratic governance.

Craig Gold was married to Marietta Umali at the Portifino Hotel and Yacht Club in Redondo Beach, CA, in July 2003. Marietta is a speech pathologist who works with acute care patients at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, and

they recently purchased a home in Brentwood. Craig was elected vice president of the Assn. of the Deputy District Attorneys of L.A. County, representing 900 to 1,000 Deputy DAs in Los Angeles. Audrey Krall Pauly has recently retired from the practice of obstetrics and gynecology and now enjoys life in the Eastern Sierra Nevada mountain range. We wish you the best in retirement.

Finally, on a sad note, Cheryl Dentes passed away unexpectedly in January 2004. She was a native Ithacan and spent most of her life there before settling in Aurora in 1994. Cheryl majored in Human Development and Family Studies at Cornell, and received her graduate degree from Syracuse U. for her research on the intellectual development of premature newborns. She began her teaching career at the Freeville Cooperative Nursery School, and taught pre-K, kindergarten, and Head Start for 18 years in the Ithaca City

their church. Margaret Butkereiit (pbutkereiit@msn.com) graduated from the PsyD Program in the School of Psychology at SUNY Albany. Her dissertation was titled "Do School Psychologists Recognize Traumatized Children?" and has won several awards, including a student research award from the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies. Margaret's husband Steven Farkas is a mental health therapist and certified social worker at the Coxsackie Correctional Facility. Margaret's stepson Jesse Farkas attends SUNY Albany.

Juan Manuel Morales (Moral08@msn.com) is an accomplished musician living in NYC. He is married to Maria Dominguez. Juan is known as "JuanMa" and is the leader of a band called Sonido Costeño that plays Latin music for all occasions. After Juilliard and Cornell, Juan studied the national instrument of Puerto Rico—the cuatro—with the legendary master Paquito

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School District's West Hill, Belle Sherman, Fall Creek, and Beverly J. Martin schools. She and her husband of 35 years taught Sunday School for many years at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Ithaca. In addition to her husband John '68, MBA '69, Cheryl is survived by her children Michael and Matthew '93, and grandchildren Nicholas, Marleah, and Jacob. Our condolences go to Cheryl's family.

That's it for the latest in Class of '77 News. I hope your summer is enjoyable, and I look forward to hearing from you in the fall ♦ Howard Eisen, eisenh@tuhs.temple.edu; Lorrie Panzer Rudin, rudin@erols.com.

**78** Melinda Dower (sportsfreaks3@msn.com) has begun work on an initiative to reduce diesel emissions in New Jersey, which she says cause more deaths in the state than homicides and traffic accidents combined. However, Melinda says her biggest accomplishment to date has been the construction of a poolside Tiki Bar, which is open to all who come visit her. Melinda's son Travis is in high school and plays varsity ice hockey (like Mom), and her daughter Arielle, also in high school, is an all-around great student and athlete. Sandy Lee Darrow Falcone has been a homeschool mom for 14 years. Her husband Paul is a building contractor. Sandy and Paul preside over the Houghton Area Homeschoolers, a homeschool support group of about 70 families. They have children Israel, 19, who attends Houghton College, Sarah, 17, also attending college, Rebekah, 16, at home, and Isaac, 14, who is interested in piano, dog obedience, and Irish dancing. Sandy says they have been involved in charismatic churches for 25 years, and Sandy is currently a worship leader at

Lopez Cruz. JuanMa wrote the score and directed and performed the off-Broadway musicals *Coco Baile* and *Baquine*, written by poet Bimbo Ribas and sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts. He formed Sonido Costeño as a musical vehicle to a broader audience and commercial appeal. This charismatic and down to earth approach to performing has made JuanMa y su Sonido Costeño the popular band that it is today. They have been performing in the NYC area and abroad for more than 15 years. Their engagements range from the cultural to the corporate and even commercial. They are a regular band at Tito Puente's restaurant in City Island.

Janet Bilton Reyes (edjanreyes@aol.com) and her husband Ed live in California. They have children Matt and Stephen. Janet reports that at reunion last year she saw classmates Janet Borkowski Grundy and Steve '79 and Deb Teelon Siegert. They chatted briefly with new Cornell President Jeffrey Lehman '77. Janet said that she, Janet, Steve, and Jeff were all in Alpha Phi Omega as undergraduates. Walter Milani (milanivice@msn.com) lives in Mahopac, NY, and is acting in and managing an international tour of *The Sound of Music*. The show will tour China through October '04 and then head to Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Singapore, and Malaysia before returning in April '05. He would love to hear from ex-pats at his e-mail address. Carla Rawcliffe Lafayette (CJL43@aol.com) lives in Hampden, ME, with her husband of 26 years, Danny, and their children Daniel, 19, Ramsey, 18, Annaliese, 16, and Logan, 10. Carla and Danny own 21 hotels in Maine, New Hampshire, and Michigan. She welcomes friends from Cornell for a visit anytime.

Debora Messuri Wilson (stevaug@aol.com) lives in Sudbury, MA. Her twin sons Steven and

Andrew are attending Cornell this fall as freshmen in Engineering. Their younger brother Mike is a sophomore in high school. Debora has been running a single mothers' support group for nine years, as well as working as a pastoral care volunteer and running a craft business from home. She stays in touch with classmates **Laurie Paravati Phillips**, **Kathy Riedman** Griswold, **Vanessa Tassone**, **Wendy Haynes** Hauptfleisch, **Elaine Tannebaum** Hatch, **Claire Foster** Callahan, and **Pat Moran** Peters, ME '78. **Elliot** ("Chip") and **Linda Joy Baines** live in Allen, TX. Daughter Katie graduated from Dartmouth, and daughter **Emily '07** attends Cornell. Emily is a coxswain on the men's lightweight crew team. Chip is now employed by CommScope, which bought out his old division at Avaga.

**William March** (MarchWe@alaska.net) lives in Anchorage, AK, with his wife Bernadette. They have daughters Heather, 20, a collegiate volleyball player, and Valerie, 18. William celebrated 25 years with British Petroleum in 2003. **Karis Ayassian** Johnson (karis.johnson@comcast.net) lives in Mount Pleasant, SC, with her husband Kent and two sons, ages 10 and 13. Kent is a commercial real estate developer in Charleston. Karis is presently a stay-at-home Mom and is involved with the school PTA. She enjoys gardening and playing tennis. She had worked for Citicorp and Sylvan Learning Systems for several years and also earned an MS from Johns Hopkins in 1995. She spent about six years consulting in the educational services industry.

**Manette Mallon Scheininger**, MS '80 (manette.scheininger@maidenform.com) and husband **Jeffrey**, MBA '80, live in Westfield, NJ, where Manette is the senior vice president of marketing, merchandising, and design for Maidenform. She has been with the company since earning an MS degree from Cornell in 1980. She has traveled to Europe and Asia often and enjoys her work. She also loves to read, garden, decorate the house, and watch her children Daniel, 17, and Ava, 14, play sports. From **Charlene Moore** Hayes of Baltimore, MD: "On June 13, my husband Floyd and I traveled to West Orange, NJ, to help another member of the Class of 1978, **Sheryl Hilliard** Tucker, and her husband celebrate the accomplishments of their daughters. Alexis graduated *cum laude* from Montclair Academy and will be enrolling at Princeton U. in the fall. Ara completed studies at NYU's law school and will be moving to Philadelphia to begin practicing in the area of corporate law. We are all so proud of them! Meanwhile, my husband is finally joining me at Johns Hopkins U. I must now give up the single life in Baltimore's Inner Harbor area."

**Diane Elliott** and **Don Strenk** (diocusa@aol.com) live in Irvine, CA. Their son **Michael '07** is at Cornell majoring in chemical engineering and has joined Beta Theta Pi fraternity. **Jeff Lefkowitz** (doclefk@optionline.net) and wife Mona live in Upper Saddle River, NJ. They are looking forward to their daughter Jaclyn's bat mitzvah in November. Their son Matthew is on the high school tennis team. **Paul Metselaar** (pmetelaar@wtsg.com) lives in NYC with his wife Lisa. They are celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary with a trip with ten other couples to

Sandy Cove in the Barbados. They have daughters Allie, 16, and Lindsey, 14. Paul is launching a new travel management company called Ovation to focus on non-legal professional service firms. He recently joined **Paul Fiorentino '77** and his girlfriend Catherine Aaron for dinner at a trendy restaurant. **Eve Murphy** Reid (evereid@airmail.net) lives in Dallas. She has a 10-year-old daughter Claire. For the last 18 years, Eve has been a designer and the president of Eve Reid Inc. She continues to stay close to her family and friends in New York, and is also a devoted community volunteer.

Keep the news coming in for our column. Please e-mail us or send in your news forms with your dues. ♦ **Pepi F. Leids**, Pleids@aol.com; and **Eileen Brill** Wagner, brillcon@aol.com.

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Are you starting to feel that itch to be on campus? Check out your old haunts (no pun intended)? Well, you should! Less than ten months to our 25th Reunion! Time to get in shape, and I am not kidding. Libe Slope and Buffalo Street can be quite the challenge for us 40-plus types! More about this later . . .

The Spring News Forms fill my mailbox, so here we go! **Dean McCauley** happily reports, "I've finally managed to combine my love of basketball (I was a bench warmer for the Cornell freshman team 1976-77) with my career. My consulting firm helps large companies exceed their historical growth arcs by improving the pace and success of their acquisitions. We sponsor a high-level amateur basketball team. The name of the firm is, of course, Beyond the Arc!" Dean, along with wife Donna and daughters Lena, 14, Danielle, 8, and Devon, 5, live in Larkspur, CA. **Nancy Kennelly** Kelleigh ponders the question of moving to California from Massachusetts to be closer to her newest family—Fetzer the horse! Betting money says Nancy will continue to devote time to her relatively new solo law practice specializing in real estate and estate planning. If you run the Boston Marathon, you run right by her office! **Janet Behrman** Del Greco and husband Robert lead full lives as they manage a family printing business and sons Robert, 20, Michael, 17, and Matthew, 13 in Valhalla. Janet also manages to find time to serve on the NYS PTA Board of Managers in the area of arts education. **Raymond Disch** and his family—wife Erica, a Spanish teacher, and sons Cody, 16, and Sage, 13—live in Hopewell, NJ, where he works at Trillium Realty.

Busy in St. Louis, the **Crofts**, **Gail (Wechsler)** and **Robert '81**, juggle careers and children Jeremy, 15, and Hannah, 9. Gail recently became a partner in the law firm of Chaekes, Carlson, and Spritzer, where she specializes in employment and civil rights law. Robert is probably pleased to see his newest textbook, *Public Administration for the 21st Century*, being published. Another class lawyer, **Jill Newfield**, recently

opened her own entertainment law practice after spending 15 years working for MTV Networks, a division of Viacom. Jill and husband Sol Joseph live in Great Neck with their sons Ben, 15, and Daniel, 11. Running seems to be the theme of life at the **Kim (Mello)** and **Pete Scudera**, MD '84, household. Kim and Pete run for fitness, and their son Ben, 14, runs for his high school track team in Oakton, VA. Daughter Catie just completed her freshman year at Carnegie Mellon studying psychology and writing. Dr. Pete spends his days with patients while Kim continues to make jewelry and devote time to volunteer work. Looking west—way west—**Abby Powell** seems to have settled into life in Fairbanks, AK, where she is a research wildlife biologist at the U. of Alaska, along with her daughter, 4, who was born in China but is now quite the Alaskan girl. Abby also notes that the Dept. of Biology and Wildlife faculty includes many Cornellians.

In news from upstate New York, **Jorge Constantino**, MD '84, and sons Jarrod, 15, and Travis, 13, moved to a new home in Clifton Park, where Jorge is part of the largest cardiology practice in the Capital District. Jorge recently attended the bar mitzvah of the son of former high school (yeah, Albany High) and Cornell buddy **Scott Thompson** and wife **Sheryl (Levin)**, MD '84. Other classmates celebrated their children's bar and bat mitzvahs: **Carolyn Green** Eichberg's son Ben, and **Stephanie Goldpin** Dowdle's daughter Jessica. Mazel Tov to all! Stephanie was especially pleased to have classmate **Anne Galante** in attendance. Anne recently took on a new career as an ob/gyn; I am sure that Stephanie will have plenty of advice on how to manage a practice, as she writes that the malpractice insurance premiums make this area of medicine quite challenging financially!

I have had some nice visits recently with a couple of classmates. **Susie Kalus** had the unique opportunity to visit not just one Jill Klein, but two! It turns out that a summer camp friend shares a name with me. Susie practices law in Atlanta with Southerland Asbill and Brennan in the area of real estate and tax, and manages to visit classmates located around the globe! A memorial service and a bar mitzvah brought me together twice with **Beth Anderson**, who is busy commuting from Brooklyn to a prosperous Internet publishing company in New Jersey called Audible. Looking to visit a classmate in an ideal vacation spot? I am sure that **Kathy Dixon-Leone** has a steady stream of visitors in Palm Beach, FL, where her husband Paul is the CEO of the Breakers Hotel. Recent visitors include **Lisa Broida** Josephson and her family and **Barbara Amoscato** Sabaitis '81. Kathy probably does not enjoy too much beach time, as her four boys ages 11, 9, 7, and 5 seem to be involved in every sport imaginable, not to mention a little rock-and-roll on the side!

More new careers/positions to report: **Mark Reinharz** joined the Labor and Employment Law practice at Bond, Schoeneck, and King. **Dan Dube**, MBA '88, joined AHL Consulting, a strategic market research firm, while also continuing as Commanding Officer of a reserve unit supporting the Commander of Naval Forces in

Europe. Speaking of our classmates and family members who have been serving in the armed forces over the past few years, if you have some news to share about our class "heroes," please do!

In the past couple of years, we have noted that our legacy population at Cornell continues to grow. Could we populate our reunion clerks with our own children? Our newest class, 2008, includes at least two more: Scott Linderman, son of **Richard**, MEE '81, and **Linnea Peterson Linderman** from Rome, NY, as well as my own son Max Klein. Calling all kids! Get your parents to call a friend, or two, and let's plan now to attend Cornell Reunion 2005! ♦ **Jill Abrams** Klein, jfa22@cornell.edu; and **Cynthia Addonizio-Bianco**, caa28@cornell.edu.

**81** We're back into our September routines and I love receiving news from classmates! Thank you to those who sent in direct e-mails, as well as folks who sent in their News and Dues forms. Bless **Kathy LaShoto**, my fellow class correspondent, who sent out our pleas for news and forwarded them to me.

I recently had a heartfelt visit, after a 10-year hiatus, with **Nancy Amer** Lake at her home in Long Beach, NY. Nancy was widowed unexpectedly, after being married to husband Jay for almost 18 years. They have delightful daughters Jessica, 16, and Michelle, 12. "Nanner" still works as a social worker providing services to the elderly through the local county, and when she has the chance, still conjures up a mean tennis game. We also caught up with **Lori Salzman Kleppe**, widow of **Ed**, who lives in Scarsdale with their sons, ages 13 and 16. Lori works as a substitute teacher for the Scarsdale school system.

**Sue Cooper-Potters** writes some happy news. She has passed her 2-year survival milestone after a battle with breast cancer. She said that after surgery, chemo, and radiation she had a year-long clinical trial of a very promising drug. She reports she feels that she is finally getting her life back, and when people complain about getting old, she has a very different perspective. After nine years at Lehman Brothers, she is working for the Bank of America, doing business analysis. She continues to enjoy living in Glen Ridge, NJ, with her husband of 17 years and her two children. She would love to hear from classmates in the area or from old friends at [suetoo@comcast.net](mailto:suetoo@comcast.net).

**David Hoff** reported via e-mail that he has been having fun reconnecting with his old gang from WVBR on the station's message board, and would love other ex-WVBRs to join in. David, wife Karen, and their children, ages 3, 7, and 10, live in Melrose, MA. After working in the national consultation area, he is currently the associate director for the Metro North Workforce Board, overseeing publicly funded employment programs in the Boston area. **James Gibson** made partner in the midtown Manhattan office of Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper, and Scinto in January 2004. James specializes in all phases of trademark law, including prosecution, enforcement, litigation, and licensing in the pharmaceutical, educational, manufacturing, and electronics industries. He also provides counsel in copyright matters, as well as

Internet and e-commerce issues. He received his law degree from Touro Law School in 1993.

In Allentown, PA, **Jane Sanders** Markson celebrated her middle daughter Rebecca's bat mitzvah with son Jon, who is now old enough to bring his girlfriend, and her younger daughter Elizabeth, who is preparing for her celebration next year. She looks forward to our next reunion, as well as getting a Zinck's Night together in the Lehigh Valley. **Michelle Goldstein** Dresner, MD '85, wrote in from Boca Raton, FL. "We were fortunate to go to Israel this past December to celebrate our son Shmule's bar mitzvah at the Kotel in Jerusalem." They also celebrated their daughter Rebecca's bat mitzvah this past April in Boca Raton.

Speaking of traveling, **Joanne Hoffman** and husband Lawrence Garroway are owners of a Cruise One franchise, which specializes in selling cruises on cruise lines throughout the world. Joanne says, "We give special discounts to Cornell grads!" They have a daughter Alexandra, 3, and live in Lake Worth, FL. Joanne can be reached at [jocruiseone@hotmail.com](mailto:jocruiseone@hotmail.com). Also involved with travel, **Beth Jackendoff** Harpaz has been the travel editor for the Associated Press in New York, is married with two sons, and lives in Brooklyn. Beth has published her second book, *Find Annie Farrell*, with St. Martin's Press, about her mother growing up in rural Maine during the Depression. Her first book was *The Girls in the Van*, an account of Hillary Clinton's Senate campaign. Beth would love to hear from other

his wife had their eighth child, Emily Claire. "Life is hectic. One child is learning to drive, while three are in diapers." Congrats also to **Susan Levitt** of NYC. She reports taking a leave from her job in investment banking at Citicorp to spend two years with her sons Sam, 2, and Gabe, 6.

Phew! Thanks for sending in your news. Keep it coming! ♦ **Jennifer Read** Campbell, [RonJenCam@aol.com](mailto:RonJenCam@aol.com); **Betsy Silverfine**, [bsilverfine@adelphia.net](mailto:bsilverfine@adelphia.net); **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, [Lashoto@rcn.com](mailto:Lashoto@rcn.com).

**82** How did we communicate before e-mail? This column was a lot more work ten years ago when we had to type it in WordPerfect, save it on a disk, and send it to *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. These days, we welcome your news via e-mail or in any form!

**Koji Morihoro**, ME '83 ([km237@cornell.edu](mailto:km237@cornell.edu)) e-mailed from Tokyo that he's "having lots of fun launching and managing venture companies in Tokyo and Silicon Valley." He's in regular touch with great friend **Mark Jacobs** professionally, and is working with his favorite architect, **Reiko Tomuro**, BArch '83, to design a new house in Tokyo. Koji also writes that his "happy family" includes three beautiful girls, Yula, 1, Yuka, 8, and Hiromi (ageless). **Michael Greenberg**, MBA '83 ([mag45@cornell.edu](mailto:mag45@cornell.edu)) e-mailed that he is building a house in Lone Tree, CO, "with lots of space for visitors!" Wife Beth plays the Cornell Alma

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'81ers, especially former Sperry dorm-mates at [bethharpaz@hotmail.com](mailto:bethharpaz@hotmail.com). **Matthew Kramer** recently published his tenth book, *Where Law and Morality Meet*, with Oxford University Press. He is a professor of legal and political philosophy at the U. of Cambridge in England.

From Charlotte, NC, **Gary Blackburn** and wife **Regina Robinson** '82 are busy with their children Benjamin, 13, a track award winner, and Nicholas, 10, who plays the keyboard. Gary was recently promoted to Director of Credit Risk-Real Estate for Bank America and is relocating to Southern California, having been transferred to Charlotte by the same company two years ago. **Mitchell Dick** wrote from Grand Rapids, MI, where he is serving as a Christian minister. He reports that he and wife Grace Kay "are blessed with six children, most in their tumbling up stages." He would love to hear from classmates at [chariszo@msn.com](mailto:chariszo@msn.com).

**Edgard Nau** reported that he and wife Suzanne were divorced this past February. Edgard is still a podiatrist in Manhattan in a practice limited to house calls. Congratulations to Dr. **Alan Rosen**, of Baltimore, MD. This past May, he and

Mater and "The Evening Song" for Madeline on her violin. Michael reports that Beth won an audition in the Colorado Springs Philharmonic Orchestra and is enjoying playing lots of Mozart symphonies. Michael has completed a sixth-month consulting contract and, after a few months of just being Dad, is starting his job search in the Denver area. He adds, "Life is great and we look forward to connecting with the Cornell Club of Colorado."

News forms have started to trickle in. Please complete yours and send it in with your dues! Congratulations to **Donna Goldstein**, who is now an associate professor of anthropology at the U. of Colorado, Boulder. Her book, *Laughter Out of Place: Race, Class, Violence and Sexuality in a Rio Shantytown*, was published in 2003 by the Public Anthropology Series at the U. of California Press. **Lisa Avazian** Saunders writes that her Civil War book, *Ever True: A Union Private and His Wife*, was published by Heritage Books. The book is based on 150 Civil War letters of her great-great-grandfather of the New York 9th Heavy Artillery and his wife and includes vintage photographs and historical background.

**Liz Hoare** Cowles reports that she is writing questions for the Biology CLEP examination and grading free-response questions for the AP Biology test. She says it's "interesting to learn about the behind-the-scenes activities for these exams." Out in Seattle is **Rich Berkowitz**, who welcomes visits from classmates. He's "just below the Pike Place Market on Seattle's Central Waterfront." E-mail him at richardberkowitz@hotmail.com.

**Jill Schwartz** Heiman wrote from Teaneck, NJ, where she and husband Gary live with their daughters Carl and Paige. Jill is a human resources manager and consultant working for Mellon Financial Services's Human Resources and Investor Services business; Gary is an epidemiologist at Columbia Presbyterian in New York City, where he works as a research scientist with a focus on genetics and is a member of the faculty at Columbia U. **Carolynne Tilga** Chandler reports that she and husband Michael took a heliskiing trip in Alaska, where the skiing was exceptional—"looks just like the photos from ski magazines"—but were happy to return home to Santa Fe. Daughters Casey, 3, and Zoe, 4, keep the Chandlers moving "nonstop" as does the new addition to their family, Coconut, a cream-colored Pomeranian.

From sunny St. Thomas (U.S. Virgin Islands), **Adam Shapiro**'s message was, "Relaxing and practicing otolaryngology. At the beach with me are my wife Pamela Berkowsky, son Benjamin, 4, and daughter Zara, 1." See, you can write from anywhere! And last, **Neil Best** writes that 2004 will be his tenth season covering the New York Giants as a sportswriter for *Newsday*. He promises he will e-mail if he has something else to say. We hope you will, too! ♦ **Nina Kondo**, nmk22@cornell.edu; **Mark Fernau**, mef29@cornell.edu.

**83** It's hard to believe that more than a year has passed since we gathered on the Hill for our 20th Reunion. Though I'm writing this column in June, you will be reading it in the fall—maybe sending your own children off to school (our classmates have children ranging from newborn all the way to college-age!), starting a new school year yourself, or getting ready to catch up with friends once again at Homecoming. For those of us who live far away from Ithaca, this column is one of the best ways to keep up with friends and acquaintances, so please keep sending your news our way!

**Karl Debus-Lopez**, MRP '86, proudly announces that he and his partner of 20 years, Tanner Wray, legalized their union in Toronto, Canada, in June 2003. Karl and Tanner met as graduate students at Cornell in 1983. Karl adds that they recently relocated to the Washington, DC, area, where Karl was appointed to the position of associate university librarian for collections and technical services at Georgetown U. Karl previously worked at the U. of Wisconsin, Madison.

Remaining in Wisconsin is **Thomas Leach** and family, including wife Clara Cantu-Leach, Elizabeth, 18, who attends Ripon College in Ripon, WI, Peter, 13, Thomas, 4, and baby Caroline. Thomas is president of Leach Farms Inc. Those new babies keep on coming. **Eric Smith** and wife Laura had their second child, Stephen Lawson, on Feb. 2, '04. Eric and family live in Augusta, GA, where he works for Gulbrandsen Chemicals. **Ed Conti** and wife Stacey are also delighted to report the birth of their second daughter, Raine, in January 2004. Big sister Taylor, 4, rounds out the Conti family. Ed recently changed jobs after 14 years at the same company and presently works as an environmental geologist with Geometrix Consultants in Oakland, CA.

Also changing jobs after 14 years is **Eric Blinderman**, who recently joined Weber Shandwick public relations as executive VP and head of the consumer marketing group in New York. When not working at his new position, Eric says, "I spend the rest of my time in Fairfield, CT, shuttling Ryan, 12, and Tyler, 9, to baseball, basketball, book club, and other assorted diversions." Big changes are in store for **Rachel Greengus** Schultz and husband William, who are planning a summer move from Atlanta to London, England, so that William can manage the European consumer products division for Georgia-Pacific. Their two younger children will join them, and their 16-year-old son Joshua will remain in school at Andover. Rachel plans to try to continue her work as an anesthesiologist if possible, but if not, she is eager to "reinvent herself." Rachel and family recently enjoyed a visit from **Susie Cohen** Panullo and family, including husband Joe and their three sons, all of whom traveled from New Jersey to celebrate the Schultzes' daughter's bat mitzvah. She reports, "Susie is a very successful neurosurgeon—she actually does do brain surgery."

**Tom Rosamilia** is VP of the Worldwide Application and Integration Middleware Development of IBM Software Group. Tom is an IBM veteran with over 20 years of service with the company and has spent the majority of his career in IBM's software and hardware groups. He currently leads one of IBM's primary software products, WebSphere Application Server.

We are sad to report the death of one of our classmates, **Angela Gaiotti** Coolidge, due to heart failure. Angie died suddenly at home in December 2003 in Dorset, VT. Her husband Howard writes: "She was a wonderful wife, friend, woman, and mother. Angie wore many public servant hats in the past 18 years—planning commission chair, selectmen chair, swim board president, high school community service leader. She also resurrected the Dorset Church Sunday School program. Angie was a recipient of the

Athena Award. She will be greatly missed!" Our condolences go to Angie's husband and family.

Have a safe and pleasant autumn, and please put your friendly class correspondents on your holiday greeting list! ♦ **Dinah Lawrence** Godwin, dinahgodwin@msn.com; and **David Pattison**, D.Pattison2@verizon.net.

**84** The class column for this issue can be found with the Reports of Reunion Classes, which begin on page 62.

**85** As the big countdown to the Class of 1985's 20th Reunion begins, we'll focus on two great alumni who are excited to return to Ithaca next summer!

**Hans Rempel** reports in from the Boston area—Arlington, to be precise. No longer a newlywed, Hans explained that he has been keeping in close touch with the many Cornellians who attended his wedding in 2001. He jokes that wife Betsy and he have no children, pets, or mortgages, as they continue to avoid all the pitfalls of traditional adult life. Pets and a mortgage are, however, distinct possibilities in the future. Hans is also in the process of shifting career gears, moving into the world of publishing to work as an editor of scientific or educational materials. In the meantime, he continues to do contract work as a technical writer, producing manuals and online help. Hans is already looking forward to reunion, and urges any visitors to Boston to drop him a line at Hans.Rempel@att.net.

In 2002, **Bill Gnan** left his previous employer to form Gnan Engineering Services. This firm provides engineering services to public schools, healthcare, and themed entertainment clients. Recent projects include "Revenge of the Mummy—The Ride," work on "Space Mountain," and the planning of Universal Studios Shanghai. On the personal side, Bill, along with his wife and boys, are very active in Scouting, highlighted by the annual trips to the Philmont Training Center.

And since this is such a short column this month, we urge you to use all the extra time you saved and go to the class website at <http://classof85.alumni.cornell.edu/>. This contains, of course, the Class of 1985 Reunion Questionnaire, which will help us plan better next summer's 20th Reunion. And another way to prepare for reunion is by letting everyone know what you've been up to. Be sure to forward your news to either ♦ **Ed Catto**, edcatto@hotmail.com; or **Risa Mish**, rmm22@cornell.edu.

**86** Thanks to those of you who sent in news updates with your Class of '86 dues! It was great to get them along with several e-mails and notes from classmates.

We have quite a few classmates with news of artistic and theatrical pursuits. First off, **C. Conrad Cady** met fellow Cornellian **R. Scott Penza '85** on the left coast in Oakland, CA, when they both wound up starring in the world-premiere musical *Casino!*, about mayor J.B. (a caricature of Jerry Brown, played by Scott) and his sidekick

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Jack Az (a caricature of Brown's "special assistant" Jacques Barzaghi, played by Conrad) attempting to put a casino into Oakland's historical Fox Theatre. Conrad's Enticity Group ([www.enticity.com](http://www.enticity.com)) and Scott's PoleRoll ([www.poleroll.com](http://www.poleroll.com)) businesses are both going gangbusters.

**Dylan Schaffer's** *Misdemeanor Man* is meeting with great success. It's a Booksense top-20 pick and a Barnes and Noble editors' pick. It was also selected as the first mystery pick by The Mysterious Bookshop in New York, and has been well reviewed in the *Buffalo Times* and *Newsday*. Dylan told me that he has a second book, "I Right the Wrongs," in draft form, which should be out in June 2005, and that Paramount optioned the rights to the first book to develop an hour-long television series. Dylan remains busy with his law practice and was doing book readings and signings at locations throughout the San Francisco Bay Area, as well as in New York City during June and July. For more information on the book, please see [www.misdemeanorman.com](http://www.misdemeanorman.com).

**Eve Seaman** Edwards writes that she had her NYC operatic debut this past fall as Mimi in *La Bohème*, with the Amato Opera. She was asked back to perform this past winter as Antonia in *Tales of Hoffman*. Eve also performed Violetta in *La Traviata*, Angele Didier in Lehar's *The Count of Luxembourg*, and Ophelia in Ambrose Thomas's *Hamlet*. Eve has numerous concert appearances scheduled, plus additional operatic appearances this summer: Desdemona in *Othello*, Marguerite in *Faust*, and Medora in Verdi's *Il Corsaro*, all in Philadelphia with the Amici Opera, the Concert Operetta Theater, and the Delaware Valley Opera Company.

**Philip McCarthy III** sent word that his father **Phil '59**, JD '65, and his uncle **Paul '59**, MBA '65, planned to attend their 45th Reunion in June. Philip (the younger, that is) sounds like he has been very busy. In July 2003, he graduated from the French Culinary Inst. with a degree in Classical French Cooking. In March 2004, he joined UBS in its private wealth management group. Talk about a Renaissance guy—expertise in both finance and French cuisine! Philip also wrote that he celebrated his 40th birthday in New York in May 2004. Attendees at Philip's birthday dinner included his father Phil, **Adele Freedman** (who survived the Bam, Iran, earthquake!), **Tom Gibb '84**, **Charles Boorady**, **Paul Dominguez**, **Susan Kittenplan '85**, and **Steve Kittenplan '56**. **Daniel Hooker** writes that he was elected to the NY State Assembly in the fall of 2002 (for more information see [www.assemblymanhooker.com](http://www.assemblymanhooker.com)), and that he married Tara on Aug. 2, '03. Daniel also noted that **Andy Kennedy** is now a lieutenant colonel in the US Marine Corps.

And with the spring and summer weather, of course, comes news of more Class of '86 babies. **Eric Margolis** and wife Karen Pertrusky rejoice in the arrival of their son Jarrett Lewis, who joins big sister Lara Rose. Eric is a urologist in Englewood, NJ, and his wife is an ob/gyn, also in Englewood. **Robin Lewis** Leflourt and husband Gerald announce the arrival of Alison, born Dec. 9, '02, and **Ken Hey**, ME '88, sent news of the birth of son Alden Edwards Hey on Jan. 6, '04.

**Jeff Rosenberg** writes that his baby daughter Grace is now 7 months old. Born in October 2003, she made her presence known (via a positive pregnancy test) to Jeff and wife Coleen while they were visiting Cornell back in February 2003. Jeff and Coleen thought that it was the perfect ending to a weekend of Cornell hockey! Jeff also writes that he just completed his seventh marathon. A word of advice, Jeff, keep those running shoes handy. You're really going to need them when your little one starts walking. (Seems like the transition from walking to full-bore running takes toddlers no time at all!) Jeff stays in touch with several fellow Cornellians. In April, he saw **Jeff "CJ" Biederman** and his wife and two sons. He also talks regularly with **Dave Gettleman** and wife Wendy, who live outside of Boston. Dave is the "Hot Dog King of Boston" and is about to open his second "Spike's Junkyard Dogs," this time in Boston. Spike's is currently in Providence, RI, and is purported to be wildly popular with the locals.

That's it for now. It was great to hear from all those who shared their news. Until next time, take care and Happy Birthday to everyone who, like me, is about to celebrate the big 4-0! ♦ **Jackie Byers** Davidson, [jackiekd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jackiekd@sbcglobal.net); **Hilory Federgreen** Wagner, [haf5@cornell.edu](mailto:haf5@cornell.edu); and **Allison Farbanic** MacLean, [aaf9@cornell.edu](mailto:aaf9@cornell.edu).

**87** What is your favorite summer memory? For me, since moving to California, it is a Mary Chapin Carpenter concert under the stars; it is driving my Saab convertible up the Pacific coast to San Francisco for a seafood dinner; it is a picnic, jazz music, and fireworks at Stanford on the night before July 4; it is a weeklong holiday in Paris, coinciding with the final stage of Le Tour de France. Inevitably, Labor Day intrudes, and we would have sent off another crop of Bay Area freshman students to Cornell. While autumn will soon descend upon the Hill, an Indian summer lingers here on the Farm (as Stanford is affectionately known) and the heat reminds me of those lazy, sunny days that seem long gone . . .

On May 17, new head football coach **Jim Knowles** rolled into San Francisco with two of his assistant coaches for the annual "coach's swing" on the West Coast. Jim knew that he would have to turn the team's misfortune in the past two years around in a hurry. He spoke passionately to football alumni and parents of current and incoming players about his excitement of being named Cornell's head coach and his commitment to returning the team to its gloried days. I strongly urge everyone who lives within driving distance of Ithaca to go up to Schoellkopf Field and cheer on the Big Red. In early June, I joined my wife Rebecca in Washington, DC, where she was teaching a fund-raising conference. I reconnected with **Gail Baer**, who invited me to a home-cooked supper at their new home in Bethesda, MD. When I knocked on the front door, I saw a hand-drawn welcome sign made by Rachel (now in fourth grade) and Amy (in second grade). David, the oldest child, was graduating from elementary school and entering sixth grade. Soon after Gail's husband **Michael '88**,

MBA '89, came home, we sat down on the picnic table in their backyard for a flank steak dinner. We talked about their "re-entrée" into suburban life after 2-1/2 years in Singapore. We compared notes on shopping in Paris (where Gail had just visited) and Beijing (where I had been a mere ten days before). With Michael working for USAirways now, Gail expected more trips to European destinations but longed to be back in Asia.

**Stacey Neuhofer** Silberzweig held an exceptional "39 Again" planning meeting on June 15, with about half a dozen class officers on a coast-to-coast conference call. To mark our collective 40-year-old birthdays next year, the class council has decided to organize an on-campus party in July 2005 that will include participation in Adult University (CAU) classes, a bowling night at Helen Newman, and a Saturday event that may feature Professor **Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76**, and President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes. Be sure to mark your calendar when the save-a-day postcard reaches you! The following day, Stacey and husband Jeff escaped to Disney World with their son Ian for a well-deserved family vacation. Class president **John Gee** took part in the conference call. He said, "Not much is going on with me. I'm in my third semester with Syracuse's online MBA program and having some flashbacks to our undergraduate days—I'm taking statistics. Makes me wonder why the hell I was a math major."

Fellow class officer **Shari Petronis** Vander Gast is "still director of psychiatry at Abington Memorial Hospital in suburban Philadelphia. Official chauffeur for Maxwell, 5-1/2, to soccer, T-ball, basketball, golf, and gymnastics (his idea, not ours), and Samuel, 4, to art, guitar, and gymnastics (also his ideas). These kids are killing us—so busy! They never stop moving. Husband David and I are now the ones who have to nap in the afternoon on weekends! In May I was appointed to the board of directors of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Assn. of the Mentally Ill, a group that provides public education about mental illness and services available for the mentally ill and their families."

Former class president **Gligor Tashkovich**, MBA '91, attended a Cornell Entrepreneurial Network event in NYC: "I ran into **Waqar Nasim**, MBA '91, who is VP and CFO for Triveni Digital in Princeton, NJ; **Davy Zonerach**, who is an intellectual property lawyer in New Jersey; and **Micki Gilbert**, MS '90, who lives in White Plains and works for PitneyBoves as an environmental engineer on energy-efficiency matters." **Heidi Russell** quit her job at the Cornell Fund and left for Florence, Italy, in May for an extended vacation. She planned to take a photography course and then head to Columbia U. for an advanced degree in international public affairs. **Yana van der Meulen** Rodgers and husband Bill have relocated to the Garden State for new jobs at Rutgers U. "I have a new tenured position as associate professor in women's and gender studies, and Bill is in the public policy school." Their new home is just outside of Princeton, NJ. Yana and Bill have children Ellie, 8, Billy, 6, and Charlie, 4, plus two dogs, two cats, and a hamster. Former class correspondent **Amy Marks** added a new member

to her family. Daughter Maya Jade was born on Apr. 26, '04. Amy said, "So far, big brother Benjamin seems quite taken with his little sister." A couple of former U-Hall 5 floormates of mine wrote in May. **Charles Sukenik** now lives in Norfolk, VA, and teaches at Old Dominion U. He received the Gene W. Hirschfeld Faculty Excellence Award for 2004. His freshman roommate **Doug Rademacher** sent in a birth announcement from Warwick, RI. He and wife **Cindy (Davis) '86** "became parents again when Jacob was born in February. We forgot what it was like, since it's been five years since our last child." The two older kids are Max, 8, and Emma, 5. Doug also took on a new job at work: "I assumed the role of chief information officer at APC. Funny thing is, this is the exact job Cindy had before she left to do the mommy thing. She couldn't sit still, though, so she

**88** Hello, classmates! When you read this column, it is likely that the heat of summer is receding and the leaves will soon be starting to turn. We should be looking forward to Halloween, a hotly contested presidential election, and then the fast forward movement through the holiday season to the end of another year.

However, as I write, the heat of summer is just beginning, and we've recently been inundated with video reminders of our college years in the form of memorials for former President Ronald Reagan. Whatever you think of Reagan and his presidency, I did find it quite evocative to watch some of the many programs broadcast the week of his state funeral. Quite a few images of the world events, personalities, clothes, and, yes, even hair, of the 1980s brought me back to our time on the Hill in the midst of the Reagan years.

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SHARI PETRONIS VANDER GAST '87

founded a Montessori elementary school with a bunch of other parents."

**Deanna Silver** Jacobson has been an activist in the Middle East conflict. "Two years ago I co-founded Hands of Peace, which brings together Jewish Israeli, Palestinian, Arab Israeli, and American Christian, Jewish, or Islamic teenagers. They are home-housed for two weeks in Chicago and spend mornings in coexistence sessions, discussing issues and learning to understand each other's perspectives. Afternoons are spent in social, cultural, and team-building activities. Our first group of 12 Middle Eastern students was here last summer, and I am anxiously awaiting the arrival of 16 teens on August 11! I was surprised at how much I was affected and how close I grew to the kids last year." On the home front, Deanna's kids are Rebecca, 3 (just about potty-trained), Ari, 7-1/2, and Joshua, 9. Deanna also met President **Jeffrey Lehman '77** at his Chicago reception. Speaking of parties, **Alison Josephs** hosted a lovely birthday party for **Jessica Ettinger** Gottesman on June 3 at her graphic arts and design studio in Manhattan. Jessica enthused: "Alison was my roommate in U-Hall 1 freshman and sophomore years, and she's been my closest friend ever since." Lucky Cornellians who got to party with Jessica included **Scott Pesner**, **Adam Kushner**, and Jessica's cousin **Mathew Oakes '94**.

Lastly, Gail Baer alerted me that on May 12 **Paul Bogart** of Gaithersburg, MD, died after a two-year battle with a malignant brain tumor. **Richard Friedman** came to the funeral a few days later and stayed with Gail and Michael. Paul was survived by his wife Lauren and their three children.

Send in your Lance Armstrong memorabilia and news to: ♦ **Tom S. Tseng**, [tseng@stanford.edu](mailto:tseng@stanford.edu); or **Debra Howard** Stern, [dstern39@yahoo.com](mailto:dstern39@yahoo.com).

In presidential matters of a different sort, I recently had the pleasure of meeting new Cornell President **Jeffrey Lehman '77** here in the Bay Area, when he spoke at an event co-sponsored by the Cornell Alumni Assn. of Northern California and Cornell Silicon Valley. It was wonderful to hear him speak passionately about recent events on campus and accomplishments of Cornellians. He is clearly committed to leading his own alma mater into the future with a dedication and zeal that only an alumnus can have.

As I write, we've begun to receive your responses to our spring News and Dues letter with updates of your life matters. In the ever-popular new baby category, **Jennifer Matke** Jenkins wrote to report the birth of daughter Piper Audrey on January 5. Piper proudly wears the Cornell shirt sent to her by **Michelle Russo '87**. Classmate couple **Deborah Winokur** and **Brett Applebaum** delightedly announced the birth of their son Benjamin on March 22. **Allison Weiser** Strout had son Nathaniel James join brother Griffin, 5, and sister Eliza, 3, on May 4. And **Jay Goldman** and wife Kathleen brought their first, son Ethan, into the world on July 11, '03. Jay and family moved to Kennett Square, PA, from Cambridge, MA, this past May. Jay said, "It's a big move from the 'happening city life' in Cambridge to the 'green acres' life in horse country Pennsylvania."

In professional news, **James Hilsenteger** is a new patent attorney with Marger Johnson & McCollom in Portland, OR. James, a newly minted JD from Lewis and Clark Law School, joined the firm after 12 years as a mechanical engineer for railcar manufacturer Gunderson Inc. **Joel Goldberg** was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the USAF medical corps, but after five years in the service has left to join a department of colorectal surgery in Minneapolis. Joel and wife Hilary's daughter Emily Rose is 1-1/2 and

"full of mischief." Also in medicine, **Kaveh Alizadeh**, MD '93, served on a volunteer surgical mission to the Middle East earlier this year. Kaveh was featured in a Discovery health series titled "Plastic Surgery—New York Style." Kaveh is currently the plastic surgery residency director for Long Island Plastic Surgical Group, with an active practice in cosmetic surgery in Manhattan.

**Rebecca Schmidt** Haydock sent word that she is at home with sons Drake, 5, and Cove, 2-1/2. She is serving on the board at her children's school and is a member of the local fire department auxiliary, responsible for publicity and annual fund-raising. Rebecca has taken to painting, with some works accepted to local shows around her home in South Salem, NY, and has been "categorized as a portrait and fly fishing artist." Once both her children are in school, Rebecca may return to her career in technology commercialization and business development. **Daniel Cavicchi** received the 2004 John R. Frazier Award for Excellence in Teaching at Rhode Island School of Design. The award is given annually to a member of the faculty who demonstrates exceptional ability in fostering student learning. Daniel has taught a variety of courses in history, politics, music, and film over the past three years as assistant professor of American studies.

And finally, to prove you never know when you might run into another Cornellian, **Sean Sanders** writes from San Diego to say he ran into classmate **Tony Grillo** at his health club one day. Sean and Tony were both mechanical engineering undergrads and lived on the same floor in Sheldon Court. Sean had not seen Tony since graduation and now, once again, they live in the same neighborhood.

So keep your eyes open. When you do run into a classmate, send in news of the meeting and whatever you talk about to us. "I still haven't found what I'm looking for." ♦ **Steve Tomaselli**, [st89@cornell.edu](mailto:st89@cornell.edu); and **Suzanne Bors** Andrews, [smb68@cornell.edu](mailto:smb68@cornell.edu).

**89** The class column for this issue can be found with the Reports of Reunion Classes, which begin on page 62.

**90** Can you believe that our 15th Reunion is less than one year away? Reunion Weekend is a time for rekindling friendships, sharing memories, eating Hot Truck on the Arts Quad, and remembering just how steep Libe Slope is and how tiny our dorm rooms were! But few may realize that Reunion Weekend is also the time when new class officers begin their five-year term of office. Our current co-presidents **Paul Tauber** and **Rose Tanasugarn** are now taking names of those interested in filling these offices. The Class of 1990 offices include: president, VP-membership, VP-Cornell Fund, reunion chair(s), webmaster, and of course, class correspondent(s). The specific duties of the officers are described on the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) website, [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/federation/caco](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/federation/caco). You'll find the class officer descriptions under the "class services" heading. Please contact Paul

(pjt12@cornell.edu) or Rose (nt28@cornell.edu) if you are interested in any of these positions.

If you think you might enjoy sifting through stacks of newspaper clippings, press releases, e-mails, and often unintelligible, handwritten alumni news forms, then the job of class correspondent is for you! **Alisa Gilhooley** and I would also be happy to answer any of your questions, so feel free to contact us. Now, on to the news!

A recent press release from the Dept. of the Navy informed us that Lt. **Thomas B. Jordan** has recently returned from a deployment on the amphibious transport dock ship USS *Ogden*. During this deployment, Thomas's unit conducted humanitarian assistance and security missions in Iraq. They also patrolled international waters in the Red Sea and the Horn of Africa to deter the transport of terrorist personnel and equipment. The USS *Ogden* website, [www.ogden.navy.mil](http://www.ogden.navy.mil), has much more information on the deployment, plus high resolution photographs. I have to admit that I checked out this site, and it is quite fascinating! November 11 is Veterans' Day, so I would like to personally thank Lt. Jordan and all the Class of '90 veterans who have served our country in these difficult times. God bless all of you!

More overseas news has arrived, this time from classmate **Katrine Bosley**. Katrine has left Boston and her position at Biogen and has been spending time in India! She's there "partly for fun/travel and partly to spend some time doing *pro bono* consulting for a biotechnology institute in Bangalore." She finds her time in India to be "challenging but fun, exciting, and never, never boring." Katrine, have we ever heard of you doing anything boring? Ask Katrine about all of her many international adventures at [ksbosley@rcn.com](mailto:ksbosley@rcn.com).

**Charlie Lynch**, MBA '95, has been enjoying adventures of his own, but more of the high-flying variety. We hear that he flies in air shows in his CJ6A Nanchang, a WWII fighter plane that is the Chinese version of a Yak 18A. Charlie's wife **Elizabeth (Von Keyserling)** says that he loves going upside down. We hear that Charlie, Elizabeth, and their daughter Olivia are ALL flipping over the birth of Michael Richard on Nov. 17, '03. Elizabeth writes that she's surprised that she gets less sleep now than she did on the Hill, but with two young kids and an airborne husband, who blames her for being sleepless?

Other happy parents include **Amy Johnson** Vogt and husband Derek, who are both financial planners. Their new daughter Heidi Catherine was born, appropriately, on tax day, Apr. 15, '04. Thank heavens they didn't choose to name her "Ira"! The Vogt family, including big sister Ainsley, lives in Glenmoore, PA. **Eric '88** and **Elizabeth Wagner Boham** also have two deductions—er, I mean children: Ama, 3, and Tismark, 16 months. Elizabeth is working as a physician at Canyon Ranch Health Spa in Lenox, MA. **Becky Brown** Gamble has chosen to be a stay-at-home mom to Nathan, 5, Elizabeth, 4, and Katelyn, 18 months. She lives in Raleigh, NC, with her husband Eric. Becky writes that she missed working at first, but now would not miss the time at home with her kids while they are little.

I tried to come up with a cute transition between a paragraph about new babies and one about a designer of bikini swimsuits. Let's just say I failed! This past June, the Cornell Human Ecology Alumni Assn. announced that **Malia Mills**, BS '90, was awarded the Recent Alumni Achievement Award for exemplifying excellence in business and entrepreneurship. After a few of Malia's swimsuit creations were used in a *Sports Illustrated* photo shoot, she founded Malia Mills SwimWear Inc., a company specializing in creating bathing suits with different sized tops and bottoms. Her clientele includes Elle MacPherson and Cindy Crawford, as well as *Vogue*, *Glamour*, and *Victoria's Secret* magazines. Malia has generously recruited several interns from her alma mater and has collaborated with HumEc professors on a project for a student course. Malia has also been a guest speaker for the Cornell Entrepreneur Network. Her website, [www.maliamills.com](http://www.maliamills.com), is a must-see for any woman shopping for swimwear, and it includes directions and descriptions of Malia's three NYC retail shops, as well as an online catalog. Congratulations to Malia on her amazing accomplishments and this prestigious award!

Congratulations are also due to **Brent Smith**, who has been appointed president of the parts and service division of Alfa Laval Inc., based in Warminster, PA. According to a company press release, Brent previously held the title of VP of human resources at Alfa Laval, a "leading global provider of specialized products and engineered solutions." Brent started his career at AT&T as a labor relations specialist and manager. He also worked in human resources at both Lucent Technologies and Honeywell International.

More to come in the next issue. Please e-mail us with any news about your family, home, jobs, travels, or experiences. We'd love to hear from all of you! And please consider volunteering for one of our class offices. It's a great way to stay close to Cornell and to your classmates. Until next time: ♦ **Carole Moran** Krus, [clm42@cornell.edu](mailto:clm42@cornell.edu); and **Alisa Gilhooley**, [alisagil@aol.com](mailto:alisagil@aol.com).

**91** Greetings from the farm. **Carl Boehlert**, an assistant professor of materials science in the School of Engineering at Alfred U., was honored in a White House ceremony held on May 4. Carl was one of 57 researchers who received a Presidential Early Career Award, the nation's highest honor for professionals at the outset of their independent research careers. His research involves structural intermetallics and metal matrix composites. Presiding over the White House ceremony was John H. Marburger III, science advisor to the President and director of the White House Office of Science and Technology. Alfred University President Charles M. Edmondson noted, "This is a well-deserved honor for Carl Boehlert, who is one of Alfred's most talented young researchers. It is also a great honor for the university and our School of Engineering to have Professor Boehlert recognized for his work." Carl received a citation, a plaque, and a commitment for funding of his work for five years.

Carl was one of seven researchers funded by

the US Dep. of Energy and its National Security Administration to be nominated for the Presidential honors. Prior to the White House ceremony, Carl and his fellow Dept. of Energy (DOE) honorees described their work at a ceremony at DOE headquarters, hosted by Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham. New York State Governor George Pataki and Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno also recognized Carl as a James D. Watson Investigator through the New York State office of Science, Technology, and Academic Research (NYSTAR). NYSTAR funding supports Carl's research into a methodology to evaluate the microstructure-property relationships of biocompatible titanium alloys.

In other news, new babies, new jobs, and new marriages. **Jen Gray** Moss was "thrilled to announce" that she and husband Brian welcomed their second child, Emeline Moreland, into their family. "Emeline's big brother Will, 2, gives her lots of juicy kisses and introduces her to everyone as his 'sitter.'" **David Hong** reported that he just finished up the first year of his own patent and trademark law practice in Santa Clarita, CA. **Cassius Drake** reported that he and wife Jacqueline welcomed their first child, Noah Robert, on Apr. 12, '04.

**Rich McEvoy** was recently transferred to London, Ontario (not England), and will be taking on new responsibilities for Labatt Breweries of Canada. On Nov. 3, '03, **Greg Dickhens** and wife Keala welcomed into the world their second daughter, Malia Eleni. The Dickhens family has relocated to Vail, CO, where Greg is working at the CFO of Vail Resorts Development Co.

**Cathy James** reports that on Apr. 24, '04, she "got married to her sweetie James Fisher." Cathy's sister **Debbie James Walend '95** was the "best woman," and husband **David '93** was an usher. Other classmates in attendance were **Ellen Goode**, **Loren Bosies**, **Eric '86**, MBA '93, and **Heather Tatkon Powers**, MPA '93, **Jeff Carver**, **Craig '89** and **Liz Collard Richter**, **Arik Marks**, and **David Rodger** and wife **Cindy ReVelle '92**. Cathy wrote that her father **Chuck James '57** (deceased) was also a Cornell graduate, and she is sure he was there somewhere, "since he never missed a good party!" Cathy is currently doing a fellowship in pediatric emergency medicine at Children's Hospital in Boston, and living in Brookline, MA.

Congratulations to everyone on their stellar accomplishments. ♦ **Nina Rosen** Peek, [nrs5@cornell.edu](mailto:nrs5@cornell.edu); **Dave Smith**, [docds30@yahoo.com](mailto:docds30@yahoo.com); **Corinne Kuchling**, [kuccori@hotmail.com](mailto:kuccori@hotmail.com).

**92** I am a bit jealous of all those other classes that got to celebrate reunion in June in Ithaca. Oh well, only three more years until we all meet again. Until then, here's some news of our classmates.

**Habiba Tunau** wrote a nice update of her journeys after Cornell. She met her husband **Kenton Spencer '93** 14 years ago. She was a premed student living in Balch Hall and he was a transfer student living in Ujamaa. After Cornell, they lived in California, where Habiba worked and took graduate courses before eventually taking the MCAT and attending medical

school in Charleston, SC. "Living in the South was interesting, but we longed to return to the Northeast, so in '00 we returned to New York, where I attended residency in internal medicine," Habiba wrote. She has finished her training and now lives in Staten Island, enjoying culturally diverse music, food, books, and travel around the US. Habiba and Kenton have been married for ten years and have three children, ages 4, 3, and 2. **Scott and Terra Smolker Samuels** are enjoying their new son Nathaniel ("Nate"), who was born Jan. 27. They also have a daughter Marissa and live in Marblehead, MA.

**Allison Bergstrom** started working with her father at the appropriately named Bergstrom Investment Management in Chicago. She handles real estate-related investment portfolios and spends plenty of quality time with her dad! Allison enjoyed a nice reunion last fall with fellow Cornellians **Janice Kean** Rappoport, **Steven and Sharon Kowar deWaard**, and **Bart and Pam Fabrizio Barry '93** at the Barrys' home in suburban Wilmington, DE. Allison also enjoys getting together with **Lisa Everts** and **Vicky Lat-tone** at least once a year in Ithaca.

In a note from **Jennifer Krain** Wurtzburger, I learned she and her husband Rich have sons Ryan and Gavin. They live in Edgemont, NY, where Jennifer grew up. She is a stay-at-home mom and enjoys spending lots of time playing

physician. Beth is the director of civilian agencies in the government solutions department of Home Depot. The couple enjoy their children Rachel, 4, and Alex, who will be 2 in November.

**Alyssa Handler** and her husband Amato Bocchino welcomed baby boy Evan on March 27. They live in Beverly, MA. Alyssa notes that **Brooke Bloom** and **Lenny Sekuler '93** have a son Shane, and that **Patricia Santiago-Muñoz** married Omar Gonzalez in Puerto Rico on Feb. 21. Congratulations! **Alison Dobes** Key had twin girls, Margaret Campbell and Sara Stewart, on Feb. 6. She notes that **Anne Dodge Gilchrist** and husband **Tony** had their second child, a girl named Heather Suzanne, on March 3.

**Alec Berger** lives in Boulder, where he works for KBCO-FM. His official title is production assistant, but, he writes, "I do some of everything at the station—copy editing, audio production, etc.—but most important, I am the fill-in DJ." Alec is on the air every Sunday, 4-8 p.m.; and whenever a full-time DJ is vacationing, he is on the air 7-11 p.m. on weeknights. The station is at KBCO.com on the internet and 97.3 on the radio dial. Dwight and **Tammy Helmling** Hunter have two sets of twins. Rachael and Catherine are 8, and David and Allan are 2. They are busy building a house in Tracy, CA. Tammy wrote that she won a bid with Contra Costa County to integrate their criminal justice system.

to a beautiful woman, Marie-Francine Richard from Maine and originally Quebec. We bought a house in Arlington, MA, last year and are settling in well." Greg continued that he keeps up with his music, playing jazz saxophone weekly at jam sessions with John Payne Music School in Brookline. Greg works as a technical project manager for a small startup company in Boston called Bonaire Software that does fee calculation systems for the mutual fund industry.

As for me, I'm enjoying being home with my husband **David Toth** and our son Brayden, 2. David is an endocrinologist at St. Luke's Hospital in Milwaukee, where he stays busier than he'd like. I'm involved with our local Cornell Club of Wisconsin, and get a bit bummed out when I realize we are no longer considered "young alumni." That's reserved for those who graduated within the last ten years!

Please drop a note to us to update us on your life's events. ♦ **Renee Hunter Toth**, rah24@cornell.edu; **Debbie Feinstein**, Debbie\_Feinstein@yahoo.com; and **Wilma Ann Anderson**, info@WilPowerEnterprises.com.

**93** Hello everyone! I hope you all enjoyed the summer. We were a little light on news this month so please make sure to keep sending us your updates. Marriages, births, job changes, moves—we want to know it all! **Sue Rhee** wrote to say that she completed a fellowship in pediatric gastroenterology at Harvard's Children's Hospital. **Seth Kestenbaum** e-mailed that he is still living in Manhattan. When he is not at the office working in the real estate capital markets, he can be found hang-gliding in the Catskills or making repairs to pieces of his growing real estate portfolio. **Jeff Drayer** also e-mailed. He has just finished shooting a movie he wrote and produced, starring Ed Asner and titled *All In*. He's in the editing stage right now and we should look for the film in the winter. **Whit Watson** writes, "After six-plus years as an anchor at ESPN, I moved my family back to my hometown of Orlando in the fall of 2003 to join Sunshine Network, the Fox regional sports net in Florida. It was one of the best decisions I ever made. Needless to say, the weather (and my golf game) is much better. Having a ball with college football, the Magic, the Heat, play-by-play, talk shows, and the Stanley Cup Champion Tampa Bay Lightning! Would love to hear from classmates in the area."

Congratulations to **Julie Reichgott** Prieto and her husband Daniel, who are the proud parents of new son John Timothy, born March 24, 2004. Julie continues to work at Bank One as the head of compensation for the retail line of business. Daniel is working as a Web developer from home, as time permits, while caring for John Timothy full-time. Congratulations to **Jeff**, ME '94, and **Galit Cohen** on the birth of their second daughter, Mia Naomi, on June 16. They recently bought a house in Teaneck, NJ, and will be moving in over the summer.

Finally, I am happy to announce my own wedding to Sandy Rosenberg on May 30, 2004 in Niagara Falls, NY. We had a beautiful wedding by the falls with a number of Cornellians in atten-

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with the kids, playing golf, and traveling. **Jennifer Kaminsky** Brock is about to celebrate her daughter's first birthday. Lilly Annabelle was born Oct. 15, '03. With husband Mark, they live in Carlisle, MA. **Jack** and Victoria **Hodgkins** welcomed Crawford ("Ford") Jackson to their family on Feb. 3. They reside in Boston.

**Anthony Sapia** wrote news from his home in State College, PA. He and wife Karen have twins, Fiorenzo and Giacomo, who at age 2-1/2 are a handful. "One goes one way; the other goes the other way," he wrote. Anthony's Bistro and Bakery won a Golden Pastry Scoop Award for "Best Bakery Recipe." Anthony's bread, devilish double chocolate port fig bread, competed against thousands to win this national award. Anthony noted that classmate **Michael Epstein** owns and operates his first hotel, a Ramada Inn with 320 rooms, in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

In April, **Silvia Serpe**, JD '95, joined the law firm Krantz & Berman LLP as a special counsel. She is building her own practice in criminal, employment, and general commercial litigation in New York City. About a year and a half ago, **Nathaniel**, MD '96, and **Beth Pinsley Zonerach** '93 moved to northern Virginia, where Nathaniel joined the Washington Fertility Center as a

There are two weddings to announce. **Vinoo Zachariah**, ME '93, married Heather Leahy on Dec. 27 in Cleveland Heights, OH. Vinoo is an assistant to the president of the Cincinnati unit of Time Warner Cable, working on special projects. **Stephanie Hochman** married Daniel Mollin on Oct. 19, '02 in Closter, NJ. After Cornell, Stephanie went to Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine and is a podiatric surgeon. **Rick** and **Meghan DeGolyer Hauser** are enjoying their sons Abe and Sol in Perry, NY. In the spring Meghan had 55 Cornell students come visit her farm as part of a once-a-year Dairy Fellows tour of local dairies. Rick keeps busy teaching architecture at Hobart and William Smith while running his own architecture firm.

"Since I've been off the map for the past too many years, I figured it is time to reconnect," wrote **Greg Paul**. "Maybe it was that dinner I had this weekend with our lawyer who went to Cornell back in the '50s or early '60s that inspired me. The way he talked about Cornell was so cool, how women had curfews in Balch and Sage Hall dorms—one night they could stay out till 12:00, the other till 1:00 a.m. So I signed up for *Cornell Alumni Magazine* again. Here's the scoop for those '92 classmates. I got married

dance. Among the attendees were **Greg, DVM '94**, and **Andrea Sarkany Riskin**, who deserve their own congratulations on the birth of son Michael Yair on February 10, 2004. Michael joins older sister Deborah, 5. Greg and Andrea live in Fair Lawn, NJ, where Greg works as a veterinarian and Andrea is completing a PsyD degree. Also coming in from New Jersey were Scott and **Lisa Ness Seidman**, who are living in East Brunswick with their daughter Hannah; Valdi and **Lauren Bailyn Sapira, MBA '94**, who just recently bought a new home in Hoboken and are living there with their 1-year-old son Josh; Jared and **Ilene Kutin Ferguson '92**, who made the trip from Edison, where they live with their children Jake and Taylor; **Rick and Jessica Silber Jentis '94**, who are living in Bridgewater with their sons Gabe and Eitan; and Gabriel and **Tammi Miller Fox '94**, who are living in Hoboken and were married just a week later! (Congrats!)

**Shai Stahl** came in from Syracuse, where he has been living for the past few years while developing his company, Transcion. Ron and **Beth Fisch Cohen** came in from New Rochelle, NY, from where Beth commutes everyday to her job in the Manhattan DA's office. Steve Kuperberg and **Debbie Feinstein '92** came to celebrate as well. They live in Bethesda with their children Noah and Tali, and Debbie is working as a state's attorney for Montgomery County. Coming in from Manhattan were **Evan Bashoff '99** and **Carrie Spindel '99**. Evan just left a position in sports marketing to attend Columbia Business School full-time, and Carrie is in her fourth year of medical school. Finally, **Julie Christie '96** and her fiancé Jack Padden made the trip in from Boston, where Julie works as a financial consultant for AMEX Financial Services.

As for the bride and groom, we live in New York City on the Upper West Side. I am currently working for Mellon in New York City as a consulting actuary (the same job I've had since graduation!), and Sandy works in sports marketing for Professional Sports Publications. We met on a plane going from Buffalo to New York City in September 2002. It just goes to show that sometimes it's worthwhile having a conversation with your seatmate! Please note my new name and e-mail address. ♦ **Yael Berkowitz Rosenberg**, ygb1@cornell.edu; **Erica Fishlin Fox**, ericazz@aol.com.

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The Class of '95 began the summer with a series of "365-days-to-go" reunion kickoff events in DC, Boston, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, and, to make it a truly "international" event, Toronto. With the exception of Toronto, all events were held the same night—June 10—to coincide with the beginning of Reunion up on the Hill.

In DC, my husband **Matthew French, ME '96**, and I, along with class president **Eva Loh**, enjoyed reconnecting with a great group, including **Vincent and Lisa Gray Bertomeu, Kavitha**

**Chetty, Heather Hamm, Richard Spitalnik, Catherine Minkler, Sid Mansur, Christine Haakenson '91, Curtis Lando, and Maryam Farzad**, among others. Vin has his own optometry practice, while wife Lisa works for Hilton; Heather and Rich are both recent transplants to DC—Heather, an accountant, from Boston, and Rich, back to DC from San Francisco; Cathy works for BNA; Christine is doing her PhD at Georgetown; and Maryam works for the Institute for Genomic Research. As for me, I've recently finished my MBA and moved on to government consulting work with BearingPoint, while Matt was recently promoted to project leader with his company, Information Sciences Institute-East, a research division of the University of Southern California.

Philadelphia coordinator **Lisa Powell Fortna** and husband **Matthew** report a small but fun crowd in attendance: **Brett and Jennifer Blum Feldman, Edwin "E.J." Dealy, MBA '02, Pat Kilian, and Alon Barzilay**. Both Jen and Brett are practicing law in Philadelphia; Pat works for Sunoco and has a 1-year-old daughter Maggie; and E.J. completed his MBA at Cornell and is back in the Philadelphia area working in sales.

On the Boston front, **Kathy Heppner Trogolo** and husband **Mike '96** met up with **Dave Foti**, who is braving a daily commute between The MathWorks in Natick, MA, and his home in New Haven, CT. Dave says that his software development work on MATLAB (any Engineering classmates recognize that name?) is worth the slightly odd hours and extra travel time. Kathy and Dave actually attended high school together in Wayland, MA, so they were able to catch up on several years' worth of news. Dave says he's coming to reunion next year and hopes to see many classmates from the Debate Team.

No reports yet from L.A. and Toronto, but we'll be sure to update you once we get them. In the meantime, check our class website for photos from the events and more information about our upcoming 10th Reunion in Ithaca!

Other news comes from two Hotelie classmates, one of whom, **Tony Calabria**, may be hosting his own Class of '95 events at his new restaurant in Baldwinsville, NY (a suburb of Syracuse). The other, **Sarah Spiewak**, graduated from Darden Business School at UVA in May and now works for Thayer Lodging, an Annapolis, MD, hotel real estate venture capital firm started by yet another Hotelie 12 years ago. Another MBA, **Ryan Young**, has settled in San Francisco after traveling to Australia and New Zealand for what was supposed to be two months. Writes Ryan, "I ended up having such a great time that I extended my trip to 3-1/2 months!"

Back on the East coast, careers are a-changin'. After a total of 12 years in Ithaca as either a student or faculty member, **Eric Christensen, DVM '99**, finally ventured away from campus to join a small animal veterinary hospital in northern New Jersey. Writes Eric, "The practice is very busy and we are due to break ground for a new facility this spring. Since there are plenty of challenging cases and I'm working with vets that I've known for a long time, I have really been enjoying the job!" On the flip side, **Christopher Hill** writes, "After many years of saying I would never go back to

school, I have proven myself wrong. I just finished my first semester of a joint program between the U. of Vermont and the Miner Inst. in which I am pursuing a master's in dairy nutrition and behavior." In baby news, **Thomas and Lecia Van Dam Sequist** welcomed son Jackson Philip on March 5, and on March 20, Eleanor Louise was born to **Christian '94 and Libbey Smith Gallagher**.

Lastly, a bit of sad news that I must pass along. Classmate Capt. **Richard "Rick" Gannon**, leader of Lima Company, was killed in a battle with Iraqi insurgents in Al-Anbar province, near Iraq's border with Syria this past April. Lima Company was charged with building the area's schools, improving its physical infrastructure, and helping train its police force. He is survived by his wife Sally, sons Richard, Patrick, and Connor, and daughter Maria. Two funds have been established to honor Rick:

The Richard J. Gannon Memorial Scholarship Fund was set up by Major Keith Forkin, a friend of Rick's from the Marine Corps. All donations will be used to support college education for Rick and Sally's children. Donations can be mailed to: Richard J. Gannon Memorial Scholarship Fund, 3104 B Upshur Ave., Twenty-nine Palms, CA 92277. In addition, the Brother Rick Gannon Memorial Fund was set up by Rick's Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity brothers. This fund is managed by **Brian Drumm** (BrianD@shakercom.com). Donations may be sent to: Brother Rick Gannon Memorial Fund, c/o Brian Drumm, 10 Thacher St., #301, Boston, MA 02113. ♦ **Alison Torrillo French**, amt7@cornell.edu; **Abra Benson**, amb8@cornell.edu. Class website: <http://classof95.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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Greetings, Sixers! This year, most of us will be reaching a milestone we haven't celebrated since proudly showing our (real) driver's license at the Palms, and waving a dollar (or was it a buck twenty-five by then?) in front of the bartender for a beer. That's right, a birthday of significance. The big 3-0. Instead of my usual waxing nostalgic about our insouciant days in Ithaca, I'm going to share a note Class Notes received from **Liz Rand**. "Instead of flying all over the place every time one of us turns 30, we decided to celebrate our collective 30th birthdays in Ithaca in May." Along with **Michelle Lauer-mann Cappellucci, Danielle Piscatilli Robillard, Pat Newman, Becca Schader, Priya Ramamurthy, John Ochsendorf, and Deb Moll**, Liz spent a weekend up in Ithaca visiting old haunts ("if they still exist") and wine touring. "Could you ask for a better 30th birthday celebration?" Ahhh, throw some corn nuggets from the Char-riot in there, and I totally concur.

**Josh Silverman** and **Carin Lustig-Silverman** welcomed Abigail Hannah into the world on March 21, '04. Proud grandparents include another member of the Cornell family, grandma **Susan Perlstein Lustig '61**. Josh recently completed the MD/PhD program at NYU. Josh, Carin, and Abby are heading to Boston, where Josh will start his residency in otolaryngology (that's ears, nose, and throat for those of you playing at home)

at Harvard. **Matt and Bonnie Meyer Altman** are the proud parents of Jake Benjamin, who was born on April 6, '04. As it turns out, people run into classmates in the strangest places. Bonnie gave birth at Columbia Presbyterian, and **Lee Weiss**, who lived in Matt's dorm freshman year, assisted with the delivery. Bonnie, Matt, and Jake are living in New York City, where Bonnie is the school psychologist at an Upper East Side private school and Matt is at Hyperion Capital Management, working as a portfolio manager.

**Jodi Krantz** and Larry Kravitz were married on Nov. 8, '03 in Manhasset, NY. Cornellians in attendance were **Heather Salomon Zeitz**, **Jennifer Hale** Rackoff, **Marni Kanofsky**, **Scott Saperstein**, **David Reiss**, **Ross Silver**, MD '00, **Julie Lorber**, **Mark Buchsbaum** '95, and **Eric Sherman** '95. Jodi and Larry honeymooned in New Zealand and Fiji. The newlyweds are currently residing in Manhattan, where Jodi is an actuary for New York Life Insurance Company and Larry is an account executive at ABC. Nick and **Heather Nydam** Martinez are living in Denver, where they started their own business selling exclusive car care products. Heather reports, "It's very different from our past careers, but it's going very well!" Good luck to Heather and Nick, and their joint venture, "Detailers Paradise."

Congratulations to **Erica Siegel**, MPA '97, and Gary Henning, who were married on May 30, '04 at Tappan Hill. London's newest resident and Class Notes' very own **Courtney Rubin** was Erica's maid of honor. Other Cornellian guests included bridesmaid **Pamela Feliciano** Colosimo '97, **Rick Colosimo**, JD '97, **Ross** '97 and **Beth Rubenstein Goldstein** '97, and the bride's parents Harvey and **Merille Ruben Siegel** '68. Erica and Gary honeymooned in Hawaii, and currently reside in Hoboken, NJ.

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DOUG HERMAN '97

In an impressive performance of best man duties, David Reiss wrote in to share the news of Ross Silver's marriage to Rebecca Kaplan on June 13, '04 in Springfield, NJ. Bridesmaid **Stephanie Silver** '98, alumna of the Touchtones a cappella group, traded her bouquet for a microphone, singing for the newlyweds and guests. Other Cornellians present to share the happy day were groomsmen **Dan Charous**, **Kevin Lyons**, **Nate Clark**, **Scott Saperstein**, **Jennifer Hale** Rackoff, **Jodi Krantz** Kravitz, and **Heather Salomon Zeitz**.

**Karen Szczepanski** recently started a fellowship in neonatology at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Karen reports that she'll be "cutting my salary in half and more than doubling my hours!" Good luck! **Richard Nunes**, BArch '96, and wife Teresa have recently relocated to London, where Richard is conducting his doctoral research with the Bartlett School of Planning, University College, London. Richard and Teresa

have been taking advantage of their new locale, recently exploring the Loire Valley in France.

**Matthew Wecksell** and Catherine Kahn were married on Jan. 18, '04. Cornellians in attendance were **Ilan Barzilay** and **Glenn McAnanama** '98. Matthew is completing his residency in anaesthesiology at Columbia. **Jennifer Stickler** is currently residing in Elmira, NY, and works for Corning Incorporated as a manufacturing effectiveness specialist. Jennifer is mom to a 9-year-old daughter and a baby boy.

Thanks to everyone who wrote in with news to share. If you haven't written recently, give us a shout out here at Class Notes. We'd love to hear from you. ♦ **Sheryl Magzamen**, SLM1@cornell.edu; **Allie Cahill**, alexandrakahill@aol.com; **Courtney Rubin**, cbr1@cornell.edu. Class website, <http://classof96.alumni.cornell.edu>.

**97** It's back-to-school time, so to recognize classmates who are hitting the books again, I'll begin with some graduate school news. **Nisheeth Ranjan** (nisheeth@cs.stanford.edu) is pursuing a master's degree in computer science with a concentration in artificial intelligence at Stanford. Nisheeth went back to school after six years at Netscape, where he had his hands in engineering Netscape versions 6.0, 7.0, and Mozilla. **Douglas Post** (douglas\_post@yahoo.com) planned to collect his MBA from USC's Marshall School of Business. **Theresa Soriano** (soriato1@yahoo.com) graduated from Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York in 2001 and planned to complete her residency training in internal medicine at the U. of Miami School of Medicine/Jackson Memorial Hospital in June 2004.

**Tamarra Strawn**, JD '01 (tamarra@unckless.com) is working as an AmeriCorps attorney with

Legal Aid of Western New York in Geneva on a one-year renewable grant. She's matching area law school students with meaningful volunteer opportunities in underserved communities. Tamarra was living with **Rob Unckless**, MS '99, and **Heather Fiore** ("roommates again after six years!"). At **Jenn Thom**'s August 2003 wedding to Josh Santelli, Tamarra saw classmates **Brad Marshall**, **Esra Acet**, and **Rob Glesmann**. After opening her own law firm last year in Miami, **Rebecca Cantor** Amster (Rebecca@amsterfamilylaw.com) is keeping busy outside of work as well: she's pursuing a master's in marital and family therapy at Nova Southeastern U. and completed the Walt Disney World Marathon—her first—last year. Rebecca caught up with **Chad Levitt** at their high school reunion over Thanksgiving 2003. Also in Florida are **Melissa Pinto** Heller and husband Mike, who welcomed daughter Alexandra Nicole on December 20. Melissa is

doing municipal bond work for the CFO of Broward County (Ft. Lauderdale).

Under the "footloose and fancy free" category, **David Hollman** (dah8@cornell.edu) quit his job at Sapien and planned to travel before throwing his hat back in the employment ring. So far, he's off to a good start, traveling to Mt. Marcy in the Adirondacks, the Presidential Mountains in New Hampshire, and Arcicibo, Puerto Rico. **Doug Herman** (hermando33@yahoo.com) is living out his "childhood dream of being unemployed in Los Angeles," after moving from Connecticut in August 2003. Writes Doug, "I'm getting my retirement years out of the way while I can still enjoy them."

**Caroline Giroux** Ziegler (carolineziegler@hotmail.com) is working in hotel management in San Francisco. Also in San Fran, **Nathan Zaslow** (zaslow2002@alumni.law.ucla.edu) is an attorney practicing immigration law. **Dan Vené** (danvene@hotmail.com) is a vice president at Thomson Financial in NYC. He keeps up with **Hunt Doering**, **Per Heilmann**, **Ari Cooperman**, **Ari Chopra**, and **Nick Rizzo**. In Boston, **Nina Menezes** (nmenezes@alum.mit.edu) works at Massachusetts General Hospital as a research fellow focusing on neurology and musculoskeletal MRI. In 2002, Nina finished her PhD in medical physics from MIT.

**Idil Ustun** (iu11@cornell.edu) is director of marketing and business development at Emirca Technologies, which offers technology solutions such as Web content and document management, e-business and intranet/extranet strategies, Web portal design and development, and application integration. Idil's responsibilities include global marketing strategy and public relations, brand and market positioning, and sales. She keeps in touch with classmates in Europe, including **Celia Koukoulis** and **Nathalie Picquot**, and New Yorkers **Nicole Pappas**, **Giovanni Revedin**, **Arthur Bruhmuller**, and **Emin Ozgur**.

Wedding updates: **France-Marie Exantus** married **Sheldon Jordan** on April 25, 2003. Kauai, HI, was the setting of **Mei Lee Gallagher** (meipurvis@yahoo.com) and Doug Purvis's wedding in August 2003. Classmate **Hanako Tokunaga** was among the guests. The couple, whom **Wente Kao**, MS '98, introduced four years ago on a water-skiing trip, reside in Arizona, where Mei is a quality engineer at Amersham Biosciences and Doug is a process engineer with Motorola. Mei and Doug are also avid scuba divers, having made dives at Australia's Great Barrier Reef, in Bonaire, and in Curaçao. **Kevin Wilcox** and Kathryn Greenberg tied the knot in Washington, DC, on December 6, 2003. Kevin is general manager of the District's Café Deluxe; the couple lives in Chevy Chase, MD.

**Nicole Smith** and Samuel Chevalier were married August 10, 2003 in Westport, CT. They returned home to West Haven, CT, after honeymooning in Montreal. Nicole works for a family foundation and Sam is a consultant based at IBM. Finally, **Dave Rodin**, MD '01 (daverodin@yahoo.com) and wife Heather got married in Miami over Thanksgiving weekend last year. Classmates joining the celebration included **Sami Lewin**, **Harley Dresner**, **Adam Chazan**, **Jesse**

**Slanksy, Paul Massaro, Marc Schiffman, and Michael Lifland, MRP '98.** Both Dave and Heather work at Boston's Massachusetts General Hospital, he as a urology resident and she as a medical resident.

Are you going back to or finishing up graduate school? Moving? Vacating with college buddies or honeymooning somewhere exotic? Did you recently welcome a future Cornellian into your family? Your classmates want to know about it! Please pay your class dues (helps ensure we get plenty of space for our class column) and send in your news! ♦ **Erica Broennle** Nelson, [ejb4@cornell.edu](mailto:ejb4@cornell.edu); **Sarah Deardorff** Carter, [sjd5@cornell.edu](mailto:sjd5@cornell.edu).

**98** Hi! We tried to "categorize" the news that we have received. Alas, it is entirely impossible to type-cast our classmates, let alone organize their latest stories into narrow categories. But here you go:

**Births.** **Leslie Esterrich-Betancourt** welcomed the birth of her first son, Matteo Joaquin, on January 23, 2004. Even though they were unable to attend the baby shower, **Annette Lippert**, **Lizandra DeLaCruz**, and **Kimberly Check '01** sent beautiful baby gifts and their warmest wishes. In the last few years, Leslie has progressed in her career in survey research and was, most recently, director of operations at T.E. Systems Inc. However, she now will be taking time off to stay home with Matteo. As she states, "I love motherhood, and Matteo's big eyes and cute smile have me 'head over heels' in love with him!"

On September 21, 2003, **Sarah Scheid** Routh had son Xavier Ryan. That brings the total household to four and gives 3-year-old daughter Emma a little brother. Unfortunately, Sarah missed joining classmates **Cara Weisel** and **Tabitha Garrido** as a bridesmaid in the wedding of **Mary Clare Kukoda** to Sean Reilly in Buffalo, NY. Sarah was in labor during the ceremony so was unable to uphold her duties. She did, however, manage to phone the bride with her news during the early morning celebrations the following day. When the news was submitted, Sarah was nearing the completion of her teaching licensure/master's program and hopes to be teaching high school history/social studies/economics by the time Emma enters kindergarten. She attended her annual mini-reunion with classmates **Mary Kukoda Reilly**, **Nancy Margolies** Ginsberg, **Dawn Hoffman**, **Jennifer Brian**, and **Tabitha Garrido** in New York City in January, since they all live there and see each other at least weekly.

**Graduation.** **Valerie Nannery** graduated from U. of Virginia Law School in May 2003 and is now working at Public Citizen Litigation Group. **John Beaber** graduated with a PhD in molecular biology and microbiology from Tufts U. in May 2004. He will be moving from Boston to Berkeley, CA, for a post-doc starting in mid-July after spending a month traveling in the UK. You can reach John at [jwb17@cornell.edu](mailto:jwb17@cornell.edu). **Cheryl Young** graduated from Officer Candidate School for the US Marine Corps on December 13, 2003 in Quantico, VA. She is a commissioned second lieutenant and has for the

past six months been at intensive training at the Basic School in Virginia. At the time she sent us her update she was planning on going into intelligence after the training is over. Before moving to Virginia she had lived in Los Angeles for 2-1/2 years. She has had a busy life since graduating from Cornell. Before joining the Marine Corps she received a law degree from American U. in Washington, DC. After graduating she worked in the District Attorney's office in the Hardcore Gang Unit and in private practice.

**Weddings.** **Michael Blumenthal** married Tara Sievers on March 13, 2004 in Cold Spring Hills, NY. Mike directs recruiting of associates for law firms for Alan Roberts & Associates, an executive search firm in New York. **Michelle Lee** got married on August 1, 2003 to Erik Choy at the Bel Air Bay Club in Pacific Palisades, CA. Many Cornellians had active roles in the wedding, including **Kumiko Wada '97** and **Karen Li Kuan**, who were in the wedding party. **Christine Liu '95**, **DVM '99**, and **Jeremiah Chan, JD '99**, sang at the wedding, while **Andrew Hsiai '97** took pictures. (Christine and Jeremiah were married in January 2001.) Other DEA alums in attendance were **Gayle D'Alessandro O'Donnell** and **Carl Winter '99**. **Tiffany Winslow '00** and **Carter Wilding-White '01** were "scroll attendants" (instead of a guest book, Michelle had a scroll—like the Declaration of Independence—that people signed). Michelle is currently attending Loyola Law School in Los Angeles. She runs into **Steve Yang '97** a lot, who is also attending the school. Before school she worked as a store designer for Ann Taylor. She also attended another Cornellian wedding last June when **Marco Adler** married Douglas Newman.

**Home and Garden.** **Steve and Linnea Larson Linton** have news to share. In June 2003 Linnea got her master's degree in structural engineering, and then Steve and she moved from Boston to Greensboro, NC. She now works for Sutton-Kennerly & Assoc. in the Investigation & Diagnostic Group as a structural engineer, and Steve switched from construction management in Boston to teaching 7th grade math and science at a rural North Carolina middle school. So far they both really like their jobs and are glad to be back in the South. They just bought their first house and are excited to have land for a garden in the spring.

**Lifestyle.** **Pierre Blanc** is still at IBM Business Consulting Services in their Paris office, but as of February 2004 was working in Pointe-Norie in the Congo, Africa, for the oil exploration, production, and distribution company TOTAL. Pierre was training the locals and expatriates on how to use SAP, which is in the process of being implemented in all TOTAL African affiliates. He says that is an extremely interesting, rewarding, and cultural experience. **Veronica Perez** is currently at the U. of Oregon working on a PhD in clinical psychology.

**Personals.** Inquisitive, desperate '98 class correspondents soliciting news and whereabouts of fellow classmates. Cornellian spotting annotated with recent news and happenings preferred, for upcoming class columns. Any location. Subject, content, flavor not important. To

reply, contact: ♦ **Gregg Herman**, [gdh5@cornell.edu](mailto:gdh5@cornell.edu); or **Erica Chan**, [hc31@cornell.edu](mailto:hc31@cornell.edu).

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There is a trend among people our age to "find" people online. Whether it be searching on Google, finding a significant other on JDate, or seeing how many people you know on Friendster, this type of Web-based mingling is the newest form of procrastination. Now, don't get me wrong, I am an overzealous advocate of keeping in touch and making new friends. But for this column, I wanted to see if you could still do it the old-fashioned way. So I'm not going to fill out any online profile about my hobbies, eye color, or favorite foods. Instead, I am going to see how many people I can connect in my 6-degree world, just by living my regular life in New York City. Let's see if I can bring it around full circle, shall we?

Since people usually meet others through their closest friends, I'll begin by congratulating **Waina Cheng**, who matched at Columbia for internal medicine. Waina graduated from Mt. Sinai with **Gail Burstein**, who matched at Temple for internal medicine and is now reunited with her fiancé **Manny Porat** in Philadelphia. Manny is entering his fourth year as a medical student at Temple, while his freshman year roommate **Scott Weiss** remains in Boston. After graduating from Harvard, Scott began his rotations at Children's Hospital's combined residency program in pediatrics.

Recently, I ran into one of Scott's former housemates **Brian Gershengorn** at a reception at Brooklyn Law, where he was representing his firm, Proskauer Rose. Brian is now married to **Lauren (Bettman) '01**, who just graduated from Brooklyn Law this year. The two have moved out of Manhattan to begin their new life together in Jersey, but they still make time to keep in touch with good friends like **Doug Weine**. Between his medical career and beautiful girlfriend, it is difficult to snag a spot on Doug's calendar, but I was able to catch up with him for dinner and get some updates nonetheless. I am happy to announce that Doug has officially gone "Triple Red." Obviously, being an alum of Cornell's College of Arts & Sciences wasn't enough, because after graduating from Cornell Med, Doug remained at Cornell to do his residency in internal medicine. But as hectic as Doug's schedule is, he still makes time for important events like the wedding of Drs. **Lukshmi Kamat** and **Vinay Puttanniah**. The gorgeous couple were wed on May 30, 2004 and honeymooned in the Greek Islands. Vinay is doing his residency at Cornell in anaesthesia, while Lukshmi does hers at Columbia for pediatrics.

Also in pediatrics, **Rich Bruckner** moved to Manhattan after he happily matched at Cornell. Rich graduated from Syracuse Med with **Chad Nadler**, who matched at MCP/Hahnemann (now called Drexel U.) for general surgery. Chad also graduated with **Evan Grossman**, who graduated

number 1 in his class and is now a resident at Cornell in internal medicine. I ran into Evan on the Upper West Side while he was brunching with classmates **Rachel Zinaman** and **Dave Feldstein** (who is at Fordham Law). There I learned that one of Evan's fraternity brothers, **Mark Goldman**, is also in the Department of Internal Medicine. Mark matched at North Shore U. Hospital after graduating from SUNY Downstate, which is where **Josh Mollov** will be for the next seven years. Josh graduated from Georgetown and is now a resident in general surgery. Along with Josh, **Tawana Winkfield** will also be at SUNY Downstate in the pediatrics department. On my way to a Mets/Yankees game, I ran into Tawana on the subway uptown and she looks great!

Tawana used to live in Balch Hall, as did **Kimberly Case**, who is now a resident at Wake Forest in family medicine. But before Kim moved to North Carolina, she spent time with former housemate **Linda Nicoll**, who is now delivering babies at Cornell's Department of Ob/Gyn. Linda is absolutely delighted to be "Red" again, reminding her of the days when she was a TA for Professor Parrot's Human Sexuality class, along with me and **Juri Kitazawa Hirschey**. Juri married **Roy '01** last October and is now working at GE Financial as their Communications Manager. Also working in finance, **Garrett Ellsworth** bumped into me in the laundry room (we didn't realize we lived in the same building) and shared his good news. Garrett was promoted to an associate in the Leveraged Finance Group at BNY Capital Markets. His fiancée **Julie Sylvester** is finishing up her fourth year at New York College of Osteopathic Medicine. Speaking of which, **Alfredo Rabines** is currently attending Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. I went out for drinks with Alfredo over on the East Side and we called up his fellow Pike brother **Heath Rosenthal**. Heath graduated from Northwestern Law School and is now living in the city. We then met up with another one of their brothers, **Adam Lelonek**, who is still attending law school just like me (except Adam is at Cardozo and I am at Brooklyn).

See! I told you I could bring it around full circle! And I have officially proved that you can still "find" people through good ol' word of mouth. So if you want to be in my 6-degree world (or Sarah's), send us your good news! We love hearing from you, and we love writing for you! ♦ **Andrea M. Chan**, amc32@cornell.edu; and **Sarah Striffler**, sjs34@cornell.edu.

**01** Send news to: ♦ **Itai Dinour**, id22@cornell.edu; or **Lauren Wallach**, lew15@cornell.edu.

**02** My brother James got married July 4 in Chicago, which meant I had my first trip to the beloved Wrigley Field. I have already been pressuring him to make me an auntie. I can't wait. This marriage gave me a new cousin, **Brittany Roth '06**, whom I met at CTB senior year and successfully convinced to apply to Cornell. I'm making plans to move to NYC to start my MA in Social-Organizational Psychology at Columbia's Teachers College in September. There I will lunch

frequently with fellow Theta **Beth Watson '99**, who is in the clinical psychology program. If anyone has plans to be back on the Hill the weekend of August 21, I will be there with **Sherry Lai '01**, **MME '02**, to test for our 2nd degree Black Belt under Cornell Taekwondo instructor **Han Dan Cho '89** (I will be the one gasping for air).

Many of you have been working in very challenging and creative fields. **Ellen Brosius** has been residing in Columbus, OH, for two years. Currently she is a buyer for Abercrombie/Hollister Graphic Tees. She just bought a cute little house and therefore is obsessed with shopping at Lowe's. I lived with Ellen sophomore year in Theta and remember what a wonderful decorator she is. **Charles A. Heffernan III** moved to Philadelphia, where he works for Merck & Co. as a biochemical engineer. He is a project manager in Merck's new Biologics Pilot Plant, and resides in both the Philadelphia and Lansdale areas. **Ziv Feldman** left NYC and the investment banking world for his hometown of Brookline, MA. "I have been teaching 7th grade math for the past year and this fall will be teaching high school math at Brookline High School. I am also working for Wall Street Prep ([www.wallstreetprep.com](http://www.wallstreetprep.com)), a company that develops self-study tutorials for anyone interested in pursuing a career in financial services."

Congrats to those of you heading back to school this fall. **Amy Liesenfeld** has been working in DC as a marketing coordinator for the past two years. She is headed to law school at William and Mary. **Davon Collins** writes, "I just finished working on a US Senate race here in my hometown of Illinois (we lost in the primary). I will be heading to Yale for law school this fall. Wish me luck!" **Fariba Yassaee** has just finished a two-year legal assistant job at Kaye Scholer in Manhattan. This fall she begins her master's at Georgetown U.'s School of Foreign Service. She is very excited about her upcoming endeavors in DC! **Nate Pettit**, **MPS '03**, has spent the last year working as a personal trainer for Crunch Gym in Boston, MA. He starts an MA program in Social-Organizational Psychology at Columbia's Teachers College this fall (yes, the same as me). He looks forward to living in the big city and expects to run into former Cornell roomies **Adam Scheinman**, **Jon Scharf**, **Brad Unger**, and **Dave Sherman**.

DC is filled with '02ers. **Daniel Ricardo Salas** has been working for the IT management firm Accenture since November 2003. If you are in the DC area, please be sure to say hello. He's very excited that his brother Fernando will be entering his freshman year at Cornell this fall. **Adam Ryan** is living in DC and working in Rockville, MD, doing vaccine development for the NIH. **Laura Thomas** is the assistant society reporter for the Style section of the *Washington Post*. "So far I've met and interviewed Henry Kissinger, Diane Sawyer, and Sean Astin, to name a few." Laura says she's having a BLAST being single and fabulous in our nation's capital.

**Susan Cohen** will be attending Harvard Graduate School of Education in Cambridge, MA (coincidentally, she is moving into my room when I move out!). **Sarah Miller** will be joined in Burlington, VT, by **Lynsay Ayer** for her graduate degree at UVM. **Jim Robenalt** starts law school

at Ohio State this fall. **Mac Gillespie** is moving back up to Ithaca, where he will embark on a new career and join his lady Brooke. **Gwen Fay** has taken a position at Quatt Associates Inc., a management consulting firm in Georgetown. **Gillian Klempner**, after working on a political documentary with Peter Jennings, has taken a new documentary film position in downtown DC.

**Sarah Mann** continues to work for Jeremy Rifkin and coach field hockey at Catholic U. As New York City is not far away, Sarah writes, "We are lucky to have frequent visits by **Katie Hurley**, who is attending NYU Law School, **Katie Sawicki**, who lives in Brooklyn and continues to perform her music across the US, **Ariel Schwartz**, **MPA '03**, **Matt King**, **Chris Principe**, **Nina Englander**, and **Dan Webb**, **BFA '03**." **Shara Freeman** has started a new job as associate director of Cornell's Northeast Regional Office in Boston, MA. Active in her sorority, Kappa Delta, Shara was also a member of the phenomenal women's softball team that brought home two Ivy League titles. After graduation, she worked for Ryan Homes as a sales and marketing associate, then returned to Ithaca and earned a Master of Sports Psychology at Ithaca College in June.

If you keep reading this article but never see your name, no need to be shy. Whatever you are doing these days I assure you is worth reading about, and we all want to know. ♦ **Carolyn Deckinger**, cmd35@cornell.edu; and **Elizabeth Richards**, elizabethlauren\_richards@yahoo.com.

**03** It's hard to believe that enough time has passed since our graduation to have yet another class join us as alumni, and a brand new set of freshmen taking on the excitement and challenges of Cornell. This has hardly been a calm year for most of us; our classmates are all over the world working on exciting projects and having great experiences.

Some of you may have needed some summertime relaxation and happened to catch an episode of "The Casino" on Fox. If you did, you may also have noticed one of our own, Zach Conine (who was the director of Hotel Ezra Cornell in 2003), as one of the cast members of the reality show. Zach is executive assistant at the Golden Nugget, a casino in Vegas that is the focus of the reality show.

Meanwhile, other members of the class are doing some unique things, though they may not have national television broadcasting their activities. **Ryan McClay** writes, "I just finished my first year as head coach of my high school's varsity lacrosse team. My season for the New Jersey Pride has begun as well." **Katie Lavin**, another lacrosse player, writes that she is "in NYC working in licensing for Liz Claiborne, specifically on the Lucky jeans, Juicy, and Ellen Tracy brands. I am coaching lacrosse year-round and also trying to play still." **Rachel Gordon** is also working in fashion and started her career with a company called Garan. She is working in product development for children's wear fashion lines.

With the political season in full gear, it's not surprising to have classmates involved in campaign work. **Michael Laycob** finished his first year

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of law school, and for his summer job is managing a Missouri State Representative campaign. Joining Mike in academia, **Lauren Fanell** writes that she is finishing the first year of her FMA at American U. **Angela Herrera** has decided to stay in Ithaca a bit longer than the requisite four years and is working as an admissions counselor for multicultural recruitment in the Undergraduate Admissions Office at Cornell. **Jessica Dowling** is spending her summer as a barn manager for a children's camp in Maryland, and continuing to prepare for vet school. She keeps herself busy by volunteering at Heritage Christian Stables, handling horses for therapeutic riding. **Mollie Klurfeld** has traveled the farthest of our classmates in this column and is working in London at the London Development Agency.

That's all for this update. We're looking forward to hearing your stories from trips back to Ithaca, visits with other Cornellians, or your 15 minutes of fame—whatever you've been up to! I hope you had a wonderful summer! E-mail us at: ♦ **Sudha Nandagopal**, sn58@cornell.edu; or **Sam Buckingham**, swb9@cornell.edu.

**04** Has it set in yet? I am sure that like me, you had quite the experience this summer becoming acclimated to saying that you are a Cornell graduate. Some of you may even miss Ithaca. I know I do. But enough nostalgia, let's get to the updates.

**Jonathan Blank** spent his summer in St. Louis, New York City, and Italy. Currently he is living in London, training for his position as human resources analyst for Deutsche Bank. **Jeanne Hwang** (jyh24@cornell.edu) is also in New York City. She was the Senior Week Co-Chair and hopes that everyone enjoyed it, "after so much hard work and time was put into making it happen." She and her family vacationed in Taiwan and Hawaii for the month of July. In August, she began her career in corporate America as an analyst at Accenture. She would love to hear from friends who are in the area.

**Robyn Tortorelli** has given up NYC for Columbus, OH, and is working at Abercrombie and Fitch as an assistant allocator. Feel free to contact her at rmt23@cornell.edu if you are in Columbus. **Robin Allen** spent her summer on the farm doing construction work with her brother for her uncle and cousin. She is beginning her master's program (MAT), which includes student teaching at John Bowne High School in Queens, New York City.

**David Jackson**, our Convocation Chair, is attending Columbia Seminary before getting his PhD in clinical psychology. **Tiffany Scott** is also at Columbia, but is studying at the law school. Her former housemate **Lisa Plush** has left Westchester for Washington, DC, and is studying law at Georgetown.

If you are out west, you will want to get in touch with **Alex Koch**. Alex is a financial analyst for the chief financial officer of the Golden Nugget Laughlin. That's all for now. Keep the updates coming. If you have not forwarded your mail yet, please do so at <http://classof04.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Vanessa Matsis**, vgm3@cornell.edu.

'17, BA '19—**Lloyd S. Cleveland** of Denver, CO, formerly of Warren, PA, June 11, 2001.

'21, BA '22—**Helen Hallam Gladman** of Lakeland, FL, February 16, 2004; retired elementary school teacher; property manager; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'24 BS Ag, MS Ag '25—**Laurence W. Corbett** of Minneapolis, MN, March 27, 1998. Kappa Delta Rho.

'26 BS ME—**William H. Jones** of Kennett Square, PA, November 20, 2003; executive, Philadelphia Electric Co.; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs. Alpha Chi Rho.

'26 BA, MD '30—**Solomon Rauch** of Deerfield Beach, FL, December 27, 2003; physician.

'28 BS CE—**Earle C. Adams** of Kennebunk, ME, November 9, 2003; active in alumni affairs.

'28 BA—**Gilbert H. Alexander** of Durham, NC, February 4, 2004; retired physician. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'28—**Dorothy Johnston Fritz** of Oneonta, NY, April 30, 1991.

'28 BA—**Jesse G. Keshin** of Hallandale Beach, FL, December 14, 2003; clinical urologist; surgeon; professor emeritus of urology, New York Medical College; director of continuing medical education, North Shore Medical Center; researcher; active in community and professional affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.

'29 BA—**Ksenia Proskouriakoff** Beetem of Portland, OR, June 1, 1981. Alpha Phi.

'29 BA—**Alice Kloefer** Busch (Mrs. Addison F.) of Kenmore, NY, January 20, 2004; former medical secretary; active in community affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'29 BS ME—**Charles S. Caldwell** of Birmingham, AL, November 5, 2003; founder, Ferro Fabricating Co.; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'29 BS Ag, PhD '47—**Eva L. Gordon** of Wichita, KS, July 25, 1988.

'29 BA, MA '29—**Morris Gordon** of Cambridge, MA, January 7, 2004; physician; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'29 BA—**Anna K. Schmidt** of Lexington, MA, January 8, 2004.

'30, BA '31—**Richard I. Edwards** of Edgewater, MD, March 6, 2004; commercial pilot; aviation pioneer; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Kappa Delta Rho.

'30 BA—**William H. Harder** of Hamburg, NY, and Rancho Mirage, CA, December 10, 2003; retired president, Buffalo Savings Bank; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'30—**Michael J. Mottolese** of Virginia Beach, VA, December 1, 2003; owner, Architectural Tile & Marble; contractor; active in community and professional affairs.

'30 BA—**K. F. Ralph Rochow** of York, PA, October 26, 2003; attorney; solicitor, New York City School Board; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'30 BS HE—**Louise Marks Steuber** (Mrs. Henry N. '31, BA '32) of Caroga Lake, NY, November 24, 2002; active in alumni affairs.

'30 BS HE—**Florence Case Thompson** of Dewitt, NY, January 2, 2004; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Zeta.

'31 BA, MS '41—**Dorothea Floyd Hall** of Getzville, NY, January 8, 2004; high school science and chemistry teacher; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'31 BA—**Benjamin Hertzberg** of New York City, January 16, 2004; retired president, Champale; photographer; cellist; established Hertzberg Palliative Care Institute at Mount Sinai; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'31 BS Ag—**Chris P. Katsampes** of Richmond, VA, formerly of Short Hills, NJ, November 11, 2003; former director of clinical research, Warner Lambert; professor of pediatrics, Columbia U. College of Physicians & Surgeons; professor of pediatrics, U. of Rochester Med School; helped develop whooping cough vaccine; active in professional affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'31 MS—**Angie Turner King** of Institute, WV, February 28, 2004; retired professor, West Virginia State College.

'32 MArch—**Jerome G. Armstrong** of San

Bernardino, CA, March 3, 1992; architect.

'32 BA—**Paul Ehrenfest** of Gulfport, MS, February 15, 2004; civil engineer; veteran; active in community affairs. Pi Lambda Phi.

'32 BA—**Frederick P. Frantz** of Fulton, NY, January 28, 2004; former president, Fulton Savings Bank; active in community and professional affairs. Zeta Psi.

'32 BA—**Herbert Kalmanoff** of New York City, January 19, 2004; psychoanalyst; veteran. Tau Delta Phi.

'32 MA—**Ruth Happel** Smiley of Mohonk Mountain House, New Paltz, NY, February 8, 2004; horticulturalist; naturalist; nature photographer; author of *Reflections of Mohonk* and *The Sky Lakes*; director, Mohonk Preserve; active in community and professional affairs.

'32 BCE—**Melvin P. Windsor** of Delray Beach, FL, November 15, 2003; engineer and builder; owner, Melvin P. Windsor Inc.; consultant, New York City Mayor's office; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'33, BA '34, MD '37—**Shepard G. Aronson** of Tappan, NY, November 10, 2003; chief, endocrine clinic, New York University Hospital; chief, diabetes clinic, Stuyvesant-Polyclinic; attending physician, New York Infirmiry-Beekman Downtown Hospital and Doctors Hospital; chief, dept. of metabolic diseases and diabetes, Good Samaritan Hospital; veteran; first chairman of the board of the NY chapter of NOW; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Pi Lambda Phi.

'33 BS EE—**Kenneth W. Ashman** of Longwood, FL, December 15, 2003; general mgr., European subsidiary, Eaton Corp., GMBH; also worked for General Electric and IBM; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'33—**Alexander W. Dannenbaum** of Boca Raton, FL, January 10, 2004; retired senior vice president, Westinghouse Broadcasting; radio pioneer; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'33 BA—**Gladys Rosenthal** Pines of Hollywood, CA, December 9, 2003; retired high school mathematics teacher.

'34 BA, MS '35—**John A. Bennett** of Columbia, MD, November 2, 2003. Sigma Phi.

'35 DVM—**David Barsky** of Singer Island, FL, January 10, 2004; veterinarian; founder, Port Washington Animal Hospital.

'35 BS Ag—**Frank Colling** of Utica, NY, January 22, 2004; served with the USAID; former county extension agent; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'35-36 SP Ag—**James M. Flood** of Slingerlands, NY, January 19, 2004; retired, USDA Soil Con-

servation Service; veteran; active in community affairs.

'35 BME—**Frederick A. Giesecke** of Wheaton, IL, February 8, 2004; retired engineer; director, mechanical engineering, Corn Products; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Kappa Sigma.

'35 BCE—**John L. Hammond** of Wichita Falls, TX, February 10, 2004; operated Dalls Tent and Awning. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'35 BS Ag—**Caleb K. Hobbie** of Allentown, PA, November 23, 2003; founder and owner, C.K. Hobbie Inc.; real estate investor; former president, Lehigh Valley Dairy; farmer; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'35—**Dorothy McMullen** Pisani of Englewood, NJ, November 24, 2003; director and professor of nursing, Russell Sage College; dean, Indiana State U. nursing school; director of education and practice, National League for Nursing; nursing instructor, New York Hospital; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'36 BA—**Frances Robb** Bowman (Mrs. Ronald E. '41) of Auburn, NY, January 14, 2004; active in civic and community affairs.

'36—**Olive Taylor** Curvin (Mrs. Winthrop S. '35) of Lakewood, CO, December 25, 2003.

'36 BA—**Frank S. Dickerson** of Truro, MA, February 14, 2004; director of development, Colby-Sawyer College; vice president, Salzburg Seminar for American Studies; purchasing agent, Harvard U.; veteran; poet; active in community affairs. Theta Delta Chi.

'36 MA—**Mary Kimball** Gard (Mrs. Robert E., MA '38) of Madison, WI, March 20, 2004; actress; theatrical producer; author; folklore researcher; taught at the Douglas College for Women campus of Rutgers U.; active in community and professional affairs.

'36 BA—**Ann Sunstein** Kheel of Bronx, NY, December 28, 2003; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Phi. Husband, Theodore W. Kheel '35, LLB '37.

'36 BS Ag—**Anne Orzel** Muschel of Bronx, NY, November 16, 2003.

'36 PhD—**David L. Wray Jr.** of Raleigh, NC, November 25, 2003; entomologist; ornithologist; taught at the U. of South Carolina; worked for the US Dept. of Agriculture and North Carolina Dept. of Ag.; consultant, Oak Ridge Nat'l Laboratories; author; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'37 BA, MA '39—**Phyllis Betts** Arlt (Mrs. Carl T., PhD '42) of Newport News, VA, formerly of Clearwater Beach, FL, March 9, 2004; retired from U. of Illinois.

'37, BA '38, JD '40—**Joseph W. Cribb** of Canandaigua, NY, November 25, 2003; retired attorney. Kappa Sigma.

'37 BS Ag—**Norman P. Dounce** of Waverly, NY, January 9, 2003. Kappa Sigma.

'37 BA, MA '38—**Esther Fried** Fagan (Mrs. Raymond, DVM '39) of Richmond, VA, May 10, 2002.

'37 BA—**William S. Gavitt** of Lyons, NY, December 28, 2003; retired president, Lyons Nat'l Bank; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'37—**Robert S. Hatfield** of Greenwich, CT, March 14, 2004; chairman and CEO, Continental Group; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Kappa Alpha.

'37 BA—**William O. Lay** of Owego, NY, November 3, 2003; historian and curator, Tioga County Historical Museum; active in community affairs.

'38 BS ME—**Joseph C. Antrim** of Chula Vista, CA, November 22, 2003; industrial supplies salesman; veteran; pilot; sailor; active in community and alumni affairs.

'38 BS—**Henry V. Beutell** of Vero Beach, FL, November 1, 2003; engineer. Chi Phi.

'38—**Frank S. Gray** of Sun City, AZ, November 8, 2003; retired physician; veteran; violinist; active in community affairs. Pi Kappa Phi.

'38-40 SP Ag—**Ralph W. Heist** of Lancaster, NY, November 17, 2003; retired postal clerk; veteran; active in community affairs.

'38 BA—**Jacob Walkin** of Arlington, VA, October 23, 2003; retired foreign service officer; former professor, Auburn U.; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'39 BA—**Alben F. Bates** of Elmhurst, IL, December 6, 2003; attorney; chairman of the board, Elmhurst Nat'l Bank; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'39 BME—**Paul F. Bracht** of Chipley, FL, September 10, 2003; engineer, National Machinery Co.; superintendent, United Fruit Sugar Co. in Preston, Cuba, 1950-57; active in religious affairs.

'39 PhD—**Archie D. Hess** of Laporte, CO, February 6, 2004; medical entomologist, US Public Health Service; consultant, World Health Org.; malarialogist, TVA; veteran; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'39 BArch—**G. Carroll Madden** of Rochester, NY, November 15, 2003; architect.

'39 DVM—**Isidor I. Sprecker** of Boynton Beach, FL, January 10, 2004; veterinarian; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs.

- '39 BS Ag—**Alexander W. Trainor** of West Leyden, NY, November 10, 2003; former dairy farmer; worked for Trainor Funeral Home; worker for Ralston Purina Co.; veteran; active in religious affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.
- '39 BA—**Marian Putnam** Wentworth of Rochester, NY, November 24, 2003; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.
- '40 BS Ag—**Derwin C. Alberding** of Zephyrhills, FL, November 6, 2003; retired dairy farmer; active in religious affairs.
- '40 MA—**Mary McCall Babcock** (Mrs. William C. '35, JD '38) of Minneapolis, MN, February 27, 2004; active in community and religious affairs.
- '40 BA—**Carolyn V. Brignola** of Cohoes, NY, February 15, 2002.
- '40-42 SP Ag—**Charles E. Burr** of Trumansburg, NY, November 24, 2003; active in community and religious affairs.
- '40 BS Hotel—**John P. Downing** of Princeton, MA, November 1, 2003; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Phi.
- '40 BS HE—**Eunice Munger** Bickford Ferguson of Spencer, NY, November 2, 2003; active in religious affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta.
- '40 BME—**James A. Frank** of Pittsburgh, PA, January 26, 2004; businessman; entrepreneur; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau. Wife, Ruth (Ohringer) '43.
- '40 BS HE—**Lucille Shoemaker** Glover of White Hall, MD, September 29, 2003. Pi Beta Phi.
- '40 BCE—**Charles A. Hunt** of Schaghticoke, NY, November 10, 2003; civil engineer; veteran; active in professional affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.
- '40 BS Ag—**Ernest H. Jacoby** of Hasting, MI, and Sebastian, FL, November 6, 2003; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Pi Kappa Phi. Wife, Lucy (Schempp) '35.
- '40 BA—**Alfred A. Johnson** of New York City, January 22, 2004; physician.
- '40 BS Ag—**Melvyn Johnson** of Tiverton, RI, November 12, 2003; retired psychiatrist; medical director, Family Service Assn. of Greater Fall River; psychiatric consultant, Rhode Island School for the Deaf and Providence Family Service; taught at Brown U. Med School, Boston U., and former RI Junior Coll.; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.
- '40—**David C. Johnston** of Fallbrook, CA, January 9, 2004; engineer, Robert A. Johnson candy company; veteran; owner, citrus and avocado grower; active in religious affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
- '40 BS HE—**Ellen Langer** Ross of Ft. Myers, FL, formerly of Baltimore, MD, November 10, 2003; social worker; active in community and religious affairs. Kappa Delta. Husband, Howard E. Ross '39.
- '41 MA—**June Babcock** of Taunton, MA, November 12, 2003; retired teacher and dean, Lasell Junior College; active in civic and community affairs.
- '41 BS HE—**Harriet Howell** Becker (Mrs. George H. '41) of Fayetteville, NY, March 28, 2004; active in community and religious affairs.
- '41, BME '43—**William J. Candler** of Santa Fe, NM, February 4, 2004; former vice president, Torrington Co.; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs. Sigma Chi.
- '41 BA—**Willena Dutcher** Cartwright (Mrs. Edward B.) of Denver, CO, January 23, 2004; anthropologist; curator, Denver Art Museum's Native American dept.; artist; active in professional affairs.
- '41 BA—**Robert E. Henkel** of Rutherford, NJ, December 9, 2003; editor and publisher, *Secaucus Home News*; active in professional affairs.
- '41—**James F. Johnson** of Groton, NY, November 29, 2003.
- '41 MA—**Albert N. Robson** of Bethlehem, PA, November 19, 2003; salesman, Bethlehem Steel; former history professor, Moravian College; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.
- '42 BS HE—**Shirley Lewis** Allen of East Aurora, NY, February 9, 2004; librarian; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Xi Delta.
- '42—**Walter L. Bird** of Oakland, CA, March 18, 2003; owner, Imperial Restaurant.
- '42 BCE, PhD '46—**Mateo L.P. Go** of Honolulu, HI, December 6, 2003; professor emeritus, College of Engineering, U. of Hawaii; consultant, US Dept. of Defense; also taught at Syracuse U.; active in community and professional affairs. Rho Psi.
- '42 BS Ag—**Leo Hamalian** of New York City, November 8, 2003; English professor, City College of New York; dean of academic affairs, California Inst. of the Arts; author; editor. Acacia.
- '42, BS Ag '43—**Richard H. Haynes** of Waterloo, NY, March 10, 2003; retired clergyman; active in religious affairs.
- '42 PhD—**Neal F. Jensen** of Albuquerque, NM, November 24, 2003; professor emeritus of plant breeding, Cornell U.; veteran; author; artist; active in community and professional affairs.
- '42 BS HE—**Frances Ardell** Kettler of Liverpool, NY, March 12, 2004; worked for VIM Systems; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.
- '42 MD—**Freeman D. Love** of Sandy Hook, CT, December 26, 2003; physician; clinical professor of internal medicine, Kings County Hospital; also associated with Samaritan, Brooklyn, and Long Island College hospitals; medical director, Morgan Guarantee Trust; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.
- '42 BA—**Louis Mehr** of West Orange, NJ, November 13, 2003; organic chemist; retired owner, Aero Chemical Corp.; adjunct professor, Queens College; veteran; active in professional affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.
- '42 BA—**Edith E. Morton** of Parkland, FL, December 13, 2003.
- '42 BS HE—**Thelma Drake** Robinson of Castile, NY, January 5, 2004; retired high school home economics teacher; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Husband, Donald G. Robinson '41, MS '54.
- '43 BCE—**Hugh E. Brown** of Savannah, GA, December 30, 2003; civil engineer; active in alumni affairs. Delta Tau Delta.
- '43 BA—**William W. Howe** of Deerfield, IL, September 24, 2003. Delta Upsilon.
- '43, BCE '47—**Arthur R. Jones III** of Port Aransas, TX, formerly of Chicago, IL, December 10, 2003; founding partner, Douglas Film Industries; veteran; active in community affairs. Sigma Chi.
- '43 MA—**James R. Phillippe** of Indianapolis, IN, December 15, 2003; public address announcer, Indianapolis Motor Speedway; professor of drama and radio & television, Butler University; active in community and professional affairs.
- '43—**William H. Van Duzer** of Sarasota, FL, November 16, 2003; businessman; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.
- '44 BS Ag, MS Ag '48—**John P. Beardsley** of Stockton, NY, June 11, 2001. Lambda Chi Alpha.
- '44-46 GR—**Donald S. Burgis** of Okeechobee, FL, formerly of Bradenton, FL, January 16, 2004; vegetable researcher; expert on tomatoes and other crops; active in professional affairs.
- '44 MD—**James W. Correll** of Hampstead, NC, March 26, 2004; neurosurgeon, New York Presbyterian Hospital; pioneered surgery on the carotid artery to prevent stroke; active in professional affairs.
- '44 BS Aero—**H. Lindsley Cummings** of Alexandria, VA, January 4, 2004; retired Air Force colonel; physics and mathematics teacher; combat pilot; aerospace researcher; active in community and professional affairs. Chi Phi.
- '44 BCE—**J. Warren Finch** of Largo, FL, March 2, 2004; civil engineer. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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'44—**James L. Halsey II** of Port Isabel, TX, October 18, 2003; worked in the trucking industry; veteran; recipient, Distinguished Flying Cross. Sigma Pi.

'44 BA—**Benjamin D. Hilton** of Ithaca, NY, January 23, 2004; neurotoxicologist, Cornell U.; veteran; concertmaster, Cornell Symphony Orchestra; active in community and professional affairs.

'44, BCE '47—**William R. Hughes** of Norristown, PA, October 3, 2002; president, Cayuga Concrete Pipe Co. Delta Upsilon.

'44—**Kenneth Johnson** of Elgin, IL, January 13, 2004; real estate broker; veteran; active in professional affairs. Chi Phi.

'44 BS Aero—**James F. Judd** of Northbrook, IL, December 13, 2003; director of energy and environmental affairs, Sara Lee Corp.; veteran; active in community affairs. Sigma Chi.

'44 BA—**John R. Thompson** of Lakeland, FL, November 16, 2003; businessman; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'45, BME '49—**Morton N. Blatt** of Staten Island, NY, July 20, 2003.

'45, BS Chem E—**John R. Bradshaw** of Guilford, CT, May 25, 2003; chemical engineer. Alpha Tau Omega.

'45 BS Ag—**Donald W. Galen** of Naperville, IL, March 18, 2004; professor emeritus, Morton College; veteran.

'45, BS HE '44—**Elaine Ferguson** Hauser of Sarasota, FL, February 23, 2004; social worker, Sarasota Artificial Kidney Center; founder, Center of Young Parents, Niagara Falls; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'45 PhD—**Antoinette Miele** Wilkinson (Mrs. Robert E., PhD '48) of Ithaca, NY, November 2, 2003; retired Cornell professor; author of *The Scientist's Handbook for Writing Papers and Dissertations*; editor, *Administrative Science Quarterly*; also taught at Ithaca College; expert on rhododendrons; active in community and professional affairs.

'46 BS HE—**Nancy Knapp** Allen of Lewes, DE, February 20, 2004. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'46 MS Ag—**James D. Burke** of Port Orange, FL, formerly of Ithaca, NY, January 23, 2004; emeritus professor, Dept. of Animal Science, Cornell U.; dairy management expert; active in community and professional affairs.

'46 BA—**Patricia Dexter** of Baltimore, MD, January 31, 2004; president, Dexter Corp.; active in community and professional affairs. Husband, George W. Dexter '46.

'46, BA '49, LLB '51—**Kenneth L. Estabrook** of Spring Lake, NJ, November 13, 2003; attorney;

active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Delta Upsilon. Wife, Anne (Evans) '65, MBA '66.

'46, BS Hotel '48—**John C. Gockley** of Myrtle Beach, SC, January 22, 2004; retired vice president of marketing, Fibre Box Assn.; professor of marketing & sales, U. of Bridgeport; veteran. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'46 BA—**Ruth Marcus** Gussen of Los Angeles, CA, December 31, 2003; professor of pathology emerita, UCLA School of Medicine; expert on ear pathology; active in community and professional affairs.

'46—**John C. Lydon Jr.** of Charlotte, NC, December 24, 2003; veteran; active in religious affairs. Chi Psi.

'46, BS CE '45—**Nathan Scherr** of Baltimore, MD, November 21, 2003; developer; owner of 1982 Preakness winner; former owner, Baltimore Blast soccer team; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Chi Epsilon.

'47 BA—**Sara Milner** Harlow of Syracuse, NY, January 1, 1969. Alpha Phi.

'47—**Russell K. Johnson** of North Kingstown, RI, November 17, 2003; realtor; active in religious affairs.

'47 BA, PhD '50—**Roy Pierce** of Ann Arbor, MI, October 24, 2003; professor emeritus, political science, U. of Michigan; expert on French politics; veteran; author of, among other books, *Political Representation in France*, winner of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation Book Award and the George H. Hallett Book Award; editor; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Wife, Winnifred (Poland), MA '47.

'48—**Aaron G. Alexander** of Virginia Beach, VA, October 8, 2003; retired Commander, US Navy; teacher, Norfolk public schools; active in community and professional affairs.

'48 BS HE, M Ed '50—**Dorothy Kane** Duff of Westerly, RI, December 14, 2003; admissions counselor, Quinnipiac College; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Delta Gamma.

'48 BME—**James H. Flournoy** of Westport, CT, March 18, 2004; mechanical engineer; owner, marine refrigeration company; worked at General Foods in new product development; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Wife, Jacqueline (Smith) '48.

'48 BS Ag—**Abby Noselson** Friedman of New York City, December 10, 2003; family planning advocate, Planned Parenthood; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Sigma Delta Tau. Husband, Bernard H. Friedman '48.

'48 MD—**Sherman Kupfer** of New York City, December 1, 2003; physician and professor, Mt.

Sinai Medical Center; former dean, Mt. Sinai Medical School; pioneer in kidney dialysis and transplant research; editor of *Mt. Sinai Journal of Medicine*; veteran; active in professional affairs. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'48 BA—**Braman Pomeroy** of Buffalo, NY, December 27, 2003; retired president and CEO of Lexington Wood Products; veteran; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'49 DVM—**Howard F. Anderson** of Oviedo, FL, December 27, 2003; veterinarian; veteran; also worked at Mote Marine Laboratory; active in community and religious affairs.

'49 BCE—**Wilson T. Ballard** of Sparks, MD, January 21, 2004; engineer. Alpha Delta Phi.

'49 BA—**Barbara Kurtz Crouch** of Bonita Springs, FL, March 27, 2004; secretary-treasurer, Chicago Conveyor Corp.; active in community and professional affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'49 BS Ag—**William B. Dunbar** of Massena, NY, November 20, 2003; plant manager, Homestead Dairies; veteran; active in community affairs.

'49 BS EE—**John J. Edwards** of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, January 5, 2004.

'49 MS ILR—**Edward L. Field** of Sarasota, FL, December 8, 2003; retired vice president, Federated Dept. Stores; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'49 PhD—**Samuel L. Hood** of Greenville, SC, January 5, 2004; senior scientist, Int'l Chemical and Nuclear Corp.; research chemist; veteran; active in community affairs.

'49 MFS—**Lawrence E. Kase** of Kingsville, MD, April 9, 2002.

'49 BS EE—**Richard W. Lutes** of Camp Hill, PA, November 22, 2003; retired civil engineer; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'49 BS Nurs—**Ann Hastings Thurkauf** of Lancaster, PA, November 24, 2003; registered nurse; active in community affairs.

'49 BS Hotel—**William D. Turner** of Asheville, NC, November 18, 2003; executive vice president and treasurer, Turnpike Properties Inc.; hotel manager; also worked for Pepsi Cola Co.; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Chi Psi.

'50, BS Ag '51—**Edward L. Dague** of Keeseville, NY, August 4, 2003; owner, Ed Dague Chevrolet; bank executive.

'50 BS EE—**Anthony Del Duca** of Santa Barbara, CA, November 10, 2003.

'50 BS Ag—**Charles A. Dye** of Penfield, NY, May 27, 2002. Phi Kappa Psi.

'50 BS Ag, PhD '56—**Eystein Einset** of Mount Vernon, WA, June 19, 1996.

'50 BS Ag, MS Ag '60—**William E. Finch** of Zephyrhills, FL, formerly of Newport, NY, October 29, 2003; banker, Herkimer County Trust; active in civic and community affairs.

'50—**Gary Geissler** of Placida, FL, formerly of Lewiston, NY, November 12, 2003; executive, pharmaceutical industry; veteran.

'50 BS Hotel—**James H. Petersen** of McLean, VA, November 26, 2003; Episcopal priest; president of ARASERV; vice president and director of restaurant franchising, Marriott; active in professional and religious affairs.

'51 BS Ag—**Robert Andrews** of West Monroe, NY, November 15, 2003; warehouse mgr., Monroe Tractor; veteran; active in religious affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'51 BS Ag, PhD '60—**Charles D. Busch** of Lafayette, AL, December 6, 2003; professor. Wife, Ruth (Chipman) '53.

'51 GR—**Franklin J. Campbell** of Chelmsford, MA, February 19, 2004; professor of horticulture, U. of Massachusetts, Amherst; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'51 JD—**Liston F. Coon** of Watkins Glen, NY, January 20, 2004; attorney; judge; district attorney; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'51 BCE—**Col. Richard H. Hinz** of Atlantis, FL, March 9, 2004; US Air Force officer; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'51 BEE—**Wayne D. Holden** of Arlington, TX, January 1, 2004; retired electrical engineer, General Electric; veteran; pilot; active in community affairs.

'51 BA, MS '52—**Lawrence L. Jackson** of Owego, NY, March 14, 2004; retired teacher and administrator; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Kappa Phi Kappa.

'51 BS Ag—**Ann Elliott Johnson** of Orchard Park, NY, April 11, 2003.

'51 BA—**Eleanor Steinholz Keats** of Littleton, CO, January 31, 2004; poet; author of *An Olive Tree Cycle*; pianist; violinist; composer; taught voice at Antioch College and Central State U.; taught writing at U. of Denver and Community College of Aurora.

'51—**Frederick W. Potthoff** of Nisswa, MN, December 14, 2003; operated Minnewawa Lodge; veteran.

'51 BME—**Fulton Rindge** of Naples, FL, December 16, 2003; owner, Rindge Industries; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Chi Phi.

'51, BS Chem E '52—**David M. Smith** of Southbury, CT, September 18, 2003; chemical engineer. Delta Chi.

'51 PhD—**John P. Windmuller** of Ithaca, NY, December 2, 2003; first holder of the Martin P. Catherwood Chair in industrial and labor relations; professor emeritus, Cornell U.; veteran; author; active in professional affairs.

'52 MD—**William Cooper** of Seattle, WA, August 7, 2001; physician; surgeon for the Chippewa Tribe.

'52 MA—**Glenn R. De Long** of Lehigh Acres, FL, February 23, 2004; retired math professor; veteran.

'52 BS Ag, PhD '58—**Donald P. De Sylva** of Brooksville, FL, January 28, 2004; professor emeritus, marine biology, U. of Miami; active in professional affairs.

'52 M Ed—**Cecil H. Erickson** of Richmond, VA, February 28, 2004; asst. state supervisor, trade and industrial education, Virginia State Dept. of Education; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'52 BA—**Harley D. Frank** of New Milford, NY, February 13, 2004.

'52—**John M. Gardner** of Sauquoit, NY, December 17, 2003; worked for Niagara Mohawk; veteran; active in community affairs.

'52 PhD—**Burton C. Matthews** of Waterloo, ON, Canada, January 2, 2004; soil scientist; president, U. of Waterloo and the U. of Guelph; professor emeritus, U. of Waterloo; active in professional affairs.

'52, BEE '52—**Gordon F. Moran** of Springfield, MA, December 10, 2003; director, electrical engineering, Reinhart Assocs.; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'52 BS HE—**Beatrice Steinman** of Palm Springs, FL, November 6, 2003; broadcast advertiser; paralegal. Sigma Delta Tau.

'52 M Ed—**Janina Wirpsa Wirth** of Bradenton, FL, November 8, 2003; retired professor, NY State Dept. of Education; active in religious affairs.

'53—**Armand Benedek** of Pound Ridge, NY, February 9, 2004; landscape architect; veteran; active in professional affairs. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'53 BS Ag—**Frederick A. Bettelheim** of Rockville, MD, February 17, 2004; research biochemist; expert on biochemistry and biophysics of the eye; professor, Adelphi U.; Fulbright professor, Weizman Institute; author; active in professional affairs.

'53 ME—**Giovanni A. Bianchi** of Milan, Italy, November 15, 2003; professor of mechanical engineering, Politecnico di Milano. Wife, Barbara (Epstein) '53.

'53 BA—**Helen R. Burchell** of Ridgewood, NJ, March 1, 2004; professor of education, director of clinical experiences, and debate contest director, Ramapo College; active in community and professional affairs.

'53—**Richard E. Diamond** of Staten Island, NY, February 12, 2004; publisher, *Staten Island Advance*; director, Newspaper Advertising Bureau; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'53 LLB—**John J. Donahue** of Colorado Springs, CO, January 18, 2004; attorney; executive director, Pikes Peak Legal Services; former asst. U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of NY; former attorney for CBS business affairs; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'53 BS Ag—**Col. John C. Holler** of Las Vegas, NV, January 12, 2004; insurance agent; retired Army; active in civic and community affairs.

'53, BME '54, MBA '55—**Walter P. Knauss** of Grand Rapids, MI, January 1, 2004; vice president, Knappe and Vogt; VP, Keeler Brass; VP, Allis-Chalmers; worked for Grand Rapids Community College; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Psi Upsilon.

'53, BArch '54—**Lester C. Pancoast** of Miami, FL, November 21, 2003; architect; landscape architect; designed city of Miami's administration and police buildings; partner, Pancoast Albaisa; watercolorist; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'54 BS HE—**Joan Clifton** Bosshardt of Lucerne, Switzerland, December 5, 2003; managing partner, Nostalgie Kleider Shop; active in community affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta. Husband, Richard M. Bosshardt '52.

'54 JD—**Michael J. Capanegro** of Great Neck, NY, March 17, 2004; attorney.

'54 PhD—**Bernard S. Cohn** of Chicago, IL, November 25, 2003; anthropologist, U. of Chicago; expert on India's caste system; active in professional affairs.

'54 MNS—**Betty McKee Einset** (Mrs. Eystein '50, PhD '56) of Mount Vernon, WA, February 24, 2004; director of food services, Benton Harbor Area Schools; active in community affairs.

'54 BS Hotel—**Harry W. Johnson Jr.** of Highland, MD, October 29, 2003; hotelier.

'54 BS Ag—**Byron A. Schlag** of Pittsburgh, PA, November 25, 2003; real estate developer; dairy owner; veteran; active in community and veterans' affairs.

'55 BA—**William A. Brown** of Palo Alto, CA, October 29, 2003; astrophysicist; expert on the sun; active in community affairs.

'55 MS—**Jorge G. Davide** of Bourbonnais, IL,

formerly of Laguna, Philippines, August 7, 2003; agronomist; consultant, United Nations Food and Agriculture Org.; active in professional and religious affairs.

'55 BME—**Robert T. Harnsberger** of Ocean Park, ME, December 8, 2003. Delta Tau Delta.

'55—**William L. Licklider** of Columbus, OH, December 17, 2003; otolaryngologist; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'55 BS Nurs—**Margaret Ennis** Loizeaux of Salvo, NC, January 6, 2004; registered nurse; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Husband, Alfred D. Loizeaux '54.

'55—**William W. Niemeck** of Linden, NJ, December 12, 2003; psychiatrist; retired captain, Public Health Service and Coast Guard; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.

'55 BA—**Walter M. Strong** of New Orleans, LA, November 15, 2003; retired account vice president and investment management consultant, Paine Webber; former geologist, Humble Oil; active in community affairs. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'56 LLB—**Marvin S. Lander** of Brooklyn, NY, formerly of Wilkes-Barre, PA, December 16, 2003; attorney; veteran.

'56 MBA—**Paul H. Marx** of Edina, MN, January 7, 2004; financial executive; former president, Minnesota Antique Dealers Assn.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'56 BS Nurs—**Mary Lu Durkin** Spillane of Summit, NJ, September 3, 2001; realtor; nurse; active in community and professional affairs.

'56-57 GR—**Janice Rice** Warren (Mrs. Jerry A., PhD '60) of Durham, NH, November 8, 2003; retired, U. of New Hampshire; poet; painter; environmentalist; active in community affairs.

'57 LLB—**Ralph M. Bettman** of Tarrytown, NY, December 14, 2003.

'57—**Robert J. Bligh** of Stamford, NY, May 5, 1996.

'57 BS HE—**Gale Turnbull** Boardman of Granby, CT, March 31, 2004; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs. Husband, Edwin L. Boardman '57.

'57, B Chem E '58—**Mathias M. Coburn** of Kennett Square, PA, January 25, 2004; technical mgmt. expert; former DuPont executive; author; active in professional affairs. Tau Delta Phi. Wife, Stephanie (Cobert) '58.

'57 BA—**Edwin A. Kartman** of San Leandro, CA, November 8, 2003; reference librarian, City of San Francisco; development officer; also worked in public relations; musician; political activist; bird-watcher; active in civic and community affairs.

'57—**Michael L. Matus** of Coral Gables, FL, December 18, 2003; investment manager; active in civic and community affairs.

'58 BS Hotel—**Erik T. Brauner** of Bradenton, FL, January 9, 2004; food and beverage service mgr.; veteran; active in religious affairs. Delta Chi.

'58—**Joseph G. Goulding** of Carlsbad, CA, March 6, 2001. Delta Tau Delta.

'58 BA—**Blair Perkins** Grumman of Evanston, IL, November 6, 2003; executive director, Child Care Center of Evanston; teacher; active in civic and community affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta. Husband, David L. Grumman '56.

'58 PhD—**Guy J. Le Moigne** of Bethesda, MD, December 1, 2003; chief of water resources development, World Bank; executive director, World Water Council; worked in the US Army Corps of Engineers and the French Army Corps of Engineers; author.

'59 B Chem E—**Chester R. Fox** of Huntingdon Valley, PA, January 8, 2004; president, Fox Global Consultants; chemical industry consultant; author; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'59 DVM—**Paul A. Peterson** of Cortland, NY, October 25, 2003; veterinarian; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Alpha Psi.

'59—**James T. Rick** of Somerville, NJ, December 5, 2003; owner, La Fontaine and Budd Insurance Agency; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Sigma Nu.

'59 MS Ag—**Harry E. Serfass** of Nazareth, PA, December 20, 2003; agricultural agent, Rutgers U.; industrial arts teacher; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'60 MS—**Robert O. Garrett** of Beloit, WI, December 31, 2003; chair, physics dept., Beloit College; veteran; environmentalist; active in community affairs.

'61 MD—**Kevin M. Cahill** of New York City, January 16, 2004; physician.

'62 BS Hotel—**Albert W. Backauskas** of Allison Park, PA, December 1, 2003; former operations mgr., Northwestern Memorial Hospital; restaurant owner. Psi Upsilon.

'62 BS Hotel—**Christopher B. Hemmeter** of Los Angeles, CA, November 27, 2003; resort developer in Hawaii; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'63 BA—**Thomas J. Andre** of New Orleans, LA, January 23, 2001; professor and vice dean, Tulane U. School of Law. Chi Psi.

'63 BEE, MEE '65—**George H. Blomgren** of

Torrance, CA, February 18, 2004; computer scientist; created early computer languages; worked for the Defense Intelligence Agency; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'63, BA '66—**Lillie E. Fox** of East Windsor, CT, January 4, 2004; computer programmer; language teacher.

'63 MS—**Barrie King** of Perth, Australia, February 1, 2004; director, Radiation Health Branch, and physicist-in-charge, Western Australia; recipient, Order of Australia; president, Australian Council of Film Societies.

'63 BS Ag—**Edward T. Kingsbury** of LaFargeville, NY, December 7, 2003; owner, Penet Research Farm; taught at the U. of Massachusetts, Amherst; veteran.

'63 BA—**Susan Schwartz Kornblum** of Long Beach, NY, November 22, 2003; artist; clinical psychologist; Peace Corps volunteer. Husband, William S. Kornblum '61.

'63 BS EE, MBA '65—**Edward J. Slisky** of Tiburon, CA, November 2, 2003; systems engineer, IBM; active in community and religious affairs.

'64 BA—**Owen J. Brown** of New Canaan, CT, November 9, 2003; senior director, Cushman & Wakefield, international real estate firm; active in community and religious affairs. Sigma Chi.

'64 BA, MBA '68, JD '68—**Thomas A. Brown** of Patterston, NY, September 15, 2003; president, All-Tech Auto Truck and Electric; former partner, Sentinel Oil; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'64-67 GR—**Gary L. Buck** of Mesa, AZ, February 11, 2004; director of Pima Health Systems in Tucson, AZ; sociology professor, U. of Arizona and U. of Texas, El Paso; owner, "The Place" resort in Pinetop, AZ; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'64, BS ORIE '65, ME ORIE '66—**Dennis K. Caldwell** of Kenosha, WI, October 9, 2003; CFO. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'64 MS, PhD '68—**Martin M. Guterman** of Belmont, MA, February 1, 2004; mathematics professor, Tufts U.; active in professional affairs. Wife, Sonia (Kosow) '64.

'64 BS Ag—**J. Daniel Harrison** of Irving, TX, May 1, 2003; vice president, Interservice Christian Fellowship; vice president, Wycliffe Bible Translators; missionary.

'64, BS Ag '65—**David L. Kingston** of Madrid, NY, October 26, 2003; worked for USDA. Cayuga Lodge.

'64 BS Hotel—**Robert Kloepfel III** of Jacksonville, FL, November 10, 2003; owner, Inlet Marine; former hotelier; active in community affairs. Sigma Chi.

'65 PhD—**Allen W. Benton** of State College, PA, December 1, 2003; entomologist; professor, Penn State U.; developed vaccinations against insect venoms; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'65 BA—**William B. Gladfelter** of West Falmouth, MA, December 25, 2003; coral reef ecologist; professor, West Indies Laboratory; triathlete; active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Elizabeth (Higgins) '68.

'65 BA—**Evelyn Brandon** Schechter of Hollywood, FL, December 22, 2003.

'66 PhD—**Herbert W. Charnley** of Newfield, NY, January 20, 2004.

'66 MBA, JD '66—**Samuel D. Delich** of San Francisco, CA, January 4, 2004; managing partner, law firm of Flynn, Delich and Wise; expert in insurance in transportation and international trade; active in professional affairs.

'67 BS Ag—**Douglas R. Ferguson** of New Westminster, BC, November 10, 2003; All-American hockey player; member, Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame.

'69 BA—**Steven L. Barza** of Richmond, VA, February 18, 2004; assoc. professor and director, creative writing program, U. of Richmond; poet and fiction writer; active in community and professional affairs.

'69 BA—**Kenneth W. Justice** of Milwaukie, OR, January 4, 2004; vice president of information systems, Western Family Foods. Kappa Delta Rho.

'69 BS Hotel—**Dennis J. Kavanagh** of Santa Monica, CA, December 14, 2003; project mgr., Saber Management Services.

'70 BA—**Michael S. Weber** of Gansevoort, NY, December 7, 2003. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'71, BA '76—**Pauline M. Allen** of Media, PA, November 13, 2003; college teacher; Protestant chaplain of Swarthmore College; counselor; writer; musician; active in CRESP at Cornell; active in community and religious affairs.

'71 BEE—**George F. Armentrout** of Beaverton, OR, October 10, 2003; electrical engineer; audio recording engineer. Beta Pi.

'71 BS ILR—**Elliot J. Mandel** of Stamford, CT, December 3, 2003; attorney; partner, Epstein, Becker and Green; active in alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Epsilon.

'71 BS HE—**Amy J. Noble** of Canton, MA, formerly of Gainesville, FL, November 24, 2003; former editor, *P.C. Week* and the *Patriot Ledger*; active in community and alumni affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'73 BA—**Leslie R. Brenner** of Yonkers, NY, October 16, 2003.

'74 MD—**John L. Barr III** of Bethesda, MD, February 17, 2004; internist, Kaiser Permanente; expert on pain management; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'74 JD—**Matthew H. Dwyer** of Keene, NY, December 9, 2003; attorney; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'76 BA—**Claude B. Starks** of Cleveland, OH, was mistakenly listed as deceased in the March/April 1999 *Cornell Alumni Magazine*.

'76 MPS Hotel—**Peter O. Webster** of Denver, CO, January 3, 2004; hotel and restaurant manager; equestrian.

'77—**Gary L. Hill** of Niagara Falls, NY, November 7, 2003; worked for Canadian Immigration Dept. and the Seneca Niagara Casino; hockey coach and player. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'77, BEE '79—**Bruce B. Johnson** of Mount Laurel, NJ, January 28, 2004; director of network architecture, Comcast; also worked for Cornell Information Technologies.

'77 BS Nurs—**Martha Schnute** of New York City, December 10, 2003; nurse educator.

'79 BS Ag—**Steven M. Rivkin** of Boca Raton, FL, December 14, 2003; owner, SMR Consulting Assocs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'81 MBA—**Robert E. Bjorhus** of Wayne, PA, May 5, 2003.

'90 MPS—**Waranee Pokapanichwong** of Soi Bunpongsa, Thailand, November 24, 2003; AIDS researcher.

'91 BS ME—**Scott A. Houser** of Reston, VA, October 30, 2003; mechanical engineer; research fellow, Logistics Management Inst.; trained nuclear-reactor operators of submarines; active in religious affairs. Phi Kappa Tau.

'91 BS ILR—**Ainslee Haffner Johnson** of Westborough, MA, February 27, 2004; director of human resources, Gillette; active in community affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'92-93 GR—**Mark E. Brown** of Locke, NY, February 27, 2004; senior network specialist, Borg-Warner; active in community affairs.

'92 BCE—**Claudia R. Johnson** of Sherborn, MA, January 17, 2004; structural engineer, Souza, True and Partners; active in professional affairs.

'94 BS Hotel—**Nikkisha Stephenson Dyer** of Miami, FL, March 13, 2002; hotelier.

'97 MBA, '97 M ILR—**Amy B. Hewitt** of Portland, ME, October 5, 2003; human resources officer, Corning Inc. and Motorola; marathon runner; active in community affairs.



# Spirit of the Season

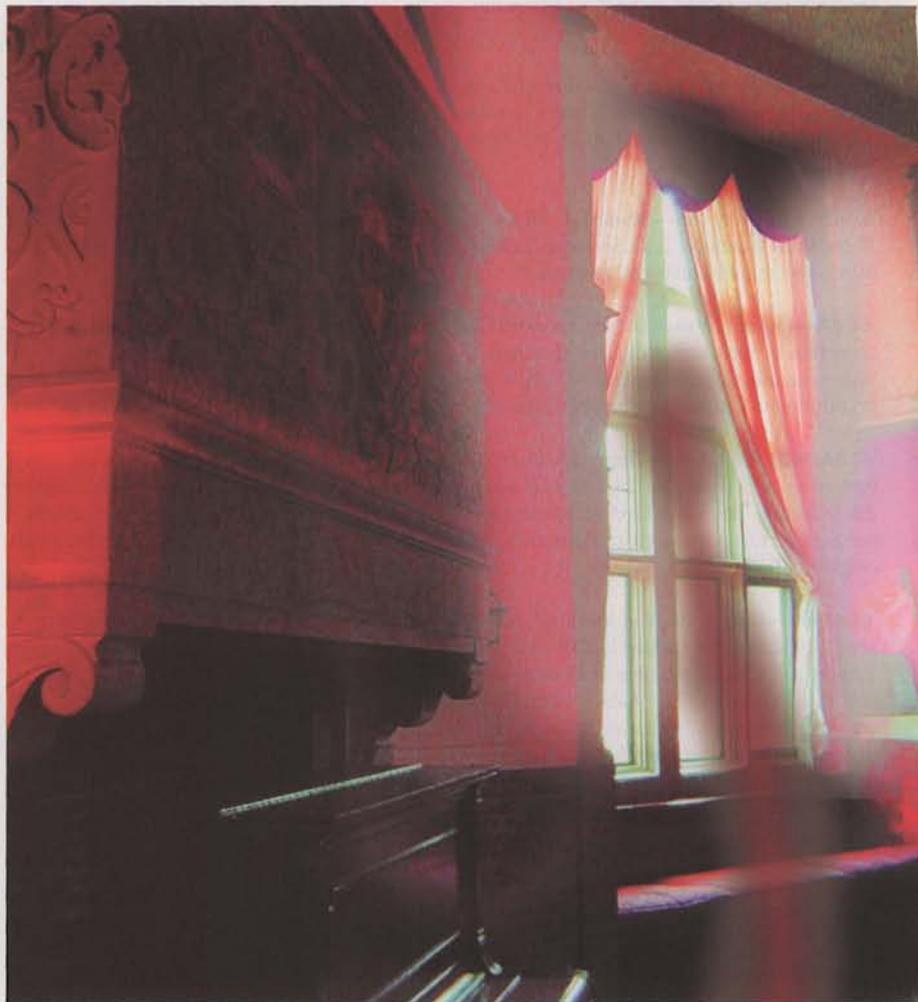
BIG RED GIVES UP THE GHOSTS

**E**ACH OCTOBER AS THE AUTUMN foliage drifts to the ground, the brothers of Delta Phi and Phi Delta Theta transform their homes into haunted houses, raising money for charity by staging paid tours intended to scare visitors out of their wits. All month, the McGraw Tower clock glows orange.

But such seasonal observances mean little to the spirits who frequent the campus year-round. Back when the Ag Quad's Stone Hall was being demolished in 1986, Sue Thompson, an administrative assistant in horticulture, spotted ten stern-looking men in black overcoats and stovepipe hats standing nearby, lost in somber conversation. "On Cornell's campus you see all kinds of things," she says. "What caught my attention was that passersby were walking through them." Thompson spotted the same phantom group during the demolition of Roberts and East Roberts halls a few years later. More recently, she says she's heard reports of unexplained footsteps late at night in Warren Hall.

A late-Sixties fire in Ecology House has been blamed for restless spirits farther north, and undergrad residents of Risley Hall have long credited flickering lights and cool drafts to the ghost of their building's namesake, Prudence Risley, known affectionately as Auntie Pru. Former Risleyite Celisa Mettler Manly '94, who says she never had any "goose-bumpy" experiences in the building, takes a more sanguine view: "We're probably talking about faulty wiring in an old building and a bunch of overtired, overcaffeinated undergraduates."

The most active apparition on campus seems to be the one haunting Statler Hall. Carlton McIntyre, manager of custodial services for the building, says he regularly hears from third-shift workers who've



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**Home range: Auntie Pru haunts Risley Hall while Alice Statler roams the Hotel school.**

spotted a pale lady—thought to be Alice Statler, namesake of the school's library—who wears a dark dress and has been seen passing through walls and emerging from clockfaces. About six years ago, says McIntyre, the ghost grabbed him from behind as he worked in an auditorium, freeing him when a colleague responded to his call for help. "It wasn't trying to hurt me," says McIntyre. "It was just being playful."

Most employees take the sightings in stride, but one hapless fellow couldn't take the stress. "He was white as a ghost," says McIntyre. "He walked straight out of the Statler and never came back." While the supervisor has never seen the spirit in the adjoining hotel, McIntyre wonders whether she'll visit the School's Beck Center when it opens this fall. "Believe me," he says, "Alice is here."