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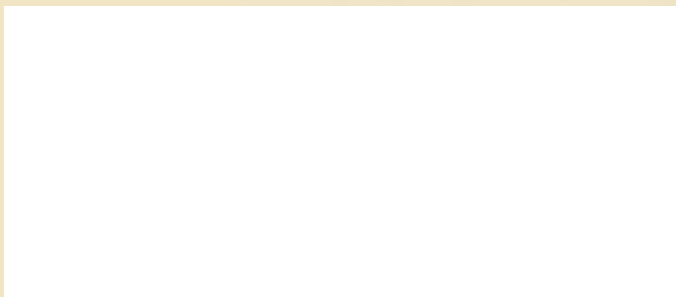
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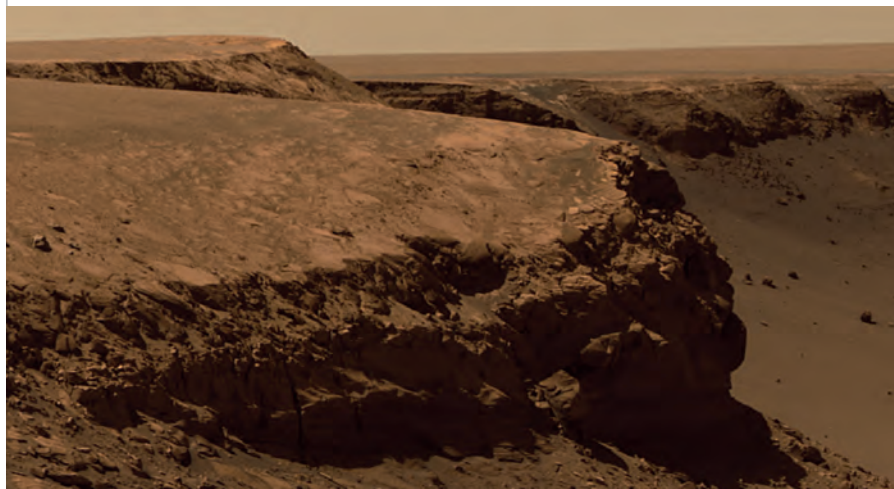
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DAVID DUDLEY

For three years, Cornell astronomers have been overseeing Spirit and Opportunity, the plucky pair of Mars rovers that have far outlived their expected lifespans. As the mission goes on (and on), Associate Professor Jim Bell has published *Postcards from Mars*, a striking collection of snapshots from the Red Planet.

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BETH SAULNIER

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BRAD HERZOG '90

Every morning at 3:30, Mike Trevino '95 cycles a fifty-mile loop—just for practice. He's biked in 3,000-mile races and run brutal ultramarathons in extreme heat and at high elevations. Trevino wants to be the world's best endurance athlete. So is he crazy, or what?



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The Living-Learning Experience

WELCOME TO MY FIRST column in *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. I look forward to sharing my thoughts and observations about the University, and to getting your feedback about the issues raised.

One of the most difficult aspects of the presidency in a large research university is getting personally engaged with the students and understanding their experience within the broader university context. For that reason, my wife, Professor Robin Davisson, and I have focused during our first few months on getting to know students on their own turf. In addition, we hoped to gain an understanding of the role the living-learning communities on North Campus and West Campus play in the undergraduate experience. I am convinced that the living-learning concept is a robust one and is important for the quality of the student experience—and that we should continue to strengthen it.

Robin and I moved into Mary Donlon Hall on North Campus for a week at the beginning of the fall semester to meet our fellow first-year students, and we've experienced the living-learning environment for sophomores and upper-level students as house fellows at the Carl Becker House on West Campus. I've also visited some of the program houses, where students explore a particular intellectual, cultural, or creative interest.

Recognizing Cornell's long-standing tradition of including students in university governance, I've asked Vice President Susan Murphy to arrange periodic meetings with student leaders as well as open sessions to which all students are invited. We had our first open session recently, hosted by the Student Assembly, with excellent give and take. Finally, the editors of the *Daily Sun* invited me to write a monthly column, which I have used to explore what I hope are thought-provoking topics.

From these undertakings, I have formed some early conclusions about the student experience at Cornell. First, the bright, highly motivated students here expect to receive not only a superb pedagogical experience but also to participate in real research, creative work, and public service directed by faculty mentors. Second, first-year students greatly appreciate the opportunity to enter our large community within smaller groupings. Third, Cornell students are hungry to be involved in shared governance of the University and have a clear expectation of meaningful interchange.

All these student appetites are fed by our living-learning com-



ROBERT BARKER / UP

munities. The idea for faculty participation in residential life began during the administration of Frank Rhodes. It grew and matured under the leadership of Hunter Rawlings and is now a thriving part of the Cornell culture. Some 720 undergraduates live in the residential houses on West Campus; 1,800 will live there when all five houses are completed. Not only does our system permit students to experience Cornell within communities of manageable size and scope, it also permits undergraduates to become closer to graduate students, faculty fellows, and faculty-in-

residence. The system encourages mentoring in curricular and many other areas, a chance to meet role models, and an opportunity to challenge and be challenged on the entire gamut of academic and worldly issues. It also provides meaningful opportunities to be involved in house governance.

Many of our fraternities and sororities are also engaging faculty fellows as well as recent graduates and graduate students to serve as mentors within the houses and work closely with chapter and Greek council leaders. I hope the interest in faculty involvement and in the integration of living and learning will come more fully to characterize Greek life on campus.

Recently, as you may be aware, there has been quite a discussion about housing for transfer students. Each year about 500 students transfer to Cornell. I was a transfer student myself as an undergraduate, beginning my studies at UCLA and finishing my baccalaureate degree at Northwestern, so I am sympathetic to the special interests and concerns of these students. About 200 students currently live in the Transfer Center on West Campus, which will be relocated temporarily to the Hasbrouck Apartments next year because of West Campus construction. As we move forward with the West Campus Residential Initiative, I will continue to listen closely as staff and students work together to integrate transfers into the West Campus houses while continuing to provide the support and services the current Transfer Center provides.

I welcome your feedback, comments, and suggestions about the living-learning communities and other aspects of the student experience at Cornell. Please contact me through CAM or by sending a note or e-mail to me at 300 Day Hall.

— David Skorton
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A Hood of Many Colors

INAUGURAL PHOTO EVOKES THOUGHTS ON DIVERSITY

I ENJOYED YOUR COVER PHOTO OF President David Skorton at his inauguration (November/December 2006), as much for its focus on his academic hood as for its perspective of his looking toward Cornell's future. On the occasion of my October 27, 2006, remarks to the joint annual meeting of the members of the Board of Trustees and the University Council, I commented that David's hood of purple, yellow, green, and black over that red gown "represents, in a sense, the fabric of David's new campus, a 'rich tapestry'—to borrow from the poet Maya Angelou—that is more diverse today than even a handful of years ago." Your photo of David's colorful hood, an apt symbol of the richness and diversity of today's Cornell, serves as a poignant reminder of the need for all alumni to broaden our outreach efforts in pursuing younger alumni, alumni of color, and international alumni to participate in leadership roles, as well as the importance of diversifying further the membership of the University Council.

*Jay Waks '68, JD '71
Chair, Cornell University Council
New York, New York*

Ed. Note: The cover photo was taken by Jason Koski of University Photography.

PRESIDENT SKORTON'S INAUGURAL address ["Dance," included in our inaugu-

ral coverage] is one of the most brilliant, thoughtful, gracious, and innovative addresses I have ever read.

*The Very Rev. John Bartholomew '53
Lake City, Minnesota*

Arecibo Alert

CORNELL BUILT ARECIBO OBSERVATORY in the early 1960s and has operated it ever since—but this tenure may be coming to an end. The National Science Foundation's astronomy division commissioned a "Senior Review" of their facilities, with the goal of freeing \$30 million (from a facilities budget of roughly \$130 million) for the operation of a new millimeter-wave telescope. This review has resulted in cuts to the observatory's budget of 25 percent until 2011, after which Cornell will have to obtain operating funds from new sources or perhaps close the facility. Added to this is the requirement that Cornell strip the lead-based paint from the triangular platform suspended above the dish, which holds the receiving antennas, and repaint the platform; the cost is estimated at \$5 million.

Arecibo Observatory is the largest and most sensitive radio telescope in the world; no other facility is expected to exceed even one-tenth of its sensitivity until at least 2020. It is a discovery instru-



ment that has led science in areas such as tests of general relativity, measuring the structure and evolution of the universe, accurate measurements of Earth-bound asteroid trajectories, the understanding of the ionosphere and plasmas, and many others. In addition, Arecibo's Visitor and Education Facility is the most frequented of its type at any NSF-funded location. It serves Puerto Rican education at all levels, from elementary school through graduate school, and is part of the reason so many

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I have been a member of the scientific staff at Arecibo since 1992. More than 150 Cornell employees work for Arecibo, mostly in Puerto Rico but also in Ithaca. The Ithaca and Arecibo staffs have already suffered layoffs, with thirty positions eliminated.

It is in the best interest of Cornell, Puerto Rico, and the world that Arecibo Observatory continue to lead research in astronomical, planetary, and ionospheric sciences, as well as in education and public outreach. I hope that my fellow Cornell alumni will join us in the effort to preserve this unique facility.

*Jonathan Friedman '84
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Arecibo, Puerto Rico*

Architectural Credits

IT WAS ILLUMINATING TO SEE REM Koolhaas's design for Milstein Hall, the proposed building for the College of Architecture (From the Hill, November/December 2006). I hope that further details, including the building's relationship to the entire Arts Quad, will be presented. It was, however, disturbing to note that the articles about the renovations of Lynah Rink and Bailey Hall had no architectural credits. I am sure this was an oversight—please enlighten us.

*Judith York Newman, BArch '57
New York, New York*

Ed. Note: We apologize for the omissions. The design for the Bailey Hall project was done by Mitchell/Giurgola Architects, and the Lynah Rink renovation was the work of Rossetti Architects.

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From the Hill



Reeve Remembered

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR 'SUPERMAN' STAR

ACTOR AND ACTIVIST CHRISTOPHER REEVE '74 WAS REMEMBERED WITH A CELEBRATION of his life on campus in mid-November. The day's events included screenings of *Superman: The Movie* and the announcement of a scholarship in his name. Class of 1974 Vice President C. Evan Stewart says the class raised \$50,000 for the endowed scholarship, which will go to undergraduates studying theater, film, music, and English. Reeve's mother, Barbara Johnson, unveiled a plaque in Reeve's honor, to be displayed in the Schwartz Center for the Performing Arts.

Reeve had achieved stardom in such films as *Somewhere in Time* and *The Remains of the Day*, as well as the *Superman* series that made him a household name, when he was paralyzed in an equestrian accident in 1995. After the accident, Reeve became an advocate for the disabled and for medical research. "He achieved more between 1995 and his death, under extraordinary circumstances, than many of us achieve in our lifetimes, in excellent health," said Provost Biddy Martin. Reeve followed in the footsteps of his grandfather, Horace Lamb '16, LLB '20, when he enrolled at Cornell, though he eventually transferred to Juilliard to study acting. Said classmate Cynthia Bernstein-Goun '74: "I truly believe he'll have an effect on mankind."

'Empires Without Force'

PERES SPEAKS ON GLOBAL COMMERCE

ON NOVEMBER 28, FORMER ISRAELI Prime Minister Shimon Peres came to campus to lecture on global commerce and its relation to conflict in the Middle East. Peres cited technology as the key to a nation's economic success, noting that today, scientific innovation is worth more than expanded territory.

"Since the Second World War, the driving force in history is more economy than strategy," the Nobel Peace Prize winner told the Bailey Hall audience. "You can build empires without force—take a look at Bill Gates, at the Google example." The talk was also broadcast to video screens at Weill Cornell Medical College.

While at Cornell, Peres had lunch with President Skorton and toured nanotechnology facilities in Duffield Hall. His visit was sponsored by the Jewish National Fund and campus groups including the Cornell-Israeli Public Affairs Committee and Cornell Hillel.

Before Peres's talk, a group of demonstrators waved Palestinian flags and signs outside Bailey Hall to protest Israeli military activities. Peres served as the prime minister of Israel from 1984 to 1986 and again from 1995 to 1996. He is currently the nation's vice premier.

Theatrical touch: As Class of '74 President John Foote looks on, Christopher Reeve's mother, Barbara Johnson, unveils a plaque that honors her son with the titles "Actor-Superman-Hero." It will hang in the Schwartz Center for the Performing Arts.



Over the bridge: The Thurston Avenue Bridge partially reopened to traffic in November, after months of closure. The vital artery between Central and North campuses will remain open during a winter construction hiatus, but it will be closed to both cars and pedestrians from March until August.

STEFANIE GREEN

Transitional Phase

SPITZER TAPS RAWLINGS, TRUSTEE

IN NOVEMBER, NEWLY ELECTED NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR Elliot Spitzer appointed two Cornellians to his transition team: former President Hunter Rawlings and University Trustee Elizabeth Moore '75. The six-person team advised Spitzer and his aides as he prepared to take office on January 1. Rawlings, now a professor of classics, served as president of Cornell from 1995 to 2003 and as interim president from 2005 to 2006. Moore is a partner in the law firm Nixon Peabody, specializing in employment relations. She previously served as chair of the New York State Ethics Commission and advised former governors Mario Cuomo and Hugh Carey. She has been a member of the Cornell Board of Trustees since 1999.

versity, making our library one of the most forward-looking and service-oriented university libraries in the world.”

Thomas came to Cornell from the Library of Congress ten years ago and has been instrumental in the University’s move into the digital age; during her tenure, the Library has vastly expanded its online services and resources. A graduate of Smith College, she holds a master’s degree in library science and a PhD in German literature.

Off to Oxford

BODLEIAN RECRUITS LIBRARIAN THOMAS

LONGTIME UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN SARAH THOMAS WILL leave Cornell this winter for a new post—on the other side of the Atlantic. In February, Thomas will become director of library services at Oxford University, overseeing its extensive collections, including its flagship research institution, the Bodleian. Provost Biddy Martin calls Thompson’s departure a “great loss,” but notes that Cornellians can take pride in the fact that Oxford looked to the Hill for its library leadership. Thomas, she says, “has made extraordinary contributions to Cornell Uni-

A Cool Million

LEHMAN PAID SEVEN FIGURES

THE SURPRISE RESIGNATION OF JEFFREY LEHMAN '77 BRIEFLY re-emerged in the headlines this fall following the release of information about the former president’s compensation package. According to the Form 990 that the University filed with the Internal Revenue Service for the 2004–05 academic year, Lehman received base compensation of \$855,468 plus \$148,566 in contributions to employee benefit plans. The \$1,004,034 total, first reported in the *Daily Sun* on October 20, made Lehman the top earner in the Ivy League (Richard Levin of Yale was next with \$778,935) and one of the nation’s best-paid private university presidents, according to the *Chronicle of Higher Education’s* annual executive compensation report. Retiring president Audrey Doberstein of Delaware’s Wilmington College led the pack with more than \$2.7 million (much of it deferred compensation), followed by Vanderbilt president G. Gordon Gee, who earned \$1,171,211. In 2003–04, Lehman earned \$675,027, with a salary of \$630,747 and benefits of \$44,280.

Stairway to Heaven

MEMORIAL TIME CAPSULE FOUND

WHILE REPAIRING THE BALDWIN MEMORIAL STAIRWAY NEAR DELTA PHI'S LLENROC fraternity house in September, Cornell masons stumbled upon a long-forgotten time capsule. The copper box, dating to 1925, contained copies of local newspapers, original blueprints of the stairway, construction photos, a 1925 *Freshman Handbook*, lists of World War I casualties from Cornell and Tompkins County, and a Delta Phi pin and fraternity ribbon belonging to Morgan Smiley Baldwin '15, who died from injuries sustained at World War I's Battle of the Hindenburg Line. Baldwin's father, Arthur Baldwin 1892, donated the stairway in his son's memory. On Veterans Day, the original contents, as well as new letters from the Baldwin family, were reburied in a new stainless steel box. The ceremony, with full military honors, was meant to imitate the original cornerstone placement, which took place on Armistice Day 1925.

Give My Regards To . . .

These Cornellians in the News

Malcolm Bilson, professor emeritus of music, awarded the Smithsonian Institution's James Smithson Bicentennial Medal for lifetime achievement in the performance of chamber music on period instruments.

Bruce Ganem, chemistry professor, winner of the American Chemical Society's 2007 Award for Creative Invention, for research on the production of paclitaxel, one of the most successful treatments for ovarian, breast, and lung cancers.

Daniel Potter '74, recipient of the Entomological Society of America's Distinguished Achievement Award in horticultural entomology for his work on turf and integrated pest management.

Genevieve Quist '05, awarded a 2007 Rhodes Scholarship. She will begin her master's in philosophy degree in comparative social policies at the University of Oxford in October.

Marvin Harris, PhD '72, recipient of the Entomological Society of America's Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contributions to professionalism in entomology.

Sandra Gilbert '57, English professor at the University of California, Davis, named the inaugural M. H. Abrams Distinguished Visiting Professor. She has accepted the appointment for the spring semester.

May Berenbaum, PhD '80, winner of the Entomological Society of America's Distinguished Achievement Award in Teaching.

Kevin McGovern '70, chairman and CEO of McGovern Capital and a founder of or major shareholder in more than fifteen companies, named Cornell Entrepreneur of the Year for 2007.

José Serra, PhD '77, elected governor of the state of São Paulo, Brazil.

Misty Urban, doctoral candidate in medieval literature, first-prize winner for fiction in the Awards for Writers contest, sponsored by the literary journal *New Letters*.

Alan Paau, assistant vice chancellor for technology transfer and intellectual property services at the University of California, San Diego, named Cornell's inaugural vice provost for technology transfer and economic development and executive director of the Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Commercialization.

Stabbing Aftermath

POFFENBARGER GUILTY OF HATE CRIME

ON NOVEMBER 22, ILR STUDENT Nathan Poffenbarger '08, who was arrested in February following an early-morning stabbing incident on campus, pleaded guilty in Tompkins County Court to one count of assault as a hate crime and one count of tampering with physical evidence, both felonies. Poffenbarger faces a maximum state prison sentence of four years for the stabbing, which left a Union College student hospitalized with a collapsed lung. According to court documents, Poffenbarger was shouting racial slurs when he and a female companion encountered a group of three African American students near the Baker Tower archway on West Avenue. After stabbing the victim and fleeing to his dorm, Poffenbarger attempted to destroy evidence by dismantling the knife and burning some of his bloodstained clothing. He turned himself in to University Police later that day. Tompkins County District Attorney Gwen Wilkinson told the *Daily Sun* that the plea deal is "possibly the first felony conviction for a hate crime in Tompkins County." Poffenbarger is scheduled to be sentenced on January 8.

Jailed

SIX YEARS FOR THE CREEPER

THE SAGA OF THE "COLLEGETOWN Creeper" ended with a six-year prison sentence for former Ithaca-area resident Abraham Shorey, who was arrested in 2004 for a series of break-ins of student apartments in the Collegetown area. In October 2004 Shorey jumped his \$5,000 bail in Tompkins County and later resurfaced in the San Diego area, where he was linked via DNA evidence to an attempted rape. He pleaded guilty to sexual assault charges in September. Shorey may face additional charges in New York after his California sentence is served.

In the Lobby

JOHNSON NAMED GOVERNMENT RELATIONS VICE PRESIDENT

STEVE JOHNSON HAS BEEN APPOINTED THE UNIVERSITY'S vice president for government and community relations. He will be responsible for lobbying in Albany on behalf of Cornell, and acquainting the newly elected New York State officials with the University and its land-grant mission. He will also represent Weill Cornell Medical College. Cornell has employed Johnson since 1972, when he began developing migrant worker education programs before shifting to government relations work. Johnson has spent more than twenty years lobbying local, state, and federal governments for the University. He has served as interim vice president since September 2005.

Bench Mark

A SORORITY CELEBRATES

THE AFRICAN AMERICAN SORORITY DELTA SIGMA THETA had two reasons to celebrate in 2006. In May, it commemorated its thirtieth year on campus by installing a granite bench in front of Ujamaa Residential College. And in August it won the 2005–06 Collegiate Chapter of the Year award from the national Delta organization, along with co-winners at Alabama State University. Competing against about 200 other chapters, Cornell's Mu Gammas snagged the win with only eight sorority sisters; some Delta chapters, especially those at historically black colleges and universities, have as many as fifty. Delta Sigma Theta was founded in 1913 at Howard University.



Very rare: One of twelve remaining copies of Edgar Allan Poe's first published work is on display in Kroch Library as part of an exhibit called "Nevermore." The collection, which also includes a fragment of the author's coffin, runs through February 24.

R&D

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

Researchers have found no evidence of ice on the moon. Astronomy professor Donald Campbell, PhD '71, and a team analyzed radar transmissions aimed at the moon's South Pole, where previous data had indicated ice might be found. Their work appeared in *Nature*.

The discovery of a 100-million-year-old bee preserved in amber suggests that bees originated 35 million years earlier than previously thought and are evolutionarily linked to wasps. Bryan Danforth, associate professor of entomology, and colleagues published the research in *Science*.

Astronomers have discovered new rings around Saturn and ripples in the planet's innermost ring. At an American Astronomical Society meeting, astronomy professor Joe Burns and others on NASA's Cassini mis-

sion team presented the findings, which may help in understanding how Saturn's planetary system formed.

Fred McLafferty, PhD '50, professor emeritus of chemistry and chemical biology, and co-authors have vastly improved protein analysis. The new method, described in *Science*, enables researchers to identify proteins that contain more than 2,000 amino acids, up from about 500, and characterize how cells modify proteins in biological processes.

Humans multi-task well when the work involves different senses. But performance drops when the task includes similar sensory stimuli, such as two people talking at once. Morten Christiansen, associate professor of psychology, and co-authors published the research in *Psychological Science*.

Nature Materials describes a new biomedical material made of synthetic DNA that may gradually dispense drugs within the body or act as scaffolding for tissue repair. Dan Luo, assistant professor of biological and environmental engineering, created the "hydrogel," which is inexpensive and biodegradable, and does not trigger the body's autoimmune response.



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Young gun: Sophomore Zak Dentes quarterbacked the sprint football team to its first unbeaten season since 1982. For head coach Terry Cullen (below), winning is a family business: the league trophy is named after his father, Cornell Athletic Hall of Famer Bob Cullen.



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Big Time

SPRINT FOOTBALL'S PERFECT SEASON IS NO SMALL FEAT

IN THE OLD DAYS, THEY CALLED IT the Eastern Lightweight Football League, a name that left the sport—originally limited to players of 150 pounds or fewer—burdened with an unfortunate acronym, and something of an image problem. Now the players are bigger, and a new-and-improved moniker—the Collegiate Sprint Football League—arrived in 1998. But the game is the same: it's old-school football, played under standard NCAA rules by athletes who tip the scales at no more than 172 pounds. "The league's credo is that it allows the average-size American male to play college football," says Terry Cullen,

MBA' 66, Cornell's longtime sprint coach. "So, as the population has grown larger, so has the weight limit."

Cullen has been with Cornell's program since 1965, when he served as offensive coordinator under his father, Cornell Athletic Hall of Famer Bob Cullen. The senior Cullen, who died in 1996, is a legendary name in sprint circles: he's credited with saving the league after a post-war lull, and the championship trophy was named after him in 1984. At Cornell, he remained a co-head coach with his son after his formal retirement in 1979. One guesses that this season would have been particularly sweet for father and son: On October 27,

Cornell's sprint squad downed powerful Army to deliver the team's first championship since 1986 and its first perfect season since 1982. So Terry Cullen can finally add another Cullen Trophy to the award collection in his Schoellkopf Hall office.

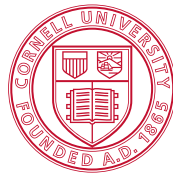
Sprint football enjoys a storied history—Jimmy Carter and Donald Rumsfeld are alumni of the game—but a low profile in college athletics. University of Pennsylvania president Thomas Sovereign Gates is credited with founding the sport in 1934 as a response to ever-growing player size. Coining the motto "Football for All" and adopting the same 150-pound weight limit used in lightweight crew, he encouraged greater participation among those with less-dominating physiques. In 1936, Cornell joined the league, which now includes Penn, Princeton, Army, and Navy. Some sixteen schools, including Yale and Columbia, have fielded sprint teams over the years, but the number of programs has been dwindling; the most recent to drop out was Rutgers in



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1990. Historically, the two service academies tend to trade championship titles. Cullen attributes this to their superior conditioning—and perhaps attitude. “They have a real military arrogance about having Ivy League teams beat them,” he says.

No wonder—it doesn’t happen very often. Cornell’s 6-0 campaign this year included a 16-10 overtime defeat of Navy at Schoellkopf on October 6 that marked

the Big Red’s first win over the Midshipmen since 1998. Princeton and Penn fell next, at 35-0 and 21-7. In the 26-7 finale at West Point, Cornell’s league-leading defense proved the decider, with Army losing nine turnovers, including a fumble recovery for a touchdown that put the visitors up 10-0 in the first quarter. The Black Knights of Army—who had not lost to Cornell since 1992—couldn’t muster

any points until garbage time, when a touchdown with 1:25 to play spoiled the shutout. It was a dominating finish for a team that exceeded even Cullen’s typically optimistic expectations. “I always think it’ll be a great team,” he says. “But this bunch has been a joy to work with.”

As befits the name, speed is the biggest distinction between the sprint game and “big-guy football,” as Cullen calls it. With all players at roughly equal size, linemen can chase down running backs and coaches can employ any number of curious defensive schemes. Physically, the smaller players don’t back down from their larger brethren. “In most ways, it’s actually a much harder-hitting game because there’s no fear factor,” Cullen says. “They play with a little more reckless abandon.”

They also play for more modest rewards. The crowds are small, there’s no recruiting, and league rules forbid scouting and field phones; in a sense, the game itself is something of a no-glory throwback to the college ball of a few generations ago. “This is a very old-fashioned league,” says Cullen, who likes to emphasize his team’s superior skills in the classroom. The team has a “4.0 Club” for its academic all-stars, and his coaching duties typically include writing recommendations for various scholarship applications. “We kill academically,” he says. “Where else would you have two potential Rhodes Scholars on your football team?”

Those players—who go on to be doctors, lawyers, and businessmen—tend to remain fierce supporters. The program is entirely financed by its 12,000-strong alumni group, and in 2001 Cullen’s position was endowed by a gift from Jay Carter ’71 and his wife, Juliann Reisner Carter ’71. (Yes, the Terry Cullen Head Coach of Sprint Football is . . . Terry Cullen.) Ex-players give blood as well as money: each September, alumni return to campus and strap on their pads for a full-contact scrimmage against the rookies. “It’s no powder-puff game—it’s rock ’em, sock ’em,” says Cullen of the ritual, won this year by the alums, who are fined \$2 for every pound they’ve put on since their playing days. “After the game, they all say, ‘I’ve still got it.’ But, once the euphoria wears off, they’re hurting.”

— David Dudley



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Sports Shorts

THREE-PEAT It may be too early to call them a dynasty, but the women's volleyball team can now claim dominance after winning the Ivy League championship for the third straight season. The Big Red wrapped up the title with a 3-0 win over Princeton on November 11. **Elizabeth Bishop '07** led the way with 15 kills and 10 digs, earning Ivy League Player of the Week honors. The win gave the team an 18-8 regular season record, a 12-2 mark in league play, and a spot in the NCAA championship tournament.



Elizabeth Bishop

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BACK-TO-BACK For the first time in its history, the field hockey team has posted consecutive winning seasons in the Ivy League. This year, the Big Red finished 4-3 and tied for second place—Cornell's best finish since 1997. Three players earned post-season laurels, with **Belen Martinez '09**, **Katlyn Donoghue '09**, and **Sarah Miller '07** all receiving second-team All-Ivy honors.

HUSTLING HARRIERS Cornell women took two of the top three spots at the Heptagonal cross country championships, lifting the team to third place overall, its best finish in four years. Second-place finisher **Toni Salucci '07** posted the tenth fastest time in meet history, 17:14.9 over five kilometers, which bettered her personal best by 77 seconds. **Nyam Kagwima '07** was third with a personal-best time of 17:55.4. Despite falling early in the men's race, **Jimmy Wyner '08** ran the second-fastest Heps time in school history to finish second, less than three seconds behind two-time Ivy champion Ben True of Dartmouth. Wyner crossed the line in 24:32.0, more than



Toni Salucci

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70 seconds better than his previous best. **Sage Canady '07** also earned All-Ivy honors with a tenth-place finish, as Cornell finished fifth overall, its best showing since 2000.

GLOBETROTTER **Jeff Aubry '99** has returned stateside to continue his professional basketball career, joining the Miami Tropics, a new team in the American Basketball Association. A 6'10" forward best known for his rebounding and shot-blocking abilities, Aubry most recently played in Argentina and has made stops in Venezuela, Puerto Rico, Poland, Spain, Peru, and Chile. He also played for the Fayetteville Patriots in the National Basketball Development League.

IN THE PITS Most people in professional sports would take offense to being called a "bush leaguer," but **Chad Walter '93** probably wouldn't mind. Walter is the

crew chief for the No. 5 Lowe's Chevrolet driven by Kyle Busch in NASCAR's Busch Series. The team is part of the Hendrick Motorsports stable, which also fields Nextel Cup cars for 2006 champion Jimmie Johnson and four-time champion Jeff Gordon. Kyle Busch finished seventh in the 2006 Busch Series standings, after recording 12 top-10 finishes, including a first at Bristol Motor Speedway in August. Walter became crew chief for the team in August 2005.

SOCCKER STAR **Scott Palguta '05** enjoyed an outstanding sophomore professional season, helping the Rochester Raging Rhinos reach the championship game of the United Soccer League's First Division. Palguta started all 28 regular season games at center back and anchored a defense that recorded a league-high 14 shutouts. He was named to the USL First Division Team of the Week three times. Goalkeeper **David Mahoney '05** also saw action in the USL First Division, playing four games for the Seattle Sounders while on loan from the Chicago Fire of Major League Soccer.

ON THE MOUND A lot of recent graduates are still looking forward to their first promotion, but **Rocky Collis '06** had to wait only two months. Collis, a 28th round draft pick of the Seattle Mariners in baseball's 2006 amateur draft, got a late-season call-up to the Triple-A Tacoma Rainiers of the Pacific Coast League, one step short of the majors. He began the season in the Arizona Summer League (Rookie League), where he was 2-1 with four saves and 3.55 ERA. Fellow alumnus **Chris Schutt '04** also had a successful season, posting a 5-2 record with eight saves and 2.67 ERA for the Single-A Fort Myers Miracle. He also went 1-0 for the Double-A New Britain Rock Cats.

Big Game

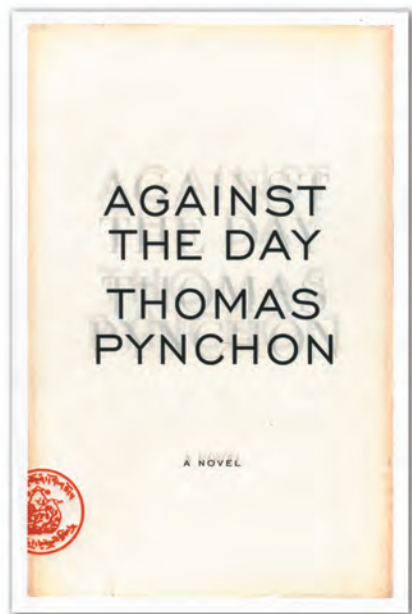
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The men's basketball team opened the season in spectacular fashion, traveling to Evanston, Illinois, and defeating Northwestern 64-61. It was Cornell's first win over a Big Ten team since 1968. Sophomore guard **Adam Gore** led the Big Red with 20 points and freshman **Ryan Wittman** added 18. The result was in doubt until Wittman nailed two free throws with seven seconds on the clock. Gore—the team's leading scorer last year—was injured in the last minute of the game, and a subsequent exam revealed a torn ACL, which ended his season.



Adam Gore

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In Brief

AGAINST THE DAY by Thomas Pynchon '59 (Penguin). Henry James might have had Pynchon's work in mind, instead of Tolstoy's sprawling *War and Peace*, when he wondered at the meaning of such "large loose baggy monsters." In his first novel since 1997's *Mason & Dixon*, the reclusive Pynchon explores territory that readers have come to expect from the author of *Gravity's Rainbow*: fractured history, erudition, and shtick; pop culture references; a vindication of the theory of aether; characters with whimsical names; nonsense songs; and parodies of several literary styles. Covering the period between the 1893 Chicago World's Fair and World War I, the novel's large cast includes anarchists, ruthless mine owners, Bela Lugosi, Nikola Tesla, Groucho Marx, and the Chums of Chance (balloonists straight out of a pulp magazine). As Pynchon himself wrote about the novel, "Let the reader beware."

THE REAL DEAL by Sandy Weill '55 and Judah S. Kraushaar '79, MBA '80 (Warner Business Books). The investment banker and Cornell trustee emeritus recounts his rise from modest beginnings in the Bensonhurst section of Brooklyn to partner in the brokerage firm of Carter, Berlind, Potoma & Weill to president of American Express and then CEO and chairman of CitiGroup. Along the way he discusses the importance of his philanthropic support of Carnegie Hall, the National Academy Foundation, and Weill Cornell Medical College.



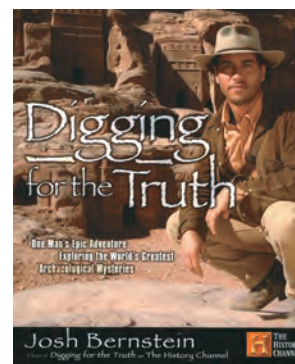
LIFE, DEATH & BIALYS by Dylan Schaffer '86 (Bloomsbury). When mystery novelist and criminal defense lawyer Schaffer agreed to take a week-long intensive baking class at the French Culinary Institute with his terminally ill father, he didn't have great expectations. Nonetheless, he learned not only how to make a decent baguette but how to forgive his father for abandoning him and his siblings to care for his mentally ill mother. After the class, father and son continued their dialogue and "came to something like terms" in his father's final days.



GOING TO HEAVEN by Elizabeth Adams '74 (Soft Skull Press). In 2003, Gene Robinson was consecrated bishop of the Diocese of New Hampshire, the first openly gay bishop in the Episcopal Church. His election nearly caused a schism within Anglicanism, yet it also brought support from Archbishop Desmond Tutu and awards from human rights organizations. This spiritual biography traces Robinson's path from his childhood in Kentucky to the priesthood, and portrays a man who is, he says, "neither the angel nor the devil some would make me out to be."



DIGGING FOR THE TRUTH by Josh Bernstein '93 (Gotham Books). Bernstein, the host of the History Channel's show "Digging for the Truth" and president and CEO of BOSS, the Boulder Outdoor Survival School, relates his adventures and behind-the-scenes difficulties as he learns about Egyptian pyramid builders, searches for the Ark of the Covenant in Ethiopia, retraces the steps of Oetzi the Iceman through the Alps, seeks Inca treasure in the Amazon jungle, researches the megaliths of Stonehenge, explores the ruins of the ancient Sabaean kingdom in Yemen, and follows the Viking trail to North America.



Recently Published

Non-Fiction

THE ELECTION AFTER REFORM edited by Michael J. Malbin '64, PhD '73 (Rowman & Littlefield). The Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, also known as the McCain-Feingold Bill, was designed to decrease the impact of soft money, political action groups, and issue ads on political campaigns. Malbin, executive director of the Campaign Finance Institute and professor of political science at SUNY Albany, and other contributors analyze the bill's effectiveness.

THE DANA GUIDE TO BRAIN HEALTH edited by Floyd E. Bloom, M. Flint Beal, and David J. Kupfer (Dana Press). Beal, the neurologist-in-chief at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital and chair of the Department of Neurology and Neuroscience at Weill Cornell Medical College, and his co-editors gather the latest information on the brain. They describe the stages of development from the fetal period through adulthood, the workings of the healthy brain, and such diseases as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and depression.

PLANTATION ENTERPRISE IN COLONIAL SOUTH CAROLINA by S. Max Edelson '92 (Harvard University Press). A professor of history at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, analyzes the cultural tensions within the plantation economy of Lowcountry South Carolina in the years prior to the American Revolution.

SEEDS OF CYNICISM by Sara-Ellen Amster '89 (University Press of America). A former managing editor of the *Daily Sun* and current assistant professor of communication at National University researches three high school journalism programs and finds that the classes paradoxically cause less interest in news and politics.

SLAVERY AND THE COMMERCE POWER by David L. Lightner, PhD '69 (Yale University Press). During the nineteenth-century cotton boom, large numbers of slaves from the upper South were sold and transported to cultivate the frontier. Lightner examines the abolitionist argument that Congress should use its control of interstate commerce to outlaw such trade.

SPACE PHYSIOLOGY by Jay C. Buckey Jr. '77, MD '81 (Oxford University Press). Buckey, who was an astronaut aboard the Space Shuttle's Neurolab mission in 1998 and is an associate professor of medicine at Dartmouth Medical School, provides a guide to the medical problems of space flight.

TRANSGENDER RIGHTS edited by Richard M. Juang, PhD '03, Paisley Currah, PhD '94, and Shannon Price Minter, JD '93 (University of Minnesota Press). Experts discuss the legal, economic, health, and employment issues that affect transgendered people.

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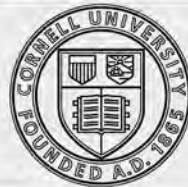
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Anatomy of a Campaign

'FAR ABOVE' STRESSES CORNELL'S PUBLIC MISSION

THE UNIVERSITY'S \$4 BILLION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN HAS many ambitious goals, not the least of which is transforming Cornell into the "land-grant institution to the world." This vision was articulated by President David Skorton on October 27 in his State of the University address, in which he said the campaign "will permit us to realize the overarching goal that has guided Cornell since 1865: to serve the needs of the world whether in Ithaca, Upstate New York, the cities of our country, or any area around the world where the talents and courage of higher education can provide a solution to the problems and challenges of everyday life."

Achieving this, Skorton explained, will require five years of intensive fundraising focused on three priorities: students (\$640 million), faculty and programs (\$1.885 billion), and facilities (\$1.175 billion). In addition, the University seeks to raise \$300 million in unrestricted funds. Student support will take the form of undergraduate financial aid as well as fellowships and other assistance for graduate and professional students. Funds are also needed, Skorton said, to "recruit, support, and inspire the next generation of faculty," as Cornell faces the retirement of about one-third of its professors in the upcoming decade. This is especially challenging because many other institutions are facing a similar scenario—so competition for talented candidates will be intense. The facilities component includes both new construction—such as the Life Sciences Technology Building in Ithaca and a biomedical research center in New York City—and renovation of the Johnson Museum, Helen Newman Hall, and other structures.

Identifying these priorities was a lengthy process driven by academic concerns, says campaign director Jim Mazza '88. "They were determined by conversations that Provost Bidy Martin had with the faculty and deans and vice provosts," he says. "They have set an agenda for what they imagine Cornell will be in the year 2015—and beyond." The "wish list" was assessed for feasibility and refined to a set of objectives that was presented to the Board of Trustees. The Board approved the goals in September, and "Far Above . . . The Campaign for Cornell" was launched at

an October 26 press conference at Weill Cornell Medical College in New York City.

The campaign's co-chairs are Stephen Ashley '62, MBA '64, and Jan Rock Zubrow '77; the chair for Weill Cornell is Robert Appel '53. All three are "seasoned fundraisers," says Laura Toy, associate vice president for alumni affairs and development. "We really look to them as we think about strategy," she says. "They help us as we think about our campaign message and how we approach individual donors."

One of the challenges for a campaign of this scope is finding new donors. While Cornell has a loyal cadre of supporters who are "rabidly red," as Mazza puts it, reaching new fundraising heights requires gifts from alumni who previously may not have been major contributors. "There are a lot of alumni who five or ten years ago might not have been in a position to make a significant gift," says Toy. "But they are now at points in their lives where they can, maybe because their career has advanced or their children have finished college—any number of reasons. I think we did a good job in the last campaign engaging the classes of the Fifties and Sixties, and now we need to look to the Seventies and Eighties."

Cornell's fundraisers aren't the only ones looking for new donors eager to support their alma mater. Yale has set a \$3 billion goal for its capital campaign; Columbia, like Cornell, is seeking to raise \$4 billion; and Stanford's effort—the most ambitious so far—seeks to raise \$4.3 billion. Penn and Harvard are expected to follow suit before long. While it seems clear that advancing higher education is a worthwhile social endeavor, some have sounded cautionary notes about fundraising oneupsmanship. In "Endowment Envy," an article by Scott Jaschik '85 at the *Inside Higher Ed* website, development consultant John Butler said he's fearful that "size has become something of a game—a competition that I'm not sure is healthy."

Not so, says Ronald Ehrenberg, the Ives Professor of Industrial and Labor Relations and Economics and director of the Cornell Higher Education Research Institute. "I don't think it's just responding in kind because your peers are doing it," he says.

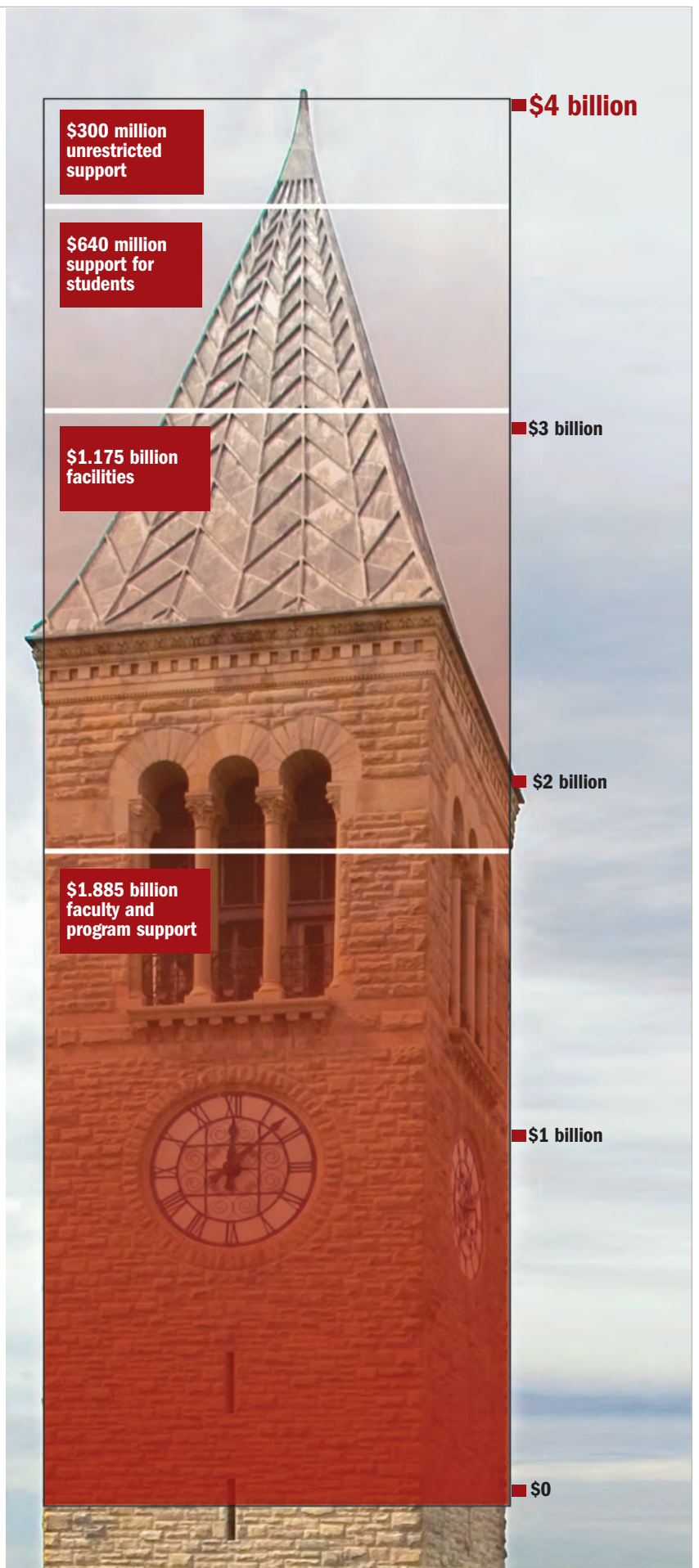
“I think it’s an effort to get the resources you really need.” Ehrenberg cites the example of Harvard and Princeton eliminating loans from their financial aid packages—a move made possible because of their much greater endowment-per-student resources—as a legitimate reason for Cornell to emphasize fundraising to assist lower-income students. “If we want to maintain this as a diverse campus,” he says, “we desperately need to raise money for financial aid.”

Mazza agrees. “It’s not about competition with other universities,” he says. “If you look at what Cornell’s trying to accomplish, it’s about the aspirations that the president and provost have articulated, which are essential to Cornell continuing to be the kind of institution that it is and the kind of institution that it will be ten or fifteen years—or 100 years—from now.”

That institution will be one, as Skorton explained, that must expand its public mission. Research universities are uniquely equipped, he said, to confront such problems as “poverty, hunger, and lack of access to health care . . . challenges which are global and shared.” Addressing those issues is the real reason for embarking on a capital campaign, and thus Cornellians must “secure the resources necessary to guarantee students’ access to Cornell, to provide a first-rate education when they get here, to meet the challenge of retirements in our professoriate, and to renew our aging physical plant. These are the foundations that enable the contributions we want to make to the world.”

— Jim Roberts ’71

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Just Plain Folk

FORTY YEARS AND COUNTING, RADIO BROADCASTER PHIL SHAPIRO KEEPS THE MUSIC PLAYING

IT'S SUNDAY EVENING, AND SOPHIA Smith-Savedoff '08 is in her usual place: sitting with friends and housemates at the café in Anabel Taylor Hall for another broadcast of the live folk radio show "Bound for Glory." As a four-piece bluegrass band takes the stage, the students gather in a well-lit corner for their weekly "craft circle." Kaitlin Rienzo-Stack '08 sews patches on a pair of well-worn jeans and Smith-Savedoff works on a quilt. "I engineer it to be done with all my homework, so I can come here and stitch," she says.

Tonight's performer—singer Amy Galatin and her band, Stillwaters—has drawn a typical "Bound for Glory" crowd: a mix of graying baby boomers, parents carrying babies, and a smattering of students. One of the few things that have changed since the show's debut in 1967 is the demographics of its audience. "When I started out, it was almost entirely students," says host and founder Phil Shapiro, MA '69.

"We would all be real pleased when a gray-haired person showed up." Last fall, the gregarious sixty-year-old celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his show, North America's longest-running live folk concert radio broadcast, on Ithaca's WVBR. "Bound for Glory" continues the folk tradition," Shapiro says, "playing the old songs and the in-between songs as well as the new songs inspired by the tradition."

Over the years, Shapiro has showcased many of the bigger names in folk, such as Mike Seeger (Pete's half-brother), elder statesman U. Utah Phillips, and singer-songwriter Ellis Paul, a chief crafter of the literary pop style that helped ignite the 1990s folk revival. "Bound for Glory" is now an essential stop for touring performers. This season's schedule suggests how diverse the "folk" label can

be, from the traditional Appalachian music of Ginny Hawker and Tracy Schwarz to the humorous blues of guitarist Roy Book Binder to Tanglefoot, a five-person group that plays original music in the Canadian tradition. Then there's Sadie Green Sales, a two-man jug band whose instruments include two clarinets (played simultaneously by one person), a saw, and a tuned six-pack of aluminum cans. "The folk tradition is not calcified," Shapiro says. "People are constantly adding to it."

When Cornell is in session, Shapiro and his graying tech crew broadcast thirty-three live shows a year from Anabel Taylor. Each evening's performance features three thirty-minute live sets for an audience of about seventy. (When school's out, Shapiro plays recordings from WVBR's studios.) Admission is free, and the show is run by volunteers—including Shapiro. "It's a good thing I don't get paid," he says. "Otherwise I'd wonder why I was doing this for a living."

To make ends meet, Shapiro sells advertising for WVBR, teaches group guitar lessons at Cornell, and performs locally in a folk duo with fiddler Carrie Shore. He's a fixture at Ithaca-area contra dances, storytelling festivals, and "sings." But without fail, Sunday nights find him behind the microphone at "Bound for Glory." His role, he says, is more community organizer than radio host. "If you want to counteract the tendencies in this society that pull us apart and isolate us," he says, "you have

STEFANIE GREEN



Music maker: Phil Shapiro, MA '69 (above), has been broadcasting live folk music on the radio for forty years. Guests on his show, "Bound for Glory," recently included blues guitarist Little Toby Walker (right).

to go out and say, 'Here—come together. Here's how you do it.'

Shapiro began the show as an undergrad at Brandeis University in the early 1960s, broadcasting live performances and records, many from his own collection, to the Brandeis dorms. As a teenager growing up in central New Jersey, he'd been a follower of national acts like the Weavers as well as of such obscure performers as banjo picker Obay Ramsey. ("Nobody remembers him at all now, but I was a big fan.") It was the crest of the folk revival, and Shapiro named the show after Woody Guthrie's 1943 autobiography—a title he'd never choose today. "A lot of people think it's a Christian show," he says. "That was never an issue back in the Sixties."

When Shapiro came to Cornell as a doctoral student in economics in 1967, he brought the show with him, broadcasting occasional live concerts from Anabel Taylor. Two years into it, WVBR's program director wanted to cancel the show; folk had become passé. "He said, 'Ship out,' and I screamed bloody murder," Shapiro remembers. "He said, 'If you go live every week, you can keep your show.' I'm sure he expected me to fail."

Since those early days, the technology has improved, and broadcasts can now be heard online at www.wvbr.com. A volunteer group, Friends of Bound for Glory, formed in 1996 to help upgrade the show's broadcasting equipment and to provide lodging for visiting performers. As it did in its early days, the show continues to produce a distinct byproduct: a sense of community. "Back in the Sixties, folk music brought people together," Shapiro says. "At political rallies and marches on Washington, there'd be a folk singer up on stage and 100,000 people singing 'This Land Is Your Land.' That's powerful stuff."

Folk might not wield that kind of cultural influence any longer, but, as "Bound for Glory" proves on Sunday nights, it can still get people on their feet. When Amy Gallatin leads her band into the galloping instrumental "Appaloosa," Rienzo-Stack and the other students in the craft corner drop their sewing and jump up to dance barefoot on the linoleum floor. "I don't know how people can sit still," she says.

— Susan Kelley

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MICHAEL CHERNUCHIN, JD '81, ON WRITING, (NOT) LAWYERING, AND WORKING FOR A LITTLE TV SHOW CALLED 'LAW & ORDER'



ANDY FRIEDMAN

CAM: “*Law & Order*” is famous for ripping its stories from the headlines.

MC: Our bible is the front page of the *New York Post*. But typically I use the headline just for the teaser. So people go, “Hey, I recognize that—they’re doing Martha Stewart, they’re doing John Gotti.” Then we go in other directions. So it’s the headline, not the body of the article that we use.

CAM: Does anyone ever get mad at you for it?

MC: Oh, it happens. Joel Steinberg [who was convicted of beating his illegally adopted daughter to death in 1987] threatened to sue. Now there’s a disclaimer that runs at the beginning of each episode.

CAM: One of the show’s defining elements is that the main characters’ personal lives don’t figure into the plot—to the extent that no one remains from the original 1990 cast.

MC: If you watch one show, you don’t know anything about the characters—but if you watch a dozen, you know a lot about them. Character comes out in an eyedropper, not a ladle, which bothered the actors for a while. Jerry Orbach would always say, “Give

me a scene where my partner dies in my arms so I can emote and win an Emmy.”

CAM: “*Law & Order*” runs so often on cable, sometimes the original and its two spin-offs (“*Special Victims Unit*” and “*Criminal Intent*”) compete in the same time slot. Why is the show so addictive?

MC: It’s the ripped-from-the-headlines aspect, and the fact that you don’t have to have seen the previous episode to enjoy it. Most important, we don’t just tell a murder mystery; there’s that moral mystery in the legal half. “*Law & Order*” makes people think—which, most of the time, is a good thing. With the constantly changing cast, the show always feels new. And the stories are unlimited, because we’re not dependent on characters—unlike, say, Sipowicz on “*NYPD Blue*.” I mean, you can only do so much to the poor guy. His kid died, his wife died, he’s a drunk. What else can you possibly do to him?

CAM: Of the hundred-plus episodes you’ve written, do you have a favorite?

MC: It was called “Chosen.” It started out like a very prosaic

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crime—one bookie killed another—but the defense was that he stole the victim's money so he could send it to Israel. I got letters the same day from the Jewish Anti-Defamation League and the Arab Anti-Defamation League, both complaining about the show. I used to tell my writers, "I want to piss someone off with every episode," so we did a great job.

CAM: You were editor of the *Cornell Law Review*. So how did you end up in TV?

MC: I never really wanted to be a lawyer; since I was eight, I wanted to be a writer. I was miserable working at a law firm. So I did a study: what's the quickest way to become a professional writer? Television needs the most product. So I wrote a spec script, moved to L.A., and thirty days later I had a job on "Law & Order."

CAM: You were with the show for its first six years, rising to executive producer and head writer, then left for six years and came back for two more. What else have you been up to?

MC: I created a show called "Bull," starring Stanley Tucci. I was executive producer and writer on "Michael Hayes," starring David Caruso. And I was a consulting producer for the first season of "24."

CAM: But you still write for "Law & Order."

MC: Every now and then they ask me to write an episode. I have one on this Friday, actually. A script didn't work out, and I got a call that said, "Can you write one over the weekend?" I was busy Saturday, so I wrote it on Sunday.

CAM: What are you working on now?

MC: I'm in development, trying to sell new shows. One is called "Fort Pit." It's a cop show about the worst crime district in New York, which is in Brooklyn, and the cops are all crazy or screwed up. The other one I'm pitching is a remake of the old Angie Dickinson show "Policewoman."

CAM: You also wrote the original story for the Arnold Schwarzenegger movie *Eraser*.

Did you come up with the part where Arnold shoots an alligator in the mouth and says, "You're luggage"?

MC: I didn't write the line, but the alligator—that was me.

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LINDSAY FRANCE / UP

The undergraduate organizers of Insectapalooza '06 wanted to add something new to the entomology department's annual open house. So this year's installment, which drew 2,300 visitors to Comstock Hall on October 14, featured a demonstration of the ancient human practice of entomophagy—insect eating. After taking in the cockroach races and the arthropod zoo, attendees could enjoy a bowl of larvae-enhanced fried rice, or a piece of chocolate cake dusted with a mixture of suspiciously lumpy powdered sugar that chef Eileen Hughes called “sort of a mealworm crumble.”

There was a valid educational purpose to this exercise, according to activity and volunteer coordinator Ariel Zimmerman '07. “We wanted to acknowledge that we're part of the food chain that insects support,” she said. Eating bugs (or, to be entomologically correct, terrestrial arthropods, a category that includes spiders and scorpions) is common in other cultures; insects are excellent sources of protein and heart-healthy fats, and raising them is far more environmentally friendly than raising cattle. Still, most Americans consider bug-eating the province of songbirds and “Fear Factor” contestants. “It's hard, because it's not culturally acceptable,” said Meaghan Pimsler '07, a member of the student entomology club.

Pimsler and other entomology majors converted a first-floor lab into a kitchen and coaxed a reluctant Hughes, who cooks at the Carl Becker House student residence, to help out behind the stoves. The results met with predictably mixed reviews from the Insectapalooza crowd: toddlers cheerfully smeared mealworm-laced icing on their faces, but their parents and older siblings hesitated. As patrons picked at the fare, Hughes tossed a squirming batch of live waxworms—the protein-rich larval stage of the wax moth—into a wok full of bubbling oil. “I go with a straight deep-frying approach,” she explained. “Once they hit the oil, they pop like popcorn.”

The taste is reassuringly mild, a cross between roasted pumpkin seeds and Funyuns. “I'm really into them,” said Pimsler, who also enthused about the chocolate-covered crickets that the student entomology club enjoys at meetings.

Is America ready for bug eating? “Some people are and some people aren't,” she said. “The entomologists get it.”

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Enter Gil Har-Gil, MLA '83. In 1994, the city hired his Haifa-based firm, Greenstein-Har-Gil Landscape Architecture Ltd., to rescue the Colony from the commercial sprawl that had swal-

lowed it. The firm's job: restore the original beauty and make the avenue a lively public place where locals and tourists would stroll, shop, eat, and sip coffee. Har-Gil and his business partner, Dafna Greenstein, spent the next twelve years giving the Colony a facelift, and last year the pair received Israel's most prestigious architectural award, the \$25,000 David Azrieli Prize. It was the first time a landscape architecture firm had captured the award, and was, says Har-Gil, a "complete surprise."

Today, once-abandoned houses are filled with new tenants, including cafés, boutiques, and restaurants. The neighborhood boasts a thriving nightlife, with chatter in Hebrew, Arabic, and English, and Har-Gil says he hopes the revamped Colony will be "a place where Arabs and Jews can congregate freely." That optimistic vision was rudely jolted in July, a few months after Har-Gil received his prize, when Haifa came under rocket attack from

Old is new: Architect Gil Har-Gil consulted historical photographs of Haifa's German Colony (above right) for its restoration (above left).

Hezbollah guerillas in Lebanon. Fortunately, the German Colony was spared physical damage, but the five-week conflict interrupted the influx of tourists to the revamped historic area.

The Colony was established by a Christian sect called the Temple Society, whose members fled an industrializing Germany in 1868 to await the second coming of the Messiah in the Holy Land. The Templars constructed their farmhouses and commercial buildings in a German architectural style, with local limestone and red tiled roofs. About 1,700 adherents established a handful of other colonies throughout Palestine, and were instrumental in the modernization of what became Israel.

Most of the Templars—who were German nationals—were deported by the British during World War II. But the Colony remained, and the city of Haifa grew up around the once-rural area. After Israel's establishment in 1948, the Colony's main street was renamed for David Ben-Gurion, the country's first prime minister.

Ruler-straight and more than thirty yards wide, Ben-Gurion Boulevard is geometrically aligned with the garden terraces of the gold-domed Shrine of the Báb on the slopes of Mount Carmel. (The shrine is part of the Baha'i World Centre, administrative headquarters of the Baha'i faith.) The terraces descend to the foot of the Colony, linking the two landmarks and creating a striking visual

line from the top of the mountain to the sea.

The project had three components: economic redevelopment, community development, and historic preservation. Although returning the Colony to its pastoral roots was impossible—port cranes and apartment buildings now partly block the view of the sea—the plan was ambitious. Working with architects and city planners, Har-Gil and his firm built cobblestone pedestrian promenades with benches and magnolia trees. They beautified alleyways, created stone walls around outdoor coffee houses, and designed several large public spaces behind the boulevard homes for open-air events. On street corners, the team installed “bustan gardens” (*bustan* means garden or grove in both Arabic and Hebrew) full of olive and citrus trees, grapevine pergolas, and jasmine bushes.

Still, the road to success wasn't altogether smooth. In an effort to speed gentrification, the neighborhood's lower-income residents and commercial tenants were encouraged to leave, with offers of compensation from the city. One auto repair shop and a carpentry store held firm, but Har-Gil hopes that rising property values will eventually complete the transformation. “It was and still is a long process,” he says.

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Over the past twenty-five years, Dougherty has created more than 200 installations around the world, each composed entirely of natural materials. His Cornell piece, abstractly entitled "Half a Dozen of the Other," will be on display until next fall as the first entry in the Cornell Council for the Arts' "5 Years/5 Contemporary Installations" program. "Like a normal tree, it will change color and look different in the sunlight, cloud, and snow conditions of Ithaca," says architecture professor Milton Curry, the council's director. "That's part of the beauty of it—to see it transform."

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Like most debates at the intersection of science and politics, the facts depend as much on how you ask the questions as on who answers them. With the national Farm Bill—which sets corn subsidies—expiring this year, and Americans growing increasingly concerned about energy independence and greenhouse gases, expect the debate over ethanol to intensify.

At Cornell, scientists have staked claims on both sides of the divide. As one of five Sun Grant Initiative Centers of Excellence, the University has received \$8.2 million in federal funds for research into energy and chemical products derived from plant and animal sources. “With our global community entering a less certain oil future, there will be a major transition to agricultural-based bio-industries,” says principal investigator Larry Walker, a professor of biological and environmental engineering who coordinates two dozen faculty researchers in various engineering specialties as well as plant breeding and nanotechnology. “Our vision is to rethink how many of society's needs can be met using renewable, agriculturally based raw materials.”

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By the time switchgrass hit the evening news, Cornell

researchers had already formulated techniques for isolating cellulose—a complex sugar molecule—from lignin, the robust macromolecule that makes woody plants woody. They had explored strategies to expedite fermentation and to power ethanol production facilities with leftover lignin. “The future of biofuels is not in corn, it's in these lignocellulosic plants,” says James Gossett, director of Cornell's School of Civil and Environmental Engineering and a collaborator with Walker on studies of switchgrass pre-treatments that facilitate fermentation. “In any responsible models for lignocellulose-based ethanol production, you burn byproducts as the fuel needed for distillation.” Yet because of its molecular simplicity, corn is used in most domestically produced ethanol—and most processing plants are powered by fossil fuels. According to the American Coalition for Ethanol, 109 facilities in the U.S. convert high-starch plant materials into liquid fuel; another sixty-two are under construction. Last year, American processors churned out 5 billion gallons of ethanol, buying up 19 percent of the corn grown in the heartland and boosting prices by five to eight cents per bushel.

Unlike the golden ears featured at picnics, the commodity corn diverted to gasoline tanks requires substantial processing for human consumption, making its way to the table as high fructose corn syrup and other derivatives. Critics have long considered the crop (also used as animal feed) a culprit in global hunger, arguing that land used for its cultivation could instead supply nutritionally rich, plant-based diets for humans. Feeding the stuff to SUVs has only fueled their ire—and the criticism doesn't end there. “Corn production causes more soil erosion than any other crop in the nation,” says ecology and agriculture professor David Pimentel, PhD '51, a long-time critic of ethanol. “It also uses more nitrogen fertilizer, more insecticides, and more herbicides, which are getting into our air and soil.” The beef industry says that ethanol's effect on corn prices has pushed up costs at the butcher's counter by \$1 billion a year. Pimentel highlights the ubiquity of

corn in processed foods and livestock feed, and blames ethanol for higher milk, meat, and egg prices nationwide.

In July 2005, *Natural Resources Research* published Pimentel's comprehensive critique of ethanol production, including corn, soy, sunflower, and lignocellulose-based processes. The work was his latest in a thirty-five-year effort to reveal the high cost of ethanol production. When his first analysis was published in 1973, incensed corn-belt legislators had him investigated by the Government Accountability Office. "It was a form of harassment," says Pimentel. "The GAO spent twenty times more money investigating us than we spent preparing our report—and they published a report twice as long as ours, confirming we were correct."

In the 2005 paper, co-authored with Berkeley engineer Ted Patzek, Pimentel again cast his net wide, considering the price of seed, irrigation, fertilizer, equipment maintenance, fuel to power processing plants, industry subsidies, even the cost of cleaning water dirtied during production. "For every gallon of ethanol produced," says Pimentel, "there's six to twelve gallons of effluent that have to be run through sewage treatment plants." Ultimately, they conclude, ethanol—regardless of its source—is a boondoggle. In the intervening year the pair has faced a storm of criticism, tagged as stooges of the oil industry and criticized for using stale data. The Natural Resources Defense Council called Pimentel "about as credible as the scientists who say climate change isn't a man-made problem."

Pimentel's Cornell colleagues say his calculations overestimate the energy costs associated with ethanol production, and while they agree that corn-based ethanol has significant shortcomings, they see potential in agricultural waste—especially if they can refine the process to maximize the energy locked inside each sugar molecule. Like Gossett, biological and environmental engineering professor Norm Scott, PhD '62, sees switchgrass ethanol as a viable option. "These are perennial grasses, so they don't need the same fertilization and machinery," says Scott, who teaches a course on sustainable energy systems.

"They're planted once and they're in the ground for years. You don't even need much herbicide and pesticide."

Perhaps more important in evaluating gasoline alternatives, says Scott, is the fact that almost any liquid fuel process yields less energy than its raw materials. "You're already in the business of net negative energy when you produce gasoline," he says. "There's no process that's 100 percent energy efficient." Pimentel has advocated

conservation and efficiency, a stance his Cornell colleagues support. Yet for a nation of suburbs with spotty public transportation and extensive, truck-based supply chains, demand for liquid fuel isn't likely to ebb anytime soon. "There's clearly an opportunity to reduce dependence on foreign oil by introducing ethanol and biodiesel production," says Scott. "It won't be the whole answer, but it is significant."

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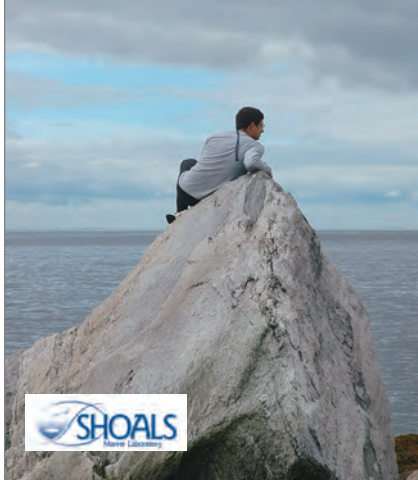


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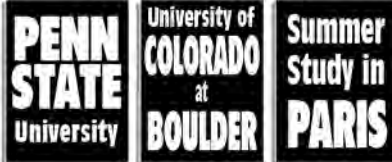
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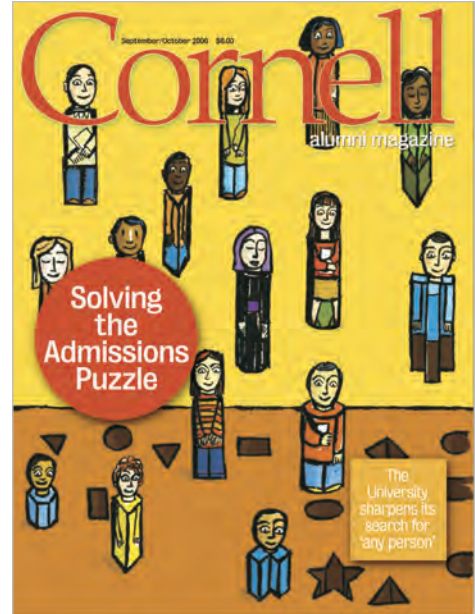
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Going the Distance

After three years on Mars,
the rovers drive on

By David Dudley

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here are no pictures of Mars at Steve Squyres's house. "I try not to take work home with me," says the Goldwin Smith Professor of Astronomy. This is no mean feat—the Mars Exploration Rover mission led by Squyres '78, PhD '81, which was slated to last three months, is on pace to celebrate

the completion of its third year of round-the-clock operations in January. Since landing, the two geological rovers have sent back more than 160,000 images from the surface of the red planet.

One of those pictures—actually a mosaic pieced together from eighty-one separate images—covers the long hallway wall outside Squyres's office on the fourth floor of the Space Sciences building. It's an immensely detailed 360-degree panorama taken by the rover Spirit from the summit of a Martian hill in October 2005. That one will eventually go on the wall at home, right next to a similar panorama now being assembled by Spirit's robotic twin, Opportunity, as it sits on the lip of a spectacular half-mile-wide crater. "My vacation pictures from Mars," Squyres calls them, and he won't put them up until the mission ends.

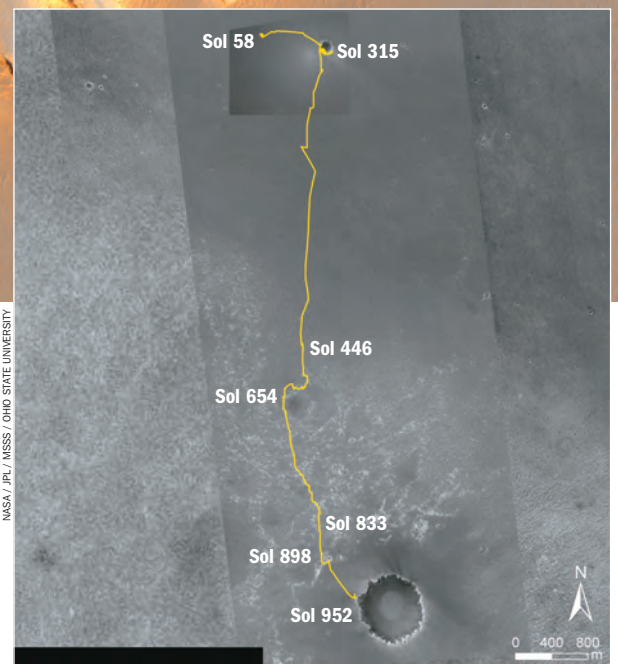
When that will happen is anyone's guess, as the vehicles have proven to be astonishingly durable. Here in mid-October, both rovers are alive and mostly well. In two weeks, the rover Spirit, hobbled by a balky wheel and parked on a sun-facing slope for the long Martian winter, will quietly celebrate its 1,000th sol, or Martian day. (This milestone brought with it its own curious complication, an "S1K" crisis for the rovers' com-



Opportunity

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Destination Mars: Victoria Crater (above) was photographed from orbit by the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter spacecraft, with the location of the rover Opportunity indicated at the upper left. The journey to the 800-meter-wide impact crater, which lies almost six miles from the rover's landing site at Eagle Crater (see inset traverse map), consumed twenty-one months of mission time. Victoria will likely be Opportunity's last stop. "As far as this rover is concerned, this is the best science target we will ever see," says the science team leader, Steve Squyres. "The next biggest crater is maybe fifteen kilometers away. Forget it. We'll never get there."





puters, which had not been programmed to accommodate a four-digit mission length.) On the other side of the planet, Opportunity has completed a grueling twenty-one-month overland trek toward what once seemed like an impossible goal: Victoria Crater, a large impact site that scientists hope will reveal a host of new geological wonders.

In the next weeks, Opportunity will creep around the crater rim as the team ponders how to enter the 200-foot-deep hole. The prospect has Squyres as excited as ever about what the marathon mission has in store.

"There's a great sense of urgency right now to get as much science as we can, because the curtain can come down at any moment," he says. "It feels just like landing all over again. We don't know how the vehicle's going to interact with this terrain. If we screw up, the rover could die. And, my God, look at this fantastic scene. What can we learn here? What can we do?"

It wasn't supposed to be like this. Victoria Crater is almost six miles away from Opportunity's landing site, far beyond the most optimistic projections of the vehicle's range. Squyres once figured that, with luck, the machines might last six months. "And that was the top end. After that it was going to be winter, and we thought there was no way the vehicles would survive."

The key concern: the solar arrays that power the machines—and keep heaters running during the punishing Martian nights—would eventually be blanketed with dust. But strong winds periodically swept the panels clean. Midway through the summer of 2004, with the rovers going strong and no end in sight, Squyres huddled with his team at NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena, where scientists and specialists lived in rental apartments and worked twelve-hour shifts on flight operations. Their leases were up, but the mission was clearly not over. "Early July was when we realized, we've got to rethink this," he says. "The power curves aren't dropping off.

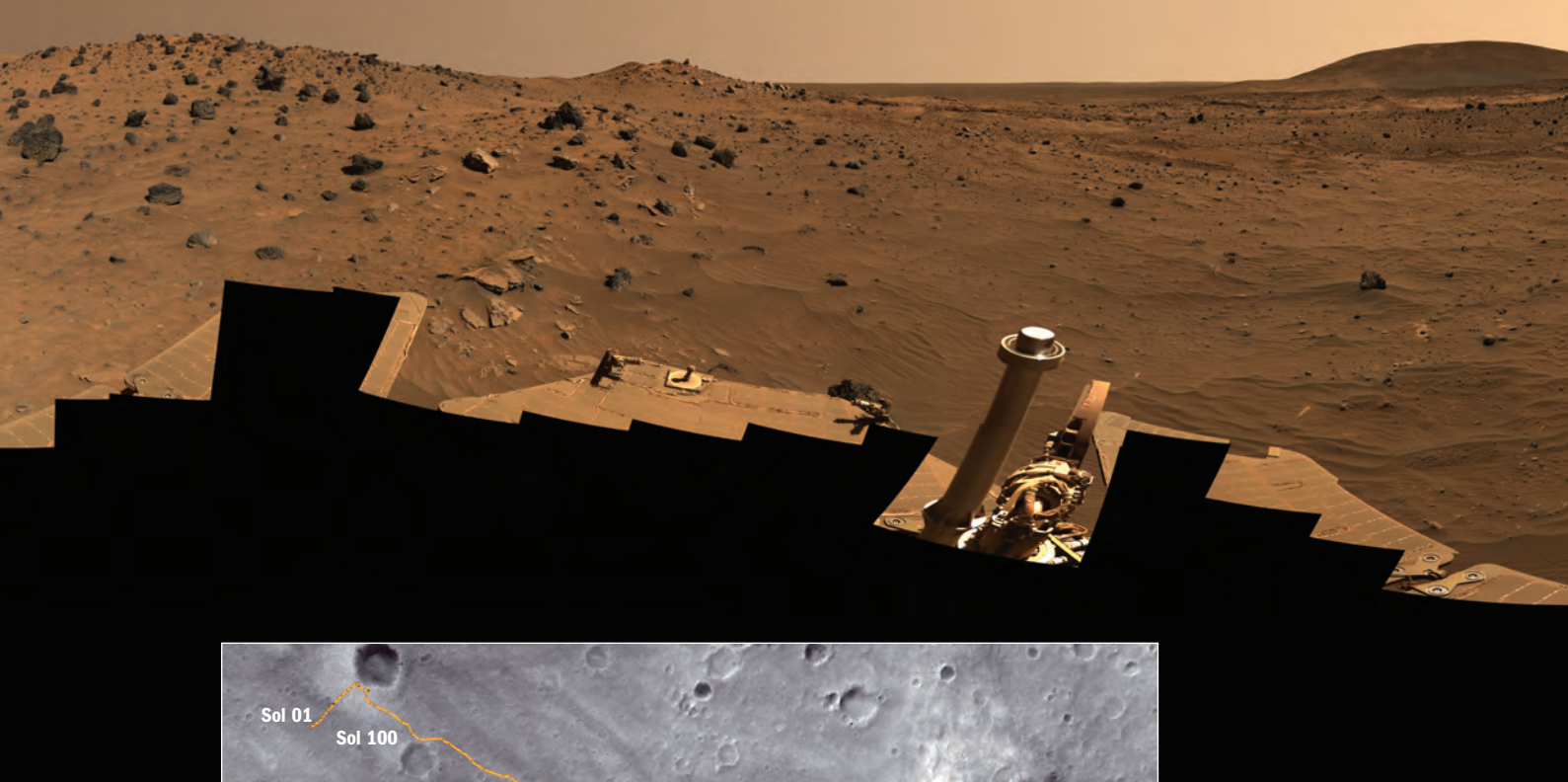
This could go on for a while."

For two months, the team practiced using networking software and videoconferencing equipment, and on September 1, everyone flew back to their various home institutions and began doing flight operations off-site. The rovers didn't even notice this earthbound shuffle. "Not once have we blown an uplink or missed something because the team was remote," Squyres says. "Critical to that success is the fact that we all worked together, elbow to elbow, for eight months before we did this."

The shift back to Ithaca allowed Cornell's rover scientists to resume a semblance of normal lives. This week in particular has been a quiet one up on the fourth floor: Mars is in superior conjunction with Earth, with the sun partially blocking communication, and both Squyres and colleague Jim Bell, who heads the Pancam imaging team, are enjoying a respite from the daily demands of flight operations. "Boy, it's peaceful," says Squyres, who's back to riding 150 miles a week on his bike and even took a family vacation to China this summer. "I can't remember living like this."

Down the hall, Bell has begun his day, as always, by downloading the latest Pancam images. It's a ritual that he admits taking for granted. "I don't remember what I used to do at work before the rovers," he says. "I come in, get my coffee, and look at all the new images we picked up overnight. I'm like, doesn't everyone have rovers on Mars?"

Some of the most striking of those images have been collected in Bell's new book, *Postcards From Mars*, a lavishly illustrated gallery of rover photos published in November. He calls it "an art book about space," and it's his contribution to the cottage industry of rover-bilia spun off from the now-famous mission, joining Squyres's 2005 memoir *Roving Mars* and the IMAX film of the same title that followed in January 2006. But Bell is also busy with more purely scientific work, including a major article in the December *Scientific American* that uses



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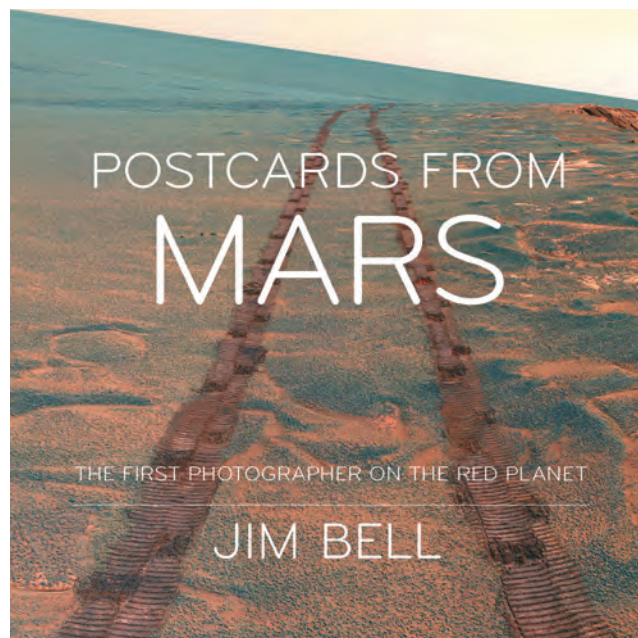
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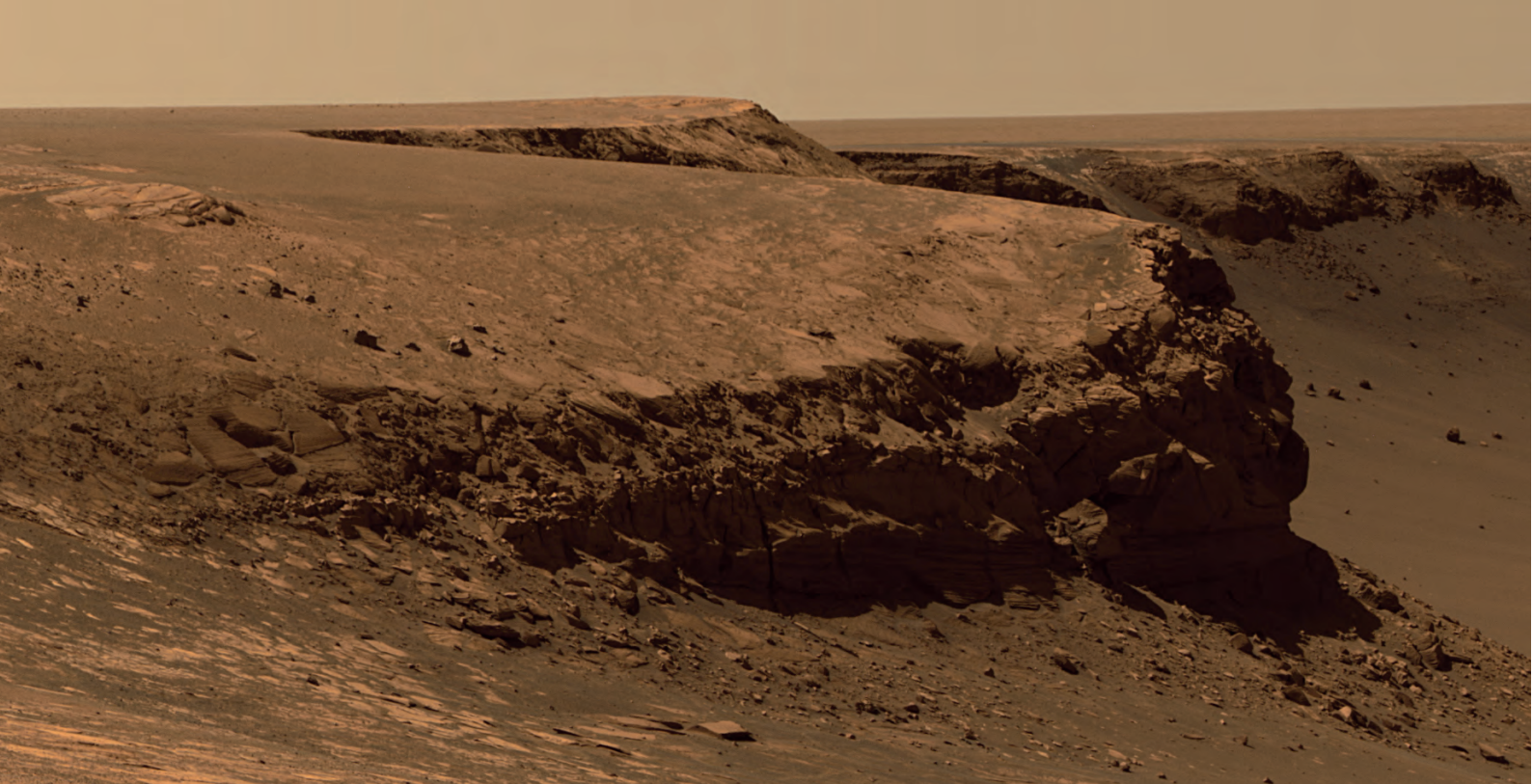
Winter home: The rover Spirit was parked on this hillside (above) during the Martian winter, when weak sunlight made driving impossible. After covering more than four miles (left) and reaching the summit of a 300-foot hill, Spirit's climbing days are over—one of its six wheels is disabled.

orbital images of what appear to be river deltas to posit that liquid water persisted on Mars for a considerable period of time.

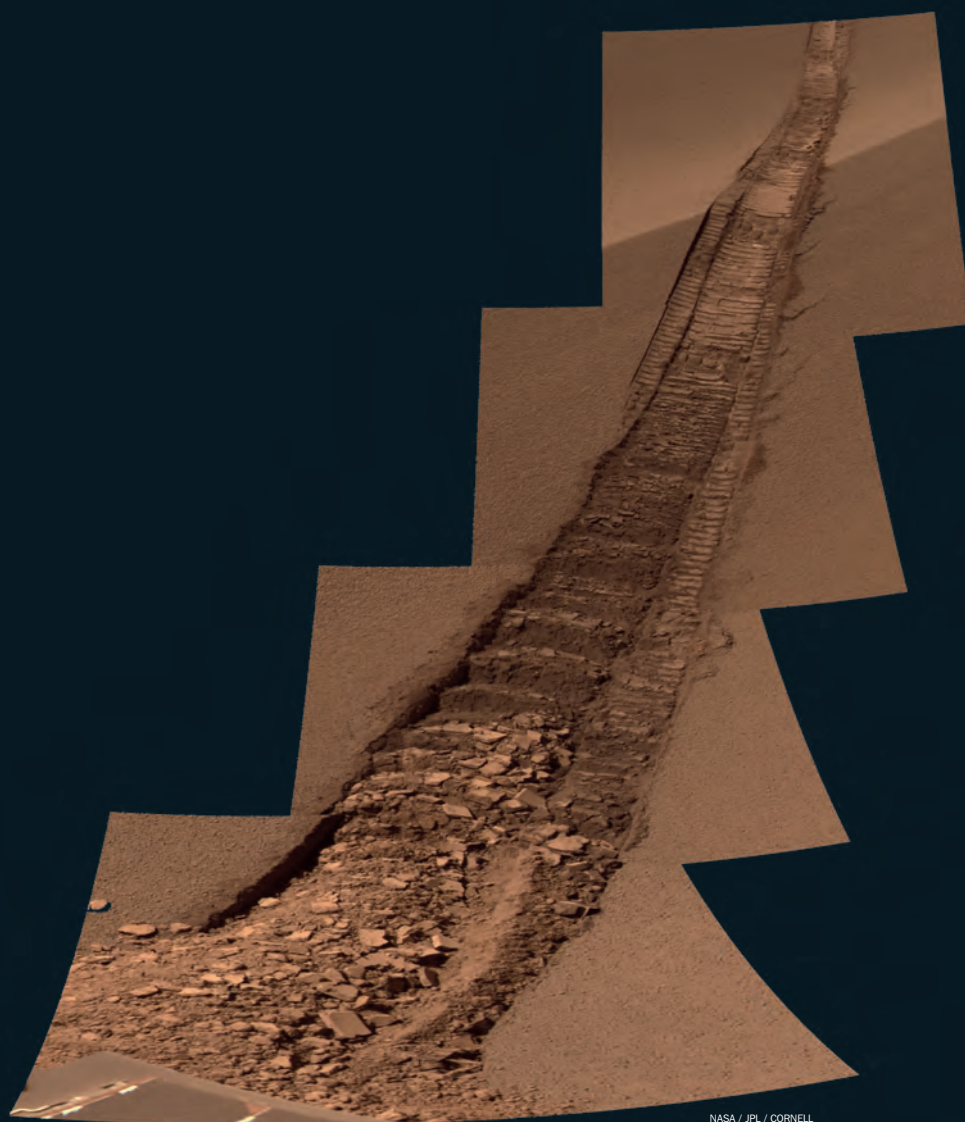
the sheer entertainment value that the plucky vehicles have provided has sometimes threatened to overshadow the science. The geological mystery they were built to solve—verifying the long-term presence of liquid water on the surface of Mars—was addressed within weeks of landing, when Opportunity discovered telltale ripples in sedimentary rocks. That this answer came so quickly—and so definitively—shouldn't diminish the achievement, says Bell. "It's unbelievably rare, in general scientific terms, to do what we did," he says. "We proposed a hypothesis, we devised an experiment, we tested it, and we got a firm, unambiguous answer. That almost never happens."

Since then, the wealth of data the rovers have collected





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Postcards from the edge: The rim of Victoria Crater (above), Opportunity's latest target. The rover's marathon trek south from Endurance to Victoria spanned miles of featureless plains that hid perilous dunes. After rover scientists turned off computer safeguards that monitor wheel slippage, one foot-high ripple of sand—later dubbed "Purgatory Dune"—trapped Opportunity in several inches of soft material during the summer of 2005 (left). It took five weeks of patient digging to get the rover rolling again.

has refined this portrait of a warmer and wetter Mars, a dynamic planet with a complex geological history. At both landing sites, says Squyres, conditions bore little resemblance to what was expected—particularly at Gusev Crater, which was once billed as an ancient lakebed. Instead, Spirit discovered “a bunch of lava”—a bitter scientific disappointment. “At the time we landed, these were the two most thoroughly studied places on the entire surface of Mars,” Squyres says. “Every tool we had at our disposal had been thoroughly brought to bear to characterize those sites. And we were dead wrong about both places. Now, what does that say about the rest of the planet and what we think we know?”

One breakthrough, largely unheralded: the planet’s surface is dominated by sulfates, not the carbonates that most scientists were expecting. It’s a fundamental distinction. On Earth, carbonate-rich rocks such as limestone formed when the dense carbon-dioxide atmosphere of the early planet dissolved in water, a process that was thought to have also occurred on ancient Mars. Instead, it appears as if sulfur-bearing volcanic gases mixed with water to produce sulfuric acid, which prevented any carbonates from forming. The plains of Meridiani Planum, where Opportunity has been operating, were once a dune sea of dusty sulfate salts that periodically flooded with sulfuric acid seeping up from below ground.

Whether such a hostile landscape could have once supported some kind of life is the billion-dollar question that will have to wait for NASA’s next-generation rover, planned for 2009, which will have organic chemistry instruments that can probe further into the Martian soil. Bell believes that geological evidence supports the notion that temperate conditions persisted long enough for life to emerge. But Squyres notes that this early Mars—arid, salty, and acidic—was “an environment that in some ways would have been very challenging for life, even though in principle it’s habitable.” Similar environments on Earth harbor communities of hardy microbes, but such organisms evolved into their extreme ecological niches. “Whether you could actually get life started in an envi-



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Martian sundown: From Gusev Crater, the setting sun appears only about two-thirds the size that it does on Earth.

ronment like that is a very different question,” Squyres says. “But Mars is what it is.”

It’s possible that the layers of exposed rock in the sheer walls of Victoria Crater can open a page into older chapters of Martian history. The site holds so much promise that Opportunity will likely be sent into the crater even if it can’t get out. “Nobody wants to make this a one-way trip, but it’s not impossible to contemplate,” says Squyres. “We’re living on borrowed time already.” Spirit, which has lost the use of one of its six drive wheels, is no longer able to climb grades steeper than seven degrees. Should Opportunity lose a wheel, Victoria Crater will be its final destination.

And that, says Bell, would be fine. “It would be worth spending the rest of the mission there.” He’s long since stopped predicting when the rovers’ luck will run out; the mission has so exceeded expectations that the scientists seem willing to let fate take the driver’s seat. “For a lot of us, I think this is as good as it gets, career-wise,” says Bell. “These are the good old days.”

Squyres agrees. “If this is the highlight of my career, I’m OK with that,” he says. “I’m not sure I could stand it if it wasn’t. If there’s something bigger coming along, I think it would kill me.”

Happy Birthday



Ezra

In January, the university
celebrates its founder's bicentennial.
So who was Ezra Cornell?

By Beth Saulnier

He was nineteen when he left home to seek his fortune. He set out on foot, walking thirty-three miles to Syracuse from the family home in De Ruyter, nine dollars in his pocket and some clothes bundled in a handkerchief. In Syracuse, he found work as a carpenter, but he didn't stay long; within a week he'd been robbed twice. He moved on to Homer, working in a shop that made wool-carding machinery, supplementing his third-grade education by studying books on mechanics in his spare time.

His father was a farmer who owned a modest pottery works and traveled throughout Upstate New York selling his wares; he likely told his son about the little boomtown at the southern tip of Cayuga Lake. In two decades, Ithaca had grown from practically nothing to a bustling community of 2,000. With the expansion of the railroads—and the imminent building of the Sodus Canal to connect the Erie Canal to Lake Ontario—Ithaca was poised to become a major shipping hub, a center of commerce. So on a mid-April day in 1828 he walked down the hill into Ithaca, betting that it was the sort of place where a man unafraid of hard work and hard times could make a name for himself.

That name, of course, is everywhere now: on sweatshirts and ivy-covered buildings, diplomas and buses, a dairy bar and a particle accelerator. It's on a radio telescope in Puerto Rico, a medical school in Qatar, a marine research station off the coast of Maine. Ezra Cornell always had big dreams; still, one suspects that on that fateful day nearly 180 years ago, even he couldn't possibly have imagined how far his name would spread.

January 11 is the bicentennial of Ezra's birth. The day itself will be marked by celebrations in departments and offices on the Hill, with campus-wide festivities set for after the students return from Winter Break. Most Cornellians are familiar with the founder's image: his profile graces the University's Great Seal, and his statue sits on the Arts Quad opposite that of inaugural President Andrew Dickson White. They call him "Ezra," like a favorite uncle (and, in



Family tree: Ezra at twenty-one, between mother Eunice (top) and father Elijah. Ezra was the first of eleven children, all surviving to adulthood.



fact, “Uncle Ezra” is the name of Cornell’s online question-and-answer service). They know that he grew up poor, got rich in the telegraph business, and used that money to endow a certain institution far above Cayuga’s waters where “any person can find instruction in any study.”

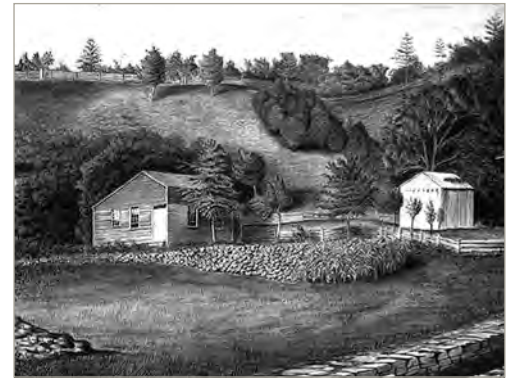
Those are the highlights; the details are even more interesting. Ezra Cornell wasn’t just an American success story: he was also a failure. He was a loving husband, an attentive father, a lapsed Quaker, a politician, a lousy manager, a brilliant engineer, a civic booster, a rabid book collector, a self-taught aficionado of animal husbandry. He could walk forty miles a day with ease. In an era of robber barons, he gave away a fortune. With White, he founded a university whose commitment to inclusivity, though the norm today, was at the time radical to the point of scandalous. He was both a man of his time and a man before it.

“Everybody talks about him as ‘rough,’” says history lecturer Carol Kamen, author of *Cornell: Glorious to View*. “One early student said Ezra was not a handshaking man. What that seems to mean is that he wasn’t a man you walked up to and said, ‘Hey, Ezra!’ He was a man of few words. He’s been described as dour. He’s also been described as a loving father. He adored his wife. So I think you have many Ezra Cornells.” He’s been the subject of several biographies, including *True and Firm*, a paean published by his eldest son in 1884; the equally adoring *Ezra Cornell: A Character Study* by Albert W. Smith (1934); and *The Builder* (1952), a dense and surprisingly entertaining book by Philip Dorf ’24.



Homestead: At eighteen, Ezra designed and built a frame house (above) to replace his family’s log cabin. Right: An artist’s rendering of the Nook, Ezra and Mary Ann’s cottage. Below: The “cyphering book” he used as a child.

There’s little tangible evidence left in Ithaca of Ezra’s day-to-day life, no place that can claim “the founder slept here” (except, perhaps, his tomb in Sage Chapel). The house just north of Fall Creek where he and his wife raised their family, a humble cottage known as the Nook, is long gone, as is Forest Park, the farmhouse at the bottom of Libe Slope where they moved when their fortunes improved, and the brick house at the corner of Tioga and Seneca streets where Ezra spent the last years of his life. The library he endowed for the citizens of Ithaca, his first major philanthropic project, fell victim to urban renewal in the 1950s. Llenroc, the mansion now home to Delta Phi fraternity, was still incomplete when Ezra died in 1874—and building such an ornate Gothic villa never did seem in keeping with his character. The original university buildings—Morrill, McGraw, and White, made of sturdy gray stone—were Ezra’s creations, and the closest one can come to walking in his footsteps.



To get inside his head requires a trip to the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, where the founder’s papers are kept—thirty cubic feet of boxes filled with thousands of documents (some of which are available online). In an era before the telephone—and before the telegraph that would transform Ezra’s life—letters were the way the itinerant businessman kept in touch with his family. He writes of minor household matters and major national issues, of the cost of meals and the evils of slavery. His handwriting is even, inelegant, and (to the modern eye, at least) often impenetrable. “I can assure you my Dear that I breathe freer and deeper than I have done for some time past,” Ezra wrote to his wife in October 1843, when he was first finding success in the telegraph trade. “I feel as though Old Dame Fortune was bestirring herself to make amends as far as may be for her past neglect, but I am cool.”



ezra Cornell was born on January 11, 1807, in Westchester Landing, New York (now the Bronx). His father was twice as old as his bride on their wedding day: thirty-four to her seventeen. Elijah Cornell had been raised on a farm and apprenticed to a potter; Eunice Barnard was the daughter of a New England sea captain. Ezra was their first child (they would have eleven, all surviving to adulthood), and by the time he was a toddler the family had suffered a financial reversal: a ship in which Elijah and his brother had invested much of their money sank on its maiden voyage.

The Cornells went west to De Ruyter, New York, where they bought a 150-acre farm; they moved several times before settling there for good in 1819. Elijah opened a pottery, and between

Founding Brothers

Ezra, Andrew,
and the unlikely
partnership that
helped change
American
education



Great minds: Portraits of Andrew Dickson White (top) and Ezra Cornell. Right: Their fledgling university, circa 1870.

When Cornell University opened in 1868, it had 400 students—at that time, the largest inaugural class of any American college. It also had something of a public relations problem: some even called it “the embodiment of evil.”

The University was non-sectarian—not affiliated with any religious denomination. It was open to people of all economic and social classes, and poor students could work their way through. It would both provide a classical education and be on the cutting edge of instruction in agriculture and engineering. Although there were no female graduates until 1873, it was designed to be coeducational. Blacks attended almost from the beginning (though they were foreign students, not African Americans), and the first class included a Jewish student. Their education was intended to be a process of active learning, not rote memorization.

“In the nineteenth century, this was absolutely radical,” says University Archivist Elaine Engst, MA ’72. “The non-sectarian aspect was unbelievably controversial. It was a godless university. How could you think about sending your children there? They would be corrupted beyond belief.” The governor of New York didn’t come to the opening ceremonies, fearing it would be political suicide.

The question of whether such educational audacity sprang from Ezra Cornell’s mind or A. D. White’s—and to what extent each contributed—is open to debate. Though historian Carol Kammen calls Ezra “a hero,” she credits White for many of the University’s founding principles. “A lot of what happened in terms of Cornell’s educational innovation happened because of A. D. White, who brought Ezra along,” she says. “So to credit Ezra for non-sectarianism and co-education, and agricultural and engineering education, is not exactly right. It seems to me that Ezra needed White to lead him to these positions.” Engst, on the other hand, notes that Ezra’s famous “granddaughter letter”—in which he tells the girl that he wants both men and women to study at Cornell, and that she should retain the letter to give to its president when she’s ready to attend—was written in 1867, before the first class enrolled. And the non-sectarian aspect doesn’t seem as radical in the context of Ezra’s break from Quakerism after his marriage. “He sort of gave up organized religion altogether,” Engst says. “His idea was that he had his own personal relationship with God, and that was all that mattered.”

It’s clear that Ezra and White disagreed on the extent to which Cornell students should work their way through school: White considered college to be a full-time job, while Ezra wanted the University to offer employment opportunities, such as carpentry or industrial work. Whether he really intended to build a shoe factory in the middle of the Arts Quad is yet another subject of debate: Kammen says yes, while Archivist Emeritus Gould Colman ’52, PhD ’62, is skeptical. “It was said that he wanted to do that, but I think this was a way of putting him down. A lot of crazy ideas were attributed to him by people who disagreed.” They also differed about where the school should be located; White preferred Syracuse. “He knew better than to locate a university in this godforsaken town,” says Colman. “Syracuse would have made a lot of sense—it was at the main transportation and economic intersection of Central New York.” But Ezra, ever the hometown booster, insisted it was Ithaca or nowhere. “He walked into town as a young man to find a spot in the world, and did well here,” Colman says. “His chief objective in life, it seems to me, was to do well by Ithaca.”

And what of the founding motto? Was that Ezra’s work, or White’s? In his *History of Cornell*, Morris Bishop ’14, PhD ’26, attributes the language to the latter. “White liked to improve, for publication, the utterances of his rude companions,” Bishop writes. “Possibly Cornell actually said something like: ‘I’d like to start a school where anybody can study anything he’s a mind to.’” The current crop of Cornell historians, however, thinks that’s a crock. Engst points to his letters. “His writing is not plainspoken, it’s eloquent. His sentence structure is very elaborate.”

Kammen puts it another way. “Andrew Dickson White would never have said such an impractical thing,” she says. “‘Any person’—White didn’t want any person, he wanted students who were ready for academic work. ‘Any study’—White knew you couldn’t teach all subjects.” Still, she calls the motto “a wonderful pie-in-the-sky statement.” “There’s no doubt in my mind,” she says, “that Ezra could have written it himself.”





helping his father there and working on the farm, Ezra had little time for school. “I think, to a certain extent, he was so dedicated to learning because he didn’t have those opportunities himself,” says University Archivist Elaine Engst, MA ’72. “To his family, education was a luxury. But you get the sense that he had an insatiable curiosity, that he was interested in everything.”

There are plenty of stories that reveal the hardworking young Ezra, the studious and industrious Ezra. When he was a boy, a peddler came to the door, and Ezra longed for a biography of Andrew Jackson; his mother allowed him to have it as long as he collected rags from around the house to make up the price. In the summer of 1824, when the contractor his father had hired to build a new pottery made a mistake in crafting the frame, it was the seventeen-year-old Ezra who braved his ire by pointing it out. He was just a year older when he built a new house for the family, cutting the timber and designing it himself. The following year, he set out for Syracuse. “He was an enterprising young man, a clever young man,” Kammen says. “He was mechanically inclined, in that he could look at a problem and figure it out.”



Ezra in Ithaca: A family portrait with wife Mary Ann and daughter Elizabeth, who died at age fourteen. Right: The tunnel that Ezra designed and built to power Jeremiah Beebe’s mill on Fall Creek.

There’s also a vision of Ezra as a Zelig-like character—a man who comes from obscurity and intersects with history. Turning a corner in New York City, he happened upon Abraham Lincoln in mid-oratory, and later attended the president’s first inauguration. While delivering supplies to Union troops from Tompkins County, he found himself caught up in the first Battle of Bull Run. He went to Maine to sell plows—and wound up an instrumental figure in the founding of the American telegraph industry.

When Ezra came to Ithaca at the age of twenty-one, writes Carl Becker in *Cornell University: Founders and the Founding*, he was “a tall, angular, physically powerful man.” Becker parses a photo of Ezra taken at the time, noting his large head, high cheekbones, carefully brushed dark hair, and well-shaped forehead. It is, he writes, “altogether a face that reveals character—the self-reliance of a man who has learned to take it, who proposes to meet without fear or elation a world that he knows to be exacting and unromantic, and to make the most of whatever it may have to offer to one upon whom Fortune has conferred no extraneous favors, no favors at all except good health, tempered courage, and sound common sense.”

Ezra’s first job in Ithaca was as a carpenter. He eventually became a mechanic at Otis Eddy’s cotton mill on Cascadilla Creek, then was hired to overhaul Jeremiah Beebe’s plaster mill on Fall Creek. The year 1831 was a big one: he completed a tunnel he’d designed to better power Beebe’s mill, blasting through the rock so accurately that when the two ends met they were off by only a few inches. That same year, he married Mary Ann Wood, the daughter of a Dryden farmer. It was, Engst says, “absolutely a love match.” And a mixed marriage: she was Episcopalian.

“His family were quite serious Quakers,” Engst says. “Marrying Mary Ann was a major step. He gets a letter where his parents are horrified and they tell him he can’t come back to the Quaker meeting. About a year later, they write back and say, ‘Maybe we’ll change our minds if you apologize.’ And he writes this letter saying, ‘I won’t apologize—this is the best thing I ever did.’”

The couple’s first child—Alonzo, who would serve a term as governor of New York—was born in 1834. Ezra and Mary Ann would have nine children, five of whom would live to adulthood. (Three sons died in infancy, and a daughter—Elizabeth, a smart and vivacious girl whom Ezra adored—lived to fourteen.) In 1839, after Beebe sold his mill, Ezra was out of a job. He turned to farming and real estate investment, becoming active in local agricultural affairs. By 1841, he’d become prominent enough to be named a swine judge at the State Fair. The following year, with the town’s prosperity on the wane, he bought the rights to sell a new kind of plow in Maine and Georgia and hit the road—walking 160 miles to Albany to catch a train to Boston. He wouldn’t return to Ithaca permanently for the better part of two decades.

“He took terrible risks,” Kammen says. “Any sensible man would have stayed home and taken care of his family. He went off, and the question is why. I think he was somewhat restless and opportunities in Ithaca were limited. He believed he would get rich someday, and it wasn’t going to happen here.” Kammen recites her favorite line from Becker’s book: “Above all he was not a



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prudent man intent upon a small security; or a vain man living in the opinion of others and vulnerable to ridicule; or a self-regarding man reluctant to expose himself by going out on a limb.”

Georgia proved to be a failure. In addition to viewing the horrors of slavery firsthand, Ezra found the state to be arid sales ground. But Maine was a fateful destination: it was there that he met F. O. J. Smith, publisher of the *Maine Farmer*. In July 1843, he walked into Smith’s office to find him on the floor, working with a plowmaker to design a machine to dig a trench for burying telegraph wire; Smith had been contracted by Samuel Morse to lay forty miles of test pipe from Baltimore to Washington. Ezra took up the challenge, designing a gizmo that not only dug the requisite trench but refilled it afterward. He had stumbled into the ground floor of a communications revolution. “The telegraph,” Engst observes, “was the Internet of the nineteenth century.”

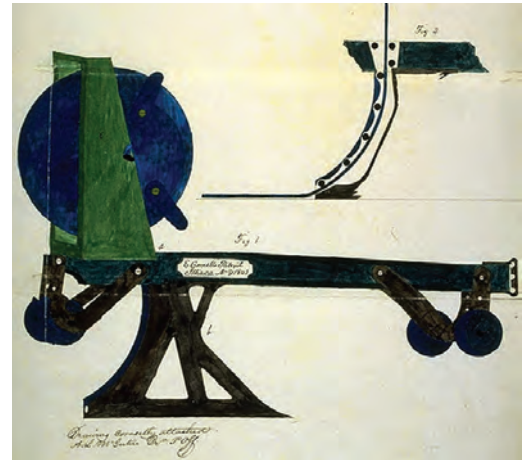
the telegraph hardly made Ezra’s fortune overnight. There were technological snafus (the shoddy insulation degraded underground, prompting Ezra to design insulators for use on poles); political problems (many of his better-educated colleagues dismissed him outright); and umpteen economic reversals. Hard-working, tenacious, and clever though he was, Ezra was no business genius. While some of his investments proved to be brilliant, others were questionable or outright bad; his photolithography and steelworks firms foundered and his railroad interests didn’t pay off. He gambled on the long-awaited Sodus Canal, which never materialized. He was often buried under a mountain of debt. On the road, he was sometimes so cash-poor that he had to ask his wife to pay the postage on his letters. Back home, she often relied on her farmer father to keep the family provisioned. “He was a terrible businessman,” says Gould Colman ’51, PhD ’62, Cornell’s archivist emeritus. “But he compensated for this by a great capacity for friendship.”

Eventually, of course, his belief in the telegraph industry paid off spectacularly. Ezra had formed his own companies and invested in others, joining the Babel of disparate firms competing to bring the new technology to an expanding nation. “At one point, his telegraph businesses were going downstream fast,” Colman says. “Hiram Sibley was forming Western Union, putting companies together. And in an apparently friendly takeover, Ezra became the largest stockholder in Western Union and a very wealthy man. He went from bankruptcy to great wealth within a few days.” As a child, he’d sewn together sheets of paper to make a “cyphering book,” practicing his sums and calculating compound interest. On August 29, 1864, he opened it again and wrote, “The yearly income which I realize this year will exceed one hundred thousand dollars.” That translates into something like \$1.4 million in 2006. But even more striking is what he wrote next: “My greatest care now is how to spend this large income, to do the most good.”

Ezra’s great-great-grandson, Ezra Cornell ’70, ascribes his ancestor’s beneficence, in part, to the humble background that made him a proponent of the Golden Rule. “He looked for fairness in a world which was obviously difficult,” says Cornell, who represents the family as a University trustee for life. “So when he discovered he had wealth, I don’t think there was any greed in the man. It was all about, ‘How can I make this a better country, how can I give back to society?’”

Ezra had always been a strong proponent of education; he’d helped found the State Agricultural College at Ovid, which opened in 1860 but closed the following year due to student enlistment in the Civil War. Then, while serving in the State Senate, he met a young colleague who was burning to reform the American university system: Andrew Dickson White, a Yale-educated son of privilege. Ezra had the money; White had the academic bona fides; both had the visionary ideas and drive to pull it off.

On the University’s founding day in 1868, Ezra told the crowd that although they’d come expecting to see a finished university, what was in front of them was just the beginning. He imagined that someday Cornell would educate as many as 5,000 students at a time; today the number is close to 20,000. “Ezra would love it,” Kammen says of today’s Cornell. “He’d love the industry, because these kids work hard. He’d love the diversity of subjects, the practicality, the sense of purpose. Cornell University has always been in a process of becoming—and Ezra would understand that.”



Good fortune: A drawing of Ezra’s telegraph plow, attached to his patent certificate. Below: Lienroc, the mansion he never lived to occupy.



DELTA PHI WEBSITE

**Mike
Trevino '95
wants to be
the best
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athlete in
the world.
Is that so
crazy?**

**By
Brad
Herzog**

Ultra Man



JEFF ORLOWSKI

the pain was bad, but the frustration was worse. This was the 2005 Insight Race Across America, a 3,000-mile, single-stage bike race from San Diego to Atlantic City that *Outside* magazine has called the toughest endurance event in the world. Thirty-year-old Mike Trevino '95 was pedaling along somewhere in Indiana, chasing the leader, when he hit a bump in the road. Maybe it was the lack of sleep—perhaps an hour a day for a week—but he found himself catapulted over the handlebars, landing on his helmet and right shoulder. After being treated without painkillers (at his insistence), he re-mounted his bike an hour later with his separated shoulder wrapped in a brace.

In Trevino's five-year career in the strange and brutal world of endurance athletics, he had never posted a "Did Not Finish"—not even during the previous year's race, when sleep deprivation had him hallucinating that shadows were gargoyles. ("That freaked me out a bit," he admits.) Nor did he give up in 2003, in his previous incarnation as an ultramarathon runner, when he competed in the prestigious Western States

The long haul: During the 2005 Race Across America, Mike Trevino (in white shirt with blue stripes) briefly continued peddling even after an accident left him with a separated shoulder. He was eventually forced to drop out.

100, a 100-mile race in California's Sierra Nevada involving some 40,000 feet of climbs and descents—and exercise-induced asthma made him walk the last thirty-five miles.

He'd conquered Kiehl's Badwater Ultramarathon, running 135 miles through Death Valley and halfway up 14,491-foot Mount Whitney. With the heat peaking at 126 degrees, Trevino drank too much water and, so bloated that his fingers swelled, forced himself to vomit by the side of the road. Then he picked up the pace, ran through the night, and won, more than twenty-eight hours after he started. When injuries forced him to switch from running to biking, he'd thrown himself into it with a vengeance: in his very first Race Across America (aptly nicknamed RAAM), he'd finished just behind the leader.

However, this second RAAM was different: he had an arm in a sling and a thousand miles to go. This is crazy, he thought. How am I going to climb the Appalachians one-handed?

That, he decided, might be dangerous. So finally it happened: MIKE TREVINO, DNF. Which means that he might be human after all.

So, what does an extreme athlete look like? Some physical freak, either skeletal or hulkingly muscle-bound? And his personality: surely, that must be Type-A to the max. But when

Trevino arrives at a café in San Diego's Pacific Beach district, he dispels both assumptions. He's five-foot-eleven and 165

moment. In short, Mike Trevino, ultra-athlete extraordinaire, comes across as an average guy. "To compete at this level, you kind of have to have a chip on your shoulder," he says. "When you're going really hard, you're not thinking about being nice to the guys you're racing against. But when I meet people in a work environment, they have no idea that I do this. Friends say I'm either in Clark Kent mode or Superman mode." In a questionnaire before the Badwater Ultramarathon, Trevino was asked why he wished to compete. He wrote, "Because it's the only time I feel normal."

Clearly, he doesn't do it for the money. Expenses for gear and event fees generally exceed prizes. For winning the Badwater, Trevino got a belt buckle. After the brutal San Diego One Day, a TV reporter asked him about his first-place prize. On camera, Trevino asked one of the race directors, "Do we win anything for this?" Glory, too, is hard to come by in such small-scale sports: fewer than 15,000 people completed an ultramarathon in the U.S. in 2004, compared with about 420,000 marathoners.

For Trevino, the goal is often a kind of solitude. He rarely trains with a partner and views his long-distance pursuits—kept company only by his ever-present digital Walkman, playing anything from Metallica to Pink Floyd—as a sort of daily meditation. Training is not a chore but a means for channeling excess energy and maintaining a sense of stability. "I like structure," he says. "I like to follow a schedule." He once ran more than 100 miles per week to prepare for marathons; for cycling events, it's more than 100 miles per day.

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pounds; with his shades perched atop his head and flip-flops on his feet, he appears positively laid-back. He listens well, smiles often, appears to exist very much in the

He plans his races meticulously with spreadsheets filled with desired split times, elevation changes, mileage, and how much he should eat and drink. During ultra-

rathons, he would sometimes tape the information on water bottles, because, as he says, "when you're running, you're basically a blithering idiot after a mile." In one fifty-mile footrace, he finished within thirty seconds of his spreadsheet's predicted time.

Even when he's just trying to stay in shape, Trevino's regimen is relentless. A typical morning, after his usual seven hours of sleep, consists of waking at 3:30 a.m. and riding a fifty-mile loop along the coast before work. "You get to this space, physically and mentally, where everything just kind of gels," he says. "And it's going to sound ridiculous, but space and time really become variables that aren't important to you. You just exist."

Pushing the envelope of human athletic endurance is a delicate science, says dietitian Dan Benardot, PhD '80, who co-directs the Laboratory for Elite Athlete Performance at Georgia State University. "The essential components of endurance training are avoiding dehydration, sustaining blood volume, and having a very good match between energy expenditure and energy intake," says Benardot, who was the nutritionist for U.S. marathoners at the 2004 Summer Olympics. "Match energy intake with need, and match fluid intake with need. As simplistic as that sounds, the practice of doing those things is fairly complex."

In preparing for the Badwater Ultramarathon, Trevino not only embarked on a heat-training regimen (running along the beach in heavy clothing), he also focused on his body's ability to process water. He researched hyper-hydration (when muscle cells retain more fluid than normal) and experimented with ingesting different amounts of water, salt, and magnesium to find what he calls "the point of failure." He would run three hours in the heat with only one water bottle—just to see what happened. "How am I going to know how to react when I break down during a race—which is going to happen—if I haven't already experienced it?"

But don't try this at home: the perils of ultra-endurance competition are many, from hyponatremia (life-threateningly low sodium levels) to tubular necrosis (when waste from muscle breakdown infiltrates the kidneys). "The front-runners of these races are well-oiled machines," says Brian Krabak '89, program director of the Sports Rehabilitation Fellowship at Johns Hop-



COURTESY OF MIKE TREVINO

In training: Trevino's preparation includes riding a fifty-mile loop each morning at 3:30 and doing meticulous research about the race route and his body's response to extreme thirst.

kins University. "They know what their bodies respond to, and they figure out what they can tolerate." During a race like the Badwater, runners can damage so much muscle tissue that they greatly elevate the levels of the enzyme CPK in their bloodstream. "It's like a heart attack for your muscles," says Krabak, who knows endurance sports firsthand: he once competed in a 350-mile mountain bike race through the Canadian Rockies.

Trevino's perspective, however, is that the ability to succeed in ultra competitions is specific to each individual. Some competitors are built for the long haul and know how to prepare—while others aren't, and don't. "Some people don't adequately train and haven't done the research to understand their bodies well enough," he says. "Unfortunately, they hurt themselves and draw attention to what can be a healthy venture for other people." The bottom line,

Trevino says, is that life is full of hazards. "Where do you draw the line? Eating tuna is dangerous because of the mercury. It's all about managing risk." His mother, Anne Kersten, puts it more succinctly: "He doesn't want to die—he's not a crazy person," she says, before adding with a laugh, "Well, I mean, he kind of is. . . ."

Kersten still lives in Trevino's hometown, the Iowa hamlet of Fort Dodge. From the time he was little, she recalls, "it was always work hard and play hard. He was just born that way. He doesn't do anything halfway." Mike was the only boy among four Trevino children; his father, a medical malpractice attorney, had been a high school football star in Texas, and each of his sisters earned All-State tennis honors.

Trevino was a highly energetic kid, climbing anything climbable, riding his bike for hours, building a ramp to catch the thrill of big air. "He had no fear, from the time he was two until now," Kersten says. "He needed to be challenged."

As an All-State football lineman and heavyweight wrestler in high school, Trevino tipped the scales at nearly 200 pounds. His football coach thought he had a future in bodybuilding. "It's shocking to see a picture of him now as compared to how I remember him," says Matt Koerner '97, who played club rugby with Trevino at Cornell.

Trevino went out for the football team as a freshman on the Hill, but rugby became his weekend passion. After posting a first-semester grade point average of 1.82, he focused on academics and managed to graduate in three years. During what would have been his senior year, he worked in Germany as marketing director for a small sports merchandising company and joined the semi-pro Heidelberg RGH rugby team. While participating in the



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Going the distance:
Runner Becky Harman '92 has set course records for women in several 50k races.

Red Heat

Cornellians who take the long way home

mike Trevino isn't the only Cornellian who longs for long distances. In 2005, Becky Harman '92, a research associate in Cornell's animal science department, set course records for women in three regional 50k races, finishing among the top three in each event and earning Western New York Ultra Runner of the Year honors. Like Trevino, Harman played club rugby as an undergraduate and has excelled in diverse endurance competitions. She won three straight women's titles in the Finger Lakes Snowshoe Race and last year finished the Lake Placid Ironman Triathlon (a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike, and 26.2-mile run) in under twelve hours. "I think most people could do it if they wanted to and had the time to train," she insists. "It's just that not many people want to or have the time."

Also like Trevino, Andy Rice '88 transformed himself from a wrestler (an All-Ivy 167-pounder) into an ultramarathoner. The agricultural loan officer from Canandaigua, New York, graduated from marathons to ultras four years ago; since then, he has twice finished second in the Canandaigua Lake 50. Rice says the discipline he learned as a wrestler lends itself well to his latest athletic pursuit. "Most everybody thinks you have to be a little off-center to do this," he notes. "And probably we are."

And then there's former Cornell physics post-doc Giseller Schneider. For sheer distance, it's difficult to top the forty-two-year-old resident of Traunstein, Germany. Over the past few years, he has ranked among the top finishers in several footraces of 100 miles or more in various parts of the globe, including the Western States 100, the Hardrock 100 in Colorado's San Juan Mountains, the North Face Ultra-Trail Tour du Mont Blanc (circling the highest peak in the Alps), and, remarkably, a 246-kilometer race from Athens to Sparta in Greece. "I learned that the longer and tougher the race, the better I perform," says Schneider. "Most runners consider it a competition between you and the course, not between each other."

For many, the achievement is in the journey itself. Ithaca restaurateur and food historian Michael Turback '66 has run more than 100 races of marathon distance or longer, including a handful of fifty-milers, usually finishing in the middle of the pack. "I'm not built for running, but I love pushing myself to the physical edge," he says. "There's a kind of euphoria. It adds so much more to your life to be able to push yourself to those kinds of limits."

team's epic training runs, he discovered a passion for distance running.

In 1998, while working for Price Waterhouse in Chicago, Trevino ran his first marathon, finishing in a respectable three hours and twenty minutes. Soon, he was putting away a half-dozen marathons a year. But it wasn't until he moved to San Diego and launched Agilitas, Inc., his information technology services and software development company, that he found his true athletic calling. A running partner mentioned a race called the Pacific Crest Trail 50 Miler. In his first ultramarathon (defined as any race longer than 26.2 miles), he finished seventh overall.

His ten-hour time was good enough for first in his age group, which highlights an intriguing aspect of ultra-endurance competition—the best competitors tend to be in their late thirties and forties. “You have to have the mental maturity to deal with a lot of things, because it's a roller coaster; you have euphoric moments, but you also have moments when you want to die,” says Trevino, who turned thirty-two in December. “In terms of the physical fitness curve, I'm probably on the downward trend. In terms of mental abilities and understanding my body, I'm probably still on the curve up.”

Trevino won his first fifty-miler in his third ultra attempt, in March 2001, shaving nearly two hours off his original time. He won his next ultra two months later (he ran the Boston Marathon in between), then triumphed in the Badwater, arguably the toughest footrace on the planet. He followed that with a 50k victory in October, then set a record in an event called the San Diego One Day by running 144.31 miles around a track in twenty-four hours. (Afterwards, he says, he felt like his legs “had been ripped open with razor blades.”) *Ultra-running* magazine selected him as North America's ninth-best ultra runner of 2001.

In February 2002, as the defending champion of the Smuggler's 50 Miler in Southern California, Trevino trimmed another hour off his previous year's time and set a course record. But while training for the Western States 100 he developed a stress fracture in his right leg, an overuse injury. After an unorthodox rehab regimen (he climbed 23,000 feet up Mount Everest to participate in a clean-up expedition), he struggled through his asthma to finish thirteenth at the Western States event the following year. It was his last running race.



Addictive personality: Just months after asthma prompted him to switch from running to cycling, Trevino was dominating his new sport. ‘I just had to get used to being on the bike for that long,’ he says.

COURTESY OF MIKE TREVINO

“Asthma is a warning sign that your body is developing a mechanism to prevent you from doing what you're doing,” says Trevino. “Also, it had started to become a grind. It wasn't fun like it used to be.”

To give his joints a rest, Trevino turned to cycling and got serious about it fast. In September 2003, three months after his last footrace, he dominated the Ultra Marathon Cycling Association Time Trials in Iowa, covering 463 miles in twenty-four hours. He bested that mark by eighteen miles in the same race last September, and in 2005 he set a trans-Iowa speed record, cycling 273 miles across the state in ten hours and thirty-seven minutes. “A lot of the fitness carried over aerobically,” he says. “I just had to get used to being on the bike for that long.”

Trevino's transition to ultra-cycling doesn't surprise his old rugby mate Koerner. “He's pursued each successive

goal to the nth degree,” he says. “I think that's the only way he knows to go about doing things.” Sometimes, when people remark to Trevino about the “insanity” of training thirty-plus hours a week, he'll point out that the average American spends that much time watching television. “There's no question I have an addictive personality, and moderation is something I've never been good at,” he says. “When you go for a 400-mile training ride, and you're out in the desert, and it's dark, and you're all by yourself, you have some moments where you're thinking, What the hell am I doing? But for the most part, I listen to my music and feel that I'm right where I need to be.” 🍷

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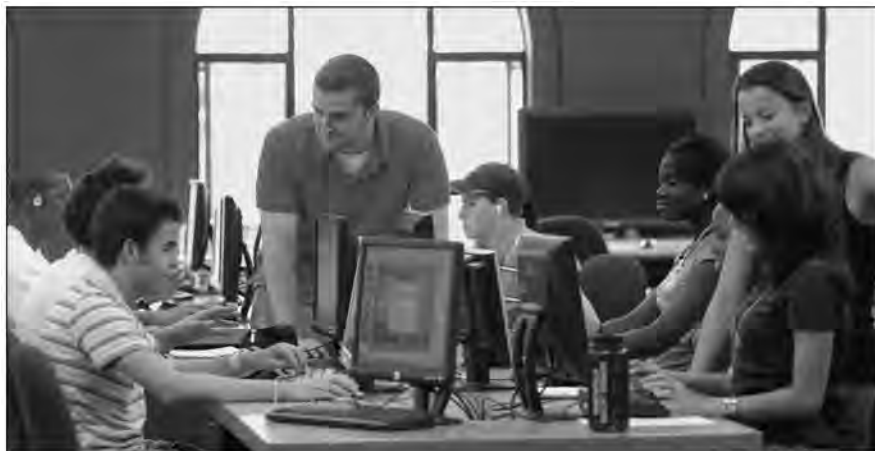
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Gathering Time and Talents

Best practices for alumni participation, Part I

By Stephanie Keene Fox '89
and Larry Taylor '73

Ed. Note: This is the first of two articles about the various ways Cornellians encourage participation in alumni organizations; the second will appear in the March/April issue.

Cornell's alumni organizations rely on a steady base of active volunteers and membership dues to serve their constituents. But we alumni are a diverse, dispersed group—and that often presents a challenge for the organizations that serve us. What are some of the best ways for alumni groups to encourage membership and galvanize volunteers?

To find out, we surveyed all groups belonging to the Cornell Alumni Federation, from regional clubs to college-based groups, as well as some classes. The survey was not intended to generate statistics, but to gather feedback about what works well. We collected the responses and distilled them into the following “best practices.” These tools and ideas may enhance membership and participation in your own alumni organization.

Collecting Membership Dues

The annual newsletter

The University provides the tool that regional clubs use most widely to collect membership dues: an annual newsletter, mailed in late summer or early fall by the Office of Alumni Affairs. This mailing is unique: it goes to all alumni in the area, regardless of whether they have ever paid dues or attended an event. The newsletter is the



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most far-reaching communication piece for capturing new and renewed regional club memberships; it includes compelling content such as a calendar of events and the club president's letter highlighting reasons to participate. Most clubs make a strong pitch for membership in the newsletter. Many add a solicitation in the president's letter for their local scholarship or book award program; those who wish to support the organization in addition to dues may fund programs focused on students.

Timing is crucial: an early mailing is most effective. As Chuck Schilke, JD

'88, of the Cornell Club of Washington says, “In years when we get the mailing sent to D.C. alums by August 1, we attract significantly more new members than when we have it sent after August 20.” Using first-class postage for any mailing ensures the correspondence will be forwarded.

Follow-up postcards and letters

Typically, only some 50 percent of active regional club members renew in response to the newsletter. Our alumni are busy and inundated with mail. A

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CAA/Central New York, Jan. 26–9th Annual "Far Above Cayuga's Wineries," benefit wine tasting and silent auction. Contact Jim Miller, jgm27@cornell.edu, 315/422-4818.

CAA/Ithaca, Feb. 1–3rd Annual Student-Alumni Networking Event. Contact Holly Heitzman, hch3@cornell.edu, 607/254-7182.

CAA/Central New York, Feb. 8–Evening tours of the *Post-Standard* newspaper presses. Contact Jim Miller, jgm27@cornell.edu, 315/422-4818.

CC/Greater Capital District, Feb. 9–Men's hockey vs. Union College. Contact David Jennings, DLJ8@cornell.edu, 518/393-0905.

CC/Greater Capital District, Feb. 10–Men's hockey vs. RPI. Contact Robert Lynk, thelynks@midtel.net, 518/439-3948.

CAA/Ithaca, Feb. 10–Men's basketball vs. Yale. Contact Bob Slocum, rss13053@yahoo.com, 607/844-9460.

CWC/Cortland County, Feb. 27–Beading activity with designer Jenien Passigli, Cortland. Contact Marti Dumas, 607/753-7751.

Metro/New York

CAA/Westchester, Jan. 26–Tour of the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Greek and Roman collections with Frank Robinson, Johnson Museum director. Contact Jim Irish, wcbigred@aol.com, 914/428-7340.

CC/Northern New Jersey, Jan. 28–Holiday party. Contact Bob Rossi, rr283@cornell.edu, 201/848-7501.

CC/Northern New Jersey, Feb. 4–Family bowling and pizza party. Contact Janet Rubin, jarubin@comcast.net, 973/564-6018.

CAA/Westchester, Feb. 9–Second Friday Lunch Club, Valhalla Crossing. Contact John Murray, rujomurr@aol.com, 914/478-5842.

CAA/Princeton, Feb. 10–Pan-Asian New Year Dinner, New York City. Contact Mary Chan, mchan9@comcast.net, 609/716-1319.

College of Architecture, Art, and Planning, Feb. 15–Alumni reception at the National College Art Association Convention, New York City. Contact Jane Hodgson, jeh65@cornell.edu, 607/255-7510.

CAA/Westchester, March 2–Wine tasting with Maxine Siegel, manager of *Consumer Reports'* sensory group. Contact Jean Voutsinas, bpkts@optonline.net, 845/353-1260.

CAA/Westchester, March 9–Second Friday Lunch Club, Valhalla Crossing. Contact John Murray, rujomurr@aol.com, 914/478-5842.

CAA/Westchester, March 10–Tennis party with the Penn Alumni Association of Westchester, Armonk Tennis Club. Contact Laura Fratt, LDF8@cornell.edu, 914/723-5108.

Northeast

CC/Coastal Connecticut, Jan. 21–Connecticut River Museum train exhibit, Essex. Contact Myron Stacks, mstacks@aol.com.

CC/Cape Cod, Feb. 7–Luncheon, Old Yarmouth Inn, Yarmouth Port. Contact Art and Georgia Gast, a.f.gast@adelphia.net, 508/888-1836.

CC/Boston, Feb. 24–Men's hockey vs. Harvard. Contact Jeffrey Lang, JLANG@cornellclub.org, 978/764-7948.

CC/Rhode Island and Bristol County, MA, Feb. 26–Tour of Ladd Observatory, Brown University. Contact Mitch Edwards, medwards@haslaw.com, 401/275-5522.

CC/Greater Hartford, March 1–Tour of Wadsworth Atheneum's conservation department. Contact Shana Mueller, sjc5@cornell.edu, 860/345-4418.

CC/Vermont, March 8–Open board meeting, at the home of Walt Bruska, Shelburne. Contact Walt Bruska, WALTB@surfglobal.net, 802/985-4121.

CC/Cape Cod, March 14–Lunch with guest Allan Stam, Dartmouth College government professor, speaking on the role of a strong democracy in the world today. Contact Art and Georgia Gast, a.f.gast@adelphia.net, 508/888-1836.

Middle Atlantic

Cornell Association of Class Officers, Jan. 19-20–Mid-Winter Meeting, Philadelphia Marriott Downtown, Philadelphia. Contact the Office of Alumni Affairs, 607/255-1988, or visit www.alumni.cornell.edu.

Middle Atlantic Regional Office, Jan. 20–Ezra Cornell's 200th birthday party, Citizens Bank Park. Contact Middle Atlantic Regional Office, cdd22@cornell.edu, 610/458-1846.

CC/Washington, Feb. 9–Savion Glover, Warner Theatre. Contact Tomoko Morinaga, tomo1008@hotmail.com.

CC/Washington, March 13–Lincoln Center Jazz, Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Contact Tomoko Morinaga, tomo1008@hotmail.com.

Midwest

CC/Minnesota, Jan. 16–Reading group: *The Terrorist* by John Updike, Caffe con Amore, St. Paul. Contact Buzzi McVay, cbmcmvay@earthlink.net, 612/377-5780.

CC/St. Louis, Jan. 20–Tour the Third Degree Glass Factory, Delmar Street, St. Louis. Contact Wendy Sponaule, wfs4@cornell.edu.

CC/Pittsburgh, Feb. 7–Dinner club, Point Brugge Cafe, Pittsburgh. Contact Mady Bauer, mjbauer@switch.com, 412/831-9039.

CC/St. Louis, Feb. 8–Applicants' reception, Richmond Heights Community Center and Memorial Library. Contact Wendy Sponaule, wfs4@cornell.edu.

CC/Michigan, Feb. 18–Board meeting and Chinese New Year celebration. Contact Sarah Pettengill, sbpettingill@yahoo.com, 508/737-2968.

CC/Minnesota, Feb. 20–Reading group: *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* by Jonathon Safran Foer, Caffe con Amore, St. Paul. Contact Buzzi McVay, cbmcmvay@earthlink.net, 612/377-5780.

CC/Pittsburgh, March 7–Dinner club, Blue, Duncan Manor Plaza. Contact Mady Bauer, mjbauer@switch.com, 412/831-9039.

CC/St. Louis, March 15–Dragon Day and Zinck's-and-a-Half, a Young Alumni event. Contact Wendy Sponaule, wfs4@cornell.edu.

Southeast

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Jan. 18–Happy hour, Don Pablo's Mexican Kitchen. Contact Ron Chandler, rpchan@bellsouth.net, 908/829-8417.

CAA/Charlotte, Jan. 19–Charlotte Checkers vs. South Carolina Sting Rays, Charlotte Bobcats Arena. Contact Christine Goodell, 704/995-4944.

CC/Eastern Florida, Feb. 4–Polo match, Royal Palm Polo Sports Club, Boca Raton. Contact Dick Marks, rhm22@cornell.edu, 561/742-2535.

CC/Gold Coast, Feb. 4–Polo match, Royal Palm Polo Sports Club, Boca Raton. Contact Lawrence Ben, bulldogLSB@aol.com, 954/961-3710.

CAA/Southwest Florida, Feb. 8–Thursday Lunch Club, Audubon Country Club, Naples. Contact Mary LeDuc, mleduc@cl-law.com, 239/649-3110.

CC/Suncoast, Feb. 10–"Open the Bottle Night" wine tasting, St. Petersburg. Contact Tom Murphy, TLM33@cornell.edu, 727/384-2727.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Feb. 10–Gala 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance, with Frank and Rosa Rhodes, Michael's on East, Sarasota. Contact Jim Billings, jrb6341@earthlink.net, 941/366-3125.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Feb. 25–Annual polo tailgate picnic, Sarasota Polo Grounds. Contact Jim Billings, jrb6341@earthlink.net, 941/366-3125.

CC/Suncoast, March 1–All-Ivy-Plus networking night. Contact Tom Murphy, TLM33@cornell.edu, 727/384-2727.

CC/Gold Coast, March 2–*My Fair Lady*. Contact Lawrence Ben, bulldogLSB@aol.com, 954/961-3710.

CAA/Atlanta, March 7–Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series: Buzz Spector, Department of Art chair. Contact Kimberly Hawkins, kim.hawkins@gi.leica-geosystems.com, 404/289-8102.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, March 8–Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series: Speaker TBA, Michael's on East. Contact Jim Billings, jrb6341@earthlink.net, 941/366-3125.

CAA/Southwest Florida, March 8–Thursday Lunch Club, Audubon Country Club, Naples. Contact Mary LeDuc, mleduc@cl-law.com, 239/649-3110.

CAA/Southwest Florida, March 8–Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series: Buzz Spector, Department of Art chair. Contact Joel Schechter, jschechter@cl-law.com, 239/513-2088.

CC/Eastern Florida, March 9–Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series: Buzz Spector, Department of Art chair. Contact Richard Marks, rhm22@cornell.edu, 561/742-2535.

Southwest/Mountain

CC/Colorado, March 6–Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series: Joseph Laquatra, professor of design and environmental analysis, speaking on "What You Don't Know About Your House Can Kill You." Contact Peter Quinn, pjq1@yahoo.com, 303/249-4107.

CC/New Mexico, March 7–Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series: Joseph Laquatra, professor of design and environmental analysis, speaking on "What You Don't Know About Your House Can Kill You." Contact Ed Maglisceau, edmag@prodigy.net, 505/466-1120.

CAA/Greater Houston, March 10–Family concert *ZOOrrific*, Houston Symphony. Contact Bob Taylor, oprmt@cs.com, 281/494-3969.

Western

School of Hotel Administration, March 3–Award dinner honoring Hotelier of the Year West Michael Chiu, Westin St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco. Contact Kenneth Kuchman, kenneth.kuchman@pkfc.com, 415/421-5378.

International

School of Hotel Administration, Jan. 31-Feb. 4–Cornell Hotel Society European Regional Meeting, Cairo and Luxor, Egypt. Contact Deiv Salutsikij, deivsalutsikij@restel.fi.

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reminder letter or postcard in the fall helps capture their attention. One-third of the organizations that responded to our survey include a return-addressed envelope, which improves the response rate. Another effective strategy is to send a letter in the spring to remind alumni of an event in the Cornell Alumni Federation Speaker Series and bundle it with a membership reminder. Late-joiners are often given an extended membership or a half-price deal. All clubs using reminders said they would like to use them more often.

Lifetime memberships

Some Cornell groups offer eligible alumni a lump-sum payment option that covers membership fees for life. In general, these groups charge ten times the annual dues for a lifetime membership. The Cornell Club of Washington has a separate bank account for its lifetime membership dues and finds that the interest alone covers the annual membership cost of the life members. One tremendous benefit of a lifetime membership program is that it allows the club to focus on recruiting new members rather than reminding current and lapsed members to renew. Groups that offer this option recommend aggressive marketing: they include lifetime membership in all solicitation mailings and acknowledge new lifetime members in newsletters and other communications.

The Cornell Law Association offers a variation: it considers all Law School graduates to be members and does not collect dues. Rather, it charges attendance fees at its events. Other options include multi-year membership discounts; free memberships for current students, their families, and recent graduates; broadening the standard membership to include family members; and “patron” or “premium” memberships for those who choose to support the club’s work at a higher level.

Simplify payment

Over and over we hear alumni say it’s not the cost that prevents them from paying dues (usually around \$30 per year); it’s the hassle. Make it easy for alumni to join and renew membership. Increasing participation through dues can be as simple as mailing out a bill to all members from the previous year. In this way, paying dues becomes part

of the member’s normal bill payment process. Again, a return-addressed envelope yields great results. Some groups include a membership expiration date on the fall mailing label so alumni will know when they are up for renewal. An automatic renewal option has been highly successful for organizations that offer credit-card payment.

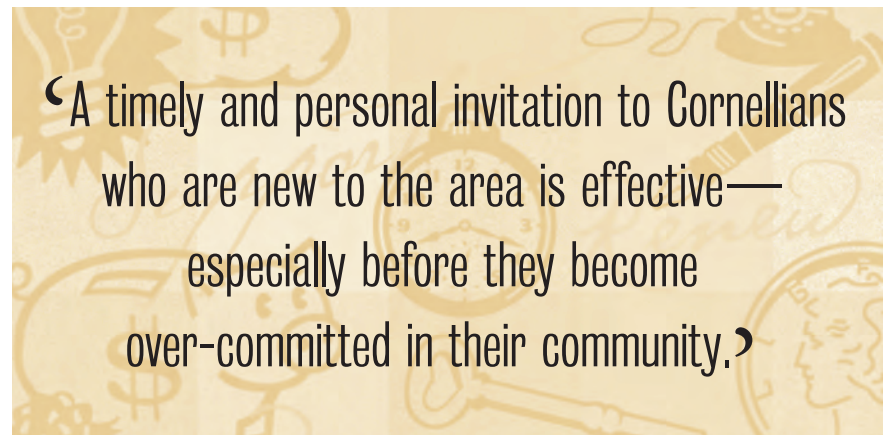
Websites

Different groups use websites to varying degrees. For some, a website is becoming the standard method with which they collect dues and enroll members. Payments are secure and accepted via credit card or PayPal, a popular service

personal invitation to Cornellians who are new to the area is effective—especially before they become over-committed in their new community.

Premium programs

Many groups have offered specials in order to provide value to dues-paying members. The Cornell Club of Rochester, New York, offers a drawing for two tickets to local theater for people who renew within thirty days of receiving the annual newsletter. The Cornell Alumni Association of Central New York has offered new members photographs by Dick Welch of Cayuga Images, stipulating that the member must



that enables an individual or business to send and receive payments online. The Cornell Club of Boston charges a higher fee for memberships purchased by mail and paid by check. The Cornell Club of Austin, Texas, collects more than 50 percent of membership dues and event fees via a PayPal link embedded in the Club website.

Organizations that do not offer online membership services say the most important improvement they could make to the club would be to offer website enrollment and online dues payment. However, remember that websites require upkeep. Outdated information on a website presents a negative image.

New recruits

Many groups act to recruit new members when they are notified an alum has moved to their area. (Be aware that an address change can also indicate simply that an alum has moved to a new home in the same area.) A timely and

pick up the print at a Club event. The Cornell Club of Austin’s latest initiative is to have a few members-only events. The Sarasota, Florida, club picks up the tab for taxi rides to events for alumni who are no longer able to drive. The Cornell Club of Chicago has used a free event to encourage non-members to join. As you can see, this wide array of programs demonstrates that your group can get creative with premium options.

In our next installment, we’ll offer more ideas for encouraging participation in alumni organizations.

Ed. Note: If you have specific questions about the survey results, please e-mail Donna Carl at dc37@cornell.edu and the authors will respond.

Stephanie Keene Fox is a Cornell Alumni Federation director from the region (Southwest/Mountain). Larry Taylor is a past president of the Cornell Club of St. Louis and a Cornell Alumni Federation director from the region (Midwest).

31 For several years, scrutiny of the list of Legacies published annually in this magazine has been disappointing in the number of “ancestors” from the Class of ’31 (now that we are long past the time when we can have a direct impact on these figures). However, the list in the July/August 2006 issue shows a very promising “up-tick” in the count of ’31ders. Our progeny have been doing a little better in producing material that can gain admission to Cornell and in “bending the twig” toward Ithaca. (Of course, in these days of hot competition for the best high school graduates, a lot depends upon our descendants’ choice of spouses.) Anyway, here is the list for the Cornell Class of 2009.

1) **Kathryn Panek** is listed among 19 of her classmates who are both grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Cornellians. Her ’31 ancestor is **Margaret Gilchrist Dudley** (13276 West County Rd., Albion, NY 14411-1921); 2) **Steven Lewis** is the grandson of **Martin Riger** (6343 Via de Sonrisa del Sur, Boca Raton, FL 33433-8211); 3) **Philip Brest** is listed among fourth-generation Cornellians and is the grandson of **Frederick R. Brown**, MD ’34 (deceased); 4) **Kylie Burghardt** is listed among 17 classmates who are great-grandchildren and/or great-great-grandchildren of Cornellians. Her ’31 ancestor is **Bradley O. Gormel** (deceased); and 5) **Ethan Hessney** is the grandson of our **Abbott L. Hessney** (deceased). Not a bad record, but I will leave to other class correspondents, or the computer, to show a better one among our age group.

In earlier columns, your correspondent has reported with delight the reactions of recent “Bandies” to their participation—after each Columbia football game in NYC—in the “Sy Katz ’31 Parade” down Fifth Avenue from the steps of St. Patrick’s Cathedral to the Cornell Club on East 44th St. It is, and should be, a source of class pride that our own **Sy Katz** had the idea that a band as good as Cornell’s deserves a parade of its own. His planning and action on that idea—going down to City Hall and getting a permit—has created a new Cornell tradition, like Davy, Tee Fee Crane, Zinck’s, and all the pikers on the Hill that will all—if not in person, in spirit—“be back again next fall.”

Comes now from the same source (the “Alumni Beat” section of the “Big Red Band Notes” for Spring 2006) the following excerpt: “**Penny Skitol Haitkin ’65** [has been] the organizer of the Sy Katz ’31 Parade down Fifth Ave. every two years, making sure that the band gets a police escort and that 44th Street is blocked off for the concert. For this and other volunteer service, Penny received the ‘ultimate alumni honor,’ the Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service

Award, on Homecoming Weekend 2006.” Too bad the award did not exist until long after Sy had his idea. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, 237 N. Main St., #250, S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2088; tel., (508) 760-4250; e-mail, ggrampi@yahoo.com.

35 We had the pleasure of attending, along with **Viola Henry Miller-Mullane**, vice president of the class, the inauguration of David J. Skorton as 12th president of the university in Ithaca on September 7. Whoever chose the outdoor setting in the Arts Quad was a genius, in view of the thick fog that greeted us in early morning. The afternoon could not have been more delightful, although even the best folding chairs get pretty hard after three hours. I have always been a devotee of brevity, and the planners of this event have yet to join me. It was a colorful ceremony with the large faculty in their academic robes and a program that included poetry, music, and many feats of oratory. A multi-national vegetarian dinner followed. We wish our new president the best of everything and hope that his term of office is a lengthy one.

While we were on campus, we visited the Class Walk, which was being tended by two workmen sweeping up the fallen leaves. It looked good, but we still worry about the erosion of the soil around the large tree on the bank. A report from the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of the university indicates that the Class of 1935 Walk Maintenance Fund is doing well, producing over \$11,000 a year toward the Walk’s support.

Edward Harker, LLB ’37 (1361 East Boat Rd., Apt. 315, West Chester, PA 19380) writes that he has been retired for 16 years and is living in an unassisted living community, where he has met and socializes with **William Vogel ’31**. He spends summers in Sea Bright, NJ. He has outlived two wives and has four living children, eight grandchildren, and five greats. He has awards from five years’ service in WWII, including two years in the Pacific against Japan. He is a retired Army colonel.

Marion Frances Beardsley (3075 Emerson St., Palo Alto, CA 94306-2362) reports that she has five children, including **Nancy Lee Rose Forsberg ’60** and **James Beardsley Rose ’62**, BCE ’65. She also has five grandchildren and two greats. Her hobbies are walking and playing the piano.

We have received the obituary of **E. Allen Robinson**, who passed away February 11, 2006 at the Covenant Shores Health Center, Mercer Island, WA, where he had lived for a year. Following service in the Army in and after WWII, Al spent a very active life outdoors in Alaska and the State of Washington.



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Showcase: On the evening of October 27, Barton Hall was transformed into a spectacular banquet hall for a multimedia event to kick off "Far Above . . . the Campaign for Cornell." More than 1,200 alumni, faculty, students, and staff enjoyed the evening.



Live and Learn

GRACE MILLER KAUFMAN '37

Like most college students, Grace Kaufman goes to class and does her homework every night. But unlike most of her classmates, she earned her last academic degree when FDR was president.

Kaufman lives in Lasell Village, a Newton, Massachusetts, retirement community whose residents are required to take 450 hours of coursework each year. Retirees attend classes with traditional-age students at nearby Lasell College, which owns the complex. "I'm not a person who just sits around and plays cards," Kaufman says. "So it's perfect for me." So far, her favorite courses have included Politics of the Middle East, Forensics, and The History of Boston's Gangs; last semester she delved into Rossini's opera *The Barber of Seville*. When she's not in class, Kaufman visits local museums and attends concerts and lectures.

Kaufman moved to Newton from Long Island six years ago, following the death of her husband, Theodore Kaufman '37. The couple met during freshman orientation, moved to New York City after graduation, and married in 1938. Before retiring, Kaufman worked



as a buyer at B. Altman department store; she and her husband also ran their own advertising agency.

A seasoned traveler, Kaufman has been to every continent except Antarctica. She recently visited the Grand Canyon for her ninetieth birthday, celebrating with a walk along the South Rim Trail. "Here I am, ninety years old," she says, "but I still have dreams."

— Christina Bosilkovski

Florence Nusim Greville (2600 Barracks Rd., Apt. 207, Charlottesville, VA 22901-2100) reports that she has written a book entitled *By the Numbers: From Arithmetic to Basic Algebra*. She also tutors math and plays piano and golf. We are glad you are staying active, Florence.

When you read this column, you will be enjoying the holidays, I hope. All the best to you. ♦ **Albert G. Preston Jr.**, 252 Overlook Dr., Greenwich, CT 06830-6720; tel., (203) 869-8387; e-mail, davada35@aol.com.

37 While your faithful correspondents take a break, here is some recent news received at the magazine offices from your classmates.

Dr. **Ludmilla Uher Jenkins** and husband **Irving** keep busy with their house in Las Vegas and with visitors. They travel a little, but mostly stay close to home. Occasional family gatherings,

particularly around the holidays, include their son Richard and daughters Katherine and Barbara. **Theda Backalenick** Frank (Santa Barbara, CA) is a proud great-grandmother. Her grandson and his wife recently had a second daughter in June. Rachel Emily is little sister to Sarah Naomi, and all are well and happy.

Elsie Koehler Fowler has three children, six grandchildren, and (so far) seven great-grandchildren. She recently traveled to California for two weeks to visit her son and now lives in Naples, FL, to be near her daughter. "I worked for the Pennsylvania Dept. of Welfare before retiring at the age of 63. My husband **Harry '35** was director of Venango County (PA) Industrial Development until he retired at 68. He was also county commissioner of Venango County." Elsie writes that, due to age, her activities are somewhat limited, but she does enjoy playing bridge.

John Weidman sends class dues but no news from Ft. Worth, TX. **Harvey Slatin** (Stamford, NY), still active in his consulting business, sent an update on news that appeared in the May/June issue of this magazine. His wife Anne, a ceramist and weaver who has been deputy mayor for 16 years, was running for mayor. At this writing, the results were not known.

Edward Acton has seven grandchildren and four greats. 2006 travel included an October motor home trip to Disney's Fort Wilderness Campground in Florida. As a hobby, Ted works with audio-video and computer systems, and he is also active on the Old Home Week committee in his hometown of Freedom, NH. He writes, "I am in pretty good shape and played tennis twice a week all summer. In winter I will play weekly and ski once a week at least, though I do have some leg problems. I would like to see more class news."

The annual News and Dues mailing went out last fall, and we look forward to giving Ted what he wants—more class news! If you haven't returned your News Form yet, please write us today. Your classmates want to hear how you're doing. A return envelope is always provided. On behalf of your class correspondents, **Selma Block Green** and **Robert Rosevear**, Happy New Year to all. ♦ **Class of '37**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 401, Ithaca, NY 14850; e-mail news to the Class Notes Editor at: adr4@cornell.edu.

38 **George** and wife **Libby Schempp** of Melbourne, FL, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with family and friends on October 28, 2006 with a luncheon at the Indian River Colony Club in Viera, FL. The Schempps met in Marseilles, France, after WWII. George was a navigator on a B-17 with the 8th Air Force, and Libby was a US Army nurse stationed in England and France. They married October 31, 1946 in Glens Falls, NY.

The couple had three children: **Charlotte Schempp Day '60** of Newark, DE; William of Lansing, NY; and George C. Jr., who is deceased. They have four grandchildren and three greats. George and Libby spent their working years in Ithaca, NY, and moved to Melbourne, FL, in 1976.

Check in with your classmates. Send past histories, present news, and future plans by US Mail or by e-mail to: ♦ **Class of '38**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850; e-mail, Adele Robinette, Class Notes Editor, adr4@cornell.edu.

39 When this column was due in early November, your News updates were just starting to come in from our annual fall class mailings—not quite enough volume to write a column for this issue, but holding the promise of plenty of material for the next.

Look for both a Men's and Women's column in the March/April issue . . . and if you haven't sent in your News yet, it's not too late! Write us directly, or use the return envelope provided in your class mailing. All good wishes for 2007! ♦ **Phil Twitchell**, 1963 Indian Valley Rd., Novato, CA 94947; e-mail, philtwitchell@comcast.net;

Ruth Gold Goodman, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; e-mail, BG11@cornell.edu.

40 Happy New Year to all—and hopefully all your holidays were merry! I'd expected to have lots of news for this column in response to last fall's News and Dues letter. But unfortunately, that was late getting to Ithaca (good intentions but poor execution, plus the usual long processing time!). So there's nothing to say except: if you haven't sent in your News Form yet, make that your New Year's resolution (a bit late) and send it on, so by spring there will be lots of news for this column. And, of course, send in your dues, too, so you'll get *Cornell Alumni Magazine* and be able to keep up with your classmates and the doings on the Hill. ♦ **Ellen Ford**, 300 Westminster Canterbury Dr., Apt. 416, Winchester, VA 22603.

41 This issue will feature New York members and news notes from last spring. **Doris Weber** Clements from Liberty, NY, reports working on her "second millionth counted cross-stitching project." Her eyesight must be excellent even though she says she hobbles around, as do many of us. Her grandson, who could never keep a checkbook straight, is now a financial consultant with Wachovia! **Dorothy Newman Seligman** and husband **Donald** play tennis and golf and do lots of walking in beautiful Somers, NY, where they live. They are near children (both Cornellians) and grandchildren, so they get together often. Their last trip was to Barcelona with their son and daughter-in-law, which was fantastic.

We were so glad to see **Janet Wilbor** Warner at reunion, even though her husband Lyle had passed away in January. Her daughter Sandra (who attended with her) and her son-in-law Douglas, who live nearby, have given her much needed support. I had not heard of her loss, but **Eddie Burgess** Bartholomew called Janet to express her sympathy and to say she would not be attending reunion. We all missed you greatly, Eddie. **Jane Frier** Bertrand was her usual upbeat self at reunion, which she attended with **Marjorie Brass** Greene, a fellow Syracusean.

Gretchen Fonda Gagnon, from nearby Cohoes, attended reunion with her charming daughters, all looking and feeling great. She keeps busy now with great-grandchildren, the newest: 8-year-old Alan. All live nearby, and as I report, they may be getting ready for a trip to Disney World at Thanksgiving. **Edith Lewis** Perman-Allen (and husband Henry) regretted that too many family affairs (weddings, graduations, etc.) prevented coming to reunion. She keeps active in Rye, NY, and has joined the computer age, which will help her keep in touch with several classmates—especially **Sylvia Weintrob** Kessler, for whom we have no address. Tell Sylvia we'd love to hear from her. It was good to see **Dot Papish** from nearby Albany, NY, enjoying the festivities at reunion, as did **Eleanor Slack** Randles, MS '78, our former president and an active member of our class. **Anna-Rose Bernstein** Tykulsker from NYC, as well as **Jean Way**

Schoonover, our incoming President, rounded out our New York delegation.

We received reports on two classmates not from New York by a husband and a daughter, for which we thank them. **Dale Kuntz Galston** from Hamden, CT, had a series of strokes in 2005, suffered a broken hip after a bad fall, and then developed vascular dementia and an inability to use her legs. Her husband **Arthur '40** reports that she is content in the Whitney Health Center and reads from a book to him daily. Paula Seaman Lyden wrote that her mother, **Lillian Taylor** Seaman, died on May 31, 2005. Our sympathy goes to her family. May all of our readers have happy memories of 2007. ♦ **Shirley Richards** Sargent Darmer, 20 Haddington Lane, Delmar, NY 12054; e-mail, Kid12054@aol.com.

Two members of the football team attended our recent reunion. We've already commented on how **Bud Finneran** reviewed the Dartmouth game for us at one of our dinners. The other player, **Lou Conti**, missed that dinner because of other campus commitments (we did have the pleasure of his wife's company, **Dotty (Kellogg) '43**). Had he been there, Lou might have made additional comments, having played in the line during that never-to-be-forgotten series of plays. Now we hear that Lou will be one of eight honorees receiving the prestigious Ivy Award at the Ivy Football Association's biennial black-tie dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City on January 25, 2007, the other recipients being selected from the other seven Ivies. The award is given to former football players who have become prominent in other fields in later life. Lou is eminently qualified on both fronts, as detailed in a recent Cornell Football Association newsletter. What a guy!

More men from California sent in 2006 news forms than any other state, so we'll go through them next. Dr. **Herb Abrams** and wife Marilyn stopped in Ithaca for reunion on their way from their residence near the Stanford U. campus to Martha's Vineyard, where they spent the summer. Herb is still professionally involved in the Stanford Center for Int'l Security and Cooperation and, to a lesser extent, in the medical school. Dr. **Stanley Reich** of Piedmont, CA, is semi-retired but still teaching radiology at UC Davis and UCSF and consulting for the V.A. and the Air Force. Like many of our classmates, Stan and his wife Adele are enjoying their kids and grandkids. **Alex Inkeles**, MA '46, Palo Alto, says he is still grieving the loss of his wife **Bernadette (Kane)**, but continues to lecture and is quite active as an advisory editor and publishers' consultant.

William Turin, Indian Wells, works part-time at Barnes and Noble, and when he isn't doing that or enjoying family, he watches movies at home so he can read the subtitles. **Irv Merrill**, a Cornell drama major, Walnut Creek, writes of how much he and wife Virginia enjoyed attending a Cornell Glee Club concert in Berkeley last winter, and then hosting two Glee Club members in their home afterwards. **Paul Schweid**, Santa Barbara, reports that his wife Judy works at counseling elderly people.

Three guys, **Irving Drantch** (Beverly Hills), **Robert McCroskery** (Desert Hot Springs), and

Harry Wetzel (Healdsburg), report that no news is good news. More letters next time. ♦ **Warner Lansing**, 6065 Verde Trl. S., Apt. G310, Boca Raton, FL 33433; tel., (561) 487-2008; e-mail, wlansing@bellsouth.net.

42 Pres. **Liz Schlamm** Eddy (NYC) and VP **Jim Kraker** (New Smyrna Beach, FL) are busy visiting Ithaca and keeping our class well-represented on the campus. Liz continues making us all feel great as she rewards us for our love of Cornell and your generous contributions to the class fund, which was depleted by the 60th Reunion. She wants all to plan on the 65th next June. This time she sent *The Great Gatsby*, which all New Yorkers love to read. Thank you, Liz. An interesting note is that **Kurt Vonnegut '44** was the *Cornell Sun* reporter who picked up the women's news at Willard Straight from Liz when she was Women's Editor during WWII.

Ed Markham (Bainbridge Island, WA) called because he attended a "Come Meet Your Cornell Neighbors" affair. He recovered from a car wreck and a bad fall that broke his hand. Despite limping, he is still riding his bicycle all over the island. Ed visited Ithaca and received a congratulatory letter from Prof. Margery Daughtrey of the Cornell Greenhouse Horticulture Program, for his splendid speech, "Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow" at Cornell Field Days. Reunion Chairmen **Don**, MD '45, and **Madelaine Ring Kent '45** (Palm Beach Gardens, FL) attended Cornell's Adult University (CAU), taking Islamic Civilization; Harvey and **Elaine Hoffman** Lupescu (Maplewood, NJ) enjoyed taking part in the Personal Fitness Clinic. Elaine still misses **Babette Hofheimer** Sonneborn (Scarsdale, NY), with whom she went from fifth grade through Cornell. She enjoys golf while in Atlantis, FL, for the winter and is looking forward to her first great-grandchild.

Dorothy Dewey Goodding (Webster, TX) writes that they felt blessed to have been spared hurricane devastation. **Doris Stone** Hanrahan's home in Punta Gorda, FL, is still under repair, so she spent last winter in cold Montauk, NY. Her daughter's husband is in Bahrain, but was due home for a short leave. **Ruth Naitove** Sherman (Lynbrook, NY) is a retired English and drama teacher, but stays in the game tutoring English as a Second Language to foreign students and is even studying Spanish. She cruised to Alaska and had a great time with her niece. Two of her children are professors and her grandchildren are in college. One has a roommate whose grandmother is also named Ruth Sherman!

Charles and Dory Strong Castor '41 (Vero Beach, FL) are both in good health and enjoying life at their retirement community. "We are involved in church activities, computers, reading, travel, and visiting family and friends in upstate New York." Charlie has authored two books on his family history and an official one on his WWII unit, the 59th Armored Field Artillery Battalion. He's currently writing another about his life, so his two children and four grandchildren will know what life was like in the 20th century. He's on page 87, age 18, and entering Cornell.

Harry and **Joanne Supplee** (Fredericksburg, VA) have been married 59 years and, Harry writes, “we are still on our honeymoon.” He was discharged from military service in 1946 after spending most of the time surviving in New Guinea. He graduated from U. of Michigan Law School in 1949 and has now retired, after 55 years of practicing law, to become “a spectator.” With his three children and two grandchildren, he says he is “ready for the world.” **James Kieran’s** (Morristown, NJ) wife Patricia passed away. She attended many parties and balls at Cornell, but had a fatal fall. They had three children and six grandchildren. He stays well, plays golf, and is looking forward to the 65th Reunion.

Sadly, **Allen Shotwell**, MS ’54 (Glen Cove, NY) reports the passing of **Betty Leclar** Gluck (Greene, ME). Betty was a sorority sister of Allen’s first wife, Sherrill Merrill, also deceased. Betty worked in banking and then for 30 years in insurance. She was elected treasurer/tax collector for Greene, a position she held until her retirement. She is survived by her husband John and many, many cousins. Allen last visited them five years ago.

I’m off on the Carnival cruise with my large family—what a way to celebrate my 85th! Do write me about interesting events in your life. We all want to enjoy them. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 8815 46th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; tel., (253) 265-6618; e-mail, carolynfinn@comcast.net.

43 While we await your en route (I hope) News and Dues forms, let your bifocals linger over these few but poignant words. **Bill** and **Peggy Dickhart** are braving the winter at Valley Forge. Send firewood and foot wrappings. In truth, it’s more like they moved oars, muskets, lock, stock, and barrel to Shannondell Retirement Village in the shadow of General Washington’s 1777 winter camp. You can find them huddled by the fire, teeth—original and otherwise—chattering at 22116 Shannondell Dr., Audubon, PA 19403.

Toothsome segue to Himself, as dentist completes installation of my most recent implant: “Lordy, Lordy, Doc, the only thing original in my mouth is my tongue. Take that and I’ll no longer be able to shave.”

Eloise Thro Stimson (Laguna Woods, CA) writes: “We’ve been happily married for over two years now. **Dick** ’41 is preparing his Redding, CA, house for sale since we plan to live here in Orange County from now on.” And then she shortcuts the USPS and summarily appoints us Chief Messenger Boy: “Hi, **Nancy Jessup** Underwood, M Ed ’43! Enjoyed reading about you in CAM, roommate. It’s been 67 years since last I saw you. And yes, as you can see, I finally married that special fellow who flew me from Ithaca to Syracuse that time. Love, Ellie.”

“After retiring in ’87,” reports **Walter Stern**, “I continued to do some engineering work in the field of agriculture.” [I’m not certain that pun was intended, but it’s a keeper.] For vacation I go twice a year to Alman Village, Germany. [My 1940 Linguistics course tells me that Allemagne is cousin to Alman.] My wife teaches German here (Alexandria, VA) to military officers posted to German-speaking countries. [Lancaster, PA?]

Just hung up from a chat with a happy and strong-sounding **Jack Slater**. You may remember that back in 1944 when Jack was stationed at Fort Bragg, NC, he dated a girl—we’ll call her Kate because that’s her name—and then shipped out as 9th Division forward artillery observer in the ETO. At war’s end and his return Stateside, he disembarked, stepped off the gangplank, found a phone—alas, the lass had married—and then took off his pack. Years later Jack phones Kate, says he’s single again and he’d like to visit her and her husband in Fayetteville. “Honey, he died nine years ago.” That news does not deter our lad. The visit takes place; they marry and move to Glen Cove, NY. But—lest Kate miss the South and its more temperate winters—Jack buys a house in her name in Fayetteville. Wise and gracious gesture; it’s now their homestead 24/7/12. Jack says he doesn’t miss New York at all. “I’m surrounded by 19 grandchildren and the occasional roar of heavy artillery.”

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44 It’s a new year. You Northeasterners will read this in wintry weather, but here now it’s autumn, with trees just turning red and gold. CCRCs (continuing care communities) are in the news. **Pete Bellis** was planning to move into Edgewood in North Andover, MA. “Time to abandon Texas and be near family.” They intend to continue traveling, “as long as our health remains good or the money runs out.” **Rose Matt** took an apartment in Woodlawn Commons in Saratoga Springs, NY, in August. **Philip Collins** left his home of 45 years “to join many nice people” in the Methodist Country House in Wilmington, DE. He’s glad to be relieved of housekeeping and yard work. **Christine Sexauer** Simons, whose husband, a Naval trainee at Cornell, died in 2005, writes of her active life in a retirement community in St. Petersburg, FL. **Robert F. Miller**, BS Ag ’48, PhD ’51, of Orange City, FL, reports that after his wife died in December ’05 he moved into John Knox Village, a CCRC. He has “met a new lady” and is having lots of fun.

Barbara Van Slyke Anderson and her husband, who has Alzheimer’s, live independently in a CCRC in Glendale, AZ. She works with a group of alumni to preserve the history of the Presbyterian Mission to the Navajo Indians at Ganado, AZ, where they lived for many years. She taught in mission and public schools, and Doug worked at a trading post. They then retired to a small town between Santa Fe and Albuquerque, NM, for 17 years. “We have traveled much.” Their three children and four grands are doing well. **Ruth Caplan** Brunton and husband Bob are busy and happy in Friendship Village in Tempe, AZ. She volunteers at an elementary school and nearby health center, besides taking advantage of exercise and swimming classes and lots of bridge. They celebrated their 60th anniversary with their big, happy family in June.

George Getman, JD ’48, writes from Sun City Center, FL, that Cornell advised him that there are 25 Cornellians in his community. A CCRC? **Eleanor Bloomfield** Scholl really enjoys life at the Harbor’s Edge community in Delray

Beach, FL. Eleanor is in the PGA Hall of Fame in Dublin, OH, for shooting a hole in one, but is not in Ithaca’s! She visited her six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren last summer.

More anniversaries are being reported. **Hugh** “Dutch” **Doerschuk** celebrated his 61st year of marriage with Judy, “my Wells wife,” in Seattle, WA. They claim nine grandchildren. **Dick**, BA ’43, and **Ruth Leonard Claassen**, also 61 years married, joined **Rodgers** ’45 and Nancy **Broomhead** to celebrate their 62nd anniversary at a restaurant/piano bar in Santa Rosa, CA. The pianist was their age, so they really enjoyed singing their songs. Ruth and Dick are busy and healthy and “fortunately don’t need the health facilities this place offers.” **A. J. Widmer**, BS ORIE ’47, of Webster Groves, MO, had a 62nd anniversary and looks forward to many more. He and his wife live in a CCRC and are still very active, he in Lions Club and as treasurer of the Residents’ Association, they with kids, grandkids, and a great-granddaughter.

There were other anniversaries. **Jerry Tohn** celebrated his 70th bar mitzvah anniversary in June. He and Deedee were looking ahead to summer in Stowe, VT, fall at Cornell for real estate or University Council, and Ballen Islands in Palm Beach Gardens, FL, for winter. **Andy Capi**, MD ’46, and Sherrill, after their 36th summer in Portugal, rented a houseboat on Lake Powell, UT, with son and granddaughter. There they caught and cooked striped bass. Then in October they attended Andy’s 60th Cornell Medical School reunion.

Arlie Williamson Anderson ’47, *Cornell Alumni Magazine* scribe, kindly sent a Rochester Yacht club Keeper of the Flame awards program that listed three 2006 recipients, one of whom was **Helen Knapp** Ingerson. Thereby, Helen was inducted into the National Women’s Hall of Fame as a champion sailor on Lake Ontario. Arlie wrote that this is a big deal in the Rochester area, which is the birthplace of Susan B. Anthony. Helen’s sister is **Marjorie Knapp** Barron ’47, BS HE ’46.

A sad note from **Nick** ’82 and Christopher Kappa. Their mother, **Margaret McCaffrey** Kappa, passed away unexpectedly on May 8 in White Sulphur Springs, WV. Maggie was an ardent reuner and a faithful correspondent. Her sons may be reached at 207 Azalea Trail, White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir., #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.

45 October 13 saw the annual reception/dinner at Statler Hall at which the Alumni Federation honors a few alumni who are recipients of the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award. Our class keeps up its tradition of having one of our own join this select group. This time it was **Jane Knauss** Stevens, MBA ’48 (Pittsford, NY), well deserved of the recognition. **Maralyn Winsor** Fleming (Ithaca) remembers with pleasure her Willard Straight Hall involvement and Kappa Alpha Theta activities. She’s still active with some of her favorite charities, such as Planned Parenthood, and goes to concerts and the theater, as well as Saratoga.

Dick Allen, BME ’47 (Cincinnati, OH) has been corresponding with **Miller Harris**, the ’43

Class Correspondent, who kindly forwarded Dick's latest, in which he reports that he retired 23 years ago as an executive with a huge scrap iron company, but has been busy as chairman of the Port Authority, president of a chamber music society, and a volunteer handyman helping poor, elderly homeowners. He loves downhill skiing and exercise, including keeping up with his four living children and nine grandchildren scattered from California to D.C. Not far from D.C., in Winchester, VA, **Mary Jane Frost** Cooley reports that she retired long ago from Montgomery County, MD, Family Services and the D.C. Public Library, that she and her U. of North Carolina husband Bill now have few "after-hours" activities, and that she would love to rid herself of the stirrup brace she has because of a bad ankle injury. She is making efforts to contact old friends from Cornell and LeRoy (NY) High School and would love to hear from **Nancy Barone** Stockdale, MS '50, who still lives in LeRoy.

Alice Ross McCarthy, BS HE '44, MS '47 (Birmingham, MI), still a whirlwind of environmental issues activity and running her book-publishing company, says that at 82, she is grateful to be working and caring for a large house and an acre of property with many gardens. She remembers fondly her time on campus receiving her BS and MS degrees and remaining on the faculty for seven years. Another still-busy body is Dr. **Marvin Moser** (Scarsdale, NY), who continues his distinguished career as a professor (Yale Med) and editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Clinical Hypertension* and president of the Hypertension Education Foundation, for which he has received numerous honors. From his time on the Hill, he remembers "hectic times in beautiful surroundings." In his spare (!) time he golfs, skis, and plays tennis, and keeps in touch with Dr. **Victor Parsonnet** (Millburn, NJ), from whom we never get any news. Maybe Marvin can persuade him to give us an update.

Another of our medical department representatives, **Richard Weishaar**, BA '49, MD '52 (Machipongo, VA), is more relaxed. He and wife Marie spend November in Arizona before wintering in Key Biscayne, FL, and heading to their home on the Chesapeake Bay for the rest of the year. **Doris Klein** Lelchhook (Newton, MA) enjoys bridge, yoga, senior citizen clubs, time with her children and grandchildren in a timeshare in the Berkshires, and water aerobics/swimming. A big memory for her was trying to share a room with **Betty Reiner** Kurman (Stamford, CT) and her Irish setter. Another of the Klein clan, **Ben Klein** (Miami, FL) and wife Martha enjoy visits from their two grandchildren, attending classes at U. of Miami, and temple activities. One of his prized memories was getting to know faculty members, some of whom attended his wedding. **James '44**, BEE '43, and **Phyllis Avery Olin**, BA '44 (Charlottesville, VA) attend concerts and do volunteer work with young children. Phyl also still enjoys her piano and remembers most fondly from Cornell days meeting Jim, our retired Congressman.

Some of our classmates have requested information on the whereabouts of others. I'm always willing to help if I can, but strongly recommend that you use the online Cornell Alumni Directory,

available at <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>. You will need your new seven-digit Cornell ID number to register the first time; it is printed on the mailing label of your magazine.

For months I've been collecting information so as to finalize an identity list for the class photo taken at our 55th Reunion. It's not 100 percent complete, but good enough to furnish to anyone who may want it. Let me know and I'll send it to you. ❖ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; tel., (757) 716-2400; e-mail, Cushcu45@wmconnect.com.

46 I LOVED reunion. Not only did I get to see all of YOU again, but I got lots of news for our column. Also attending our 60th reunion in June were five of us Keystoners from PA: **Alice Latimer** Fuller, MS Ag '48 (Pine Grove Mills) plus Pi Beta Phi sisters **Ruth Critchlow** Blackman (Newtown) and **Maj-Britt Karlsson** Gabel (Willow Street) and AOPi sisters **Ann McGloin** Stevens (Wyndmoor) and **Yours Truly** (Wernersville) plus NY/PA resident **Dorrie Van**

'I'm surrounded by 19 grandchildren and the occasional roar of heavy artillery.'

JACK SLATER '43

Vleet Hicks, BS HE '45 (State College). Other eastern seaborders included Jerseyite **Pat Kinne** Paoella (Lakewood) and, from NY/NJ, **Marianne Michaelis** Goldsmith, BS HE '45 (Bedminster). Three traveled from MA: **Priscilla Alden** Clement (South Hadley), **Bette Kreuzer** Cullaty (Weston), and **Anne Marani** Plescia (Osterville). Floridians included **Aleta Getman** Huston (Venice) and **Kay Smith** Mancini (Palm Coast).

Ellen Vidal Hollmeyer (Chagrin Falls) was Ohio's lone representative. Ellen was originally from my hometown of Buffalo, NY. Also lone representatives of their states were AOPis **Charlotte Fry** Poor (Peoria, IL) and **Mary Louise Rutan** Snowden (Madison, WI). Texas, the Lone Star State, sent two representatives: **Joyce Manley** Forney (Dallas) and **Carol Skaer** Ryan (Austin). The three coming from CA had the longest journey: **Muriel Salman** Crall, BA '45 (Newport Beach), **Marie Dicker** Haas, BA '45 (San Francisco), and recent resident **Dottie Taylor** Prey (San Mateo).

Women from '47 attending were **Amelia Streif** Harding, **Eve Frye** Spencer, and **Betty Hartman** Selby. Eve and Betty are spouses of '46 men. **Barbara Kendrick** Miller '47, BS HE '46, MS '54, comes to both '46 and '47 reunions. She served as our reunion treasurer one year. I tried my best not to miss any of you. Please let me know if your name hasn't appeared and I'll correct my error. ❖ **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 9 Reading Dr., Apt. 302, Wernersville, PA 19565; tel., (610) 927-8777.

Class Notes Editor Adele Durham Robinette must have suspected ballot box tampering when editing our last issue's report on class elections

(actually, my column ran long, so it got squeezed out). Maybe we can sneak it by her this time.

Class officers elected were: President, **Lloyd Slaughter**; Vice President, **Louise Greene** Richards, PhD '65; Treasurer, **Ruth Critchlow** Blackman; Secretary, **Robert Nist**; Class Correspondents, **Elinor Baier** Kennedy and **Paul Levine**; Cornell Annual Fund Representative, **Richard Turner**; Reunion Chairs, **Mavis Gillette** Sand and **William Farrell**; Special Projects, **Patricia Kinne** Paoella. Please note that president Slaughter needs volunteers for two important offices, Membership Contacts and Webmaster. To help, phone or e-mail Lloyd at (304) 599-4431 or Lslaughter@westco.net.

During your correspondent's tenure, we have had two amazing class presidents. Both were at reunion with their wonderful wives. **Sam** and **Patricia Miller** (Ambler, PA and Marco Island, FL; trimil@aol.com) have worked together to mitigate the effects of Sam's stroke. Sam credits Pat's grit with helping them cope with a nasty Florida hurricane. At reunion, they were pleased to renew their relationship with former university president

Frank Rhodes. Sam wonders where his old classmate **William Morrison** is. Anyone with help, please advise him. **Lloyd Slaughter** (Morgantown, WV; Lslaughter@westco.net) took the reins with hardly a hitch when Sam Miller was incapacitated. He showed great leadership at reunion, and for a flourish gave one of his speeches in poetry. His wife Marilynn was radiant and added greatly to our song sessions. Her voice is beautiful and her knowledge of lyrics is encyclopedic.

Charles Fletcher (Sewickley, PA; chfletch2@wmconnect.com) has been widowed and arrived solo. His only regret is that he registered too late to stay at the Statler. He particularly enjoyed the Barton Hall class march and the exhibits there. After reunion he and his daughter and son-in-law planned a flight to South Africa. **Jerrold** (Bluffton, SC) and **Anne Finch** grade this as the best of the last four reunions. "It was sensational." **Henry Gieseler**, BME '45, MME '50 (Sarasota, FL; hgieseler@comcast.net) agrees enthusiastically. Hank is actively pushing for a change of name for the College of Liberal Arts to the College of Conservative Arts. (Ed: We hope he's ready to richly endow that college.)

William (Windsor, CA; capwilly@aol.com) and **Carol Papsco** agreed that it was one of the best reunions ever. They especially wanted to pay tribute to the courage of ex-president Sam Miller and his beautiful wife Pat. Bill said there was plenty of representation from old crew members but no known oar-tugging in the unseasonably cold and rainy weather. Some who visited the crew house were **Alex Brede**, Jerry Finch, **John Fraser**, PhD '49, **Hank Geiseler**, **Park Metzger**, and **Bill Papsco**.

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47 Happy New Year! I hope you had good holidays and are well and looking forward to 2007. 2007! How is it possible it will be time for our 60th Reunion? We are planning for a great event! You should have received one mailing by now, and another will arrive in the spring. Our headquarters will be at the Statler Hotel, where there will be dining, singing, much conviviality, and the piano playing of George Giroux, who will be joining us for the fifth time.

In early September **Pete and Elaine Drobner Schwarz** and I journeyed to campus to attend the installment of our new Cornell president, David Skorton. It was a fine event held on the Arts Quad—a warm, sunny day with blue sky and light clouds and breezes, the speakers standing in front of Andrew D. White. The speeches were very learned, with thoughtful hope and plans for the university's future. The atmosphere was important and serious and happy. A perfect Cornell day. We sat with **Margie Newell Mitchell** and her husband Bill, and saw **Ray Fox**, PhD '56, as he marched in the academic procession.

I have received many News Forms in which classmates plan or hope to come to reunion. I

hope as many of you as possible will do that. I want to see you in person! **Jay Shapiro** (jaye.monroe@aol.com) is one of those who accelerated and graduated in '46 as an EE with a Math major. After changing his last name to **Monroe** because of fear of anti-Semitism in the work world, he started his own company (www.industrialtest.com), where he is still working today. His best known invention is the Tensor lamp. His second wife, a lawyer, is **Bonnie Thaler Monroe** '55. They never travel—just work and work.

Mary Steadman Rothrock, who lives in Kenosha, WI, and says she does "as little as possible," did visit the 8th Air Force Historical Museum in Savannah, GA. She then went to New Hampshire to visit with her daughter and family and planned to get to Washington, DC, last October to the 2nd Air Division Association. **Madeline Rosenthal** Goodwin and husband Eugene have five grandchildren, four in college and a fifth who lives with them. They were married 60 years in December and have twin sons and a daughter. Eugene is not well, and Madeline cares for him and manages the finances. She used to work with numerous charities, but now limits that because, like all of us, she got older. She belongs to the Cornell Club of Los Angeles, and her son George spoke at Cornell last year on his book, *The Jews of Rhode Island*. Her father, **George Rosenthal**, was a member of the Class of 1913 in the Ag college.

Robert Romano (RLRomanox@cs.com), a clinical psychologist, now has a part-time practice. He had a new book published in March, *Art and Other Tyrannies: The Search for Harmony*. It is available on the Barnes & Noble and Amazon websites, and he will mail a copy to anyone interested in looking at it. He just needs an address. He has traveled all over the globe, and visited Cornell in September 2004. **George Field** and his wife Ginny moved to Ithaca in September 2004. Ginny was born and raised in Ithaca, and George met her when he was a student in the Ag college. At that time, he lived on N. Geneva St.; now he's on S. Geneva St., after being away for 54 years. It should be easy for him to join us at reunion.

Marjorie Helgans Hughes, MD '50 (drmarjorie@verizon.net), Arlington, VA, is a member of the Arlington Sister City Association and through that has become involved with the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program. In this current school year she will be hosting her third student and feels it's a good way to utilize her several empty bedrooms now that her large family has married and left the nest. She says the two students she has had so far have been delightful and very responsible. How nice for all! She plans to come to reunion. **Betty Rosenthal** Newman (bnewman201@comcast.net) lives in Short Hills, NJ, and winters in Atlantis, FL. In New Jersey she spends time with her two children and four grandchildren and is a trustee of the Community Agency Corp. of New Jersey, whose clientele are needy children and families in the greater Newark area. Betty also leads its marketing and public relations committee. In Florida she is teaching a course in American political parties at the Center of Life Learning. Those are good works. She also golfs and plays tennis and bridge. Granddaughter **Rachel Newman** is a Cornell freshman.

Betty is active in CAU programs and is expecting to come to reunion. And some uninformed persons think those our age are old. Hah!

Harold Tepperman reports that he and wife **Rita (Koening)** '42 of San Antonio are retired. **Donald Sperling** says that he and wife Margaret spent two weeks driving through Morocco. **Joseph Leeds** tells us that he and wife Florence of Palisades, NY, have retired to an unassisted senior residence only ten miles from their two sons and families. **Henry Darlington** is also retired. He lives in New York City (where he has been his whole life) and winters in Palm Beach, FL. He maintains contact with **Barlow Ware**, **Joseph Coleman**, and his V-12 connections. Stay well and think of reunion! ♦ **Arlie Williamson** Anderson, 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610; tel., (585) 288-3752; e-mail, arlie47@aol.com.

48 Some of our classmates continued to absorb more education at Cornell's Adult University (CAU) this past summer by matriculating in the following one-week courses: **Lillian Soelle** Austin, Chapel Hill, NC—Underground Ithaca; **Stephen Bermas**, JD '50, Great Neck, NY—Sculpture, Bronze; **Burnett Haylor**, Syracuse, NY—Islamic Civilization; and **Herb Lobdell**, Trumbull, CT—Not-so-Pasta: Italian Cooking. 303 alumni across the classes—and/or their spouses—participated in courses that covered 36 different subjects.

At the Homecoming football game with Colgate last Oct. 14, about 20 alumni and spouses tailgated in the flower garden on Tower Road outside the Plant Science building. The flower garden has been supported over the years by contributions from the Class of '49, whose influence with the university has protected it from being destroyed by building expansion. From the flower garden we could see the gigantic new Life Sciences Technology building, several floors of reinforced concrete rising out of Lower Alumni Field to the sky between us and the crescent stadium. Cornell won, 38 to 14, moving well through the center of Colgate's line.

History: Louis's "lunch and supper wagon" on Thurston Ave. has been at the same spot since 1919. It was founded by Louis Zanakis, who operated it for 17 years until 1934. The second owners operated it for 60 years to 1994. It has been owned and operated by two brothers since then. Parked in the same spot for 87 years—on a city street!

Eileen Peck, Oakland, CA: "Enjoying life, keeping body healthy. Saw 20 rarely seen marsh birds because of an extremely high tide in San Francisco Bay. Visited the newly rebuilt DeYoung Museum in San Francisco. Had a good tour of Ireland and was surprised to see how close the climate is to the Bay Area. Last remember reading *American Prometheus*, a bio of Robert Oppenheimer, until 3:00 a.m. this morning. Fascinating story! Would rather be sitting by a nice seashore enjoying a gin martini or piña colada. My sister Jean and I have a lovely apartment with a view of San Francisco and the bay. Life means to learn to love people, life, and the beautiful world so I can contribute to peace in my living space."



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Irene Gleason writes that her husband **Roger Gleason**, owner of Groton Farms in Groton City, NY, has Alzheimer's and is unable to communicate. The Gleasons have eight grandchildren and seven greats. **William A. Thompson IV**, Oakdale, NY: "I manage a small apartment house in the historic former Vanderbilt Estate area, and a tree farm in New Hampshire. Worked with alumni of Theta Chi fraternity in unsuccessful endeavor to re-establish Lambda Chapter at Cornell. Good to meet and work with more recent graduates. Recently read *An Army at Dawn* by Rick Atkinson, about the invasion of North Africa in 1943. Clarified much of the time for me."

We received this enlightening epistle from **Millicent Bentley Lawrence** (Greenwich, NY): "In these days of high prices at the pump and winter heating bills that strain the budget, there is a new focus on alternative energy sources. Since 1980 we have been living in a passive solar house. It is a joy—light, bright, cozy, and inexpensive. Perhaps some details about this might be of interest as people are now taking a second look at the glories of sunshine.

"We live in Greenwich, NY, 30 miles north of Albany. The insulation for our house is Super Insulated Panels (SIPs), four inches thick, R40, on all the sidewalls and under and around the foundation. The roof panels are five inches thick and R50. For the unsunny days, we have a 17" Vermont Casting Resolute Acclaim Woodstove that is 65 percent efficient with a heat output up to 33,900 BTU/hr. We burn two cords of wood a winter. Our warm air, whether warmed by the sun or the stove, is circulated through a heat bank in the cellar. The heat bank is filled with 20 truckloads, five tons each, of bank run sand. The house is very tight. A recent energy audit, using the Blower Door Test, found it to be an ACH of 0.23. We can leave the house and go to Florida for the winter without draining the water, as the temperature, heated only by the sun, drops only to 52 degrees and the pipes do not freeze.

"The house is 40 feet long, 26 feet wide, south-facing at 12 degrees west of south, and 1,040 sq. ft. on the first floor. A true Cape Cod, the roof goes to the floor on the second floor, for roughly 600 square feet of useable floor space. The ceilings on the first floor are 7-1/2 feet high. On the second floor the cathedral ceilings slope to 12 feet in the center. We have a 10' by 8' south-facing greenhouse that also has an 8'-deep solar sand bank under it.

"This past October we added an 18-panel photovoltaic system on our south-facing roof. It produces 3.0 kw and is Grid-tied with a battery backup. It supplies about 43 percent of our annual electric requirements. Now, on sunny days we can watch our electric meter go backwards! If anyone is interested in being green and considering solar, I would be glad to supply more details." ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; phone and fax, (516) 767-1776.

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This column is brought to you in large part by **Jack Gilbert**, who sends a report on the October 2006 Trustee Council Week-end. "A good group of '49ers attended the week-end. Wife **Inger (Molmen)** and I offered housing

and escort services to **Martha Rausch** Ohaus '47, and also spent some time with **Jerry Alpern**, MBA '50, discussing possible replacements for the late **Dick Lustberg** as our Cornell Fund rep. We sat at table Thursday night with **Tony Tep-pin** and listened to his stories of how he played all four years of varsity soccer at Cornell, and how he survived the Battle of the Bulge and other actions in WWII. Late Sunday night at the Rupert-Foote mansion in Forest Home, more discussion ensued with **Jack Rupert**, JD '51, and **Ellen Walsh** '76, Director of Regional Offices, on the upcoming role of class officers in the Campaign for Cornell."

Jack (Gilbert, that is) also shared a story from last June's reunion. "During reunion weekends, there is always the Van Cleef Dinner, which is open to Cornellians at least 50 years past graduation who are not in their reunion year. Nearly a dozen Class of '49 families attended. Before dinner, Inger and I and **John Skawski** '48, EdD '57, and his wife Carleen were escorted by **Scott Sutcliffe** '75, associate director of Cornell's Lab of Ornithology, down a long hallway to view the 22-foot reticulated python skeleton donated to the Lab by **Reed McJunkin** '32. At dinner there was much table talk and promises to be back next year."

Speaking of reunion, Jack met up with his pre-war girlfriend, **Alma Morton Blazic** '45, during Reunion 2005, and they renewed their friendship. They had not seen each other since October 1946. "Our romance lasted from October 1942 to early 1946 while I was in the Navy in the Pacific Ocean. We did recognize each other!"

Of particular interest to the many engineers in our midst, "Congratulations are in order to the Class of 1949." This from a letter from Prof. James M. Gossett, academic director of the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering. It continues: "There's a reason you are often referred to as the 'Great' Class of 1949. With some recent gifts that have come in, I am pleased to announce that you have reached—and even slightly exceeded—your goal of \$100,000 to further the funding needs of the school for its Laboratory Renovations Campaign. I am pleased to announce that the class will have a space in the Bovay Laboratory Complex named in your honor: the Civil Engineers Class of 1949 Curing Room. This is a very special space because it houses specially fabricated curing chambers that will allow us to control the variables under which concrete and other composite materials are allowed to cure. This will surely add to our knowledge about concrete and ultimately result in safer structures." This fund drive was led by Jack Gilbert and **Wendel Kent**, with the help of Carol Eichler, director of the CEE capital campaign. A most sincere thank you to all who contributed.

Our own **Virginia Hallett Hardesty** was featured on the front page of a special edition of the *Cornell Chronicle* on September 7, President David Skorton's inauguration day. As the caption read under a cheerful picture of Ginna and a sea of empty chairs, she was "first to arrive on the Arts Quad, more than five hours before the ceremony"—she didn't know how quickly the available handicapped parking spaces would go, so she came early. "I brought lunch, a camera, and two *New York Times* crossword puzzles," she

told the reporter, "so I should be in pretty good shape." Ginna is a great-grandniece of Cornell's third president Jacob Gould Schurman, and granddaughter of Prof. **Charles Love Durham**, PhD 1899, of the Classics dept.

Short notes from classmates. **Bob Biggane** (Stuart, FL; RJB34997@aol.com) is retired and relaxing. **Marydes Chapin** Britton sent dues but no news from Green Valley, AZ. Ditto for **Bill Berliner** (Essex, CT; btssx@cs.com), who included a business card for Berliner Technical Services that lists him as an ABYC certified marine electrical technician specializing in marine integrated navigation, communication, and electrical systems. **Barbara Starkweather** Brown of San Diego, CA, has been taking care of her husband Douglas and, like a lot of us, going to doctors and replacing parts. When she thinks of Cornell, she remembers the gorges.

Helen Hoffman Casey (Old Saybrook CT; HCCasey41@wmconnect.com) has been volunteering and traveling, but says she'd also like to be having coffee at the Straight. **Eleanor Flemings** Munch remembers the good friends she made at Cornell. Retired, she keeps busy with church activities, handbells, and bicycling. **Constance Hoffmann** Elsaesser keeps house during the day, but is also being treated for cancer. She would rather be traveling! Her fond remembrance of Cornell: "Romance." She would love to hear from **Betty Ann Murtaugh** Eck. **Bob Nafis** (Ithaca, NY; rnafis@twcny.rr.com) is retired, and, when the season is right, he's involved with Cornell men's and women's soccer. He remembers Barton Hall and "YASNY" weekends at Sigma Pi and would like to hear from **Dana Brooks**, MD '57.

More updates to come in the next issue. Let's hear from you, too. Stay well. Stay happy. Be proud to be a '49er! ♦ **Dick Keegan**, 100 Ashlar Village, Wallingford, CT 06492; e-mail, rjk27@cornell.edu. *Cornell Alumni Magazine* Class Notes, adr4@cornell.edu.

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For the first time ever, our great Class of 1950 is holding not just one, but TWO class dinners this year: one in Philadelphia in January at the time of the annual meeting of the Cornell Association of Class Officers (CACO) and another in New York City on Saturday, April 27. The New York dinner will be at our usual haunt, the Cornell Club of New York, 6 East 44th Street. More than 30 classmates have so far expressed interest in attending this dinner. You should be getting a letter with information about how much money to send to whom to make a reservation. If you don't, please contact me, **Marion Steinmann**, at the addresses or phone number at the end of this column, for this information.

The Class of 1950 may also hold other activities—lunches, dinners, or other gatherings—in other parts of the country in anticipation of our 60th Reunion in 2010. To this end, the class has vastly expanded our Class Council to a roster of 80-plus men and women in various geographic areas, to reach out to other members of the class and help plan these events.

One of the most remarkable life stories among our classmates is that of **Horst von**

Oppenfeld, PhD '53 (Chevy Chase, MD; Oppenfeld@hotmail.com). During World War II, Horst was an officer in the German Army. He was captured in North Africa and spent two-and-a-half years in an American prisoner-of-war camp in Kansas, where he earned enough college credits to join our class as a junior. He worked weekends as a waiter and remained at Cornell until 1953 to earn a PhD in Agricultural Economics. For eight years he was a Cornell visiting professor at the U. of the Philippines. He then continued his career helping developing countries, on the staff of the World Bank and as a freelance consultant. He fulfilled assignments in 45 countries, including six in Afghanistan. Now, at the age of 93, Horst has "just returned from a reunion in Meiningen, Germany, of former German-speaking World Bank employees, and a family reunion in Bavaria." He also volunteers at a restaurant, training the homeless for food-service jobs, and at a social service agency.

A number of our doctors are still actively practicing medicine. **Harry Daniell**, MD '54 (HWDaniell@aol.com) writes, "Continued good fortune allows me to practice full-time as a solo general internist, while teaching as a clinical professor at the U. of California, Davis Medical School and doing research on the side." **Lawrence Scherr**, MD '57 (scherr@optonline.net) is "fully employed" at the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System as an active clinician, teacher, academic dean emeritus, historian, and chairman of the ethics committee. He is also an emeritus professor of medicine at Weill Cornell Medical College. Larry's wife is **Peggy (Binenkorb)** '53, sister of our classmate **Fay Binenkorb** Krawchick, MA '52. Larry is also one of the new members of our expanded Class Council. **Ralph "Cooly" Williams**, MD '54 (Santa Fe, NM; coolypatch22@aol.com), our former class president, practices two days a week in Los Alamos and two more days in Santa Fe, "trying to stamp out various rheumatic diseases that so far can't be cured with modern medicine. I also have a lovely studio where I produce oils, watercolors, and pastels that actually sell."

Marjorie Leigh Hart (marj.hart@verizon.net) is busy on the board of the New York League of Conservation Voters, which "works to educate voters and endorse candidates," she explains, "who are good for the environment." She is also active with another environmental group, Scenic Hudson, and is "involved in a major way" to help restore NYC's Seventh Regiment Armory. Marjorie, who has a Chemical Engineering degree from Cornell, had a 30-year career as an engineer and executive with Exxon Corp. She is a former Cornell trustee and currently a Cornell presidential councilor. **Pat Fritz Bowers** (also NYC) may hold the class record for travel with Cornell's Adult University (CAU). In recent years she has gone on CAU study tours to, among other places, England, Provence, Sicily, Greece, Morocco, East Africa, the Aztec ruins in Mexico, and Machu Picchu, and through the Strait of Magellan at the tip of South America. This past summer, Pat cruised with CAU around the Black Sea from Istanbul along the northern coast of Turkey to Yalta and Odessa and back. Pat earned a PhD from NYU and was chairman of the economics department at Brooklyn College.

Dan Moylan (Brookline, MA; jdm@moylan.info) plays the fife and drum in the Bostonian Allarum Company. "We often trek into Boston to lend a bit of colonial flavor to conventions and other events." Dan also plays the barrel drum with the Sudbury Ancient Fife and Drum Company. Dan, an electrical engineer, worked on over-the-horizon radar projects at Raytheon and the Mitre Corporation. **John MacNeill** (jsmacneill@clarityconnect.com) honors his Scottish heritage as a member of the Mohawk Valley Frasers Bagpipe Band. "I used to march as their drum major. Bad legs keep me from it now, but my wife, two daughters, and a granddaughter are still drummers with the band." John is a consulting engineer with an office in Homer, NY, and also a member of our newly enlarged class council. **George Miller**, MBA '55 (Deltaville, VA; gvmiller@verizon.net) has had two totally different careers. First he ran his own public accounting firm in Utica, NY. Then he studied at Wake Forest U. and became a physician's assistant in psychiatry, family practice, and general surgery. "I occasionally converse with **Walt Bruska** by phone as occasions arise." **Dickson Pratt** (dickson.pratt@gmail.com) has lived in Hawaii, California, Alaska, and Idaho. He and his wife are now in Portland, OR. Dickson was president of a corporation that built, owned, and managed commercial and residential real estate. **Howard Schultz** (Dallas, TX; Howard@schultzproperties.com) founded the financial services firm PRG-Schultz Int'l Inc., which is listed on Nasdaq. Although Howard sold the firm four years ago, he's "still active with real estate, as our office buildings weren't included in the sale."

Austin Weston (Rudlwa@aol.com) reports in from Molokai in the Hawaiian Islands, where he has a second home. "Most mainlanders have never been here, as it is the only undeveloped island left, with only 7,000 folks. It is like living 50 years ago: no one locks doors, no stop lights, one drug store, and two gas stations." Austin's first home is in Pasadena, CA, where he was a consulting engineer and an adjunct professor at the U. of Southern California. From Florida, **Stan Pogroszewski** (Pogro12@aol.com) writes that he lives half the year in Bradenton and the other half in Hilton, NY. For most of his career, he was a dairy and crop farmer near Brockport, NY, but he also spent five years with a bank and 12 years with Agway, and was the local Town Justice for 33 years.

Hotelman **Marty Horn** (Hobe Sound, FL; Martylee35@aol.com) works part-time as a food service consultant. "I consult regularly with my family, which owns two large restaurants in West Orange, NJ." Marty owned a restaurant in Florida, which he has now sold. **Chris Demme** (Chris Demme@msn.com) writes, "We live in a secret Cornell enclave: Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. Our inhabitants include two former cheerleaders, **Rodger Gibson** and **Dave Gardner**, MBA '55. Also **Dave** and **Bette Weatherby**. Rodger and Dave Weatherby were both in the Glee Club and continue to sing even now, when sufficiently moved." ♦ **Marion Steinmann**, 237 W. Highland Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19118-3819; tel. (215) 242-8443; e-mail, cjoiner@ix.netcom.com; **Paul H. Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA 50151-1560; tel., (515) 278-0960; e-mail, phj4@cornell.edu.

51 **Joanne Gully DeWolf**, Napa, CA, reports three great-grandchildren: Tristan and Alexandre, sons of Geoffrey DeWolf, and Victoria, daughter of Eric. She requested an address for **Joan Goedert Burkhardt**, who is one of our "bad address" classmates. **Robert**, MBA '53, and **Sandra Chachkes Temkin** '55 check in from Rochester, NY, but with no news. Also from Rochester, **Raymond Nelson** sent word of the death of his wife **Anne (Plass)** on February 8, 2006. Nina Luce, wife of our classmate **Laurence**, Berkeley, CA, reports that he died on September 19, 2005.

Howard Feinstein, MD '55, PhD '77, reports that son Jonathan has added California to the New York, Massachusetts, and D.C. bars, son Eric works at the Cornell Music Library and teaches electronic music, and son Roger is a health planner for Mass General and Brigham and Women's Hospital. Wife Rosalind is playing piano concerts in Ithaca (chamber music with Music's Recreation and in duet with cellist Elisa Evett), as well as practicing therapy. Recently, alas, she has provided music for a number of memorial services for friends in Ithaca. Howard will attend the 50th Cornell Medical College reunion and is still practicing psychiatry in Ithaca. He says he is "beginning to understand what the field is all about."

Marian Fox Wexler, West Haven, CT, writes, "I had hoped to be at our 55th Reunion, but it was scheduled the same weekend that my granddaughter graduated from high school in Bethesda, MD. She has been accepted to Yale, which is just wonderful for me." Another granddaughter just graduated from George Washington U., her sister just finished her freshman year at U. of Pennsylvania, and the only grandson is starting high school. "Maybe I'll still have a Cornellian. I am very grateful to have two super children, one a maxillofacial surgeon who gives all his vacation time to Operation Smile, and a daughter who was an agricultural economist but has stayed home to bring up her children and share an exciting life with her husband, a professor of mathematics at Georgetown U. I've done a great deal of traveling over the years, and when I'm home I'm a docent at the Yale Art Gallery (over 15 years) and involved in a literacy program for children in the inner city. Time flies, and it is hard to believe I could possibly be in a 55th Reunion class. But luckily I'm well and happy and hope I can continue to say that for some time to come."

William and Jeanne Grevelding, Paw Paw, MI, report that after two years of home support, their older son Bill has a new ME degree and has found an engineering position in Elkhart, IN. Younger son Tom, a computer technician for American Insurance for 14 years, is working on a master's degree in business. **Guy Trevelyn** "Trev" **Warfield** e-mails, "Great reunion despite excess of Ithaca 'sunshine.' It was particularly noteworthy to us as son **Henry** '81 was there with his three sons, and we had just watched granddaughter **Cory** '06 graduate—all on the same reunion cycle. As always, it was wonderful to renew old and new friendships from our class."

Leon Bush, Tarzana, CA, is still pursuing a serious ceramics hobby, giving lectures and volunteering at local colleges. He has established an

international reputation in creating crystalline glazes. You can find his website by googling "Leon Bush" (use the quotes or you may get George). Leon has a moustache, and his pots are impressive. He and Pearl report travel to Belgium, Holland, Vietnam and Cambodia, and the Balkans as I write. Their 11 grandchildren all live in California. **Pete Spencer** writes from Cleveland, OH, that he's keeping busy with pottery, church, and fitness, in spite of serious vision problems with AMD (macular degeneration). "Thanks to modern technology, I can do most things. I do regret that I can't play the piano; of course, I never could. Wife **Heidi Heidingsfeld, GR '52**, is as fun as ever. She's in great health and a great help to me. Thanks to Bob, Trev, and Jack for their notes. Had to say NO to 55th Reunion."

Alvin Macomber writes from Alexandria, VA, that he and Diana have four grandchildren, ages 2 to 7, who all live within one and a half miles travel time from home. He retired as a journeyman international trade analyst from the federal government in 1990 and is active in numismatics and as a volunteer at the Smithsonian in D.C. He reports lunching with **David, ME '56**, and **Judith Zucker Clark '53** (Lancaster, PA), **Paul, BA '54, MA '55**, and **Olga Bruun Staneslow '55**, and **Marty Cohen '52** within the past year. Drs. **Sue Pardee** and **Tim Baker** still teach and do research at Johns Hopkins U. in Baltimore, MD, and enjoy vacations in Nova Scotia and New Mexico. Sue was selected for the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame and completed her second term on the Armed Forces Epidemiology Board. Recent research has focused on EMS helicopter crashes.

Barry Nolin's Class of '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.

52 More honors. In June, the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution announced it would present the 2006 "Lawyer as Problem Solver Award" to **David Plant, LLB '57**, of New London, NH, "for his service as a seasoned litigator and model mediator, arbitrator, and teacher." They cited Dave's having written, spoken, taught, and led workshops on dispute resolution issues on all five continents. He is an adjunct professor at Franklin Pierce Law Center. In July, the Cambridge Health Alliance, an award-winning health system, announced the appointment of **Lucian Leape**, adjunct professor of health policy at the Harvard School of Public Health, to its Board of Trustees.

Two recent e-mails, the first from **Murray Adams**, Brooklyn, NY. Murray, retired, is president of the Cobble Hill Association (civic), and director and treasurer of Cobble Hill Health Center (day care, nursing home, and rehab center). He writes, "Recently our oldest son Kenneth, touring the state as president of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, spent a day near Baldwinsville with Mark Bitz, son of **Bob Bitz**, owner of the Plainville Turkey Farms, discussing how upstate New York business could be helped to prosper. After hearing about it, I called Bob and we reminisced and agreed that it was great that the next generation

had become friends, just as we, our parents, and our grandparents had!" The second e-mail came from **Joan Aten Beach**, Lantana, FL. While happy with her life now, Joan wrote, "Wish our children were closer. **Jeffrey '76** is a teacher at Rajabhat U. in Thailand; **Diana '78** has two children and lives in Seattle, WA; and Reg, with two kids in Arlington, VA, is chief scientist for Ocean Research and Archaeology at NOAA." She and **Sandy '51, BCE '53**, were about to go off to India to visit Jeff.

Now to the rest of the news that came in over the last year with your 2005 dues. **Lewis Rubenstein, BA '56**, Schodack Landing, NY, had retired after a 33-year career mostly involved in historic preservation. He was involved in music, gardening, home maintenance, musical performances, and ballroom dancing. **Herb McCarter Jr.**, West Palm Beach, FL, also retired, listed ballroom dance first among present activities, which included ballroom dance music compilation and programming and tennis. He had recently been a dance host on both Florida coasts. Though not dancing, **Bruce Warner**, Charlotte, NC, attends the Charlotte Symphony and other musical events, sings weekly with his wife and daughter at a nursing center, and does additional shows at retirement homes. As a retired architect, he recently made a drawing of their 30-acre duck farm on Long Island, with all 38 buildings and the house as it existed in 1938, then drew plans of the house for the family archives. His next project: a narrative about growing up on that farm.

Rabbi **Ronald Millstein**, Great Neck, NY, has been retired from his congregation for nine years, but continues to perform Rabbinic functions: weddings, funerals, teaching his Bible class, and sharing officiating at worship. He enjoys his family and continued study, taking a course at his seminary, Faith Based Politics and Ethics, with the same professor who supervised his ordination thesis 43 years ago. **Jim Ling**, Ft. Collins, CO, wrote, "Retired, but serve on the board of directors of South Ft. Collins Sanitation District, putting my Cornell Chem E background to use on sewage treatment." When not thus engaged, he helps his 10-year-old daughter with homework and drives to soccer games. He also gives bagpipe lessons and plays his pipes to stay ahead of his students.

As of October '05 **Judith Calhoun** Schurman, New Canaan, CT, had a grandson, then a freshman at Cornell, and a granddaughter, then a senior. **Kirk Personius**, MS '56, Rochester, NY, found his May '05 visit to his daughter's family in Iceland "a great experience." **Jan Hofmann McCulloch**, now an advanced master gardener, was called on for lots of advice and programs. Her sister, **Nancy Hofmann '54**, lives with **Ed '51** and Jan in Ashford, CT. **D. Anne Bezer** Lombardo, while enjoying golf, piano, and pogo-bridge in St. Marys, GA, was still dealing with insurance companies over loss from the 2003 hurricane. **Thomas Weber**, PhD '63, was swimming, playing golf, and reading in Williamsville, NY, and doing a good bit of traveling. **Suressa Holtzman Forbes**, Rochester, NY, was chair-elect, Community Technical Assessment Advisory Board, and a docent at the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery. She was busy arranging a

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family birthday celebration for **Richard. Trudy Serby** Gildea, Columbus, MS, was busy with many things, including 21 private violin students in a Suzuki string program.

Robert Pinkley, was settling into a new, smaller home, and raising a 14-year-old grandson in Haddonfield, NJ, and walking, gardening, dining out, and attending theater and opera. **John Talmage**, Riverhead, NY, had celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers first powered flight, exact to the date and minute, by flying his restored 1931 open cockpit biplane. **Evan '51** and **Elaine Willis Hazard** were moving to a new address in Bemidji, MN. Elaine was still very involved in church-related work. **Evelyn Hoffmann** Huffman, Kansas City, MO, was

‘Don Farley has no plans to leave Ithaca, since “global warming has improved the winters lately.”’

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cleaning house, painting, writing bad poetry—her assessment—and traveling lots. **Harold Tanner** was still in New York. **Henry VerValen** was enjoying his home in Monkton and traveling, but leaving time to restore and maintain his Jaguar collection.

Rik Clark, Osterville, MA, was involved in a variety of nonprofit activities, traveling, golfing, biking, and enjoying music and theater. **Mary Alice Newhall** Mathews, MD '56, was singing and gardening in Newton Centre, MA, and diving in exotic places twice a year, where feasible. She is a strong advocate for the ocean. In Rochester, NY, **Lewis Ward-Baker** listed his interest as “music, music, music,” having portrayed Tevye in Pittsford Musicals’ *Fiddler On the Roof*, a role he’d portrayed twice before.

Jack and **Elizabeth Hunsberger Craver** remain in Lancaster, PA, where Libby continues to teach therapeutic riding and Jack, in addition to consulting on hotels, was getting certified in arbitration, mediation, and conciliation. From **Walt** and **Rosemary Manno Bortko** '55, Bonita Springs, FL: Walt is on the board of directors of Meals on Wheels. He, too, is into golfing, biking, travel, and bridge. **Don Collins**, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, was kept busy with boat repair and repair to his hurricane-damaged house. Nonetheless, he had lots of travel and more planned. **Roy Payne Jr.**, MBA '53, was involved in the renovation of the Delta Chi fraternity house, and said the fraternity colonized in February '05. In Tulsa, OK, **Paul Franks**'s day job was “yard work and staying as healthy as possible.” After hours, he reads and keeps up with the news. **John Cramer**, “still a snowbird,” winters in Bisbee, AZ, and summers in Upper Jay, NY.

55th Reunion: June 7-10, 2007. News: <http://classof52.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Joan Boffa** Gaul, 7 Colonial Pl., Pittsburgh, PA 15232; e-mail, jgcomm@aol.com.

53 A bit above Lake Erie's waters, they were shoveling off Buffalo's 22 inches of new-fallen mid-October lake effect snow. In Ithaca, a similarly rare occurrence warmed the hardy as their Big Red football team beat Colgate—for the first time since 1992—on a breezy, brisk Homecoming afternoon. The 'Gate got slammed, 38-14. Besides that abundance of touchdowns, Mater provided a pregame tailgate, the dedication of a handsomely renovated Schoellkopf (with a spiffy new home for Cornell's Athletic Hall of Fame and a celebration of Cornell football in a new Tradition Room), a Glee Club concert, a guided tour of the Johnson Art Museum, a chimes concert, and the pleasure of the company of old and new friends.

Classes of the early Fifties once again dined graciously at the Ithaca Country Club, followed by a gathering at the piano as on all those Saturday nights of yore. There were favorite oldies, Cornell songs, and, of course, the never-to-be-forgotten seven ladies (locked in a facility). **Dave Dingle** '50 and **Tom Foulkes** '52 took turns at the ivories. Fifty-three's first class president, **Walt Foley** (New Hartford, NY), made an uncommon appearance. Strike up a song for **Paul Blanchard** '52, who made it possible. Call him Mister Saturday Night.

Bill Whelan, 1952 football captain, and three other captains met at midfield for the toss of the coin before the Yale game during weekend reunions of the 1948-52 and 1971 Big Red teams. Bill, **Dick Cliggott**, **Bob Dilatush**, **Vinnie Giarrusso**, **Todd Kolb**, and **Jack McCarthy** once more heard roars of appreciation from the Crescent as they and other returnees were introduced at half-time. Vinnie, Bob, and spouses were still savoring a Cornell-sponsored summer visit to Russia.

Jean Baldwin Harries (Duluth, MN) expressed regrets at having to miss the tailgate at Harvard, pleading conflict: the 50th Reunion of her second degree in early childhood education from the U. of Minnesota, Duluth. **Jean Wright** Pope (Tunkhannock, PA) has been helping establish a nature center to preserve 1,000 acres along the Susquehanna River.

An old *Daily Sun* colleague, **Bob Cooper** (Jerusalem and Brooklyn), is in the midst of a new book to follow his *Around the World With Mark Twain* of a few years back. It followed the path that Elmira's own Sam Clemens, also of Hannibal, MO, took on his classic international speaking tour (which hadn't been previously covered in a full-length book). Bob's new venture looks into the Great Fire of 1835, which swept 17 blocks of New York City's Wall Street area on a 17-degree-below-zero night of terror in which 674 buildings were destroyed, at least 20 million dollars' worth

of property was lost, and US business was paralyzed. Bob says that a while back three suicide bombers struck in downtown Jerusalem-area places where he had been that day. He has learned to live with the awareness that people have a better chance of injury from a traffic accident than bombers, but he did stay out of buses for a while.

As of late summer, **Bill Simon** (Los Angeles) reported he had five books in print: *iCon Steve Jobs: The Greatest Second Act in the History of Business*; *Gorgeous Disaster* (about a schoolteacher and her intimate relationship with a student, 14); *The G.O.D. Experiments* (about scientific support for the existence of God); *The Art of Deception* (Poland's number one bestseller); and *The Afterlife Experiments* (in its sixth printing). Write on, Bill.

Jolly Woodbridge (Hot Springs, SD) and Maggie, says he, “are happy here in the southern Black Hills,” where people have been living for, oh, 10 or 13,000 years. At least the artifacts that have been dug out seem to show that. At present, the town attracts folks from all over the world to seek archaeological treasure. Historic Hot Springs, Jahleel maintains, is the world's largest site for 21st-century mammoth hunters. The big beasts abounded there during a time of global cooling—the Ice Age. Even though it flows through the chilly hills of southwest South Dakota, the Fall River never freezes. There are about 1,700 springs there and yes, they are indeed hot—80 degrees Fahrenheit year-round. Have the feeling he's not in Mamaronock any more?

The sun and a carnelian cadre of a dozen frequently seen '53 classmates smiled on the inaugural of Cornell's 12th president, David Skorton, on a summery September day. Footballs and Frisbees flew on the Arts Quad as he spoke. Academic delegates were there from all over the world, including Peking U. Our own **Dottie Clark** Free and **Pat Gunderson** Stocker came from the far coast. A big, round, full moon beamed on the bemused as they left a tofu-and-baby-bok-choy inauguration banquet, following Skorton's cool jazz flute riff on “Autumn Leaves” near the end of the program. Historical sidelight: Edmund Ezra Day, the fifth president, was in charge when we arrived in 1949.

You can find instruction in just about any study at Cornell's Adult University (CAU). **Bill Gratz** and **Roger** and **Barbara Marcus Friedbauer** heard the views of Profs. **Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76**, and **Joel Silbey** on the Senate. **Charles Shelley** and **Sue Halldorson** Fuller sharpened their pencils and skills in a nonfiction writing workshop. **Linda Schaumann** Marts took up bronze sculpture. **Bob Ashton** probed mysteries of the deep with Oceanic Studies Prof. **John Heiser, PhD '81**. **Bill Hammond** pondered rises and falls of Islamic civilization.

Fifty-three goes to Philadelphia, Jan. 19-20. See you there? ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., Apt. 8B, NYC, NY 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

54 Canadian geese are honking in formation, pumpkins have sprouted all over town, and leaves are being tossed every which way as I write a column that could be snow-covered when it arrives. With the changing of the season it is once more time for the migration of classmates south.

Loving numbers as I do I thought I would run a check on the percentage of classmates claiming Florida as their tax base. I was not shocked to learn that about a fifth of the class lives in the path of fall hurricanes.

Bill Kaplan responded promptly to my plea for news in September, and a day later e-mailed back with a change. Think of the time that would have required with snail mail. Bill's retirement date from McGraw-Hill was moved forward to November 2006 with the phasing out of the New York science textbook operation. He had taught science for 35 years, then switched careers to science writing and editing, mostly with McGraw-Hill. Bill credits Richard, his freshman English instructor, for helping develop his writing skills. His one book, *Energy and Fuels*, while out of print, is considered quite timely. With his early retirement and his wife's new hips and knees, they were off to do the Caribbean in December.

Pete Nesbitt would love to be landing S2Fs on a carrier in the Pacific, but being a realist, settles instead for breakfast with fellow geriatric pilots at the Rochester airport. He and wife Dana recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with an Alaskan cruise. When on terra firma, Pete enjoys fun jobs about the farm. There are people who always get your adrenaline up to speed, and one of those is **Ken Hershey**. During the summer months, he and Su run between Penfield and Keuka Lake, entertain, bike, hike, sail, golf, windsurf, tennis, garden, etc. In the winter months that changes to winter sports, pushing snow about, and chopping tons of wood. Energizer Bunny, take note. **Alice Hoffman** is making a career move from legal secretary to court assistant during the day, and after hours is fixing up her Brooklyn home.

Ro Seelbinder Jung has the energy of Ken Hershey, her co-class president. She has given up boards and meetings for one-on-one work with primary children in after-school tutoring programs and will soon begin mentoring teenage girls in the shelter program in Sarasota County, FL. To feed the gray cells, Ro attends the Sarasota Lifelong Learning Inst., where your assignment is to absorb knowledge without the stress of exams and papers. **Norm Lynn**, with time to read, has polished off all of Patrick O'Brien's Aubrey/Maturin series and is now beginning on the oeuvre of Philip Roth. Retirement does have its advantages and time to read is certainly one of them. I loved the following e-mail from **Morey Storck**: "Thought I was retired, at least that was my first impression. Lasted a few months, maybe six. Moved into a condo, started a theater group, started a condo newsletter, elected to condo board (six years), condo social director (seven years), and am now one of the original founders and VP of a new community newspaper serving the Hudson River towns of Tarrytown, Sleepy Hollow, and Irvington. Ah, retirement! So calm and comfortable."

Phil Decker, retired for ten years, is more active than ever as a park volunteer at Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. He not only points out the special features in the park for visitors and helps them select campsites, but is also a professional desert guide for people who want to four-wheel to remote areas of the park. From the

sounds of things, he is having a ball. He and his wife Norma live about 80 miles south of Palm Springs, CA. Dick and **Phila Staines** Slade were in the D.C. area last April taking care of two grandchildren while their parents took the third to Japan, where she is now spending a year with relatives attending a Japanese high school. In May, Phi and Dick celebrated their 50th at their Cape Cod home, surrounded by their immediate family. Last heard from, **Tyler Todd** was headed off on a trip around the Black Sea. Hope he checks back in soon with his impressions.

Sandy Dreier Kozinn's fascination with Sherlockian studies has always been of interest to me, but so have her yearly trips to Israel to visit her daughter and grandkids. Asked to describe her comfort level, her reply was that even though her daughter lives on the outskirts of Jerusalem, and she takes the bus to the inner city, she takes the same precautions that one would take in any big city and in some ways feels even safer. Muggings, for instance, are not something she worries about. Yes, they have had friends fall to terrorists, but for the most part it is business as usual. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, ljreed@speakeasy.net. Cornell Directory, <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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Pete Bowell says he and his wife are enjoying their new home in Williamsburg, VA. Pete is volunteering with the Jamestown 2007 organization and will be working with the *Godspeed* landing party in Alexandria, VA, and Boston, MA, during its trip up the East Coast. **Ken Carlson** and wife Diana are restoring an old post-and-beam barn transported from New England to Maryland. It's now located on the Wye River in Queenstown, MD, where the Carlsons enjoy a river view from the hot tub on the deck. **Evelyn Barber** Lance has retired as a Hawaii Family Court judge, but travels frequently, working on the American Bar Association's Int'l Rule of Law programs. She also keeps up with her chamber music.

Bill Lockwood writes that he's "still alive and healthy," enjoying golf, tennis, skiing, boating, and his 15 grandchildren. Bill's wife died 15 years ago, and he has been seeing "a lovely lady named Roxana" for quite a while. Our best to you both. **Lorrie Pietryka Plamondon** and her husband **Peter '54**—plus old friends **Mike '54**, MBA '55, and **Dot Noll Hostage '54**—were planning a trip to visit the Banfi Vineyards of **John Mariani '54**. **Bill Murphy**, who lives in Carmel, CA, is keeping active, doing crowd control at a marina airport, go-kart races, and autocross weekends. **Bob Gluckman** has retired and moved to Boca Raton, FL, and would enjoy hearing from classmates in southern Florida.

Mort Kolk says he's happy "right where we are, in beautiful upstate New York," where he serves as a trustee of Foodlink Foundation, a local food bank. In February and March, the Kolkos head for Siesta Key on the beach. A good change of scene! **Renee Miller** Mayer still practices law, but she and Joe manage to spend a lot of their time visiting their children and grandchildren. Renee enjoys reading, plays, TV, dinner at romantic restaurants, traveling, and long weekends at their second home in Connecticut. **Nancy**

Martin Reichenbach of Camarillo, CA, writes that "life is good." She's retired from the school district but continues to work part-time as a resource specialist in special education.

Phyllis Birnholtz Melnick is still volunteering for a community work service program and tutoring at a women's prison. Not much news, Phyllis says, but "I'm still grateful to be around, in good health and growing older." **Hilly McCann** Darden took a spur-of-the-moment trip to England, spending two "wet but wonderful" weeks in the south, and then four days in London with her son Bruce. "I'm still trying to retire, and this trip has almost convinced me the time has come!" After 39 years on the Cornell faculty, **Don Farley**, PhD '60, became professor emeritus in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He has no plans to leave Ithaca, however, since "global warming has improved the winters lately." Don is still running and racing, and doing well in the 70-74 age group.

Larry Phillips was awarded the Frank P. Ramsey medal by the Decision Analysis Society, in recognition of his distinguished contributions. It was "a great and pleasant surprise to receive the Society's highest award," Larry adds. **Norm Nedde** is a big Sudoku fan and continues bowling and playing poker and bridge. His average bowling score is 175—"not bad for an old man." Norm's already looking forward to our 55th—"Can't wait!" **Pete Hoss** was able to help his hometown, Salinas, CA (birthplace of John Steinbeck), pass a sales tax measure that restored library service to the city. Otherwise, Salinas would have become the first city of its size to close its libraries. When not involved in such civic duties, Pete finds time for writing, art, traveling, voluntary mediation, tennis, promoting a Dixieland Festival, and serving on trust administrator boards. "I can't improve on where I am and what I'm doing," he concludes.

Hope all of you are finding as much contentment these days as we are, staying active and healthy, seeing a little of the world, and getting in some quality family time with your kids and grandchildren. Stay in touch! ♦ **Nancy Savage** Petrie, nancypetrie@juno.com; tel., (631) 329-6430. Class website, <http://classof55.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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It's amazing that Art Linkletter, the father-in-law of **Art Hershey**, is still entertaining at the age of 93. I was reminded of this after reading a note from Art about traveling with his wife Sharon's parents on the first voyage of the *QE2* to the Pacific Ocean. They went to Hawaii and back for 12 days and had a great time. The Hersheys are still living in Calabasas, CA, where Art teaches classes in labor law. **Lois Patterson** Noyes is retired after 24 years as a realtor in Morristown, NJ. Since she is active in the Junior League, as well as the Symphony Association and Fine Arts Society of Sarasota, FL, it is a good guess you will find her there.

Another person reporting retirement is **William Purdy** of Scotia, NY. He is still a bank director and is involved with two museums. He has seven children, 15 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild! **Barbara Grove** Kuhn Purtee writes from her home in Gulfport, FL, that it has been a long time since she's gotten a paycheck,

but she's very busy with her friends and church responsibilities. She attended our reunion. **Diane Newman** Fried, M Ed '58, of Stratford, CT, is treasurer of the local League of Women Voters and teaches at various retirement venues. **Phyllis Miller** Lee is still drawing and painting in Dorset, VT. In addition, Phyllis is involved with the Manchester Music Festival and the Southern Vermont Art Center. She has a big family, with daughter **Cynthia Lee Dow '91** and husband **Jim '91** expecting their third child—the ninth grandchild in the family.

John H. Maltby, Monmouth Jct., NJ, is pastor at the Miller Memorial Presbyterian Church. He is busy with so many activities there, it is hard to list them. John is also a member of the Big Red Band Advisory Council. It has been a tough year for him with his wife Mary Ann passing away on March 20. We send him our sympathy. We were also saddened to hear about the death of Rabbi **Howard Greenstein '57**, husband of our classmate **Lenore (Brotman)**. Although Howard was not a member of our class, we all remember his participation in our reunions.

Anne Jackson, Ridgefield, WA, is a retired immunologist. She has "a big garden, two Dalmatians, and a semi-new kayak," and is constantly remodeling her house. She loves cruises and is trying to get her grandson through university. **Ruth Heit** Licht is happy being her own boss in New York City. She tutors and does Orton-Gillingham language remediation. She was looking forward to going to South Africa in the fall. **James R. Sterling**, Hermosa Beach, CA, is in real estate investments and is chairman of Recording Artists, Actors, and Athletes Against Drunk Driving ("RADD"). He recently cruised the Amazon River in Brazil. ♦ **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., New York, NY 10128; e-mail, catplan@aol.com.

57 Happy New Year to all. Happy 50th anniversary to some. And happy reunion year to the Class of '57. Responses are coming in by the dozens and it promises to be a very well attended 50th. Class officers will be meeting in Philadelphia at the Marriott on January 19-20 to finalize plans, and there will be a class dinner on the 19th—so if you're in the area, plan to be there.

Phyllis Ferguson Watterworth expects to come to reunion. Last fall Phil and Scott traveled from their Mill Valley, CA, home to Maine to visit Phil's son and grandson. The Watterworths spent the first six months of last year in France. Phil writes: "The highlight of our retirement years has been our successes with house exchanges." They lived in a small Alpine village outside of Grenoble and skied 15 different stations using three different passes—in France, if you are 70, many resorts give free season passes. ("Great to be old!") Part of their time was spent touring France: Lausanne, Provence, Paris, and Normandy.

Another active skier in the class is **Jerry Neuman** Held Kovell, who recently took her granddaughter on an Elderhostel trip to ski in Utah and will be going to Steamboat Springs, CO, in February. Jerry and Stan moved to an age 55-plus condo complex in Fairfax, VA, and will be snowbirding to Austin, TX, where one of her sons is CEO of a company that owns some country clubs

in the area. The Kovells are looking forward to playing golf all winter and to some tennis as well. Jerry also visits her other son **Andy Held '84** and family in Seattle, and plans on attending reunion in June. Charlie and **Jeanne Waters** Townsend intend to be there, too. The Townsends are birders and travel to exciting places around the world—Bhutan, Vietnam, Cambodia, Chile, and South Africa in the last few years. Their sons work abroad, one in Germany and one in Australia, so those countries are also on the travel itinerary.

During last year's class meeting, **Jan Nelson** Cole offered to organize a pre-reunion event for the Mid-Atlantic Region. Little did she know what a great success it would be as word went out to all duespayers that the get-together would be held at Colonial Williamsburg in October. More than 50 alums took the opportunity to enjoy two days of great weather, living history, and classmate camaraderie. **Colin Campbell**, president of Colonial Williamsburg, and his wife Nancy graciously opened their 18th-century home for a cocktail reception the first evening. I gathered a few notes for the column from those in attendance.

Bill and Jan Charles Lutz celebrated their 50th anniversary last September with 170 friends and family in Philadelphia. Robert and **Ritalou Rogow** Harris will be at Cornell for her first-ever reunion. The Harrises have donated their large collection of Japanese baskets to the university, where they will be on display at the Johnson Art Museum. Farmer Bob and the Bionic Woman (as **JoAnne Eastburn Cyprus** describes husband **Bob** and herself) have plans to drive to Ithaca from their farm in Tennessee this coming June. Bob recently acquired a new horse and JoAnne a new hip, and now a knee replacement is on the agenda. She'll be all set to tread the Hill again. **Dori Goudsmit** Albert worked on her golf game at the CAU session in July. Kevin and **Betty Ann Rice** Keane spent the summer in Saranac Lake, as did **Bobbie Redden** Leamer, who welcomed her eighth grandchild recently. Jan Nelson Cole took a bicycle tour of the Canadian Rockies in September. **Edie Carroll** Skoog, **Judy Lund** Biggs, and **Sue Westin** Pew all plan to be at reunion. Will you? ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 19 Seburn Dr., Bluffton, SC 29909; e-mail, JCRauss@aol.com.

I had a chance to experience more hospitality from classmates when my son and grandson and I invaded the **Weiss** household in Greenwich, CT, last Labor Day Weekend. The stated purpose of the trip was to take my 6-year-old grandson to a Yankee game, but the hospitality of Suzanne and **Steve** quickly took center stage. Young Ben was seated, thanks to Steve, almost next to Joe Torre, and relished the entire NYC scene. Next was a solo stop at **Dom** and Debra **Pasquale's** home in Farmington CT, where I was treated to an evening with their delightful friends and great food and drink.

Everett McCooley claims to be retired, but has consulted in almost every West Coast venue for his former employer, Turner Construction Co. **George Rocklein**, MBA '59, reports the arrival of his fourth grandchild last September in Manhasset, with another on the way in the Chicago area. **Stu Fischman** had a busy 2006, having spent the spring in Jerusalem (Stu and Jane spend some

time there every year), where he was a volunteer member of the faculty at the Hebrew U. School of Dental Medicine. He also participated in a meeting of the Middle East Center for Dental Education, which launched a joint program between the Hebrew U. and the Al-Quds Dental School, the first dental school in the Palestinian Authority. In June, he and Jane were honored by Temple Beth El with an award in recognition of their service to the Greater Buffalo Community. They then traveled to New Zealand and Australia, where Stu coordinated a study to evaluate the best method to remineralize early tooth decay to retain as much tooth structure as possible in filling the cavity. About the only thing Stu hasn't gotten his arms around in his 45 years in Buffalo is how to get the Bills to and through the Super Bowl.

As Judy has mentioned in her column, **Colin** and Nancy **Campbell** hosted a pre-50th event in Williamsburg, VA, including a reception at their home. I won't go through the list of attendees, but about 70 classmates and spouses were there. My detection device in the flowers on the dining room table enables me to tell you that Colin broke three fingers a few days before the event while trying to personally restore part of Williamsburg, a project in which he has been involved for the past six years as president of the Williamsburg Foundation.

Also gleaned was the fact that **Bob Steele** spent 37 years in the Navy, many of them working with Admiral Rickover, that **John Maclay** lives in Walnut Creek, CA, but has a second home at Ford's Colony near Williamsburg, that **Ron Dunbar** is retired and living in the Philadelphia area, and that **Charlie Parker** has a company in Carlisle, MA, involved with greenhouse gas emissions and WILL be at his first Cornell reunion in June.

Roger Jones, MPA '60, had told me beforehand that he would be in Williamsburg and sent along news of a two-month trip to Europe last summer to all the places that I want to go, traveling to about 60 towns, cities, and villages; his favorite haunts were the island of Islay in Scotland, Edinburgh, Capri, Tuscany, Vienna, and Prague. He has spent time since then at home at the Spruce Creek Fly-in Community in Port Orange, FL. At the end of our junior year, Roger's father attended his own 50th Reunion, and Roger is now looking forward to following in his father's footsteps in a few months. Colin and Nancy have done a great job in elevating the momentum for that occasion, and the days are counting down. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477; e-mail, suitcase2@aol.com.

58 I had a nice e-mail from **Tony Corbisiero**. He had just completed his memoir on working for President Nixon, entitled "Disillusionment: Watergate and the Betrayal of President Richard M. Nixon." At this writing he was still looking for a publisher. Any ideas? Tony is a former member of Richard Nixon's personal staff and was hired by him to work with Pat Buchanan in 1966 as a speechwriter/researcher in the 1968 presidential campaign. During his years in Washington, he knew personally many of Nixon's closest aides, including Pat Buchanan, Bob Haldeman, John Ehrlichman, and G. Gordon Liddy, among

others. Following Nixon's victory in 1968, he was appointed to a high-level position in the US Dept. of the Interior, where he served for almost 30 years until his recent retirement. Over the past 25 years, he has also taught political science and public administration courses at Temple University and LaSalle University in Philadelphia.

A wonderful phone call and news arrived from **Judy Philipson** Warsh, who resides in Loudonville, NY. She is still a very cheery, lively person and has some very accomplished children. Her oldest, Brad, owns a software company in New York. Middle daughter Alexandra Steele is a meteorologist and TV anchor on the Weather Channel every weeknight from 9-11 p.m. Her background extends behind the camera as well. She has worked in the London and New York bureaus of ABC News for both "Good Morning America" and "Prime Time Live." Judy's youngest, son Kevin, was just sworn in as a member of the seven-person board of governors of the Federal Reserve System. At 35, he became the youngest governor in the Fed's 92-year history! Prior to his appointment, Kevin served as special assistant to the president for economic policy.

Art Brooks wrote last summer that the Sherwoods are "alive and well and visiting Florida and the Bahamas. With founder classmates **Doug Lee**, PhD '68, **Lee Minnerly** '57, MArch '61, **Bill Hazard**, MD '62, **Carl Deppe**, BCE '60, **Jack Wade**, JD '61, **Joe 'Frog' Douglass** '57, PhD '62, and yours truly, the reunion group has metamorphosed into at least two groups of 12 or more, the Originals and the Youngers! Venues from Cornell (in June) to both coasts have opened up and I suppose we should call these events the 'Sherwoods Reunion Tour.'" **George Nicholas**, BS Hotel '71, lives in Leonia, NJ, but summers in East Hampton, where he is running two businesses. One is a small, well-situated marina called Sunset Cove Marina, with two cottages that are rented for the entire summer season. The other is ownership of a restaurant called Fiddlers Cove and ten cottages that are rented most of the time. Other than working, he loves clamming, shelling, tennis, and occasional jogging. He goes to New York City at least one a week, just to relax! He would love to hear from Cornellians, Hotel Society members, and fellow classmates.

What a way to end the column, as I, too, would love to hear from classmates. It's so easy to send me a quick e-mail! Hope to hear from you! ❖ **Jan Arps** Jarvie, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75254; e-mail, jjarvie@sbcglobal.net.

59 **Don '58** and **Dale Rogers Marshall** are back in their home in Piedmont, CA, after spending the spring semester teaching in Russia on a Fulbright. They were the first Fulbrighters to teach at Kalmykia State U. in Elista, the capital of Kalmykia, a little-known republic in southern Russia between the Black and Caspian seas. "The Kalmyk people came originally from Mongolia around 1600 and are Buddhists," writes Dale. "The universities are very committed to quality education for their students and encourage global awareness. Many students speak English and want to improve their English. Many now also want to learn Chinese. In spite of critical views of

American foreign policy, the faculty and students are very friendly to Americans and would like to have more opportunities to visit the US."

Carl Hedden of Hazleton, PA, is partially retired but continues to help manage a local building contractor. He and his wife Nancy enjoy skiing and visiting their four children and six grandchildren. **Steve Bosses** of Scarsdale, NY, retired from the active practice of law at the beginning of 2006 and launched a new career as a mediator. "It has been an exciting change and one that is both challenging and extremely satisfying," he writes. "To be able to get two or more parties who have been at

to Salzburg and Vienna in June to join in the celebrations of Mozart's 250th birthday. He traveled as a member of the U. of South Carolina chorus, which sang *Requiem*—"a far cry from my days as a frosh when I was belting out slightly more risqué tunes with the Sacrilegious Six," comments Stan.

Peter Sacerdote of NYC left Goldman Sachs after 41 years and, together with his son Alex, started a long/short hedge fund called Whale Rock Capital Management. Peter told the *Harvard Business School Bulletin*: "Starting up a new company from scratch has been a lot of fun, and working with my son has been the icing on the cake." In

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PHILLIS FERGUSON WATTERWORTH '57

one another's throats to sit down in one room and help them resolve their differences is very rewarding." **Ian Maksik** of Lauderhill, FL, is a hospitality trainer, lecturer, and author known as the Professor of Service. He's the owner and dean of Schools for the Service Arts, which he is expanding nationwide. At the same time he's fine-tuning the First Annual Conference for the Service Arts, scheduled to take place in 2008. He doesn't limit teaching "the Maksik Method" to the US; last year he completed a two-year training tour of 27 Caribbean Islands.

Traveling remains a popular pastime for classmates. **Susan Bates** Cottrell, hospitality director at the Freemark Abbey Winery, made a pilgrimage to Israel. **Linda Rogers** Cohen of Great Neck, NY, visited "very dramatic and very beautiful" Peru. **Bill Fraser** of Greensboro, NC, traveled to Mali and Burkina Faso. Travel agent **Marge Holeton** Weaver of Naples, FL, sailed on a 19-day portion of the Crystal Cruises World Trip from Australia to Mauritius and Cape Town, then flew to Johannesburg for a safari in Kruger Park. Attorney **Robert Markovits**, JD '62, of Stockbridge, MA, took a 105-day world cruise. Barbara and **Phil Yarnell** (Denver, CO) enjoyed "an adventure of a lifetime" as they joined 694 college students during a 100-day Semester at Sea; they took four courses as senior students and saw some wonderful ports while circumnavigating the globe from Nassau to South Africa, India, China, Japan, etc. Phil also was among '59ers who attended CAU's on-campus programs this past summer. Others included **Valerie Johnson** Conner, **Ron Demer**, **Leroy Jewett**, **Marjory Leshure** Marshall, and **Beverly Hall** Severance.

The '59 Alpha Delt group and their spouses and special friends convened in Charleston, SC, last May for another mini-reunion, this one organized by **Stan Lomax**, JD '62. The group cruised out to Fort Sumter, visited one of the nearby plantations, walked around the city's famed historic district, enjoyed a carriage ride, and viewed the last parade of the term at the Citadel—a formal review similar to that at West Point, although the Citadel's parade includes bagpipes in addition to the traditional brass bands. A second trip for Stan took him

October the *Wall Street Journal* published a feature on **Ratan Tata**, chairman of India's Tata Group "and scion of one of India's wealthiest and oldest business dynasties." The *Journal* noted that Ratan "was among the first Indian entrepreneurs to see the potential in making foreign purchases to boost growth." Today he "controls everything from Eight O'Clock Coffee Co. in the US to the ultraluxe Taj Group of hotels worldwide—which last year took over management of the Pierre landmark hotel on Central Park in New York City."

As you consider a contribution to the Cornell Annual Fund, remember our class scholarship endowment; on the contribution form simply indicate that your contribution should go to the Class of '59 Scholarship Fund. ❖ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, jet24@cornell.edu.

60 **Nathaniel "Nat" Grew**, DVM '63, and his family hosted a group of Cornell graduate students at their Ario Ranch in Costa Rica twice during spring 2006. The students, members of a Johnson School class studying Applied Consulting in Global Sustainable Development, created a business plan for development of a sustainable ecotourism center at the 5,000-acre ranch. The Grews' property sounds like a splendid location for an ecotourism enterprise, as it is on the Nicoya Peninsula, with 2.5 miles along the Pacific coastline. A photo taken by Nat's daughter **Annette '02** shows him and his wife Rosamond, along with their children **Nat Jr. '94**, **Caroline '03**, **Nick '05**, and **Dan '10**, and several of the Johnson students, all impressively seated on horseback on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Jim and **Margaret "Peggy" Hospital** Bramble also recently hosted Cornellians when they were visited by **Archer '57**, MBA '60, and **Carol Treman DesCognets** at their summer cottage on Cayuga Lake. The DesCognets, who spend half their time in Melbourne, Australia, and the other half in the US at their place in Williamstown, MA, were in Ithaca for the 50th Reunion of the Class of 1956 from Ithaca High School, which reportedly sent

more than 40 students to Cornell that year, including **Bill Fisher**, PhD '68, **Leonard Johnson**, **Tina Van Lent Radler**, **Sue Laubengayer** Cowing, and other luminaries. Peggy reports that a fine time was had by the gathered classmates and that, in one memorable moment, **Allison "Alice" Hall**, who teaches third grade in San Leandro, CA, swam across Cayuga Lake between reunion activities. Each year Peggy and Jim spend the winter months in Austin, TX, where they moved after Jim retired from Cornell as professor emeritus of Mathematics and took a position at Texas A&M U. Peggy says, "I stopped teaching years ago and have enjoyed being free to travel a lot with Jim." Her son **Myron Alan Hays '85** is a lawyer in Ithaca.

In October, **Jan** and **Joanne Brown Otto** of Boulder, CO, passed through Boston on a two-week tour of New England that was adroitly timed to coincide with the fall foliage season, a trip which concluded with Jan's reunion with several Harvard Business School classmates in Quebec. While in Boston, the Ottos visited with your correspondent and spouse Jack and with **Renee Sack** of Woburn, who retired after a career of teaching in the Lexington schools. The trip celebrated Joanne's October 1 retirement from her demanding longtime position as executive director of the National Adult Protective Services Association and the recent publication of a book, *Elder Abuse Detection and Intervention: A Collaborative Approach* (Springer 2006). The book considers intervention as a team effort, and the contributors, which included attorneys, a physician, a law

enforcement officer, and two social workers, wrote it collaboratively in an attempt to model this approach themselves. Joanne's son Ethan works for FEMA and is headquartered in Boulder, and her son Kevin is the director of a music school in San Francisco.

Eva Metzger Brown of Amherst, MA, also participated in a recent publication, contributing an essay to the book entitled *And Life Changed Forever: Holocaust Childhoods Remembered* (Wayne State U. Press, 2006). Eva has retired from the clinical practice of psychology at the Center for Restructuring Family Relationships and recently traveled to China and Tibet, which she says was "highly interesting." She adds, "I feel fortunate in having three married children and seven grandchildren." **Carol Roberts** Blodgett of New Richmond, OH, reports happily that she became the grandmother of twin boys, born to her son **Clifton Edwards '85**. The babies arrived early and had to spend three months in intensive care, but, says Carol, "they came home on August 29 and have been rapidly gaining weight." Carol spent her early career as a teacher in private schools in the Boston area and, after receiving a graduate degree in psychology, she became a psychotherapist in private practice. Her husband Lawrence spent much of his career as a vice president of Chesebrough-Ponds.

Paula Friedman writes that she recently "launched a (very) small press venture, joining my editing, writing, and photography business, all reachable through www.highlightscommunications.com and, happily, all happening out of my pretty log house here in the Oregon countryside near Parkdale and the Hood River." Currently editing a university press book, she reports being "thrilled" by having been awarded a residency from Soapstone, the women writers' residency program in Oregon, for May 2007. On a sad note, Paula reports that **Margaret "Peggy" Gordon** of Warwick died in July, "following a courageous battle against a long and hard illness." Paula had kept in touch with her through the many months of her illness and says, "Peggy kept up her sense of humor and her mental integrity throughout the entire ordeal." She had recently retired from the Bank of New York after many years as a computer specialist. Her survivors include her husband Fred Miers, two stepdaughters, and three grandchildren. Send news to: ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jw275@cornell.edu.

Engineering studies, complete with McMullen scholarships. Forty-nine years later Jack writes as follows: "After ten years in preparation, we moved to Chicago in 1971, where I taught endocrinology at Rush Medical College, and my wife **Nancy (Holden)** enriched the development of our son **Wilson '89** and daughter **Sue '91**. We moved to West Palm Beach, FL, in 1982, where I was in full-time practice of endocrinology. Sue had her first job as the office medical transcriptionist during high school, and Nancy managed the office from 1985 to 2005. We closed the office in spring 2005 and were on the road most of the next year, re-establishing closer contact with many family and long-standing friends, and especially enjoying our new freedom. We try to plan a few days at Cornell whenever our travels permit, though we have not come for the big parties. In April 2006 we returned home. Minneapolis, MN, is new, but we had visited our daughter here in the early 1990s, and Wilson has lived here for ten years now. The Midwest suits us and we know we can tolerate the cold (recall Ithaca and 11 years in Chicago), especially without the need for commuting to work. We are within walking distance of Orchestra Hall, Guthrie Theater, the new central library, etc. We would love to see friends who come to town. You may contact us by e-mail at ng68@cornell.edu or jtg39@jhu.edu."

Other classmates responding to our request included **Daniel Reisman**. Dan retired from the NYS Division of Human Rights. He is staying active with substitute teaching, volunteering in a hospice, and giving workshops on therapeutic touch and Huna. **Jack Arney** wrote, "For my classmates who remember the happy times we had putting together the Cornell *Widow*: I have retired from the general practice of law after years of representing the guilty in criminal proceedings, the disinherited in estates, and the outraged in divorces. I am now completing an article for *American Heritage* entitled, 'Winter Dragons at Valley Forge.' It has to do with the successful efforts of two of General Washington's aides in planting rumors that the Schuylkill River, which borders the encampment at Valley Forge, was teeming with alligators."

Joanne Schapiro Koch has had a banner year. Her new musical, *American Klezmer*, was produced in L.A. in January and February, and she has signed a contract for a national tour of the show *Soul Sisters*. This multicultural musical has toured Cornell and 30 other universities and communities. The West Coast Black Theatre Troupe and the Sarasota Jewish Theater are producing the play in Sarasota, FL, November 7-19. The NYS University Press will publish *Soul Sisters* in an anthology that includes *Driving Miss Daisy* and *Fires in the Mirror* in 2007. Joanne is the director of the Graduate Writing Program at National-Louis U. in Chicago, where she is a professor of English. She and husband Lew just welcomed a third grandchild, Samantha, to the Koch clan.

Former class president **Frank Cuzzi**, MBA '64, was in the news recently with the launch of a new franchise in the American Indoor Soccer League, which was announced in their press release. "The new entity, the New York Hamptons, will be owned by Frank E. Cuzzi and operated

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61 Another deadline and the worst nightmare looms for your rookie class correspondents . . . an empty mail bag! Or almost empty—and certainly not enough to fill two columns in the *Alumni News*. However, with the help of the Alumni Office, we sent a random e-mail request to about 100 classmates asking for news. We were rewarded with a 10 percent response that puts us over the top and carries us into the next edition. But don't wait to hear from us if you want to send in an update. You can return the News Form that arrived in the fall, or write us directly at the addresses below. Thanks to all!

I first met **Jack Garland** in Pittsburgh in 1957 at a reception for matriculating freshmen. Both of us were bright-eyed and eager to embark on our

by Corner Kick Int'l. Corner Kick president and founder Cuzzi has been a leader in the sports marketing business for over 30 years. The reputation, contacts, and marketing know-how of Frank Cuzzi can not be duplicated and will be a huge boost to the AISL's image and drive to take its place on the professional sports stage."

Class president **Marshall Frank** sent the following update after the mini-reunion at the Dia:Beacon Museum, Saturday, Oct. 7 in Beacon, NY. "We had a great turnout on Saturday for our docent-guided tour attended by 30 classmates, spouses, and guests. Both docents were superb, providing excellent commentary on not only the massive works of sculpture, but also the renovated 1929 Nabisco printing plant building, which the Dia acquired in 1999. After the tour, we traveled across the Hudson on the Newburgh/Beacon Bridge to the Newburgh waterfront for a delightful lunch at the River Grill restaurant."

As we put this column to bed, we are enjoying typically fine fall weather. By the time your alumni magazine arrives, the dreariest, bleakest part of the year will be in full control. For those in the Sun Belt, enjoy. For everyone else, there are some wonderful tropical cruises! Please e-mail your input to **Joanna McCully** or me. ♦ **Doug Fuss**, 5 Pineside Lane, Savannah, GA 31411; e-mail, dougout@attglobal.net; **Joanna McCully**, 1607 Hilton Head Blvd., Lady Lake, FL 32159; e-mail, joannacelticlad@aol.com.

62 It's hard to believe that it's been almost five years since more than 300 of us got together to celebrate our 40th Reunion. And what a celebration it was! This coming June 7-10 we will gather again for our 45th, and we expect we will well exceed the 300-plus who had such a great time in 2002.

The highlight of any reunion is seeing many old (and some new) friends. But to make it even more fun, our schedule includes a symposium featuring a professor many of us consider one of the best—Walter LaFeber; our Thursday dinner in Duffield Hall (as in **Dave Duffield**, MBA '64); the Friday dinner/dance at the Statler (few of us could have afforded that 45 years ago); numerous university events (don't miss Cornelliana Night); and our own "mixers" at the North Campus Townhouses.

If you would like to help with one or more of the activities, please contact **Ruth Zimmerman** Bleyler at rzb3@cornell.edu. And, as we approach our 45th Reunion, **Alan Flaherty**, our new webmaster, is seeking additional words and photos to fill out the class website. Do you want to contribute to the "Grandchild Gallery" or the "Travel Gallery"? Go to the website and click on the "Send Pictures or Info" button for details.

REMEMBER TO SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION MATERIAL AT THE END OF MARCH.

John Burns (JohnBurns211@frontiernet.net) advises, "Small town America is the place to be." He's retired in Shepherdstown, WV, where he's HOA treasurer and property manager of his church. "Shepherd U. and the town provide more cultural activities than we can possibly fit into

our schedule. We also spend a lot of time in Canaan Valley, WV. The town is small enough that we can walk everywhere."

Classmates have been enjoying CAU in Ithaca. **John and Phyllis Blair Lowrie '64** took Roman Epoch and Drawing, respectively. **Sam '61**, MD '66, and **Judith Shapiro Greenblatt** studied Islamic Civilization, while **Peter '61**, MCE '64, and **Patricia Brown Gemeinhardt** learned about Underground Ithaca and New York State Arts and Crafts and **Jerome Solomon Kraus** became attuned to his Senses. Ruth and Pete Bleyler, and **Myra Maloney Hart** and husband **Kent Hewitt '59** took a cruise with Frank Rhodes. CAU continues to provide an eclectic array of mind-expanding topics to tempt you!

From Fairport, NY, **Barbara Dean Stewart** (bstewart@neonex.com) reports that Workman Publishing has just released her new book, *The Complete How to Kazoo*, and she's busily preparing it for holiday presentations. Barbara also chairs the Campaign to Make the Kazoo the National Instrument to Keep America Humming. She adds, "America has traditionally pulled together with our own unique brand of humor—and here is the one issue to bring red and blue states together (since it matters to none). See my website at <http://www.howtokazoo.com>. You are invited to contribute appropriate pictures for the X-treme Kazooing page (X-Treme Kazooing is the dangerous sounding sport with no risk, especially if you have Photoshop for your computer)."

Houston Stokes (hhstokes@uic.edu), professor of economics at the U. of Illinois, Chicago, lists his extracurricular activities as "golf!" He's also working on energy research and tells us that he and Diana traveled to Tivoli for the June nuptials of son **William '02**, MArch '04, and **Melissa Stickle '02**. The newlyweds are now in Franklin Park, NJ; he is working on DNA research under an NIH grant, and she is getting a PhD from Rutgers U. in biomedical engineering. "I've never left Cornell—the campus is more gorgeous than ever," notes senior lecturer in physics **Robert Lieberman**, MEE '65 (RHL10@cornell.edu). (Author's note: Come to Reunion and see for yourself!) When not instructing students, Robert has been producing and directing a new movie (see www.kewgardensmovie.com). He completed the comedy/drama "Green Lights" (www.ithacamovies.com) and has recently published his novel *The Last Boy*.

In Bellevue, WA, **Bob** and **Jonie Adamowski** (R13232@comcast.net) welcomed their first grandchild, a beautiful little girl named Sadie. "Now we know what all grandparents have been exclaiming about." Bob and Jonie attended the wedding of **Bill** and **Leslie Troutman's** son in Cincinnati last spring. "It was a beautiful wedding with the reception at the Cincinnati Art Museum." Bill and Leslie live in Osprey, FL, and have spent the last two summers in Mentor-on-the-Lake, OH.

Wayne Kelder has been in elective office in the Rochester, NY, area for over 18 years. He owned and operated Jaway Farms for nearly 40 years and has a long list of community involvements. An update from **Patricia Hughes Gulbrandsen** (mddoc@yahoo.com). She has retired from the practice of allopathic medicine and has opened a holistic medical practice in her Silver

Spring, MD, home. She does "hands-on energy work involving the chakras and channeling." Patricia enjoys birding, as do several other classmates.

Just checking—have you entered June 7-10 on your calendar for our 45th Reunion? If not, do it now! ♦ **Jan McClayton** Crites, 9420 NE 17th St., Clyde Hill, WA 98004; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

63 I am writing this column while we are still in Telluride, CO, on the last day of summer. And on this day, we are having a foot of falling snow. I think the locals who ski are dying to get out on the fresh powder, though it's a little early. I hope this is a harbinger for the winter season ahead.

Back to Cornell news, **Chuck** and **Marcy Bergren** Pine split their time between Santa Monica, CA, and Telluride. Marcy is retired but finds time to work with two political action committees that support progressive women candidates. She has met some fabulous candidates—a governor, senators, and congresswomen. Marcy is also playing lots of paddle tennis and golf. She has played golf for 40-plus years, but finds that recent lessons have helped a lot. Last November, **Chuck** and **Marcy** traveled to South Africa with **Grace** and **Jack Gallaway '60**. The highlight was a five-day safari. Marcy would like to hear from **Diane Teal Riddell '62**. Since the 2006 News Form had the question, "Who is the old Cornell friend you would most like to hear from?" I'll mention those when appropriate.

As I mentioned in the last column, **Stephanie Tress de Pue** is heavily involved in writing reviews for books on Amazon.com. She started doing these just a few months ago and as of this writing has reviewed almost 30 books. You can find them by Googling "Retirette" or go to Amazon and ask for Retirette. She is specializing in mysteries, show biz bios, and Scots/Irish/English material. When she started she ranked about 1,300,000 in popularity and is now up to 60,000. She gets credit for all of her reviews that are read. **Thomas** and **Vera Frumkes** are retired and living in Prescott, AZ. Thomas is involved with chamber music, hiking, and contract bridge and likes to travel. He would like to hear from classmates **Joe Oppenheimer** and **Harvey Itskowitz**.

Whinfield, ME '68, and **Joan Melville** are still in Pittsford, NY. Whin is design center manager for Intrinsic Corp. in Fairport, NY. He started this job last February and has successfully completed Project Management—PMP certification. Joan and he visit their son at Cornell, where he is a sophomore. They also visit the Bahamas and Bonaire and enjoy scuba diving. Whin would like to hear from his freshman roommate, **John Harding**. **Hal Spitzer** lives in Hamden, CT, and has his own architectural firm. He is semi-retired and hopes to be fully retired by now. His activities include: theater, board president of Alpha Workshops, trustee of the Professional Children's School, book club, and working out. **Sharon Klig** Krackov lives in and enjoys the cultural activities in New York City. She is in medical education and specializes in curriculum development, evaluation, student assessment, faculty development, and educational scholarship. She also likes to hike and bike. Sharon and Jerry took an April trip to Australia and New Zealand.

Warren Walker, PhD '68, still resides in Den Haag, the Netherlands. He is a professor at the Delft U. of Technology. His son Luke was married in August 2005 and daughter Hannah in April 2006. Frank and **Susan Waldo** Baker live in Colts Neck, NJ. Susan retired from Red Bank Gastroenterology in March. She likes being a "full-on" grandmother, but also enjoys bridge, gardening, knitting, and travel. Their daughter Christy (Notre Dame '96) and husband Bryan Grant are the parents of their grandson Derek, born in April. **Bob Freeman** keeps us updated yearly from Sausalito, CA. He is president and managing member of the year-old Buena Vista Cafe in San Francisco, located at the San Francisco Airport in Terminal 3 (United) between Gates 82 and 84. He is in partnership there with H.M.S. Host. Bob also finds time to golf.

Arthur "Bing" '62 and **Catherine Dedek Steffen** live in Fairport, NY. Cathy is retired, but has been helping their youngest daughter with her new baby Jack. Jack is the seventh grandchild and sixth boy. Cathy would like to hear from classmates **Emily Schimm** Sendler and **Carol Sammis** Heltzel. **Gary** and **Sandra Nieskes** live in Englewood, FL. Gary is semi-retired and works part-time at Prime Time Restaurant. He is president of the Alameda Isles Homeowners Association and an active member of the Englewood Lions and numerous county organizations. He loves living in Florida for the friendly people and great weather. He would, however, prefer not to have to worry about storms. **Marion Travalini** Rodd is an account manager for the St. John Companies, a medical supply company in Valencia, CA. Marion would like to retire and travel, but does enjoy her grandchildren. She would like to hear from **Lenora Clupper** Howard. **Susan Silverstein** Sandler is a registered dietitian specializing in Huntington's disease. She works for Morrison Healthcare Services in New York City. That's all for this month. ♦ **Nancy Bierds** Icke, 12350 E. Roger Rd., Tucson, AZ 85749; e-mail, ick63@msn.com.

64 Most of us will turn 65 this year, the usual retirement age. So let's see who's retired, who plans to keep working, and who plans to do a bit of both.

Lois Sussman McBride is retired from being principal of a consulting firm, and now lists her business address as "upstairs." Lois otherwise keeps busy "toodling" (her term for getting about on her electric scooter; she has MS) into downtown Silver Spring, MD, where she and husband Greg live, to spend time writing in restaurants. Lois also is preparing a neighborhood disaster preparedness plan and is active in the Democratic Party. She is arranging a "grand tour" to celebrate her 65th birthday later this year. The McBrides have three grown children and four grandchildren. **Ann Sirrine** Rider is retired from teaching and now volunteers as a part-time manager for a geriatric care center. She also substitute teaches in Ithaca, where she lives, serves on the board of the Ithaca Children's Garden (major project: the great concrete turtle), and is an active master gardener with Cornell's Cooperative Extension. Ann has a grown daughter, a grandson, and an adopted grandson.

Patricia Seaver used the form at our class website's new link to send her new address in Potomac, MD, but otherwise left no news. **Bruce Wagner**, MEE '66, set up the link last autumn and is now soliciting classmates to submit suggestions on how to expand use of the link—for example, to target classmates who attended the 2004 reunion and other database-related functions. Bruce also wrote of spending time recently in Toronto, where he reports there are good ethnic neighborhoods to stroll through, excellent, if expensive, restaurants, super art and history museums, interesting architecture, theater, and other entertainment—plus "the usual Canadian lack of attitude."

Toby Kleban Levine reports she is now officially retired—but not before completing one last project, "Auschwitz: Inside the Nazi State, Educator's Edition," for PBS station KCET in Hollywood. The DVD-ROM is available for purchase. Toby keeps busy gardening and quilting at home in Stockbridge, MA, taking literature courses at her local Lifelong Learning Inst., studying Hebrew—and preparing for her bat mitzvah, to be held in April. She and husband Andy visited Israel just before the recent war there broke out, and also vacationed in Puerto Rico. They go to New Hampshire when they can to spend time with their first grandchild, a boy, adopted from Russia, and also frequently visit Boston and New York. And after five "exciting" years, Toby turned over leadership of the Cornell Club of the Berkshires.

Following are our classmates who attended one of the week-long sessions at Cornell's Adult University (CAU) last summer, with the courses they took: **Lucy Guerlac**-Battersby, *The Way Bugs Work: Insects in their Natural World*; **Nancy Greyson** Beckerman and **Martin Garfield**, *Sculpture Studio: Bronze Casting*; **Bruce Bender**, *All Creatures Great and Small: Animal Health and the Veterinarian's World*; **Jason Gettinger**, *The Rowing Clinic*; **Paul Kruger** and **Bruce Bender's** wife **Carol (Greenwald) '65**, *Photography Studio: Instant Imaging*; **John Looney**, *Introduction to Fly-Fishing and Fly-Tying*; **Phyllis Blair Lowrie**, *Drawing Studio, Meditation and Action—Fifty Drawings* (while husband **John '62**, took *The Roman Epoch, and Ours*); **Thomas Mueller**, ME '66, *Mysteries of the Deep: Natural History of the Oceans*; **Marian Levine** Steinberg, *Masters and Commanders: Great Hollywood Filmmakers and their Films*; **Bruce Wagner**, *The Senate*; and **John Wilson**, *Highlights in Astronomy*.

Michael Graves retired two years ago as an educator and now keeps busy with various household projects and grandchild babysitting. "Tim" and wife Suzanne live in Fairport, NY. Tim enjoys photography and their two grandchildren. Having retired from the US State department, **Sandy Vogelgesang** keeps busy writing and working as a civic activist on various global issues from human rights to the environment, and on local election issues (she lives in Bethesda, MD, with husband Geoffrey Wolfe). She reports the babies they adopted from Russia are now each 16 years old and looking forward to college. The whole family recently took a cruise tour to Alaska.

Not to be outdone in the civic affairs field, **Frederic Fischer** is on the board of directors and is secretary of *Streetwise*, the Chicago magazine

for the homeless. Ric, still an active attorney at Seyfarth Shaw in Chicago, is currently busy as co-editor of the next edition of the book, *How to Take a Case to the NLRB*. Ric and wife Gale live in Highland Park, IL. **John Fatherley** sent an addendum to the report we had in about his work on President Rutherford B. Hayes: seems four of the president's children attended Cornell.

That's all for now, but here's a personal plea. Many of you are submitting your class dues at our class website, which is convenient and quick. Unfortunately, you are not also providing personal updates using the form provided, and as a result, I have very little news to print. When this was done by a printed form, I got all kinds of news, but now . . . So please take some time to go to the website and jot down some recent news for inclusion in this column. And thanks. You can also write to me directly at the following USPS and e-mail addresses. ♦ **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com. Class website, <http://classof64.alumni.cornell.edu>.

65 Greetings and happy winter to you all! Hopefully, a glorious spring is on the way. It is refreshing to hear from all of you and sharing your life's passage with classmates. **Barbara Rosen-shein Wolfert**, MAT '66, has recently changed jobs. She previously practiced elder law at Legal Services of the Hudson Valley and now works part-time under an elder law abuse grant at Pace Women's Justice Center, which is affiliated with Pace U. Law School in White Plains, NY. She and husband **Alan, JD '66**, spend some of their leisure time golfing and enjoying their six grandchildren. **Diwan Chand**, writing from Canada, is working as a landlord and developing old properties. His special interests take him boating and backpacking around the world. Most recently, he trekked in South America, in magnificent Patagonia. Another climber is **Joan Wager**, who trekked around Khangchendzonga, the third highest mountain in the world, in Sikkim. She also traveled in South India, where she visited biodiversity projects and attended a wedding. Joan is still a practicing licensed clinical social worker in a private psychotherapy practice. She volunteers for SPCA dog training and Red Cross mental health disasters.

Howard Zuckerman and wife Jenny reside in Maryland. Since his retirement, Howard has spent many blissful hours golfing, jogging, and visiting with his sons and grandsons. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Pan-American Development Foundation. He and Jenny recently spent several weeks traveling in the Dominican Republic and Mexico. After many years of midwifery, **Trish Geppert** Woollcott has retired. She spends her leisure time volunteering at Planned Parenthood, gardening, and being a wife, mother, and grandmother. **James Zimmer**, DVM/PhD '68, has retired from academic veterinary medicine and is working in a private practice in Texas. He, too, spends free time volunteering and enjoying his grandchildren.

After-hours fun for Professor **Maxine Linal** includes hiking, birding, and much time volunteering as a master gardener. She presently is in

the member division of basic sciences at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle and is the director of interdisciplinary research training. Practicing as an ophthalmic surgeon in Texas is **William Lipsky**. He finds time to enjoy running, swimming, sailing, flying, and traveling. Currently designing a 22-story residential condominium for downtown Portland, OR, is **Robert Freeman**. He is a lead architect with Ankrom Moisan Associated Architects. Robert uses his leisure time to kayak, camp, travel, write, and dance. Robert, William, and Maxine Linial have all expressed an interest in reconnecting with past Cornell friends.

Owning and operating a store that handles radio-controlled airplanes and helicopters keeps **Andrew "Tom" Schmeltz** busy. He has developed an interest in fly-fishing and recently spent some time vacationing on the upper Rio Grande in Colorado doing just that. Tom and wife Peggy continue to call Oklahoma home. From Florida, we hear from **Michael Manheim**, who is an administrative law judge for Medicare, adjudicating Medicare billing disputes. Consulting engineer **Thomas Hager** fondly recalls his days at Sigma Pi. Living in upstate New York allows him to enjoy his activities of sawmilling and maple syrup production.

Keeping very busy is Dr. **Michael Rosberg**. He is the acting director of GUARD (Galen U. Applied Research and Development) Inst. at Galen U., located in Belize. Michael helped organize the Institute and is teaching classes, implementing research, and offering developmental training. The Alberta Press recently published his book, *The Power of Greed: Collective Action in International Development*. He still finds time to play with his grandchildren. **Marjorie Rubin Brody** is a residential counselor at Hudson House, a transitional center for chronically mentally ill adults. She also tutors fourth graders through the Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy and volunteers at Citizen's Library. Swimming, bicycling, hiking, doing Chinese brush painting, and enjoying the grandchildren of her niece and nephew fill the remainder of her time.

As I close this column, I want to thank each of you for providing news items and encourage everyone to write, call, e-mail, etc., Ron, Terry, or me with current information. Many of you expressed an interest in reconnecting with special friends. Please indicate on the news form or in a note that it is acceptable to provide your current address or e-mail in the column. Thanks! Send news to ♦ **Joan Elstein** Rogow, 9 Mason Farm Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822; tel., (908) 782-7028; **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Court, West Bloomfield, MI 48322; tel., (248) 788-3397; e-mail, rsh28@cornell.edu; and **Terry Kohleriter** Schwartz, 36 Founders Green, Pittsford, NY 14534; tel., (585) 383-0731; e-mail, Terryks7@aol.com.

66 Do you remember Cornell winters? In February 1963 I kept on my desk a record of precipitation. The result: it snowed 20 days and rained once, leaving just seven days that, if not sunny, it didn't Ithacate. Funny how that data still resides in my memory!

I'm **Pete Salinger**, MBA '68, and was asked to take on the role of one of our class correspondents, along with **Sue Rockford Bittker**, and **Deanne Gebell** Gitner. (Our longtime correspondent **Bill Blockton** will also be writing from time to time.) I graduated from the ILR school and then got my MBA at Cornell. Just before entering the MBA program, I married my college girlfriend, **Ruth (Dritch) '67**—we just celebrated our 40th anniversary! While at Cornell, I played clarinet in band, was a morning DJ at WVBR, and was a member of Phi Epsilon Pi. We moved to the Washington, DC, area in 1969 and have lived here ever since. I worked, for most of that time, as a government financial systems consultant for what was then Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. (later KPMG). Ruth worked for the federal government as an internal training research and performance improvement consultant. We retired a few years ago and decided to stay in Bethesda, MD, where we've lived for 29 years. In our retirements, we're both involved in volunteer work. What's unusual about me? I continue (for my 25th year as a volunteer teacher) as a facilitator for a "values-oriented" comprehensive sexuality education curriculum for seventh to ninth graders.

In news about our classmates, **Roy Troxel** is at it again, volunteering for Cornell. He's now president of the Cornell Club of Maryland. Roy writes, "Any alumni living in Maryland are welcome to join. You can contact our membership chair, **Stephanie Omokaro '97**, at somokar1@jhmi.edu. If you would like more information on our Club's activities, please check our website at: <http://ccmaryland.alumni.cornell.edu>."

On her "Quick Update . . . or How I've been spending the last 5 years . . .," **Mary Wellington** Daly writes that she and her husband moved from Boxford, MA, to Tucson, AZ, where they've settled into their new home. They now have two grandchildren. We got an update from **Karen Kyne** Dormer. She volunteers as an ESL teacher for Friendship Int'l and also as a teaching leader for the Oklahoma Marriage Initiation. She has seven grandchildren! **Mike Singer**, who's a professor at the U. of California, Davis, is "teaching, researching (soil science), writing, traveling, and living every day." Wow! **Maurice Cerulli** was recently appointed by the director of the NIH to the National Commission on Digestive Disease to help formulate a framework for research sponsored by the NIH in gastrointestinal and liver diseases. Only 12 doctors outside the NIH were chosen nationwide.

Nancy Ellen Kurtz reports that she was recently in transition, moving from the mountains to the desert—Moab, UT. She's been hiking, home-building, reading, writing, playing music and singing, and teaching her energy-healing work. We have teachers in our midst. **Kenneth Brown** teaches middle and high school mathematics—his 14th year. He writes: "I continue to live in my same home with my wife Clare in Rye Brooke, NY (26 years). Our health is good and other than my two new titanium hips, we are great." **Marian Wood** Meyer wrote that she's been "getting a teenage son through high school into life . . ." She wrote of her numerous activities and ended with, "I'm exhausted!"

Frank Spencer, MME '67, whose home address is Woodbine, MD, has spent the last two years living and working in Shanghai, China, and other parts of the Far East. **Paul Weinberg** wrote that he is having a great time. His job is "wonderful," he is doing some traveling, and he's just enjoying life. Way to go, Paul. **James Shulman** continues to enjoy his retirement in Galena, OH. He lives in a nature preserve on an eight-mile reservoir and is traveling and writing.

And finally, we received a note from **Cathanne Merz** Bart. She was sorry to miss our reunion, but writes, "I did spend a wonderful weekend in Ithaca for graduation. My daughter, **Suzanne Bart** Doucette, PhD '06, received her doctorate in Chemistry. The doctoral ceremony and the Schoellkopf program were very colorful and moving . . . just give me the 'Evening Song' and you've got me."

Please keep the e-mails, cards, and letters coming. If you're reading this note, there are others who want to hear about YOU! Write to any (or all) of us! ♦ **Pete Salinger**, pas44@cornell.edu; **Susan Rockford** Bittker, ladyscienc@aol.com; and **Deanne Gebell** Gitner, dgg26@cornell.edu.

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Wheels of Fortune

MIKE MADDEN '69

In April, Mike Madden and his wife, Marcia, went for a bicycle ride. They returned five months—and 5,595 miles—later.

The Maddens rode a tandem bike from their home in Tacoma, Washington, to Atlanta, Georgia, following a circuitous route that took them through twenty states. Madden, who retired last year as executive director of the Tacoma/Pierce County chapter of Habitat for Humanity, planned the trip as a fundraiser for the organization. Dubbing their ride the “1,000 Friends Tour,” the couple set off with hopes of collecting 1,000 donations of \$50 each. (So far, they have raised nearly \$30,000; Madden is continuing to raise funds toward the \$50,000 goal.)

On the road, the Maddens carried a few clothes, a GPS locator, a satellite phone, and their laptop; most nights, they posted updates on their website (www.tpc-habitat.org/1000friends.php). “It’s daunting,” they wrote of a “wall of mountains” they faced in Oregon, “but the pioneers found a way through and so did we.”

In eighty-six days of travel—broken up by visits with friends and family—they averaged nearly sixty-six miles per



day. The greatest challenges, Madden says, were cycling through urban traffic and facing severe headwinds. The Maddens crossed the Continental Divide twice, traveled the Santa Fe Trail, and pedaled past Ground Zero—hitting the 5,000-mile mark on September 4, their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary. Their survival secrets? Payday candy bars and Starbucks lattes. “We looked goofy,” says Madden. “There we were, two old people in spandex on a tandem bicycle.”

— *Christina Bosilkovski*

all supervisory and management levels,” reports **Jack Schwartz** (Bellmore, NY; jackschwartz@itechrecruiting.com). “I’ve been doing this for other firms for the last 23 years—decided to do it for my own firm for the next 23.”

Another e-mail contribution comes from **James Crawford** (Oakton, VA; jwcrawfo@aol.com), who’s a security manager for Verizon FNS. “Working harder than ever,” he writes, adding, “Doing what I prefer to do” in response to the what-I’d-rather-be-doing question. His Cornell memory is the weather, and he’d like to hear from **David H. Brown**, MS ’72. He recently returned from a business trip to The Hague, and writes, “I visited the Mauritshaus Museum and viewed the ‘Girl with a Pearl Earring’ for the second

time. She continues to mesmerize me. Don’t die without having seen it.” That reminds me of being in Philadelphia last year and stopping by its renowned art museum for the first time in many years. Of all the fantastic treasures there, a small Vermeer on loan from an anonymous collector was the high point of my visit.

Carol Polakoff Hall (San Antonio, TX; jeffreyhall50@hotmail.com) retired just one year ago and recently moved into their “new” home in Texas, where she’d rather be doing “just what I am doing.” Carol adds that husband **Jeff** retired later last year from Northwest Airlines. “We intend to travel quite a bit.” Her Cornell memory jag brought back Ray Charles, Stones, and Peter, Paul & Mary concerts. She’d like to hear from **Ronnie**

Duberstein, Dottie Labbok, and Tracey Maxwell.

“Peggy and I just returned from a wonderful trip to Jordan and Egypt,” reports **James Johnston**, Arlington, VA, who’s chair of the Air Force Clemency and Parole Board. “While Egypt’s 5,000-year-old and younger antiquities are well known, Jordan’s are still essentially undiscovered. Our tour group of 13 explored various Greek, Roman, Crusader, and Saracen sites, which, except for Petra, were unhampered by crowds of tourists. Moreover, our journey to both countries was an interesting refresher course in Old and New Testament history, as well as an introduction to Muslim beliefs and practices, as we were traveling before and during Ramadan.” Jim’s looking to hear from **Mike Porter**.

Roger McCauley (Glouster, OH; mccauleyrd@aol.com) has spent nearly 30 years as an advocate for children, families, and the elderly who live in poverty. He’s director of the Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development (COAD) and “was instrumental in acquiring major funding for an Appalachian initiative for a Child Care Resource and Referral Network that continues to this day.” He received the Irene-Bandy-Hedden Early Childhood Education Leadership Award for Advocacy in October 2005 for his work in supporting Head Start and Early Learning Initiatives and gaining funding from the State of Ohio.

Also in Ohio is **Roger Goldberg** (Ada, OH; r-goldberg@onu.edu), who is associate vice president for academic affairs at Ohio Northern U. His children Nathan and Erin are accounting majors at Butler U. in Indiana. Prof. **Howard Reiter** (Coventry, CT; howard.reiter@uconn.edu) reports locating someone who had been on the missing list: **Carol Weiss** Lewis (Storrs, CT; carol.lewis@uconn.edu). ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St. NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

68 Congratulations to **Jay Waks**, JD ’71, for his recent selection to receive the Groat Award from the ILR school. The Judge William B. Groat Alumni Award is given annually to honor an ILR graduate who has demonstrated outstanding service and support to the school, and it recognizes career accomplishments in the field of industrial and labor relations. Jay is a partner in the litigation department of the New York office of Kaye Scholer LP and is chair of the firm’s employment and labor practice. His service to Cornell includes being chair of the University Council and chair of the Cornell Law School Advisory Council. Jay and his wife Harriet have two children, a daughter who is a Cornell junior and a son at Harvard Medical School.

Jane Frommer Gertler and husband **David** ’67 live in Scarsdale, NY. Their daughter **Meredith** ’98, a Cornell grad and NYU MBA, works in media business in NYC. Their son Howard is a movie producer in New York. *Variety* magazine recently named Howard as one of the “ten producers to watch in 2006.” Howard was a producer of the recent hit film *Short Bus*, which received accolades at the Cannes and Toronto film festivals last year, and many good reviews when it opened in the US. I liked it very much when I saw it.

A note from Cornell's Alumni University indicates the following classmates have recently attended some of CAU's outstanding programs: **Claudia Deutsch**, **Lois Gartlir**, **David Maisel**, **Margo Stout Kilbon**, and **Elliot Sleight**, MBA '70.

Helen Karel Dorman and husband Neal live in Millwood, NY. Helen is a real estate broker with Sotheby's Int'l Realty in Chappaqua. They are enjoying their new granddaughter Kyle Zoe Kipnes, born to their daughter **Karen Dorman Kipnes '98** and her husband **Todd '96**. **Peter Bos** and his wife Terri live in Destin, FL. Peter is a real estate developer and enjoys deep-sea fishing. He is now thinking about reducing work and spending more time on other things. Pete asks for news on **Paul Himmelman**. **Larry** and **Carol Stiles Kelly** live in Oxford, CT, and are both retired, Larry from General Electric after 35 years and Carol from First Steps Learning Center. They are busy with travel and local organizations and activities. They spend part of the year in Connecticut and part in Arizona. They enjoy visiting Ireland, where they own some property, and visiting their children in Boston, MA, and Montgomery, AL.

Jean Walton Haven and husband **Miles '67** live in Potomac, MD. Jean is performance director at the Montgomery County Public School and was recently a middle school principal. Jean sees **Janice Milkman** Berlin at her book club and also **Judy Klimpl '67**. Jean and Miles are avid travelers and have been to Ethiopia, Thailand, and Glacier National Park. Miles is a marathon runner and recently ran the Boston Marathon. Jean has fond memories of her freshman corridor at Dickson 5 and the lifelong friends she met there.

Janet Fisher Anisfeld is a psychotherapist and lives in Riverdale, NY, with husband Leon. Janet is completing her dissertation for a PhD. **Ina Bendis** reports receiving numerous degrees following Cornell. This includes her PhD in molecular biology from Albert Einstein, an MD from UCSF, and an MS in management from Stanford Business School (Sloan Program), as well as patent agent and real estate broker licenses. She recently got a law degree from Concord Law School.

Ed Tuleja, a music teacher, lives in Tasmania, Australia, with his wife Diana. Ed enjoys playing the guitar, building on 50 acres, and raising children. He asks about **Ozzie Alers, PhD '66**. **Roger Stetter** is an attorney in New Orleans and lives in the city with his wife Barbara. His recent work has included civil litigation of child abuse cases against the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New Orleans. Their son **Jack '09** attends Cornell. Roger asks for news of **Paul Young** and **Mike Rubin '67**, and I urge them both to write in.

Alan Stoll, MPA '70, works in Worcester, MA, and is involved in healthcare business as an adviser and investor. I know firsthand of Alan's great reputation for his expertise. **Elaine Elinson** is an editor and communications consultant in San Francisco. She is writing a book on the history of civil liberties in California. Last year she got an MFA degree, was busy helping family members through illness, and also marched for immigrants' rights. Elaine asks for news of her acting buddy **Al Gingold**, MFA '71, and has fond memories of canoeing on the lake with friends and a bottle of wine. **Madelyn Berman** Heintz

lives in NYC with husband Nick Davy. I bumped into Maddy in the Berkshires last fall, where I believe she has a house.

I just returned from an amazing weekend at Cornell for a meeting of the University Council and can report on how great the campus looked and how impressive the present generation of students is. There was a major presentation on the recently launched Cornell Campaign to raise \$4 billion, and I had to chance to meet President Skorton. One could not help but be impressed by the dynamic thinking behind the campaign and the importance of this effort to maintain excellence and leadership at Cornell. The weekend was also exciting for me as I had a chance to visit with my daughter **Nicole '08**, a junior in Arts and Sciences. I look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, 2 Avery St., #26C, Boston, MA 02111; e-mail, gordon_silver@comcast.net.

69 Milton Jay, BA '73, has gotten in touch with us after a long hiatus. Although he started in our class, he left Cornell and the Engineering college in 1967, returning in our senior year to major in Psychology. Through the late '60s and early '70s, Milton played blues and rock bass guitar in and around Boston and New York, at one point with **Bonnie Raitt**. By 1981, he had completed a doctorate in psychology and post-doctorate work in neuropsychology and begun working at Boston City Hospital, where he remained until 1996. Presently, Milton is in private practice in Brookline, MA—but he has also been playing bass in various bands. Milton writes, "Ah, the full circle." He adds that he has been married for 27 years and has two kids and a dog. Although **Ronni Schwartz** Monsky is a psychologist by profession, she spends much of her time shepherding **Saskia**, her pre-teen daughter, to dance classes, Hebrew school, soccer, skiing, and skating. What would **Ronni** rather be doing? Swimming in the Caribbean. **Ronni** is most grateful to Cornell for the opportunity to meet people from all over the world and for the beginning of her love affair with film.

From a press release we learn that **David Minkin**, former co-managing shareholder of Greenberg Traurig, South Atlanta office, joined Powell Goldstein LLP law firm as a partner in its financial products and real estate services department. David's credentials include law and business degrees from Harvard. The Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, announced that **Dr. David Mrazek**, chair of the Dept. of Psychiatry and Psychology, was presented with the 2005 Simon Wile Leadership in Consultation Award at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. **Dr. Victor Ivar Reus**, a professor in the Dept. of Psychiatry at the U. of California, San Francisco School of Medicine, writes that both he and David are currently directors of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Victor's work requires him to travel frequently; most recently he gave the keynote talk in Shanghai at the Pan-Pacific Mental Health Congress and went on to tour Cambodia and Vietnam. However, he says that he would rather give up his United Airlines

100,000-mile status and stay home more. Victor likes to bike in the Sonoma Valley and scuba dive off the California coast and the Pacific islands. His fondest Cornell memories are "a moonlight swim at Triphammer in some sort of altered state and a road trip to Woodstock."

Marguerite Waller, also a professor, has been writing about neo-liberal economic policy and gender, yet she dreams about going on a long retreat. Looking back, her Cornell memories include anti-war activities and the 1969 meetings about restructuring the university. "I learned so much." A clinical social worker at Catholic Social Services in Broome County, NY, **Ildiko Czmor Mitchell** is also kept busy volunteering with the Broome County Environment Management Counsel and caring for family and friends. Recently, Ildiko hiked the Appalachian Trail across New Hampshire and the Connecticut River into Vermont. Another hike is planned for next year, and she welcomes any Cornellian who is interested to e-mail. She goes on to write that retiring and finishing the trail is what she would rather be doing. When Ildiko looks back at her college days, fraternity parties with live bands, especially big party weekends, stand out in her mind. She wonders where **Peggy Greene** Nicklin is. (For this and related questions, check out the online Alumni Directory at: <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>. Use your Cornell ID to get in; you can find it on the mailing label of this very magazine and every mailing you get from the university.)

Mike Madden and his wife Marcia biked 5,000 miles across the US—starting from Tacoma, WA—as a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity. Mike is a past executive director of the charity's Tacoma chapter. **Joel Negrin '68** passed on an e-mail from Bill and **Nancy Garlock** Edmunds. Their son Nathan was the 2006 winner of the National Tennis Association's Arthur Ashe Award for leadership and sportsmanship in men's Division III tennis. It is given to the player who most shows outstanding leadership and sportsmanship during his college career, in addition to scholastic, extracurricular, and tennis achievement. "Needless to say, we are very proud of him," wrote Nancy. A clipping from the *York State* newsletter tells us that **Dennis Wright** entertained the NYS Retired Teachers Association (NYSRTA) annual convention with a humorous talk entitled "I Chose to Teach." His life has gone through many stages before becoming a secondary school science teacher. In high school, Dennis began playing guitar and writing music. After college, he worked in Ghana and West Africa with the Peace Corps. In addition to teaching, he has been a coach and wrestling official. He is also a husband, father, grandfather, woodworker, stained glass artisan, rug hooker, and stonemason. The newsletter also reports that Dennis loves to make things that last and loves his music.

Below is the final group of names from the missing classmates file. We would love to hear from: Michael S. Begun, Martin H. Bloomberg, Fedwa Malti-Douglas, John K. Blumenstein, Margaret T. Mantis, Robert B. Booth, Kenneth R. Goldstein, Jack Manheimer, James D. Borzani, Stephen J. Caracappa, Holly Vincent Bowersox, Graham E. Bowes, Sue Elsten Manlove, Stephen

H. Burton, and Richard A. Calgaro. ♦ **Arda Coyle Boucher**, 21 Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031, aboucher@airmar.com.

70 Best wishes for a happy, healthy, and fun year in 2007! **Jon Lawrence** (San Juan Capistrano, CA; JD128@cornell.edu) writes to say that he and three other Pi Lambda Phi brothers, **Mitch Bernstein**, **Charlie Adelman**, JD '73, and **Steve Kunkes '69**, got together in March 2006 at the Grand Central Terminal Oyster Bar for some serious reminiscing. Jon and his wife Elisabeth continue to make frequent trips to New York to visit their son **Stefan '99** and daughter **Marika '04**, who is now in her second year at Cornell Law School. Jon was recently hired as a ship's physician for Holland America Cruise Line. He plans to increase the cruise time and work less on land and hopes to see you on board—but not professionally! **Grace Denton Holmes** (Norwich, NY; graceholmes@adelphia.net) and her husband Tom celebrated their daughter Laura's graduation from Bucknell U. in May 2006. She is now with Teach for America in southern Louisiana. Their son Christopher is finishing preliminary studies for his PhD in atmospheric chemistry at Harvard.

Last summer marked 25 years in private, solo practice in obstetrics and gynecology for **Don Deprez**. His wife Lynda, an RN, has worked with him as the office nurse. Son Jim, 26, married Emily Arundel in August 2005, and daughter Julie, 24, who is in nursing school, married Kevin Stevenson in October 2006. Younger daughter Jennifer is in her third year at Tufts U. Don and Lynda live in Paxton, MA. On July 4, 2006, Gail and **Bob Jaspén** (Manakin Sabot, VA; robert_jaspén@ca4.uscourts.gov) celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary, along with the second wedding anniversary of their younger son Andy. Older son Elliot was married in June 2006 and among the guests were Class of '70 fraternity brothers **Bob Beck** and wife Evelyn Petrone, and **Sid**, MD '74, and Alice **Levinson**.

John Cecilia, MBA '79, of Lake Bluff, IL, has retired from the business world. After 30 years, he decided there were better things to worry about than quarterly reports and selling more widgets. He had spent a lot of time working in groups and felt it was time to find a way to give back. In January 2006, he started the Master of Social Work program at Loyola U., Chicago. He and his fiancée Lyn DelliQuadri (Barnard '67) have been combining households. **Connie Mather** Calhoun and her husband Jim sold their lovely home after Hurricane Katrina and moved outside of Houston, TX. Their town of Slidell, LA, has not recovered well, and the surrounding destruction remains very depressing. They are very happy in their new location and we wish them well.

Les Vinney, MBA '72 (Moreland Hills, OH; les_vinney@steris.com) and his wife **Linda (Manberg) '71**, MAT '72, attended Cornell's Adult University (CAU) this past July in Ithaca. They both took the course *Coming to Your Senses: What They Are and How They Work*, with Prof. Virginia Utermohlen from the Division of Nutritional Sciences. CAU is a great organization and you can learn more about it online at www.sce.cornell.edu/cau, or e-mail them at cauinfo@cornell.edu to get

a catalog for their on-campus courses and their US and international educational vacations.

Lawrence "Felix" Kramer's California Cars Initiative (calcars.com) continues to make waves in the energy/auto worlds. President Bush endorsed plug-in hybrid cars in his State of the Union Address, and *New York Times* columnist Thomas Friedman became a big fan. Felix flew his converted car to Washington, DC, to show to senators and representatives. And he feels that carmakers are getting closer to signing on. He says that a lot of Cornell alumni are involved, notably UC Berkeley professor **Daniel Kammen '84**. Felix can be reached at felix@nlightning.com. **Karen Brody** Reber has become VP for franchise development at Moving Solutions (www.moving-solutions.com), a move management system offering hands-on help to older adults and busy professionals who are relocating, usually to smaller settings. The business coordinates stress-free moves by helping to downsize, dispose of unwanted belongings for sale or donation, pack, unpack, and resettle into the new residence. Franchising is new to Karen, but they have five franchises on the East Coast and she is learning quickly as they grow nationally. She speaks often to **Eilene Schultz** Isaacs (Northfield, IL) whose third and youngest son is an undergrad at Penn. They plan to see each other more frequently in Philly. Karen and her husband Mark remain in Wynnewood, PA, while their daughters are both in graduate schools of education. Her e-mail address is Rebermrk@aol.com. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, cfm7@cornell.edu.

71 Once again it is time to catch up on all you classmates who in spring or summer 2006 sent in a tidbit or two for the class column via the dues card and never saw it published. To those who contribute, both Linda and I offer many thanks. I encourage you to use our e-mail addresses (see below) to forward news. It will get a quicker and more satisfying response. Those dues cards are well traveled before they finally end up with one of your correspondents. Either way, we look forward to hearing from you.

Bill Mackey writes from Arizona that he is involved in the oil business in the Phoenix area, but prefers to spend his time writing poetry and, he continues, "like Plato, I like to sink into thought. I am trying to know the classics professionally." He has published 60 poems in small presses over the years and is looking to publish his first novel. Taking advantage of the good life in the big city remains one of **Marion McCue** Velez's goals. Marion (New York City; mjmccue@rcn.com) is a clinical social worker with a practice in early childhood and child-parent psychotherapy. She spends summer weekends at Fire Island. Elementary school nurse **Kathy Zimmerman** Schwartz (kzschwartz@cox.net) checked in from Fairfax, VA. She is determined to finish up her nursing career and try something else. Kathy also reports a sighting of classmate **Anne Bisset** and regular correspondence with **Nancy Kerwick**. Speaking of sightings, **Steve Rappaport** (srappap@aol.com) of Framingham, MA, spotted **Tim Harris**, JD '74, on

the beach at Manhattan Beach, CA, last summer. He was visiting his older daughter in Los Angeles.

Although he prefers to relax at his second home in Eastham on Cape Cod, MA, **Thomas Nally**, BArch '72, is heavily involved in Boston area economic development. With the conclusion of the Central Artery project, his economic development agency was reorganized into A Better City. Thomas (tnally@abettercity.org) is chairman of the 30-member citizens' committee for the Urban Ring Project. He has also been a member of the Brookline Economic Development Advisory Board since its inception in 1995. At least two classmates breed horses for a hobby. Pediatrician **Adrienne Altman** (laconda@sbcglobal.net) writes from Sherman Oaks, CA, that her preferred after-hours activities involve horses. She is an avid dressage rider and horse breeder. Another horse breeder is **Gordon Harris** (ionafarm@aol.com). He owns the Iona Miniature Horse Farm near Clayton, OH. Gordon reports, "In 2005 we won a world championship and two reserve world championships."

On the professional front, a number of classmates have taken significant new positions in the past year or so. **Ron Goodman** (Washington, DC; rgoodman@winston.com) joined a new firm, Winston & Strawn. He is co-chair of the international arbitration practice.

Another Sherman Oaks, CA, resident, **Nils Montan**, was named president of the Int'l Anti-Counterfeiting Coalition (IACC). The DC-based nonprofit is dedicated to protecting intellectual property and deterring counterfeiting. Nils was formerly VP and senior intellectual property counsel for Warner Bros. New York City-based attorney **Ken Lowenstein** joined the international law firm of Bryan Cave LLP to expand its land-use practice.

Classmate and former Cornell development officer **Stevenson Close** was named VP for development at Villa Julie College. He previously was director of development at Catholic Charities of Maryland. Another development position went to **Reginald Ingram**. New York-based Church World Service appointed Reginald in May 2006. He is a board member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. **Robert Beadle**, MCE '76 (bbeadle@earthlink.net) reported that he retired from Valero Energy after more than 30 years. He divides his time between a villa in Italy and his new Harley-Davidson dealership.

If you are trying to reach someone, let us know and we will make an effort to connect you. Please e-mail Linda or me. ♦ **Matt Silverman**, mes62@cornell.edu; **Linda Germaine-Miller**, lg95@cornell.edu.

72 It's only a few months until our 35th Reunion, June 7-10, 2007. So start making your travel plans to return to Ithaca for a weekend of reconnecting with old friends. See you there. I am proud to announce that my daughter Kelly recently started working for the Cornell Western Regional Office in San Francisco as the office administrative assistant. Kelly is now officially part of the Cornell family.

Steven Seifert is a professor at the U. of Nebraska Medical Center and medical director of the Nebraska Regional Poison Center. He recently

organized an international venomous snakebite symposium. (That's probably a more interesting symposium than the ones I attend on contract law.) Steve says he is still recycling and playing the sax. He proudly reports that daughter **Sara '07** attends the Ag college, where she is majoring in Biology. Steve and spouse Sandy Mishkin reside in Omaha, NE. **Susan Farber Straus** is a clinical child psychologist and coordinator of psychology services at a residential treatment center for children, as well as the head of the psychology externship/internship program. She continues to study piano and is a member of an amateur drama club where they perform plays from Shakespeare to Broadway musicals. Susan also belongs to a book club and participates in synagogue life. She enjoys traveling, having spent two and a half weeks in India last year and three weeks in New Zealand and Australia in 2004. Susan would like to spend more time with her two grown daughters, Emily, who is starting graduate school in regional planning/geography, and Rebecca, who is married and in medical school. Coincidentally, Rebecca married a man named "Farber," Evan Farber. The one thing Susan remembers most fondly from her time in Ithaca is the Cornell orchestra. Susan would like to hear from her old friends **Sharon Brook '73** and **Cathy Husa-Husseini '73**. Susan and spouse **David, PhD '77**, live in Owings Mills, MD.

Joe Kandiko writes from Excelsior, MN, that he is a doctor specializing in family medicine. He completed 20 triathlons last year and was named "most prolific racer" in the State of Minnesota. Joe won his age group in the "Tri-Minnesota Series" and has national "Team Aquaphor" sponsorship. He remains active in photography, attending several shows a year. Joe received the Image of Years award from the Twin Cities Camera Club in 2006. **Nancy Kollisch** of San Diego is an infectious disease physician. Daughter Mindy attends the U. of San Diego, and daughter Shelley is a high school senior. When taking a break from her work, Nancy enjoys sailing. **Martin Cohn** is president of the Atlantic Furniture Co. He recently has been reviewing his college math to study to be an actuary. Martin lives in Syosset with wife Lorraine. He would like to hear from old friend **David Capka**.

Remember, we depend on YOU to send us news about yourself and family. It doesn't take much time to send a short e-mail to Gary or me. Let us know what your life has been like in the 35 years since graduation. How did your Cornell education benefit you? Did you undertake a career path consistent with your undergraduate major? Do you still remember what you learned in class, or did you benefit more from the "lessons" you experienced outside of the classroom? What are your favorite memories of your time at Cornell? Think of this column as the My Space for members of the Class of 1972. We hope to hear from you soon. Send news to: ♦ **Alex Barna**, ab478@cornell.edu; or **Gary Rubin**, glrubin@aol.com.

73 Thanks to those of you who voted on our Class Constitution and who provide us with your comments. The Constitution was passed overwhelmingly, so we're now in compliance with standards set by the university for

alumni organizations. We're also nearing our goal for dues-paying class members, so if you haven't sent your payment in yet, now is the time. Your class officers are already hard at work planning our 35th Reunion for June 5-8, 2008. We're hoping to be housed in one of the new West Campus residences, Becker House. The new West Campus house system has been very successful, with more students requesting to live there than are spaces available. Hard to believe how much has changed since we graduated. Who would ever have thought that Libe Slope would look good to anyone! Don't miss this reunion!

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ALEX BARNA '72

Here's what came in the electronic mail bag. **James Buisch** sent news from Savannah, NY, where he works as a parts manager for Monroe Tractor. His off-hours are spent renovating his Victorian house. When he's not wrestling with the proverbial money pit, he plays with his seven grandchildren. We do have grandchildren now, although rumor has it that some classmates are also welcoming new babies home. Children are always a joy.

Daniel Notterman tells us that he's the chairman of pediatrics at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. He also teaches part-time in the Dept. of Molecular Biology at Princeton. His wife **Robyn (Berger) '74**, BS Nurs '76, MD '83, is a dermatologist who practices in Princeton, NJ. Daniel and Robyn have been making numerous trips to Ithaca from their home in Cranbury, NJ, to see their son **Ben '09**. Daniel fondly remembers Old Number Nines from his Cornell days and wishes he could hear from **Bill Landberg**. When asked what he'd rather be doing with his time, he echoes a common reply: he'd rather be fishing and boating.

We were also pleased to hear from **Thilde Peterson**, who resides in Laguna Beach, CA. Like many of us, health issues in her family have kept her way too busy the past few years. Thilde is hoping to work on class histories in preparation for our reunion, so if you have something you'd like considered, please let her know. She can be reached at tapeterson@suti.com. The Alumni Office also sent information on our classmates who took advantage of Cornell's wonderful summer courses. **Courtney Blue** brushed up on the culinary arts. **Mark Cukierski**, PhD '85, and his wife **Gwen (Vail) '72**, MA '74, enjoyed arts and crafts. **Marcy Sonneborn** Fabiani and **Eliot Greenwald** immersed themselves in film. **Carol Hoekje**, JD '81, learned more about Cayuga Lake, and **Robert Downs** went sailing. **James Wrightson** spent his time studying oceans.

That's the end of the news I have, so let me share my reflections as my triplets finish their senior year in high school. Last April, Anna, Christine, and I did an East Coast college tour

that included Cornell. Sad to say that the Ithaca weather has convinced them not to apply. Fortunately, Mitch didn't travel with us, so I may yet have a Cornellian among my offspring. Watching my children wrestle with college applications, their last season of fall sports, and way more AP courses than were ever offered in my high school, I wonder how these "Baby Boom-let" kids do so much. I know youth helps, but still their commitment to academics and service is impressive. Knowing that the competition they face for college is even stiffer than we Boomers faced is no consolation to a parent. Don't we all just want to

inject our experience into their psyches so they know that this decision really won't make or break them? Ironic that I say that in a column for my alma mater. Now, graduating from college—that's where the rubber hits the road. Of course, we're about to experience that too. Our oldest daughter should graduate this May and then will promptly get married. Ever the optimist, she's sure she'll have a job lined up before both events.

So, we've done most of our societal and parental job of launching the folks who'll be paying for our social security—assuming we get to retire. In the meantime, I'm just looking forward to reunion, where I can reminisce, relive, and revitalize with the friends I made during those magic years of discovery.

I expect the next column you read will be filled with the news you've sent in with your dues. Your class correspondents look forward to bringing you updates on classmates. Give us something to talk about by sending your news. ♦ **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, phg3@cornell.edu.

74 Over the years, I was absent from Cornell and incommunicado," writes **Pat Knuff**, VP, human resources of Segal, an HR and employee benefits consultancy in New York City. "Then my wife Paula and I attended my 25th Reunion in 1999. I don't know what possessed me to go. Maybe guilt. By the end of the weekend, I found I had fallen back in love with my school. I mean 'love,' and I don't intend to let this love get away from me again." Mike and Paula, an account exec at executive search firm Gilbert Tweed Associates, have been married 29 years and living in Manhattan 29 years, too. "No kids, but a fairly large extended family we can call our own." Pat and twin brother **Mike Knuff** played football for four years, including the **Ed Marinaro-Mark Allen-Bob Lally-Mike Phillips**-led team that went 8-1 and shared the Ivy League title with Dartmouth sophomore year. "The Cornell Football Association (CFA) allows me to stay in touch with a number of guys."

"Hoping Maryland Is 'Ready for a Person Like Me,'" read the headline in the *Washington Post*

about **Dana Beyer**, a retired eye surgeon who was running for a seat in Maryland's House of Delegates representing the progressive 18th District (Chevy Chase, Kensington, parts of Silver Spring). "I hope to be the first openly transgender woman elected to state level office in the US," Dana (Wayne Beyer as an undergrad) says in an e-mail. The *Post* profile noted Beyer supports universal health care and abortion rights, opposes capital punishment,

V or VI today, Foote told the *Sun*, he would have loved Slope Day.

Wedding bells: **Mitchell Rubin**, a pediatrician and director of the Dept. of Community Medical Practices of the Queens Health Network of the NYC Health and Hospitals Corp. (must be quite a business card), married Dr. Beth Weitzman, a professor and director of doctoral studies at NYU. A *New York Times* story on the wedding

tongue in a liquid form instead of by injections, "changing the way allergy sufferers are receiving treatment," according to a news release.

David Hirschland of West Bloomfield Hills, MI, was named vice president of strategic initiatives at Health Alliance Plan. David had been with the Int'l Union UAW Social Security Department for 25 years, the last 13 as assistant director. Also from Michigan, **Richard Litman** writes, "Since 1974 I have moved at least every ten years to a new part of the country: Ithaca to Tennessee to Utah to Florida to Pennsylvania to Minnesota. It is now time again, with a move to the Detroit area. The location has at least one major attraction—it is within reasonable driving range of Ithaca, where my daughter Becca will be spending the next four years as a member of the Class of 2010." ♦ **Bill Howard**, wkh2@cornell.edu; **Betsy Moore**, emoore@cazenovia.edu; **Steve Raye**, spr23@cornell.edu.

'Hot Truck was out every night behind West Campus and all was right with the world.'

MITCH FRANK '75

and supports same-sex marriage. Reporting on a candidates' gathering, the *Post* quoted her as saying, to laughter, "I think I'm the only person on the dais who has actually been in one." The *Post* added, "She was also, for the record, the only woman on stage with two ex-wives." (Meow.) In her note to us, Dana writes, "My big news: My younger son, Jonathan, moves to the U. of Maryland to join his older brother David in the college ranks." (Update: Dana did not prevail in the general election.)

Renee Alexander is the director of minority alumni programs in the Department of Alumni Affairs and Development at Cornell. She provides strategic direction for programs focused on increasing participation of Cornell's 20,000 self-identified minority alumni, particularly in volunteer leadership positions. "Renee's background in higher education administration and marketing, combined with her impressive Cornell volunteer resume, made her an excellent choice to head the program," writes classmate **Mary Berens**, Director of Alumni Affairs. For those at Reunion 2006 who noticed the vastly more diverse group of attendees—that was Renee's doing. As regards the Class of 1974 cumulatively, Mary notes, "We nearly reached our membership goal of 700 with a total of 693, almost 100 more than the second-place class." Other stats: \$1.77 million raised from 717 donors, a 13% increase over the previous year. In another powerful form of revenue sharing with Cornell, the class has 117 legacies on the Hill, of which 30 are incoming freshmen, and six transfers.

Two classmates participated in the 2006 Cornell Adult University summer sessions: **Christine Burke Breslin** (culinary program) and **Richard Lent** (science). Classmates spotted at the Harvard football game Oct. 10 in Cambridge included **Rob Swanson**, **Joe Kowalik**, **Al Van Ranst**, MBA '76, **John Foote** and **Kristen Rupert**, Mary Berens, **Jodi Kraatz Paduch** (and husband **Dave** '75), **Stan Selig**, **Keith Kennedy**, and **Frank Herron**. In April, the *Cornell Daily Sun* profiled John Foote's work compiling a history of the Cornell Big Red bears—real bears. Touchdown I through IV were on the Hill intermittently from 1915 through 1939. More beloved by students and alumni than the administration, Foote says the bears were sometimes cuddly, sometimes mischievous, and sometimes troublesome. Were there a Touchdown

noted that the two met after seeing each others' personals in magazine ads: "Attracted to smiles and curves," his said; "Connects to wit, values, and accomplishments," hers read. She left him a voicemail saying her life was "quite full" but she wanted "more colors in it." They talked, they dated, she learned he wasn't a "middle of the road pediatrician [but] directing a medical clinic in East Harlem at the time," and they later married.

"Not a terribly exciting life compared to most people, but I am quite content," writes **Liz Doughty Noble**. Liz and her husband have lived in Tolland, CT, for the last 20 years and raised three daughters: a UConn grad teaching high school English in Bridgeport who married last summer; a middle daughter who's a senior at UConn in the combined bachelor's/master's secondary English education program; and a high school senior planning to study dietetics at UConn. "Consequently, we have become UConn basketball and now football fans." Liz was office manager for an autism practice through 2005 and is now the sales support person in a specialty metals company. She likes to knit and garden ("fighting off the wildlife in northeastern Connecticut") and is teaching herself to quilt. She also volunteers at her church and works as a literacy tutor. We all should lead such enriched if seemingly unexciting lives.

Zack Mosner is president of the States Association of Bankruptcy Attorneys and a member of the Disciplinary Board of the Washington State Bar, and just had an article published in the *American Bankruptcy Inst. Journal* criticizing key employee retention programs. Oldest daughter Leah started law school at the U. of Washington, Carrie enters her senior year at Boston U., Samantha is a high school senior, and Mallory is a sophomore. "Life in Seattle is globally warming and everyday wonderful." **Bradd Siegel** was ranked the No. 1 employment lawyer in Central Ohio according to Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business. He's with Porter Wright Morris & Arthur in Columbus and co-edits the *Ohio Employment Law Letter*. Drs. **Robert Anolik** and **Nora Lin** '93 are providing an alternative form of allergy treatment at Vereo Allergy Centers in Philadelphia called sublingual immunotherapy in which the preventive treatment against allergens such as pollens, dust mites, and molds involves placing the extract under the

75 I'm writing this after returning from Homecoming, 35 years after our first, where Cornell came alive and ate up Colgate, 38-14. Hopefully by the time you read this Cornell will have racked up some Ivy wins. Above and beyond the game, there were glimpses (when the sun was out) of a memory-reviving and stunningly beautiful Ithaca weekend, changing fall colors, and air far more crisp than ever is found in Orlando. Students were returning from Fall Break (what exactly has changed that they need and get a break?!), and alumni jammed Collegetown Bagels. And if you haven't been to a game for a while, the students today sit in the East stands, Lynah Rink is being expanded, and Alumni Fields is disappearing under mountains of stone, brick, and glass. Of course, this still was Ithaca, and when the sun went behind the clouds, the sky turned gray and the temperature immediately dropped about 12 degrees. But the Hot Truck was out every night behind West Campus—Suis and the TMBCs with mush amazingly had not changed—and all was very much right with the world.

I stayed at the Old Stone Heap, the historic house on the west side of Cayuga Lake built in 1820 and recently remodeled by **Buck Briggs** '76. Due to his living in NYC and his travels as an attorney for the NFL, he doesn't get there nearly enough. However, we enjoyed staying there, and that includes **Bob Buhmann** '71, living in Northport, NY, and goalie on Cornell's first national championship lacrosse team. During the game, **Laurie Musick** Wright introduced me to Jerry and **Pat Tapscott** Musick Carr, PhD '74, her stepfather and mother. Jerry was a Skylab astronaut, and Pat was not only a wife and partner to former nine-year head football coach Jack Musick, but painted a tremendous likeness of him that now hangs in the Field House. Pat tells a great story of President Nixon wanting to congratulate **Ed Marinaro** '72 on coming in second to Pat Sullivan of Auburn in the Heisman voting but being unable to find his phone number. The phone rang at home and it was the White House operator. After much effort, Jack and Pat finally found Ed to hook him up with the President. Also at Homecoming, attending meetings of several

Cornell committees, was **Diane Kopelman** Ver-Schure '74, who, less formally known as Kope, the Class of '75 has basically adopted.

Not much classmate news to report, but all the news that's fit, we print. **Bonnie Siber** Weinstein is in Melville, NY. Bonnie writes that she had the pleasure of conducting an arbitration hearing on campus to enable students to see a bit of the "real world." **Liz Moore** serves as a trustee and has chaired the Minority Alumni Initiatives and Implementation Committee since its inception. She also serves on the ILR Advisory Council. **Joel Helmrich**, MBA '76, is co-chairman of the Bankruptcy and Commercial Law Group at Meyer, Unkovic & Scott LLP in Pittsburgh. This year Joel was selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2006 edition, for his expertise in bankruptcy law.

Laurie Nussbaum Yarnell (Laroo2U@aol.com) has launched "Embedded in the 'Burbs," a humorous blog, on NBC's iVillage.com website. Her work has been compared to an edgier, 21st-century Erma Bombeck, and she provides a "peek over one mom's cyber picket fence" via three-times-weekly postings featuring her wry observations on contemporary family life. "It's an exciting new chapter for me. I write about whatever is going on in my own life with my family, friends, neighbors, and acquaintances. Amazingly enough, some of them actually still speak to me." Log on at <http://embedded.ivillage.com/parenting/>. Laurie is married to **Gary** '74, DVM '77, and is mom to Nikki (Northwestern '06) and Adam (Brown '10).

This past summer the following enjoyed Cornell's Adult University: **Stephanie Adler** Ben-Yaish (Senses), **Craig Cohen** (Astronomy), Craig's wife **Jeraldine (Liner)** '76 (Wine and Food), **Marykate Owens** (Nonfiction Writing), and **Marie Welborn** (Islamic Civilization).

Keep the cards and newsletters coming. ♦ **Mitch Frank**, MJFgator@aol.com; **Joan Pease**, japase1032@aol.com; **Deb Gellman**, dsgellman@hotmail.com; and **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, boroffka@shu.edu.

76 Remember, it's never too late to renew your membership in the Class of 1976. And as class correspondents, we rely on your News Forms for updates. Are we not members forever of the Class of '76? In our hearts and minds, of course, but that doesn't ensure delivery of the alumni magazine nor news about the university, your friends, class events, or the planning for the next reunion. It's easy to join online. Just go to <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/secure/dues>, select Class of 1976, and enter your Cornell ID number (it's on the mailing label of all mailings from Cornell).

On to the news. **Debra Hertz's** daughter **Laura Southerland** graduated from the ILR school last June, and daughter Erica graduated high school. **Eric Antonsson** submitted some news by e-mail. He wrote that he returned to his faculty position after serving as the chief technologist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory for the past three-and-a-half years. In that role, he set the future direction for the technology R&D in JPL's senior management and had the opportunity to

participate in decision-making related to the Lab's recent spectacular successes. He wrote that it was an honor and a privilege to be able to contribute to the US space exploration program. He is pleased to return to his academic position and to his research, but he misses the excitement—though not the hectic pace.

Judith Schwartz Conlon's first novel, *Doublethink: A Tale of Unintended Consequences*, was published in 2006. Judith wrote that she is a novelist and consultant (To the Point) and enjoys masters swimming, Iyengar yoga, riding her Arabian gelding, and serving on local boards. **Robert Chrien's** present job is physicist/manager, although he would rather be sailing and playing tennis. He has been playing clarinet in the Los Alamos Symphony Orchestra, Los Alamos Community Winds, Los Alamos Choral Society orchestra, Los Alamos Light Opera orchestra, and Kammermusik chamber music festivals, and is also serving as a co-mentor for an Education for Ministry adult theology group. He would like to hear from **Karen Bjorn**, **Belinda Thompson** '77, DVM '81, and **D.D. Waring** '77.

While looking over our class website, **Judy Motzkin** decided to write some news. She wishes she could have attended reunion, but it was the same weekend as her younger son's high school graduation in Cambridge, MA. Her son will be attending Ithaca College, so Judy will be visiting Ithaca. Her older son is a junior at Oberlin College. Judy has been working as an artist in ceramics, mixed media, and digital art. Her current work in progress is about erosion, recycling, and the influence of beaches. **Caroline Hecht** is a Web programmer at Cornell and has three children, one at Oberlin, another at Cornell in Engineering, and the youngest in middle school.

As executive director for the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater Inc., Poughkeepsie, NY, **Gregg Swanzy** is passionate about the Hudson River Valley. He moved from Westport Point, MA, to Kingston, NY. His "after-hours" activities include sailing, being on the board for the Hudson River Maritime Museum in Kingston, and enjoying the company of great friends. **Beverly Chiang** Moris is principal of her own firm that specializes in public library planning and interior design. She also does contract design. Beverly has been working really hard to get her firm established and says, "So far so good." In the little free time she has, she enjoys singing and has been taking private lessons for years. She has kept in good touch with her friends from Cornell.

Appointed by President George W. Bush to serve on the US Holocaust Memorial Museum Council, **Marcia Pechenik** McCraw Horwitz is also chairman of USO of the Puget Sound area. Her current day job is Director of Legal Affairs for Aegis Living, started May 2006. **Despene** "Debbie" **Gazianis** Stough is coordinator, corporate relations in the American Language Program at the U. of Connecticut in Stamford. She is raising three girls, 8-year-old twins and a 14-year-old, and has been driving her kids to their activities as well as swimming, traveling, and skiing when time permits.

Amy Lubow Downs is a bookkeeper for a software publishing company in Manhattan. She enjoys time with her family—one husband, two

sons, one dog, and two hamsters. Most fondly remembered from her time at Cornell were great professors like Gillian Pederson-Craig and Zevi Blum. On September 1, 2006, **Mary DellaValle** Balliett began her appointment as director of the Master of Science program in the School of Applied Clinical Nutrition at New York Chiropractic College. ♦ **Lisa Diamant**, Ljdiamant@rcn.com; **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, Krinks54@optonline.net; and **Pat Relf** Hanavan, Relf@tds.net.

77 Reunion update. **Joe Reina** and **I (Mike Murray)** have had a great time so far, working with the Cornell Alumni Affairs staff to prepare a fabulous 30th Reunion for the class. One song lyric continues to reverberate as we do our tasks, and that is that Joe and I are "People. People who need people." We do have some time, but with the winter holidays behind us, it's less than six months till June!

At our 25th Reunion, we made a commitment as a class to get to more than 300 classmates attending our 30th. Some folks have already volunteered to support that effort by working on our affinity contacts. **Chris Podd**, M ORIE '78, and **Elaine Mead** Alexander are already helping out. **Ruth Raisfeld** joined on in September. **Carole Blank** Brown is another volunteer.

We are at a critical time, with two tasks ahead for the class. I've mentioned the "affinity contacts" effort. Class president **Kevin Brew** will also be building a Nominations Committee in order to present a slate of officers at reunion. When the class approves that slate during Reunion Weekend, those officers would be asked to serve the class and the university until our next reunion. Here are some of the qualifications for the positions:

Affinity Team Member: Outgoing and engaging personality; willingness to revisit the college days with your team, club, dorm, or organization; time to welcome others; and an ability to convince people to party for the weekend!

Nominating Committee Member: Similar qualifications to the Affinity Team Members, except that you need to be able to convince people to commit to serve and enjoy the university until the next reunion.

Job durations: Both of these tasks are short-term and finish before reunion.

Please contact me, Joe, or Tina Gourley of Alumni Affairs (tg5@cornell.edu) as soon as you can if you would like to assist in the reunion effort by receiving an affinity group list. Please contact Kevin Brew (kbrew@kevinbrewsales.com) or Tina Gourley if being a Nominating Committee member would be your preferred task. Thank you in advance for your class support! ♦ **Mike Murray**, MichaelL.Murray@itt.com; and **Joe Reina**, jtr25@cornell.edu, Reunion Chairs.

78 This issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine* should arrive right in the middle of hockey season. The Lynah Rink announcer would bellow, "Good evening, hockey fans!" and the Lynah Faithful would roar their spirited approval. Please give a hearty "Go Big Red" for the news and notes from our classmates below.

Barbara “Bonnie” Greenfield Warren (Plymouth Meeting, PA; bonsongs@aol.com) writes in as a talent booker for a local acoustic venue. She spends some of her time raising three high-maintenance teenagers. She loves the thought of being back at Cornell. Fond memories include her band “Silverwood” playing at Willard Straight Hall. Bonnie would like to hear from **Donna Perlow** and **Katie Keller ’79**. **Matt Sadinsky** (matt@sosintl.com) reports that running his company, www.sosintl.com, provides almost as many challenges as raising five kids. Matt enjoys coaching his children. His daughter has landed a part in a locally produced movie. Matt’s fond memories of Cornell split between Cascadilla Falls in the summer and Taughannock Falls followed by a cold beer at the Rongo.

David Doupe (dbd23@cornell.edu) serves as a managing director of capital markets at Jones, Lang, LaSalle, a global real estate company. He and wife Beth took a couple of months off to travel to Italy and Greece to celebrate their 25th anniversary. **Lorraine Heffernan** (lorraine934@hotmail.com) sends a quick note that she recently moved from Dallas, TX, to Monmouth County, NJ. **Susan Maze** Rothstein (Watertown, MA), professor of law at Northeastern U. School of Law, teaches a required social justice course: Legal Skills in Social Context. Through the course and social justice programs, NUSL donates over 20,000 hours of pro bono service per year. Susan remembers the efforts to demand Cornell’s divestment from South African holdings. She’d like to hear from **Thomas Small** and **Oliver Mitchell ’76**.

Katherine Foulke (Portland, OR; biokate@aol.com) teaches biology at Jesuit High School. Her course offerings include teaching mitosis and meiosis to second semester seniors. I can see why she might rather sail the Greek Isles. Katherine enjoys helping out her 9-year-old Carson with Little League baseball, karate, piano, Cub Scouts, and recreational and club soccer. She would like to hear from **Marcia Nackenson**. **Marguerite Blythe** (Cincinnati, OH; blythemd@fuse.net) serves as medical director, geriatric psychiatry at Mercy Hospital. Marguerite enjoys Spencerian pointed-pen calligraphy and spends time practicing calligraphy, as well as visiting nursing home patients. Marguerite would like to learn Chinese, spend more time gardening with the next generations, and visit Iceland.

Sharon Cerasoli (Rochester, NY; sharon.cerasoli@viahealth.org) remembers the beauty of the Cornell campus. She works as an emergency department social worker. She stays very involved in organ donation activities. When asked what she would rather be doing now, Sharon responds: “I’m doing it!” **Eric Schmidt** (Wilmington, MA; eschmidt@ahuracorp.com) provides a quick business card update. Eric serves as VP, business development at Ahura Safety Corp. **April Fischer** Kates (Lutherville, MD; helloapril@att.net) spices things up as the regulatory compliance manager for the Consumer Products Division at McCormick & Co. April is taking a sailing class on the Chesapeake. She is also trying to brush up on her piano-playing and tries to get in a round of golf when she has time. April enjoys raising Ben, 11, a saxophone player, and Sydney, 9, a violin player. Both children

like to play tennis as well. April remembers freshly baked cookies at the Straight right around 9:00 p.m., the Hot Truck at midnight, and swimming in the gorge. April would like to hear from **Judy Yourish** Maurer ’79 and **Lilian Tang** Soohoo.

Jane Conable Schmieder (East Bethany, NY; janesch@localnet.com) practices law (part-time) in Wyoming and Genesee counties, specializing in Family Court law and adoptions (Jane and Bernard adopted five children—she spends lots of time raising teenagers!). Jane also ran a full marathon last year, loves Landmark education courses, and participates actively in charitable foundation work—specifically the Wyoming Foundation and the Conable Family Foundation. She looks forward to attending a Cornell alumni program with her 12-year-old son. Jane recalls four years in Risley College and the fantastic fun, music, and theater. She would like to hear from **Don Robins ’77** and **David “Darvid” Honig**.

Robert Trisciuzzi (Brooklyn, NY; trisciur@anz.com) manages commodity and trade finance flows between North and South America and Asia/Pacific, especially China and South Asia. Robert, a single parent, enjoys raising Liana, 17, and Edmund, 14. He looks to reading, movies, theater, and music for enrichment. Robert has the opportunity to travel to Brazil every six months, and this past February, he and his kids enjoyed a vacation there. He has also been managing a summer home in Mallorca, Spain. When asked what he would rather be doing, Robert comments that, professionally, everything is on track, but single-parenting offers many challenges, heartbreaks, and triumphs. He would like to find that significant other sometime. He remembers graduation, International House parties, and skiing. Robert keeps in touch with **Victor Hu**, but would like to hear more from **David Black ’74**, MBA ’78.

Gloria Fusillo (Rye, NY; gfullo@aol.com) produces videos. She reports that she will have ridden 100 miles this past summer in Lake Tahoe as part of a team raising money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Gloria comments on the amazing results one can achieve with a goal, even before an event—the training leading up to event serves as its own reward. Gloria just registered for an upcoming event in Tucson. She will keep a diary online at www.active.com/donate/tntwhv/gloriabiketucson. **Karen Clark** Lacy (Pleasant Dale, NE; karenclacy@aol.com) is director of catering for Skeeter Barnes, the BBQ/steakhouse restaurants. She spends her time remodeling her money pit and enjoying her acreage, skiing, gardening, and sending her sons off to college and the Air Force. Karen remembers the great friends at Cornell, walking across the beautiful campus, animal science field trips, and cheering in the Crescent.

Carla Rawcliffe Lafayette (Hampden, ME; cj143@aol.com) runs 21 hotels in Maine, New Hampshire, and Michigan. She also researches melanoma for her son’s benefit. Two children will have started college this past fall: daughter **Annaliese** is Cornell ’10, and son Ramsey will attend another Ivy League school. Carla remembers conducting research for Dr. Moody and gathering with friends at the Chapter House. She would love to hear from her Alpha Phi sorority sisters.

I hope all is well with you. Please continue to send news—and see you at the Frozen Four! Go Big Red! ♦ **Chip Brueckman**, jcb58@cornell.edu; **Pepi F. Leids**, PLeids@aol.com.

79 Happy 2007, ’79ers! Many of us are turning 50 this year—that seemed so ancient to me 27 years ago. As my 30s and 40s turn into my 50s, where did all that time go? As 2007 begins, if you have not already done so, please renew your class dues and send us an update so we have a treasure chest of news to share for upcoming columns.

Ryan Bliss (bliss.ryan@gmail.com) and his wife Elaine have recently returned to the US after six years of living in Bangkok, Thailand. They have relocated to Portland, OR, and are active in the job search process and re-adjusting to American life. “It now seems so very odd that movie theaters do not sell assigned seats. The omnipresence of English is a little difficult to adjust to also. Suddenly being able to understand other people’s conversations seems odd and even a little intrusive. And I actually find it difficult to adjust to the fact that I can speak to a store clerk in English without confusion. There is a vastly increased usage of cell phones and service options that did not exist in 2000. Having settled in Portland, it is great to see the prevalence of such environmentally positive activities as recycling and the use of bicycles rather than cars. And Thai restaurants in the US use green bell peppers in their dishes (no place in Thai cuisine!).”

Congratulations to **Fred Frank**, president of Dr. Frank’s Vinifera Wine Cellars, which has been named Winery of the Year for the second time in six years in the recent New York Wine and Food Classic. Vinifera Wine Cellars and its sister operation Chateau Frank won the best sparkling wine and best sparkling vinifera wine categories with its 2000 Blanc de Noir, and tied for the best Gewürztraminer with its 2005 Gewürztraminer. Three wines earned double gold medals, and seven wines won silver medals. Fred is the third generation to run the wine operation, founded by his grandfather, Dr. Konstantin Frank, in 1962. Come visit and sample the award-winning wines. The winery is located on the west side of Keuka Lake, about six miles north of Hammondsport.

Una Faughnan Hildebrandt (unahildebrandt@comcast.net) works in program evaluation at the Center for Systems Management in McLean, VA. Her daughter Melody graduated from Tufts U., taught English in rural France for a year, and now works at Booz Allen Hamilton in the D.C. area. Kenneth, her son, is a junior at Vanderbilt U., where he is a percussion performance major at the Blair School of Music. **George Rogers** (georgero@iadb.org) continues to supervise attorneys in the private sector legal group at Inter-American Development Bank. His group works on a variety of projects to finance private sector activity in Latin America, including large infrastructure projects and financial products. “My oldest daughter, Tamara, is an accomplished ballet dancer. As we start the college search process, I toy with how much to push her to consider Cornell—whether the urging will produce a positive or negative response. My youngest daughter,

Iara, is a socialite who loves sports. We will be traveling to see family in Argentina again and hope to receive many visitors next year when Iara has her bat mitzvah. We enjoy living in Arlington, VA, and taking advantage of all that the D.C. area has to offer. I want to extend thanks to my classmates for their thoughts of support for my younger brother Robert. After losing his family in a tragic flash flood on a highway in Kansas three years ago, he has remarked."

Larry Wein (wein_lawrence@gsb.stanford.edu), wife Anne, and children Alex, 15, Nicole, 13, and Natasha, 10, live in Palo Alto, CA. A professor at Stanford Business School, Larry is an applied mathematician specializing in homeland security. **Wayne Buder** (wayneb@buderengel.com) runs BuderEngel and Friends, an advertising and design agency in San Francisco, CA. His clients include Walt Disney Company and Monterey Bay Aquarium. Wayne has children Lily, 9, and Ben, 6. "I hope to return to Ithaca this fall for the 30th Reunion of our Sprint football team's trip to Japan." Rev. **George Schultze** (george.schultze@aol.com) is director of field education at St. Patrick's Seminary and U. in Menlo Park, CA. George provides spiritual direction to 85 seminarians of the San Francisco archdiocese. One of the seminarians is **Armando Jose Gutierrez '02**. "My book, *Foreigners in a Foreign Land: The Organizing of US Catholic Latinos*, was published in September. I describe the role of the US labor movement and the Catholic Church in the organizing of the Latino immigrant population."

Although **Paul Werbaneth** (pwerbane@tegal.com) calls Petaluma, CA, home, he spends much time in Japan as the managing director of Tegal Japan Inc. and president of Tegal Asia Pacific. Tegal sells manufacturing tools to the semiconductor industry. "I participate as often as possible in the Cornell Club of Japan events. My wife, Yuko, spent the summer with her family near Tokyo. We spent a long weekend together at Kinugawa Onsen (hot spring resort) enjoying the hot water, temples, shrines, and excellent food. Our daughters Akiko and Saari spent time in Japan this summer and have now returned to Berkeley for their senior and sophomore years. This fall, I spent some time with fellow '79ers. **Chris Ritcey** and I did a backpacking trip in the southern Sierra Nevada in August. **Michael Dergosits**, **Fred LaMay**, **Greg McParland**, and I enjoyed a salmon fishing expedition from Sausalito in September."

From Southern California, **Robert Moy**, MME '80 (rmoy@earthlink.net) still works for Boeing in El Segundo. He is in touch with fellow Cornellians **Chris Hagerty '80** and **Alfred Hernandez**. **Robert Platt** (rplatt@manatt.com) and family (wife Rachel, twins Aaron and Carly, and older brother Adam) still live in L.A. Robert has worked at the law firm of Manatt, Phelps, and Phillips for 22 years.

Emily Heebner Young (ehebneryoung@earthlink.net), husband Eric, and high school junior Oliver live in Glendale, CA. "Eric owns Sparkhill, a film production company that specializes in documentaries for DVDs. This year, they were nominated for an Emmy for producing the first spin-off TV series for mobile phones. I have worked for Sparkhill as a writer/researcher

on several projects including 'The Hours,' 'The Thin Man Collection,' and 'Tuck Everlasting.' I am pursuing my MFA in creative writing at Antioch U., Los Angeles. Oliver is interested in film and produces the TV morning announcements for his school. He also enjoys track and field and his heavy metal rock band."

David Halberstadter (david.halberstadter@kattenlaw.com) is a partner with Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, where he practices entertainment law. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife Beverly and daughters Jennifer, 13, and Kimberly, 8. Kimberly attends elementary school with Ben Fried, son of **Rob Fried '81**, a Kappa Sigma fraternity brother. "I keep in touch with my former A-9

Consulting, where he conducts market research and offers strategic consulting services.

When **Kira Janssen** Reoh walks through the front door after a hard day of work and shouts to husband Bryan, "Honey, I'm home," she really means it. The Reohs own and operate Wild Prairie Honey Farm in Jerico Springs, MO. They have built an addition to their home using lumber from their farm, and enjoy gardening and anything to do with the outdoors. It is safe to say that their staple products—raw honey, beeswax candles, comb honey, and pollen—are the bee's knees. (Sorry, bee's knees are not offered at this time.)

The Maas spectrum at Cornell spans generations—the tenure of Prof. **James B. Maas, PhD '66**,

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apartment-mates. **Brett Cohen**, my gym buddy, practices law in L.A. His older son Brandon is a high school football and basketball star, and younger son Cody is a budding actor. **Bruce Rogoff** lives in Wellesley, MA, with his wife **Janice (Varley)** and their three children. **Ken Rubin** lives in Jupiter, FL, with his wife and three children. **Wayne Meichner** lives in Connecticut with his wife and two sons. We hope to plan a mini-reunion in the not-too-distant future."

Keep in touch. Send e-mail to us at class of79@cornell.edu or write us directly at: ♦ **Cindy Williams**, cew32@cornell.edu; **Kathy Zappia** Gould, rdgould@comcast.net; and **Cynthia Ahlgren** Shea, cynthiashea@hotmail.com.

80 This column comes to you through the courtesy of my latest basement invention, the Big Red Trite Expression, Bad Pun, and Cliché Generator. Version 2.2 is a contraption the size of a dorm refrigerator, drawing about 30 amps at 240 volts. OK, so it's not as elegant as the oft-imagined funicular apparatus used to hoist the Great Pumpkin of 1997 atop the clock tower, but I am as proud as punch nonetheless.

Our stroll down memory lane begins with **Clifford Chapin**, who fondly recalls careening down Libe Slope on a cafeteria tray (been there, done that, Dr. C, only I did it during the summer months). Clifford is a physician and emergency department director at Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital. He literally works until he comes home to the cows, as his hobby is running a 24-head dairy farm in Colebrook, NH. Cliff also experiments with winter hardy orchard trees, falling back on the core values of his Pomology 104 training.

Dan Dube, MBA '88, has emerged from a three-decade retirement from the drum set and joined a newly formed rock-and-roll band. We can only hope that after such a layoff, his playing is not timeless. When not marching to the beat of his own bass drum, Dan is VP of AHL

that is. **Monica Rogers Rothstein** and husband **Jeff '79** report that their son **Jeremy '10** is taking Psych 101 from Prof. Maas, just as they did back in our day. This reporter is in the same boat, with a son (**Erik '10**) and a spouse (**Cathy Vicks Jerrard**) as alums of the class. How often have legacy students taken the same course as their parents, with a common professor? In the case of psychology, this would certainly benefit the relationship between mothers and children; we all know that Oedipus wrecks it for the dads. [That did it. The BRTE, BP, and CG, v. 2.2, has just brought down the power grid in a five-square-block area (note to self: version 3.0 must be wood fired).] Where were we? Ah, yes, the Rothsteins of Westport, CT. Monica is a psychologist in the Greenwich Public Schools, and Jeff is in IT/derivatives management at UBS in Stamford. Jeremy "can't stop smiling" about how great Cornell is, and son Ethan is a high school sophomore into media, guitar, and baseball.

Each summer, Cornell's Adult University (CAU) holds a series of week-long programs on the Ithaca campus. In 2006 the offerings included Natural History of the Oceans, Mozart, Sailing, and Book Conservation. Several of our classmates took advantage of this series last July: **Regina Brab** (Great Hollywood Filmmakers and their Films), **Judy Burstyn** (Mikhail Bulgakov's *The Master and Margarita*), **Leslie Gallo** (The Roman Epoch, and Ours), **Barbara O'Mara** Hinsley (The Way Bugs Work: Insects in Their Natural World), and **Karen Schupak** Horan (Ornithology). **Jay Cohen** also attended, but no class information was listed. We can only speculate that Jay took the session entitled "Underground Ithaca," and really got into it. Point your browser to scc.cornell.edu/cau for more information, and to sign up for automatic e-mail notification of the 2007 session schedule.

Lucille Muccin Oricchio returned to the Hill last summer to bring her son to Cornell's summer program for high school students. The site of North Campus 6 brought back memories of good times with suitmates **Lidia Diminich** Depardieu '82, **Elisa Joseph** Anders '81, **Emily**

Oshin Turell '82, John Groth '81, Steve Romocki '81 and others. Lucille is IT director at PepsiCo Int'l, and lives in Pound Ridge, NY, with husband John. **Karen Williamson** is a landscape architect working for a nonprofit land trust that specializes in preserving natural and historic resources. She recently received the Emerging Star award from the Bethlehem, PA, branch of the American Association of University Women.

If anyone plans to hold a candle to **Ellen Guba** Gordon, please make sure it is a Yankee. Ellen is executive assistant to the SVP of wholesale operations at Yankee Candle Co. She enjoys running, bicycling, and hiking near her home in Conway, MA. Fellow New Englander **Bruce Cochran** sounds like the kind of guy who could build a pretty sleek Trite Expression, Bad Pun, and Cliché Generator. He is director of FAB operations at Tyco Electronics and lives in Nashua, NH, with wife Sherry. Down Nashville way, **Roberta**

edu; **Tim O'Connor**, tvo2@cornell.edu; **Cynthia Addonizio-Bianco**, caa28@cornell.edu; **Leona Barsky**, leonabarsky@aol.com; **Dik Saalfeld**, rfs25@cornell.edu.

81 Happy 2007 and greetings from Beantown! I am pleased to report that I am staying on as class correspondent for another five years. Jenny, Betsy, and I make a pretty good team—and we're old pros at this after 15 years! It's amazing how much technology has changed since 1991, when we first started writing the column. Back in the day, we had to type the column, print it out, and then fax it to Cornell—that is, if you had a fax machine; otherwise, you sent the column via snail mail. E-mail was still years away!

Already half a year since our 25th Reunion! I attended the weekend and was thrilled to be in Ithaca again. It was wonderful hanging out in our

Thanks for sending us your latest news. **Cheryl Spinner** Kravatz lives in Plainview, NY, with her husband and sons Nigel and Max. She is also a full-time attorney practicing civil litigation at Gold, Stewart, Kravatz & Stone LLP. In Ardsley, NY, **Maria Betancourt** is an ob/gyn who started her own solo medical practice for women's care. She has a 3-year-old daughter. Congratulations to **Anthony Boyadjis**, JD '84, an attorney in Morristown, NJ, who completed the 2006 Boston Marathon and raised \$13,000 for the Myositis Association. Polymyositis is a disease in the Lupus family from which Anthony's wife Lauren suffers.

In Washington, DC, **Brian Coyne** is an SVP with Amerigroup in the federal government relations division. **John Diebold** recently moved from San Diego to Atlanta, where he is a senior associate for Echelon Engineering LLC. John designs midrise concrete for mixed use, residential, and retail structures and buildings. In San Diego, **John Kilcoyne** is president and CEO of Micrus Endovascular. He and wife Susan enjoy mountain biking and spending time with their family. John would really like to hear from **Dick Clasby**, and he has fond memories of Chi Psi. Up in Shoreline, WA, **Sharon Raymond** Haensly is an attorney with the Seattle law firm of Williams, Kastner & Gibbs. She stays active running, biking, and enjoying her children.

Please make a New Year's resolution to keep in touch with your correspondents. We promise to keep the news fresh and fun. May the year ahead bring you and yours much peace and happiness. Take care. ♦ **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, lashoto@rcn.com; **Jennifer Read** Campbell, ronjencam@aol.com; **Betsy Silverfine**, bsilverfine@adelphia.net.

‘Clifford Chapin literally works until he comes home to the cows.’

DANA JERRARD '80

Walter Goodman is a consultant to healthcare companies in market communications, business strategy, and public policy matters. She is also adjunct professor at Vanderbilt U.'s Owen School of Management and on the advisory board of Owen's new healthcare MBA program. In her "free" time, she is president of her synagogue and VP of Nashville's Jewish community day school.

Dr. **Stephen Lane** lives in Princeton, NJ, and works at Penn. He is the director of the Computer Graphics and Game Technology master's program in the computer science department. Lest you think he whiles away the hours tweaking Madden football, he is also president of soVoz Inc., a company developing serious computer games for training and education applications. Stephen is married to Linda, and son Brandon is a lacrosse-playing seventh grader. In our Just the FACS, Ma'am file, **Victoria Dougherty** is a family and consumer science instructor at Hudson High School in the Cossackie, NY, area. Daughter Samaria is in college, and son Dacclan keeps her on the move with a busy sports schedule. Victoria is also working on a health development project in Latin America.

I speak for all five of your class correspondents when I say that this job is far out and groovy. Reading notes and e-mails received from classmates brings back fond memories of life at Cornell. Some things are experienced by today's students—the gorges, Libe Slope sunsets, prelim anxiety, enduring friendships. Others are unique to the wizened generations—tossing boxes of punch cards into the air after a grueling semester of computer programming. To those who have taken the time to drop us a line, thanks for the memories. To the rest, make it a Red letter day and send your latest news to one of your Class of '80 Bear Cubs. ♦ **Dana Jerrard**, dej24@cornell.

freshman dorm, Mary Donlon Hall, with dear friends **Leslie Watson** Pearson, **JoAnn Minsker** Adams, **Sally Furness** Dawson, **Chris Ritenis**, **Nan Simon**, and **Wendie Smith** Cohick, PhD '89. Most of us lived in Donlon as freshmen and then moved on to Kappa Delta as sophomores. On the Saturday of reunion, we all caught up at KD for a house tour and group photo with fellow sisters **Kathy Golden** Dussault, **Celia Rodee**, **Cindy High-Fischmann**, **Barbara Tai** Roselle, **Katie Gefel**, **Pui Shan Ng**, **Janice Kerzner** Tillo, and **Monique van Perlstein**. From the lectures to the tent parties to Cornelliana Night to our festive Class of 1981 dinner, the weekend was just fabulous!

On Sunday morning, before my return to Boston, I took time to do two things I had never done at Cornell. First, I climbed McGraw Tower, home of the Cornell Chimes. The bells have been housed in the library tower since its completion in 1891. McGraw Tower is 173 feet high, and there are 161 steps to the belfry. The panoramic views of Cayuga Lake and Ithaca are breathtaking. In his book, *The Bells of Cornell*, **Albert Smith 1878** captured the feeling eloquently: "This music of the bells becomes a part of the emotional memory of Cornellians; and when they return, the first sound of the bells brings back unforgotten days."

My second visit was to the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art. We used to call it "the Singer sewing machine building," but I never explored its many wings and exhibits. Built by I.M. Pei in the Seventies, the museum houses six floors of collections spanning the history of art. The Johnson Museum is especially strong in Asian art, 19th- and 20th-century American art, and the graphic arts. The views of the campus and Ithaca landscape from the balconies and higher floors are gorgeous. It only took me 25 years to discover two of Cornell's treasures!

82 During the summer of '06, several of our classmates took part in the Cornell Adult University programs on campus. **Daniel Schilling** took the Bookbinding and Book Conservation Workshop, while **Donna Tobin** and a few family members studied All Creatures Great and Small: Animal Health and the Veterinarian's World.

We hope to see all of you back on campus to celebrate our 25th Reunion this summer, June 7-10, 2007! If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help with class events, please contact our reunion co-chairs, **Terry Kilmer** Oostrom (cornelltko@aol.com) and **Teri Williams** Harvey (taharvey@earthlink.net). Terry and Teri are planning a barbeque on Friday night, and our very own **Marc Jacoby** will be playing at the dance party on Saturday night. We may even have a special surprise guest joining in on the fun, so mark your calendars for a great celebration, June 7-10, 2007!

Classmates sending in news include **Scott Irgang**, SVP of labor relations for the Stop & Shop Supermarket Co., who would rather be expanding his wine cellar. His fondest memory of Cornell is the 1:00 a.m. Hot Truck run. "Triple Suie, anyone?" **Donna Lippman** is the director of major gifts for the Jewish Museum.

Write us at the addresses below at any time, and look for your annual News and Dues mailing coming this spring. ♦ **Nina Kondo**, nmk22@cornell.edu; and **Mark Fernau**, mef29@cornell.edu.

83 Happy New Year to everyone! We've heard from a number of our classmates in the last few months and appreciate all your news, whether humble or grand. **Michael Kallay** from Bloomfield, NJ, is an architect and project manager at Ronald Schmidt Associates and loves what he does! He is busy fixing up an old house of his own, too. His children Ellie, 6, and Katie, 4, also keep him busy. The Cornellians he would most like to hear from are **Mark Feldman**, BArch '84, and his old U-Hall 2 buddies from freshman year, **Noel Epstein** and **Mike Rosen**.

As executive editor for the Idaho Falls, ID, *Post Register*, **Dean Miller** acknowledges that "everything that isn't an ad is my fault." The job comes with some major perks, though, such as getting to rub shoulders with "the big dogs—Wallace, Safer, Brokaw, Gibson, etc." at a Yale Club reception honoring one of his reporters who won an award for local news reporting. Dean also teaches young journalists at the Poynter Inst. for Media Studies. From his days at Cornell, he remembers **Bobby Wirth** thoughtfully blasting Donna Summer tunes from his stereo for his U-Hall dormmates, even after he had left the building for the afternoon. "So '80s, so 18, so Bobby..." reminisces Dean.

Andrew Bucki is director of design and development at Corner Bakery Café in Dallas, TX. After hours, he enjoys roller-hockey and being a scoutmaster to a local troop. He remembers (fondly?) the all-nighters he pulled at Rand Hall. And the classmate he would most like to see is **Vince Babak**. In Cupertino, CA, **Nat Bowditch** is president and CEO of Apneon, a medical device company. Though his time is occupied mostly by "work, work, work" (he writes that he would rather be backpacking), he does find time to volunteer with the Santa Clara County search and rescue team. Nat has fond memories of summers in Ithaca and would like to hear from classmate **Bob Kempf**.

John Davis is now professor of art history at Smith College. He informs us he just won a Fulbright Fellowship for research in Belgium in 2007. Following that assignment, he will become dean for academic development at Smith. **Paul Green** works in frame-to-finish construction in Acton, MA, and plays basketball in his spare time. After 44 years of living, **Mark Spiegel** has finally realized he wouldn't prefer doing anything other than what he is doing now: being an investment banker and helping raise money for the companies that need it. He says he's good at it, and that's why he likes it. From his days at Cornell he remembers most fondly his overnight shifts on WVBR and the veal parmigiana at the Dining Hall.

Leanne Skelton of Manassas, VA, is working at the USDA leading their fresh fruit and vegetable grading and inspection service. In addition, her division provides standardization (US grades standards development) and training service for the produce industry. Leanne loves her job, as it allows her to travel for both work and play all over the US and Mexico. In her spare hours, she enjoys golfing, landscaping, photography, and relaxing on the beach. Leanne remembers her time at Cornell participating in intramurals with her fellow Transfer Center pals. Also successfully mixing work and play

is **Dale Colle**, presidential sales executive at Marriott Newport Coast Villas. Dale spends his time working and vacationing worldwide with Marriott Vacation Club Int'l, and in his spare moments enjoys bodyboarding and beachgoing with sons Ryan and Rycky. Dale would enjoy hearing from Cornell chum **Corky Witteman**, MPS '01.

Bonney Freeman Hughes, MS '86, writes that she serves as assistant director at the Eldorado Children's Theatre in Santa Fe, NM, and is responsible for their fundraising activities. She recently returned from a trip to the Mexican border with youths and adults from her church, where they learned about immigration issues and filled water stations to save lives in the desert. Bonney is married to fellow Cornellian **Hank '79**, MCE '81, and remembers most fondly spending time at Cornell with fellow students and friends at the Protestant Cooperative Ministry. She would most enjoy hearing from **Diane Biederman-Brinda**, DVM '87.

From Los Angeles, CA, **Diane Shakin** reports that she is the owner/creator of www.kidsoffthecouch.com, a website containing free ideas for parents to "get their kids off the couch and into culture." The website features unusual destinations and creative activities for families, as well as tips for parents trying to broaden their kids' horizons. By day, **Katharine "Kit" Palmer Antinozzi**, MBA '87, sells advertising for a monthly newspaper called *Vermont Woman*. After hours, she manages a five-unit apartment building in addition to keeping her own household (husband **Steven**, MBA '87, and two kids) organized. Kit would love to hear from any of her Tri Delta sisters.

Jamie Musiker Nemirov of Setauket, NY, informs us that she serves part-time as a pediatric emergency medicine physician at Community Hospital-Good Samaritan. But her favorite activity is coaching her third grade daughter's lacrosse team—"currently undefeated!" beams Jamie. She and husband Michael have been doing a lot of vacation traveling—New Mexico, Florida, California, and skiing in Colorado and Vermont—and they are planning their oldest son's bar mitzvah in November '06. Jamie misses most the Bacchus meetings at Cornell and fellow club members Lynn, Beth, Cammy, Nancy, Kathy, and Michele. Of the Cornellian she most would like to hear from, she asks, "**Marty Heshlin**, where are you and what are you up to?"

Alice Shing Yih Lee lives in Scottsdale, AZ, where she's an ER doc by day and a kid chauffeur the rest of the time, spending her off-hours going on sports trips (tennis, basketball, and karate) with her 9- and 12-year-olds. Also driving "Mom's taxi" is **Ellen McCann** Scott, who juggles her three children's activities along with her day job as a systems consultant and her outside interests, including swimming, kayaking, and walking the beautiful beaches in her hometown of Sandwich, MA. Ellen is also working to establish a nonprofit organization to fundraise and advocate for the band program at Sandwich Public Schools.

Happily ensconced in the roles of wife and mother is **Betsy Title** Silverman, who lives in NYC and wouldn't want to be doing anything else. **Wei-Leong Chan**, MBA '85, recently took a long sabbatical to spend more time with son Kah Hon, 11, and daughters Kah Mun, 9, and Kah Yan, 6.

Echoing this theme, **Karen Tanner** Allen enjoys spending time with husband Kent and sons Nick, 14, and Daniel, 12. Now a freelance writer and editor in Washington, DC, Karen fondly remembers how she loved living in Cornell's "gorges" setting.

Your faithful correspondents look forward to hearing from more of you in 2007! ♦ **Dinah Lawrence** Godwin, Dinah.godwin@earthlink.net, and **David Pattison**, dpattison@mac.com.

84 Domestic News. **Lisa Jae** Predella lives in Medfield, MA, with her husband Peter and their children. Lisa is a freelance writer and would like to hear from **Carolyn Kaulfuss** Beyers. She has been busy moving to a new house, exercising, and swimming. When asked what she remembers most fondly from her Cornell years, Lisa writes, "Biking around the lakes and walking across the suspension bridge at night." **Nanette Malatesta** Saylor is the general manager at the Boca Raton Bridge Hotel, working with **Ron Muzii** '83. This summer, Nanette took a fabulous trip to the San Francisco area, including Napa Valley and Sonoma. She toured some great wineries and came back with nearly two cases of reserve wines, finally making an investment in a wine cooler when she got back home! Cornellians are always welcome at the Bridge; contact Nanette at n.saylor@bocaratonbridgehotel.com.

I have my own Napa/Sonoma story from this summer. **Janet Insardi**, **Glennis Barr** '83, **Colleen Forness** '90, and I spent a week biking with Backroads Tours in August. We finally took a girls' trip, without spouses, children, etc. The tour company was great—the food, our leaders, and the locations. The biking was fun, but challenging, and the restaurants were wonderful!

Terri Port McClellan was at the Cornell-Harvard game, which included a pre-game luncheon with President Skorton. **Tom Hall** was there with his daughter and father-in-law. Tom is the managing partner of BrandworksPartners in Norwell, MA, a company that seeks out and develops unique consumer products throughout the world, primarily in North America, and secondarily in Europe and Asia. She also saw **Steve Howell** in the stands. Last summer, Terri bumped into **Kersten Lanes** on Main Street on Nantucket. "We were all participating in the annual Fire Department water fight on Main Street. Kersten, a partner with PriceWaterhouse Coopers, is staying busy with her three children and renovating a new home on the North Shore of Boston.

International Updates. **Yossi** "Joseph" **Shapiro**, PhD '93 (js25@cornell.edu), his wife Sara, and their daughter and son are living in India, where Yossi leads Monsanto's cotton breeding R&D program. He writes that life in this wonderful setting is very different from the familiar, but very exciting. Yossi's fondest '80-84 memories are of Ithaca and the great academics at Cornell. **Ted Jonas**, JD '91 (ted.jonas@dlapiper.com) has a mailing address in Atlanta, GA, but lives in another Georgia—the Republic of Georgia—where he is managing partner of DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary, a worldwide legal services firm, in Tbilisi. Before his assignment with Piper, Ted was of counsel with Baker Botts in Washington,

DC. Ted and his wife Nino welcomed their son Alexander in February 2005 in Washington, DC.

We had five classmates participate in CAU in the summer of 2006. **Mark Daniels** came from Thousand Oaks, CA, to play golf, as did **Mike Severance**, who traveled from Jefferson City, MO. Mike's wife, **Gail (Mosinger)** took advantage of the Landscape Design Workshop. **Emily Liu** Filoramo took two one-week sessions in Outdoor Skills and Rowing, abilities she can probably use in or near her hometown of Glastonbury, CT. **Carol Leister** traveled in from NYC and took The Senate with **Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76**, and Joel Silbey. Bronze Sculpture was the choice of Huntington, NY's **Virginia Greene**. ♦ **Lindsay Liotta** Forness, fornesszone@aol.com; and **Karla Sievers** McManus, Klorax@attbi.com. Class website: <http://classof84.alumni.cornell.edu>.

85 From those who responded with "Just the facts, ma'am" . . . **Marty Dunn** Nelson is living in Santa Fe, NM, with husband Owen and is a designer with Inside Out Design and Build Inc. **Joni Palmer** is a doctoral student in geography and spends too much time studying when she would rather be sunning and surfing at the beach.

Congratulations to **Joyce Fries** Sidopoulos, who recently was awarded the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association's Award for Meritorious Service. Joyce has been busy as the business development director for General Dynamics Information Technology and the First VP of AFCEA's Lexington-Concord Chapter in Massachusetts. **Cindy Jo Gross** lives in Brookline, MA, where she is the VP of provider relations and network development for Senior Whole Health. Cindy Jo gets together regularly with **Melissa Josephson** Edwards, **Bev Schwartz** Fox '84, **Michael Delman**, and **Myra Michael** '84. She also keeps in contact with **Marcie Mercatili** Krauss, **Audrey Sher**, and **Becky Greenberg** Jackson.

Jim Flood writes from his home in Reston, VA, that his best memories of Cornell include meeting wife **Nancy Nunan** and watching the sunset from Libe Slope. Jim is a federal prosecutor in D.C. The Floods have two boys and a girl. **Teresa Cheng** is a primary care doctor at a neighborhood health center in Boston, wife to **Ira Chan** '84, and mom to two sports-playing kids. Her main job, though, is car-pooling to soccer events. **Pedro Torre** has given up operating nightclubs in Mexico and gotten into the real estate business there instead. He continues to train in Shotokan karate and would like to hear from any former Karate Club members.

Carolyn Walter Calupca wears many hats: wife, mom, doctor, counselor, accountant, coach, and cheerleader. Her time is consumed by raising her two boys, and the only change she would make to that job would be doing it in New Zealand. **Elizabeth** "Lizard" **Leach** Buckley: you owe Carolyn a call. **Fredilyn Sison** is an assistant federal defender in Asheville, NC. She and husband Rick Hays recently moved to North Carolina from Reno. She is working to become certified in psychodrama. **Marc Sigle** is in Bellmore, NY, with wife Lisa. He tore down his home on Long Island to relocate and rebuild in Seattle, WA,

and be the Global CFO on the Microsoft account for Y&R Brands, which handles relationship marketing for Microsoft in 29 countries. Marc has two teenaged girls, Amy and Sara, and enjoys skiing, hiking, and pretty much anything outdoors.

Doug Kelley is in San Francisco as a senior scientist for GE Healthcare developing new technology for magnetic resonance imaging at UCSF. He spends his downtime doing Aikido. **Barry Greenblatt** is our European connection, sounding in from London. His day job is manager of capital marketing credit and risk management for Bank of America, and he spends a lot of time traveling all over Europe, Asia, and the US. **Linda Messinger** Manos, DVM '90, is a specialist in veterinary dermatology. Animals with skin and ear problems associated with allergies, hormonal issues, and congenital and autoimmune diseases are her clientele. She and husband Michael are raising their son and daughter, along with, of course, two dogs and six cats. Linda's memories of Cornell include Johnny's Big Red Bar and Grill (my favorite spot, too) and living with Vig at 636 Stewart.

David Votycka continues his family's more than 60 years of vegetable farming, growing on a commercial scale AND selling from a roadside stand. He, wife Lisa, and son are involved in baseball, cub scouting, and vacationing in the Caribbean. **Christopher Borysenko** is professor of interdisciplinary sciences and laboratory director at Carnegie Mellon U. He's loving what he does professionally, and at home he is vegetable gardening and judging high school science fairs. Christopher would like to hear from **Betsy Grout** Wiramidjaja. **David Bloom** is in Huntington Beach, CA. He has a private medical practice specializing in family and sports medicine. The L.A. Riptide professional lacrosse team has hired him as team internist. David loves having his wife and daughters along the sidelines during games.

Jonathan Miller's new legal thriller, *Volcano Verdict*, was released in September. His last novel, *Crater County*, made the master list of Southwestern Books of the Year! He also spoke at the Men of Mystery Conference in Irvine, CA, and at USC in October. Jonathan is practicing criminal law in Albuquerque, NM. **Carol Lakatos** Kimble writes in from Lewisville, TX, announcing the birth of her son Ryan Alexander on June 9. Congratulations, Carol!

Four of the News Forms had names I personally recognized! **Scott William Taber** ("Scottie" to the Hotelies who know and still love him!) is general manager of the Four Seasons Resort in Whistler, BC, Canada. Scott and wife Kelli have an 11-year-old son, who is doing what all good Cornell offspring should—playing hockey! **John Gabel** is in Miller Place, NY, with wife Lesley and three children. John is the director of global logistics at Arrow Electronics. He spends his after hours coaching his children in football, basketball, and baseball. **Stephen** "Walt" **Garrison** is the director of sales for Marriott Vacation Club Int'l in Orlando, FL. He just got back from a family vacation to California with wife Lisa and his daughters. Steve is in touch with **Danny Autiello**, **Brian Miller**, **Dom Albanese** '86, **Ed Utz** '87, and **Derek Baum** '88. He keeps busy coaching his daughters' lacrosse teams, working out, and being

a board member for the Cornell Football Association. Steve's greatest memories are being the Varsity football captain and being a DU.

The next entry is from a great human being . . . modest and, certainly, very serious about all he does. **Robert Mack** of Oak Park, IL, is no mild-mannered man. No! In his words, he is "a balding, middle-aged ophthalmologist by day and a superhero by night!" Working at the Midwest Refractive Surgery and Cornea Consulting Office, Dr. Mack is "making the blind to see and the lame to walk" and is hoping to someday "treat well-insured hypochondriacs." Sounds like you need a Dr. 90210 gig, Rob. His fondest memory is of Rosa Rhodes complimenting him on his Frank Rhodes impersonation. Rob, I just remember . . . your laugh. I heard recently from **Sharon Tolpin**, who is in a new apartment in NYC and keeping us all on our toes with her new and daring adventures. Best of luck in all your endeavors, Sharon!

I hope that your holiday season brought family and friends together in health and good times. Please continue to send your news to: ♦ **Joyce Zerkowitz** Cornett, jmcornett@bellsouth.net; and **Leslie Nydick**, Lnydick@aol.com. Class website, <http://classof85.alumni.cornell.edu>. Online Alumni Directory, <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>.

86 What do you remember most about Cornell in the fall? We came up with football games and the tailgate parties, Fall Fund-down, and enjoying the last warm days swimming in the gorges. But the most fun was coming back to campus and reuniting with friends. I relived some of these feelings today when I attended the Big Red big spirit celebration at the Cornell vs. Harvard football game, held at Harvard. It was the first crisp, sunny fall day, the trees aflame with color. The parking lot was a sea of red hats, sweaters, and sweatshirts. Under the Cornell tent we were greeted by President David Skorton and the Big Red Marching Band. I was surprised at all the familiar faces. Though I didn't recognize anyone from the Class of '86, I enjoyed catching up with **Jeff Gibb** '83, **John Bruins** '85, **Mark Miller** '85, and **Michael Shumway** '84.

Some of our classmates offer other fond fall memories. **Lecia Cushing Whitlock** remembers the beauty of Ithaca and the life-long friends she made. Lecia is currently a florist living in Waltham, MA, with husband, **William**, BArch '87, and their two daughters, ages 12 and 16. When not working, she trains and shows Australian shepherds. **Alice Kimm** remembers the freedom that came from making her own choices. Alice and husband John Friedman are partners in their own architectural practice in Los Angeles. **Ilene Weisbard** Berman's best memories are of Senior Week. These days she is practicing employment litigation in Atlanta. She also enjoys competitive tennis and running. She takes care of her three children and serves on the board of the Marcus Jewish Community Center. Another employment litigation lawyer is **Jeffrey Dunlap**. He lives outside of Cleveland, OH, with his wife Amy and two daughters, ages 11 and 9. His best memories of Cornell are all the wonderful friends.

Other attorneys among our classmates include **Caryn Silverman**, a litigation partner specializing in product liability and health care. She's also a mom to a 1-year-old and lives in NYC with husband Steve Pitchon. **Jon Meer** is a partner in a law firm in Los Angeles and the chairman of the L.A. labor and employment department. In his spare time he's been restoring a home in the Hollywood Hills that was featured on the cover of *Metropolitan Home* and used in several movie shootings. After winning a long jury trial, he rewarded himself skiing around the world, including the slopes of Canada, Chile, Colorado, Austria, and California. **Eve Saltman** is associate general counsel in Burlingame, CA, where she lives with husband Skip Poncal and daughter Sydney, 2-1/2. **Jeffrey Cowan** is a litigator in Santa Monica, CA, and father to identical twin boys who are 1-1/2. **Steven Getman** practices law in Seneca County, NY, where he is currently involved in a case against NYS and the Cayuga Indians over sales of untaxed cigarettes.

Perhaps inspired by their great teachers at Cornell, some of our classmates are now professors themselves. **Julie Jacobs Henry** is chairperson of the education department at Cansisus College in upstate New York and mother to three daughters, ages 11, 13, and 15. **Matthew** and **Kathy Robinson Krane** recently returned from a year abroad in Worcestershire, UK, where Matthew was on a sabbatical leave at the U. of Birmingham. They are parents to four boys, ages 8 to 13, and a 2-year-old daughter. They report that the English Midlands have more rain and unpredictable weather than Ithaca. Is that possible? Matthew has now returned to his position as an associate professor of materials engineering at Purdue U. **Ron Schiller** just completed his first year as VP for development and alumni relations at the U. of Chicago. In his spare time, Ron volunteers with the Cornell Glee Club and Chorus, and is helping them plan their 2008 trip to China, 20 years after he helped the Glee Club take their first trip there. He also enjoys traveling regularly to Aspen to be with his partner, Alan Fletcher.

Our classmates continue to produce possible future Cornellians. **Jim LaFollette**, wife Ann, and son Joseph welcomed Timothy Ryan on July 25. Timothy was able to stake bragging rights as the largest LaFollette baby ever, weighing in at 9 lbs. 3 oz. The next day, **Jeffrey Rosenberg**, wife Coleen, and daughter Grace welcomed twins Grant and Bradley into the world. This was not long after Jeffrey attended reunion, where he hopes "no one was too offended by the version of 'Itsy-Bitsy Spider' offered at the end of the evening in the tent by my fellow Pikes and me."

Thanks to everyone who filled in a class news form. Please continue to send us your news, so we continue to have material for this column! ♦ **Susan Seligsohn** Howell, susancornell86@comcast.net; and **Laura Nieboer** Hine, lauracornell86@sbcglobal.net.

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Our 20th Reunion is now less than six months away! It is not too early to start planning your trip back to Cornell for a weekend of fun and '80s nostalgia on June 7-10, 2007. Just think. Instead of waiting for news from classmates and

old friends every other month, you can get all the updates, in person, in one giant dose during Reunion. Our class headquarters will be in the newly completed Hans Bethe House. Come and see for yourself a West Campus that is devoid of the U-Halls and the "Dust Bowl."

From the Big Apple, **Nicole Hollant-Denis** wrote to report that she is "the principal owner and partner of AARRIS Architects PC in NYC." She is married to Patrick and they have a little girl, Elana Carmen. Nicole enjoys running and swimming in her spare time. Next time you swipe your American Express card, send your regards to **Sondra WuDunn**, who is a senior marketing product manager at AmEx. She got married to Ari Sklar, and they welcomed their first child, a boy, Jake Samuel, on March 24, 2006. Sondra is "currently on maternity leave and trying to sleep" when Jake sleeps. **Gregory D. L. Morris** "founded a company to provide museum-quality historical research and writing to businesses, academia, and community organizations." The company is

hospitals and various healthcare providers raise debt and equity capital." He writes, "I feel fortunate to have a large group of Phi Delta Theta fraternity brothers in the Chicago-land area with whom I keep in touch." In the Big Sky country, **Michael Strand** is CEO and general counsel of Montana Independent Telecommunications Systems (MITS). He and wife Tammy and their children make their home in Helena. Mike is into Tae Kwon Do, classical music, reading novels and poetry, and Bible study. He counts winning a case before the State Supreme Court, testifying several times before Congress, and co-authoring a treatise on national deployment of broadband services among his professional achievements. In Browning, MT, **Ernest Joe Gray** is a physician with the Indian Health Service.

Finally, I'd like to share my personal news. My wife Rebecca and I became homeowners for the first time in our life. We bought a ranch-style house in Redwood City and moved in June. Special thanks go out to **Brent Vallat**, who drove

'Alice Kimm remembers the freedom that came from making her own choices.'

SUSAN SELIGSOHN HOWELL '86

called Enterprise & Industry Historic Research. When asked what he has been up to lately, Gregory replies, "I wrote chapters on the history of money and the history of stock markets in the *New York Times* Guide to Essential Knowledge, [and served as a] guest curator for an exhibit on the history of the Dow Jones Industrial Average at the Museum of American Finance." He and wife Judy have a 4-year-old son. Not far away, **Michelle Turk** Schneider is a senior consultant at the Masters Circle, a leadership coaching, practice building, and personal development program for doctors of chiropractic who are serious about achieving success. She and husband Andrew live in Woodbury, NY.

Julia Pisani Liebhardt and husband Martin make their home in Downingtown, PA. She works part-time as a receptionist at a busy pediatric practice. In her spare time, she performs in community theater productions at Barley Sheaf Theater. Julia also coaches her daughters in violin using the Suzuki Method. **Mark Alan Lambrecht** and his wife Amy live in Huntsville, AL. He works as a senior systems engineer at Lockheed Martin Missile Defense. **David J. Spencer** is building a new business called Emerald Hill Capital Partners, which is an Asian private equity fund. He travels around Asia and makes Hong Kong his base.

Craig T. Standen and wife Helen Pope raise their kids Hunter, 12, and Madeline, 9, in Oak Park, IL. In April 2006, they traveled to the UK (London, Carlisle, and Oxford). He met up with **Jacklyn McFadden** Case in Bath while visiting Roman ruins. "Nice to catch up with old friends." Craig works as a healthcare investment banker with Zegler Capital Markets Group, "helping

down from San Francisco with his tool kit to help me assemble a full-size gas grill in time for the barbecue season. In July, I concluded my almost eight-year service at Stanford and jumped ship to the U. of Chicago. **Ron Schiller '86**, who is vice president for development at Chicago, recruited me to become regional director of individual giving, West Coast and Asia-Pacific. In short, I am directing the major gifts operation for the U. of C. from the Bay Area. This new job requires me to travel to Chicago's Hyde Park campus monthly, which affords me the opportunity to visit my almost 1-year-old niece and goddaughter Mirabella on a regular basis. Rebecca and I ended the summer months with a holiday in Italy (Rome and Cinque Terre) and Paris. The highlight of our trip was a visit in the embassy with the US Ambassador to Italy and a private reception at the residence.

We look forward to seeing you at Reunion! Send your flight plans, itineraries, and news to: ♦ **Tom S. Tseng**, tseng@uchicago.edu; or **Debra Howard** Stern, dstern39@yahoo.com.

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Greetings, '88ers, and Happy New Year! It always feels a little strange to wish you post-holiday greetings when at the time I am writing we've just barely entered fall. Nevertheless, I hope that 2006 came to a happy and peaceful close for you all and that the new year is one entered with hope and promise. Keep in mind that in just a few short months we will start the one-year countdown to our 20th Reunion. Time does indeed fly!

Fortunately, there is a healthy amount of news from the last year plus, so let's get right to it. It is always fun to hear from Cornell couples

and this time we have word from three of them. **Angelica Watson Botkin** is a stay-at-home mom here on the West Coast in Monterey, CA. Angelica and husband **Bradford** moved back to the States after four years in the Netherlands where Brad served with NATO. Brad is now attending naval post-graduate school to earn an MBA and serves as a commander in the US Navy. Angelica is a teaching director for Community Bible Study Int'l and this past fall spent time looking at colleges with their son. Another classmate couple is **Oner** and **Ana Jaramillo Bicakci**. Oner is a software manager and director at AGEIA Technologies, and Ana keeps busy with their four children, including coaching daughter Cassandra's soccer team. And finally, there's **Harry Lin** and **Cynthia Liu**. Harry and Cynthia live in Los Angeles, where Harry is a senior vice president and general manager at Evite.

‘All I can say is, it pays to be involved!’

KAREN WEINREICH WEISS '89

There's quite a bit more news from other West Coast classmates this time around. **Kristen McCarthy** Barton is here in the Bay Area in Los Altos, CA. Kristen and husband John had their third child, Zoe, back in September 2005, joining big sisters Xanthe and Alexa. **Lisa Widmier** wrote from La Jolla in Southern California, where she is a senior vice president at CB Richard Ellis Inc., an institutional real estate and investment properties brokerage. Also in the lower half of the state is former class correspondent **Diane Weisbrot** Wing. Diane lives in Redondo Beach, where she works as a physical therapist three days a week and is mom to David, 8, and Kana, 5. Diane mentioned that the thing she'd "rather be doing now" is getting ready to attend reunion. Well, Diane, it is getting closer all the time!

Of course, there are many classmates in the eastern metro areas as well. **Cassandra Ramirez** King is a webmaster in Philadelphia and married husband Kenneth on May 4, 2006. Also wed last year was **George "Chip" Bradish**, in Boston, to Dr. Benjamin Davis last June. Chip is a psychotherapist and Benjamin is an assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School. Also in New England, **Christie Dustman** married Patti Ryan in 2004. Christie lives in West Roxbury, MA, and is the principal owner of Christie Dustman and Co., a landscape design, installation, and maintenance company in the Boston area.

In the Big Apple, **Marielle Jan de Beur** is a managing director at Bear Stearns. She lives in Rye, NY, and has children Alexandra, who turned 3 last April, and son Holbrook, born in December 2005. Across the river in New Jersey, **Frank Condon** lives in Marlboro with wife Samantha and their sons Jake, 7, Mattie, 5, and Ryan, 2. Frank is a certified financial planner and VP, investments at UBS Financial Services in Manalapan. Up north in Buffalo, **Christopher Porter** is senior deputy legal counsel at Independent Health Association, a health insurance carrier in

western New York. Christopher and wife Debra live in North Tonawanda, NY, with daughter Carlie Ann. On the delivery side of health care is **Paula Flummerfelt** Guinnip. Paula is a cardiac surgeon in Marion, IL, where she lives with husband Carlisle and their three children.

Delivering health care to our four-legged friends is **Karen Luludis** Gundrum. Karen is a veterinarian in Ocean Isle, NC, where she lives with husband Dave and their baby daughter. Further south in Orlando, FL, is **Lynn Tomlinson**. Lynn is an award-winning animator and media artist who is the creative director of Summer Kitchen Studio, an independent media production company.

On the legal front, **Steve Aschettino** is now a partner at the firm Nixon, Peabody LLC. Steve and wife Cathy welcomed their second daughter, Aurora, into their lives back in March 2005, and the family currently lives in East Norwich, NY.

Kristin Hileman-Adams has been an attorney for 15 years and currently represents the Dept. of Social Services in cases involving abused, abandoned, or neglected children. Kristin reported that one of her extracurricular activities is playing Dungeons and Dragons with her two older children and her husband—"They love it!" She and husband Wes, with kids Sabrina, Wesley, and Colton, built and moved into a new house in Severna Park, MD, in the summer of 2005. Another attorney, **Sharon Berlin**, is a partner at Lamb and Barnosky LLC and represents management and employers in various forums and litigations. She and husband **Jeremy Scileppi '86** have fun chasing soccer balls with sons Matthew, 5, and Jonathan, 4, at their home in Dix Hills, NY.

Michael Fishman is a senior wetlands and wildlife scientist at Stearns and Wheeler Environmental Engineers and Scientists in Cazenovia, NY. He is pursuing a master's degree in conservation biology at the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry. He enjoys spending time with his wife Julie and their daughter, fishing, and hiking. **Kristen Borrer-Chappell** is a substitute teacher and jewelry designer living in Marshfield Hills, MA. Kristen and her husband George have made trips this year to Mississippi to raise funds to rebuild homes in Gulfport for those least able to do so on their own. The couple is part of an organization helping local pastor Eddie Hartwell in this effort. "Sten," as she is known, wrote that anyone looking for more information can Google "Operation Rebound" to find out more, and that they "always need volunteers if anyone would like to go!"

Brian Hansberry, MBA '91, is the chief marketing officer and group vice president for US consumer products for HJ Heinz Co. Brian lives in Presto, PA. **Jeannine Ripa** works scoring minor league baseball games for MiLB.com in New York City. And last but certainly not least, the most recent news available fresh via the Internet,

Andrea Lieblein sent word that she and her fiancé David have launched an online nutritional and fitness program for diabetics. Their mission is to "improve the health and well being of the global diabetic community through online integrated physical fitness and nutrition coaching." You can check them out at www.fitness4diabetics.com.

Well, that is quite literally the very last piece of news I have to report. This of course means that Suzanne and I will be longing for news for up and coming class columns. Pick up a pen or sit down at a keyboard and send us a note anytime about your latest accomplishments, be they at work or play. Also, look for the annual News and Dues mailing coming this spring. A News Form is always enclosed. Until next time, I wish you peace. ♦ **Steve Tomaselli**, st89@cornell.edu; and **Suzanne Bors** Andrews, smb68@cornell.edu.

89 Are we old enough that classmates' children could possibly be currently enrolled at Cornell? That's what I first thought when I read **Lynn Weidberg** Morgan's e-mail (see next paragraph). Then I realized that she's talking second grade. Phew! But it has been almost 18 years since we graduated, so I expect some legacy names to be popping up in this column pretty soon!

Here's Lynn's news: "The next generation of Cornellians are all in second grade together! My daughter Natalie Morgan is in the same class as Alexander Byck (son of **Howard** and **Eliana Saragovia Byck**) and Jonathan Foldi (son of **Bonnie Glick '88** and Paul Foldi). They all attend the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School in Rockville, MD. The school's 1,500 students, 1,800 parents, and over 300 faculty are lucky enough to have Eliana Saragovia Byck serving as the co-president of the Parent Teacher Organization (with Lynn Weidberg Morgan as a co-VP). I am serving my fourth year on the National Young Leadership Cabinet of United Jewish Communities. This summer at our retreat in Scottsdale, AZ, I was thrilled to re-connect with my Sigma Delta Tau sorority sister **Dana Post** Adler, who just joined the Cabinet." Thanks for being in touch, Lynn.

There's a line on the news form that prompts, "What I'd rather be doing now." I was struck by two similar responses from classmates who seem to be doing exactly what they want. **Stephanie Keene** Fox writes, "Nothing. I am happy." Stephanie is a full-time mom to Colin, 3, and infant twin boys. She says that family life is keeping her very busy and that she also does lots of volunteer work for the community and for Cornell. **Allison Strang** Shaw writes, "Nothing—I love being a mom!" Allison lives in Washington, DC, with her husband Brent, and lists her day job as "taking care of three children under the age of 5!" **George Lopez** responded to the same question with an emphatic, "Taking back the Slope!" George lives on the Upper East Side with wife Diane and children Carolina, 3, and George Jr., born June 8, 2006. He works as an account executive at Hewitt Associates. George says he's seen a few classmates and their families lately, including **Ross Rubin**, and has spoken with **Alan Pittler**, who has a new baby boy. He says he and the classmates he's in touch with would

like to find **Phil Oren '90**. So Phil, if you're reading this, please share your news and contact info at <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/classes.htm>.

Ilyse Zable writes that she's an economist with the World Bank, living in Washington, DC. **Karen Weinreich** Weiss writes from Miami: "I am happy to announce my recent marriage and new name (although no change to the monogram!). We started dating two years ago on my way to our 15th Reunion, but I actually met Jay (an Emory grad) ten years prior, when he was a guest at a Cornell Club event. All I can say is, it pays to be involved! I love living in Miami and continue to travel for Cornell as the Southeast Regional Office director. I invite anyone coming to Florida, or moving to the Southeast, to be in touch (krw6@cornell.edu)."

From Los Angeles comes an announcement that **Jason Haas** has been appointed to the newly created position of senior portfolio manager at Cohen Asset Management, a private real estate firm. After graduating from Cornell, Jason earned an MBA at the U. of Michigan and co-founded Palisades Associates, a Southern California-based real estate investment firm.

After news from the coasts, here's a snippet from the Midwest: **Paul Schulte**, who lives in Ann Arbor, MI, with wife Krista and daughter Alison, participated for the third consecutive year in the MS 150 Bike Tour. He's raised more than \$1,000 each year for multiple sclerosis research and local programs, while biking 150 miles in a weekend. Sometime Midwesterners **Marina Memmo** and **Karl Yoder '87** are now well settled in Stoneham, MA, with daughter E.G., 8, and son Eli, 5. Karl recently started a new job as a senior project engineer at MicroCHIPS Inc., working on implantable sensors and drug-delivery devices. Marina received her PhD from the U. of Wisconsin, Madison last summer.

Lastly, a little Ithaca news. I was back on campus in July, enjoying my second summer as a Cornell Adult University participant. This time I took Rowing, benefiting from the expertise of **Todd Kennett '91**, head men's lightweight rowing coach, as well as from some beautiful days on Cayuga Lake and the camaraderie of a diverse group of alums, including **Carl Schwarz '57**, who was the coxswain for the fabled Big Red crews of that era and who had many wonderful stories to tell. A highlight of the week was an architectural tour of campus by **Roberta Moudry '81**, PhD '95, who highlighted some of the beautiful old and new buildings from the Arts Quad to the Engineering Quad. The tour ended at Uris Tower, where chimesmaster **George Ubogy '58** treated us to a nostalgic concert. For those of you who need a chimes fix but won't be traveling to Ithaca anytime soon, did you know you can listen at www.chimes.cornell.edu? And if that whets your appetite for things Cornelian, check your mail this winter for the CAU brochure. There's sure to be a course offered that you didn't take while you were on campus, and Ithaca is gorgeous in the summer. Have a great year, and keep sending your news! ♦ **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, ac98@cornell.edu; **Lauren Hoeflich**, laurenhoeflich@yahoo.com; **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Mike McGarry**, mmcgarry@dma-us.com.

90 Taking off into the blue skies and ascending into the class news—typed from 35,000 feet somewhere over the Southwest-ern US. **Gail Hoffman** Limmer moved to Old Bethpage, NY, with husband Scott. Her kids must have taken a break from T-ball, gymnastics, and soccer the help with toy packing. After the move, she relaxed tired muscles by sitting in the sun to read and cross-stitch. Gail works at Uniondale's Walnut Street Elementary School library. **Pei-Lee Lin** spent the summer gardening and remodeling her Ithaca home when she wasn't busy at her hotel management job.

Deidre Hubbard Michael and husband **Mark '89** often travel with their children Sean, 5, Catherine, 3, and Colin, 1. Recently the whole family went to Florida, Deidre and Sean visited London, and Mark and Deidre vacationed in St. Barts. (Makes my business travel sound like a piece of cake by comparison.) She would like to reconnect with classmate **Will Werner**. **Lauren Berkow** is an assistant professor of anesthesiology and critical care medicine with a shared appointment in otolaryngology and head and neck surgery at Johns Hopkins. She develops new Simulation Center curricula and teaches residents. Husband Curtis Kuhn and daughters Cassie, 3, and Mia, 1, must run fast to keep pace with their mom. Lauren would like to relax on a beach with the family. She hopes to contact **Dan Berrien**.

Kristin Gillispie Lorenz chases after her three young children, perhaps as a warm-up before training for a 10K run. She is pursuing a master's degree in education—her second master's. Kristin wants to communicate with **Sheri Appel**, who introduced her to husband Todd. **Allee Peck** Hoover, husband Chris, and children Kelly, 12, Jenna, 9, and Matthew, 6, all practice mixed martial arts together, mainly Tae Kwon Do. Kelly is preparing for the Black Belt level. Allee wishes to reach **Rita Landman '91**. Watch out, Rita!

Kerri Jew reports that newborn Tess adds great joy to the family. New dad Zamir Iosepovici and older sister Skylar, 6, are thrilled. Kerri works at the NYC Dept. of Small Business Services as assistant commissioner leading two economic development programs that promote workplace diversity, especially within small businesses. Bausch and Lomb promoted **Amy Kiss** to Director of Contact Lens Strategy. She is responsible for product branding, positioning, launching, and marketing support for B&L's worldwide contact lens business. **Jonathan Goldberg** and wife **Adena (Walker)** welcomed their fourth boy, Jonah, on Jan. 30, 2006. Big brothers Noah, Benjamin, and Daniel enjoy taking care of the baby.

From **Jennifer Bell**: "I am currently a clinical nutritionist at a Level I trauma center and university teaching hospital in Hartford, CT, working in the surgical critical care arena and consulting for the Center for Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Medicine there as well. I also hold a graduate certificate in spirituality and am working on my MA in counseling, spirituality, and psychology at St. Joseph College, West Hartford, CT. My fiancé Karl Dauphinais is completing his third year of residency in the Yale Primary Care Internal Medicine Program. Karl almost attended

Cornell as an undergrad, but opted for Colgate at the last minute."

Marta Bechhoefer writes that her favorite CU memory is running through the wildflower reserve and skinny-dipping alone in the reservoir. (I once indulged in a late night summertime Cayuga Lake skinny-dip with friends. Cold water promotes quick dips, I can tell you.) Marta embraces cold water while ocean swimming. She trains with an English Channel swimmer and anticipates cheering him on from the support boat as he crosses the Channel during the summer. She recently designed a communicative language learning program for the Dept. of Defense. She works as a project manager for Kmotion, which develops distributed learning programs for training and development.

Sean Williams and wife Sarah Hammer had a big day on Dec. 16, 2005 when their twins were born—son Casey and daughter Blair. **Lori Silverbush** lives in New York City and loves her filmmaking work. She recently finished an international press tour for *On the Outs*, which she directed. She will begin a narrative film addressing immigration and the US-Mexico border. She would like to reach **Kiyo Doniger** Tukman. **Jennifer Harlan Sisca** just bought a house in Northampton, MA. When she is not working as an instructor for a software company, home improvements and reading occupy her spare time. She would like to develop a career as a fiction writer. She is looking for **Steve King** and **Tom Conboy**.

Theodore Goldwyn and wife Maria raise their kids Noah, 3, and Neila, 8, in Painted Post, NY. Theodore works as a business services manager at the Corning Credit Union. **Rachel Korn** Goldberg spends most of her time with her children Daniel, 6, and Joshua, 3. She runs for fitness and reads for pleasure. **David Coyne** happily traded in his IT job by developing his restoration and repair hobby into a full-time business named Home & Hearth Remodeling in Springfield, MA. He is very happy with this change.

Please keep in touch with fellow alumni through your ever-faithful class correspondents: ♦ **Kelly Roberson**, klr25@cornell.edu; **Tamiko Toland**, stmoluag@yahoo.com; and **Amy Wang** Manning, aw233@cornell.edu.

91 As we bid adieu to the former class officers, we welcome in our new slate as follows: *President*: **Bob Baca**; *Vice President*: **Paul Hayre**; *Membership Chair*: **Nina Rosen** Peek, MRP '00; *Treasurer*: **Zina Spezakis**; *Secretary*: **Wendy Milks**; *Class Correspondents*: **Ariane Schreiber** Horn, JD '96, **Kathy Kraus** Bolks, and **Shar Carter** Heslam; *Cornell Annual Fund Reps*: **Meredith Clark** Shachoy, **Andrew Stifel**, **Nicole Bisagni** Del Toro, and **Karen Paul** Zimmer, MD '98; *Webmaster*: **David H. Nguyen**; *Reunion Co-Chairs*: **Dorine Colabella** Scher and **Jeff Weintraub**, MD '95; and *Class Council Members*: **Jeannette Perez-Rossello**, **Stephen Lo**, and **Chuck Taylor**.

In June 2006, **Joanne Kaufman** accepted a position as an assistant professor in the Dept. of Sociology at U. at Albany. Joanne reports that she recently visited **Monica Van Every** in Lansing, NY. **Kathleen Dunn** is also at U. at Albany, as an assistant professor of nanoscale science and

engineering. When not nanosciencing, Kathleen enjoys playing volleyball, piano, and guitar (though not at the same time). **Jim Hanson**, PhD '00, writes from Terre Haute, IN, where he is assistant professor of civil engineering at Rose-Hulman Inst. of Technology. Jim recently received two national teaching awards, one from the American Concrete Inst., and the other from the American Society for Engineering Education. Jim and his wife **Diane (Ellis)** have two children and recently ran "the world's largest mini-marathon."

Jason Chandler writes from Coral Gables, FL, where he lives with wife Susan and their daughters Ava and Eliza. In addition to running his own architecture firm, Chandler and Assoc. Architecture, Jason is an assistant professor at the School of Architecture at Florida Int'l U. **David Berman** teaches English as a Second Language to sixth through ninth graders at JHS 157, Halsey Middle School in Rego Park, Queens. David's students come from five continents and speak 30 different languages. David and his wife Diane met through their mutual enjoyment of Israeli folk dancing and currently live in Kew Gardens, NY, with their children Ilan and Aaron. **Kimberly Mansell** Kones is currently a lecturer at the U. of Rhode Island. Kimberly and husband R. James live in Providence, RI, with their 1-year-old daughter.

Debi Epstein Fried writes that she recently married **Marc, MBA '94**, and had daughter Sasha Chaley on August 20, 2005. The *New York Times* reported the wedding of **Joshua Levine** and Jacy Young. Josh is a partner at Dongell Lawrence Finney Claypool, a law firm in Los Angeles. **Erika Ackermann** Duffy and her husband Matthew reported the birth of their son Jonathan Tuckerman in May 2005. The Duffys live in Reading, MA, where Ericka works as a school social worker. **Kimberly Moy** and her husband **Doug Fambrough** announced the arrival of their daughter Ramsey, whom they adopted from China. **Olen Honeyman** and **Carla Heiss** announced the birth of their second son, Alex, in July 2005. Alex joins brother Maxwell, 7. **Laura Hubbert DiCarlo** and husband **David, PhD '94**, live in Oxford, MS, where Laura is a stay-at-home mom raising three sons. In her free time, Laura volunteers with the local Meals on Wheels program and various other school-related activities. **Kate Pierson** Lundin and her husband Steve announced the May 2006 birth of their son Gunnar Alexander. The Lundins live in New York City.

Lauren Schmerl writes from NYC, where she is a clinical psychologist at New York Presbyterian Hospital and in private practice. **Lia Belanger Book**, DVM '95, reports that she and husband **Glenn, DVM '95**, live in Elizabethtown, PA, where she is a veterinarian/owner of Londonberry Animal Hospital. Lia and Glenn are raising children Miles and Avery and also some sheep. **Debra McMahon** Williams recently went back to school for a graduate degree in psychology with a concentration in learning and development. Debra and husband Christopher live in New Haven, CT.

Amy Spivak Itzla is working as an arbitrator, mediator, fact-finder, and professional in private practice. Amy and husband Robert live in Briarcliff Manor, NY, and have children Emma and Andrew. **Kimberly Epstein** is an attorney at

Bartlett Hackett Feinberg PC. Kimberly also sits on the board of directors of Women's Lunch Place, a daytime shelter for poor and homeless women. **Zina Spezakis** is the managing director and COO of Allianz Global Investors in NYC. **Susan Lipetz** is director of compensation at Siemens Corp. She reported on her recent wedding to Stephen Brown, which took place in Southampton, Bermuda, in June 2006.

News from **Howie Stein**, who lived in my dorm freshman year! Howie is a rabbinical student at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and expects to be ordained in May 2009. Before starting at HUC, Howie spent two years at the Jewish Communal Service program at Brandeis and then lived in Jerusalem for his first year at HUC. Howie married Debbie Swartz in June 2006. Congratulations, Howie! Maj. **Jennifer Caci** writes from Leavenworth, KS, where she is in the US Army Medical Service Corps. Jennifer was previously a student at Command and General Staff College in Leavenworth, and then joined the staff of the 82nd Airborne Division, which was deployed to Afghanistan in June.

I am capping my pen and hereby delivering my last column as your class correspondent. I'm happy to report it's been mostly good news, and it's been a fun ride. To all of you who have shared your news, thank you and good night! ♦ **Nina Rosen** Peek, nsr5@cornell.edu. New correspondents: **Ariane Schreiber** Horn, ams14@cornell.edu; **Kathy Kraus** Bolks, klk22@cornell.edu; and **Shar Carter** Heslam, sheslam@berkshirepartners.com.

92 Lately, I've been focusing more on my life's passions: singing and writing. Drop me a line if you want to hear a tune or read one of my published works. Now on to the news! **Anthony Sapi** reports that he is having fun with his twin boys and just opened a new nightclub called Lulu's Nightspot! Anthony's dream page in history includes sitting on a beach with his new restaurant and his wife Karen. Anthony remembers good times on the Hill fondly and would love to hear from **Mike "Hot Tub" Craigen '93**.

Scott Samuels has been promoted to member (partner) status at the law firm of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky, and Popeo PC. Scott practices in the business and finance section of the firm's Boston office, focusing on corporate and securities law matters, with an emphasis on public offerings, venture capital financing, and mergers and acquisitions, primarily for life science and technology companies. He devotes a significant portion of his practice to counseling public companies with respect to SEC disclosure, compliance, and corporate governance matters, and advises earlier stage companies on general corporate matters. Scott received his JD, with distinction, from George Mason University in 1996, where he was editor-in-chief of the *Law Review*.

Rebecca E. Greene has been auditioning in New York, conducting focus groups to pay the rent, lecturing on non-academic applications for anthropology at Cornell, and performing here and there. Rebecca aspires to spend her days acting and dancing in New York City. While she's

reaching for those stars, her present "after hours" extracurriculars include dance, photography, and writing. Don't quit, Rebecca. As Ed McMahon of the show "Star Search" used to say, "Reach for the stars and catch 'em!" **Jon Baker** dropped a note saying he enjoys swimming and exercising after the sales floor closes; his present day job is as an emerging market bond salesman at Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC.

Steven A. Bowers has recently joined Fish & Richardson PC's Washington, DC, office as an associate in its litigation group. Steven focuses his practice in the areas of consumer electronics, computer hardware, and semiconductor technologies. Prior to joining Fish & Richardson, he served as an associate at Dewey Ballantine LLP, and before that, he was an engineer/analyst for 11 years at the CIA. Steven earned an MS in aeronautics from Caltech in 1993 and a JD from George Washington U. Law School in 2003. **Geoffrey Hess** spends his day hours working as a Monrovia sales craftsman. He'd rather be sailing, but is presently pouring his passion into restoring a 1973 Triumph Stag. He spends many "after hours" working in his new shop. When Geoffrey dares to reminisce about his Cornell days, he fondly remembers delivering milk for the Cornell Dairy plant with his brother. He'd really like to hear from **John P. Thomas**. Are you out there, John?

Steven Oh shares with us that he is VP of Abbi New York, a company that designs and manufactures workbags for women. He enjoys playing basketball and golf and spending time with his three daughters. He's been doing lots of business travel, but would rather be traveling for pleasure with his family. When he has time to reflect on the many joys of his life, he's nostalgic about walking across the Arts Quad while it was vibrant with student life—he misses this the most. **Margaret Kang '93** is an old friend Steven would most like to catch up with.

And I'd like to catch up with so many of you! We all are so wrapped up in the afterlife (life after Cornell, that is) that we forget to stop and recall the sweet smell of fertilizer . . . or the melodic and ever-present hum of construction machinery hard at work . . . or the site of Louie's Lunch Truck on North Campus. What do you remember? Who would you like to hear from? What's happening in your afterlife? Share your news! Write us! ♦ **Wilma Ann Anderson**, info@WilPowerEnterprises.com; **Debbie Feinstein**, Debbie_Feinstein@yahoo.com; or **Renee Hunter** Toth, rah24@cornell.edu. Until next time. Be a light, and be well.

93 Can you believe it's already 2007? It's amazing to think how many years have passed since we were at Cornell. I don't know how many of you feel the same way, but sometimes it seems like it was just yesterday and sometimes it seems like it was a lifetime ago!

The annual News and Dues forms came out and brought a fresh crop of news. **Jason Scopp**, a sports medicine orthopedic surgeon, was recently named director of the Cartilage Restoration Center at Peninsula Orthopedic Associates in Salisbury, MD. He mentions that his after-hours activities include sailing, surfing, competitive

cycling, and playing with his two Labs. **William Andersen** is a landscape architect for a multi-disciplinary design firm. In his spare time he is a chairman for CAAA in Hunterdon County in New Jersey and a ski instructor at Camelback Mountain in Pennsylvania. He recently celebrated his first anniversary in his condo and finally has all his rooms furnished—including a large screen HDTV! Recent visitors included **Matt '92** and **Kim Powell Sendelbach** and Kristen and **Cheng Lee**.

Kim Martucci writes that she is currently a morning meteorologist on WUSA TV 9, CBS, Washington, DC. She recently raced in the Head of the Charles Cornell Alumni boat with fellow Cornellians **Sandy Stroope Dupcak '91**, **Jenn Wolfson '95**, **Amy Capron '95**, and **Shay Crawford Pokress '95**. **Yvette Politis** was named section council member of the Massachusetts Bar Association and MBS section liaison to the Boston Bar Association's Labor and Employment Law Section. She is employment counsel at Reed-Elsevier Inc. in Newton, MA. **Joel Silverman** writes that he is concluding his long career as a professional student. He successfully defended his dissertation and earned a PhD in American studies at the U. of Texas, Austin. He is currently teaching English as a lecturer at Yale and caring for his happy-go-lucky first grade son.

Nicole Teitler Cave writes, "In September, I was a bridesmaid in the wedding of **Samantha Hardaway** and Daniel Richard." The outdoor ceremony overlooked the vineyards at the Navillus Birney Winery and Estate in Glen Ellen, CA. The guests included **Francine Olman** Hardaway '62, **Bradley Olman '65**, **Scott and Britton Robinson Walker**, and **Michael '92** and **Angela Cheng Cimini '92**. Samantha and Daniel reside in Amsterdam. The *New York Times* reported that **Jose Chan** married Laura Forlano on April 16, 2006 in New York City.

We also have some births to report. **Zoe Marchal** Phillips had a second baby this past summer. She is commencing a master's in public health at USC and spends her free time with her two children and husband, reading, and making jewelry. **Jill Levy** Morris writes, "On November 21, 2005 we welcomed our second son, Benjamin Levy Morris. His older brother Zachary is having a lot of fun with him. I 'retired' from my job in the hospital and am doing physical therapy in people's homes, working for Gentiva. I work with **Rochelle Spring Flint's** hubby Adam!" **Jessica Backer** Flechtner, PhD '00, writes, "Cullen Peter was born on August 14, weighing in at a whopping 10 lbs., 13 oz.! Big brother Hogan is taking it all in stride, but was slightly disappointed to learn that we were keeping him. Kidding aside, both boys are doing well, and we are enjoying watching them grow and interact with one another. I'm sure they'll be fast friends in another couple of years."

Lori Hamrick Bean writes, "We happily added daughter Allison in December 2005. She joins big brother Alex, who turned 4 in September. I've limited my financial planning practice so I can work from home three days and meet with clients on two very long days in the office. It's well worth it. While teaching at UNLV this fall, I had the opportunity to have a 'career changer' in my class. It turns out that she attended Cornell in the '60s and was

one of the African-American students who took over the student union. It was fascinating to hear about what happened on the inside—I had seen so many pictures and heard faculty members tell their side. She said it was very scary and traumatic. She had some interesting commentary on what it was like to be a minority student attending Cornell at the time; the university lumped them all together even though they were extremely diverse economically, geographically, socially, etc. In response

'David Berman's students come from five continents and speak 30 different languages.'

NINA ROSEN PEEK '91

to one of my questions about the weapons, she said she personally had a rifle; and when I asked where she learned to shoot it, she smiled and said, 'In the Cornell P.E. Riflery class, of course!' She left Cornell after the incident and was happy to hear that Ujamaa was still around when I was there. It was extremely interesting to meet someone who was such a part of Cornell's history."

As for me, I am still adjusting to life as a new mom to our son Jonathan Shai. It's been a big change, but he is a welcome upheaval! I am on maternity leave through the end of 2006, and in January will be returning to my job as a principal and consulting actuary for Buck Consultants in NYC. Happy New Year! ❖ **Yael Berkowitz** Rosenberg, ygb1@cornell.edu; **Erica Fishlin** Fox, ericazzz@aol.com.

94 The theme of this column is then and now. Many of you responded to an e-mail request for news with stories of what you were doing when we graduated, in contrast to where you are in life today. This request for a retrospective prompted **Kim Greene-Liebowitz** to send in her first-ever class notes update. Kim writes, "Twelve years, a master's degree, and some detours later, I have just finished residency and am an emergency physician in New York. In 2004 I married Gary Liebowitz, a wonderful man I met here in New York. This past year we bought our first house after years of city living, and now live in Westchester. The best news of all: we have a beautiful daughter, Hannah, born May 30, 2006. Being a parent is the most amazing thing I have done and brings new meaning to the term 'the miracle of life.'"

Allison Himelfarb Satyr and husband Alan welcomed daughter Cara Shoshana on May 21, 2006. Big brother Jonah Samuel turned 3 in August. The Deerfield, IL, residents are both lawyers in downtown Chicago; Allison works part-time as a partner in the banking and commercial finance practice at Sidley Austin LLP. **Tom LaFalce** and wife **Marisa (Piliero) '96** welcomed son Thomas Francis on June 22, 2006. Twelve years later, both are still at Cornell. Tom now works for the Cornell Annual Fund on reunion campaigns, and Marisa is a project coordinator in

Student and Academic Services. June 22 was a popular day for babies! **Steve Hewitson** and his wife Michelle welcomed second son Eli Parker on that date as well. Along with older son Connor, they live in Atlanta, GA, where Steve is a partner at the law firm of Troutman Sanders LLP.

Cristina Guastello Niccolini and husband **Michael '93** recently moved to Baltimore, MD, from Washington, DC, with their children Charlie, 4, and Caroline, 1. Cristina is taking time off

from her legal career to spend time at home with the kids. Michael owns a mortgage and settlement company with offices in D.C., Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Also enjoying newfound parenthood is **Rachana Singh**. She and husband Kekul Shah live in Princeton, NJ, with daughter Rania Amalia Shah, who is now almost 2. Rachana is a radiation oncologist with Penn, and her husband is in a private vitreoretinal practice.

For the past eight years, **Daniel Mathews** has been president of the Onondaga Deputy Sheriff's Benevolent Association, a labor union, and is currently writing a book about his experiences as a union official. **Christian Prada** reports that he is now a plastic surgeon in St. Louis, MO, in private practice. He and wife Angie have a 1-year-old son, Jackson. **Camilo Echavarria** has changed jobs, leaving his position as litigation counsel at NBC Universal to become of counsel at Davis Wright Tremaine. Camilo lives in Los Angeles with his wife and children Sofia, 3, and Gabriel, 1. **Kristin Wachtel** Recchiuti is currently a director of marketing at the McNeil Consumer Division of Johnson & Johnson and a busy mom to daughter Megan, born September 16, 2005—which also happens to be her fifth wedding anniversary.

Carrie Skolnick Rothfeld took the 12-year challenge as an opportunity to wax philosophical, writing, "Life 12 years post-Cornell is shaping up to be quite good, and I find myself realizing lately that I'm finally almost a responsible adult! Four years ago I embarked on a career in architecture; three years ago my husband and I bought an apartment in Manhattan, which we are about to expand; and almost two years ago I gave birth to my daughter Stella Esme, in December '04. The road to today was much less direct and much more exciting than I ever could have imagined!" **George Bullis** is in his third year as assistant principal at Frick Middle School in Oakland, CA, and recently finished his second master's degree—this time in school administration at the Principal Leadership Inst. at UC Berkeley.

Over Labor Day weekend, **David Turell** married Yusi Wang in Colrain, MA. Several Cornell alumni were present, including classmates **Kerrin Flanagan**, who's teaching in Boston, and **Peter Jester**, who's just finished a master's at the

U. of Wisconsin and is now doing research there. David and Yusi met playing Ultimate Frisbee and on Halloween embarked on a ten-week honeymoon beginning in Hong Kong and including a stop in Perth, Australia, to compete in the Ultimate Frisbee World Championships. And although it didn't happen in front of It's A Small

of himself and put others first . . . I remember many times during college Nabil would be working on a problem set that was due the next day or cramming for an exam the next morning. Inevitably, one of his many friends would call him, upset about something. Nabil would drop what he was doing and talk to you for 45 minutes,

'Mark Tilton misses studying at Stella's café.'

SHERYL MAGZAMEN '96

World, I ran into **Jeanne Ramage** Rentezelas at Walt Disney World in October. She was on a family vacation with husband Ed and their two adorable little ones, Evan, 3, and Michael, born April 25, 2006. Jeanne is now back to work as assistant vice president and senior assistant counsel at Popular Financial Holdings Inc.

How have you spent the past 12 years? Let us know! ♦ **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasyluk, dmp5@cornell.edu; **Dika Lam**, dikaweb@yahoo.com; and **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, jennifer.marchant@kraft.com.

95 With the start of yet another new year, a bit of reflection. Six times a year, Abra and I write this column, filled with the wonderful news of weddings and babies, promotions and changing career directions, new homes and fabulous vacations. Personally, I have loved doing this for the past ten-plus years—hearing about the exciting things classmates are doing and helping people connect with long-lost friends, roommates, and the like.

But every so often I get news that doesn't fit this model, sad news that seems nearly impossible to be applicable to someone in the Class of 1995. Such is the case this month.

As I write the column, just a few weeks after the five-year anniversary of 9/11, I remember our friend and classmate **Kaleen Pezzuti**, who worked in the World Trade Center at Cantor Fitzgerald, and I trust her family and friends continue to support one another through the healing process. But what I sometimes forget is that there are others, too, fighting battles right in front of us, whom we don't always recognize.

On August 19, **Paul Nabil Bustany** passed away after a long fight with cancer. Diagnosed 12 years ago, Paul—or Nabil, as many of his close friends and family knew him—fought the disease, learning all he could about his condition (synovial sarcoma), and enduring numerous surgeries, bouts of radiation, and cycles of chemotherapy. When, a few years ago, he relapsed and doctors told him he was not a good candidate for a surgical procedure, Paul would not take no for an answer and fought until he was granted the surgery. Sadly, it did not have the hoped-for results.

This story and many others were relayed, emotionally, at Paul's memorial service by his friend and classmate, Syracuse University Office of Judicial Affairs Director **Rami Badway**. Reminiscenced Rami, "Nabil was always so willing to give

an hour and a half, two hours . . . it did not matter. That was just the kind of person he was. If you were his friend, you never had to think twice about Nabil putting you first."

Paul Nabil Bustany was laid to rest in Morristown, NJ, in the presence of family, many friends and classmates, and his wife Asu Okyay, whom he had married in 2004. In lieu of flowers, tax-deductible donations may be made in his memory to synovial sarcoma research at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Ave., New York, NY 10021. Similarly, Paul's friends have requested that his spirit be honored by celebrating life. As Rami so eloquently put it, "To celebrate Nabil we need to honor him. And the best way is to do what he would have done, to do what we can with the gift of time that we have, the only gift that he did not have. Let us experience different places, learn about different cultures, help other people, and, above all else, live life with the same determination that Nabil had. That is the best way to celebrate and honor Nabil."

With that, it seems only fitting to welcome new births into our Cornell family and celebrate the many life events and accomplishments of our classmates, as we have been doing these past ten-plus years in the pages of this magazine.

Entering the world July 31, 2006 was Nathaniel Evan, the first child of **Sonia Malhotra** Cunningham and her husband Tom. Sonia is a human resources manager for DePuy Spine. **Lynn Leitner** Hickey sent word that she has a new job and is now part of a small medical practice in Scotia, NY, seeing patients in the fields of internal medicine and pediatrics. She and husband Kevin have two children, Danny, 4, and Tara, 2. Recently, the family visited **Adam** and **Laura Stout Sosinsky** and their kids Jacob, 3, and Alexander, 7 months, and the two sets of full-time working parents swapped tips for handling such a hectic family life.

Lastly, an example of celebrating life's meaningful moments comes by way of *Cape Cod Magazine*, which on September 12 featured classmate (and the magazine's managing editor) **Scott Lajoie** on a New England program called "Chronicle." The show was based on Scott's August 2006 issue, where he created a feature to showcase individual towns on the Cape and summed them up in one unique photograph.

These classmates are just three who are making the most of their time, each in his or her own way, and I encourage us all to do likewise—and it needn't be something "big," either. Learn a new skill, take a trip with a sibling, visit your

grandparents. Heck, even look up an old friend from Cornell and relive the "old days" together. In short, do what makes you happy and value the life you've got. And—if you're up to it—write us about it so we can continue to share your meaningful experiences with the rest of our classmates. ♦ **Alison Torrillo** French, amt7@cornell.edu; and **Abra Benson**, amb8@cornell.edu. Class website, <http://classof95.alumni.cornell.edu>.

96 Greetings, Sixers! Last column's musings came during my time in a lively park on a warm summer morning in Manhattan.

This month's witticisms come to you from a cold, pre-turkey-day evening in Boston. There's just something about being on the East Coast this time of year. Trees strung with winter lights, pedestrians in pea coats—I even got to jump in a pile of leaves in **Jessica Katz** Poscover's backyard! Of course, today's weather report from the City by the Bay was 70 degrees and sunny. Temperate Novembers in shorts and T-shirts make me rethink my constant lamentations about my circadian rhythms not being expressed to their fullest extent due to the lack of seasons.

Anyway, rather than waxing my usual pseudo-philosophical notions, I'd like to share some thoughts provided by **Nyree Van Maarseveen**. In the "What you've been doing recently" space on the News Form, Nyree wrote, "Deciding how I feel about being in my 30s." Nyree, I think you hit it right on the head. The boundless energy of my 20s has seemed to subside, but has been replaced by an incredibly fulfilling and meaningful daytime gig. It's a strange trade-off, indeed. If any of you out there have any thoughts about life transitions, please write in and let us know! Nyree and husband David Ruelof live in San Diego, where Nyree is a labor and delivery nurse and a nurse-midwifery student. The couple is taking full advantage of SoCal life, exploring tide pools, walking on the beach with their dogs, frequenting bookstores, and studying Spanish. **Kristen Jabbs**, if you're out there, Nyree would love to hear from you!

But I digress . . . When in Boston (besides filling up on all the Dunkin' Donuts coffee I can imbibe), write about Bostonians! First on our list is **Emily Hart** Reith, who lives in Brookline. Emily is enjoying staying home with children Spencer and Arianna. **Ellen Schiffer** Berkowitz lives in nearby Dedham and is busy raising sons Noah and Jesse. **Beth Malizia** is a fellow in reproductive endocrinology and infertility at Harvard Medical School and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Beth and husband Benjamin Taylor enjoy spending time with their baby girl Kaelin.

Moving geographically south and west, **Mike Killeen** and wife Lisa live in Riverside, CT, where Mike works at Ranzal Associates as the director of technology. Mike's current "after-hours" activities include running after daughter Alexis and recent arrival, son Christopher. If that were not enough to keep one guy busy, he recently received his MBA and advanced business certificate in information technology from UConn, Stamford's part-time program. And proving that ChemEs have endless reserves of energy and capacity for fun and hijinx, Mike also

plays lead guitar in a local rock cover band.

Several classmates from New York have written in to share some news. **Allison Jeffer** Patterson is on leave from her position as an elementary school psychologist, and is busy raising son Jack, born July 12, 2005. **Stacy Aronowitz** is an assistant attorney general in the Public Integrity Unit in the State of New York Office of the Attorney General. Stacy is also keeping busy as an adjunct lecturer at Hunter College, teaching business law to undergraduates. **Nicholas Karoutsos** is a podiatrist in Queens and reports such recent activities as “trying to keep up with our 10-month-old son, our first.” Good luck to you, Nicholas!

In additional news from New York, class co-president **Erica Gantner** was married to Seth Brandler on Long Island on August 20, 2006. Cornellians celebrating with Erica and Seth were **Alicia Parlanti**, **Karen Szczepanski**, **Marguerite Carmody**, **Sheila DiGasper**, **Robin Smith**, **Kate O'Brien '97**, **Darcy Peterka**, **Karl** and **Anne Snelgrove Schimmeck '97**, and **Tim** and **Robyn Tuttle Burns**. Congratulations!

Continuing in our southerly direction, **Terri Levine** Micklin and husband Martin reside in Fairfax, VA. Terri is an engineer for Wawa Inc., responsible for land development activities in Virginia. When not spending time with daughter Jenna, born November 4, 2005, she serves as a soccer referee for the local youth association. Terri would like to send a shout-out to long-lost Cornell friend **Lance Vikaros '98**. **Mark Tilton** lives in Winter Park, FL, where he is the regional beverage manager for Ruth's Chris Steak House in Orlando. Mark's after-hours activities include golfing, swimming, shooting pool, and playing darts. As for Cornell memories, Mark misses studying at Stella's café, and would love to hear from **Maggie MacDougall**.

And last, getting to our Sixers abroad. **Rosamond King** completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the U. of Chicago and is a Fulbright Fellow in Gambia, West Africa, for the 2006-07 academic year. Rosamond is on leave from her appointment as an assistant professor at Long Island U. in Brooklyn and working on her book, “Island Bodies: Transgressive Caribbean Sexualities.” She has been traveling around the world, including trips to China, Haiti, Senegal, and Trinidad, presenting movement and text-based performance. **Vinay Varughese '93**, if you're out there, Rosamond would love to hear from you! **Emre K. Mimaroglu** recently relocated to the UK and is working for Credit Suisse.

That's all the news I have for now. Happy 2007 to you all, and I hope this year brings you much happiness, success, and peace. ♦ **Sheryl Magzamen**, slm1@cornell.edu; **Courtney Rubin**, cbr1@cornell.edu. For updated class events, news, and resources, visit <http://classof96.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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Can you believe that reunion is right around the corner? Make sure to mark your calendar to join your classmates in Ithaca, June 7-10, 2007. In the meantime, catch up with your classmates so you know the entire scoop when you arrive on the Hill.

Sunny Kim (sunnykim750@yahoo.com) sends news of practicing medicine in Cedar Rapids, IA, focusing on spine care after becoming board certified in physical medicine and rehabilitation. Sunny looks forward to seeing classmates at reunion. **Shaown Nandi** (sn16@cornell.edu) has returned to the Hill as a member of the Cornell Executive MBA program. In his spare time he is a managing consultant at IBM. Former Army captain **Luis Garcia** (luisandtreva@gmail.com) has adjusted to civilian life by staying connected to the military. He currently works in Huntsville, AL, at Redstone Arsenal, training soldiers in the employment of the Raven Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV). He and his wife have purchased a home in nearby Madison, AL.

Catching us up on his last ten years is **Emin Ozgur** (emin@sarapci.com). After working in NYC for three years after graduation, Emin moved to London. In 2001, work took him to Istanbul, Turkey, where he currently works as an engineer in the family business, manufacturing building and packaging materials. Thanks for updating us on your world travels, Emin. Lt. **Marc Picard** (Patac8@cs.com) hopes to make it for reunion this June, but that will depend on his current naval assignment. He is on his second submarine, the USS *Toledo*, allowing him to travel all over the Mediterranean and Arabian Gulf. He also got his master's from George Washington U. while working at the Pentagon. One classmate who sounds like he is bound for reunion in June is **Keith Scala** (kscala@myersbradford.com). He recently co-founded a law firm (Myers Bradford PLLC) specializing in patent and entertainment law. He even has some fellow Cornellians as clients. Keith is looking forward to swimming in the gorge, the wine, and sailing on the lake once he connects with **Simon Cheng**, **Jill Savolskis**, **Natalka Purij**, **Alex Saporito**, and **Lauren Myers** Marion. Here's a hint for all of you on his list: start making travel plans to Ithaca now!

Also planning a trip upstate in June is **Seanna Thompson** (sat9006@hotmail.com). Seanna sends word that after graduating from medical school at the U. of Illinois, Chicago in 2001, she completed a residency in ob/gyn at New York Presbyterian/Weill Cornell and is currently an attending in Brooklyn. Husband Tim Niewold is a rheumatology fellow at the Hospital of Special Surgery in NYC. Seanna and Tim have a 1-year-old son, Lars, and hope to see everyone soon. Fellow ob/gyn doc **Renee Sato** (sator630@hotmail.com) and husband Joseph Kotowski III were married in June 2001 and now live in Hawaii with their baby daughter Katherine Lynn. Renee has just completed her residency and hopes shortly to open her own practice, while Joseph is a litigation associate with the law firm Carlsmith Ball.

Another classmate using her MD is **Danielle Ledoux** (danielleledoux@hotmail.com), who is a practicing pediatric ophthalmologist in Providence, RI. Danielle got her degree from Emory Medical School in 2001 and did her residency at NYU, followed by a fellowship in Charleston, SC. She is looking forward to seeing the beautiful campus and doing some wine tasting—as am I! **Andrea Madrigrano** (andreamadrigrano@yahoo.com) has just finished her surgical residency at U.

of Illinois and is currently in California doing a fellowship in breast cancer at Stanford. To quote Andrea, “Life is good, but busy!” I think many of your classmates would agree with you, Andrea! **Mia Raznatovic** (miabgny@hotmail.com) hopes to catch up with classmates at reunion and see what has happened on campus since she was last there in 2002. In the meantime, she will stay occupied working as a vice president at Lloyds TSB Bank PLC in the area of structured and municipal finance. Erica and I hope to see everyone in Ithaca this June! ♦ **Sarah Deardorff** Carter, sjd5@cornell.edu; **Erica Broennle** Nelson, ejb4@cornell.edu.

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If astrology is anything to go by—that our birthdays and the stars under which we were born play a part in who we are and how our love lives come about—then I wonder if similar effects will apply to babies announced in the same class columns. We'll have to see. This month's cohort includes babies Zeve, Rebecca Leigh, and Maya Bailey. Zeve was born to **Jesse Lefton** Zilberstein July 30, 2006. **Catherine Meeks** Schwiebert's second child, Rebecca Leigh, was born on May 6, 2006. Catherine reports that big brother Andrew, who will be 3 on Dec. 17, is so far enjoying the new addition. In addition to being a full-time mom, Catherine is on the board of Postpartum Support Int'l of Washington, a group that supports families dealing with a postpartum mood disorder. **Amy Snyder** Kaminski announces the birth of beautiful baby girl Maya Bailey on May 22, 2006. A NASA program examiner at the White House Office of Management and Budget by day, Amy spends her free time washing bottles and burp cloths while trying to recall the days when she could claim that she ran and exercised most days of the week. She would now rather sleep.

Classmate **Brian Sidlauskas** is a postdoctoral fellow at National Evolutionary Synthesis Center. Brian recently completed his PhD in evolutionary biology at the U. of Chicago and has moved to a postdoctoral position at a new NSF-sponsored think tank at Duke U. After hours, Brian can be found playing early, Baroque, and folk music on historical woodwinds and a lap harp. He looks fondly back to his days in coed fraternity Sigma Chi Delta, and wishes to hear from **Natalia Estrada '97**, whom no one in SCD has heard from in years. Also working in the field of science is **Anne Sperling**. Anne lives in Silver Spring, MD, and is an AAAS science and technology policy fellow at the National Inst. of Mental Health. **Karen Ruenitz** is an artist living in San Francisco. She also teaches fashion illustration at California College of the Arts. You can view her current work at www.karenruenitz.com.

Wondering where the wedding announcements are? We thought you'd never ask! Our classmates continue to get hitched/walk around the fire circle/take the plunge/bite the bullet/tie the knot—pick the cultural reference of your choice. Here are the latest. **Emily Lobel** married Dean Kameron, a Brandeis and Columbia MBA alum, on August 19, 2006 in Woodmere, NY. Lots of classmates attended the wedding, including: **Nicole Sandman** Karp, **Jessica Gruner** Studness, **Beth Finerman** Spirn, **Priya Kalwani** Semanchek, **Karen**

Bernstein Kandel, Jen Sturtz Goldstein, Risa Levine Salins, Karen Dorman Kipnes, Keri Stahl Young, Sara Leeder, Daphna Abrams, Shana Elberg, JD '01, and Erik Weinick, JD '01. Emily and Dean live in Hoboken, NJ, and Emily works at Ernst & Young on gender equity and diversity programs. (Unfortunately, we have not received any news on what the wedding guests have been up to—aside from attending weddings. Write to either of us and we'll add your news to this space. Addresses below.)

On Sept. 23, 2006, **Michael Raffaele** married Kathleen Ruane (Penn '01, but we don't hold that against her). **Matt Palmer '96** and **Ryan Nakagawa '97** were groomsmen. **Kevin Marks** was an usher and an "island of calm." **Brian Ming Chu '96, Jeremy Flood '97, Andy Goldin '03, I-sah Hsieh '97, Amy Kerivan Marks, and Tony Mangaser '97** performed selections from the repertoire of the Cornell Glee Club for the wedding ceremony itself and did a spectacular job. Michael reports that a wonderful time was had by all. **Jonathan Rynd** announces his marriage to Elizabeth Oen of Teaneck, NJ, on August 5, 2006. Their honeymoon was spent in Rome, Casablanca, and Hamburg. Jonathan is a software developer, and Liz is a high school biology teacher; the couple lives in Teaneck.

And if you missed it in the *New York Times* the first time around, here is an excerpt of **Jennifer Yen's** wedding announcement: "Jennifer Heather Betit Yen, the daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Andrew Yen of Ithaca, NY, was married on Sept. 16, 2006 to Jeffrey Peyton Worley at St. Cecilia Roman Catholic Church in Boston. The bride and bridegroom are law associates, she in the Boston office of Greenberg Traurig, the Miami law firm, and he at Sullivan & Worcester, a Boston firm. They met at Boston U., from which they received their law degrees. Jen also acts in films, including *Interrogation* (2006), which was shown at the Boston Int'l Film Festival."

I think we have digressed from talk of babies and fate. As destiny would have it, though, this piece of news arrived ten minutes ago in my inbox: **Betsy Patterson** reports that she is now practicing obstetrics and gynecology in Cleveland Heights, OH. On that note, happy holiday wishes from both of us. Don't forget to send us highlights of your latest adventures and favorite pastimes! ♦ **Gregg Herman**, gdh5@cornell.edu; and **Erica Chan**, hc31@cornell.edu.

99 Remember Fall Break? We were supposed to use that time to study for prelims. But if you were like me back then, you just wasted that long weekend and goofed around, picking leaves and eating apples. I remember making special trips to Collegetown Bagels to get a large hot apple cider. And, occasionally, I would sneak out to the Plantations for a hike (or a nap).

Things are different for me now, just as they are for you. Instead of the Plantations, I've got Central Park. The hot cider at Starbucks just isn't the same, so I've learned to make my own. And instead of whiling away the first weekend in October leaf-peeping or apple-picking, I've got a wedding anniversary to celebrate now (more on that in a bit). But no matter what changes, when it

starts to get a bit chilly, I begin to daydream . . .

I'm not the only dreamer. **Gabriela Cadena** is living out in Rockville, MD. She's dreaming of traveling the world, and right now she's reading up on Africa, where she hopes to be living someday soon. **Theresa Thomas** Holliday is California-dreaming about the design of the first 45nm processor (and her growing family). She's working at Intel in Folsom, CA, in the mobile micro-processor design group. Theresa and her husband James are building their family and raising their 3-year-old son J.R. **Gavin McKay** is in Philadelphia dreaming of his first business. In October 2006, he will launch a fitness and wellness center called Fusion. He says, "The major offering is a holistic and efficient group training session that brings together the elements of heart, muscle, and mind via a coach in our intimate setting. Fusion is a completely original concept based on science, not fads, and aims at helping people get fit by providing the motivation, guidance, and support we all need." Check it out at www.fusioncrostraining.com.

Talk about dream jobs. **James Lauer** is producing electronic music and hosting events in Chicago. If you live in Chicago, you can check out his weekly radio show on Wednesday nights, from 9:30 to 11 p.m. on WNUR 89.3 FM. Or check out his calendar at www.jameslauer.com and see him DJ in person. **Philip Righter** is in Hollywood living out his dream job. He was recently promoted to VP, marketing and media for NBC Universal Inc. And I recently read that a '99er is the general manager for the Texas Rangers baseball team. Last October **Jon Daniels** became the youngest GM in major league history.

Chris Huang dreams of finishing his degree at the Stephen M. Ross School of Business at the U. of Michigan. Chris wrote to tell us about **Lauren Harshman** and **Brian Stark**, who were married this past June. Lauren, now Dr. Stark, MD, and Brian, that's Dr. Stark, PhD, are living and working in Palo Alto, CA. **Justin DeKoszmowski**, MBA '06, wrote to tell us that 2006 has been a busy and fantastic year: "I finished my MBA (at Cornell, of course), got married to my best friend, **Tatiana Thieme '00**, and moved to England to start a new job managing strategic sustainability projects for S.C. Johnson." **Aaron Arnold** is the new director of the upstate office of the Center for Court Innovation, a nonprofit that works with the NYS Unified Court System to develop specialized courts such as drug courts, mental health courts, domestic violence courts, etc. Aaron and wife Stephanie recently moved from Phoenix to the Syracuse area and bought an old Victorian home in the town of Liverpool.

Last, but not least, there were some '99ers in attendance last year when I married **Doug West '98**. **Brady Dale Russell** has a home in Philadelphia now and is working as an organizer for the Philadelphia Unemployment Project, an economic justice group that works to help people win unemployment cases, save their houses, and get healthcare. **Kelly Scalia** is the director of operations at the Statler Hotel on Cornell's campus. And **Shannon Smith** Brock and her husband Paul have an awesome 100-year-old home in Geneva, NY, that they are working to restore

to its former glory. Shannon was recently promoted to wine director at the newly opened New York Wine and Culinary Center in Canandaigua.

Send in your news and daydreams to the class columnists. Our IN boxes await. ♦ **Melanie Grayce West**, mga6@cornell.edu; **Jennifer Sheldon**, jennifer.sheldon@gmail.com; and **Brady Dale Russell**, bradydale@thistoowillpass.com.

OO Happy New Year, classmates! Can you believe it's 2007? I'm sure I say that every year, but it still seems that time is going by so fast. It feels like just yesterday that I was writing last edition's column for you as I studied for the Bar exam. And now, as I write this one (we write these columns months in advance), I await the results, which come out in about two weeks. Wish me luck. Anyway, my point is: time is flying by. And what makes me notice it the most is when I visit with all my newly married friends whom I remember as freshmen not so long ago . . .

My best friends **Waina Cheng** and **Jason Satrian** just celebrated their one-year anniversary last month. Yay! And I am happy to report that they are blissfully living the quintessential married life in their new Upper West Side apartment, terrace and all. Waina was also just recently accepted into Columbia Presbyterian's hematology-oncology fellowship program. She says she is delighted to remain at Columbia (where she is completing her internal medicine residency), and is also very excited about Jason's "snazzy and fresh" new haircut! Ah, the married life. Across the park, another dear friend of mine, **Brad Coffiner**, was married this past fall. He and wife Sasha wed on September 10, 2006 at Brooklyn Botanic Gardens. The couple is now living on the Upper East Side. I can't wait to see you guys AND your new place!

Lori Sachs and **Alex Harrison** were married on August 26 at the Pearl River Hilton in Pearl River, NY. Many Cornellians were in attendance including Lori's father, **Joel Sachs '63**, and Lori's sister **Beth Sachs Zoller '96**. Lori and Alex honeymooned in Thailand and live in the Union Square area of Manhattan. Alex graduated from Columbia Business School in May, and Lori is an intellectual property associate at Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner LLP. And last, but not least, another one of my friends whom I have known since freshman year tied the knot as well. **Doug Weine** married the beautiful Romy Park (Yale '99) on June 10, 2006 in New York City. Romy is working toward her Master of Fine Arts in graphic design at Yale, while Doug completes his final year of internal medicine residency at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital/Cornell Medical Center. Apparently, Doug is addicted to the Big Red. After graduation he went on to complete his medical degree, and when he finishes his residency this coming year, he will stay with our alma mater to do his gastroenterology fellowship.

On that note, I would also like to congratulate **Evan Grossman**, who will soon begin his fellowship at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. Evan had wonderful personal news to report as well. His brother **Craig Grossman '97** and wife **Lauren (Alpert) '97** recently brought a darling baby boy into the world. Uncle Evan says that his

new nephew, Ethan Sawyer (I love that name), is absolutely lovable and extremely bright. It already looks like we'll have yet another Grossman to grace the Cornell campus in upcoming years! Another happy birth occurred this past year on April 1. **Anna Gravino** Salerno left her human resources job at Quest Diagnostics to have her "April Fool's baby," Isabella Katherine. Isabella is a welcome addition to the Salerno home, as her big brother Matthew now has a new playmate!

In the spirit of the New York City marathon (which we just celebrated here in the City), here's an update on **Trent Stellingwerff** and his wife Hilary. As mentioned in the Sept/Oct issue, Trent assists in coaching his wife, an Olympic-level distance runner. The couple recently moved to Lausanne, Switzerland, so Trent could start his new job at the Nestle Research Centre as a senior scientist in the sports nutrition division for PowerBar. Both Hilary and Trent love living in Switzerland and spend their free time road cycling, mountain biking, and hiking. If you would like to read more about Hilary and her fabulous accomplishments as an athlete, log on to www.runhilaryrun.ca. Have fun out there, you two, and best wishes from your classmates back home!

As for me, I graduated from Brooklyn Law School this past June and have started work at the New York City Law Department as an attorney for the corporation counsel, Michael Cardozo. And, just as in every other life stage through which I have transitioned, I have run into Cornellians. Both **Amy Rozenfeld '01** and **Holly Winefsky** Gerstenfeld are working with me as attorneys in the Tax & Bankruptcy Division. And I recently made a new Cornell friend, **David Cooperstein '03**, who just graduated from Cardozo Law School and is a member of my new attorney class. I guess you never stop meeting Cornellians, do you? Anyway, that's all I have to report for now. Remember, we love hearing from you, and we love writing for you. So send us some news! ♦ **Andrea Chan**, amc32@cornell.edu; **Christine Jensen** Weld, ckj1@cornell.edu.

01 Happy New Year, Class of 2001! We hope that the New Year finds you well and that you're off to a great start! On May 21, 2006, classmates **Heather Bernstein** and **Steven Kopleff** were married. Earlier in May, Heather graduated with a master's degree in art history and archaeology from the Inst. of Fine Arts at New York U. In the fall, she began studying for a doctorate in Egyptology from NYU. Steven works as a senior manager at American Express in Manhattan, where he does quantitative analysis in the small business risk-management department.

Congratulations to **Holly-Katharine Johnson**, who wed Ernest Mathews III on May 27, 2006 at Trinity Church in Princeton, NJ. The bride's godfather, the Very Rev. James Parks Morton, performed the ceremony. After college, Holly-Katharine received a Master of Fine Arts degree in writing from the Vermont College of the Union Inst. and University. She works as an assistant professor of English at Mercer County Community College in West Windsor, NJ. Congratulations to **Nicole Neroulis** and **Salil Anil Gupte**, who wed

on July 29, 2006 at Sage Chapel. Until last summer, Nicole was a religion and city reporter at the *San Mateo County Times* in California. Salil Anil received an MBA from Stanford last year and is now an associate at Goldman Sachs in New York, working in a group that invests in stocks, bonds, and real estate of public and private companies.

he was unable because he was at the wedding of classmate **Stuart Weiss**. David is a member of the Cornell Club of Boston and currently lives with **Janelle Luk** in South Boston.

So . . . what's new in your lives? Any exciting trips? New job? Grad school? Weddings? Babies born? E-mail us at classof2001@cornell.edu. We

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LAUREN WALLACH '01

Congratulations to **Cory Belnick** and **Chris Kercher**, who wed on September 3, 2006 in Deer Valley, UT, and honeymooned in Tahiti. They had lots of Cornellians at the wedding, including members of the wedding party. Bridesmaids included **Kelly Belnick '97** (maid of honor), **Allison Menkes**, and **Jessica Engel**. Groomsmen included **David Lifeso** (best man), **Giancarlo Turano**, **Ryan Feldman**, **Brendan Roche**, **Brian Glueckstein '00**, and **Christopher Virelli '00**. The happy couple resides in New York City. Cory is currently a medical student. After graduating from NYU Law School in 2004, Chris now works as a litigation associate at the law firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

Last April, **Melanie Schori** won a Fulbright award to the Philippines. Melanie, now a doctoral student in plant and biological sciences at Ohio U. in Athens, OH, has been spending the 2006-07 year studying a little-known group of forest trees in the Philippines. To quote Melanie's experience, she says, "I know that my life will be permanently changed during my time in the Philippines and by the people I meet there. It's my only opportunity to do field research for my dissertation, which is very important to me, but I know that in the long run, the cultural experience and the connections I make will be the most significant aspects of my Fulbright."

Last summer, **Lisa Dughi** spent three weeks traveling to Rarotonga in the Cook Islands as part of a team of volunteers who are tutoring children in reading skills on the picturesque South Seas island. The experience was coordinated by Global Volunteers, a nonprofit organization that offers short-term service programs around the world. Lisa and her volunteer teammates worked one-on-one with students and, over the course of the program, forged bonds of common understanding with the local community. She also had the chance to watch fifth and sixth graders learn the traditional island dances of Rarotonga, and even participated in the class. During her free time, Lisa took in the natural beauty of the island, touring its wild interior, strolling its beaches, and attending island shows and cultural lectures.

David Solarz checks in from Boston, where he is currently a second-year resident in internal medicine at the Boston U. Medical Center. Although he would have liked to attend reunion,

hope that all is well with each of you—let us know about it! ♦ **Lauren Wallach**, LEW15@cornell.edu; and **Trina Lee**, TKL6@cornell.edu.

02 Well, fall is upon us as I write, and Buffalo already got slammed with a snowstorm in October. Bring back memories? Hopefully, many of you were able to celebrate Zinck's night in your respective cities. A word to those of you needing an excuse to let loose: go see *Borat* if you haven't already. There is really nothing like it, though it's certainly not for the prim and proper. If you fit that mold, then I'd recommend reading *Life of Pi*. It's equally excellent, though less jaw-dropping.

Everyone mark your calendars for our 5TH REUNION, June 7-10, 2007!

Many of us are going back to the Hill for other reasons. This summer Cornell's Adult University (CAU) had several alumni attend their on-campus summer classes. Our very own **Janet Ortiz, MPS '02**, took Vet World. A sample of the other classes available include: Not So Pasta: An Italian Cookery Workshop; Mozart: Music, Life, and Times; The Sailing Clinic; and Understanding the Science of Everyday Things. For more information contact **Alexandra Taylor '09** at ajt39@cornell.edu or CAU director **Ralph Janis '66** at rj10@cornell.edu.

Many of us are back in school pursuing degrees in various fields. **Judy Chan** is a research analyst at the NLM Foundation in Wellesley, MA, and is also pursuing a PhD in school psychology at Northeastern U. **Jen Kohler** began her PhD in clinical psychology at Fordham U. **Brad Unger** is well into the first semester of his MBA at the Johnson School, and **Steve Terry** is in the Twelve-Month Option (TMO) program. **Justin Lerner** is in his fourth and final year at UCLA Film School. **Abhishek Mathur** had a busy year last year, graduating from law school at New York U. and also finding time to get married. Congratulations, Abhi!

Ellen Brosius started her fifth year working at Abercrombie & Fitch in Columbus, OH. My current consulting assignment has me stationed during the week in that state's capital, so I have been enjoying having a friend who can show me around the town. **Rafael Jaramillo** is now living in Chicago, IL. **Susan Cohen** began her second year as assistant dean of admissions at Cooper Union in New York and spent a lot of time traveling

during recruiting season this fall. **Jack Troidl** is an environmental engineer at Comprehensive Environmental in Milford, MA.

Patrick Spann is back in New York after living in California for a few years working at Miller Lite. “Getting transferred was the best possible option—Los Angeles is not for me,” he commented. Patrick still enjoys working for Miller Lite, but now without the heavily trafficked commute to work every day. **Julia Ramey** will be assistant editor for a new *Conde Nast* magazine starting in spring 2007—stay tuned for details. **Maori Fujisaki** is working at the architecture firm TPG Architecture in New York City. After two years in the panhandle, **Mike Donikian**, MArch '04, left Florida to come back to the Big Apple. We missed you, buddy!

I was in Ithaca (again) this fall and witnessed the official ceremonial dedication of the Bennett Family Concourse in Bartels Hall. Fellow alumna, Theta sister, and senior-year roommate **Kate Bennett** was there, along with 42 of her family members, 15 of whom are Cornellians, and seven of whom were Cornell Varsity athletes. Her father,

03 Hello, Class of 2003! I hope this column finds you all doing well. The past few months have been a series of random Cornell alumni run-ins, which is always fun. Being in Seattle is great. The city is very vibrant, the people are friendly, and, no, it doesn't rain as much as everyone always says it does. Compared to the gray days of Ithaca, Seattle is a piece of cake.

I don't have as much news as I would like to report on, but if you're reading this and would like your 30 seconds of fame, please shoot me an email at noonans@seattleu.edu. My last name has changed because on June 18, **Patrick Noonan '00** and I were married on San Juan Island, WA. And just a day after the wedding, I started my first class in law school at Seattle U. After six weeks of criminal law, Pat and I traveled to Portugal on our honeymoon. The married life is great, and law school isn't so bad either! Prior to the wedding Pat and I participated in a team road race from Mt. Rainer to Ocean Shores, WA. We, plus two vans full of friends and work buddies, ran the race—and ran into **Ruthie Levy '02**, who had come to

Tien-Hsin Yang moved to a condo on Manhattan's West Side in July, after living in Great Neck, NY. She and Matthew Lee, who received a BA in political science from MIT and a JD from Columbia, were married in September 2005. Tien-Hsin went on to earn her MA in 2006 in early childhood special education at Teachers College, Columbia U., but has decided to postpone teaching indefinitely while she and Matthew expand their family. Also on the East Coast, **Tom Struble** and **Caitlin Stansell '04**, BArch '05, were married this past September in Cohasset, MA. They had a great honeymoon in Fiji and are living in Connecticut near the Groton Submarine Base, where Tom is an officer on the fast attack submarine USS *Virginia* (SSN 774) and Caitlin is flourishing at her architecture firm, Fletcher Thompson. Congratulations, Tom and Cait! **Ben Kostka** and **Adrian Korduba** attended the wedding as groomsmen and are continuing their military careers. Ben is just finishing up Jump School with the Army (part of his Navy explosive ordnance training) and will be moving down to Virginia Beach at the end of the year. Adrian is on the USS *Montpelier*, a submarine in Norfolk, VA, and recently bought a house in Virginia Beach.

Other newlyweds include Mario and **JoAnna Deblock** Becerril, who were married on July 31 at Saratoga Spa State Park in New York. **Lauren Levy** was married to Joseph Harburger in Old Greenwich, CT, on March 19.

That's all I have right now, so please feel free to write either Sudha or me if you would like to share an update or special event. We'd love to hear from you! ♦ **Samantha Buckingham** Noonan, noonans@seattleu.edu; **Sudha Nandagopal**, sn58@cornell.edu.

‘Where else could you find grilled pizza, roast beef, and cheese bread with honey butter at a Homecoming tailgate?’

MICHELLE WONG '05

James Bennett III '65, is in Cornell's Hall of Fame for basketball. Thanks to the Bennett family's legacy in Cornell Athletics, his gift will make possible the revamping of the entire entrance hallway concourse in Bartels, complete with 18 nine-foot double-sided banners of past Cornell athletic teams, as well as various photographs and memorabilia from sports years past. It is a sight to be seen, and it is quite rare that someone from our year has a direct connection to a piece of Cornell campus property. Congratulations, Kate!

“I married my law school sweetheart!” writes **Joanna Martin** Garfield. “I met Josh at Case Western Reserve Law School.” The couple was married on May 21, 2006. In attendance were several Cornellians, including maids of honor **Emily Steinberg** and **Emily Gold**, JD '05. “We live in Chicago, where I am an attorney administering trusts at JPMorgan, and Josh is a patent attorney at Brinks, Hofer, Gilson & Lione.” Congratulations, Joanna!

We are just over five months from our 5TH REUNION, so let's go! Get your travel plans in gear because you won't get another chance to attend this one. History has shown that the five-year mark is the year MOST alumni of any given graduating class return to campus for alumni reunions. Don't miss your chance to see the largest pool of your fellow alumni all back on the Hill—together again. In the meantime, send me your news so you'll all have stuff to chat about when you see each other in June. ♦ **Carolyn Deckinger**, cmd35@cornell.edu.

Washington State with a bunch of other Cornellians to run the race as a team. Their team was fast and came in considerably ahead of ours, but it was great seeing her, reminiscing about the ROTC days, and meeting a few other alums from her year.

At a law school party in Kirkland, WA, I ran into **Greg Fodor**. We both stared at each other for a few seconds and then realized we had been in swing dance class together junior year. It truly is a small world. Greg's take on it was, “Yeah, it was pretty funny running into you—flashbacks to watching our weird swing teacher dance with his wife in the middle of a circle of confused juniors.” Definitely some interesting flashbacks! Greg stayed at Cornell after graduation to complete his MEng in CS in '04. He then moved to Northern Virginia to work for Parature Inc., a firm founded by Cornellians back in 1999 that sells on-demand CRM solutions through the Web. He writes, “While there, I was the lead software architect on the Parature 6 product. Two years down the road the company secured a large round of funding from VCs from Silicon Valley and, as such, began growing quickly and became more sales-driven than engineering.” Greg started looking for something new and wound up at Intentional Software in Bellevue, WA, a company trying to change the fundamental way companies build software. Also at the party were **Mike Bohlander** and **Amy Augsburger**. Unfortunately, because of the huge crowd, I didn't get the chance to really speak with them. They've kept in touch with Greg, though, and live in the Seattle area.

04 Happy New Year! I hope you have all kept your resolutions. I'm hoping to add a new one for you—sending at least one update this year to me, **Vanessa Matsis**, for the *Cornell Alumni Magazine* class column. I bump into so many of you on the streets of NYC and you are all doing such fabulous things but are too shy to send in an update. So your resolution is: “I will not be shy; I will send an update to vgm3@cornell.edu.”

Zachary Hollander writes: “After graduating with a BA in Policy Analysis and Management, I went to work for Novantas LLC, a financial services management consultancy in midtown Manhattan. In my first year, I worked domestically with leading retail and investment banks in the fields of federal and state government contract strategy, predictive customer profitability, and strategic sourcing. I have spent the last year working internationally in Prague, Czech Republic, and Bucharest, Romania, redesigning the sales force and sales organization of an international banking group's recent acquisitions in the region. This fall I was on a ten-week leave of absence from Novantas working as a field operations coordinator on the Kirsten Gillibrand for Congress campaign for New York's 20th Congressional District.”

After graduation, **Betsy Cooper** spent a year working at the Migration Policy Inst. in Washington, DC, and then received a master's degree in forced migration from Oxford U. She has

deferred from Yale Law School to pursue a doctorate in politics at Oxford on the impact of immigrant integration on national security and the war on terror. “By the time I graduate at the ripe old age of 30, I will be sufficiently overeducated, bordering on poverty, and finally forced to enter ‘the real world.’” In the interim, she is happy to be close enough to continental Europe to vacation on islands, backpack, and practice the wine-tasting skills she learned in college. However, she bought cable television specifically to be able to watch her beloved Buffalo Bills on television. Betsy welcomes any Cornellians visiting Oxford to reach her at betsycooper@gmail.com.

Tiffany Yee has recently returned from a year abroad in Beijing, China. Tiffany studied Mandarin at the Beijing Language and Culture U. while exploring the city and immersing herself in the culture. She was also a lecturer at the Beijing Fashion Inst. in the interior design department. After her departure from China, she traveled around Southeast Asia. Tiffany is currently working in New York City for Vollmer Associates LLP, an engineering and architecture firm.

Lastly, another Cornellian has been trekking around China: **Jesse Yu '05** is working at McKinsey & Company. Although based in Taipei, he often travels for projects around Greater China, Southeast Asia, and Europe. Among his favorite projects is conducting a due diligence for a construction equipment manufacturer in rural China. Although he puts in long hours, he tries to keep up with old hobbies like running, biking, and watching DVDs whenever he can fit them into his schedule.

Are you planning a Cornell Happy Hour or another event? Let your classmates know by posting it on our Facebook and Friendster Class of 2004 Group Bulletin Boards. Don't forget to check out the Class of 2004 website, <http://classof04.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Vanessa Matsis**, vgm3@cornell.edu.

05 In October I returned to campus for my first Homecoming as an alumna. The drive up from D.C. was scenic—bright blue skies, few clouds, multi-colored foliage—and I confess that our first stop in Ithaca was at the Dairy Barn. It felt like a great welcome home. Unfortunately, the weather was less than perfect on Homecoming Day; the biting cold, the wind, and the occasional drop of rain were harsh reminders of Ithaca's crazy weather. I guess I'm glad it didn't snow, although it was a full 20 degrees colder than D.C. temperatures. On a positive note, I got to eat some great food in the Hotel school tailgate area. Where else could you find grilled pizza, roast beef, and cheese bread with honey butter at a Homecoming tailgate? For a moment I forgot how cold I was.

It never ceases to amaze me that, in addition to re-visiting many of my favorite memories, I always manage to experience something new every time I go back for a visit. In addition to eating the much-missed local food from the ABC Cafe, I now frequent Café Dewitt, located downtown in the Dewitt Mall (in the hallway, actually—no kidding). As an alumna, I've come to appreciate the Ithaca area even more as I explore well beyond campus, and I encourage everyone else to do so as well.

Now for some updates. After graduation, **Julia Levy** moved to New York City to work for **Harold Tanner '52**, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. She is now writing the first alumna column for the *Cornell Daily Sun*. Titled “One Year Out,” Julia's column looks at the common experiences of young alumni after they graduate from college and enter the real world. It appears every other Friday in the *Sun*. She would love to hear from recent graduates in order to add their voices to the column. She also has her own blog, which features the column and allows alumni to comment: www.blogsome.oneyearout.com. In addition, Julia is writing part-time about the unusual and exciting events around NYC for gothamist.com.

Former *Cornell Daily Sun* editor-in-chief **Andy Guess** continues his interest in spreading the news through his job with National Public Radio's podcasting group. Says Andy, “I help create original online content, and I also work to make some of the most popular radio programs available on the Web.” Always a trendsetter, **Jade Bailey-Assam** is now a sales and public relations assistant with the fashion label IISLI. Her after-hours activities include participating in New York City book, wine, and dinner clubs. **Katherine McCallum** informs us that she is a municipal finance analyst with Goldman Sachs & Co., but likes to play golf when she can.

Hannah Hirschland writes that she is a “community training specialist at a day habilitation program for adults with mental retardation.” She is also involved with the Brooklyn Conservatory Community Orchestra and Jazz Workshop. Amazingly enough, Hannah manages to make time for swing dancing and Ultimate Frisbee. **Edwin Krug** works on land development projects as a civil engineer at Taylor Wiseman & Taylor, a small firm in central New Jersey. Although he would rather be on a beach in Côte d'Azur, **Daniel Cline** works as a food and beverage manager at the Court and the Tuscany, both W Hotels in New York City. A belated congratulations to **Melissa Murphy**, who raised \$5,500 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and completed her first marathon in October 2005! She is also involved with the US Green Building Council and Universal Studios Entertainment. Melissa continues to work in Orlando, FL, as a project coordinator for architecture and design at Starwood Vacation Ownership Design, where she maintains resort design standards.

It seems that our classmates flock to both coasts to pursue advanced degrees. **Caprice Cada-cio** is studying hard at NYU's School of Medicine, while **Nancy Chan** is in the dentistry program at UCLA. **Sreedar Raja** has returned to New Jersey to earn his medical degree from the U. of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. After completing her MS in Human Environment Relations at Cornell, **Nicole Sroka**, MS '06, now attends Southwestern Law School in Los Angeles. As for classmates studying elsewhere, **Sean Quarry** is earning his MS in environmental and civil engineering at Syracuse U. Sean and I actually attended the same elementary school and junior high before he moved to New York State. We realized we would be classmates again when we ran into each

other in the lobby of the Statler Hotel during Cornell Days. Georgetown Law School has now consumed **Kristen Henderson's** life. She finds herself reading even more than she did while at Cornell, but some highlights include having fellow Cornellian **Shana Platz '06** in her section.

I hope everyone is doing well these days. If you have any updates that you'd like to see published, please contact your class correspondents at classof2005news@gmail.com. Stay in touch! ♦ **Michelle Wong**, michelle.r.wong@gmail.com; and **Matt Janiga**, mwj3@cornell.edu.

06 Attending Cornell University granted me the opportunity to become acquainted with people from all over the world—a dorm-mate born in the Philippines, a floor-mate from El Salvador, Romania, and Russia, and an Aussie the floor below, as well as a darling British lad three floors below. One individual with whom I have had the opportunity to become very closely acquainted is **Stéphanie Van Hassel**, who was born in Belgium and raised in Japan and Singapore, and lived in New York City prior to and during her time at Cornell. Stéphanie speaks five languages. Through enduring all of the ice-cold winters, gorges, and hard studying, her Cornell degree has taken her to the other side of the world of no winters, gorgeous beaches, and hard work.

Prior to graduation Stéphanie accepted a job as a research analyst in Sydney, Australia, at the hedge fund Voyager Funds Management. She looks at future trends within Asia, particularly China and India, and how these will change and affect the market and specific sectors. She looks at everything from pollution to energy use to dietary changes. The fund has only been trading for a few months and was started by two JP Morgan and Morgan Stanley veterans. Growing up in Japan and Singapore and now working in a firm that only trades in the Asian markets, Stéphanie feels like she has come home again. While Ithaca is soon expecting snow, Australia is heading into its summers, so instead of struggling to class all bundled up to keep warm, in her spare time she'll be at the beach getting a tan and enjoying the sun. Stéphanie truly enjoys her job. While it is definitely work hard and play hard, she could not be more grateful to be in Australia. She says it is a wonderful and great learning experience.

Another admirable classmate—one who has followed her passion and can sincerely say that she does what she loves—is **Jennifer Munhofen**. Four months ago Jennifer departed from Atlanta, GA, and arrived in Antigua, West Indies, to begin her exciting adventure on an island called Jumby Bay—accessible only by boat—to work with hawksbill sea turtles, a critically endangered sea turtle species. This fascinating research has led her to work under some of the most well-known and esteemed herpetologists and turtle enthusiasts in the world. Jennifer received financial assistance from the Ag college and elsewhere and was able to go to Crete, Greece, back in April to attend the Int'l Sea Turtle Symposium. There she met a team of turtle scientists that offered her a research position called “saturation tagging,” which basically identifies all nesting females by

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applying a small metal tag with a unique identification number. Now she is working for the oldest and most established hawksbill sea turtle project in the world. Jumbo Bay holds one of the most essential nesting grounds globally.

Jennifer feels that it truly is like the Discovery Channel, watching these marine-dwelling reptiles come up to shore, dig a nest, and lay their eggs. Currently, they are in hatchling season, so every night a nest hatches and about 150 baby sea turtles march to the ocean's edge for their long journey out to sea, where they will remain until they are about 25 years old. The females then return to the same beaches where they were born and the cycle begins all over again. Fascinating! She would like to thank Cornell for supporting her, or she would not be where she is.

Many of our classmates have chosen to continue their education. **Jessica Schnell** is at Rutgers (Newark) working toward her PhD in Biology (Ecology and Evolution track). **Jessica Grodio** is back in Ithaca in a dual DVM/PhD program at the Vet college; she has an interest in avian health and disease. Also continuing their educational goals are **Anicia Ndabahaliye**, who is a first-year medical student attending UMDNJ in Newark, NJ; **Gaurav Sharma**, a first-year medical student at NYU School of Medicine; and **Christian Franco**, a first-year student at Brooklyn Law School.

From the working world, **Erika Jo Brown** has gone from being a Long Island girl to living in New York City full-time. She is working in an arts society in Manhattan. In the beautiful outdoors we have **Peter Crysdale**, working as an outdoor education leader at Ontario Pioneer Camp. **Simmie Berman** started working in Baltimore, MD, in mid-July at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab for the Space department in the Mechanical Systems Group, designing spacecraft. In Canada, **Christine Yole** is working at a private boarding school in British Columbia. In addition to coaching rowing and tutoring math and science, she is an assistant house director at one of the residence halls, helping to look after 61 high school girls. It keeps her busy, to say the least. Christine says it is quite an adjustment not having academic work to do, but she feels like she is being productive in other ways and finally applying many of the skills she developed as a student at Cornell.

In New York City, **Vanessa Clarke** is working at Deloitte Consulting LLP as a human capital analyst. Still recovering from training in Texas and Illinois, she is anxious to begin her first client engagement. At the same time, she is seriously missing the Cornell memories and her fellow classmates. She hopes you all will keep in touch, either through e-mail or Facebook. **Nihietwei Enyenih** is working as a compliance consultant at Merrill Lynch in the global markets and investment banking division. She is continuing an independent research project in HumEc's Department of Policy Analysis and Management, exploring the impact of certain government programs on the health of children. "Both are enriching experiences of which I am glad to be a part."

It's great hearing from everyone about their new adventures. Until next time, best wishes to all! ♦ **Nicole DeGrace**, ngd4@cornell.edu; **Kate DiCicco**, kad46@cornell.edu.

'27 **BS HE**—**Barbara Cone** Berlinghof of Binghamton, NY, June 15, 2005; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'27 **BS Ag**—**William R. McKnight** of Tinton Falls, NJ, January 30, 2006; director of operations, A&P, Paterson; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'27—**Frances Spencer** Young (Mrs. R. Hence '25) of Baltimore, MD, July 11, 2004. Delta Gamma.

'28—**Jerome S. Isaacs** of White Plains, NY, March 20, 2005; retired from Int'l Trade Division, New York State government; also worked for Pan American Trading Co., Badger, and Westinghouse.

'28 **BA**—**Olive Nicholas** Thomas of New Britain, PA, February 12, 2006; taught elementary school and worked in the Pupil Personnel and Counseling dept., Philadelphia Public Schools; active in community and religious affairs.

'29 **BA**—**Edith Goodrich** Fletcher of Pittsboro, NC, formerly of Lexington, MA, February 7, 2006; English teacher; office manager; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'29 **BA**—**Helen Markson** Isaacs (Mrs. Jerome S. '28) of White Plains, NY, December 16, 1998; retired editor, General Foods; teacher; model for B. Altman's; active in community affairs.

'29-30 **GR**—**Ronold W. P. King** of Winchester, MA, April 10, 2006; professor emeritus of applied physics, Harvard U.; Guggenheim Fellow; author; active in professional affairs.

'29 **BA**—**Kathryn Hannon** Oldberg (Mrs. Sidney T. '29) of State College, PA, January 26, 2006; active in religious and alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'29, **BME '30**—**James B. Robinson** of Auburn, NY, February 13, 2006; engineer, Kendall Oil, H.A. King Co., and Int'l Harvester; helped design the "Mormon Meteor," which broke the land speed record in 1931; active in community affairs. Wife, Louise (Treat) '29.

'30—**Edwin C. Gallagher** of Haverford, PA, January 13, 2006; retired chemical company manager; zoo volunteer; active in community affairs.

'30 **BA**—**Benjamin F. Markowitz** of Chagrin Falls, OH, March 2, 2006; retired physician; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'30, **BA '29**—**Max Rosenn** of Wilkes Barre, PA, February 7, 2006; judge, US Court of Appeals;

secretary of public welfare, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; asst. district attorney, Luzerne County, PA; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'31 **BA, MD '37**—**Bliss B. Clark** of Harlingen, TX, March 20, 2006; retired surgeon; president and CEO, New Britain General Hospital; veteran; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Chi Psi.

'31 **BS HE**—**Ida Taft** Floyd of Penfield, NY, March 1, 2004. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'31-33 **SP Ag**—**James R. Handy** of East Aurora, NY, April 11, 2006; retired dairy farmer; former town supervisor, Marilla, NY; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'31, **BA '32, B Chem E '33**—**Victor K. Hendricks III** of Houston, TX, January 23, 2006; chemical engineer, Lummus Corp.; active in professional and alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'31 **BA**—**Thomas D. Kelley** of Bainbridge Island, WA, January 19, 2006; attorney; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'31 **BA, BME '33**—**Raymond E. Martin** of Silver Spring, MD, January 15, 2006; patent lawyer; worked for the US Patent and Trademark Office; musician; active in community affairs.

'32 **BA**—**Lillian Stockser** Fein of Longmeadow, MA, December 28, 2005; employment counselor, City of Hartford; high school English teacher; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'32 **MME**—**Tamatsu T. Hiyama** of Tokyo, Japan, January 18, 2006; engineer; worked for Procurement Services Int'l.

'32 **BME**—**Donald M. Hood** of Pebble Beach, CA, December 9, 2005; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'32 **BS Ag, MS Ag '33**—**Marie Froehlich** Lavalard of Fayetteville, AR, April 3, 2006; retired head of Dept. of Agriculture Publications, U. of Arkansas; recipient, Millennium Award; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'32 **MD**—**Seymour Zucker** of New York City, February 13, 2006; physician; teacher and staff member, Beth Israel Hospital; active in professional affairs.

'33 **BS Ag**—**Benjamin Bigelow** of Bayonet

Point, FL, March 17, 2006; agribusiness executive; active in community affairs.

'33 BArch—**Mary Brown** Channel of Portsmouth, VA, January 21, 2006; architect; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'33 BA—**Charles D. Forrest** of Canton, OH, October 15, 2003. Theta Xi.

'33 BME—**William E. Neff** of Wilmington, DE, March 13, 2006; retired, DuPont Co.; worked on the Manhattan Project; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'33-34 GR—**Laurence R. Rupert** of Sardinia, NY, November 1, 1978.

'34 BA, M Ed '39—**Edmund Burke** of Bath, NY, January 8, 2006.

'34 BS Ag—**Donald N. Hanford** of Cincinnati, OH, March 8, 2006; retired business mgr., Catholic diocese in Ithaca; worked for Rural Sociology dept., Cornell U.; operated Hanford's Hardware; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'34 BS Ag—**Arthur S. Hawkins** of Hugo, MN, March 9, 2006; US Fish and Wildlife manager; pioneer in aerial waterfowl surveys; chief biologist, Mississippi Flyway; conservationist; veteran; author; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'34 BA—**Ruth Fielden** Jacobs of Los Angeles, CA, February 21, 2006. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'35 BS HE—**Christina Gurnell** Brandt of Vero Beach, FL, November 24, 2005; Kappa Delta.

'35 BS Ag—**Vincenta Phelps** Colahan of Milton Freewater, OR, November 20, 2002.

'35 MArch—**Thomas W. Fennell** of Dundee, NY, October 3, 2005; owner, Jemima Wilkinson Antiques; English teacher, St. John's Indian School; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.

'35 BA—**Eugene H. Finkel** of Darien, CT, February 11, 2006; dentist; active in alumni affairs. Beta Sigma Rho.

'35 BME—**Douglas G. Hubert** of Newtown, CT, March 7, 2006; engineer, Combustion Engineering Co.; teacher; author; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'35 JD—**Henry A. Mark** of Bloomfield, CT, February 20, 2006; attorney; former mayor, Garden City, NY; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'35 BS Ag—**John D. Merchant** of Shelburne, VT, January 14, 2006; co-leader, Vermont 4-H program; retired, UVM Extension Service; radio host of "Bird Notes" on WCAX-TV; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'35 BA—**Elizabeth R. Stoutenburg** of Binghamton, NY, February 2, 2006; chair, English

dept., Binghamton North High School; active in community and professional affairs.

'36 BA, MD '40—**Frank L. Armstrong** of Keuka Park, NY, April 3, 2006; physician; former director, Mount Morris Tuberculosis Hospital; veteran.

'36-39 SP Ag—**Delivan Coykendall** of Manlius, NY, January 24, 2006; civil engineer; veteran; active in religious affairs.

'36 BS Ag—**Herbert H. Fisher** of Beltsville, MD, January 5, 2006; veteran. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'36 BCE—**William M. Hoyt** of Media, PA, formerly of Santa Rosa, CA, January 25, 2006; partner, executive search firm of Ward Howell Assocs.; director of personnel, Univac Div., Sperry Rand; manager of personnel, General Atomics and IBM's R&D operations; chief plastics engineer, IBM; class columnist, Class of '36; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'36 BA, LLB '39—**Elizabeth Scoville** McLellan of Durham, NC, February 22, 2006; executive director, Planned Parenthood of Tompkins County; asst. dean of students, Cornell U.; attorney; active in community and professional affairs. Delta Gamma.

'36 BCE—**Alan B. Mills Jr.** of Saint Augustine, FL, July 30, 2005; retired civil engineer; veteran; active in religious and alumni affairs. Zeta Psi.

'36, BS HE '37—**Ruth Dates** Reagan of Idaho Falls, ID, formerly of Groton, NY, February 7, 2006; retired nurse and dietician; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'36 BS HE—**Helen Willerton** Stewart-Roman of Venice, FL, formerly of Hornell, NY, January 20, 2006.

'36 BEE—**Robert C. Winans** of Fort Myers, FL, February 9, 2006. Tau Beta Phi.

'36 BA, MD '39—**Harold S. Wright** of Cape Porpoise, ME, April 23, 2006; director of psychiatry, Greenwich Hospital; veteran; active in professional affairs. Pi Kappa Phi. Wife, Ruth (Barclay) '38.

'37 MD—**William A. Barnes** of Ho Ho Kus, NJ, March 26, 2006; clinical professor of surgery, emeritus, Weill Cornell Med School; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'37—**Mary Eckley** Bates of Ithaca, NY, January 29, 2006; retired from Cornell U.; also worked as legal secretary.

'37 MS, PhD '39—**Randall K. Cole** of Ithaca, NY, January 26, 2006; professor emeritus of Poultry Science, Cornell University; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'37 BA—**Allan V. Forbes** of Pompano Beach, FL, January 16, 2006; retired chemical engineer, Standard Oil Co.; veteran; active in civic and community affairs. Acacia.

'37 BS HE—**Frances White** McMartin of Sara-

sota, FL, April 11, 2006; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'37 MS—**Ralph G. Roop** of Richmond, VA, January 21, 2006; retired chairman and CEO, Petroleum Marketers Inc.; operated Stop In Food Stores; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'37 MS, PhD '42—**William M. Smith Jr.** of State College, PA, March 18, 2006; professor emeritus of rural sociology, Penn State U.; author; editor; active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Ruth (Henderson) '38.

'37 MD—**Dorothea Deimel** Vann of Durham, NC, April 3, 2006; pediatrician; artist; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'37 BS Ag—**Silas B. Weeks** of Eliot, ME, February 27, 2006; retired professor of resource economics, U. of New Hampshire; owner, Back Fields Farm; active in religious affairs.

'37, BArch '40—**Eugene A. Zwenig** of St. Simons Island, GA, January 9, 2006; retired civil engineer; worked for the TVA; taught at U. of Chattanooga; author; environmentalist; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'38 MA—**Arthur W. Brown** of Baldwinsville, NY, January 12, 2006; dean, arts & sciences, U. of Miami; president, Adelphi U.; president, Marygrove College; dean, Baruch College-CUNY; chairman, English dept., Utica College; author; editor; active in professional affairs.

'38-39 SP Ag—**Robert L. Brown** of Eagle Bridge, NY, April 11, 2000.

'38—**James E. Diment** of Naples, FL, March 21, 2001. Theta Delta Chi.

'38—**Arthur E. Hoffman** of Ashland, OH, February 26, 2006; owner, Luminous Supply Co.; veteran. Alpha Delta Phi.

'38 BME—**Edward B. Lanman III** of Fremont, OH, December 28, 2005. Chi Phi.

'38 BA, B Chem E '39—**Karl J. Nelson** of Redding, CT, February 7, 2006; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'38 BA—**George H. Reis** of Seattle, WA, January 23, 2006; school psychologist; veteran; active in civic and community affairs. Pi Lambda Phi.

'38-40 SP Ag—**Margaret Hooper** Shaner (Mrs. Robert H. Jr. '42) of East Greenville, PA, February 8, 2006; manager, Perkiomen Knitting Mill; active in community and religious affairs.

'38, BA '39—**Matthew E. Torti** of Belleville, NJ, December 22, 2005. Pi Kappa Phi.

'39 BS Ag—**John B. Baumann Jr.** of Rahway, NJ, January 14, 1945; WWII pilot shot down over Nagoya, Japan.

'39 BS Ag—**Lucius A. Dickerson** of Signal Mountain, TN, January 19, 2006; retired extension agent, Cornell Cooperative Extension, USDA; asst.

administrator, Farmers Home Administration; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Wife, Marietta (Zoller) '33.

'39, **BS Ag '40**—**J. Stanley Hall** of Attica, NY, March 22, 2006; retired high school agriculture teacher and track coach; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'39—**Robert C. Haring** of Groton, NY, January 16, 2006; retired US Postal Service; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'39 **BCE**—**Julian Kheel** of Golden Beach, FL, April 17, 2006; civil engineer; veteran. Beta Sigma Rho.

'39, **BS HE '40**—**Rose Brodbeck** Padgham of Sun City Center, FL, February 15, 2006; active in religious and alumni affairs. Husband, Clarence H. Padgham '40.

'39 **BS Ag**—**Milton W. Pinckney** of Glen Way, FL, January 27, 2006; sales engineer; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Kappa Delta Rho.

'39—**Dorothy Roehrig** Schneider of Marlboro, NJ, April 25, 2006; retired secretary to the principal, New Dorp High School; exec. secretary, trade association of the tea business; active in religious affairs.

'39 **BArch**—**E. Stanley Van Brunt Jr.** of Brandon, FL, January 17, 2006; architect; active in religious affairs.

'39 **LLB**—**Peter Ward** of Gainesville, FL, April 14, 2006; attorney; former Cornell Law School professor; former deputy commissioner and general counsel, NY Dept. of Insurance; veteran; author; active in professional affairs.

'39 **MS Ag, PhD '41**—**Martin D. Woodin** of Baton Rouge, LA, April 18, 2006; former president, Louisiana State U. System; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'40—**William S. Adams** of Santa Monica, CA, November 30, 2005; professor of medicine, UCLA. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'40 **BA, JD '47**—**Gordon G. Dale** of Laguna Niguel, CA, March 4, 2006; attorney; veteran. Alpha Phi Omega.

'40 **BA, LLB '42**—**Robert E. Fischer** of Binghamton, NY, February 16, 2006; retired New York State Supreme Court justice; deputy attorney general, NYS; investigated Attica Prison riot; former district attorney, Broome County; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'40—**William G. Graney** of Memphis, TN, February 21, 2006; salesman, Delta Surgical Inc.; businessman; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Sigma Nu.

'40—**Thomas S. Laurie** of Port Townsend, WA, March 28, 2004. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'40—**Sidney A. Newcomb** of Little Rock, AR,

February 23, 2006; justice of the peace, Pulaski County, AR; worked with Mechanics Lumber Co.; president, Newcomb Corp.; sales mgr., Arkansas Traveler Boats; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Theta Chi.

'40, **BArch '41**—**Joseph W. Platner** of New Haven, CT, April 17, 2006; architect; furniture designer; designed the Ford Foundation building and Windows on the World; active in professional affairs.

'40 **BS Ag**—**Roger B. Reniff** of McLean, NY, January 19, 2006.

'40 **PhD**—**C. Marsden Vanderwaart** of Port Charlotte, FL, February 23, 2006; retired from American Cyanamid Co.; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'40, **BS Ag '48**—**Raymond J. Vittucci** of Utica, NY, March 7, 2006; forester and superintendent of parks, City of Utica; veteran; high school science teacher; active in civic and community affairs.

'41 **MS**—**George W. Abel** of Hope, AR, April 2, 2006; retired forester; active in religious affairs.

'41 **BS Ag**—**Winton M. Baines** of Palm Desert, CA, February 11, 2006; VP, New York Seed Improvement Cooperative; veteran; active in community affairs. Wife, Jean (Duddleston) '41, M Ed '66.

'41 **BS Ag**—**Ward Baumann** of Rahway, NJ, May 8, 1985. Zeta Psi.

'41 **BME**—**David M. Bradt** of Nantucket, MA, January 19, 2006; president-treasurer, Nantucket Bake Shop; VP, J.G. White Engineers; active in civic affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'41 **BA**—**James P. Burlingham** of State College, PA, March 13, 2006; chemical engineer, DuPont; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'41, **BS Eng '42**—**Courtney J. Cameron** of Westfield, NY, February 19, 2006; manager, Interstate Creamery; active in community and religious affairs.

'41—**Muriel Vasbinder** Corbett of Newton, NJ, December 31, 2005. Pi Beta Phi.

'41 **BS Ag**—**Robert Eastman** of Brooktondale, NY, March 18, 2006; owner, Eastman Advertising Co.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'41 **BEE, BME '47**—**Alfred A. Hagedorn** of Woodland Park, CO, March 11, 2005; treasurer and chairman emeritus, Mid-Colorado Investment Co.; active in alumni affairs. Acacia.

'41 **BA**—**Evelyn Hayden** Heath of Northville, NY, December 6, 2005; retired schoolteacher; active in community and religious affairs.

'41 **BS Ag**—**Richard Hildreth** of Herkimer, NY, December 28, 2005; retired district manger, Niagara Mohawk Co.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'41, **B Chem E '42**—**Herbert H. Hinrichs** of Tenafly, NJ, April 27, 2006; veteran; active in community affairs. Chi Psi.

'41 **BS HE**—**Florence Hoffman** Locks of Long Beach, CA, October 26, 2005; homemaker; active in alumni affairs. Husband, Matthew O. Locks '40, MD '43.

'41 **PhD**—**Frederick W. Loetscher Jr.** of Danville, KY, April 2, 2006.

'41 **BS Ag**—**Ralph A. Marasco** of Rochester, NY, January 29, 2006; veteran.

'41-43 **SP Ag**—**Paul J. McCormick** of Bliss, NY, January 23, 2006; founder, New York State's largest potato farm; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'41 **BME**—**Frederick Mills** of Troy, MI, formerly of Syracuse, NY, March 28, 2006; worked for Crouse-Hinds; active in alumni affairs.

'41 **BS HE**—**Catherine Dunham** Neuhauser (Mrs. Jess B. Jr. '41) of Pelham, GA, January 18, 2006; owner and operator, Major Pelham Hotel; active in community and religious affairs.

'41—**Jean Soule** Schragle of Lexington, MA, April 1, 2006; salesperson. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'41 **BA**—**Ruth Myers** Stauffer of Jacksonville, FL, formerly of York, PA, January 21, 2006; president, Harper F. Myers Inc.; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'41, **BArch '46**—**Robert B. Tallman** of Newfield, NY, February 13, 2006; architect; designed many educational and commercial buildings in the Ithaca area; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'42 **PhD**—**Laurence K. Cutkomp** of St. Paul, MN, February 20, 2006; professor emeritus of entomology, U. of Minnesota; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'42 **PhD**—**Ernest M. Dunton Jr.** of Exmore, VA, March 25, 2006; retired soil scientist; veteran; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'42 **BS Ag**—**John E. Ewell** of Wyoming, NY, February 23, 2006; retired dairy farmer; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'42 **MA**—**Mary Louise Mincher** Gohn of Baltimore, MD, March 29, 2006; taught history and foreign languages, Eastern Michigan U.; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'42, **BA '48**—**Robert H. Holgate** of Alpine, NY, January 28, 2006; English teacher, Ithaca High School; also taught literature at Cornell U. and Syracuse U.; veteran.

'42 **BA**—**Howard A. Newman** of White Plains, NY, April 12, 2006; president, Western Pacific Industries; former president, Philadelphia and Reading Corp.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'42 DVM—**Wilbur P. Schwobel** of Harrisonburg, VA, March 26, 2006; retired veterinarian. Alpha Psi.

'42, BA '47—**Harry M. Vawter Jr.** of Round Lake, IL, July 19, 2004. Delta Upsilon.

'43 BA—**Marian Conkling Arms** of Getzville, NY, January 6, 2006.

'43 BS Ag—**Robert C. Baker** of Groton, NY, March 13, 2006; director, Inst. of Food Science and chairman, Poultry dept., Cornell U.; owner, Baker's Acres; developed Cornell Barbecue Sauce; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'43, BA '47—**Robert M. Brown** of Montclair, NJ, March 21, 2006; project manager, Lummus Co.; chemical engineer, Scientific Design; consultant, EPA and the UN; real estate agent; active in civic and community affairs.

'43 MD—**Peter Dewitt** of Portland, OR, February 9, 2006; physician; former president of medical staff, Holladay Park Hospital; veteran.

'43, BS Ag '46—**Warner L. Durfee** of Chittenango, NY, January 14, 2006; dairy farmer; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'43 MD—**Peter E. Hanlon** of Easton, MD, formerly of Glen Rock, NJ, April 6, 2006; physician; also practiced at the Valley Hospital; veteran; high school football team physician; active in community and professional affairs.

'43—**D. Van Osdol Hunter Jr.** of Centerville, SD, June 14, 2002. Sigma Nu.

'43 BEE—**Robert E. Hutton** of West Grove, PA, February 7, 2006; electrical and mechanical engineer; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Sigma Phi. Wife, Frances (Cassedy) '46.

'43, BA '42, MA '45—**James H. Lorie** of Chicago, IL, August 6, 2005; professor, Graduate School of Business, U. of Chicago; director, Center for Research in Security Prices; instituted the first computer-generated study of the stock market; consultant to the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; veteran; active in professional affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.

'43, BME '47—**Daniel C. Nehrer** of San Diego, CA, April 30, 2006; aerospace engineer; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Tau Delta.

'43 BA—**Mary Howell Nobles** of Melbourne, FL, April 10, 2006; homemaker; active in community affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'43 BS Hotel—**Robert S. Noyes** of Houma, LA, formerly of Santa Fe, NM, January 3, 2006; partner, Maria's New Mexican Kitchen; former senior VP, La Quinta Inns; active in professional and religious affairs. Theta Delta Chi.

'43 BS Ag—**Gerald C. Nuffer** of Adams, NY, February 24, 2006; retired banker; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'43 PhD—**Howard E. Sheffer** of Schenectady, NY, February 8, 2006; chemistry professor, Union College; consultant, Schenectady Int'l; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Wife, Marjorie (Reed) '43.

'43 MS Ag, DVM '45—**J. Frederick Smith** of Santa Barbara, CA, April 9, 2006; veterinarian; editor, American Veterinary Publications; taught at Washington State U. and Michigan State U.; veteran; active in professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Psi.

'43 BS Hotel—**Frederick C. Spencer** of Clifton, NJ, April 13, 2006; manager of dining services, New Jersey Bell; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'43—**Patricia Roberts** Starkweather of Ukiah, CA, June 20, 2003; self-employed.

'43 BS Hotel—**Edwin J. Trinker** of Pacific Grove, CA, January 28, 2006; accountant; office manager; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs.

'44, BS ORIE '47—**E. Chatfield Blakeman Jr.** of Rock Hill, SC, March 20, 2006; vice president, marketing, American Steel Foundries; veteran. Delta Tau Delta.

'44, BA '43—**Louise Morris** Jones of Sarasota, FL, March 17, 2006; administrative asst., US government. Chi Omega.

'44, BCE '49—**Volney A. Plumb** of Sacramento, CA, March 30, 2006; civil engineer; head of construction and maintenance, Contra Costa County Flood Control District; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Delta Chi.

'44 B Chem E—**Francisco J. Rivero-Schnaider** of Mexico City, Mexico, May 21, 1995.

'44—**G. John Schreiner** of Cape May Point, NJ, April 30, 2006; retired, Burroughs Corp.; former field sales mgr., *Wall Street Journal*; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'44—**Frederick F. Taussig** of Englewood, NJ, April 19, 2006; vice president, INTERPACE; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'45 BME, LLL '49—**George H. Bailey** of Brevard, NC, January 6, 2006; attorney; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Sigma Chi.

'45 DVM—**Norman W. Bartz** of Buffalo, NY, January 15, 2006; veterinarian; chief, Bureau of Milk, Food and Restaurant Sanitation, Buffalo; lecturer, U. of Buffalo School of Medicine; active in professional affairs.

'45 BS Nurs—**Shirley Cartwright** Coury of Coburg, OR, April 28, 2005; nurse; established Charles Coury Vineyards and Cartwright Brewing Co.; active in community and religious affairs.

'45, BS Ag '48—**Vaughn F. Flyger** of Silver Spring, MD, January 9, 2006; professor emeritus, animal science dept., U. of Maryland; expert on squirrels; active in professional affairs.

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- '45 BME—**Stanton G. Gillespie** of Sharon, CT, November 27, 2004; commercial lender; veteran; active in community affairs.
- '45, BS Hotel '48—**Hubert F. Gordon** of La Jolla, CA, formerly of Lexington, MA, March 16, 2006; executive, Food Service Equipment and Design Corp.; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.
- '45, BS HE '44—**Eloise Proper** Gredler of Culpepper, VA, February 13, 2006; taught reading using the Gredler phonics method. Husband, Charles R. Gredler '45.
- '45 BS Aero—**Peter N. Harlow** of Cazenovia, NY, January 15, 2006; worked for General Electric; veteran; active in civic and religious affairs. Psi Upsilon.
- '45 MS, PhD '50—**Miguel A. Lugo-Lopez** of Isabela, PR, June 4, 2005; professor emeritus, U. of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez; active in professional affairs. Wife, Aurora (Demenkini) '46.
- '45 BA—**Blair O. Rogers** of New York City, January 5, 2006; plastic surgeon; active in alumni affairs.
- '46 B Chem E—**Harry H. Almond Jr.** of Arlington, VA, January 19, 2006; international law scholar; retired professor, Georgetown U.; worked for the Defense dept.; author; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.
- '46—**Patricia Smith** Cadman of Allison Park, PA, January 4, 2006; Kappa Kappa Gamma. Husband, Alexander M. Cadman Jr. '44.
- '46 BA—**Nancy Hart** Cook of Bend, OR, formerly of Columbus, OH, April 22, 2006; collage artist. Kappa Alpha Theta.
- '46 MA—**J. Wesley Day** of Ocean Grove, NJ, June 5, 2005; minister; active in religious affairs.
- '46 PhD—**Donald Paarlberg** of West Lafayette, IN, February 14, 2006; agricultural policy adviser to three presidents; architect of Food for Peace initiative; professor of agricultural economics, Purdue U.; author; farmer; active in civic and professional affairs.
- '46, BCE '47—**John V. Smith** of Binghamton, NY, February 10, 2006; civil engineer; president and CEO, Vincent J. Smith Inc.; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Beta Theta Pi. Wife, Beverly (Hamlin) '47.
- '46 BEE—**James W. Toner** of Endicott, NY, January 26, 2006; retired electrical engineer, IBM; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.
- '46 M Ed—**Miles R. Weaver** of Sarasota, FL, formerly of Southborough, MA, March 26, 2006; senior VP, State Mutual Life Assurance; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Cayuga Lodge.
- '47 BS Ag, MS '51—**Douglass F. Bartow** of Haverhill, MA, August 20, 2005. Wife, Doris (Dittman) '48.
- '47 BS Ag—**Esther Kennedy** Chandler of Cincinnati, OH, January 17, 2006; Baptist minister; active in community and religious affairs. Chi Omega.
- '47 BA—**Cullen O. Henry** of Canandaigua, NY, April 5, 2006; active in alumni affairs.
- '47, BA '49—**Frank J. Olsen** of Stratham, NH, December 29, 1999. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
- '47 MA—**Irene Pretzer** Pigman of Edgewater, MD, March 21, 2006; taught at Catholic U. of America, Anne Arundel Comm. College, and US Naval Academy; chemist; active in community affairs.
- '47, BS Nurs '48—**Adele Oren** Polayes of Needham, MA, April 16, 2006; office mgr. and RN, Addeco.
- '48—**Nathan H. Carpenter III** of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, March 19, 2006; physician; veteran. Phi Delta Theta.
- '48 BCE—**Clayton W. Coleman** of Binghamton, NY, and Largo, FL, April 5, 2006; civil engineer; city engineer, City of Binghamton; public works commissioner, Broome County (NY); veteran; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Chi Epsilon.
- '48 BS Ag—**Donald R. Holmes** of San Jacinto, CA, January 24, 2006; retired, Donglo Enterprises; rancher; veteran; active in alumni affairs.
- '48 BS ORIE—**Peter Pfouts** of Shaker Heights, OH, March 12, 2006; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Sigma.
- '48 LLB—**W. Ben Sherwood Jr.** of Vestal, NY, April 8, 2006; attorney; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Ellen (Delfs), M Ed '48.
- '49 BS Ag—**Mary Case** Adams of Athens, OH, November 18, 2003. Pi Beta Phi. Husband, O. Eugene Adams Jr. '49.
- '49 BS Hotel—**Charles R. E. Badger** of Stow, OH, April 28, 2006; retired hospital director; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.
- '49 PhD—**Arthur Bing** of Huntington Station, NY, February 15, 2006; professor emeritus of Horticulture, Cornell U.; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.
- '49—**Malcolm S. Burr** of West Newbury, MA, September 26, 1994.
- '49, BA '50—**Renee S. Carpenter** of Sun City Center, AZ, April 20, 2006; language instructor, Central Intelligence Agency; active in community and alumni affairs. Chi Omega.
- '49 BCE—**David L. Cownie Jr.** of Broadalbin, NY, March 15, 2006; retired VP, National Fuel; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Chi Epsilon.
- '49 BS HE—**Elizabeth Merrill** Guilan of Crystal Lake, IL, April 21, 2006. Delta Gamma.
- '49 JD—**Stephen C. Hart** of DeLand, FL, February 25, 2006; attorney; veteran.
- '49 BS Hotel—**William H. Holtkamp** of Trumansburg, NY, March 17, 2006; retired owner, Cayuga Inn; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.
- '49, BS Nurs '50—**Louise Thurn** Kava of Franklin, MA, January 9, 2005; library media specialist, Foxhill School.
- '49 BS Ag—**Irwin H. Ketover** of Rockville Centre, NY, January 30, 2006. Sigma Alpha Mu.
- '49 BA—**Thomas E. Lavell Jr.** of Walton, NY, September 25, 2005; attending surgeon, Bassett Healthcare; clinical asst. professor of surgery, SUNY Upstate Health Science Center; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.
- '49 BA—**Richard H. Lustberg** of New York City, February 14, 2006; co-founded Europa Sport; created the Hanaw Group Inc.; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Zeta Beta Tau.
- '49 MS ILR, PhD '53—**Frank B. Miller Jr.** of Ithaca, NY, March 2, 2006; professor emeritus, ILR, Cornell U.; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.
- '49 BA—**Gladys Mossell** Reinhardt of Tampa, FL, formerly of Buffalo, NY, March 17, 2006. Delta Gamma.
- '49 BS Ag—**Jeannette W. Renshaw** of Concord, MA, February 12, 2006; active in alumni affairs.
- '49 LLB—**John E. Sheehy** of Andover, MA, January 8, 2006; attorney; director, Right of Way, Commonwealth of Massachusetts; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.
- '49 BA—**James W. Short** of Winter Park, FL, January 10, 2006; retired from Procter & Gamble; active in community and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.
- '49—**Francis S. Stoviak** of Roselle, NJ, March 14, 2006; retired owner, restaurant supply company; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.
- '49, BS Ag '50—**Frederick Zusselman** of Delray Beach, FL, July 21, 2005; retired teacher. Sigma Alpha Mu. Wife, Anne (Shaw) '49.
- '50—**John H. Barnard** of Riverside, CA, February 23, 2006; judge, municipal and superior courts; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.
- '50 PhD—**James B. Buchanan** of Vancouver, British Columbia, January 24, 2006; research scientist, DuPont; worked on Amantidine; expert on Mayan civilization; active in community affairs.
- '50 LLB—**John J. Connerton** of Binghamton, NY, November 25, 2005; attorney.
- '50 BA—**Arthur O. Gray Jr.** of Emerald Isle, NC,

January 25, 2006; worked for New York Telephone. Phi Gamma Delta.

'50 MS, PhD '53—**Harold T. Hammel** of Ellettsville, IN, December 24, 2005; professor emeritus, physiology, U. of California, San Diego; adjunct prof., Indiana U.; active in professional affairs.

'50 MA—**Alice Graham** Ingram of Chapel Hill, NC, February 18, 2006; historian; taught Russian and American history at North Carolina State U., North Carolina Central U., and U. of Maryland program in Bangkok; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'50—**Arthur Kirstein III** of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, January 22, 2006; worked in the sugar industry; veteran; active in community affairs. Theta Delta Chi.

'50 GR—**Luciano A. Lama** of Ithaca, NY, February 12, 2006; founder, L.A. Lama Insurance Agency and Lama Law Firm; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs.

'50 BA—**Rodney C. Leland** of Conroe, TX, formerly of Melvin Village, NH, December 22, 2005; petroleum geologist; retired VP, Tenneco Oil Co.; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Seal & Serpent.

'50 BS Ag—**Earl W. Mullen Jr.** of Carlsbad, NM, March 29, 2006. Wife, Rose (Garis) '49.

'50 JD—**Joel A. Scelsi** of Endwell, NY, March 23, 2006; attorney; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'51 BS Ag—**Warren E. Bishop** of North Stonington, CT, January 19, 2006; owner, Bishop's Restorations. Wife, Mary (Kabat) '54.

'51 PhD—**George Brower** of Ypsilanti, MI, March 31, 2006; professor and dept. head of educational admin., Eastern Michigan U.; former professor of sociology, Chico State U.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'51 B Chem E, JD '53—**William H. Dana** of Duxbury, MA, April 20, 2006; attorney; secretary and general counsel, Signetics Corp.; former VP and secretary, Corning Int'l; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'51-52—**Kenneth K. Engelbert** of Nichols, NY, January 25, 2004; dairy farmer; board member, Nichols Agway; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'51 LLB—**Norman L. Hess** of Lake Placid, NY, January 5, 2006; attorney.

'51 BS HE—**Sally Bame** Howell of Post Falls, ID, January 7, 2006; director of nutritional svcs., Kootenai Med. Ctr.; active in community and religious affairs. Kappa Delta.

'51 BArch—**Rolf Myller** of New York City, March 23, 2006; architect; writer; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'51 BS HE—**Anne Plass** Nelson of Rochester,

NY, February 8, 2006. Husband, Raymond L. Nelson '51.

'51 PhD—**Chad J. Raseman** of Setauket, NY, April 27, 2006; president, Solarsun Inc.

'51—**Raymond M. Simon** of Irvington, NY, April 10, 2006.

'51 BA—**Doris L. Starr** of Syracuse, NY, March 4, 2006; underwriting manager, Aetna Casualty; active in community affairs.

'51 LLB—**William L. Whitely** of Coconut Grove, FL, formerly of Rye, NY, April 20, 2006; attorney.

'52 JD—**Louis Z. Almasi** of Orchard Park, NY, February 19, 2006; retired judge and attorney; veteran; author; active in community and religious affairs.

'52 BA—**Paul H. Avrich** of New York City, February 16, 2006; professor, Queens College; historian of the anarchist movement and the Russian Revolution; author; active in professional affairs.

'52—**Elsie Lawrey** Dooley of Nashville, TN, January 27, 2006; manager, Interstate Theatrical Lighting Co.; mgr., Naka and Osaka Hotels, Tokyo, Japan; veteran; active in community affairs. Pi Beta Phi. Husband, Richard F. Dooley '52.

'52 BA—**Richard L. Hunt** of Bedminster, NJ, formerly of Morristown, NJ, March 6, 2006; VP, Prudential Insurance; veteran; active in religious affairs.

'52 BCE—**John W. Hyman** of Chicago, IL, March 12, 2006; senior engineer, Levien Rich & Co.; superintendent, Turner Construction; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Tau Delta.

'52 DVM—**William E. Keeler** of Lexington, SC, January 21, 2006; veterinarian; veteran; active in community affairs.

'52—**Elizabeth A. Showacre** of Coralville, IA, formerly of Ithaca, NY, January 14, 2006. Pi Beta Phi.

'52 MNS—**Marie L. Skellenger** of Vancouver, WA, March 25, 2006; taught nutrition at the U. of New Orleans, U. of Portland, and St. Vincent Hospital; active in community affairs.

'53 BS Ag—**Thomas J. Behr** of Winter Park, FL, January 7, 2006; manager, Florida buying office of Grand Union Co.; active in professional and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'53—**Ralph R. Brown** of Waterport, NY, January 12, 2005; president, Orchard Dale Fruit Farms. Acacia.

'53 BA—**Joan Werbel** Eisenberg of New York City, April 21, 2006; president, Corporate Affairs special events company; Head Start teacher; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'53, BS Ag '54—**Peter E. Elbe** of Royal Palm Beach, FL, January 23, 2006; operated Slumber-togs Inc. Tau Delta Phi. Wife, Phyllis (Owen) '52.

'53—**Langdon Gibson** of Winchester, VA, January 16, 2006; general contractor; veteran; active in community affairs. Delta Tau Delta.

'53 BS Ag—**William J. Hamilton III** of Winters, CA, April 24, 2006; emeritus professor of environmental science and policy, U. of California, Davis; veteran; author; active in professional affairs. Sigma Chi.

'53 BA—**Joie B. Hubbert** of San Francisco, CA, January 12, 2006; opinion researcher, Field Research Corp.; developed the National Jury Project; active in community and professional affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'53, BS Hotel '54—**Richard F. Kirwan** of St. Thomas, VI, March 6, 2006; retired real estate broker; former manager, New York City Playboy Club; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'53 BS HE—**Carolle Baier** Lipton of Boca Raton, FL, March 31, 2006; co-author of the *Walking Easy* series of hiking books. Sigma Delta Tau.

'53 BA, JD '58—**John C. Mannix** of Queensbury, NY, April 30, 2006; attorney; counsel, Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'53 JD—**C. Donald O'Connor** of Grand Island, NY, was mistakenly listed as deceased in the May/June 2002 issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*.

'53 PhD—**David Smillie** of Chapel Hill, NC, April 6, 2006; retired professor, New College; visiting scholar, Duke U.; veteran; jazz musician; active in community and professional affairs.

'53—**Emily Morrison** Stimson of Front Royal, VA, February 10, 2006; administrative asst., Nat'l Geographic Society; secretary, American U. Counseling Center.

'53-54 GR—**Morton C. Warnow** of Danbury, CT, March 3, 2006; inventor; author of *Forced March*; veteran.

'54 MS, PhD '59—**Barbara J. Arthur** Gordon of Bethesda, MD, February 6, 2006; executive director, MIT Club of Washington; assoc. director, Office of Graduate Affairs and Admissions, and assoc. prof., American U.; education consultant; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Husband, Kenneth F. Gordon '56.

'54 BS Ag—**Richard N. Livingston** of New York City, April 3, 2006; veteran. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'54 MA—**Sara Davis** Martin of Quincy, FL, December 22, 2005.

'54 BA—**Gilda Linder** Morse of Washington, DC, January 24, 2006; active in alumni affairs.

'54 MD—**Graham D. Newton** of Waxhaw, NC, February 19, 2006; dermatologist; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'54 MS HE—**Doris L. Parker** of Washington, DC, February 3, 2006.

'54 MD—**Robert C. Patten** of Daleville, VA, March 11, 2006; assoc. director, Family Practice Residency Program, Roanoke Memorial Hospital; professor, U. of Virginia; medical missionary; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs. Wife, Joy (Blaney) '53.

'55 MPA—**Edward J. Connell** of Tooele, UT, December 12, 2004.

'55 BA, M Ed '56—**Sally Roach** Fay of Shelbyville, KY, March 11, 2006; owner, The Scotland Yard; former owner and editor, *Sentinel-News*; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'55 BS Hotel—**Carl L. Glaser** of Port Orchard, WA, April 4, 2006; taught in the food service program, Olympic Comm. College; social worker; hotel and restaurant manager; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Delta Tau Delta.

'55 MS Ag—**Sherwood Lovejoy** of Fairfield, CT, January 30, 2006; director of public works, Town of Monroe; COO, Bridgeport Hydraulic Co.; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'55, BS Ag '58—**Duncan W. MacKenzie** of Williamstown, MA, February 14, 2006; retired professor, North Adams State College; veteran; wildlife biologist; active in community affairs.

'55—**John G. Schoepf Jr.** of Lavallette, NJ, June 19, 1995.

'55 BA—**Charles C. Singley** of Scottsdale, AZ, February 15, 2006. Theta Delta Chi. Wife, Patricia (Herrington) '55.

'56 BS HE—**Dorothy Morlock** Galli of Boston, MA, October 19, 1971; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Omicron Pi.

'56 BA—**Selwyn A. Horvitz** of Philadelphia, PA, February 11, 2006; tax attorney; taught tax law and estate planning, Temple U. and Villanova U.; active in professional and alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'56 DVM—**Willy E. Melberg** of Allenton, WI, September 8, 2001; veterinarian.

'56 BS ILR—**Greta B. Stevens** of Fresno, CA, February 10, 2006; attorney.

'57 M Ed—**Sally Tappan** Brown of Newark, DE, February 7, 2006; physical therapist; high school math teacher; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'57 LLB—**James K. Peck Jr.** of Waverly, PA, February 2, 2006; attorney; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'57, BME '58—**James F. Scudder** of East Bethany, NY, January 9, 2006; associate professor, mechanical engineering, Rochester Inst. of Technology; former head, computer dept., Eastman Kodak. Tau Beta Phi.

'57 BA—**Edwin E. Weil** of Columbus, OH, February 17, 2006.

'58 BS Ag—**Peter S. Vrooman** of Greensboro, NC, February 16, 2006; marketing manager, Carolina Steel; active in community affairs. Alpha Chi Rho.

'59, BME '60—**Charles S. Cook** of Devon, PA, January 30, 2006; manager, Gas Turbine Advanced Technology Programs, General Electric; consultant; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'59, BS Ag '61—**Anne Bordeaux** Douglass of Falls Church, VA, February 10, 2005; certified public accountant; massage therapist. Delta Delta Delta.

'59 PhD—**John E. Exner Jr.** of Asheville, NC, February 20, 2006; professor emeritus of clinical psychology, Long Island U.; director, Rohrschach Workshops; veteran; author; active in professional affairs.

'59 BS Hotel—**Stanley G. Moraniec** of Bloomfield Hills, MI, February 24, 2006; account executive, Data Pathing; veteran; active in community affairs.

'59 BS Hotel—**Richard R. Newton** of Oro Valley, AZ, October 10, 2005.

'59, BArch '61—**George H. Pash IV** of Binghamton, NY, January 3, 2006; architect; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'59—**Charles H. Ruth** of Edmond, OK, December 17, 2005; veteran. Beta Theta Pi.

'59 MS Ag, PhD '66—**Severino R. Santos Jr.** of Bowie, MD, April 27, 2006; agricultural specialist, World Bank; former professor and dept. head of agricultural education, U. of the Philippines; painter; active in professional affairs. Wife, Alicia (Catindig), PhD '66.

'60 BA—**Susan Laubengayer** Cowing of Binghamton, NY, April 2, 2006; potter; advertising director; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Delta Gamma. Husband, Thomas G. Cowing '59.

'60 BA—**George A. Farley Jr.** of Naperville, IL, February 7, 2006; owner, New Solutions Inc. Sigma Phi.

'60 MA—**Shelly Halpern** of New York City, April 28, 2006; educator; author; historian of immigration; photographer; worked with Kenneth Clark; active in civic and community affairs.

'60 JD—**Ronald S. Itzler** of New York City, February 12, 2006; attorney; active in professional affairs.

'60 DVM—**Richard B. Jogodnik** of New Rochelle, NY, February 19, 2006; veterinarian; owner, Stamen Animal Hospital; active in community affairs.

'60—**Marcia Meigs** Mueller of Albuquerque, NM, January 12, 2006. Kappa Kappa Gamma. Husband, Robert W. Mueller '59, DVM '68.

'61—**Marthinus Groenendijk** of Pensacola, FL, January 26, 2006.

'61 BS Hotel—**Michael M. Murphy** of Cadillac, MI, March 26, 2006; restaurant mgr., McGuire's Resort, Mackinaw Trail.

'61 LLB—**William S. Porter** of Milwaukee, WI, April 21, 2006; attorney; car enthusiast; steward, Road America and Black Hawk Farms Raceway; active in community affairs.

'61—**Tema L. Siegel** of Kenmore, NY, January 15, 2006.

'62, BA '66—**Anderson Craig Jr.** of Norfolk, VA, July 1, 2005. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'62 BFA—**Sasha Nudelman** Ferrer of Sherman Oaks, CA, April 6, 2006; TV writer/producer; worked for the Disney Channel; director of foreign TV production, Warner Bros.; active in community and professional affairs.

'62 BA—**Carolyn Johns** Mullins of Columbus, OH, April 24, 2006; owner/partner, *Beyond Parts and Equipment*; author; editor; taught technical writing at Virginia Tech; active in professional affairs. Kappa Delta.

'62 BA—**William J. Norton II** of Denver, CO, April 1, 2006; worked for the Bureau of Land Management. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'63 BS ILR—**Jane Inzillo** Badalato of Los Angeles, CA, February 23, 2004. Husband, William Badalato '62.

'63 BA—**Colin L. Batson** of Brooklyn, NY, September 30, 2005.

'63 JD—**Allan S. Berger** of West Orange, NJ, December 8, 2005; retired attorney; active in professional and religious affairs.

'63 BA—**Anne Cosse** Highland (Mrs. Virgil L., PhD '63) of Blue Bell, PA, March 29, 2006; clinical psychologist.

'63, BME '64, MME '65—**R. Stephen Shamroy** of Little Rock, AR, March 4, 2006; mechanical engineer, Procter & Gamble; active in community affairs. Phi Delta Theta.

'63 BA—**J. Edgar Sockwell III** of Charlotte, NC, March 30, 2006; partner, Sockwell and Assocs. executive search firm; veteran; active in community affairs. Sigma Chi.

'64 BS Ag—**William F. Barrett III** of Encinitas, CA, January 20, 2006. Phi Delta Theta.

'64—**Myrtle Godwin** Daniel of Arlington, TX, May 30, 1995. Husband, Clifton R. Daniel '64.

'64—**Clark A. Davis** of Prattsburgh, NY, November 20, 2003; mental health nurse; equestrian; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'64—**Kaiton R. Yawney** of Oconomowoc, WI, November 13, 2005; worked for GE Medical Systems; veteran; active in religious affairs.

'65 MST—**Roland A. Ball** of Horseheads, NY,

March 16, 2006; retired high school teacher; veteran.

'65 B Chem E, PhD '70—**Richard S. Miller** of Odenton, MD, January 7, 2006; retired chief scientist, mechanics and energy conversion division, Office of Naval Research; active in professional affairs. Delta Chi.

'65, BA '66, MFA '70—**Robert W. Patton** of Oak Park, IL, February 20, 2006; marketing manager, JC Whitney. Wife, Sarah (Tahsler) '71.

'66 JD—**Arthur C. Croce** of Wellfleet, MA, January 21, 2006; attorney; former New York State asst. attorney general; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'66 BS Ag—Rev. **Wayne R. Marx** of Spencer, NY, February 27, 2006; Presbyterian pastor; active in community affairs.

'66 BA—**David A. Miller** of Marietta, OH, November 22, 2003; librarian, Ohio U. Alden Library; active in community and professional affairs. Theta Xi.

'66 BA—**Jonathan Stein** of Portsmouth, NH, March 5, 2006; president, Jonathan Stein & Assocs.; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'66 MD—**Everett V. Sugarbaker** of Miami, FL, February 5, 2006; surgeon; president, Surgical Oncology Assocs.; founder, Miami Cancer Institute; taught at U. of Miami medical school; long-distance cyclist; active in community and professional affairs.

'66 MST—**Thomas J. Weldon** of Norman, OK, March 6, 2006; educator; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'67 BA—**Stephen J. Perrello** of San Diego, CA, March 14, 2006; appellate attorney; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'67 BA, MBA '69—**David K. Taddeo** of North Falmouth, MA, February 13, 2006; health care financial consultant; veteran; active in community affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'68 EdD—**Paul A. Crawford Jr.** of Athens, GA, January 19, 2005; head, extension engineering dept., U. of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'68 BS ORIE—**David M. Muntner** of Stamford, CT, April 3, 2006; VP, Chase Securities; also worked for First Boston, Lehman Bros., and JP Morgan; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'69 MS Ag—**William M. Hull** of Lincoln, IL, February 26, 2006; executive VP, State Bank of Lincoln; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'69 PhD—**R. Neil Lowry** of Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, March 28, 2006; consultant to the swimming pool industry; author; active in professional affairs.

'69 PhD—**Janina Janota** Lukaszewska of

Warsaw, Poland, April 10, 2006.

'69 BME, MME '73—**John D. McGraw** of San Francisco, CA, March 8, 2006; partner, Light-speed Venture Partners; active in alumni affairs.

'69 MBA—**Paul B. Perez** of New Albany, OH, February 7, 2006; EVP, WearEver; active in alumni affairs.

'69 MA—**Alan S. Pike** of Ithaca, NY, January 7, 2006; taught writing, Johnson School of Mgmt., Cornell U.; veteran; outdoorsman.

'70 JD—**Bruce H. Roswick** of New York City, March 18, 2006; attorney; active in alumni affairs.

'71 BS Ag, MAT '75—**Harriet Jayson** Smithline (Mrs. Leonard M., PhD '71) of Ithaca, NY, January 21, 2006; lecturer in chemistry, Cornell U.

'72 BS Ag, MBA '73—**Christian C. Bleier** of Bogotá, Colombia, February 19, 2006. Sigma Phi.

'72 JD—**Jeffrey S. Burns** of Sarasota, FL, March 16, 2006; attorney; active in alumni affairs.

'72—**Bertran F. Cooper** of Los Angeles, CA, March 6, 2005; pediatrician-neonatologist.

'72—**Roger M. Rittenhouse** of Bath, NY, March 1, 1982.

'72 MBA—**James O. Saloma** of Takoma Park, MD, March 2, 2006; financial consultant; veteran.

'73—**Eric S. Copeland** of Wilmington, DE, October 24, 1998.

'73 PhD—**Lorraine Plati** Flaherty of Latham, NY, February 22, 2006; director, genomics inst., Wadsworth Center, NYS Dept. of Health; professor, U. of Albany and Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst.; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'74, BA '75—**Wendy E. Salaam** of Edgewater, MD, March 4, 2006.

'76 BS Nurs—**Maryellen Sohmer** Laskowski of Scottsdale, AZ, March 17, 2006; infection control practitioner, Arrowhead Hospital; active in professional affairs.

'77 MRP—**Charity Janerette** Fujii of Wheaton, MD, January 16, 2006; Voice of America programmer; former Foreign Service officer.

'77, BS Ag '78—**Mark A. Greenleaf** of Brooktondale, NY, February 23, 2006; retired bureau chief, District of Columbia Dept. of Health.

'77, BA '79—**Marius J. Panzarella** of Trenton, NJ, March 11, 2006; chemistry consultant, Hamilton Media.

'77 BA—**John Shavers Jr.** of Baltimore, MD, April 20, 2006; state assistant attorney general, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; staff attorney, Baltimore City Dept. of Social Services; juvenile counselor; semi-pro football player, Baltimore Warriors; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'78 BME—**Walker H. Bowman IV** of Tucson, AZ, April 12, 2006; retired Air Force Lt. Colonel; 355th Operations Support Squadron Commander; test pilot, Raytheon Missile Systems; active in professional affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'79, BArch '70—**Simon M. Ungers** of Ithaca, NY, March 6, 2006; architect; artist; designed the "T-House."

'80 LLM—**Sheldon I. Rosenberg** of Scranton, PA, January 6, 2006; attorney; active in professional affairs.

'83-85 CRP—**Richard A. Diehl** of Miami, FL, September 5, 2005; development officer, University Medical Center, Miami; editor, *Mountain Journal*; co-founder, *The Miner's Voice*; civil rights activist; member of SNCC; research director, Appalachian Volunteers; author; developed Appalachian Studies programs at several universities; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'84 PhD—**John B. German** of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, July 1, 2001.

'84 MS Hotel—**Gail Hodos** Rosenthal Minsky of San Francisco, CA, January 10, 2006; hotelier; caterer; home economics teacher; second VP, Cornell Hotel Society.

'85 MS, PhD '88—**Paul J. Driscoll** of Raleigh, NC, September 8, 1997.

'87 BEE—**Gwenn Giles** Hoyt of Augusta, ME, February 26, 2006; high school geometry teacher; Web designer and computer programmer; active in community affairs.

'91 BA, M AEP '92—**John H. Brodie** of Fulton, MD, January 29, 2006; worked for Stanford U.

'91 BS Ag—**Lynda P. Gatto** of New Hyde Park, NY, January 10, 2006; optometrist.

'94 BS Hotel—**Michael R. Klinglesmith** of Norman, OK, January 11, 2006; consultant; active in civic and religious affairs.

'96 BA—**Charles M. Miller** of Williamsport, PA, February 11, 2006; president and COO, Shop Vac Corp.; former investment banker, Citigroup; active in professional affairs.

'02 PhD—**Kaafee Billah** of Gaithersburg, MD, and Ithaca, NY, April 19, 2006; sales representative, MedImmune; worked for the Centers for Disease Control; research assoc., Int'l Food Policy Research Inst.; author; editor; active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Snigdha Ali, MS '00.

'04 BS Ag—**Kristopher L. Tewinkle** of Clymer, NY, April 12, 2006; US Navy officer; active in community affairs.

'06—**Ian N. Alberta** of Ithaca, NY, May 13, 2006; Fine Arts major; preparator, Johnson Art Museum; bass guitarist.

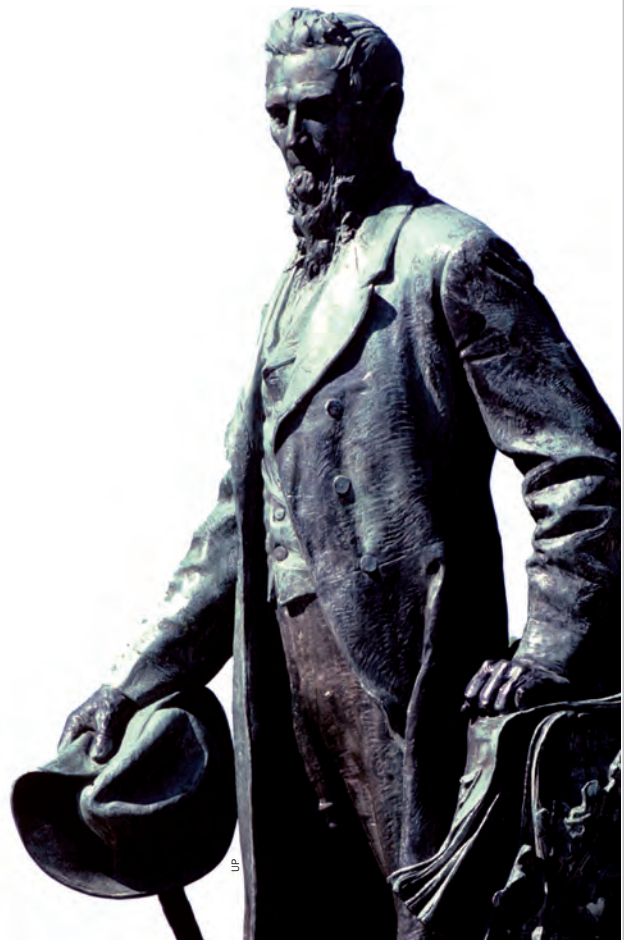
'09—**Matthew T. Pearlstone** of Creve Coeur, MO, March 17, 2006; Computer Science and Electrical Engineering major; member, autonomous underwater vehicle team.



Ezra I.Q.

TO CELEBRATE THE FOUNDER'S 200TH BIRTHDAY, TEST YOUR TRIVIA KNOWLEDGE

- 1) In 1990, astronaut G. David Low '80 took which of Ezra's personal items into space?
 - a. Top hat
 - b. Socks
 - c. Spectacles
 - d. Handkerchief
- 2) After laying his first section of telegraph pipe, Ezra declared it to be . . .
 - a. "Strong as an ox"
 - b. "Hardy as a mule"
 - c. "Straight as a mackerel"
 - d. "Right as a reverend"
- 3) During the Civil War, Ezra promised \$50 to the Ladies Aid Society if its members could . . .
 - a. Bake a cake large enough to feed all of Ithaca
 - b. Roll a record number of bandages
 - c. Write a "rousing, patriotic song"
 - d. Work for an entire afternoon without speaking
- 4) Ezra was distantly related to which Founding Father?
 - a. Benjamin Franklin
 - b. George Washington
 - c. Thomas Jefferson
 - d. John Adams
- 5) The publisher of the *Ithaca Chronicle* once wrote an editorial praising Ezra for . . .
 - a. Endowing a fund for war widows
 - b. Sending him a delicious pig
 - c. His performance in a production of *King Lear*
 - d. Giving books to Confederate prisoners in Elmira
- 6) In June 1855, Ezra suffered severe fractures and nearly lost an arm when he . . .
 - a. Fell from a telegraph pole
 - b. Was robbed in New York City
 - c. Let it dangle out a railcar window
 - d. Was attacked by a big red bear
- 7) What did Ezra buy his wife in the hope that "it will much improve your looks"?
 - a. A wig
 - b. A French corset
 - c. A diamond necklace
 - d. A set of false teeth
- 8) In October 1858, Ezra paid \$1,500 for a prize bull named . . .
 - a. Wizard of Cambridge
 - b. Duke of Oxford
 - c. Prince of Yale
 - d. Earl of Harvard
- 9) The passport Ezra used to travel to Europe at age fifty-five described his face as:
 - a. "Spare"
 - b. "Ruddy"
 - c. "Angular"
 - d. "Craggy"
- 10) When Ezra was asked for funds to equip the Cornell baseball team, he refused on the grounds that . . .
 - a. Sports were a distraction from academics.
 - b. Baseball was not "a thinking man's enterprise."
 - c. It was "altogether undignified" for college men to play a child's game.
 - d. His mother had made him a baseball out of an old stocking, and the team could do the same.



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