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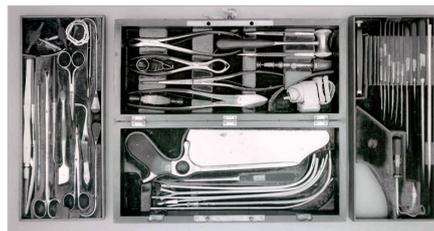
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GLENN ALTSCHULER, PHD '76 & ISAAC KRAMNICK

The second installment in a two-part series on Cornell in the Cold War explores the controversy surrounding physics professor Philip Morrison, whose liberal leanings and pacifist beliefs made him a lightning rod for anti-communist sentiment. The two professors (Altschuler of American studies, Kramnick of government) examine how the Morrison case tested President Deane Malott's resolve to protect academic freedom on campus.

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‘One Cornell’

We begin the academic year with a new vision of our path ahead for the next five years. After a year-long, faculty-led, and broadly consultative effort, “Cornell at Its Sesquicentennial: A Strategic Plan 2010–2015” was adopted by the Board of Trustees in May. The plan “treats Cornell University as a single unit or entity.” This vision coincides with my sense that this is the moment for our often disparate centers of excellence to come together as “One Cornell.”

Since many of us associate the excellence of Cornell with specific areas of instruction, research, or public engagement, I’d like to elaborate on the rationale for “One Cornell” and what it might mean for our future.

Our aspiration, as stated in the strategic plan, is “to be widely recognized as a top-ten research university in the world, and a model university for the interweaving of liberal education and fundamental knowledge with practical education and impact on societal and world problems.” However, we are faced with continuing financial challenges, the anticipation of substantial retirements from the ranks of faculty and staff, a vastly increased need for student financial aid (exacerbated by the recession), and an increasingly competitive environment for higher education throughout the world. This will require not only continued excellence at the department, college, and program level, but bold institutional initiatives that will allow us to realize the ambitious but achievable aspirations outlined in the strategic plan.

For this reason, the Strategic Planning Advisory Council (comprising eight distinguished faculty members from the Ithaca and Weill Cornell Medical College campuses) has suggested, and the University’s leaders as well as the Board of Trustees have agreed, that we should focus on strong (or potentially strong)

and strategically important academic programs, and that we should do so selectively within each disciplinary domain: humanities and arts; life sciences and agricultural sciences; physical sciences and engineering; social sciences; and professional schools. We must also promote greater connectivity among colleges, schools, and programs by developing new integrations and productive synergies—with the goal of making academic boundaries at Cornell as permeable as possible.

Wisely, the plan doesn’t identify which areas to select, so as not to impinge on the prerogatives, priorities, expertise, and vision of individual faculty, department chairs, program leaders, and deans, but it does point out the need to come together as one community to achieve the goals we set for ourselves.

Our highest overall priority during the next five years is to enhance faculty excellence in anticipation of the substantial number of retirements mentioned above. We have a great opportunity and a great responsibility—with extraordinary talent available at all ranks, and, with many other institutions hiring at greatly reduced rates, the best market for faculty hiring in decades. Acting decisively and wisely now will give us a comparative advantage for generations to come.

During Reunion 2010, I announced the Cornell Faculty Renewal Fund: \$100 million over five years to hire additional faculty. We hope that alumni and friends will help us raise half of that amount (\$10 million per year or \$50 million), and we will match it with another \$50 million reallocated from internal sources.

Faculty renewal, combined with robust, need-based undergraduate financial aid, graduate/professional student support, staff excellence, and a diverse university community will allow us to enhance the distinction of Cornell. Financial realities have required difficult adjustments and a reorientation of the way we work and even the work we do, but by implementing our budgetary goals in the broader context of a focused strategic plan, I believe we are on the way to “One Cornell” that is even stronger than its individual parts. As always, I invite your thoughts and conversation as we approach our sesquicentennial.

— President David Skorton
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Under Glass

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‘An Unvarnished Look’

The best ever? We’re not sure . . . but thanks!

I am not exaggerating when I say that the July/August 2010 issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine* is the best ever! All of the staff deserves kudos for such an honest look at our alma mater. From President Skorton’s essay to the insightful Letter from Ithaca, from the sad news about student deaths to the historical piece about the Red Scare and the frank discussion of identity politics—you deserve many compliments. So many alumni magazines are filled with nostalgia, scenes of the old days, honors the faculty have won—you, in contrast, have offered an unvarnished look at a great university.

*Nancy Mynott Davis ’46
Avon, Connecticut*

Cold Warriors

As an ILR graduate, I found the article “Red Cornell: Cornell in the Cold War (Part I)” (July/August 2010) fascinating but disturbing. I remember my wonderful years at Cornell most of all for the diversity of the student body and faculty, and for our willingness to speak our minds freely whatever our point of view. I believed then and now that much more harm was done to our country by anti-communist hysteria than was ever done by encouraging liberal and progressive thought and action. It’s frightening that some trustees in those postwar years believed that Cornell, in founding the ILR school together with New York State and its conservative governor, Thomas Dewey, was “opening the door to subversives.” I never considered myself or my ILR classmates subversive, but rather a varied, well-educated, open-minded, interested, and interesting group, somewhat older than the average students



because so many of us were veterans. Here’s to Cornell and the School of Industrial and Labor Relations—in the Cold War years and beyond.

*Barbara Cole Feiden ’48
White Plains, New York*

As a former Russian and Soviet studies major, I was most interested in the Cold War article. Aware of Cornell’s reputation in Slavic studies before matriculating, I had realized neither its longevity nor genesis. More striking, though, Altschuler and Kramnick’s research highlights one of Cornell’s major strengths: its enduring commitment to open-minded and free expression, the notion that all points of view—no matter how welcome or repugnant—deserve to be aired.

Today, in a world characterized by

fear, misunderstanding, and polarization, we must never forget President Day’s injunction to “spell out the responsibilities, individual and collective, which go along with the rights [our founding fathers] established . . . responsibilities without which our rights today cannot be permanently retained.”

*Marcie S. Gitlin ’79
New York, New York*

I read with interest the first installment of “Cornell in the Cold War.” As an Ithacan, a Cornellian, and the son of a Cornell professor, I couldn’t resist sharing a relevant experience.

In 1950, when I was twelve years old, a public school classmate and I found a letter on the sidewalk in downtown Ithaca that was addressed to one of the Cornell professors mentioned in your article. It was an invitation to a reception celebrating the October Revolution to be held at the Soviet embassy. My classmate and I turned in the invitation at the Ithaca police station.

While this experience was insignificant in itself, I cite it as an example of the pervasive effect that HUAC and McCarthyism had on the vulnerable youth of the time. While we believed our action was patriotic, today, as a liberal-minded adult, I am appalled at how naïve we were in concluding that receipt of such an invitation was somehow criminal. The notion of “Red Cornell” had a broad impact on the entire community—and, in my case, it provided an early education concerning the constitutional guarantee of free speech.

*John Siegfried ’60
Cleveland, Ohio*

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A Unique Problem

I understand your frustration about getting CAM to more alumni ("A Unique Link" [Redux], Letter from Ithaca, July/August 2010). I stopped paying class dues several years after graduating, in part because the schools where I received my master's and PhD attracted more of my attention. I recently began to pay dues again, but my support for Cornell remains minimal because I get more "bang for my buck" bolstering my other schools, which need money more than Cornell does. This is especially true for the Union Institute and University (its name was the Union for Experimenting Colleges and Universities when I received my PhD in 1977), where I serve as a director for its international alumni association and face the daunting challenge of getting support from graduates. I suspect many other Cornell alumni think as I do.

Gerald Schneider '61
Kensington, Maryland

Remembering the Duke

I was at the famous Duke Ellington concert at Cornell in December 1948 ("Reminiscing in Tempo," Currents, July/August 2010). It was a wonderful event that lingers in my memory like a jewel. Some say that it inspired Ellington to commit himself to more of these concerts, at a time when the big bands were fading in popular taste. But your article left out the biggest performer of them all—Kay Davis, who had a larger range than Joan Sutherland. When she sang "Creole Love Call" from behind the curtain, she sent a thrill through the audience that has never been duplicated in my sixty years of concert-going. I also remember that when Whitney Balliett '49, BA '51, wrote movie criticism for the *Daily Sun*, it was often so biting that it drove the downtown theater owners up the wall. In fact, they pulled all their ads for a period of time—a famous free-speech issue in our time, the era of McCarthyism. The owners eventually capitulated when their audiences dwindled to a trickle. Score one for freedom of the press.

Harvey Turner '52
Mendham, New Jersey

Second Opinions

I found the letter from Scott Peer '80 ludicrous and offensive (Correspondence, July/August 2010). Peer belittled a Cornell Republican's cry for academic diversity in political thought by asking if the writer wanted courses on creationism. Obviously Peer realizes that creationism is not a

Republican platform plank and evolutionary theory not a Democratic one. I am sure Peer never had to defend his political viewpoint alone against twenty classmates (and the TA too). And I am sure he never had his poster of President Ronald Reagan mocked and defaced while posters of Che Guevara were honored in many rooms around campus.

When leftist radicals come to campuses, protests against them are usually polite and legal. When conservative speakers come to campuses, they are often threatened, boycotted, or interrupted. It all adds up to a lack of tolerance for the broad spectrum of political thought that exists in this country but not on our elite college campuses.

John Pisacane '82
San Jose, California

I enjoy reading the correspondence and being exposed to divergent views. Opinions backed up by rationale, facts, and suggested actions are enlightening and thought provoking. Such is the case for every letter in the July/August 2010 issue except for the one from Scott Peer. After expressing disdain for a previous correspondent's thoughts, Peer offers no constructive alternative—only sarcastic speculation. How appropriate is pejorative correspondence that lacks constructive substance in an alumni forum for the institution that boasts "any person, any study"?

William Russo '71, ME '72
Dayton, Ohio

More Star Power

In Beth Saulnier's profile of Corey Earle '07 ("Living History," July/August 2010), the subsection on Cornell actors and fictional Cornellians had a couple of notable omissions. First, the obvious one: Carl Sagan. Second, the not-so-obvious one: In the movie *Starman*, Charles Martin Smith portrays a SETI researcher, and in the opening scene he's wearing a Cornell sweatshirt.

Arnie Berger '66, PhD '71
Sammamish, Washington

Ed. Note: Thanks. We're not sure that Carl Sagan qualifies—he was neither an actor nor a fictional character—although he was certainly a "star" as well as a Cornell professor.

Reality Test

Many of the problems described by Barbara Osgood '56, PhD '80, in her letter (Correspondence, July/August 2010) could be solved by abandoning the fiction

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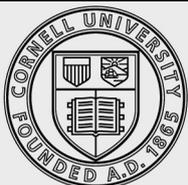
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of “no kill” animal shelters and pursuing a more aggressive program of euthanasia. I understand that many people become emotionally involved with their pets—I wept when our aged dog had to be given a lethal injection. But people who extend those emotions to rescuing cats and dogs, which Osgood describes as “heartbreaking, exhausting, and emotionally draining work,” are treading on the verge of insanity. It is impossible to find a loving home for every newborn dog and cat, and it makes more sense to reduce their numbers. I trust that Cornell vets are learning that reality.

*David West '55, PhD '59
Blacksburg, Virginia*

Corrections—July/August 2010

“Identity Politics,” page 52: In the article’s subhead (and also in the table of contents), we referred to Dana Beyer ’74 as “transgendered.” The preferred term is “transgender.” The article’s author, Brad Herzog ’90, is blameless—the word “transgendered” was introduced during the editing process. We were unaware of the distinction and thank Elizabeth Muller Casparian ’84 for setting us straight.

Legacies, page 98: (1) Lindsay Rosenblum ’13 was listed as a fourth-generation Cornellian; she is actually a fifth-generation Cornellian. Omitted from the list were her great-grandfather, Edwin S. Knauss ’20, and her great-great-grandfather, Freeman C. Pond 1893. (2) Luise Steinbrenner Weiss ’58 was inadvertently omitted from the Four Cornell Generations list. She is the grandmother of Michele Weiss ’13.

Alumni Deaths, page 102: John W. Darley Jr., BEE ’49, Quinton W. Simkins, BEE ’49, and Edward J. Querner, BME ’50, were all described as members of Tau Beta Phi. This should have been Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society. We regret the error and thank Roger Thayer, BEE ’49, MEE ’52, for pointing it out.

Cornelliana, page 112: Mike Whalen ’69, whose donation of Cornell memorabilia was described, writes: “While I greatly enjoyed the article, I need to correct one small error. There are photographs in Kroch Library of students playing baseball on the Arts Quad during the nineteenth century, but they are not stereo photographs and not part of the collection that I donated. I was less than clear when I described them to Erica Southerland ’10. *Mea culpa.*”

Prodigal Son

On his third try at graduation, a senior ponders his relationship with the University



LISA BANLAKI FRANK

My relationship with Cornell is like a dysfunctional marriage. We fight a lot—sometimes over trivial matters, sometimes deeper issues. We carry grudges, have trial separations, and have been unfaithful to each other more than once. But in the end we always end up back together, if only for the kids.

Spring semester of my junior year, in the midst of some academic and personal turmoil, I dropped out of Cornell for the second time and took off for the Midwest. At the time, I couldn't have been happier; I was eager to leave academia and strike out on my own. Over the next three years, I wandered through nine jobs in fields ranging from cancer research to bagel baking to human organ procurement—and eventually enrolled in the fifth college of my undergraduate career.

Frankly, attending other schools was as much about trying to make Cornell jealous as it was about education. However, much as in human relationships, the gesture felt empty; I was forever comparing my new love to my old one. I'd call any central greenspace "the Arts Quad"—other students would wonder if there was a campus sculpture garden they were unaware of—or say "prelim" instead of "exam," prompting a confused TA to tell me I must not be in his class.

Cornell seemed to get over me quickly; while I was away, it

admitted three classes of freshmen who are, for the most part, younger, better looking, and more fit than I am. When I see them strutting around North Campus, they make me feel old and cynical. It's an odd sensation—especially since, in the places I worked during my hiatus from academia, I was always the young guy. Co-workers would come to me with technology questions or ask me to explain pop culture references; some had children older than me. Out there I didn't feel I needed a plan for the future. After all, I was twenty years younger than many of my co-workers, and *they* didn't have everything figured out.

But ultimately, putting a thousand miles between myself and Ithaca made me nostalgic for Cornell, and last spring I came back for my final two semesters. If all goes according to plan, I'll finally graduate from CALS at the end of this semester—at age twenty-five. I'll earn a BS in interdisciplinary studies, a degree strangely befitting someone who still hasn't figured out what to do with his life.

In returning to campus, I went from being the youngest guy in the office to the oldest guy in the classroom. When I was a freshman six years ago, the fact that I didn't have a Facebook page was slightly eccentric. Now, it makes people ask if I was raised Amish. As I finally scrape together an undergrad degree, my 2008 classmates are completing law school and earning MDs.

Having not set foot in Ithaca for so long, I assumed that walking around campus would be like browsing the museum of my youth. In some respects that's been true, but mostly it's not. Cornell has changed in subtle ways, from the absence of the old Hydraulics Lab—my favorite spot for gorge climbing, it collapsed in early 2009—to the fact that student ID numbers now have an extra digit. Collegetown's three major commodities—booze, coffee, and Asian food—remain the same, but the locations that sell them have shifted. The effect is at once familiar and foreign.

A university is a strange institution—a small city where most of the population turns over every four years. You leave for three years and things change more than you'd think. Familiar campus institutions remain, but they're made up of different people. Seen up close and without the haze of memory, my "Cornell experience" doesn't seem as epic and unique as it once did.

As kids, we always seem to have our eye on the next step. Whatever you're doing this year isn't as important as what it's setting you up to do *next* year; high school is the gateway to college and so on. Having grown up with this mindset, I assumed that the "real world" was the finish line—where the answers are, where it all comes together and you finally figure everything out. When I left Cornell, I hoped that getting a look at that wider world would help me understand myself and what I want to do with my life. But I fear that I've returned without a clearer picture of where I'm going—just a much longer story about how I got here.

— Mark Fischer '08

From the Hill



JASON KOSKI / UP

Bang for the buck: As the Class of 2014 gets its bearings on North Campus and the rest of the Hill, they—and their tuition-paying parents—can take comfort in Cornell's status as an academic 'best buy.'

U.S. News & World Report Names Cornell a 'Best Value'

The 2011 *U.S. News & World Report* rankings of colleges and universities were released in August, and Cornell held steady at its previous spot—fifteen—tied with Brown. But this year, the magazine offered a list of fifty “best value” schools—and Cornell was rated number ten. To calculate the nation's best academic bargains, *U.S. News* considered such factors as the ratio of quality to price, the percentage of undergrads receiving need-based scholarships and grants, and the percentage of total costs such aid covers. Yale, Harvard, and Princeton topped the list.

Architect Named for Gates Hall

Pritzker Prize-winning architect Thom Mayne and his Los Angeles-based firm, Morphosis, have been selected to design Gates Hall, the future home of the departments of computer science and information science. The \$60 million building, named in recognition of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's \$25 million gift, will be located across from Barton Hall on the site of the Hoy North parking lot. With 100,000 square feet of space, Gates Hall will have specialized laboratories for cyber security, human-computer interaction, computational sustainability, robotics, computer vision, and more. It's scheduled to open in early 2014.

University Mourns Namesake of New Architecture Building

Paul Milstein, the New York City real estate magnate and namesake of the architecture department's future home, died in August at eighty-eight. The son of a Russian immigrant, Milstein started his career in his father's flooring business and went on to found a real estate empire that included buildings near Lincoln Center and Times Square; at one point, the family controlled some 20 million square feet of office space, 8,000 hotel rooms, and 50,000 apartments. Numerous members of Milstein's family, including son Howard Milstein '73 and daughter Barbara Milstein Zalaznick '76, have attended Cornell. In 2000 his wife, Irma, pledged \$10 million toward a new building in his honor. Construction on Paul Milstein Hall, designed by famed architect Rem Koolhaas, began in 2009 and is scheduled to be completed in 2011.



Paul Milstein

Three Campus Libraries to Be Consolidated

After a review of user habits, the University will consolidate the print collections of its business, hotel, and ILR libraries. While the print holdings will be located at the current ILR library, each school will maintain space for study, electronic resources, and research assistance. Some of the changes will be implemented immediately, while others will be phased in over the next two years. The consolidated library will be overseen by a single director, for whom a search is now under way.

Cornell will also consolidate its entomology collection into Mann Library over the next two years, as the Comstock Hall library is closed; the collection is currently split between the two libraries. Much of its holdings will be digitized during the process. The Comstock library staff will be transferred to Mann, where longer hours will offer increased access.

Cornell Tightens Its Belt

The University aims to save \$75 million to \$85 million a year by 2015, the administration announced in July. The savings will come from cost cuts proposed by the Initiatives Coordination Office in such areas as facilities, information technology, procurement, human resources, and management. "The goal of these plans is to perform administrative services with fewer resources, with improved results, and with less strain on faculty, students, and staff by creating improved systems and processes," says vice president for human resources Mary Opperman. She adds that though "the implementation plans do impact staff positions," details of potential job eliminations are under review, and there will be no cross-the-board layoffs. Cornell has announced that it will cut its budget 4.5 percent—or about \$71 million—for fiscal year 2011, with total operating expenditures estimated at \$1.88 billion.

Johnson Museum Director Frank Robinson to Retire

After two decades at Cornell, Johnson Museum director Frank Robinson will retire at the end of the academic year. In his announcement to the museum's advisory council, he called his time on the Hill "unique, a pure pleasure." Robinson's departure will roughly coincide with the completion of a long-awaited addition to the museum, scheduled to open in fall 2011.

Begun in 2009, the \$22 million project will add 16,000 square feet for workshops, galleries, a lecture room, and storage. Since the museum opened in 1973, Cornell's art collection has expanded from 10,000 objects to more than 33,000, of which only a fraction is kept on display. The expansion will allow more items to be exhibited and will provide additional space for classes and special programs. The project partly fulfills the Johnson's original architectural plan, which included a northern wing that was eliminated due to financial constraints.



Frank Robinson

Work in progress: In May, the Medical college held a ceremonial groundbreaking for its planned research building on Manhattan's Upper East Side. Costing upwards of \$650 million, the 480,000-square-foot facility will be designed to encourage scientists to come out of their labs and work across disciplines. It will include a floor dedicated to collaborations with Ithaca-based researchers.

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Open to interpretation: Ayad Alkadhi's *I Am Baghdad XI* (2008) is on display at the Johnson Museum this fall. "Tarjama/Translation: Contemporary Art from the Middle East, Central Asia, and Their Diasporas" ends October 3.

2010 Grad Dies in Ithaca

After a difficult year that saw a series of student deaths—due to suicide, accident, and illness—the University lost a recent alumna just weeks after graduation. Twenty-one-year-old Mariel Christie '10 of Clifton Park, New York, died in Ithaca on July 11. A biological sciences major in CALS, Christie worked at the Comstock Entomology Library and the Oxley Equestrian Center. The cause of her death has not been disclosed.

Arecibo Data Aids in 'Recycled' Pulsar Find

Data from Cornell's Arecibo Observatory has led to the discovery of a lone pulsar—a rotating neutron star that emits a beam of electromagnetic radiation—approximately 17,000 light years away. The finding was the first deep-space discovery by Einstein@Home, a research effort that uses donated computing time from home and office machines around the world to analyze astronomical data. According to astronomy professor Jim Cordes, the newly discovered pulsar—which has an unusually low magnetic field—is notable because it is likely "recycled": it once had a companion star that exploded, kicking it free. "No matter what else we find out about it," says Cordes, "this pulsar is bound to be extremely interesting for understanding the basic physics of neutron stars and how they form."

R&D

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In a collaboration between the Medical college and the Ithaca campus, researchers have found that a compound used in self-tanners appears to speed healing of incisions. Surgeon Jason Spector '91 and biomedical engineer David Putnam are investigating the promise of a sticky gel that can be used to close wounds or fill voids created during surgery.

With a five-year, \$4.6 million grant from the NIH, nutritional sciences professor Christine Olson is exploring whether text messages can help pregnant women maintain a healthy weight. The study will involve 3,500 women in the Rochester area.

A study by psychology professor Stephen Ceci and former student Justin Gunnell '05 found that unattractive defendants spend an average of twenty-two months longer in prison than their more attractive counterparts. The researchers link the finding to the two kinds of jurors the study identified: those ruled by emotions and those who are more rational and less likely to make judgments based on looks.

Although an insect infestation would seem to be bad news, the Guatemalan potato moth can actually benefit crops. Cornell entomologists found that saliva of moth larvae makes some kinds of potatoes grow larger, increasing marketable yields.

Overhearing someone else's phone conversation can be even more distracting than having one yourself. Psychology professor Michael Goldstein and colleagues found that hearing one side of a conversation can damage cognitive performance because listeners are unable to predict the unheard speaker's responses, requiring more attention.

Using data from a British phone company, sociology professor Michael Macy has identified a connection between a community's economic status and the diversity of its social networks. He found that in more affluent places, people tended to make calls outside their communities, while those in poorer neighborhoods tended to communicate with people closer to home.

Why do the cholesterol-lowering drugs known as statins reduce the risk of colorectal cancer in some people but not others? Medical college researchers have learned that the difference is due to a genetic variant—which means that 44 percent of Caucasians who take statins likely do not see a significant reduction in cancer risk.

A team of engineering and architecture students are working to convert wind into electricity. The Vibro-Wind Research Group aims to design panels that can harness vibrations to produce electricity less expensively—and less obtrusively—than turbines or windmills.

Contrary to previous reports, there are no rings around Rhea, Saturn's largest moon. A team led by research associate Matthew Tiscareno reached the conclusion using data from NASA's orbiting *Cassini* spacecraft.

Husband of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg Passes Away

Martin Ginsburg '53, husband of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54, died of cancer in June. He was seventy-eight. A Harvard-educated tax attorney whose high-profile clients included Ross Perot, he also taught tax law at NYU, Columbia, and Georgetown. Ginsburg, who was buried at Arlington National Cemetery, is survived by his wife and two children. As he said at the time of Justice Ginsburg's nomination to the high court: "I have been supportive of my wife since the beginning of time, and she has been supportive of me. It's not sacrifice; it's family." The couple, who met on a blind date at Cornell, celebrated their fifty-sixth anniversary the week before his death.

NSF Funds Bee Database

With a \$1.5 million grant from the National Science Foundation, entomologist Bryan Danforth is co-leading a multi-institution project to create a public online database to study declining worldwide bee populations. The database will comprise information gathered from ten bee collections nationwide—including Cornell's, which houses an estimated 250,000 specimens from 3,600 species. The data will assist researchers in studying historical distributions of species, conservation conditions, and risks to pollination. "There is more and more interest in the role that wild bees are playing in crop pollination across the country," Danforth says. Collaborators include the American Museum of Natural History, the USDA, and several University of California campuses.

'Electric Sheep' Dream Online

Alumni interested in the New Student Reading Project can browse an online version of Kroch Library's exhibit on this year's book—Philip K. Dick's *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*—and the 1982 Harrison Ford film it inspired, director Ridley Scott's *Blade Runner*. The exhibit, "Android Dreams: Philip K. Dick and Ridley Scott's Replicant Futures," explores the translation from novel to screen and beyond, including other adaptations of the story such as comic books and the film's "director's cut." The physical exhibit will be on display in Kroch through October 8, while the online version can be viewed at rmc.library.cornell.edu/androids/.

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Give My Regards To...

These Cornellians in the News

Doctoral students **Kevin Carrico** (anthropology), **Danielle Cohen** (government), and **Pamela Corey, MA '10** (art history), awarded Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships supporting six to twelve months of research abroad.

Irene Rosenfeld '75, PhD '80, and **Allison Rosenfeld '08**, recipients of Cornell Hillel's Tanner Prize for their contributions to the Jewish people and to the University.

The **Cornell Baja Racing Team**, which took first place in the 2010 International Baja SAE competition in June.

Emeritus professor **Toichiro Kinoshita**, awarded the Gian Carlo Wick Gold Medal from the World Federation of Scientists. The prize is given annually to a theoretical physicist for outstanding contributions to particle physics.

ILR professor **Edward Lawler**, winner of the Best Book Award from the Rationality and Society Section of the American Sociological Association for *Social Commitments in a Depersonalized World*.

Human development major **Gabrielle Tan '12**, winner of a Congressional Award Gold Medal for community service, personal development, and physical fitness. It's the only youth award legislated by the U.S. Congress.

Theoretical and applied mechanics professor **Andy Ruina** and his students, whose robot "Ranger" has broken the unofficial world record for untethered robot walking. The new record—14.3 miles in about eleven hours—was set in July on the Barton Hall running track.

Pain less: Engineering doctoral candidate **George Lewis, MS '08**, demonstrates his iPod-sized ultrasound device for pain relief. The project, a collaboration with Medical college professor **Cary Reid**, won second place in the Center for Integration of Medicine and Innovative Technology Primary Health-care Prizes competition. First prize went to grad student **Mark Hartman '07, ME '08**, who designed a DNA-based test for throat ailments.

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MOVING UP For the first time in 50 years, the men's lacrosse team will have one of its own at the helm. **Ben DeLuca '98** was named head coach on June 17, one day after previous Cornell coach Jeff Tambroni was introduced as the new head coach at Penn State. DeLuca has been on the Big Red staff since 2002, helping the team win eight Ivy League titles and being honored as the national Assistant Coach of the Year in 2007. During his playing career, DeLuca was a four-year letter-winner and served as captain his senior year.



Ben DeLuca

STRONG SHOWING The men's rowing team posted its best performance since 1981 at the Intercollegiate Rowing Association championships, placing third overall. Cornell was the top team from the East, finishing behind only Washington and California. All four Cornell boats reached the grand finals, with the open four with coxswain finishing first and the varsity eight finishing third. A week after Cornell's IRA success, the program launched an \$8 million boathouse expansion project. A new two-story addition will be built on the east side of Collyer Boathouse along with a storage area next to Robinson Shell House.

RACQUETMAN Squash player **Alex Domenick '12** represented the United States at the World University Games in Melbourne, Australia, in June. Domenick helped the U.S. squad to a bronze medal in team play and finished 14th in the individual matches.

WORLD'S BEST A pair of Cornell lacrosse alumni can now say they are world champions. **Max Seibald '09** and **Ryan McClay '03** were members of the U.S. National Team that won the Federation of International Lacrosse World Championship in England in July. Both earned All-World honors after helping the U.S. to a 6-1 record including a 12-10 title-game victory over Canada. And while McClay was in England, his wife, **Laura Brandt '03**, gave birth to the couple's first child, Lilly.



Alex Domenick

DESERVING DOZEN Twelve new members will join the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame during the 33rd annual induction ceremony in October, including five former All-Americans, one Olympic medalist, and one current head coach. The former All-Americans are **Kurt Bettger '81**, soccer; **Greg Bloedorn '96, BA '95**, football; **Wade Bollinger '82**, lacrosse; **John Hanson '99**, football; and **Eric**



Emily Germano Harding

Kusseluk '97, soccer. They will be joined by Olympic rowing silver medalist **Michael Staines '71** and current baseball coach **Bill Walkenbach '98**, as well as **Emily Germano Harding '00, MS '05**, track and field

and cross country; **Amy Finkelstein Snider '94**, soccer; **Jennifer Watkins '95, PhD '08**, track and field; **Steve Wilson '97**, ice hockey; and **Raymond Zagars '76, ME '77**, sprint football.

GOING PRO Three members of Cornell's Sweet 16 men's basketball team have signed contracts to play professionally overseas. **Jeff Foote '10** and **Jon Jaques '10** will compete in the Israeli Premier League; Foote signed with Maccabi Electra Tel Aviv while Jaques inked a deal with Ironi Ashkelon. **Louis Dale '10** will play for BG Göttingen in Germany's top league, Basketball Bundesliga. Teammate **Ryan Wittman '10** played for both the Boston Celtics and New York Knicks in NBA summer leagues and is a strong prospect for a deal stateside.

FASTER AND FASTER **Morgan Uceny '07** continues to impress on the international track circuit. At a meet in Lausanne, Switzerland, Uceny ran a 4:20.40 in the 1500 meters, the seventh-fastest time in the world in 2010 and the tenth-fastest ever by an American. Uceny also finished fifth in the USA Track and Field Championships in the 800 meters. **Muhammad Halim '08** posted Cornell's best finish at the national meet, placing fourth in the triple jump, while **Garrett Huyler '09** was 11th in the high jump.

THE FUTURE IS NOW The incoming crop of men's hockey players comes from as close as Ithaca and as far away as Belarus. Coming to Lynah Rink are goaltender **Andy Iles '14**, an Ithaca native and veteran of the U.S. National Development Team; defensemen **Kirill Gotovets '14** from Belarus and **Mathieu Brisson '14** from Quebec; and forwards **Rodger Craig '13** from Alberta, **Armand de Swardt '13** from Texas, and **Dustin Mowrey '14** from British Columbia. They hope to fill the open spots on the squad left by the graduation of six seniors and the loss of forward **Riley Nash '11**, who signed a pro contract with the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes.



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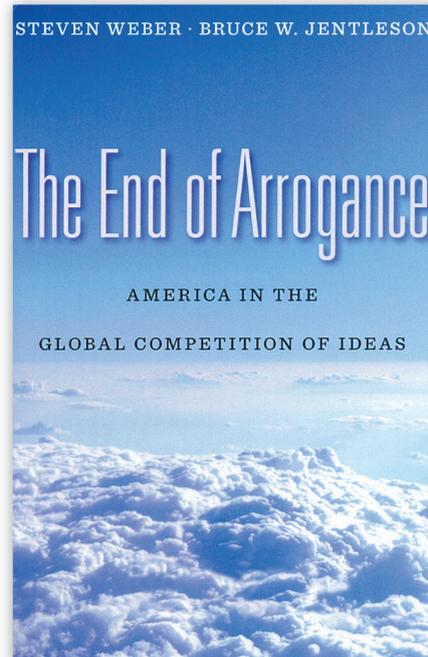
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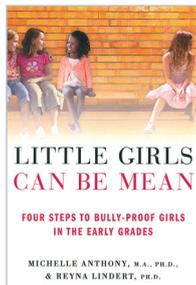
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The End of Arrogance by Steven Weber and Bruce W. Jentleson '73, PhD '83 (Harvard)

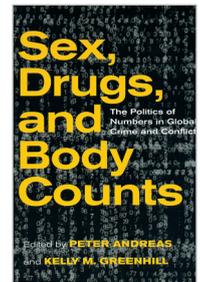
Core questions about how best to achieve world order and what constitutes just societies, seemingly settled at the end of the twentieth century, have been reopened in the twenty-first century,” say Jentleson, a professor of public policy at Duke, and his co-author. They argue that if America turns away from policies that carry with them a strong sense of entitlement, real and meaningful influence will grow. They recommend a “strategy for world order that rests on mutuality, recognizing that in twenty-first century world politics everyone bargains with everyone and no one is entitled to set the rules.”



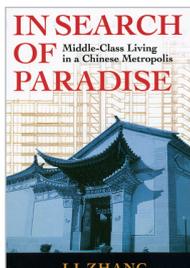
Little Girls Can Be Mean by Michelle Anthony and Reyna Lindert '94 (St. Martin's). Girls' aggression often takes verbal form—cruel words, exclusion, backstabbing, and rumor spreading—and can be as painful to its victims as physical blows, and more lasting in its effects. “Friendship struggles, relational aggression, and girl bullying take their toll,” argue the founders of Wide-Eyed Learning, “and continue unaddressed, at least in part from the fact that these issues are so ‘hidden’ in girl culture that adults often don’t even know they are happening.” They outline a four-step plan that shows parents how to help their daughters stand up to such behaviors.



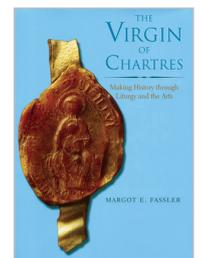
Sex, Drugs, and Body Counts edited by Peter Andreas, PhD '99, and Kelly M. Greenhill (Cornell). Although numbers pervade politics, few policymakers, journalists, scholars, or members of the public sufficiently question their source or challenge their accuracy. “Statistics—both good and bad—are often uncritically accepted and reproduced because they are assumed to have been generated by experts who possess specialized knowledge and who know what they are doing.” Andreas, an associate professor of political science at Brown, and his co-authors do not reject the politics of numbers, but argue instead for a more careful and skeptical discussion.



In Search of Paradise by Li Zhang, PhD '98 (Cornell). Home ownership in China is experiencing explosive growth. “No longer seeking happiness and fulfillment through collective sacrifice and socialist ideals, [the middle classes] now hope to create a good life of material comfort and social distinction in the newly constructed gated communities,” writes Zhang, a professor of anthropology at UC Davis. “In less than two decades, China has changed from a predominantly public housing regime to a country with one of the highest private homeownership rates in the world. The quest for the good life is profoundly transforming the physical and social landscapes of urban China.”



The Virgin of Chartres by Margot E. Fassler, PhD '83 (Yale). “The major industry in Chartres is history,” writes Fassler, a professor of music history at Yale. Chartres Cathedral is one of the most important Gothic cathedrals in Europe and is also known as the seat of the Virgin Mary on Earth. Chartres’s major relic, a piece of the Virgin Mary’s gown, is part of the town’s foundational myth from Carolingian times. Fassler traces the interweaving of facts, legends, liturgy, and the arts as the cult of the Virgin developed in the eleventh and twelfth centuries.



Fiction

Tell Us We're Home by Marina Budhos '83 (Atheneum). Jaya, Lola, and Maria seem like typical eighth-graders from a wealthy New Jersey suburb, but with a difference: their mothers work as nannies and maids for the families of their classmates. When anti-immigrant sentiment breaks out after Jaya's mother is accused of stealing, the girls' stable world turns upside down.

Rage Against the Dying Light by Jan Surasky '57 (Sandalwood). A journalist and writing instructor pens a historical novel about Queen Boudicca, the first-century Briton who led her people's resistance against the invading Romans.

Non-Fiction

A Martian Muse by Reginald Shepherd (Michigan). In his final essay collection, the late poet and former instructor in Cornell's English department talks about the craft of poetry and meditates on race, sexuality, and illness.

The Wall Street Professional's Survival Guide by Roy Cohen '77 (Financial Times). Cohen, a career coach and former outplacement counselor at Goldman Sachs, gives up-to-date advice on finding a job during a bear market in the highly competitive financial industry.

Embodying Black Experience by Harvey Young, PhD '04 (Michigan). An associate professor of theatre at Northwestern University examines the ways that black artists, athletes, and performers have confronted racist stereotypes from the early 1800s to the present.

Stories from the Anne Grimes Collection of American Folk Music edited by Sara Grimes '63 et al. (Ohio). In the Fifties, the folksinger, dulcimer player, and scholar Anne Grimes traveled through Ohio collecting and recording traditional music. This book, compiled by her four daughters, includes lyrics and notes about the songs, a CD sampler, and selections from Carl Sandburg and Pete Seeger.

Vernacular Voices by Kirsten Fudeman, PhD '99 (Penn). An assistant professor of French at the University of Pittsburgh examines the role that language played in forming and maintaining Jewish identity in medieval France.

The Evolving Dimensions of International Law by John F. Murphy '59, LLB '62 (Cambridge). A professor of law at Villanova University analyzes the inability of international law to deal with issues regarding peace and security, arms control, non-

proliferation, violations of human rights, the environment, and other problems facing the world community.

Constructing the International Economy edited by Rawi Abdelal, PhD '99, Mark Blyth, and Craig Parsons (Cornell). A professor of business administration at Harvard Business School and his co-editors contend that a purely materialist view of political economic theory is untenable and argue that collectively held ideas shape the economic world in which we live.

The Diary of Elizabeth Drinker edited by Elaine Forman Crane '61 (Penn). Elizabeth Drinker kept a journal from 1758 to 1807, and it has been mined for information about the Revolutionary War, the yellow fever epidemic, and race relations in eighteenth-century Philadelphia. Crane, a history professor at Fordham University, argues that few scholars have tried to reveal "the person behind the quill."

Amphibians of East Africa by Alan Chaning and Kim Howell '67 (Cornell). Howell, a professor of zoology and marine biology at the University of Dar Es Salaam, and his co-author offer a comprehensive field guide to the 194 frog species and nine caecilians of East Africa.

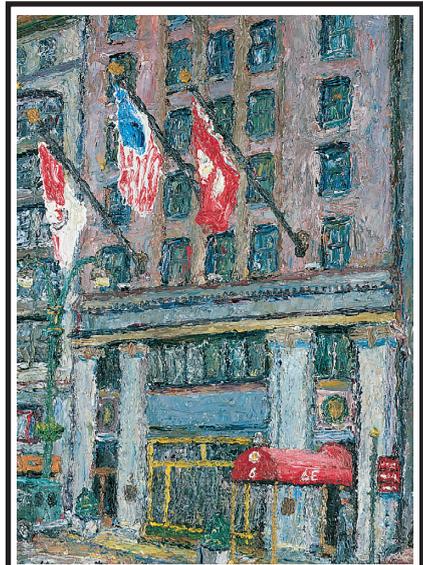
Objects as History in Twentieth-Century German Art by Peter Chametzky '80 (California). The director of the School of Art and Design at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, examines how the work of Max Beckman, George Grosz, Joseph Beuys, and other twentieth-century German artists reflects historical events.

Political Themes in the Hebrew Scriptures by Jules Gleicher '68 (Palgrave Macmillan). A professor of political science at Rockford College examines questions of law and justice in the Book of Genesis, Mosaic Law, and the teachings of the prophets.

The Specter of Sex by Sally L. Kitch '67 (SUNY). A professor of women and gender studies at Arizona State University analyzes the connection between gender and race in American history and culture.

The Custom-Fit Workplace by Joan Blades and Nanette Fondas '81 (Jossey Bass). The executive editor of MomsRising.org and her co-author offer strategies to transform work so it enhances people's lives as well as business productivity.

Tales of and About Jewish Youth During the Fin-de-Siècle Era by Lawrence M. Ginsburg '53 (University Press of America). A retired lawyer explores the lives of Jewish youth in Upstate New York during the late nineteenth century.



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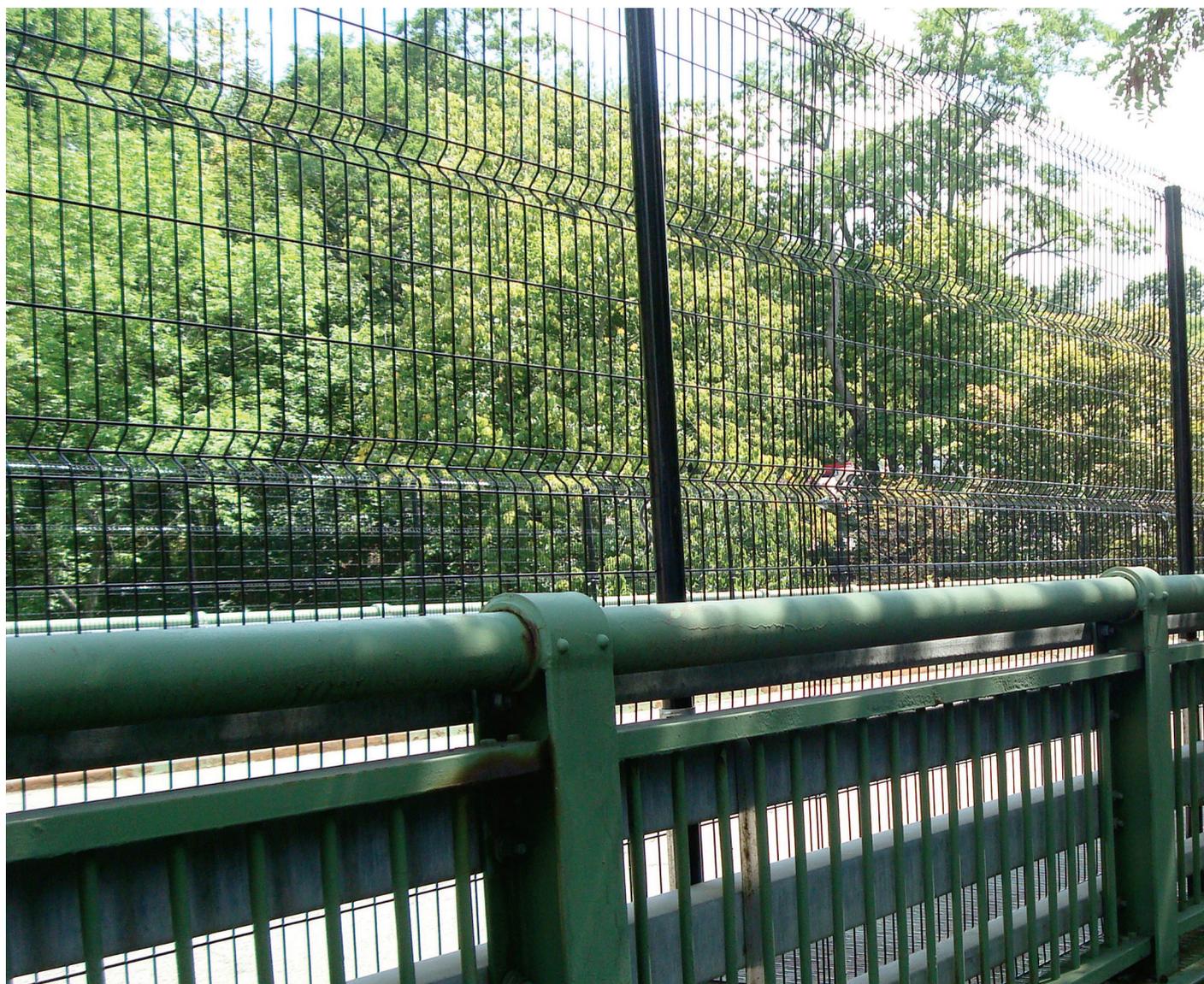
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Barrier Method

In the wake of three gorge suicides last semester, Cornell is struggling to balance public safety with natural beauty



When psychiatrist Eric Caine '69 was asked to join a team of experts in recommending protective measures in the wake of six campus suicides in 2009–10—including three gorge deaths in a matter of weeks during spring semester—it brought back memories of another tough year, four decades earlier. “I don’t know the exact number of suicides in 1966–67, but it was comparable to what happened this year,” Caine recalls. “It was really quite—I don’t want to say demoralizing, but stunning.” That spring, when

Caine was a sophomore, another tragedy struck campus: eight students and a professor died in a fire at what was then the Cornell Heights Residential Club. “The campus coalesced around those folks—there was an outpouring of mourning and thoughtfulness and coming together,” Caine says. “It struck me that there were almost the same number of deaths by suicide that year, but they were one by one, and not recognized in the same way.”

Today, Caine is chair of psychiatry at the University of Rochester—and a nationally recognized authority on suicide.

The view: The Stewart Avenue bridge over Cascadilla Gorge, after the chain-link fencing was replaced with black mesh



LISA BANLAKI FRANK

With two other experts in the field, he has penned a report on gorge suicides on East Hill, and what can be done to prevent them. “Cornell has been stepping up as opposed to stepping back,” he says. “It’s saying, ‘This is our problem, this is our community, these are our vulnerable members—and it’s our job to protect them, in the same way that we protect people from fires.’ There’s more than one way to be vulnerable.”

In March, after two undergrads jumped to their deaths on consecutive days, that protection took a highly visible form.

Faced with the threat of “suicide contagion”—that those deaths could beget others—the University erected chain-link fences on three of its four bridges. They included the Suspension Bridge, whose existing suicide guards hadn’t deterred one of the victims. Almost immediately, Ithaca Mayor Carolyn Peterson invoked emergency powers and allowed Cornell to erect similar fencing on three city-owned spans. “We had to do something,” says David Cutter ’84, Cornell’s landscape architect. “We wanted to break the cycle of suicides. We knew that physical barriers are effective and that chain-link fences would be the fastest. It was literally an emergency response.” (The fourth Cornell-owned bridge, a pedestrian crossing over Beebe Dam, was closed for demolition of the defunct Hydraulics Lab; it has since reopened, with protective fencing.)

With angled tops strung with wire to discourage climbing, the fencing was nearly ten feet tall—obstructing the iconic views and creating what some decried as a prison-like atmosphere. Even the fences’ most ardent supporters admitted they were an eyesore. “In May, I said, ‘These are atrocious—they’re the ugliest things I’ve ever seen,’” Caine recalls. “People winced, and I said, ‘Unless you can be frank about how truly ugly these are, and how much they interfere with something that many of us value, you can never start the conversation.’ Why are we doing such a drastic, ugly thing? To save lives. Then we can move on to talk about designing something that is integrated and aesthetically unobtrusive, and get the community to embrace the process.”

In August, Ithaca’s Common Council voted unanimously to allow the temporary fencing to remain in place while a permanent solution is devised, and the University began replacing the chain-link fences with less obtrusive black mesh. The material, Cutter says, is both easier to see through and harder to climb (obviating the need for the angled top), and viewing holes can be cut into it. “The bridges will not be as ugly as they were,” says Greg Eells, director of counseling and psychological services at Gannett Health Services, “which I think everyone universally sees as an improvement.”

The decision to erect the fences in the wake of the back-to-back gorge deaths was predicated on an accepted tenet of suicidology: restricting access to lethal methods can save lives. That may seem nonsensical; if suicidal people are prevented from jumping off a bridge, won’t they just find another way? But experts say that for reasons that remain largely unknown, that’s not how it works. And like some other promontories—in their report, the experts cite the Golden Gate Bridge and Japan’s Mount Muhara as prime examples—Ithaca’s gorges have become iconic venues for suicide. As Caine puts it: “There are certain sites—because of their majesty, their publicness, and the meaningful nature we ascribe to them—that seem, for some people, a good place to die.”

Both Caine and Eells stress that many suicide attempts are made impulsively. But unlike someone who calls 911 after taking pills, a person jumping from a height doesn’t have the opportunity to change his mind. “A common dynamic when someone jumps is that they realize all their problems are solvable the minute they’ve leapt,” Eells says, citing research on people who’ve survived such attempts. “It speaks to the pain and how stuck we can get as human beings—and how barriers can prevent us from doing something irremediable, when many of the problems are remediable. Our barriers wouldn’t necessarily prevent someone really intent on doing it; the idea is not to create a barrier that no human being could scale. It’s to interrupt an impulsive act, so someone has an opportunity to think—to have their frontal cortex more engaged and not just act on wanting to

escape emotional pain.”

According to figures compiled by Gannett, twenty-nine people jumped into the gorges between 1990 and 2010. Fourteen of them were Cornell students, one went to Ithaca College, and one was a student at Ithaca High School; of the non-students, four were from out of town, while the rest were local residents. “This is a community problem,” says Mayor Peterson. “When you look at the statistics, half of the people who have jumped are Cornell-related and half aren’t. So we have been working cooperatively to address a difficult issue.”

Those same long-term statistics bear out the notion that, despite the media coverage that the gorge deaths tend to generate, Cornell is not the epicenter of a suicide epidemic. Nationwide, Caine points out, the annual suicide rate is about

Bridge jumps comprise ‘almost half the suicides on East Hill—and that’s a big deal.’

between 15 and 20 percent of all the suicides in the region were off those bridges, so there is reasonable optimism that if one could radically reduce jumping from these bridges, it would have an effect. More to

ratively speaking, someone has to take a deep breath and count to ten their second thoughts may make a difference. Means restriction is the single most potent suicide-prevention effort—but it’s not the only one, and it has to be fit into an array of programs.”

About five years ago, Cornell launched a broad effort to prevent suicide in the campus community. Modeled on a U.S. Air Force program, it included increased mental health services, educational programs, and peer-to-peer counseling. It paid off: for three straight years, there were no suicides on the Hill. “It wasn’t a fluke that after putting in a lot of effort, people saw a very safe campus,” Caine says. “But nothing is perfect. And in essence, means control was a hole in the safety system.”

The current bridge fences are aimed to plug that hole, at least temporarily. The resolution passed by Common Council in August allows the University to leave the mesh fencing up until May 31, 2011, the deadline for designing permanent barriers. What those will entail, however, remains up in the air. “We’ve looked at examples of barriers on bridges around the world,” Cutter says, “and we haven’t seen anything that is ideal for Ithaca.” The obvious options are some form of fencing or, as is planned for the Golden Gate, netting set low enough to preserve views; the University has hired a consulting firm in the hope of generating some outside-the-box solutions. “The focus so far has primarily been on the aesthetics,” Cutter says. “That is a challenge, particularly at Cornell and in Ithaca, where people feel a close connection to the gorges. We’re sensitive to maintaining accessibility of the natural areas—not only visual accessibility, but also the physical ability to get into the gorges and experience them on an intimate level.”

Cutter points out that in addition to functionality and aesthetics, there are engineering challenges to be considered, along with issues of cost, maintenance, and cleaning. And as if that weren’t enough to think about, the barriers will also have to stand up to the usual undergraduate hijinks. “I can see nets becoming a form of fraternity hazing,” Cutter laments. During the design process, he says students will be tapped for feedback. They’ll be invited to evaluate various barriers and asked, “How would you defeat them?”

— Beth Saulnier



Fenced in: The Stewart Avenue span over Fall Creek Gorge before the chain link was replaced in August

eleven per 100,000 people; in Upstate New York, it’s about seven; on campuses, it’s even fewer. “Suicide in colleges and universities is low; compared to people of the same age group who are not in school, it’s about half,” Caine says. “And Cornell’s right there, at the average level.”

But historically, a significant number of Ithaca suicides have occurred in the gorges—which, the experts say, means that curbing access to the bridges can ultimately save lives. “Let’s be absolutely candid,” Caine says. “In the future there are going to be Cornell undergraduates, grad students, faculty, staff, who will die by suicide. It’s a sad thing, one of the difficult parts of the human experience. But

the point, it’s almost half the suicides on East Hill—and that’s a big deal.”

In a study of foiled attempts to jump off the Golden Gate Bridge, Caine notes, 94 percent of people did not go on to commit suicide by other means. Those findings have been echoed in research across cultures and methods. Mandatory waiting periods for handgun purchases have reduced suicides by firearm in the U.S.; restricting access to pesticides has curbed suicides in rural China; in the U.K., suicide rates went down when less lethal gas was used in kitchen ovens. “Suicide is often very ambivalent,” Caine says. “The spur-of-the-moment quality can’t be underestimated. It’s clear that when, figu-

Weeding Out the Competition

Cornell hosts the 'world series' of unwelcome greenery



Bio battle: The Ohio State team takes the field. Inset: Past champ Jason Parrish competes in glittery gloves.

A farmer toes the dirt uncomfortably, pausing in front of a row of soybeans. His fields, located about twenty miles outside Ithaca in rural Freeville, have been plagued by a resistant weed called mare's mane. Today, he has called in an agricultural consultant for help. "It's embarrassing," he tells her. "All the other farmers talk about it behind my back. I can't even show my face down at the local café."

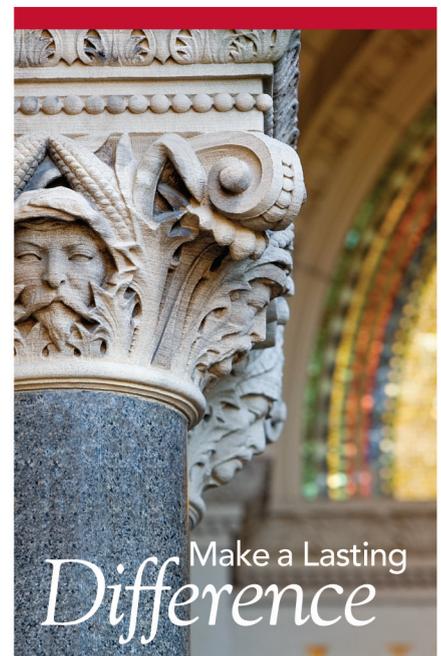
After inspecting the plot, the consultant can't determine the cause of the problem—so it's just as well that the entire scenario is fictional. It's all part of a role-playing event at the annual Northeastern Weed Science Society Competition, held in July at Cornell's vegetable research farm. The farmer is entomology professor Elson Shields, while the consultant is an undergraduate from Ontario's University of Guelph. "It's easy to read a book and then take a test," says Jessica Drennan '90, a horticulture technician at the research facility who also portrayed a farmer for the event. "But being out here in the field, you have to take your knowledge to the next level."

Drawing about a hundred competitors from as far away as Florida and Illinois, this "world series of weeds" consists of four main events: weed identification, herbicide identification, herbicide sprayer calibration, and grower problems. Plots of crops and weeds are planted weeks in advance, and many of the competition's organizers are experts in their field. The student teams study and practice for months, but the focus is on education and collegiality. "I'd rather learn something today than win something today," says Max Hendrickson, an undergrad from the University of Illinois. Ohio State University grad student Jason Parrish has won the competition three times; he now competes in an Ohio State headband and fingerless black gloves decorated with brightly colored sequins and glitter. The outfit, he says, is "a reminder that the competitors shouldn't take themselves too seriously."

As the weed control industry has changed over the last decade, so has the competition. Once dominated by issues pertaining to conventional agriculture, the events now include problems facing organic farmers and the managers of natural areas. Jules Ginenthal, a gardener from Cornell Plantations, plays a manager facing an invasive Japanese knotweed. "My problem kind of throws the students from an agricultural background for a loop," he says. "They're used to putting a dollar sign on their recommendations, but you can't put a price on a pristine natural area."

And what of the undergrad faced with mare's mane in the soybean field? She fell short of identifying the problem's underlying cause: that airborne seeds had been carried hundred of miles by thermal mixing and wind currents. (However, she got high marks for her methodology, and her team eventually won the undergrad division.) Shields points out that the phenomenon—one that he helped elucidate by tracking the long-range movement of airborne particles with model airplanes—was a relatively recent discovery in weed science. "That's one of the reasons we're here," he says, "to expose students to new ideas."

— Mark Fischer '08



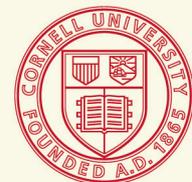
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Recognize the face: Bob Clendenin '86 in a scene from 'The Closer' and in a headshot (inset)

That Guy

Actor **Bob Clendenin '86** has forged a career as the walk-on weirdo of TV and film

Bob Clendenin '86 is the weird guy, the odd neighbor, the socially awkward coworker. He is a man infatuated with his pet mouse, which he insists can do a spot-on impression of a gerbil. He is an oncologist—who also happens to be a swinger. Sure, when the cameras aren't rolling he is an eminently likeable and decidedly normal guy. But as an actor, he has made a good living by playing characters who are—how best to put it?—off-center.

In fact, Clendenin is one of the busiest character actors in Hollywood. You may have noticed him in bit parts in movies from *L.A. Confidential* to *Dude, Where's My Car?* Maybe you've seen his TV com-

mercials for everything from State Farm to Bud Light. More likely, you've caught his appearances on some sixty television shows from "Monk" (the mouse guy) to "Scrubs" (the swinger/doctor). Along the way, he has emerged as a paragon of the subspecies of thespians that have come to be known, affectionately, as "that guy"—recognizable by face, but probably not by name.

Clendenin gladly trades fame for a regular paycheck, a juicy role, and a chance to utter some memorable lines. In a 2006 episode of "Ugly Betty," he played an eccentric fashion photographer who declared, "This child fell out of the ugly tree and hit every branch on the way

down." In a 2003 episode of "Joan of Arcadia," he was an electrician who also happened to be God. ("Hey, kid, it's me. You need proof? Fine. Sometimes you like to practice French kissing yourself in the mirror.") In a recurring role on "The Closer," he plays a quirky coroner's assistant who says things like, "Well, decapitations can be tricky because it's a procedure that in most cases will kill a person."

Often, while roaming Burbank (where he lives with his photographer wife, their two sons, and a pug named Helmut), Clendenin will get recognized—sort of. "I love getting approached by someone who says, 'I know you from somewhere,'" he says. "Often it's misdirected. They'll think, Did

we go to school together? Do you owe me money? Did you date my daughter?"

Most likely they wouldn't want their daughter dating one of Clendenin's TV characters, many of which have been downright creepy. And at six-foot-two and rail thin, the forty-six-year-old Clendenin happily admits that he looks the part. In fact, he defines a character actor as "the actor whom the audience doesn't want to sleep with." So he is the rare actor without an ego. Equally unexpected is this: amid the Hollywood audition process, he has embraced typecasting. "I think that's absolutely the best thing that can happen to you—to be a strong enough type that the producers and directors know exactly what to do with you," he says. "When you walk in the room, they need to know that you're that weird security guard who lives in the basement."

An Ohio native who spent most of his childhood in Australia, Clendenin arrived on the Hill as a fourth-generation Cornellian. He is the great-grandson of Robert H. Treman 1878—yes, the state park guy. "I tried it several times as a line to pick up women—unsuccessfully," says Clendenin. Technically he was an engi-

neering major, but he discovered acting early on (he co-founded the Whistling Shrimp improv group as a sophomore) and spent most of his time in the theater department, where his roles included Peter Quince in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and Launce in *Two Gentlemen of Verona*. His GPA plummeted accordingly, and Clendenin soon realized that, as he puts it, "the world would be safer if I wasn't designing bridges."

Instead, he earned an MFA in theater from Penn State. After performing in regional theater for a couple of years, Clendenin headed to Hollywood. He'd been told that his unique look ("a euphemism for weird-looking," he says) would play well in the type-specific world of film and television. Indeed, Bonnie Gillespie, a casting director who asked Clendenin to write the foreword to her book, *Self-Management for Actors*, claims Clendenin succeeded by understanding that, despite all the would-be-chameleons out there, Hollywood is really a town of specialists. "Rather than trying to be all things to all casting directors," she says, "he found his niche and became well-branded as 'that guy' when that's what casting directors needed."

It just so happens that this particular guy has portrayed a parade of misfits—characters with names like Slow Roger ("My Name is Earl") and Louis the Stalker ("Desperate Housewives") and Doofus ("Boomtown"). On several occasions, his scene-stealing performances have turned what was supposed to be a one-and-done part into a recurring role—for instance, his appearances as Earl, the Pricemart employee on "That '70s Show" who always blames his lateness on his dog.

Not that Clendenin, who co-founded the Circle X Theatre Company in Los Angeles, isn't a serious actor. Last January he traveled to Arizona to play several roles in the premiere of *To Lenny, With Love*, about composer Leonard Bernstein. And in June, he returned to Penn State for a production of *Wait Until Dark*. But Clendenin relishes the fact that those quirky roles will always be there. "Young, good-looking guys need to have hit it by the time they're twenty-eight, or there's another crop of young, good-looking guys," he explains. "But the weird postal worker lives on."

— Brad Herzog '90

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Family Tree

Population geneticist **Spencer Wells** explores humanity's ancient roots



Amateur genealogists may trace their lineage back a few centuries, finding an ancestor who stopped at Ellis Island or hitched a ride on the Mayflower. But when Spencer Wells talks about the human family tree, it's on the order of millennia. Wells, a population geneticist with the National Geographic Society, is currently serving a three-year term as a Frank H.T. Rhodes Class of '56 Professor. His latest book, Pandora's Seed, explores what he calls "the unforeseen cost" of human civilization.

Cornell Alumni Magazine: Your official job at National Geographic is "Explorer in Residence."

Spencer Wells: It's a great title, though somewhat oxymoronic.

CAM: Does it say "explorer" on your business cards?

SW: Believe it or not, it does.

CAM: How cool is that?

SW: Yeah, I love it.

CAM: The classic image of an explorer is a Victorian in a pith helmet penetrating the wilds of Africa. In our wired, Google-mapped world, is it still possible to be an explorer?

SW: There is still exploration to be done, but not in the same way as when it was meant to claim territory for the crown. It's not just about going to exotic places. Now it's motivated by scientific discovery.

CAM: Part of your job is directing the society's Genographic Project. What is that?

SW: We humans are close to identical at

the genetic level—99.9 percent or so. But of course there is variation, and in population genetics we study the patterns of that variation to infer past demographic events. The Genographic Project is studying basic questions about human history. Where do we come from as a species? Am I related to that person down the block or to someone halfway around the world? We use genetic markers to study how people have migrated around the planet over the last 60,000 years or so.

CAM: In addition to studying the genomes of tribal peoples, the project has sold more than 365,000 mail-in test kits. Why have so many people spent \$100 to have their DNA analyzed?

SW: It's partly the idea that you're carrying this history book inside you that you can't read on your own. We're helping them decipher this historical document.

CAM: What did you learn from having your own DNA tested?

SW: My dad's family came from England many generations ago, so I'm carrying the genetic lineage common in English men. But before they were in England, they over-wintered the worst part of the last ice age in Spain. Before that they were in central Asia, so roughly 40,000 years ago they were hunting woolly mammoths on the steppes of what is now Kazakhstan and Ukraine. And before that they were part of the first wave of migration out of Africa into the Middle East, roughly

45,000 years ago. Ultimately they trace back to Africa within the last 50,000 years, just like everybody else.

CAM: One of the most striking parts of *Pandora's Seed* is the chart showing that by some measures—like height and bone density—humans were extremely healthy 10,000 years ago, then saw steep declines that have reversed only in the last century. How is that possible?

SW: Early on, it probably had to do with the shift away from a diverse diet. The average hunter-gatherer in the Middle East prior to the development of wheat and barley agriculture was subsisting on about 150 plants, plus the animals they killed. Once you make the shift it drops to about eight; you go from a diverse diet with lots of nutrients to relatively simple carbs. Male Paleolithic hunter-gatherers were five-foot-nine, five-ten, and that dropped to about five-three within a couple of thousand years, and it took a long time to get back to those heights.

CAM: Why did agriculture win out?

SW: Because you can grow more people. That's ultimately what it's all about—a numbers game.

CAM: In the book, you visit places from

Vienna to Polynesia to . . . Dollywood. What did a Tennessee theme park teach you about human history?

SW: I didn't set out to trek to Dollywood; we were driving somewhere and my kids wanted to ride rollercoasters. But what I noticed was the incredible prevalence of obesity. I talk about how the food that's meant to nourish us is killing us through Type 2 diabetes, heart disease, and cancer. So what about our way of life led to that?

CAM: That connects to this "unforeseen cost of civilization" that you talk about in your book. Can you elaborate?

SW: First we have to ask, why are we agriculturists? It's an unusual thing to do; as far as we know we are the only species that consciously made this decision to shift from being hunter-gatherers.

CAM: So why are we a species of farmers?

SW: When the last ice age ended roughly 15,000 years ago, people around the world started to focus on gathering grains like wheat, barley, rice, and the ancestor of corn. These were fantastic sources of carbohydrates and calories, and populations expanded and settled into villages. But the melting ice caused a massive lake to form in North America. Eventually that cold water flowed into the North Atlantic and killed the Gulf Stream, and the Northern Hemisphere was plunged back into an ice age for about 1,000 years. Yet people had built villages; they couldn't just become nomadic hunter-gatherers again. So a few began planting their food, and when this tough period ended population expanded massively. People over-hunted animals, so they were forced to domesticate cattle, sheep, and goats, and that introduced new diseases. So there were unintended consequences, even early on, from this decision to plant seeds.

CAM: What lessons can humans learn from this ancient past?

SW: Our society continues to have this image of ourselves expanding infinitely, that resources are unlimited, and now we're coming to see the costs of that thinking. The lesson is that we need to stop expanding so much—to learn to want less, to be more like our ancestors who lived more in "harmony" with nature. There's no reason for a hunter-gatherer to kill 50,000 antelope or 500 or even five. They kill what they need on a daily basis; any more is just waste. But for us, excess is part of how we live.

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Cornell tackles the ‘two-body problem’
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Every new mom acquires a wealth of skills as she adapts to parenthood. For Liz Karns, that included tending to her infant daughter on transcontinental flights to and from London, where Karns’s husband, Tad Brennan, was on the philosophy faculty at King’s College. “Her nursery was American Airlines,” says Karns, a lawyer and public health statistician who at the time lived in Wilmington, Delaware, where she had founded a company to conduct epidemiological studies for chemical companies.

Together for twenty-five years, the couple has been “doing dual-careerish things the whole time,” as Karns puts it. Sixteen years ago that meant raising a young family—and pursuing

careers—on two continents. By 2005, both Karns and Brennan had found rewarding work in Chicago. So when Cornell’s Sage School of Philosophy recruited Brennan to its faculty in 2007, the couple thought long and hard about whether to make the move to Ithaca.

In physics, the challenge of anticipating the motion of a moon orbiting a planet or an electron whizzing around the nucleus of an atom is known as the “two-body problem.” On campuses across the country, the term is increasingly deployed to describe the challenge couples face in seeking satisfying jobs when one partner—or both—works in academia. In a 2008 study, the Clayman Institute for Gender Research at Stanford

found that 72 percent of full-time faculty have working partners; in half of those couples, both are academics. “Universities are in danger of losing prized candidates if suitable employment cannot be found for a partner,” the authors write. “A full 88 percent of faculty who successfully negotiated a dual hire at their current institution indicated that the first hire would have refused the position had her or his partner not found appropriate employment. Slightly more than 20 percent also report that they or their partner have taken a job at a less prestigious institution to improve the couple’s overall employment situation.”

No one knows exactly how many dual-career couples there are at Cornell. Ecology and evolutionary biology chairman Nelson Hairston served from 2006 to 2009 as senior associate dean for the College of Arts and Sciences. During that time, he says, at least 25 percent of his workload involved the two-body problem. “Whether trying to get them to come here or trying to keep them here,” he says, “it’s a huge effort in Ithaca, where there aren’t a lot of options for spouses.”

In 2001, Cornell’s Office of Human Resources hired Betsy Hillman to serve as the University’s full-time dual-career consultant, the first post of its kind in the Ivy League. Hillman provides résumé assistance, furnishes local networking contacts, and offers general job-search support for partners of faculty and top-tier administrators. “It’s not something where I give people some websites and say, ‘Let me know when you find a job,’” she says. “I sometimes talk of my work as ‘job search partner,’ or [describe the process as] ‘managed serendipity.’ I can’t do it for them or provide the serendipity, but I can provide the management.”

Each year roughly sixty people contact her for assistance. When the University publishes its annual list of new faculty, Hill-

man recognizes about 55 percent of the names. “The 45 percent I don’t know may be single,” she says, “or they may have a partner who found a job on their own, is staying home with family, or is also on the faculty but has a different last name and negotiated the appointment without contacting me.”

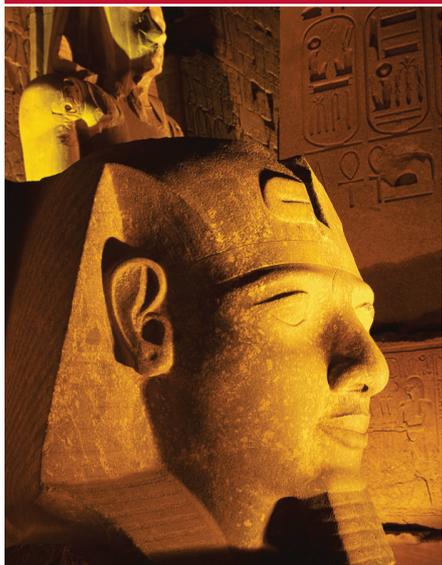
Associate professors Jennifer Thaler and Anurag Agrawal fall into the latter category. The chemical ecologists met on their first day of graduate school at the University of California, Davis, in 1994 and after doing postdocs there and in the Netherlands landed assistant professorships at the University of Toronto. Hairston, who describes the pair as “superb scientists,” invited them to apply to his department. “The challenge when you’ve identified someone you really want and they have a spouse who’s excellent, too, is that you have to find the funds for a second position and a department that’s appropriate,” he says. “Getting all the pieces together can be challenging—especially when you’re not only trying to line up things at Cornell, but do it quickly enough that they don’t get snapped up by some other university.”

Karns, who was transitioning from a career as a lawyer in private practice, says having Hillman’s support through the job search process made a huge difference. She ultimately accepted a post as a lecturer in Industrial and Labor Relations, where she started out teaching introductory statistics. She now also offers a sophomore writing seminar on statistical applications in law and public policy as well as a course on occupational epidemiology. “Tad and I were clear that we wouldn’t move unless we both had an offer,” she says. “Ithaca is the kind of town where if you come without a job in your field, it’s really hard to get one.”

— Sharon Tregaskis '95

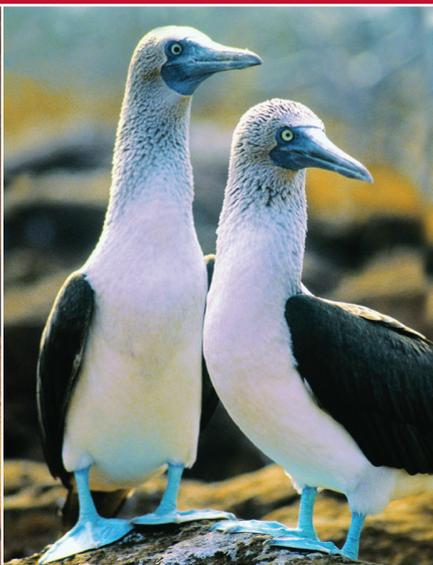
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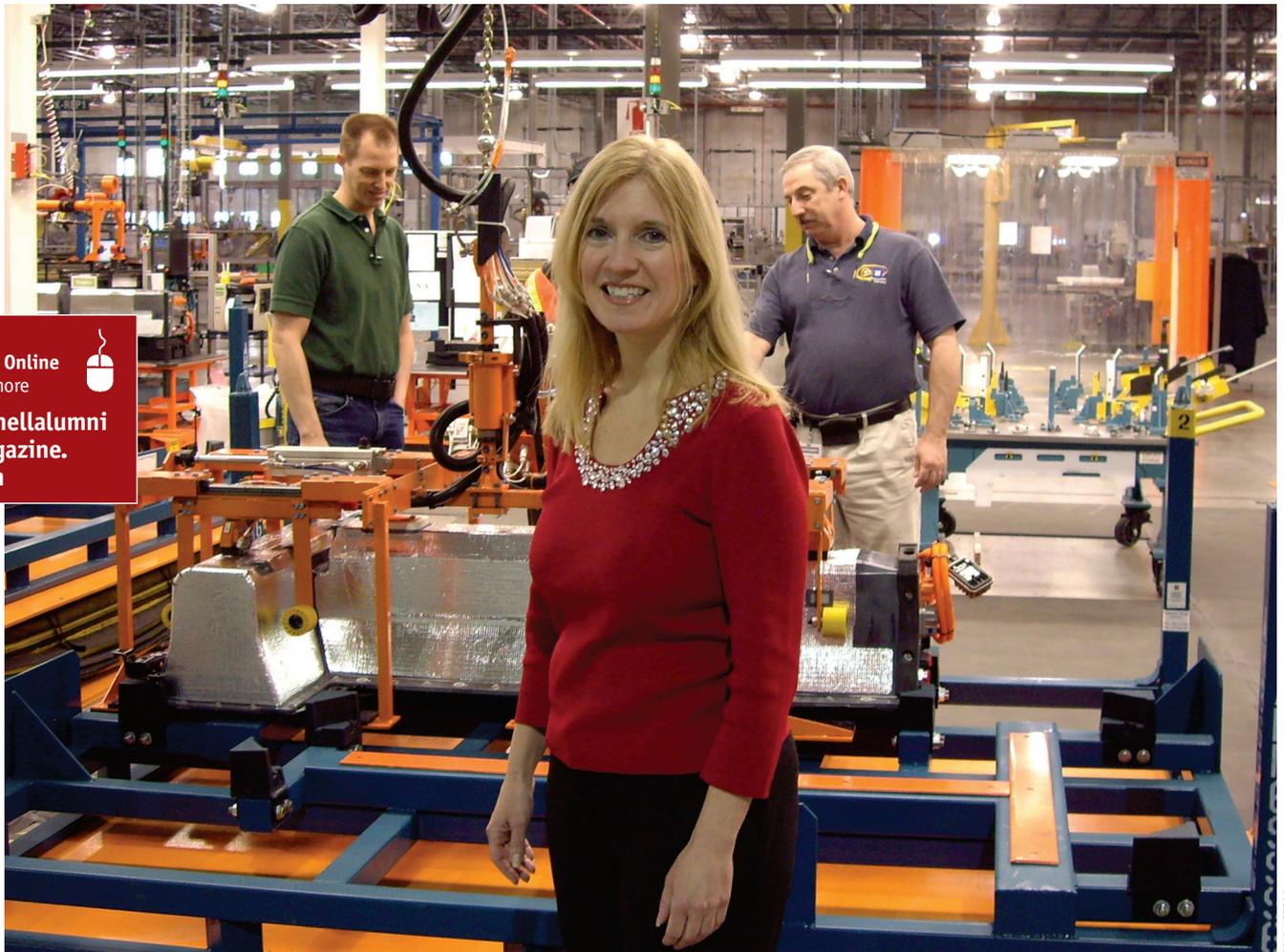


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Position of Power

As GM pins its hopes on the Chevy Volt, Nancy Laubenthal '85, MS '87, is in charge of building its key component



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Charged up: Nancy Laubenthal '85, MS '87, in GM's Brownstown Battery Assembly Plant

In August 2009, Nancy Laubenthal '85, MS '87, found herself in a vacant warehouse full of possibilities. As the newly named manager of the Brownstown Battery Assembly Plant just south of Detroit, she watched as a General Motors PR team unveiled what just might be an automotive revolution.

This place, the assembled media were told, is where GM will become the first major automaker to manufacture an advanced lithium-ion battery pack in the United States. The battery would be the heart of a new concept car known as the Chevrolet Volt, representing a milestone for GM—and perhaps a jolt of energy for the American auto industry. But as Laubenthal now admits, at the time the goal seemed awfully ambitious. “It was totally empty here,” she recalls, standing in the center of a now fully

functional, 160,000-square-foot plant. “And I wondered if people were going to believe us.”

Available in late fall with a sticker price of \$41,000 (before a federal tax credit), the Volt is designed to be what GM has dubbed “an electric vehicle with extended range capability.” It can be driven up to forty miles on electricity, requiring no gasoline and producing no emissions. Once the battery is depleted, a flex-fuel engine-generator (the company doesn't call it an “engine”) takes over, extending the total range to about 300 miles. GM has invested some \$700 million in eight Michigan facilities for Volt-related production, including \$43 million in the Brownstown plant. “It's probably the most exciting project to be working on in the company,” says Laubenthal. And she's the type

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who welcomes a challenge: she has climbed a glacier and gone tandem paragliding in the French Alps, and plans to ascend Mount Kilimanjaro.

At the Brownstown plant, one of her first tasks was to assemble a work force, identifying people who could run a lean operation—meaning that many are experts in their area but also able to wear different hats. This initial group was followed by another hiring wave, for a workforce that now totals thirty and will eventually reach 100. "We had to create a lot of the training, because we haven't built batteries before," Laubenthal says. "We can't go to another plant and get that exposure."

Her second major challenge: overseeing installation of new machinery to fill that once-empty warehouse. The battery—T-shaped, about five feet long, weighing close to 400 pounds—is produced in three primary assembly areas. First, the more than 200 cells that will make up the battery's three linked modules are assembled in an entirely automated process. Next, the mechanics and electronics of each module are completed, also primarily an automated process. Last, the modules are assembled into the T-shape, a labor-intensive procedure given the need to verify that all connections are functioning properly.

These forays into uncharted territory regarding manpower and machinery were made even more challenging by an aggressive timetable. In January, the first battery was produced. From there, the plant ramped up through a series of "block builds," as more batteries were assembled for testing purposes. Then they were put through their paces to gauge durability and performance under extremes of heat, cold, and usage. Testers also scrutinized the interface between the battery and the vehicle itself. Full production is scheduled to begin in late 2010—barely fourteen months after Laubenthal stood inside the nearly empty plant and worried about meeting expectations. "It is going just as I envisioned," she says. "But I also know that the closer you get to actually launching, the more focus and adrenaline it will take."

An Ohio native who grew up about forty-five miles south of the Brownstown plant, Laubenthal has spent her entire career at GM. After earning a bachelor's in chemical engineering, she participated in a Cornell program that combined an advanced degree with real-world experience, spending half her time on the Hill pursuing a master's in chemical engineering funded by GM and the remainder as a salaried employee.

Although mechanical and electrical engineers are more common in the auto

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industry, Laubenthal's background was well-suited to her first position in GM's paint and polymers department, as the company was changing from solvent-based paint technology to a more eco-friendly waterborne application (the subject of Laubenthal's master's thesis). She spent her first decade at GM in an engineering role, examining potential improvements in materials, processes, and equipment and then implementing changes at manufacturing sites. In her second decade, she has gained executive experience in manufacturing at various Michigan facilities, overseeing the start-up of a new paint shop in Lansing and managing general assembly in Flint; she also ran the General Motors Europe Paint &

Polymers Center in Germany. Laubenthal, who earned an MBA from the University of Michigan, also did a stint as chief of staff of GM's manufacturing and labor relations team.

The breadth of her GM education coalesced in May 2009 when she was offered the Brownstown job. "In the beginning, my focus was on advanced technology, and I found it very interesting—the learning, the chance to see an industry change," says Laubenthal. "But there's part of me that likes the manufacturing side. I like to see the product come out the door, to be on the floor solving problems and working with people. So this is the best of all worlds."

— Brad Herzog '09

Smashing News

Computer scientists break into the world of synthetic sounds

A dinner plate falls to the ground, emitting a loud crash as it shatters into dozens of tinkling shards. This is no dining hall mishap—it's a computer simulation. For the past year, computer science professor Doug James and graduate student Changxi Zheng have been developing a method for digitally synthesizing the sounds of fracturing materials. They presented their work at SIGGRAPH, a major computer graphics conference, in Los Angeles in July.

Digital sound design has historically relied on repetitive, prerecorded samples, but James and Zheng hope their technology—which creates original sounds based on the physical properties of the objects in question—will someday be used in movies, video games, and training simulations to offer more distinct experiences. "We've got these compelling scenes that look visually interesting," James says of the current crop of computer-generated entertainment, "but they're basically silent movies." In addition to their fracture work, the pair has also collaborated on synthesizing the sounds of fluid interactions like splashing water, research they presented at SIGGRAPH 2009.

Their fracture algorithm first calculates the shapes of the fragments created from the breaking object; the computer then estimates each fragment's vibration based on the energy of the impact and extrapolates the sound it would create. Finally, those noises are combined to create the sound of the object being broken.

To save processing time, the algorithm takes a shortcut: it replaces the virtual fragments with simpler shapes that have similar sound properties. Still, the simulations can take several hours. James and Zheng hope that with advances in processing speed, sound designers will be using their method within five years. "Twenty or thirty years ago people started to model objects and synthesize images to look as close as possible to a real photo," Zheng says. "We have the same mission for sound."

— Marc Campasano '11



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Wines of the Finger Lakes

There was a bit of a surprise at this year's International Eastern Wine Competition, held May 19–21 in Watkins Glen, New York. Sponsored by *Vineyard and Winery Management* magazine, this competition is one of the oldest and largest in the U.S. Thousands of wines from more than thirty states and a dozen countries were evaluated by a large team of judges.

Typically, Finger Lakes wineries do quite well in the Riesling categories. So it was no surprise that Dr. Frank won this year's award for best sweet Riesling, or that Chateau Lafayette Reneau was judged to have the best semi-sweet Riesling. The top honors for dry Riesling, however, went to Eagle Crest Vineyards, a much less well-known player.

Eagle Crest began its life as O-Neh-Da winery in 1872. The only winery on Hemlock Lake, thirty miles south of Rochester, it was founded by Bishop Bernard McQuaid to pro-

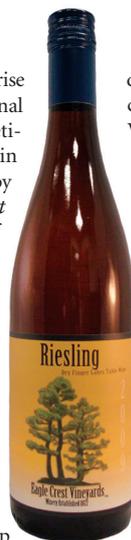
duce sacramental wine for the Catholic church. Now owned by Eagle Crest Vineyards, O-Neh-Da continues to make 15,000 cases of sacramental wine per year.

Under its own name, Eagle Crest has annual production of approximately 3,500 cases of non-sacramental table wines. The award-winning 2009 Dry Riesling was made from grapes purchased from two growers, one located on the southeast side of Seneca Lake, the other on the northwest side of Cayuga Lake. It has a solid core of peachy Riesling character and a lingering finish that ends on a distinctive gingery note. Try it with pork dishes, roasted vegetables, roast duck, or spicy Thai curries.

Eagle Crest wines are sold at the winery and in stores in the Finger Lakes region. They may also be purchased on the winery's website, www.eaglecrestvineyards.com.

— Dave Pohl

Dave Pohl, MA '79, is a wine buyer at Northside Wine & Spirits in Ithaca.



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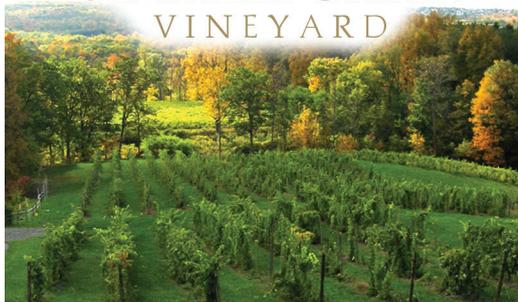


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Big time: Head coach Kent Austin won pro championships as a player and coach and was the offensive coordinator at Ole Miss for the past two years.

Operation Fresh Start

Can Kent Austin revitalize Cornell football?

By Zach Schonbrun

On a sunny Saturday in 1990, the Cornell football team, seeking its second share of the Ivy League title in three years, led Penn 21–15, with one minute and thirty seconds left in the final game of the season. The Big Red defense spread out as Quaker quarterback Doug Hensch, on fourth-and-six, ran a play-action pass. He rolled to his right, looking for receiver Mohamed Ali along the sideline, and threw.

ROBERT BARKER / UP

Those who remember what happened next—the pass falling to the turf incomplete, the ecstatic celebration on the field, the euphoric revelry in the stands—believed that Cornell was finally building *something*. The head coach—Jim Hofher '79, a former star quarterback—was in his first year, and Cornell had also posted winning seasons in 1987 and 1988.

But twenty years have passed since the Big Red last won a share of the Ivy League football title, and Cornell has still never won an outright Ivy championship—a fact that gnaws at its tight-knit alumni base. Over the past decade, the program has sputtered along erratically: with only three winning Ivy seasons, its .300 winning percentage is the third-lowest in the league. This is especially glaring given the recent success of the University's programs in basketball, hockey, lacrosse, wrestling, track and field, and other sports.

In January, Cornell hired a new head coach, the fourth since Hofher left in 1997, and already the hopeful mantra "Operation Fresh Start" is being tossed around the football offices. It is a new start, surely, but its freshness rests on the ingenuity of Kent Austin and the continued support of athletic director Andy Noel, who recently lobbied successfully for an improved financial aid program. It was a triumph for Cornell athletics—a "do-or-die" move, Noel said—and as a housewarming gift it may have provided some comfort to Austin, who walked into his new office facing a major challenge.

Champions: The 1990 Big Red team celebrated an Ivy League title with head coach Jim Hofher '79.

There are two doors into Kent Austin's new office, both of which are usually open, a requirement for a man who is mostly in motion. Austin is fidgety, restless; on one hot afternoon in July, he had paused film on the flat-screen TV above his desk to chase after a recruit and his family as they toured the football offices. He was bubbling with energy, like the coffee machine sitting on his side table.

In only a few months, Austin and his staff had already evaluated nearly 2,000 athletes from around the country—astonishingly quick work, considering that only a short time ago he was so focused on University of Mississippi football players that he had no clue Cornell was looking to hire a new head coach. His name was suggested by Mike Gibson, a former colleague (and former Cornell football coach).

Gibson, currently offensive coordinator for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League, worked with Austin in the CFL, when he was the Grey Cup-winning head coach of Saskatchewan. Austin spent fifteen years in the CFL as a quarterback and then a coach before returning to his alma mater, Ole Miss, as an offensive coordinator in 2008. He was so certain he was going to remain there that he hadn't updated his résumé.

But when Jim Knowles '87 resigned after six seasons in Ithaca, that changed. Noel quickly began compiling options for a replacement, and he received more than 120 applications. He took twenty-one names and called a friend, Marc Trestman, a longtime NFL coordinator who is now head coach of the CFL's

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Montreal Alouettes. When Noel got to Austin's name, there was silence on the other end of the phone.

"You can't get him," Trestman said. "He's a big-time coach who's out of reach." Noel was undaunted. "I knew it was a long shot, but I had to try," he recalls. "So I called Kent."

Before arriving in Ithaca to interview for the job, Austin had never visited Upstate New York. His lone experience with Ivy League football was one trip to the Yale Bowl in his youth. But it was precisely this unfamiliarity that appealed to Noel, who believed that an outsider's perspective was needed to refresh the program. And Austin was enamored with the prospect of running a program again. "To have the opportunity to be a head coach again was key," he says. "To be hired to build a real program, and not just build a team, was a great challenge. And I like good challenges."

Austin has already made important strides, starting with the recruiting program. The coaches are now using a new database that Austin designed. (He did a similar overhaul at Mississippi.) It has digital files for every prospect, including film, scouting reports, transcripts, and financial information. The files can be swapped across the coaches' network, so several sets of eyes can view one recruit's portfolio simultaneously. (In previous years, the offices were stacked with films and reports, most of which piled up and weren't easily passed along.)

The database allows Austin to cast a wider net—a necessary step, he says, in order to find recruits who can be admitted to Cornell. According to recruiting coordinator David Archer '05, Cornell had 390 prospects on its target list in mid-July last year;



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Cornell Football 1991-2009

Close calls and major letdowns

The Big Red football team last won a share of the Ivy championship in 1990 under head coach Jim Hofher '79. Here are the head coaches and their records since then:

1991	Jim Hofher	5-5; 4-3 Ivy, tie-4th
1992	Jim Hofher	7-3; 4-3 Ivy, tie-4th
1993	Jim Hofher	4-6; 3-4 Ivy, tie-4th
1994	Jim Hofher	6-4; 3-4 Ivy, tie-4th
1995	Jim Hofher	6-4; 5-2 Ivy, tie-2nd
1996	Jim Hofher	4-6; 4-3 Ivy, tie-3rd
1997	Jim Hofher	6-4; 4-3 Ivy, tie-3rd
1998	Pete Mangurian	4-6; 1-6 Ivy, tie-7th
1999	Pete Mangurian	7-3; 5-2 Ivy, tie-3rd
2000	Pete Mangurian	5-5; 5-2 Ivy, tie-2nd
2001	Tim Pendergast	2-7; 2-5 Ivy, tie-6th
2002	Tim Pendergast	4-6; 3-4 Ivy, tie-5th
2003	Tim Pendergast	1-9; 0-7 Ivy, 8th
2004	Jim Knowles	4-6; 4-3 Ivy, 3rd
2005	Jim Knowles	6-4; 4-3 Ivy, tie-4th
2006	Jim Knowles	5-5; 3-4 Ivy, tie-4th
2007	Jim Knowles	5-5; 2-5 Ivy, 7th
2008	Jim Knowles	4-6; 2-5 Ivy, tie-6th
2009	Jim Knowles	2-8; 1-6 Ivy, 8th

Athletic director Andy Noel

at the same time this year, it had 746. "This database allows us to find the kid who chooses Cornell," says Archer.

Austin has hired five assistant coaches, each with significant ties to the South. They've divided the southern states into six recruiting regions, placing strategic emphasis on tapping a football hotbed where Cornell has not made significant inroads. It's a necessary approach, Archer says, and a notion lifted from other successful Big Red programs, especially basketball: look outside the heavily recruited Northeast.

The recruiting program has also benefited from alumni donations, and Austin firmly believes that he can bring in the talent he needs to field a winning team. "If I didn't believe we could win here, I wouldn't have left the job that I had," he says. "I had a pretty good job."

Austin's coaching pedigree is built upon offensive creativity, and while he won't go into specifics, he indicates that his on-field schemes won't be copied from Knowles's playbook. "I didn't even look at it," he says, grinning. Austin also says that he expects a great deal from his players, down to the details of how they wear their jerseys and keep their lockers. He is crafting a code of conduct that he believes his players will adhere to if they value being on the team.

"He's here to build a program," says Buck Briggs '76, the team's radio color analyst. "He's here to establish a system, so we know what Cornell football is."

Austin inherited a young team that lost its top four offensive contributors and two of its starting offensive linemen. He also inherited a tight inner circle of football alumni, whose deep well of optimism hasn't dried out entirely.

On the morning of July 31, the first group teed off at Cornell's Robert Trent Jones Golf Course in the annual Cornell Football Association (CFA) group scramble. Nearly 300 golfers took part in the outing, which last year netted more than \$150,000 for the football program.

The CFA was founded in 1994 by Mark Allen '74, a former Big Red quarterback, simply as a way for former players and coaches to stay in touch. It has matured into a worldwide network of nearly 1,400 members, with a newsletter, annual regional receptions, phonathons, tailgate parties, and a steadily rising fundraising total. "I felt that there needed to be a focal point for families and friends of Cornell football," says Allen. "They could always come and look for the CFA tent."

The golf tournament is the CFA's major annual event, and its growth parallels the group's expansion in power and influence: in 1994, the tournament's first year, it brought in \$4,000; ten years later, the outing raised \$160,000.

In 2005, the CFA helped to fund construction of a Hall of Fame wing in Schoellkopf Hall, including a "Tradition Room" that houses the artifacts of Cornell football's deep past. Behind glass doors reside Cornell's national championship trophies along with other memorabilia, including game balls from notable victories. It is a recruiter's dream—a glimmering showcase for a rich legacy of success. But the photographs of bygone champions are as taunting as they are inspiring.

When the Ivy League was founded in 1956, Cornell went 1-8, its worst record since 1935. The league was established to ensure common practices across the member colleges, including the policy of not allowing athletic scholarships. But some alumni point to the league's inception as the beginning of Cornell's decline—or perhaps more accurately, the end of its reign of dominance. "Maybe the restrictions that the Ivy League placed had a larger impact on us than on other schools," says CFA president John Morehouse '72, ME '73. "For whatever reason, that seemed to be the turning point for the program to go downhill."

There are two major challenges that put Cornell in a unique—and unfavorable—position with regard to recruiting

football players. The first is its admissions process, which, unlike at other universities, does not rely on a centralized office. Instead, prospective students must apply to one of Cornell's seven undergraduate colleges, each with different evaluation procedures.

Noel states that the process is less efficient than at the other Ivy schools and requires an academic focus that some students aren't ready to settle on at age eighteen. But he acknowledges it is one of Cornell's idiosyncrasies that would not be easy to change. "That's our process," he says. "I wish it could be simplified, but each of the colleges has a dean who dictates policy and protocol for their college." (Like the other Ivy League schools, Cornell also must adhere to the Academic Index, a formula that applies common admissions standards for all athletic prospects.)

Austin, spinning the issue positively, says that the University's unique structure forces him to find athletes who have the aptitude and desire to be here. Nonetheless, it is a less streamlined approach than other Ivy schools take. "It is more of a challenge," admits CFA member Fred Devlin '67. "But it's always been difficult at Cornell."

The second challenge is financial aid. Because Cornell is the largest Ivy, its financial aid funds are spread wider and thinner than they are at the other schools. Some of the richer Ivies calculate need more aggressively than Cornell—and this can put the Big Red at a distinct disadvantage.

Prior to 1991, the Ivy schools routinely shared information about financial aid offers to avoid putting prospective students in the position of choosing a school simply because of a better aid package. But the U.S. Department of Justice sued the league, on the grounds that this practice was a violation of antitrust laws. The member schools agreed to sign a consent decree, pledging not to collude with regard to financial aid packages.

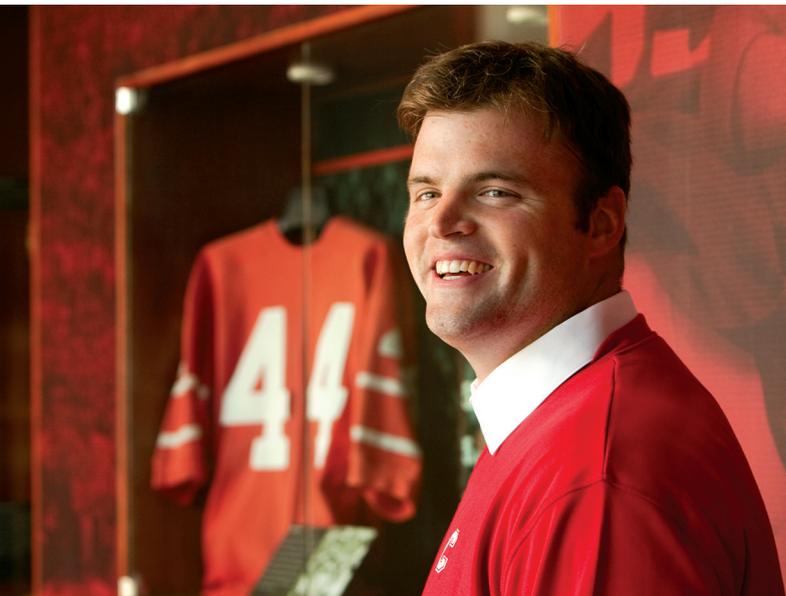
In recent years, several Ivy schools have significantly bumped up their financial aid programs for all students, including athletes, based on a different means of calculating aid. While they have not violated the league's prohibition against athletic scholarships, their aid packages have often been more attractive than Cornell's offers—and, in some cases, compete with scholarships from such big-time football schools as Stanford and Northwestern.

To address this problem, President David Skorton and a subcommittee of trustees recently recommended a program that will allow Cornell to match any financial aid package within the Ivy League—a policy change that Noel deems critical.

"Without this step, over time we would find ourselves at the bottom of the Ivy League in almost every sport," he says. "It's naïve for someone to believe that a significant difference in an aid package does not direct the decision [to attend a school]. Is it everything? No. Is it a considerable variable in the mix that often dictates a decision? Yes. And we know that from years of conversations with students who explain to us why they've chosen another school."

For years, alumni have complained that financial aid disparities have been a dragging weight on Cornell's program. "We're not acting, we're reacting," says Dan Leonard '79. "You can talk to the coaches, and they'll give you plenty of examples of kids they've lost to other Ivy schools." Buck Briggs agrees, saying that "other schools have had a financial advantage. If everybody plays on equal footing and Cornell can match [aid offers], it would be very beneficial."

While Austin applauds the recent efforts to improve Cornell's financial aid for student-athletes, he doesn't see it as the single solution for the football program. "Certainly I want to have as even a playing field with regard to financial aid as anybody else, so we can compete toe-to-toe," he says. "That being



Assistant coach/recruiting coordinator
David Archer '05

said, it's also my job to figure out how to get it done if it's not even, and to think creatively to find players the other schools aren't finding."

The new coach believes his database and wider net of recruiting will help alleviate the admissions and financial aid problems—"frontloading" the process, he says, so fewer athletes are turned away and end up in different uniforms. And after only a few months on the job, Austin firmly believes that the players who can make Cornell successful again are out there—and he can get them.

The CFA members are impressed. "I've experienced so many different coaches now that I can see very quickly what Kent's strengths are," Morehouse says. "He's the real deal."

Part of Austin's explanation for why he took the Cornell job was because he wanted to be the one to revive a slumbering football giant from twenty years of hibernation. He waves off the notion that Cornell's campus won't get behind a good team. "The support is there, and the people are hungry," he says. "You have all the elements—so when you do accomplish it, it means more. It means something on a deeper level for everybody involved."

In the last five years, Cornell has boosted its football recruiting budget, renovated its locker room and coaching offices,

replaced the turf field, and built the "Tradition" room. A new million-dollar scoreboard and reconstruction of the West stands are anticipated for 2011. And Kent Austin is spreading the word: in the spring, he visited six CFA events in different locations around the country, meeting and greeting a proud base whose confidence hasn't eroded.

"We've been disappointed with football over the last few years," Devlin says. "Nobody's satisfied with mediocre performance—but nobody's walking away."

There is renewed optimism in Schoellkopf Hall—that old building that has witnessed so much—and that slight notion, however fragile, is a welcome feeling around the program these days. On the wall of assistant coach Pete DeStefano's office hangs an old black-and-white aerial photograph of the Crescent brimming with fans before a game. He looks at it and sighs. "That's why it would be so special to win again. This place will erupt." ■

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The Big Red Team

Cornell's nickname is derived from a song about the football team written by Romeyn Berry 1904 and first performed at a game in 1905.

*See them plunging down to the goal,
See the ruddy banners stream;
Hear the crashing echoes roll
As we cheer for the Big Red team.
Yea! Yea! Yea!*

[Refrain]
*Cheer till the sound wakes the blue hills around;
Make the scream of the north wind yield
To the strength of the yell from the men of Cornell
As the Big Red team takes the field!
Yea! Yea!*

*Ten thousand strong we march, march along
From our home on the gray rock height,
Oh, the vic'try is sealed when the team takes the field
As we cheer for the Red and White.*

*Where the towers rise o'er the lake,
There our fires in the night shall gleam;
And the ivied walls shall quake
As we cheer for the Big Red team.
Yea! Yea! Yea!*



When he's not traveling the globe as president of the relief organization World Vision, Richard Stearns '73 is exhorting his fellow Christians to practice what they preach

What Would Jesus Do?

By Beth Saulnier

Richard Stearns '73 took a roundabout route to running the world's largest Christian relief organization. He was raised in a secular household and didn't find religion until his twenties. When he met his future wife, Renée Legg Stearns '75, on a blind date shortly before he graduated, she offered him an evangelical pamphlet—and he compared her faith to belief in the Easter Bunny.

After earning an undergraduate degree in neurobiology and an MBA from Penn, he spent more than two decades in corporate America, helming the board-game company Parker Brothers at age thirty-three and eventually running Lenox, Inc., purveyors of fine china and crystal. Stearns had grown up in a household that lived paycheck to paycheck, financing his education with loans and summer work; when he was tapped

to head World Vision, he had a plum job with a corner office and a company Jaguar. As he told the organization's recruiter: "You seem to be looking for someone who is part CEO, part Mother Teresa, and part Indiana Jones."

*Stearns took the job in 1998—a decision that required a cross-country move, a massive pay cut, and much prayer and inner turmoil. In his 2009 book, *The Hole in Our Gospel*, Stearns describes his struggle to accept that God had called him to serve as World Vision's president and offers his own journey as an example of how Christians, no matter how imperfect, can dedicate themselves to improving this world as well as finding salvation in the next. The book's title refers to its central thesis: that American evangelical Christians have lost touch with essential Biblical teachings about aiding those less fortunate. As he writes, "Focusing almost exclusively on the afterlife reduces the importance of what God expects of us in this life."*

Stearns and his wife live in Bellevue, Washington—though he spends much of his work life on the road, visiting World Vision sites worldwide. They have five children, including Andy Stearns '04 and Hannah Stearns '07.

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Helping hand: Richard Stearns '73 with an injured earthquake victim in Port-au-Prince, Haiti





Back to work: After a cyclone struck Myanmar, World Vision helped fund an economic recovery program for small businesses.

Cornell Alumni Magazine: When you travel to severely impoverished communities, how can you bear it? How can you stand to see that human suffering?

Richard Stearns: The first two years that I had this job, my wife called me “the crying president” because I was constantly in tears. I would see things and then I would give a speech a month later, and as I was recounting what I’d seen I would start to cry. But after twelve years of doing this, I went to Haiti a week after the earthquake and saw dead bodies lying in the streets, and you could smell the decay—it was just horrible. And I almost hate to say it, but I didn’t cry. It still hits me, but I’ve seen so much that I’ve developed some defense mechanisms. When you do this kind of work, there’s a lot of burnout potential, so you have to celebrate the victories. If you dwell on the failures—on the enormity of the problems, the people you can’t help—you’ll become overwhelmed and go screaming into the night.

CAM: How is World Vision different from other international aid groups?

RS: Many charities do one thing like hunger, clean water, housing, health care, or microfinance. All of those are good. But if a charity comes into a desperately poor community and helps develop the food supply so that malnutrition goes down—but you don’t have access to health care, you don’t have a school for your children, you don’t have clean water and sanitation, you don’t have a job—then you’re still poor. Unless you tackle those things simultaneously, the community will never pull itself out of the rut of poverty. World Vision tries to do multiple things, believing that unless you address all the root causes, a community will remain poor.

CAM: Does being faith-based affect World Vision’s approach?

RS: It does. For instance, our staff worldwide tend to live with the poor. They don’t live across town in the rich communities and drive to work, they live in the slums of Calcutta. Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, we’re available to the people we serve. I once mentioned that to the head of the Gates Foundation in India, and he was shocked. He said, “How can you get your people to do that?” And I said, “Well, that’s what happens when you’re motivated by your faith.”

CAM: When you were running Lenox, you could judge your success by how much china and crystal you sold. How can you tell if World Vision is fulfilling its mission?

RS: In for-profits, success is measured by money. How much did you make, what was the earnings per share? In the nonprofit arena, the end is the work you’re doing. At World Vision it’s helping people out of poverty—and how do you measure lives transformed? But we can measure things like: How many people in a community in Africa now have access to clean water and sanitation that didn’t five years ago? What percentage of K–8 children are in school full-time? How many children have been inoculated? How many households are using bed nets to protect against malaria? How many people attended your HIV/AIDS prevention seminar? We often say at World Vision that we’re in the business of restoring hope in hopeless places.

CAM: Logistically, what’s it like when you visit World Vision’s sites?

RS: It varies. Normally I’ll stay in a hotel, but there are rural and remote areas where there just aren’t hotels. I’ve stayed in tents;

I've slept in what I call "minus-five-star" hotels where there are cockroaches all over, all the windows are jagged glass, and they cost \$5 a night but aren't worth the money. We have a lot of staff who travel internationally and they don't stay at the Ritz, but we try to put them up in safe, secure, hygienic places where possible. The work we do is pretty difficult stuff—you're going down to dark in 100-degree heat. For Americans especially, it's difficult not to be able to come back to a place where you can clean up and get a good night's sleep, so we try to make that happen wherever we can.

CAM: World Vision has been a major player in the wake of the Haiti earthquake. Could you describe those efforts?

RS: We're doing a variety of things. There are the lifelines of food, water, and sanitation. We're trying to provide sustaining care to more than 1.5 million people in Port-au-Prince—that's World Vision alone. We believe World Vision is the largest aid organization in Haiti; we had more than 800 people before the earthquake, and we now have more than 1,200. We're delivering shelter, tarps, basic hygiene kits, basic toiletry items, cooking pots, clothing—these people have lost everything. And then longer term, how do you rebuild that massive amount of infrastructure? Obviously charities can't do it all—we don't do bridges and ports and government buildings, but we might be able to do single-family dwellings, schools, and community centers. The concern right now is for the long term. What's going to happen down there, and how will the international community respond? You've heard the phrase "a new Marshall Plan" for Haiti, and that's what we have to see emerge.

CAM: Is that earthquake the biggest natural disaster the organization has faced?

RS: I would say in the last twenty-five years the two biggest crises we've responded to were that and the tsunami in Asia in 2004. Both had about the same loss of life, but there were some real differences. In the tsunami, the death and destruction were spread over thousands of miles of coastline, across five countries, but it affected only about half a mile inland. In Haiti it all happened in a few square miles in Port-au-Prince. And in Haiti, the very institutions that would have been the first responders were also victims. The United Nations lost more than 100 people, and the Haitian government lost dozens of employees and of course all the buildings. NGOs like World Vision, CARE, and Catholic Relief were victims as well. Many of our staff lost houses, and other organizations had deaths among their staff. So the initial two weeks of response were chaotic, because we needed help for our own people.

CAM: How has the economic downturn hurt donations? Are people still giving, even though they may have less money?

RS: The worst year of the recession, 2009, was our second-best out of sixty years in operation—about \$500 million in cash was given to World Vision. People that sponsor children hung in with us. They might have cancelled their cable TV service, but they didn't cancel their child sponsorship. Ironically, the giving from our wealthy donors—people who give us \$5,000 and up, some of them more than \$1 million a year—fell by 25 to 30 percent over the prior year. There are a lot of reasons for that—there's probably a sermon in how the poor increased their giving and

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Life support: In Mali, an eight-year-old boy collects water from a distribution point built by World Vision.

the rich decreased it. I know that some of our larger donors lost their businesses. But many of them gave to us anyway, so it was pretty remarkable. We fared better than most nonprofits, and when we add our government grants and corporate gifts in-kind, we actually posted a 10 percent gain in 2009.

CAM: The central thesis of your book is that Christians have lost touch with the true meaning of the gospel—that they have become known for the things they’re against, not what they’re for. Could you explain that?

RS: Culture always permeates religion. In Haiti, things like voodoo and superstition permeate Christianity; in America it’s materialism and prosperity. So the American version of the gospel that I’m railing against in my book is what I call “a gospel with a hole in it”—that somehow we think that the gospel is just

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about believing and saying the right things, but it doesn’t mean we have to *do* the right things. Many evangelicals have a version of Christianity that’s about preaching the gospel but not actually demonstrating what it means to be a follower of Christ in our lives and with our compassion. Another way of saying it is we often talk the talk without walking the walk. And of course the Bible is filled, from Genesis to Revelation, with exhortations for social justice and caring for the poor and downtrodden—that ours is a faith not just of the spoken word but of deeds, where we are called to care for the poor, the broken, the sick, the widow, the orphan, the alien, the stranger. And unless you have all three of those things—proclamation, justice, and compassion—my thesis is that you’re not really following the teachings of our faith and tradition. I’m arguing for people to put their money where their mouth is and to put their faith into action.

CAM: How has that message been received by the Christian community?

RS: Surprisingly, very well. After I finished the manuscript I had a panic attack. I said, “I’m the president of World Vision, we have more than two million donors in the U.S., most of

them are churchgoers and Christians, and I’ve just written a book that will alienate all of them.” I sent the manuscript to our board chair, one of our directors who’s the president of a seminary, and one of our vice presidents who’s an ordained minister. And all three came back and said, “This was hard to read, because it was critical, but it was done in a positive spirit. This is a message the church needs to hear, so go for it.” Pastors have turned out to be my biggest fans. The book has kind of had a cult following, where pastors are buying hundreds or thousands of copies for their congregations. I’m very gratified, because it means that the message is getting through.

CAM: In the book you talk about your romance with your wife—how she played a key role in leading you to your faith and has served as a moral touchstone.



Relief effort: Pakistani children receiving food and water after the 2010 floods

RS: On our first date at Cornell—we went to a movie in Uris Hall and then to the Anabel Taylor coffeehouse—I asked, “What do you want to do when you grow up?” and she said, “I want to become an attorney and help the poor.” I laughed and said, “Well, I want to be a CEO and make a lot of money.” And she said, “That’s kind of pathetic.” Renée did become a lawyer and helped the poor in the Boston area. And look who’s helping the poor now, thirty-five years later. I don’t think I’ve won one argument in my marriage, and certainly not this one, but she’s been a great inspiration to me. I don’t think I could’ve done any of this without her influence.

CAM: How well did your business experience prepare you for this job?

RS: Certainly it’s a different sector; I can’t imagine two things farther apart than fine china and global poverty. And yet World Vision has a marketing department, a sales force, an IT department, a finance organization, a human resources organization. We now have 1,200 staff in the U.S. and more than 40,000 worldwide, so there’s the challenge of managing an institution, decision-making, problem-solving—all of those things carry over. It’s almost like how a pilot can get in any plane and the controls look familiar.

CAM: Are there things you miss about the corporate life?

RS: Probably the thing I miss most is sitting in first class. I travel so much and we fly coach; that’s just our policy. And when you fly coach to Johannesburg, South Africa, and you’re my age—and I’m six-foot-two—it’s like torture. But actually there’s very little I miss. I so love what I do and why I do it; I’m a man at much greater peace with myself than when I was climbing the corporate ladder. I once asked my wife, “Why didn’t I do this sooner?” And she basically said, “You weren’t ready and God wasn’t ready to use you until you were grown up enough to see what you now understand.”

CAM: How shocked are your college friends to see where you’ve ended up?

RS: The only people more surprised than I am are my fraternity brothers. When students wonder what they’ll do when they graduate, I tell them that my career should be an encouragement to them. I got a degree in neurobiology, then an MBA in marketing. I sold shaving cream at Gillette, I was president of a toy company, then I was president of a tableware company, and now I’m running World Vision doing global relief and development. So if you don’t know what you’re going to do when you grow up, don’t worry about it—it’ll work out. ■

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THE MORRISON CASE

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Cornell in the Cold War (Part II)

This is the second of two articles derived from ongoing study of Cornell history from 1945 to the present by Glenn Altschuler and Isaac Kramnick. The first article appeared in the July/August 2010 issue. Altschuler, PhD '76, is the Litwin Professor of American Studies, dean of the School of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions, and vice president for university relations. Kramnick is the Schwartz Professor of Government. In their research, Altschuler and Kramnick have had access to many presidential papers in the Cornell archives, some of which had never before been open to scholars. The full manuscript, with footnotes and additional material, is available online at cornellalumnimagazine.com.

By Glenn Altschuler & Isaac Kramnick

Between June 1949 and July 1951, Cornell had two acting presidents. The first was Cornelius deKiewiet, the historian who had run the World War II Army program at Cornell and then served as dean of the Arts college and provost. In January 1951, after the trustees chose Deane W. Malott, chancellor of the University of Kansas, as Cornell's next president, deKiewiet resigned to become president of the University of Rochester. For the six months preceding Malott's arrival in Ithaca, Theodore Wright, vice president for research, was acting president. Both men were ensnared in controversies over academic freedom issues that rocked the campus.

In an October 1950 editorial, the *Daily Sun* found evidence that "hysteria is mounting" and cautioned Americans to tread "a delicate line between foolish blindness and over-zealous witch-hunting." The *Sun* contrasted Cornell's attitude in allowing Herbert Phillips, a University of Washington philosophy professor who had been fired for membership in the Communist Party, to speak at Willard Straight Hall with the cancellation of his lecture at the University of Michigan.

The trustees were divided over the student invitation in December 1950 to Mrs. Paul Robeson to speak at Cornell. When Victor Emanuel 1918, who had given the University a Wordsworth collection, wondered why she was not banned from campus, board chair Arthur Dean 1919, JD 1923, explained that her son was a Cornell graduate and that, moreover, banning her opened the University to charges of "drawing the color line."

That same month, when students from the ILR school supported a strike by University employees, some trustees expressed grave concern over what Robert Treman 1909 of Ithaca called "radicalism on campus." In letters to Neal Dow Becker, LLB 1905, BA 1906, former chairman of the board, and Mary Donlon, LLB 1920, deKiewiet acknowledged that "three or four active communists in the student body played a noticeable role

in the strike agitation.” Although he would not curb freedom of discussion, the president assured board members that he would make sure that the ILR school no longer allowed any of its students to become officers in any union that had dealings with the University.

Trustees and alumni sponsored initiatives to encourage anti-communism and Americanism on campus. Myron Taylor, LLB 1894, formerly of U.S. Steel and also the personal representative of the President of the United States to Pope Pius XII, announced in January 1950 a gift in memory of his wife, Anabel

Taylor, to create an interfaith religious center on campus. “We are all believers in God and human liberty . . . [so] we must stand together to resist evil,” he proclaimed. Taylor hoped his gift would be matched by others, so America could fight the growth of atheism, sponsored by communism. His new interfaith building, completed in October 1952, would help to “clarify the religious issues at stake in the present [Cold War] crisis.”

That year, Mrs. John L. Senior of Lenox, Massachusetts—whom deKiewiet described as someone “who had a sense of anxiety about the state of American affairs both socially and politically”—established a \$300,000 endowment for a chair in memory of her husband, Class of 1901, a leader in the cement industry before his death in 1946. Not anchored in a college or department, the chair was intended to be the first professorship in “American values” in the United States.

While Cornell administrators thought about an appropriate person to fill the chair, a substantial number of prominent faculty in the sciences pledged not to do secret government research. Physics professor Hans Bethe publicly advocated that the United States share atomic secrets with the world, and at a forum in Barnes Hall three faculty members condemned the recent conviction of eleven communists for plotting the violent overthrow of the government. Curtis Nettels of the history department branded their trial the latest phase of an “anti-American revolution under the direction of Mr. Truman.” The faculty at large disagreed, voting in September 1951 that professors advocating overthrow of the United States government should be dismissed.

Differences among trustees and faculty about leftist professors came to a head with accusations against physics professor Philip Morrison. Morrison first appeared on the trustee radar screen in 1948–49, when he attacked investigations of the loyalty of scientists, opposed a United States monopoly of nuclear secrets, and demanded that the United States pledge not to be the first to use the



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H-bomb. While Hans Bethe often appeared alongside Morrison at Cornell forums, the Nobel laureate was not interested in Morrison’s broader political agenda, including his frequent trips to peace conferences and his attack on the anti-communist McCarran Act.

In September 1950, Morrison was singled out in the anti-communist newsletter “Counterattack,” published by a group of ex-FBI agents, as “a member or supporter of various communist-like activities.” A month later, Senator Joseph McCarthy accused him of belonging to subversive organizations. And in April 1951 a report by the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) included him among those associated with “the current communist peace offensive . . . traveling up and down the country on behalf of the peace campaign.”

Trustee Nicholas Noyes 1906 wondered, “Why do we have such men at Cornell?” When Arthur Dean asked if there was solid evidence that Morrison was a communist, trustee Victor Emanuel indicated that although the FBI could not make available the content of its files to people not connected with the government, J. Edgar Hoover was willing to meet with deKiewiet to talk about Morrison. The acting president declined. A historian firmly convinced of the virtues of self-reliance and a free market economy, deKiewiet had promised the trustees that he would terminate any teacher proven to be an active communist. But also he reminded them about the values of vigorous debate at Cornell, citing St.

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Tense times: Cornell trustee chairman and diplomat Arthur Dean 1919, JD 1923 (center right), arrives in Seoul, Korea, for peace negotiations in 1953.

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Augustine's observation that "heretics are given to us that we may not remain in ignorance." Campus leftists could "shoot off their mouths," he wrote, because it usually led students to realize the unacceptable nature of such views, "strengthening them in their own judgments."

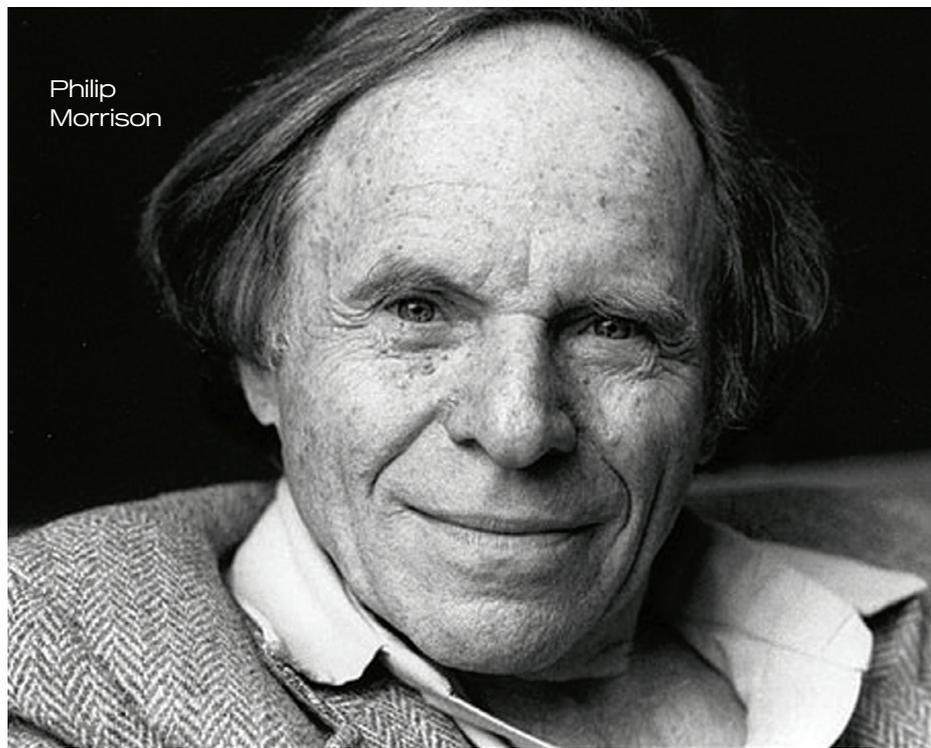
It was left to Theodore Wright, the scholarly engineer who became acting president after deKiewiet left for Rochester, to deal with Morrison, since (as Cornell's presidential papers reveal) some twenty-five letters and calls from trustees arrived at the president's office in the immediate aftermath of the HUAC report. Making matters worse was Morrison's glib dismissal of Senator McCarthy in the *Daily Sun* as someone who "every rational American has long since recognized, speaking under immunity from suit, is willing to degrade the Senatorial dignity by unfounded character blackening."

Wright summoned Morrison to a meeting at which he told him that his "extracurricular activities" were hurting the University. Wright made three requests of Morrison, which he repeated in a follow-up letter: He asked that the physics professor not accept sponsorship, formal or informal, of student groups not focused on scientific investigation. He asked that Morrison disassociate his own political opinions from those of Cornell whenever he spoke in public. Finally, he urged Morrison to stop "appearing on platforms in a sympathetic role with avowed and proven communists," citing as an example the meetings of the American Peace Crusade.

Meanwhile, Wright asked Robert Wilson, the physics department chair, to evaluate Morrison's importance as a scientist. Wilson replied that Morrison was one of the best teachers on campus and ranked him "with Professor Bethe for first honors in our department." His political work, Wilson added, was done "in a small fraction of his spare time, and I have always considered it absolutely none of my business."

On April 18, Morrison thanked Wright for "the reasoned and understanding nature" of their discussion. He agreed not to sponsor student groups and to disassociate himself from Cornell when speaking off campus in non-scientific settings. He would not promise, however, to end his association with the American Peace Crusade. Although he was not a communist and did not endorse the policies of the Soviet Union, he told Wright that walking through the rubble of Hiroshima had left him with "the deep conviction that in the true interests of America, my country, it is urgent that some voices speak for peace." It was irrational of trustees to brand his activities harmful to Cornell, especially since he had "always tried to appear in public with the dignity and sincerity which befits a Cornell faculty member."

When Wright reviewed this letter with his academic cabinet, the minutes note that "there followed an extensive discussion of the desirability and possibility of dismissing Professor Morrison." Wright opposed any such action. Cornell faculty would see it as a violation of academic freedom, he pointed out, and the American Association of University Professors would become involved. But what settled the issue for Wright was the fact that Morrison, he felt, was not a communist but "an almost rabid pacifist," a "peace-at-any-price man" with a guilty conscience over his own role in the development of the atomic



Philip Morrison

MIT

bomb. These assurances were passed on through Arthur Dean to Nicholas Noyes, Victor Emanuel, and Frank Gannett 1898. The Morrison crisis appeared to be over.

A year and a half later, in early 1953, a witness testifying before the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee claimed that "Dr. Philip Morrison has one of the most incriminating pro-communist records in the entire academic world." He cited the professor's speeches and writings defending the American Peace Crusade and worried of the danger Morrison posed "due to his participation on the Los Alamos project." The witness, J. B. Matthews, a researcher for several Congressional communist-hunting committees, chided Cornell as well. Despite knowledge of Morrison's past, he said, the University had done nothing, using "something known as academic freedom . . . to permit the employment of men who are subversive in their activities with respect to American institutions."

Summoned to deal with the second Morrison crisis was a new Cornell president, Deane W. Malott. The son of a banker, Malott had an MBA from Harvard and had spent some years as vice president of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company. In letters to Gannett and Emmanuel, Malott proudly proclaimed that he was a Republican—and, indeed, "extremely conservative."

Speaking to the annual dinner of the Ithaca Chamber of Commerce in March 1952, Malott attacked the "so-called great liberals of today" as radicals "not tinkering with our institutions but out to destroy them." Two weeks later, calling them "leftists," Malott rejected a petition signed by more than 1,700 students requesting that Cornell ban off-campus housing listings that did not include a non-discrimination clause. No wonder, then, that the Agriculture college's *Country Almanac* praised the new president as "a real man and a real American" for defending "old fashioned American free enterprise and free people" from the "concerted program by pinks, and reds, and internationalists" who would turn Cornell into "a radical hot-bed."



'A grave responsibility': Cornell President Deane Malott at his inauguration in 1951

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Nonetheless, Malott would have to walk the tightrope, balancing outside pressures with the values central to academic inquiry. He was personally inclined to conservatism, he wrote, but “on the other hand, I have a grave responsibility of preserving Cornell as a free institution, and this I am trying very hard to do.” One important step in the evolution of Malott’s understanding of this responsibility was his handling of the reopened Morrison case.

Malott appointed a five-person faculty committee in January 1953 “to consider the problems arising from the unfavorable publicity received by Professor Morrison.” In addition to two long sessions with Morrison, the committee members took the extraordinary step of visiting Morrison’s accuser, J. B. Matthews, in the Hearst building in New York City. Perhaps by design, Matthews was unavailable, but his associate John Clements met with them. According to the two faculty who took notes, Clements boasted that in the six-room suite occupied by his organization was a file with 1.2 million cards documenting communist and communist-front activities. “In most profane language,” he accused universities and colleges of having been “arrogant, shameless, and high-handed in harboring communists and fellow-travelers.” The Cornell faculty should be ashamed, he fumed, since Morrison “is one of the most active college professors in the country in communist-front affairs.” Asked for evidence of Morrison’s activities, Clements showed committee members “a pile of about fifty three-by-five cards; each with a date ranging from 1943 to 1952.” Clements declined to provide any further information, and the faculty had the impression the evidence was largely circumstantial—“a record of where he has spoken, to what groups, and when.”

By contrast, Morrison impressed the committee as being “straightforward, helpful, and sincere.” Asked if he were a Marxist, he replied that he supported public ownership of some property, but opposed violent and revolutionary change since “he thought that over the long sweep of years that the natural drift of our society would be in the direction he favors.” Asked if he were a communist, he answered, “I certainly am not—but neither am I wholly opposed to them.” Although he had joined the

American Peace Crusade, he would support the United States if it went to war with the Soviet Union.

The committee unanimously reported to Malott that Morrison’s guilty feelings about his work on the atomic bomb had left “a blind or weakened spot in his capacity to think about social and political concepts while having no effect upon the scientific work at which he is indisputably brilliant.” Since there was no evidence that Morrison had ever advocated the overthrow of the government by force or violence, they concluded that “he should not be charged with any activities which would make him guilty of such misfeasance or malfeasance as makes him unfit to participate in the relationship of teacher to student.”

Malott circulated the faculty committee’s report among the Board of Trustees in April 1953. The board was still reeling from an article two weeks earlier in the *American Mercury* magazine in which the ubiquitous Matthews had named Morrison and seven other Cornell faculty, including the literary critic M. H. Abrams, as “communist sympathizers or dupes.”

The case became national news in May, when Morrison, while on leave at MIT, was called to testify before a special session of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. According to the Associated Press, Morrison “answered all questions fully and unhesitatingly,” recounting his involvement with the Communist Party in the Thirties and his break with the party in 1939, three years before he joined the Manhattan Project. He told the committee that he assumed his superiors knew of his past activities. The day after his testimony, Morrison was released as a witness with no recriminatory comments from the committee.

A University spokesman told the *Daily Sun* that there seemed to be no grounds for “charges that Prof. Morrison was guilty of misfeasance or nonfeasance.” Robert Wilson, director of Cornell’s Laboratory of Nuclear Physics, noted that his testimony “in no way reflects upon Morrison’s ability as a professor of physics. . . . He is an inspiring teacher and an excellent scientist.” Although Malott stood by his own faculty committee’s report on Morrison, he indicated to the trustees that his very visible appearances for the American Peace Crusade continued to embarrass the University and that there was “need for some corrective action unless these activities are discontinued.”

The president met with the professor when Morrison returned from MIT, with Malott suggesting that “by reason of your past actions, your present activities must be especially discreet”—but when Morrison suggested by return letter that Malott draw up a list of organizations that Morrison should avoid, the president refused. It was inappropriate, he wrote, for “an administrative officer to keep taboo lists, or to regulate the personal activity of any professor in Cornell University, or to make agreements of permissible conduct.” Malott hoped, however, that Morrison would see the advisability of “withdrawing all association from organizations lying outside of your professional field.” But “the decision is entirely yours,” Malott concluded.

Privately, Malott was reassuring trustees that, for his part, he had read William F. Buckley’s *God and Man at Yale*, and that no one was subverting the minds of young Cornellians, for “Professor Morrison I do not believe is a communist.” Publicly, Mal-

ATOMIC BOMB AIDE TELLS OF RED TIES

Superiors Knew of His Party Background, Physicist Tells Senate Hearing in Boston

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BOSTON, May 7—Dr. Philip Morrison of Cornell University, a physicist, testified today that he had been a Communist before he had been “sought out” to work on the atomic bomb project in World War II.

The scientist further told the Senate Internal Security subcommittee, which is holding hearings here, that atomic security officers

ott, the self-proclaimed conservative, defended dissent and free thought. In a published report to the alumni he lamented this “time of widespread hysteria and intolerance of thought, speech, and action,” reminding them of earlier periods when we “burned witches in Salem” and banned or burned books. Even more emphatically, in an article in the *New York Herald Tribune*, Malott called upon “thinking citizens to stand behind the principles of freedom of thought and expression.”

But there was another act in this drama. Morrison had been an associate professor since 1948, and in 1954 his physics colleagues voted to promote him to full professor. Fearing a divisive debate among the trustees, Malott refused at first to recommend Morrison’s promotion. When he did forward the recommendation the next year, trustees John Collyer 1917, Spencer Olin 1921, and Frank Gannett objected, demanding that a special committee of trustees be appointed to investigate Morrison’s activities.

That committee held seven meetings. Accompanied by his physics colleague Professor Dale Corson, Morrison appeared “for a lengthy two-day examination under oath.” Meanwhile, the full professors in the physics department wrote the president and the trustees that it was disgraceful to hold up the promotion. They threatened to send no more promotions forward until favorable action was taken on Morrison. In January 1957, the promotion was finally approved—grudgingly: “While the Board of Trustees of Cornell University regrets and deplors certain of the activities of Professor Philip Morrison, nevertheless, on the basis of the evidence so far available to it, nothing has been found which would warrant his being brought up on charges before the University faculty.”

Other Cold War issues buffeted Malott as well, including the trustee and alumni firestorm that followed the appointment of Dexter Perkins, a professor from the University of Rochester, as the first holder of the John L. Senior chair. When he got the news, Frank Gannett was furious—Perkins was “too liberal,” a “one worlder,” and “supported Adlai Stevenson.” Mrs. Senior was also upset. To her horror, he wanted to teach a course simply about American foreign policy, not a course on how “communism and socialism are infiltrating every phase of our national life, seeking to destroy our freedom, our government, and our competitive free enterprise system.”

Malott stood firm, supporting the faculty’s choice for the chair. Perkins “rates among the foremost historians of America,” he wrote trustee Walter Todd 1909, adding that “for your confidential information, Dr. Perkins told me he had given money to the Eisenhower campaign. He can’t be all bad!” Malott also asked trustees Neal Becker and Arthur Dean for help in countering “the kick-up from the ultra-reactionaries.” If he listened to them and appointed someone “so far to the right to conform to what some of these people think appropriate, he would be laughed off campus by the students as completely ineffective.”

Perkins remained the Senior Professor until his retirement in 1958. He was replaced by Clinton Rossiter ’39, the author of *Seedtime of the Republic* and *The American Presidency* and the recipient in 1956 of a \$300,000 grant from the Fund for the Republic, to study “the extent of communist penetration into American society, institutions, and ideals.”



After the U.S. Senate censured Senator McCarthy in 1954, the anti-communist pandemic on American campuses began to wind down. The drama of the Cold War at Cornell, however, had several more curtain calls, including the six-year process in which the nearly 100-year-old requirement that male students in the contract colleges had to be

members of ROTC was abandoned. The unraveling began in 1954 when two students refused to take the new ROTC loyalty oath, added that June as a rider to the Defense Appropriation Bill. Pressure from land-grant college presidents like Malott led the defense department to abandon this new loyalty oath in April 1955—but the damage was done.

That month, a referendum had 2,790 Cornell undergraduates voting in favor of voluntary ROTC and 1,080 for mandatory. The next month, the faculty—which had ultimate authority in the matter—stood behind compulsory ROTC. But anti-ROTC had become a national movement, and four years later 1,752 Cornell students voted for voluntary ROTC and only 597 for mandatory; this time the faculty agreed. So it was that Malott and Arthur Dean, chairman of the Board of Trustees, wrote to Thomas Gates Jr., secretary of defense, on June 16,

Malott lamented this ‘time of widespread hysteria and intolerance of thought, speech, and action.’

1960, that though “many of us felt some considerable regret in the circumstances leading to the decision,” the trustees had approved a recommendation from the faculty and administration to operate Cornell’s ROTC programs “on a basis providing for voluntary enlistment.”

By the early Sixties, the tide had turned. In August 1961, a letter from trustee J. D. Tuller 1909, angry with the appointment of the leftist economist Paul Sweezy as a visiting professor, was answered bluntly by Alfred Kahn, the chair of economics: “He did an outstanding job of teaching for us. I have discussed his performance with a very large number of students, have you? We will continue to be guided solely by academic competence in our staffing.” Malott told Kahn: “Your letter to Tuller was superb!”

That year, the Cornell faculty sponsored a rally against nuclear testing, which endorsed the efforts being made by President John F. Kennedy’s chief test-ban negotiator: Arthur Dean. But nothing better symbolizes the end of an era than President Malott’s invitation in November 1962, through the Presidium of the U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences, to Academician I. I. Mints. Would he please visit Cornell in 1963 to give a lecture course? The subject: the development of Soviet society since 1917.

In the years between Day’s handling of the Russian Language and Culture Program and Malott’s 1962 invitation to the Soviet scholar, there were undoubtedly some socialists and communists among the Cornell faculty—professors who were critical of American capitalism. But to have such ideals or beliefs did not on its own constitute sedition or mark one as subversive. The faculty understood that in a university there were no restraints on thought itself. They knew, as John Stuart Mill had written, that “there ought to exist the fullest liberty of professing and discussing, as a matter of ethical conviction, any doctrine, however immoral it may be considered,” and that “all silencing of discussion is an assumption of infallibility.”

The faculty’s insistence on this weighed heavily on how Cornell’s presidents acted during the Cold War, and by and large the presidents acquitted themselves well as they navigated competing pressures from students, alumni, trustees, professors, politicians, and the press. Academic freedom was alive, “far above the busy humming of the bustling town.” ■

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After Floods Hit the Philippines, Big Red Giving Kicks In

By Scott Pesner '87

Here's a story that demonstrates how the Big Red spirit of caring is international. It comes from the Cornell Club of the Philippines, one of Cornell's oldest alumni groups, which just celebrated its ninety-seventh anniversary.

Last September, Tropical Storm Ondoy hit the capital region of the Philippines, bringing fifty-mile-per-hour winds and dumping a month's worth of rain in less than a day, causing the Marikina River to overflow its banks. "Water reached up to the second floor of houses," says Erlinda Enriquez Panlilio '61. "Many residents climbed up to the rooftops and were stranded for twenty-four hours. Houses and schools were destroyed and cars carried away by the strong-flowing water." In all, almost half a million people were left homeless and hundreds were killed.

Particularly hard hit was the city of Marikina, just outside of Manila, where Maria Carlos Fernando, MPS '80, is the mayor. But it didn't take long for Cornell alumni to spring into action. Two days after the flood, Jig Carlos, MBA '99, brought a truckload of mattresses and blankets to the city. In November the club hosted a fundraising dinner at a restaurant owned by Tom Wisniewski '71 and Annabel Santos Wisniewski '65 in Manila, where Mayor Fernando spoke about the devastation in her city. After the speech, club president and Congressman Martin Romualdez '85 asked attendees to pitch in. He passed a hat, and in just ten minutes the equivalent of \$2,500 was raised.

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Cornell cares: Alumni volunteers helped rebuild one flood-damaged school (top) and entertained children at another.

CU Council Elects New Members

More than 130 alumni were recently elected to the Cornell University Council. They were chosen because of their outstanding volunteer leadership for Cornell, professional standing, and commitment to community service. Council members act as ambassadors for the University and serve on advisory committees. Seventy-three alumni were elected to the council for the first time, while seventy-five were re-elected after taking a required two years off.

The new and re-elected members were selected by the council's membership committee from almost 300

nominations. New members will attend a luncheon in their honor at the annual Trustee-Council meeting, to be held in Ithaca the last weekend of October. "These newly elected individuals represent an impressive and diverse cross-section of professions and sustained volunteer commitment to Cornell," says council chairman Mitch Lee '90, JD '96. "The new University Council members are composed of alumni from all over the world and from the classes of the Forties through 2005." In addition to these new members, thirty-two alumni were named life members of the council, having served at

least twelve years and reached age sixty-five.

The council also appointed several new members to its administrative board. Jay Silpe '94 was named a vice chair, while ten alumni were named members-at-large. They are Laurie Berke-Weiss '71, Anne Cowie '86, Donna Forsman '63, BFA '64, Robert Hellman '76, Mary Bowler Jones '78, Douglas Kaplan '88, Sally Anne Levine '70, JD '73, Karen Kaufman Polansky '67, Terri Port McClellan '84, and Judy Wesalo Temel '75. In addition, faculty members Daniel Huttenlocher and Anne Kenney were appointed to the board.

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The kindness didn't stop there. The club also got together and donated 500 backpacks—filled with school supplies, T-shirts, towels, notebooks, cookies, and slippers—to the Kalumpang Elementary School, which was hard hit by the flooding. Club members also helped the school restore its library—repainting it, rebuilding bookcases, and donating furniture and more than 350 books. At another school, La Scuola della

Gioia, club members entertained children and donated 150 books, and filled backpacks were donated to students at other schools as well. "We do what we can with what we have," says Raeanna Cranbourne '98. "Cornellians are generous in time and spirit, and you can always count on Cornell alumni to pitch in. With the devastation that occurred last year, there was no better time for the alumni to band together to help those who needed it most."

Pitching in: Volunteers helped rebuild the flood-damaged library at Kalumpang Elementary School (below). **Right:** Greeting children at La Scuola della Gioia.



ILR Honors Outstanding Alumni

Three graduates of the School of Industrial and Labor Relations were honored with ILR's top awards at a gala dinner in New York City in April. The three were selected for their professional success and their contributions to ILR and Cornell. Laurie Berke-Weiss '71 and Seth Harris '83 received the Judge William Groat Award, while Seth "Yossi" Siegel '74, JD '78, received the Alpern Award.

An attorney, Berke-Weiss is past president of the ILR Alumni Association; she is also a member of the University Council administrative board and the President's Council of Cornell Women. "I have long admired ILR friends and colleagues who received the Groat Award, so it is thrilling to stand among them," says Berke-Weiss. "It was particularly gratifying to be

recognized for my work as an employment lawyer and for my service to the ILR school—and to be able to share the event with so many friends, family, and professional colleagues."

Harris is deputy secretary of labor under President Barack Obama, focusing on the economics of labor and employment law and on the employment provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act. He served in the Clinton Administration as counselor to the secretary of labor and as acting assistant secretary of labor for policy.

Siegel is co-founder and co-chairman of the Beanstalk Group, a licensing company, and has advised many Fortune 500 companies in the use of trademarks and copyrights. He is past chairman of Cornell Hillel and serves on the Cornell University Council and the ILR Advisory Board.



Winners circle: ILR Dean Harry Katz (top left) and Laurie Berke-Weiss '71. Bottom: Katz, Berke-Weiss, Seth Siegel '74, JD '78, and Seth Harris '83.

Update from the Cornell Alumni Association

By Stephanie Keene Fox '89

The Cornell Alumni Association represents all alumni groups and their members. Its board of more than sixty members works to support alumni activities around the world. In this column, we will regularly update you on the work of your Alumni Association.

Every day, we experience how technology makes our lives easier. The Cornell Alumni Association is currently working on enhancing one of its own technology tools: its website.

A team of board members led by Meg Tallman '92 is focusing on identifying and creating functionality that can be added to the site. It comprises alumni who hail from different geographic regions and represent diverse alumni groups. In addition to myself,

these members include Janet Fallon '76, Charles Wu '91, Katherine Ward Feld, MBA '82, JD '83, and Diane Shakin '83. Our goal is to make the Cornell Alumni Association website (www.alumni.cornell.edu/association) a one-stop toolbox—the place where alumni leaders can tap into resources and get support for regional events.

To start, the team began by assembling a wish list of items requested by various Cornell clubs and associations worldwide. We analyzed this information and compared it to that of our peer institutions. We also studied the new CornellConnect system and its functionality. The group then prioritized the wish list—including such resources as a club handbook template and Zinck's Night guidelines—based on what would be most relevant for alumni and how effectively

it could be delivered. The items are grouped into two categories: static (such as documents and other reference materials) and interactive. Our interactive elements will focus on three initial needs: event feedback, event submission, and hot topics.

The Alumni Association is looking for ways to make your volunteer time more meaningful. The toolbox is a great start, but the needs of such a diverse alumni base will change over time, so this is an ongoing process. Please continue to follow us on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/cornellalumniassociation) or through Twitter (@CornellAlumAssn). If you have feedback and ideas, we want to hear them!

Stephanie Keene Fox is a vice president of the Cornell Alumni Association.

CRC The Continuous Reunion Club has been reuniting yearly and continually since 1906, attracting its loyal legion to tread the Far-Above hills again and again and again (although the hills may have grown rather steeper since the days when we thought nothing of making it almost anywhere on campus in the ten minutes permitted between classes). Roughly 100 got back this spring. Some came from the West Coast and some from Cayuga Heights and points in between. The spirit of Cornell was upon them all. Some arrived early for pre-reunion classes and advanced socializing.

Thursday is sign-in day at our (Brud) Holland International Living Center (Low Rise 8) on North Campus, which was even more international in flavor this year, being shared this time with students from many homelands in Ithaca to augment their studies at the Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar. The reunion might begin with golf, or office visiting, a docent tour of the Johnson Art Museum, or/and a Library lecture based on the papers of Mark Twain followed by a reception at the Kroch Library's Twain exhibition. In the evening, the Savages returned to the Statler. The Ithaca chapter of the Savage Club of London—est. 1895 in large part through the efforts of **Louis Agassiz Fuyertes 1897**, the superb bird artist—has been home to some familiar names. **Adolphe Menjou 1910**, **Willard Straight 1901**, **Kenneth Roberts '23**, **BCE '33**, and **Franchot Tone '27** come to mind. Their show now features lots of musicians and a few magicians. Our own virtuoso **Dave Dingle '50** blended Beethoven and Cole Porter in his rare keyboard variations of "Moonlight Sonata" and "Night and Day." Our dormitory cohabitants, **Jack Brophy '53** and his Fifties Cayuga's Waiters triple quartet, offered melodies that linger on, including songs of Cornell. During the intermission, people of certain ages danced in the aisles to classic rock like, for instance, "It's Still Rock 'n' Roll to Me."

Most of CRC showed up at the Statler Friday for our traditional Reunion lunch. The Brophy bunch began the session with the songs they do so well. Longtime baseball and assistant football coach (and senior and honorary CRC member) Ted Thoren warmed up the crowd. CRC made its annual gift to a Big Red team—two teams this time, men's and women's squash. **Doug Derraugh '91**, a fine hockey player at Cornell who played top-level pro hockey for 13 years in Europe, praised the dedication and courage of his women's ice hockey team, second nationally this year. They lost in the third overtime of the NCAA finale. Kent Austin joined the long line of head Red football coaches speaking to the CRC. (A veteran observer holds that the coach has done so just about every one of the past 60 years, at least.) Accustomed to success on many fields, Austin displayed determination to build a winner at Schoellkopf. Director of Athletics Andy Noel honored the victories that made so much history for Cornell in 2009-10. He hailed alums' crucial role in creating an unforgettable year.

Gerry Grady '53 offered a succinct financial report and called for a silent pause in memory of **Pete Haswell '53**, R.I.P. since the previous meeting.

Last year they retired coach Ted's uniform number 10. It stands high on the left field fence of Hoy Field. Ted and other CRC types turned up at the old ball yard on Saturday morning for the Ted Thoren Alumni Baseball Game, number 15. Ted threw the first pitch. Members of even-year classes wore home white uniforms and the odd men wore gray. Cornell won. **Rich Booth '82** played again. **Art Kesten '44** and moi made believe we were coaches. Barbecue and other refreshments were available. But there was no polka music on the P.A. this year.

A bus took CRC out Route 34, the road to Wells, for gracious country dining at Rogue's Harbor Inn Saturday evening. Alumni Hangovers serenaded us before dinner. The roast beef, choice of a vast majority, came in huge slabs. **Bill Vanneman '31**, now aged 101, was closely watched as he conquered the two steep flights of stairs both up and down with rare, inspiring determination, to the awe of all. Diners and others made it to Bailey Hall for Cornelliana Night, where kind words were said for the reuners who come back every year, not just every five, and for the incredible Bill Vanneman. And so to the tents for some, back to the dorm for others, for the late show.

There was conversation. Opinions were shared, some very keenly felt, but there was no bloodshed and all parted friends. Most will be back one more time at least. And so CRC Reunion 104 advances into a warm spot in history. It is time to say thanks: to **Margaret Gallo '81**, **Cathy Forster Hogan '70**, **Kelly Woodhouse**, **Susan Doney**, and many others of Alumni House; **John Webster** and **Kathleen Bolton, GR**, of Athletics; **Connie Santagato Hosterman '57**; and our two magnificent reunion clerks, **Kristina Heiney '10** and **Heather Schopper '12** (second year with us for Heather). **Jim Hanchett**, 300 First Ave., #8B, NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

35 In June, seven members of the Class of 1935 and their guests returned to campus to celebrate Cornell Reunion—75 years after earning their degrees on the Hill. During the All-Alumni Luncheon, held at Barton Hall on Friday and Saturday afternoon, many members of the class spoke with *Cornell Alumni Magazine* interns **Mark Fischer '08** and **Erica Southerland '10**, and we share their updates and reminiscences here.

Esther Major Batchelder lived for a time in New York City, where her late husband, **William '34**, managed the St. James Hotel on 49th Street. They subsequently relocated to Williamsburg, VA, where Esther earned a master's degree at the College of William and Mary. Today, she lives near family in the Philadelphia suburb of Doylestown, PA. "Campus has certainly changed," she said, "but I recognized Barton right away. I've danced too long in this building not to remember it." Esther often reminds classmate **Elizabeth Williams** Stavelly that they are not the same age—Betty is three months older. Betty, who traveled from Medocino, CA, for Reunion, was Esther's roommate in Riskey Hall in 1931. Back then, Cornell student pranksters would together tip up the back

end of the trolleys. Generally speaking, the young men would eventually yield to the conductor's pleading and return the trolley to its tracks. On one occasion, en route to the movies downtown with a date, Betty was nearly thrown from the trolley by such antics.

As one of two Ag students in her sorority, Betty was charged with acquiring Kappa Alpha Theta's entry in a duck race held on Beebe Lake. She and her fellow Aggie sister observed the effects of nature vs. nurture first-hand when their duck, liberated from the old poultry building where it had been raised up from a hatchling, refused to get into the water and swim when released at the start line. Betty's Ag education later came in handy when she landed a job at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in New Haven. At first, she split her time between tasks secretarial and scientific. Her boss remarked early on that Betty was the first secretary he'd had who could correctly spell scientific terms; in time, she was promoted to a full-time post in the Station's Genetics Lab.

Former class president **Al Preston** (Greenwich, CT) attended Reunion with his daughter Anne, a graduate of Princeton. During his time on the Hill, Al served as editor of the *Cornellian*, majored in Economics, and joined Alpha Chi Rho. After graduation, he worked for General Electric in Buenos Aires and Uruguay. After retirement, he took up a second career in real estate and retired for good in 2005. During WWII, he served in the 1st infantry, fighting in North Africa and Sicily and on the beaches at Normandy during D-Day. Like Esther, Al recalls the dances in Barton Hall on Friday and Saturday nights, as well as the concerts. Speaking of music, he recalls fondly the "Senior Class Sing" on the steps of Goldwin Smith Hall.

Viola Henry Miller-Mullane (Ithaca, NY) arrived as a freshman from her family home in Norwich, NY, majored in Communications, and joined Chi Omega sorority. After graduation, she worked for many years in Ag Extension. Viola previously served as the Class of '35 reunion chair, a post for which she says she was well suited, as she has something of a Cornell reunion at every family holiday, including her late husband **James Mullane** (Hotel), son **Bob Miller '61**, MBA '63 (Engineering), daughter **Carol Miller Hoff '62** (Arts) and husband **John, PhD '63** (CALS), stepson **Philip Mullane '76** (Arts), and grandchildren **Jennifer Hoff Myers '88** (CALS), **Gregory Miller '90** (Arts), and **Meredith Miller '92** (Human Ecology).

Lillian Bassen Moss and **Margaret Morgan Lawrence '36** didn't make it to campus for Reunion, but sent their news. Lillian attended Cornell Hillel's Tanner Prize celebration in New York City. The event honored **Irene Blecker Rosenfeld '75**, PhD '80, and her daughter **Allison Rosenfeld '08**. Child psychiatrist **Margaret Morgan Lawrence** was featured on "For Peace," the blog of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, in February 2009. The Mississippi native attended Cornell on a scholarship and, at the time, was the only black undergraduate on campus. She went on to earn her medical degree at Columbia, teach at Meharry Medical College, and raise three children. In 1946, with husband Charles and others, she founded Skyview

Acres, an intentional cooperative community of 50 families in Rockland County, where Margaret still resides. Other Reunion news and Cornell reminiscences welcome. Write to: **Class of 1935**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, adr4@cornell.edu.

39 We have news from former class correspondent **Ruth Gold Goodman**, MA '41—not all good news, but in her wonderful style: “Old age and poor health have taken over our lives: mine with a broken spine and **Bernie '41's** with congestive heart failure. Walkers and wheelchairs! Thank goodness for our kids **Robert** and **Judith Goodman Mecklenburger**, both Class of '71. Since moving to Princeton, NJ, two years ago, we have spent most of our time trying to find shortcuts to doctors' offices and writing checks to cover medical bills. We suspect it is a lovely little city but haven't seen much of it so far. If you think I'm complaining, you're right . . . but then again, I have reached the grand old age of 92-1/2, and who would have expected that?” Ruth's favorite memory of Cornell: “1935-36, Prof. French of the marvelous English department discussing Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales* with his delightful, wicked grin—a terrific experience for a naive freshman. All these years, and I never forgot it!” Ruth, we are all happy to hear from you!

Thanks also to **Mary Strong Irish**, who wrote with memories of the wonderful Reunion Weekend in 2009: “Returning to campus for our 70th Reunion at the Statler was the highlight of the year—and both daughters with me! Margaret is the local Postmaster, and **Molly Irish Wielgosz '77**, BS Ag '78, is a pharmacist near Buffalo. Son John, an architect, lives in Virginia, where I'll attend a granddaughter's high school graduation in June. My family gave me a great surprise party in October 2008 for my 90th birthday. I'm still active with church, garden club, and other community activities, and I enjoy attending music concerts, the Hudson Quadricentennial events, art shows, etc.” Mary remembers going to Willard Straight and Sage Chapel services, and sends “all BEST wishes” to classmates. Send your news to: **Class of 1939**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, adr4@cornell.edu.

40 *Cornell Alumni Magazine* interns **Mark Fischer '08** and **Erica Southerland '10** spoke to members of the Class of 1940 during the All-Alumni Lunches in Barton Hall on Friday and Saturday. Eleven classmates returned for the weekend, along with 15 guests. The insights and stories you shared at your 70th Reunion comprise the bulk of this column. We also received many News Forms earlier this year, and that news will appear in future columns.

First things first, though: an apology to songster **Jack Thatcher** of Manchester, NJ, whose address was incorrect in the news item printed in the May/June issue of the magazine. “I had hoped to hear from some old classmates,” he wrote in mid-June, “but unhappily, you showed my place of residence as New Hampshire, instead of my actual location in New Jersey.” Look for Jack—and his pianist Tony D'Amato—partnering in “The Good Old Days” in the Garden State!

Paul Fox, BArch '47 (pfox5@rochester.rr.com) drove from his home in Rochester, NY, to attend Reunion. Paul downsized to an apartment in 1997, but has kept the family cottage and property on Great Sodus Bay. His wife, **Betty (Lowery)**, who spent some time as a grad student on the Hill in 1947, has had Alzheimer's since 1988. She now lives at the Friendly Home residential nursing facility, near enough to Paul that he can visit her daily. A second-generation Cornellian, Paul came to Cornell as a Mechanical Engineering major, but graduated from Architecture. He credits the professor who helped him complete his fifth year of education—due to the draft, he was unable to return to campus for his final year of training until 1946. Paul did government defense work in NYC, went to night school at Columbia, and later worked in a rubber plant in West Virginia. He was drafted and sent to the Army Corps of Engineers School at Fort Belvoir and traveled to New Guinea, the Philippines, Japan, and Korea. Back at Cornell, Paul lived in the Cayuga Student Residence, a co-op in what used to be Ezra Cornell's barn, and after graduation, worked for McKinley and White architects. He retired in 1988. Paul reports that he's lost 50 pounds since December 1999 and gained back 20.

Doug Thomsen (North Dayton, FL) traveled to Ithaca with son **Ira Thomsen '76**, who lives in Ohio. Doug says that Reunion was a great time. “There's lots of noise and exciting hubbub and people having fun all over the place.” After graduation in 1940, Doug toyed with the idea of raising dairy cows, but then trained as a pilot and ultimately embarked on a 43-year career in the department store industry. He spent most of his working years in Ohio. Grandson **Michael Thomsen '13** plays the alto saxophone and was part of the Reunion Band that played the Alma Mater and “Give My Regards to Davy” during lunch at Barton Hall. Doug says having Michael on campus feels good. “My grandson is dedicated to the future of this country.”

Reunion attendee and former soccer player **Robert Wood**, MD '43, was a goalkeeper for the Big Red. In 2009, he donated the soccer ball used in a game against Penn in November 1939, and it was displayed on campus for the past year. A retired pediatrician, Robert and wife Carol Ann have eight children. During WWII, Robert ran an evacuation hospital in the Philippines. **Marjorie Baker** Tummons (Suffern, NY) worked as a probation officer after graduation. As a former Sociology major with a minor in Economics, she says, “The distress of the nation bothers me.”

Estelle Wells Evans recalled the Senior Ball at Barton Hall, where both Glenn Miller and Guy Lombardo played. She also shared a story of a mystery attack during her junior year as she returned to her room at the Sigma Kappa sorority house from the Home Economics library. As she was walking along the wooded path between Baker Lab and Beebe Lake, something hit her on the head hard enough to draw blood. On reaching the sorority, she called **Harold Evans**, then her boyfriend at Alpha Gamma Rho, and learned that the same thing had happened to one of his fraternity brothers. It was discovered that an owl had nested near the path, and became upset when people came too near her roost—even attacking them from time to time. Estelle and Harold had another scrape near Beebe Lake, when they hit a bump at the bottom of the toboggan slide. “Knocked the wind right out of me and cracked my coccyx off.” Even so, she says, it's a shame that the slide has been removed. “They always

take the fun stuff away—you need to have a little bit of dangerous fun stuff around.” Lastly, Estelle mentioned that in 1939, the Cornell chapter of Kappa Sigma lost its national charter because the sisters decided to pledge a black student. “I was proud of us for doing that,” she says, “even though we got dropped. Everyone was upset, but we all kept right on being a group.”

We're out of room for this column, but stay tuned for more Reunion dispatches in upcoming columns, as well as updates from the News Forms. Send news to: **Class of 1940**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, adr4@cornell.edu.

41 First, I must thank the 11 class members who sent news with their dues even before they received my plaintive plea in the July/August issue. As of April 5, 2010 there are 124 women in the Great Class of 1941, so I shall look forward to more news.

Dorothy Papish (Albany, NY) honored me with a personal letter and request for news from **Ruthie Maughan Russell '40**, **Johnie Thatcher '40**, **Chuck MacMurray '40**, and **Rose Nardi George '40**, MS '50. These are fellow “townies” or Ithaca High graduates who entered Cornell in 1936. Dot said, “I am in the Albany phone book, but I am not electrified.” Because one of my great pleasures is reuniting old friends, please feel free to contact me for further information.

Sylvia Jaffe Abrams (Washington, DC) still lives in the same house she has enjoyed for the past 45 years, though without her beloved husband for the last six. She keeps active with family and friends and admits that 90 is a change from 88 or 89. Another member of the 90 vintagers (my name for our rapidly increasing group), **Audrey Bernichon** Glacken (Boynton Beach, FL) describes her celebration on Sept. 20, 2009 with family and friends. The theme, “In a Garden,” had ladies wear flowers in their hair and flower rings. The men had lapel flowers. A granddaughter produced a cake with 90 candles shaped like flowers. What a glow! Audrey, adorned with a flowered wreath, played “Far above Cayuga's Waters” to a standing ovation. Audrey says she “can't wait till next year.”

Because I am the mother of an author, Pamela Sargent, I enjoy giving publicity to other authors. **Ruth Kessel** Butterly (New York, NY) reports that her son, **John Butterly '70**, is about to have a book published, entitled *Hunger: The Biology and Politics of Starvation*. This is a very timely subject. Congratulations to your son, Ruth, and feel free to tell us more about his motivation for writing it and his desired outcomes.

To reassure you all on our present status, I have progressed to walking with a cane, and Ken is free from stiff collars for his broken neck. Our decision to “downsize” is on hold, but we are making some progress on “gifting” family treasures.

With the help of our alumni office, I must sadly report that our beloved **Jean “Syvie” Syverson** Lewis died on June 10, 2009. Her last known address was Bear Creek, NC. I can still see her grin and hear her laugh! Looking forward to reunion in June 2011. **Shirley Richards** Sargent Darmer, 20 Haddington Lane, Delmar, NY 12054; e-mail, KID12054@aol.com.

Hank Heimlich, MD '43, certainly remains one of the more energetic members of our class. Now he's coming out with a book, *Heimlich's Maneuvers*,

to be published this summer. Hank says it will contain a chapter on his experiences as a Cornell undergraduate and at medical school. He also mentions that the Physicians' Committee for Responsible Medicine is again presenting its Heimlich Award for Innovative Medicine at its annual meeting this year. And not to be outdone, his wife, Jane, published this past April. Her book, *Out of Step*, will certainly evoke memories. Who can forget the movie, *The Fleet's In*, with Betty Hutton singing, "Arthur Murray Taught Me Dancing In A Hurry"? I didn't know it, but Arthur and Kathryn Murray were Jane's parents and were therefore Hank's in-laws! He ends with, "Will see you at the 70th Reunion!"

Mayo Stuntz (Vienna, VA) says that he is a member of the "Special Class of '41—94 years old and holding." Further, he writes, "I posed for Life Class in old Architecture bldg." Now this is very interesting! Is this the fabled Fine Arts course in which the students were rumored to dress in smocks and sketch nudes? As sophomore Civil Engineers, in our Route Surveying class, we laid out many an imaginary railroad right of way on the Library Slope, not far from this old red brick structure. We speculated long and hard on what went on in this particular class without ever really knowing. Mayo, you'll have to tell us more! Funny how, at our stage of life today, you remember some things and forget everything else!

Among members of our group who still don't mind traveling periodically, **Morton Beer**, MD '44 (Morristown, NJ) continues to snowbird it between Morristown and Florida. He opines, "The years are moving faster!" **Jim Van Arsdale** (Castile, NY) says that he is slowing down, especially in his Boy Scout activities. However, he and wife **Suzanne (Jameson) '46** still manage to divide up the year by rotating living in three places—Castile, Jamaica, and their cottage on Silver Lake. They really enjoy their large and expanding family. **Royal Treadway** announces that he and wife Sue are "just happy to still be on the planet, living at wonderful Westminster Village, a CCRC in Scottsdale, AZ. Sue and I keep celebrating our monthly wedding anniversaries. May will be 20 months of wedded bliss the second time around." Hey—we have another couple of newlyweds! Congratulations, Royal and Sue!

I regret to report that we have word from **Ruth Baker Bellows '42** (Walnut Creek, CA) that her husband, **John**, passed away last February. **Candace Cuniberti '66** informs us that her dad, **Vittorio Cuniberti**, passed on quietly in his sleep last March. **Warner Lansing**, 6065 Verde Trail S., Apt. G310, Boca Raton, FL 33433; tel., (561) 487-2008; e-mail, wlansing@bellsouth.net.

42 Here's a sparkling tale about the 90th birthday of **Jim Kraker** (Gouverneur, NY). In February he visited his family at their Crystal Mountain resort in Northern Michigan. Joined by his 86-year-old sister and about 40 friends and relatives, he was surprised to find a dog sled awaiting him. With his sister serving as the driver, they took a half-mile sleigh ride through the snowy mountainous complex. What a way to turn 90! Jim is part of five generations of Cornellians. His grandfather was a member of the first entering class in 1868, graduating in 1871. His father graduated in 1912, Jim and his wife **Dorothy (Dodds)** were both '42, his son and daughter graduated in the '70s, and his grandson is Class of 2007.

His grandfather's diploma was signed by A. D. White. Now, that's a Cornellian.

A nice chat with Pres. **Liz Schlamm Eddy** (NYC) revealed that she has given up cooking. She buys Meals on Wheels, which are delivered most days, and she just has to heat 'em and eat 'em. How's that for efficiency? Liz also reported the sad passing of her Alpha Phi friend **Lilian Sturges Woolford '43**, BArch '43 (Mobile, AL), and that Continuous Reunion Club (CRC) member **Gus Vollmer** will be missing reunion this year. He says, "I have a complicated family program that conflicts with it. That's the problem of having 34 grandchildren and 22 great-grands." Grandson **Henrique Paolini '13** enjoyed his freshman year. Gus keeps busy in Venezuela and Montana, where he's had a working ranch for 40 years. He is still connected with the Boy Scouts, both locally and internationally through the World Scout Foundation.

Will Templeton (Oceanside, CA) tells of interesting times with wife Connie at their "active-adult community," although their activity is declining. He even gave up sailing two years ago, but they walk in the early a.m. Their daughter Margie swam with my daughter Sharon at the L.A. Athletic Club when we moved to Los Angeles in the '60s. Will so enjoyed watching the Cornell basketball team earlier this year. He also mentioned finding a **Carolyn Evans '10** in the alumni magazine, who finished ahead of 500 Army ROTC cadets in the Army Physical Fitness Test—qualifying her as a US lieutenant. Nice namesake. I received a note from **Larry Lowenstein '43** (NYC), wanting to find **Frank Finneran '41** (Chicago) to inform him he had been selected by the Harrison (NY) High School Hall of Fame. That's a fine honor 70 years after graduation. Also, in the May/June Class Notes, I was pleased to find that the '41 Women's columnist, **Shirley Richards** Sargent Darmer, also reads our column. I always enjoy the 1939-45 columns, for they were all there with us and I usually recall someone.

Sadly, **Mary-Lee Stroud Laird '44** reports the passing of her husband and our classmate **John** (Little Silver, NJ) after a most busy life as president and chairman of the board of Laird & Co. Distillers. He was also Postmaster General of Scobeyville, NJ. An avid pilot, he was navigator with the US Power Squadron and enjoyed boating, golf, and adventure. He is survived by a large family including a son, daughter, two grands, and four great-grands. Our sympathies are with them. **Barbara Gerlach** Frey (Sonoma, CA; freypops@att.net) reports that she has recently moved to a nursing home. She would love to hear from you.

What has happened to New York State? Unbelievably the Jones Beach swimming pool is not open this summer! When Jones Beach opened in 1932, thanks to Robert Moses, my family was one of the first to rent bathhouses at the pool. My brother and I were dropped off daily by Mom on her way to work in Brooklyn. Gil and I stayed all day and had great summers. We got to know all the swimmers and divers who worked at the pool, the leading light being Johnny Weissmuller. We actually "hung out" with Tarzan and his pool show clown diver, who were there most days. We learned to swim and dive in this beautiful facility and also got to do bead work, make Indian headdresses, and weave baskets with Rosebud Yellow Robe, daughter of Sioux Chief Chauncey Yellow Robe, at her wigwam beside the boardwalk. President Calvin Coolidge once declared that Chauncey "represented a trained and intelligent contact between two different races." As it was the Big Band Era,

we danced at the Mall every night till midnight to a live band. And at Zach's Bay we saw all kinds of wonderful shows and fireworks. Another shock was hearing that Norway Cruise Lines towed our wonderful ship, the *Norway*, out to sea and sank her! Many of you enjoyed with me the Big Band cruises on this lovely ship. It was replaced by a 4,000-passenger ship.

Thanks to all for sending such interesting accounts of your past and present. Let's keep it going. Do contact friends also. If you're not included here, there's more news to come next issue. **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 8815 46th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; tel., (253) 326-4806; e-mail, carolynfinn@comcast.net.

43 From **Firth** (his mother's maiden name; welcome to the club) **Perryman** (Rochester, NY) we have what we thought was going to be a limerick: "I once met a lady named Clara da da and her husband, Ron Firth, but we were not able to find if our families were connected. Just the other day Clara's son, a Cornell PhD, suggested to my wife that she look at the Cornell basketball page. When she did the first comment she saw was mine. New subject: The Rochester paper had a picture of the bridge across Cascadilla with the huge fence in place. It's probably necessary, but it looks just terrible. Ithaca is gorges, but they aren't all that pretty fenced in."

In May the Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York honored—as well they should—**Jane Adams** Wait (Saratoga, NY), naming her Distinguished Community Leader for her lifelong commitment to education, her role in founding Saratoga's Performing Arts Center, and her work in restoring the gardens of Yaddo. If you recall an earlier note in this space, Sphinx Head, seeking to compensate for a century of male chauvinist-piggishness, asked us to nominate as honorary Sphinx Head member a classmate of the female persuasion. We proffered Jane. Since then, alas, deadly silence from the Tomb.

Our apologies to **Edy Newman** Weinberger, whom we did not nominate because, while she is known, she's not well known. Hah! She writes: "I'm going north for the summer, having worked very hard getting myself back in shape after my heart attack. I'm playing tennis again (my goal). Went to a wonderful Cornell gathering last month honoring Frank and Rosa Rhodes. They are the best. 230 people came and presented them with a CD of their life from his arrival at Cornell—a very young Frank Rhodes—and followed through to his retirement. He was so touched! What a smart gift! I don't think they needed another piece of Steuben glass. Going to dinner with **Ruth Ohringer** Frank before she leaves her/our winter digs (Longboat Key, FL) for Pittsburgh next week. People can never believe we were roommates 70 years ago. Mind-boggling! She sold her big house there and moved into a condo. Whoever said 'Old age is not for sissies' was right. [Allegedly, Edy, it was the late Bette Davis, but more likely a PR hack.] My life is very different, but I'm blessed with my children, grandchildren, and my two wee great-grandchildren. Little Joseph is Joe's reincarnation—so much like him." [Probably less shrapnel in his butt.]

Please join us in welcoming to the Class of 1943 Scholarship Ms. **Makenzie McIntosh '10**, Westbury, CT. A&S, Africana Studies. Secretary, Black Women's Support Network. Secretary, Pink Pearls and Ithaca Girls, whose mission is to provide

support, mentoring, and motivation for young women in the greater Ithaca community.

Dear Oldreaders: Your response to our mailings of previous Newstudent Reading Assignments has been so glowing that Prof. Isaac Kramnick et al. have selected a provocative entry for your pleasure this fall: Philip K. Dick's 1968 novel, *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*, one of the most influential works of post-apocalyptic fiction of the late 20th century, they say, and the basis of the movie *Blade Runner*.

We asked in a recent News and Dues flyer for your favorite professors. Here are some early replies. **Charles Harris: Morris Bishop '14**, PhD '26 ("I enjoyed his poesy"). Firth Perryman, along with **Bill MacRitchie** (Westfield, NJ): **Dusty Rhodes, PhD '14** ("knowledgeable and witty"). **Dinty Moore** (Sewell, NJ) seconds the motion ("Dusty was disciplined and he liked beer"). **Curt Strand** (Snowmass Village, CO): **Howard Meek, GR '29**, founder of the Hotel school ("a pioneer and visionary"). **John Holden** (Southampton, NY): "All my surveying and drafting profs, especially John Perry, and **Charles E. O'Rourke, 1917**—reinforced concrete design; he taught from experience." **Marjorie Reed Sheffer** (Schenectady, NY): Bill Sale ("He taught us how exciting the English language can be"). **Gerald Aronson** (Los Angeles, CA): "Two candidates: 1) **George Sabine 1903**, philosophy, who firmly asserted that deep ideas could be understood, retained, and applied by even the most confused minds; and 2) Hal Weiner, who taught me how to write without denying all those great little words in favor of all them big ones."

With a nod in the direction of Strunk and White, we add a short but eloquent: Amen. ☑ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, olchap@comcast.net.

44 On behalf of all '44s, **Art and Dotty Kay Kesten** thank **Nancy Tortinski Rundell** for her role as class correspondent for nearly two decades. Her *Alumni News* columns were a major factor in sustaining interest in the Class of '44 and Cornell University and keeping our class together. Thank you, Nancy, for your dedication and creativity over the years and the connections you've fostered among us.

Jean Zenner Kaelber typed her news in a lovely script. "Sadly, I wrote the dues check for just one, as **George** passed away on Aug. 1, '09, two weeks after our 65th wedding anniversary. I continue living at La Posada in Green Valley, AZ, doing my best to keep up with all the gym activities we both enjoyed these past seven years. Glad all the world travels were done in our younger years, as now it is family travel to greet our three new great-grands: a little girl and twin boys. Life mashes on." Jean, we're sorry for your loss and celebrate the new additions to your family. **Joe**, ME '49, and **Jeanne Neubecker Logue**, DVM '44 (Poughkeepsie, NY) wrote with the news that they would soon be great-grandparents! **William A. Brown**, BME '47 (Charlottesville, VA) reports that he now has twins in the family: "A boy and a girl (great-grands) born in March." Congratulations to all of the great-grandparents in our midst!

Allen Albright, BS Ag '47 (Ontario, NY) writes that although things are slowing down, he still does some fruit farming. **Bob Miller**, PhD '51 (Orange City, FL) lives in John Knox Village, a life-care facility. "My health is good even though I'll be 89 on my next birthday. I play nine holes of

golf five to six times a week and walk three-plus miles a day. My daughter Paulette lives about six miles away, in Deltona." Bob sends special appreciation for our 65th Reunion. "It was great!" **Maurice "Pete" Bellis** still lives at the Edgewood Retirement Community in North Andover, MA, and has his sights on our next gathering on the Hill. "Gloria and I are in good health and keeping busy with many of the activities here," he writes. "Have no complaints, as all in the family are doing well. Looking forward to our 70th Reunion. We should break another reunion record—how's that for being optimistic?" **Phil Collins** writes, "Have slowed down somewhat, since I now walk with a cane. It helps me with my balance. Hope all is well with you." Like many of us, **Janet Parsons** Chapman has relocated. "I sold my house in Baton Rouge and moved into assisted living in nearby Denham Springs, LA. I'm enjoying it very much."

Katia Altschuller Jacobs (Highland, NY) writes, "I am 88, my husband is 92. He has just finished writing a memoir—about 400 pages—and is checking publishers. We travel a bit. In February, two weeks in California, where our daughter **Lucia Jacobs '78** is a tenured professor at Berkeley. In August we plan a third trip to Western Ireland, where our youngest, Kate, with her husband, Tom, has a lovely house. Their boys, Edward and Thomas, are our youngest grandchildren. Daughter **Nell Jacobs Imperial '87** and her family live nearby. I read a lot and am active in a book club."

Fellow traveler **George Getman**, JD '48 (Sun City Center, FL) reports that it has been a wonderful summer for him and wife Neva: "We just returned from a number of safaris in Botswana, Zambia, and South Africa. We were ahead of the crowds there for the World Cup soccer games and it meant so much to us to see so many animals in their natural habitat." **Henry Baxter** writes, "Just back from month of May in Australia. Very friendly people." **Priscilla Young Waltz** (Sea Cliff, NY) had plans to return to Maine in June: "Eight grandchildren working, so there will be only nine of us this year. Still painting (almost daily) and showing a local scene in watercolor during a show in June and July. Finally passed the job—ten years as treasurer to Pi Beta Phi alumni chapter of Long Island—to a younger member. Where did the years go?"

Peter Miller, MBA '48 (Newtown Square, PA) writes, "It's starting to feel like the United Nations around here!" One granddaughter, **Anne Sargent '04** (a fourth-generation Cornellian), is marrying an Italian mathematics professor, and another granddaughter, **Elizabeth Sargent, MRP '05**, "presented her Icelandic husband a daughter, Elinor." Elinor is Peter and wife Nancy's first great-grandchild. Peter sent greetings to our class presidents and a sympathetic note to Nancy Rundell: "You deserve 'correspondent relief,' and I have appreciated your chatty reports on our classmates." Peter added that volunteers can be difficult to find, which is very true, but the staff at the alumni magazine will carry on the tradition of the class column whenever you send your news. ☑ **Class of 1944**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. **Dotty Kesten**, 1 Crestwood Rd., Westport, CT 06880; e-mail, cu44@optonline.net.

45 Thirty-nine classmates and 20 relatives are still basking in the glow of a fabulous 65th Reunion. Since we were housed in the Statler—where

we had all breakfasts and dinners together and "broke the ice" with frequent songs from our own songbook—we were able to form a quick class spirit and intimacy. Our dynamic co-president, **Maxine Katz** Morse, assumed the full president's duties when **Tod Knowles**, MBA '49, had health problems; and soon after, she became sole chairman of reunion planning when **Gloria Urban** and **Stan Johnson** had to resign. So Maxine donned many hats. (We asked her if she did windows.) The resounding success of our reunion is due to her efforts, attention to detail, and good taste. At our final banquet she was presented with a gift from the class and serenaded with the song, "Till There Was You." Maxine, you're tops! You're the Katz pajamas!

Our first get-together was a reception, where we were treated to the presence of Cornell president David Skorton and his delightful wife, Robin Davisson. He met with small groups and later gave a brief speech. The Savage Club Variety Show followed our dinner. After breakfast on Friday morning, membership chairman **Ed Cranch**, PhD '51, former dean of Engineering and here with wife Virginia, arranged with Engineering professor Albert George a presentation on the efforts of a team of 90 in a national competition to build a car that can average 100 miles to the gallon. The team members come from many disciplines on campus and compete against many other universities, as well as major car companies. We had the feeling that, like our basketball team, Cornell had a good chance to win. Lunch was under a tent in a grassy valley in the Arboretum, following which director **Don Rakow, PhD '87**, conducted a full tour and thanked the class for its important donations to the Plantations over the years.

Later that afternoon **Tom Peters '64**, ME '66, gave an enthusiastic talk in Bailey Hall, mentioning nuggets from his bestselling book *In Search of Excellence*, lauding the free enterprise system, and inciting management and employees to be part of a great gung-ho team. At our dinner Friday, **Ernie Gostine '44**, MD '47, performed beautiful classical music on the violin, accompanied by **Thelma Emile Hunter** (Saint Paul, MN). Later we went to Bailey for a concert of Cornell choruses and the symphony (with alumni joining the groups on stage), including an audience sing-along when the Cornell songs appeared. Saturday morning was President Skorton's State of the University address. There was generally good news regarding the great scientific and academic progress, and moderately bad news regarding the loss of millions of dollars in the Cornell Annual Fund due to the recession. Terrible news was the death of four students via suicide.

Your co-correspondent **Bob Frankenfeld**, MD '47, climbed the 168 steps of the Bell Tower to play the Bach *Brandenburg Concerto No. 2* in the Chimes Reunion Concert. It could be my last time: picture an old codger with arthritis of the knees coming down the stairs with both hands clinging to the railing. We were seated directly in front of the very enthusiastic—and loud—Big Red Band for the annual All-Alumni Lunch in Barton Hall on Saturday (hey, we're not that deaf!) and then followed it for the ritual march-around. Saturday afternoon was filled with lectures and demonstrations at all the colleges, and open houses at fraternities, sororities, and sport teams.

The University Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving was a moving experience, with no grief but only gratitude for that shared time we spent with loved ones on Planet Earth. **Frances Schloss**, BArch '44, represented our class in the

ritual presentation of a flower into the Vase of Remembrance. Departed classmates of 1945 number well over 1,050, with an entering enrollment of 1,681. Frances later showed me a photo of the more than 20-year-old Shloss Garden, her gift to the university.

Our final dinner on Saturday was full of good cheer and loud singing. I sat next to **Carol Baum Greenbaum**, BS HE '44, who still conducts a private practice in nutrition in Marmaroneck, NY. I was happy to see that she ordered the filet mignon, as did all others at the table. Also at our table was **Bob Harwick**, MD '47, there with son **Bob Harwick '75**, and our special guest Audrey Ashley, Ithaca resident and widow of classmate **Charles Ashley**, BA '44, MD '47. Another Ithaca resident was **James Rodgers**, who enjoyed our naughty drinking songs. I was happy to see **Paul Kilby**, MBA '49 (Lakeland, FL), there with wife **Agnes (Lodwick)**, MS '48, and son **Alan Kilby '73**, MD '77. I hadn't seen Paul for 68 years—when we were two lonely freshmen standing on street corners talking of our future and how the war

busts that I did of John and Robert Kennedy, presidents Reagan and Nixon, and the sculptures I made from 1942 when I took my first sculpture class at Cornell. I am now working on several commissioned busts as a result of this show."

The following ends the news from last year's dues and news information you sent. You are so faithful, and I receive so much, that it takes several issues to publish them all, starting with the earliest ones first (according to the *Alumni News* date stamp). **Louise Greene** Richards, PhD '65, wrote, "Ithaca is a wonderful place to live, with concerts and lectures to attend. I am in a round-robin with several of my sorority sisters; in fact, three live in town. I volunteer for the Unitarian Universalist Society and am on the board of directors of the Finger Lakes Funeral Consumers Alliance." **Elizabeth Otten**, MS '48 (Chula Vista, CA) is still in her own apartment and plans to continue as long as she is able. She is church librarian and also writes background for the Lyric Opera's website in San Diego. She has been one of our faithful contributors over the years.

son. Lloyd delivered a powerful message from the Hill that made us proud to be Cornellians. He told us that Cornell has continued to address the difficult national and international economic downturn while maintaining the strength of the university. These measures included reducing base budgets by at least 5 percent and streamlining college and unit operations—e.g., bringing academic departments together administratively, which would also increase focus and visibility. In the months ahead, tighter controls, special fundraising, and internal reallocations will make funds available to retain and attract the next generation of faculty who can insure the excellence of instruction and research at Cornell for years to come. For further details on "Reimagining Cornell," see www.cornell.edu/reimagining.

Our group of eight exchanged volumes of photos. There were '46 Reunion class photos for 1991, 2001, and 2006, but strangely none for our 50th in '96, which most present attended. There were undergraduate pictures of house parties, classmates, and friends. There was even a photo of Dottie Taylor's marriage to **Chuck Prey**, with best man Lloyd Slaughter smiling on benevolently. We sang out our Cornell songs in the main dining room because we didn't have a minimum party of ten to rate a private room. After the Alma Mater, "Give my Regards to Davy," and some parodies of "Song of the Classes," the restaurant's other patrons responded with healthy applause! A great time was had by all. Even our non-Cornellian spouses agree that Cornell reunions are special. Bernie Haas says that Cornell reunions are better than any other school's, even better than those of his alma mater, MIT. All are looking forward to the real thing, our 65th in June 2011.

Our annual reminder: If you have scrapbooks, diaries, letters, photographs, or mementos from the 1940s at Cornell, send them to **Elaine Engst**, MA '72, director and university archivist: Carl A. Kroch Library, Ithaca, NY 14853-5302; tel., (607) 255-3530; fax, (607) 255-9524; e-mail, EE11@cornell.edu. Your survivors will probably toss out such materials, but the university might very well display them. It's better and more ecological to direct them to the university now. Elaine advises they have lots of material from the really early days, but very little from the 1940s.

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‘Don Sutherland has been taking underwater photographs of marine life all over the Pacific.’

Dorothy Mulhoffer Solow '49

would change everything. **Rudolph Jones Jr.**, MD '45 (Macon, GA) attended with wife **Dorothy (Zimmerman)**, BS Nurs '47. Later on, at Cornelliana Night in Bailey Hall, we all sat in our own section and acknowledged tumultuous applause when it was announced that our class had broken the record for number of donors (197) at a 65th Reunion. The event was filled with fine music and singing.

Speaking of class spirit, **Fred Bondi** and wife Susan flew thousands of miles—from Vienna—to be with us. They were extending their trip to Cincinnati to visit relatives. More Reunion news in the next issue! Send news to: **Bob Frankenfeld**, 6291 E. Bixby Hill Rd., Long Beach, CA 90815; e-mail, betbofb@aol.com; or **Julie Kamerer** Snell, 3154 Gracefield Rd., Apt 111, Silver Spring, MD 20904; e-mail, julie.snell@verizon.net.

Gertrude Botsford Moseley (Lake Placid, FL) and husband **Charles '44**, MS '57, moved in Oct. 2002, due to health reasons, to be near their younger daughter. Their other daughter is with hospice in Cleveland, OH. From 1982 to 1995 she and Charles volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and Heifer Int'l. **Joyce Lee** Fletcher (Portland, OR) is retired and enjoys traveling, painting, photography, swimming, and reading. She worked with an architectural photographer and ran a portrait studio. She still lives with her cat in the house built in 1952. Irwin and **Barbara Spencer** Ihrig (Madison, TN) earned bragging rights to two new great-grandchildren (now almost a year old). One lives in Riverside, CA, and the other in Atlanta, GA. "At 86, I only volunteer at church in addition to being a full-time homemaker." Please keep the phone calls and e-mail coming, and please be sure to include your maiden name. You can reach me at: **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 9 Reading Dr., Wernersville, PA 19565; tel., (610) 927-8777; e-mail, mopsyk@comcast.net.

Cornell '46's San Francisco mini-reunion lunch was a great success. **Joyce Lee** Fletcher (Portland, OR) flew in to be picked up and hosted by freshman roommate and co-organizer **Dorothy Taylor** Prey (San Mateo, CA; dmprey@aol.com). Bernie and **Marie Dicker** Haas (San Francisco; mariedhaas@aol.com) taxied to our lunch at John's Grille (of *Maltese Falcon* fame) from their San Francisco home. Lois and co-organizer **Paul Levine** (San Carlos, CA; pblevine@juno.com) ferried Joyce and Dottie into SF for the event. Class president **Lloyd** and Marilyn **Slaughter** (Morgantown, WV; lslaughter594@aol.com), whose visit prompted the pre-reunion, arrived by train from the East Coast several days earlier. They were dropped off at John's Grille by his San Franciscan

46 If our class has one outstanding virtue, it is LOYALTY. I want to thank you, because without it, this column would not have survived all these years. Now even your children are proving their loyalty. Recently, the daughter of **Sara McKissock** Vick e-mailed me of her mother's death on April 24. Sara was one of the members of the long-running round-robin letters that six class members began back at our graduation in 1946. **Muriel Sheerr** Kaplan wrote the following: "For my 85th birthday, I decided to have an art exhibit of my life's work. It was held this past February at the Armory Art Center in West Palm Beach, FL, for three weeks. I showed more than 100 works of sculpture, drawings, and pastel paintings including two large murals. I borrowed back from the Johnson Museum at Cornell the two sculptural busts of Frank and Rosa Rhodes that I did. Also in the show were

47 Thank you for sending in your news forms! It is always nice to have information to share with the rest of the class. The forms make it clear that many of us have grandchildren who are leading interesting lives. **Lois Dathyn** Sardina (Perry, NY) wrote with updates on a granddaughter who is beginning a veterinary practice in Perry, a grandson who works as an air traffic controller in Cleveland Center, and another granddaughter with a geology fellowship at St. Lawrence U. **Joan Flynn** Rogers lives in Elmira, NY, and makes the 40-minute drive to the Cornell campus often. Joan's granddaughter is a student on the Hill, making her the third Cornell generation in the family. **Cal Carver** writes from Short Hills, NJ, to say that his granddaughter Emma is headed to

campus this fall to start her freshman year. She took a year between high school and college to travel through Europe and teach in a grade school in Soweto, South Africa. Another of Cal and June's 17 grandchildren is at Hobart. **Shirley Buck** Rabeler's youngest granddaughter, **Julie '09**, was the fourth generation of the family to graduate from Cornell. The first was **Clifford Buck '22**. After spending a term in Ecuador, Julie will start at Cornell's Vet college this fall. **Robert Loeper's** granddaughter **Kayley Bebbler '09** is now studying at Georgetown Law School.

Perhaps it is no surprise that our grandchildren are traveling the globe. Joan Rogers mentioned that she lived on the coast of Spain for three months and is now planning to travel to Prague with her son. Cal and June Carver spent the summer at their vacation home in North Pomfret, VT. **Joan Dall** Patton, BArch '47, who lives in Chico, CA, took a Mediterranean cruise with her daughter. They began in Barcelona and stopped in Italy, Greece, Turkey, Egypt, and Malta. "I never thought I would see the pyramids that I had studied about in my History of Architecture class. An amazing sight," noted Joan. **Ursula Holahan** has moved to an assisted living center in Charleston, SC, and reports that she went on that famous cruise (where so many people got sick), but avoided the virus herself and enjoyed seeing the eastern Caribbean for the first time. When she sent her news, she was looking forward to attending the Spoleto Festival. **Eileen Farley** McDonnell has eight children scattered over six states and tries to visit each one at least once a year. She also drives from her home in Stow, MA, to Ithaca each year for her Ithaca High School reunion.

Speaking of reunion, it's nice to know that **Roger Broecker** (Naples, FL) is already looking forward to our 65th Reunion in two years. I am, too, and look forward to seeing many of you there! I'd love to get more news from you. ☐ **Arlicie Williamson** Anderson, 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610; e-mail, arlicie47@aol.com.

48 **Louis C. G. Fisher**, MBA '50, Baghdad-by-the-Bay, Berkeley, CA: "Still active in my firm, cell crete.com ('funny cement'), as a sagacious informant. US is deteriorating. Until we understand what Wall Street financial manipulation does *not* contribute to our gross national production, we will be in trouble. What to do? Assist manufacturing, cut tax rate to 25 percent or 20 percent vs. 35 percent now. Drastically change long-term capital gains tax rate for assets held five years to 35 percent; for ten years to 25 percent; and for 20 years to 15 percent. Favorite courses were US History with Prof. **Robert Cushman '40**, PhD '49, and Economics with Prof. Alfred Kahn. None of the courses was tough, but some were boring and a waste of dollars. A course in PR Economics met that description in spades. Just finished responding to biased (leading) questions on a form from my old party, the GOP. I helped start the Young Republican Club in 1946—they have gone down the tubes since.

"I'm getting ready for a one-month trip to Jordan and Egypt. I want to ride on a Zeppelin across Germany, Poland, and Russian to Vladivostok—30 to 60 days. I drive a 2001 Subaru Legacy—149,000 miles! It runs to and over highway construction projects. Would prefer to have a more ecologized car with stadium seats. Observation: the pig-headedness of the US public, still on the British foot-pound system vs. the European CGS

metric system . . . and ignorance of the European medical healthcare system. Most pressing problem is lack of analytical reasoning. Most important lifetime event was joining the Marine Corps, getting the OK for officers training, and going to Cornell (did not go to 'Two'). I never realized how the manipulators of Wall Street could drastically destroy the wealth of our country and cause a collapse of the economy. LIFE: One is here but once, and one should at least make an effort to make this life supportive of others."

Roberta Caverno Roberts, Kennett Square, PA: "Retired. Travel, birding, bridge, swimming, walking. Situation is static. Cut down the number of lobbyists in Washington and get the lawmakers to do what we voted them in for. I drive a Honda Accord—reliable. Wish I were in Bermuda. Just returned from a three-week birding trip to Brazil. Saw many birds and met many people. Am blessed with three kids and Cornell. Live today the best you can, and be kind."

June Jacobi Gillin, Westfield, NJ: "Obama is bankrupting the country. Need more Town Hall meetings. Vote him out! Favorite course was freshman English, taught by a husband and wife. Toughest were the advanced math courses. Lunch tomorrow at Echo Lake Country Club. Celebrated Christmas and Paper Mill Playhouse and dinner with daughter and daughter-in-law. I drive a Mercedes SL-500 convertible and a Mercedes S-500—sturdy and attractive. I plan to drive to Ocean City, NJ, and Palm Beach, FL, but am glad to be right here. I've traveled the world and wish to stay home here and in Florida. Today's problem is to defeat the Taliban. Most happy event was marrying **Jim Gillin '47**, PhD '51, bachelor's and PhD in Chemical Engineering (deceased). Least worry (now) is my health. Just recently discovered the History Channel on TV."

Lester Wise, Old Westbury, NY: "Just built a Japanese garden—lots of bamboo. The world is a mess. What else is new? Kids and grandchildren are doing OK. Busy paying bills and tending my garden (sounds like poetry). Will play bridge tomorrow. Visited kids for Christmas. I drive a BMW Coupe—rides great and looks good. My last car was exactly the same. Wish I were at the Grand Canyon and such (never been there). I joined a local tennis club, and guess what? Two members are fraternity brothers of mine! Problem: the falling leaves are driving my wife crazy. I can't remember anything I was ever worried about. LIFE: Better to have it than not."

William More, Reisterstown, MD: "Masonic Past Master, golf, American Legion, VFW. Things are deteriorating. We expect the government to be responsible for everything. It's time to practice our own self-management and discipline and use credit cards very sparingly. Congress gets no raises until the budget is balanced. Reduce foreign aid by 75 percent. My favorite course at Cornell was Organization and Management in the ILR school, and it was also the toughest, with Prof. Maurice Neufeld. I've been trying to find some good news in the *Baltimore Sun*. Tomorrow going to a Shriners luncheon. Will be working on Shriners Hospital functioning care (at no charge) for crippled children. I drive a Mercury. It runs. Glad to be here with my wife of 63 years, Shirley. Try to keep my nose clean and my dealings honest. Lots of challenges today, but no real problems. Greatest day in my life was marrying Shirley, a perfect wife. Not worried about health. Our present armed forces are better trained than the Marine Corps I served in during WWII and Korea. LIFE: Take

pride—Semper fidelis with wife—and enjoy each day." ☐ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; phone and fax, (516) 767-1776; e-mail, bobpersons@verizon.net.

49 Internet Ride Boards for alumni heading to the Hill on Reunion Weekend? This suggestion, broached by **Junerose Kuchler Killian '47**, attending the Continuous Reunion Club with her husband, **Jimmie '42**, PhD '49 (Niantic, CT), met with an immediate and enthusiastic response among many of those who make the drive to Ithaca. Many an eight-hour drive would be made less tedious if shared. '49ers, are you interested? Joining them at CRC was **Don Sutherland** (Wilmington, DE, and Naples, FL; www.donsutherland.com), who told us that the most important part of his life lately is scuba diving. He has been taking underwater photographs of marine life all over the Pacific. He told us that he had started this in the Caribbean, but after discovering the Pacific, he didn't go back because the Pacific was far more diverse and interesting. **Don Roberson** (Niagara Falls, NY) attended the CRC reunion and said that he has only missed one in 15 years. Retired in 1985, his main activity is birding, which has taken him to many exotic places. He also enjoys cross-country skiing. It is an exercise, he says, which can keep up health and physical abilities. He often vacations at his family's old homestead in Saranac Lake, NY, where he grew up. Don entered Cornell in 1944, enlisted in a Navy program in 1944, and returned to the Hill in the fall of 1946. He recalls that he was "happiest living a normal life with parties and the occasional ski trip" with his fraternity brothers. He says that he really enjoyed fraternity life at Cornell.

Edgar Galson (Syracuse, NY; e4galson@twcny.rr.com) is retired and serves on various community boards and committees, takes courses, practices piano, and engages in "lots of sports, travel, family, reading, gardening, and more." He summers with wife Eva on their island in the St. Lawrence River. "I am very busy," he adds. He says that he would rather be hiking in the mountains, which he does from time to time. There's no one thing he remembers most fondly, but he mentions the beauty of the campus and the vibrant intellectual life. **Martha Coler** Risch (Silver Lake, NH; mcrisch@aol.com), married to Bob, tells us, "It only took 63 years, but I finally got back to oil painting—an interest sparked by a class I took freshman year at Cornell. My special love is portraits of living things like grandchildren, family pets, and trees." Martha would like to see Cornell reprint Andrew Dickson White's *Flat Money Inflation in France* with Henry Hazlitt's preface (New York City, March 1959), which she believes "needs to be part of every generation's 'Lessons from History'—lest we repeat the failures from the past." Martha's brother **Rod Coler** (Kennewick, WA) joined her at our 60th Reunion after visiting **John, JD '49** (jdorffman@dds.com) and **Ruth Davison Dorfman** (rbdorfman@aol.com) of Wayne, PA.

Ronald Lindy (Scotch Plains, NJ) has been with the same firm, Mooney General Paper Co. in Hillside, NJ, for 60 years. Widowed for ten years, he's active with grandchildren's activities. Friendships and campus activities are things he remembers most fondly from his years on the Hill. **Bill Feinberg** (Ocean, NJ; fdflaw@verizon.net; joanfeinberg@verizon.net) is a self-employed attorney. He commutes 100 miles a day, "working for the Yankee dollar!" Bill is a board member of

Ocean Action, Windmill Alliance (school and habitation for the developmentally disabled), and the American Littoral Society; and a member and representative of the Int'l Gamefish Association and the Outdoor Writers Association of America. He says he'd rather be "back on a beach in Tahiti with my good wife and my fishing rod." From his days on the Hill, Bill remembers most fondly visits from his parents, who stayed at the Straight, and chess games with Prof. Elias Husar of the Government department. Grandson Ian is applying for admission to Cornell in the fall, and if admitted, will be the 23rd member of Bill's family to become a Cornellian. Son **Bob Feinberg '84** (New York, NY) is an attorney, and son **Michael '79** (New York, NY) is a rabbi.

Marydes Chapin Britton (Green Valley, AZ) is keeping home and garden in good shape. She attends garden clubs and classes at Osher Lifelong Learning Inst., concerts, theatre, and charitable functions. Last year she toured ancient civilizations of the Red Sea, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, and Egypt. She was preparing for a trip to Tunisia and to visit family and friends in England at the time of our 60th Reunion. She says there is nothing she'd rather be doing. **John R. Jones** (Grand Blanc, MI; phyllisjones1@comcast.net) is caring for his wife, Phyllis, who has Alzheimer's. He remembers most fondly from his time at Cornell the world-class professors and sledding on the Library Slope.

'49ers, many of you send in news and then see nothing of it in this column for months. We are happy to tell you that we are currently being allotted more space in the Class Notes and shall therefore be able to include more news of each of you in a more timely manner! So please keep sending us news of your doings! Your classmates really enjoy hearing about you here. **Dorothy Mulhoffer Solow**, 1625 Lilac Lane, Crescent, PA 15046; tel., (724) 784-0371 and (315) 717-6003; e-mail, winspeck@yahoo.com.

50 Well, we did it! The 60th Reunion of our memorable and accomplished Class of 1950—the Class of the 20th Century—was a happy event with 132 octogenarian classmates in attendance; we broke the previous record of 126 for a 60th, set by the Class of 1944. We also broke four other records for a 60th: 400-plus current donors, 58 Tower Club members (gifts over \$5,000), 87 Cayuga Society members (those who have named Cornell in their wills or have gifted annuities), and the all-time giving record of about \$120,000,000. For this reunion our class gifted \$7,406,072, well exceeding our goal of \$6.5 million. We currently have 932 classmates of record, of which 422 are dues-payers. Our reunion planning committee, chaired by **Stan Rodwin** and **Jane Wigsten McGonigal**, PhD '84, did a bang-up job of providing an appropriate and memorable program. Stan's son, Brian, arranged the superb and elegant tent meals. White tablecloth service, of course. Complete hot breakfast at Mews Hall. Lovely three-salad lunch with fruit shortcake at Beebe Lake. And the regular sumptuous evening class banquets. All first class with engaging conversation and warm fellowship.

The annual class dinner for 200-plus was held in Willard Straight Hall, preceded by a wine reception and social on the Straight patio. Class officers were elected for the next five-year cycle: president **Pat Carry Stewart**; VPs **John Marcham**, **Stan Rodwin**, and **Marion Steinmann**; secretary **Ruth Downey Crone**; treasurer **Ben Williams**; and

class correspondents **Paul Joslin** and **Marion Steinmann**. Appointed officers include: Annual Fund reps **James Brandt** and **Pat Fritz** Bowers; Major Gifts rep **John Laibe**; reunion chairs **Stan Rodwin** and **Jane Wigsten McGonigal**; advisory council **Bruce Davis**, MBA '52, **Dave Dingle**, **Rodger Gibson**, **Jim Hazzard**, **Sally Wallace Murray**, **Alex Richardson**, **Jack Rose**, MD '54, **Libby Severinghaus Warner**, **Ralph Williams Jr.**, MD '54, and **Dick Pogue**. A tidied up version of the Class Constitution was also approved.

As usual, the annual Savage Club show was sold out. And for good reasons. In what other venue can you enjoy a live show as offbeat and entertaining? Jokes and satire. Songs and readings. Magic and shtick. Cornelliana Night was an informal blast and SRO. Nostalgic songs by the alumni Chorus and Glee Club. Class and Cornell Annual Fund recognitions. The Class of '35 was the oldest officially recognized class. However, graduates of earlier classes were recognized and roundly applauded—including **Bill Vanneman '31**, age 101. Bill was present at this late-night event as well as the previous night's concert in Bailey Hall featuring the university and alumni Symphony Orchestra, the university and alumni Chorus, and the university and alumni Glee Club. Both Friday and Saturday nights' concerts ended with audience participation in the singing of select Cornell songs and the Alma Mater. Very nice.

Friday morning was a special time to remember **Sam Johnson**, our beloved and, sadly, deceased classmate. Sam's wife, **Imogene (Powers) '52**, introduced Sam's award-winning film, *Carnauba*, about his effort to reconnect with his father, with whom he had what he perceived as a cool and distant relationship. This effort involved constructing an exact replica of the plane his father flew to the Amazon in 1935 to find the trees from which wax was obtained for the famous Johnson wax. Then his two sons flew the replica on the exact route taken by his father over sixty years before. The film is somewhat a travelogue, but also tells the story of a lonely boy's relationship with his father, his middle-age struggle with alcoholism, and his eventual realization of a familial peace, ending with Sam's admonition, "It is not the duty of children to live up to the expectations of their fathers; rather it is the duty of a father to live up to the expectations of his children."

Perhaps the best class reunion event was the Cornell Caper Convocation organized by **John Griswold** and **Paul Joslin**. An entertaining recounting of student capers; memorable articles from the campus humor magazine, the *Cornell Widow*; big screen showing of two episodes of *The Perils of Pauline* (silent films from the era when the fledgling movie industry was in Ithaca); plus a tribute to **Will Joy**, our late class humorist and caper perpetrator. Will's brother, **Alden Perrine '47**, who died the week before Reunion, sponsored a delightful souvenir booklet. Copies available for the asking. **William V. Joy**, aka **Willy**, was an avid historian, gifted expository and satirical writer, non-conforming student, and talented practical joker. After being placed on probation for an egregious caper, and thus prohibited from participation in sanctioned extracurricular activities, he continued as assistant editor of the *Cornell Widow* under the pseudonym **Pearl White**! His idea of humor went well beyond the coarse and mundane, and he thus wrote fascinating and entertaining stories for the *Widow*, including a series on **Pearl White**, the **Marilyn Monroe** of the time and star of the wonderfully entertaining *Perils of Pauline*.

Other news: The rope climb in Barton Hall, designed for kids, was conquered by **Bill Atkinson**. At Cornelliana Night, the alumni Glee Club sang a song written by Glee Club accompanist **John Timmerman**. Kudos to those who, with grace and courage, navigated the Hill with canes or walkers. Next fall's freshmen will be reading the book *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?* by Philip K. Dick. You will receive an order blank for a free copy. **Paul Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA 50151-1560; tel., (515) 278-0960; e-mail, phj4@cornell.edu; **Marion Steinmann**, 237 West Highland Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19118-3819; tel., (215) 242-8443; e-mail, cjoiner@ix.netcom.com.

51 We're just one year away from our 60th Reunion as I write. **Bud Huffman** (Bethlehem, PA) reports, "My oldest grandchild graduates from college (Boston U.) this May. He is an engineering major, but jobs are still hard to find. Had my second (and I hope last) hip replacement in February. Already swinging a golf club (mid-April) and hope to be 100 percent by June 1."

Roderick Ironside (Durham, NC) has been principal caregiver for his wife, Ellen, who has Pick's disease, for several years. He has the help of daughter Elizabeth and son Andy in maintaining Ellen's quality of life. Rod has sung since age 9 and is honored to be able to continue the activity at 83 with the Choral Society of Durham, the Duke U. Chapel Choir, and, in 2006, the Cornell Glee Club! He plans a summer trip back to family roots in Durango, CO. Fondest memories of Cornell include four years of participation in Glee Club and Westminster Fellowship and two semesters of excellent instruction and inspiration in freshman English with **Rosalind Robinson**. **Armin**, MS '60, and **Naomi Furrer**, who met on a blind date in his senior year on the Hill, live in a continuing care retirement center in Sun City Center, FL.

Jim Ballew (Jackson, NJ) has become engaged to **Florence Bennett**, whom he has known for 65 years. She was a close friend of his wife, Betty, who passed three years ago. Jim is still enjoying skiing, with trips to Tahoe, Vail, and Vermont, along with twice-a-week tennis. He's still working three days a week at three jewelry stores. "Business fortunately in the capable hands of older son John." **Adele Mongan Fasick** (San Francisco, CA) was the keynote speaker at a June symposium on libraries for children and young adults, held in South Korea. "My love for libraries and travel is still going strong."

Barbara Hai Freed (Menands, NY) writes, "I returned the end of December from a fantastic cruise that took us from Istanbul to Singapore with visits to 13 countries. We traveled the Gulf of Aden and Strait of Hormuz, but fortunately we didn't encounter any pirates. Among the highlights was spending three days in Israel with my family. Since I am still in the travel business I am hoping to make it to South Africa and Indian Ocean islands this year. Our trips are always wonderful educational experiences." **Joan Falconer** (Iowa City, IA) flew to Istanbul in May for two weeks in Turkey. Two years ago it was Eastern Europe: five countries and five currencies. "Last year, I visited a friend of over 50 years at her home in the lovely town of Chambéry, France. I'm still doing an occasional white-water river trip—dories, not rafts. Retirement is so much fun!" She remembers fondly Sage Chapel Choir with **Donald Grout**.

Grandson **Rowan Hansen** (son of **Robin Gallwey Hanson '75**) and his grandmother, **Mary**

Osborn Gallwey, PhD '58 (Seattle, WA) enjoyed CAU's theater weekend in NYC last year. "His high school allowed him two days' excused absence after reviewing the program schedule (and he had to keep doing calculus at night after the shows). It was a great trip despite the red-eyes to and from San Francisco, which were responsible for one nap (his) during a discussion. We would do it again, but college classes take priority this year. Fellow grandparents, think about taking your own theater-loving teenagers! Sure, they'll be decades younger than anyone else, but so what? I moved to Seattle's Madrona neighborhood in 2001 and am delighted to find so many people with ties to Cornell with whom I do volunteer work feeding the homeless or meeting for breakfast to discuss politics (liberal), travel, food, books—whatever we find interesting. I could never have guessed how many times I would be grateful for the rich liberal arts education that has provided so much pleasure all these years. I'll just mention physics, Spanish, and American literature in my freshman year."

Sally Williamson Williams (Staten Island, NY) and **Peg Healy McNulty** attend as many special functions in NYC as they can, "e.g., Library, Lab of Ornithology, Johnson Museum. All of them interesting and we meet lots of new people." Sally's fondest memory of Cornell is walking back to the dorm at night in February with hair soaking wet from lifesaving class. "Scotty Little had no choice but to admit me and two other co-eds to his pool along with the swim team for this Red Cross program. We stuck it out."

Edward Kolek (Lockport, NY) checked in with a telephone number but no news. **Robert Zeller** (West Long Branch, NJ) provided an address. **John Gallup** turned down *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*, but thanked class president **Bill Kay** for the offer. **Karl Van Valkenburgh** (W. Granby, CT) and **Joanne Huntington Tunnell**, MPA '52 (West Chester, PA) did the same. **Dan Cadiz** (Bennington, VT) says "Being young!" is his fondest memory of Cornell. Please send your news to: brad@bond101.com; [\(740\) 374-6715](tel:740-374-6715); e-mail, bbond101@suddenlink.net.

52 So here we all are in different places, some rather similar. **Robert Jensen** (Catonsville, MD) and wife Dee have completed ten years in their Charlestown retirement community, a large complex with 1,700 apartments and just about every amenity imaginable. The Jensens, in addition to being very active on site, travel to visit children, friends, and grandchildren. Robert writes, "I had a great Engineering education at Cornell, which prepared me for useful work and satisfaction with my lifetime." **George and Evelyn Kunnes Sutton** (Rockville, MD; egsutton@verizon.net) are new to their "senior citizen residence." They, too, have many amenities, as well as close access to the Washington Metro. Son and daughter-in-law **Stewart '84** and **Janet Pagan Sutton '84** are nearby. George still goes to his office once a week and is in his third year of piano lessons. Ev is into bridge. The Suttons, who were anticipating a Norway coastal cruise, send best regards to all who still remember them. At their "active adult community," **Irwin and Arline Braverman Broida** (Wayne, NJ; ibroida@yahoo.com) volunteer and participate in activities that include access to Manhattan. They traveled to Jordan and Israel and enjoyed a boat cruise on the Seine. Arline writes, "We are

still healthy enough to travel and enjoy visiting other countries and meeting people from all over the world." At Cornell, Arline would not have taken an 8 a.m. gym class. Greatest impact: "Irwin and I met at Cornell and have been happily married for 56 years."

Dick Dye, MPA '56 (Pleasantville, NY; dickdye@verizon.net) divides his time between family and his international consulting business. He writes, "Just returned from five weeks in Egypt assisting USAID with evaluation of its education portfolio and proposing a new five-year strategy." Clinton Rossiter and Vladimir Nabokov influenced him most at Cornell. **C. Murray Adams** (Brooklyn, NY; cmurraya@earthlink.net) is retired from law practice. After retiring from Long Island College Hospital as their VP for legal affairs, he continued to be active from the outside, working with groups to get LICH to join forces with SUNY-Downstate

‘Richard Koontz extends “billions” of thanks to the memory of Carl Sagan.’

Jim Hanchett '53

Medical School. Murray is very active in his community of Cobble Hill. Impact at Cornell? First: "Harry Caplan, professor of Greek and Latin, and my advisor. Second: Dick Feynman in Physics—probably the smartest and most interesting man I ever met." **Phil Fleming** (Washington, DC) is occupied with "church, grandchildren, travel, and pro bono activities, legal and other." His main current cause is the Lawyers Alliance for World Security and the World Security Inst's international program to phase out nuclear weapons, called "Global Zero." Contact him for more information. Phil cites Prof. Robert E. Cushman as having the greatest impact at Cornell: "A brilliant scholar, inspiring teacher, and good friend."

Joan Stambolian Braner (Tenafly, NJ; branerj@hotmail.com) celebrated 28 years of her successful business, Conversations by Candlelight. From 2000-09 she has been a day trader, philanthropist, and hostess/cook of a weekly dinner party in her home. Greatest impact at Cornell: "Dr. Biggerstaff—my advisor—many teachers, and lifelong friends." **Lewis Ward-Baker** (Rochester, NY; patnew@rochester.rr.com) sings, acts, and tells stories, and until recently took care of his parents, the four kids, and their families. "Every day is an adventure and a joy," says he. He joined brothers of Tau Epsilon Phi at a reunion organized by **Bernie Schapiro**. Among the many there from their era were four doctors from his pledge class: **Paul Schlein**, MD '56, **Joel Lehrer**, Bernie, and himself. At Cornell, Lew would have "gone to hear Dylan Thomas read when he was on campus." The greatest influences: "The older members of my fraternity, the Men's Glee Club, and professors **Henry Myers**, PhD '33, and **Milton Konvitz**, PhD '33." In November, **Barbara Warrington Gale Wood** (Hancock, NH; bbw42@cornell.edu) found it too wet to garden. So she quilted, read, cooked, ate, and drove. "Our village has virtually no shops, so one goes 25 minutes in any direction to food shop."

Carl Gortzig (cgortzig@tcwnc.rr.com) is still in Ithaca. **Carol Lovejoy McNeal** is still in New Orleans. Her husband, **William '51**, died in January

2008. **Barbara Schlang** Sonnenfeldt (Port Washington, NY; barsonn@aol.com) wrote that she had just learned that Cornell houses the archive of "Wild Bill" Donovan. She adds, "My husband, who passed away on Oct. 9, 2009, was personally recruited by the general to serve as chief interpreter for the American prosecution during the first Nuremberg Trials." He interrogated most of the 21 Nazi leaders indicted and was Hermann Goering's chosen interpreter. **Bruce Warner**, BArch '52 (Charlotte, NC) and Eugenia have seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; most live nearby and they see them often. Cancer has slowed Bruce down, but he still attends Sunday school and church, and they attend the Charlotte Symphony. No regrets about Cornell. "Attending the School of Architecture allowed me to work 40 years in my field." Greatest impact: "My mother, a widow for over half of her life,

came up to Cornell and kept house for me for my last three years. If it hadn't been for her I wouldn't have gone to college and stuck it out." [Joan Boffa Gaul](mailto:joangaul@mac.com), joangaul@mac.com. Class website, <http://classof52.alumni.cornell.edu/>.

53 The 60th Reunion of the reasonably patient Class of 1953 is almost two-and-a-half years away, but really, for some, that's quite a long while between returns to our old college town. It's asking quite a bit of them to harness that patience. Anyway, '53 was there this past June at Reunion 2010.

Many were there for the 115th celebration of the Savages. The Savage Club of Ithaca (est. 1895) has been entertaining Cornellians and Ithacans, "more or less continually," all those years and very much so at reunion time. The Savages, many of them eminent professori, are traditionally and eternally resolutely backward in naming their shows. For 2010, "Eht Segavas Ekot No Yawdaorb." Fifty-three was represented by **Jack Brophy**, leader of the Cayuga's Waiters triple quartet of the Fifties, **John Nixon**, and **Al Packer**. The sounds of those good old days on the Hill were heard again—"The Day Isn't Long Enough," "Good Night, Little Girl," "Strike Up a Song for Cornell," "Give My Regards to Davy" (kinda like that "Give My Regards to Yawdaorb" number), "The Evening Song." Like that.

Fifty-three's main Savage, **Ernie Hardy**, PhD '69, retired World Bank consultant, former director of the Resource Information Laboratory at Cornell and a mighty tromboneer, was missed. Fatally ill, he died on July 3. The class joins in extending condolences to his wife, retired Cornell Communications lecturer and '53 VP, **Jane Little Hardy**, and their two Cornell graduate sons, **Ed '79** and **Robert '85**.

Warren G. Grady, prez of the Cornell Club of Greater Jacksonville, was builder of milk punch for '55. Gerry proved true to tradition when he appeared later wearing but one sock. Did the other provide power for the punch?

Ingvar Tornberg, presently living far above the Atlantic's waters on the 18th floor of a Sarasota retirement home, remains in touch with numerous vintage resident locals, for instance, **Dean '52**, MBA '56, and **Barbara Green Bock**. Swede says his most unforgettable character is Gerry Grady. (Who's that?) **Chuck West**, MBA '56 (Wilmington, NC) is active in Democratic Party politics "despite mobility problems." He answered the obligation he felt to keep granddaughter **Katie Paxson '11**, then doing a semester in Spain, up-to-date on Cornell basketball via e-mail, right up to "the calamity vs. Kentucky, her mother's alma mater." **Art Harre** (Fortville, IN) claims "two grandkids at the Big Red (of Indiana—I.U.)."

Erwin Geiger, MBA '54 (Palm Harbor, FL), who joined '53 as a transfer from the U. of Munich, hosted a "wine tasting, aka Open the Bottle Night" at the Tampa Bay Cornell Club about a week before the March Madness of college basketball. He says Prof. Nilson, a teacher of finance in the Business School, was the most unforgettable character he can remember. **Richard Koontz** (Port Richey, FL) looks back with pleasure at a summer 1984 Carl Sagan astronomy course. He extends "billions" of thanks to the memory of Sagan and his willingness to mix with and pay heed to the views of his senior alumni students. Many others have similar memories.

Carol Wright Murphy (Gainesville, GA) notes that her 22nd grandchild was born in March, just three weeks after Carol's second great-grandling. Those diverse descendants are widely dispersed. That means lots of travel, of course. But, says Carol, the main family event is "gathering at Hatteras, NC. And weddings!" "Life goes on, thank goodness," says **Joan Osborne** Lautenberg (Lafayette, CA), a member of the varsity women's hockey team and the Sage Choir back when. She tells of "some excitement and apprehension about health measures national and local in which I am interested, and pro reproductive rights in which I am active—hopeful on the home front." **Nancy Van Cott** Jones is co-founder of Sing Along at Kendal of Ithaca. It has met for 600 weeks "for mid-day Monday fun. We have five leaders and six pianists, one who plays by ear. Usually 40 people attend."

Cardiologist **Julian Aroesty** (Lexington, MA) admits it: "Back and knees are not what they once were. I walk instead of run. I bike when the weather permits. No longer downhill ski and have not tried cross-country skiing in any serious way." He was "awaiting a great day, when youngest son (was to) graduate from the U. of Michigan with a mechanical engineering degree and I am granted a \$50,000 raise—well, once he has a job secured." Julian allows as how he can still handle the Spanish, French, and German he picked up at Cornell—"but have lost much of my Russian, having had little opportunity to use it for 30 years until the large Russian immigration brought me many patients." He was particularly impressed with Cornell's emphasis on speech and notes that people who should know have often said he "spoke the language without an American accent."

Barry Weiss (Beverly Hills, CA, and Jerusalem) and family made Aliyah (immigration to the Land of Israel and a basic tenet of Zionism, says Wikipedia) last year. They took his mother, 99, and widowed father-in-law, then 89. It brought them close to spouse Lorraine's rabbi son, his wife, and their six children. "It is so nice to see children, unspoiled by TV, who enjoy their games, their studies, each other, and us. We didn't retire to Israel. We are busier than ever baby-sitting the kids,

taking them to museums and tours, lectures, concerts, and theater when it is in English, and dinners and Shabbats with new friends we have made—or should I say who have taken us into their hearts?" **Herb Neuman** (NYC) and Stefanie made their 40th visit to Israel this year, taking care of "business and philanthropic activities," plus quality time with kin and kith. They visit the Holy Land every year "and always have a fascinating and memorable experience." For instance, they toured Arabian Gulf countries for two weeks in '09—Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrein, Dubai, and Oman. "Thought we would see camels and palm trees, but instead we saw ten-lane highways, skyscrapers, and indoor skiing." Herb continues to conduct his real estate business, and Stephanie still teaches at Columbia. ☒ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 First Ave., #8B, NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

54 A reminder, hopefully timely: Homecoming is September 25, with the Big Red playing the Yale Bulldogs. A lovely time to return to the Hill—a bit shy of leaf turning, but snow flurry-free.

At this time of year, your correspondent is reminded of the stone soup fables. How does one create an entire column with one letter in the mailbox? **Nancy Bird** Prawl, MS '58, was kind enough to supply the first stone, or word, to the column via her note from Manhattan, KS—home to those dynamic Wildcats. Nancy devotes time to two museums on the K-State campus. She is a docent at the Mariana Kistler Beach Museum of Art and serves on the board of the Costume and Textile Museum, which is associated with their College of Human Ecology. She didn't mention if she goes to the stadium to watch all those purple-suited people stand and cheer throughout the football games. It is truly an amazing sight for those of us with an Ivy League background. Years ago, **Clay Miller** suggested I attend a K-State vs. USC game. I will never forget the crowds, the noise, the show, and the excitement—and the enthusiasm my Kansas cousins showed me that day.

Mike Stone, MD '58, he of the having lunch everyday with those far-out Physics majors, both of whom garnered Nobel prizes, has supplied me with another of his witty stories of life at Cornell. "Besides the two Nobel-prize-winners-to-be, I hung out with mostly other Math and Physics types, many of whom had—what shall we say—unusual qualities. We belonged to the fraternity of those that did not get into a fraternity . . . though for a time I did live at the Kappa Sigma fraternity with my friend **Tony Nicholson**. I took to pretending that I was preparing for the priesthood (not an easy road for a Jewish kid), since otherwise my majoring in Latin and Greek would have seemed very odd and suspicious to them."

Our historian, **Robert Martin**, JD '60, is busy attending the grands' graduations and commenting on their decisions to follow in the steps of their mothers, fathers, and grandfather vis-à-vis career choices. Which led to my thinking of how many of our offspring have attended Cornell and why they chose the Big Red. Did our love of Cornell create the desire? Did they graduate with the same sense of community as we still have all these years later, which to the best of my knowledge is one of the strongest there is among colleges and universities? Drawn back to the campus this past June, helping the Class of '55 celebrate their 55th were: the creators of our fabulous Island Reunion **Chick Trayford**, MBA '60, and **Jack**

Vail, Al Eckhardt, MBA '55, who returned for the Business School Reunion, **Law Stone** in from the West Coast with wife **Joan (Steiner) '55**, **Doris Caretti** Oniskey back with CRC, and your correspondent—enjoying reunion without having to blow up balloons or set up tables. We all loved the freedom to just enjoy the lectures, the forums, the beauty of the campus, and, of course, the singing. There is a magic to the campus that truly lives on within us.

Robert Martin has, for the past couple of years, been collecting memories of our years at Cornell. Robert will continue to collect and edit before putting them on our class website. I thought I might share some excerpts, which possibly will bring forth stories you would like to share. From **Karen Wylie** Pryor: "One thing that had drawn me to Cornell was the huge Agriculture school. There were the courses I coveted. Entomology (a whole year of insects, yay!) . . . Botany (lots of choices there). Cornell even had an entire Department of Ornithology! In my sophomore year, after acing my Ornithology final, I inquired about majoring in birds. The head of the department turned me down flat, and here's what he told me: girls could not major in Ornithology because there was no place for them to go to the bathroom in the woods." From **Vincent Rospond**, LLB '58: "I remember the dogs of Cornell. No matter where you went, they were there. One day, as I was attending a lecture on a European novel being given by Vladimir Nabokov, in walked a dog who climbed up the stairway to the stage and then curled up next to the lectern. Halfway through the lecture, the dog got up, looked at Nabokov, yawned in his face, and then left the hall. Nabokov was dumbfounded by this apparent critique of his effort and started to laugh, commenting that it was the first time that a dog had found one of his lectures boring. We all roared with glee, with smiles on our faces for the rest of the hour." If you have stories about life at Cornell you would like to share, Robert's e-mail is: Irvine812@aol.com. ☒ **Les Papenfus** Reed, lreed@speakeasy.net. Class website, <http://classof54.alumni.cornell.edu>.

55 Ah, Reunion! Once again, the fact of being in Ithaca, hearing the chimes, and seeing so many old friends worked the usual magic. For three days, we were back to that special time and place where lifelong friendships were forged and wonderful memories were created. There was a certain extra warmth in the camaraderie over the weekend, I felt. Perhaps it was the unspoken recognition that we have more reunions behind us than ahead of us. Anyway, thanks to all who made the trip from near or far; it was great to see you! Reunion co-chairs **Mike Avery** and **Joan Weisberg** Belden, with the help of many willing volunteers, put on a marvelous weekend for us.

We stayed in the Alice Cook House, a new, air-conditioned dorm, where food, drink, music, and fellowship could be found in abundance. Our Friday morning class forum, "A Decade of Change," featured **Don Greenberg**, PhD '68, director of Cornell's Program of Computer Graphics; **Susan Murphy** '73, PhD '94, VP of Student and Academic Services; and Don Randel, former Cornell provost and dean of the Arts college. Classmates agreed it was a top-notch event.

That afternoon, the tour of Sapsucker Woods drew many nature lovers and before dinner on the Ag Quad, there was a cocktail reception with the

Class of 2005. Saturday morning, a discussion of *The Grapes of Wrath*, the New Student Reading Project book, was led by Laura Brown, professor of English. After a quick stop for milk punch in the courtyard, it was off to Bailey Hall for President Skorton's State of the University address. The consensus was that Cornell is truly in good hands. At noon we convened at the Plantations for lunch, followed by our class meeting and the announcement of **Jay Hyman**, DVM '57's magnificent gift, the Southeast Overlook, which will be set into the hillside overlooking the ponds in the Arboretum. **Donald Rakow**, PhD '87, director of the Plantations, accepted Jay's gift and President Skorton expressed the university's grateful thanks. A reception and dinner at the Statler wrapped up our class events. For a final infusion of nostalgia, alumni from all classes made their way to Bailey Hall for Cornelliana Night. What a sight: a packed house, roars from the crowd as the oldest returning Cornellians were introduced, and alumni standing, row by row, with their arms around each other, swaying and singing the old familiar Cornell songs.

Barbara O'Connor Kenny told me, "It was a lot of fun seeing how we all changed for the better! Our class is still as enthusiastic as it was in the fall of '51." **Mary Ann Meyer Adams** said she and **Bob '54** were already looking forward to next time, adding that "Cornellians certainly have a great spirit when gathered together!" **Burt and Adele Petrillo Smart '57** noted, "The committee did a great job. The class panel and class dinner were outstanding. It was definitely worth the two planes from Destin, FL, plus a drive from Albany!" **Charlene Vickery Campisi** said it was "fun putting names and faces together after such a long time." **Dave** and **Joanne Schmidt** were delayed five hours, due to an unexpected confrontation with a deer crossing the road, and then having to deal with repairs, car rental, and insurance. Undeterred, they arrived in time for Dave to join his pals in Cayuga's Waiters' several appearances around campus. **Paul Hyman** reported, "The 30 minutes spent listening to **Sandy Weill's** insights on the economy and advice on funds allocation was worth my time and cost of traveling to Ithaca." Paul also enjoyed meeting friends from ROTC, other schools, and classes. **Barbara Ramsey Adsit** said, "Besides the fun of renewing friendships, I especially enjoyed the musical and singing events." **Howland Swift** (who lured my husband, Ed, and me downtown to a sports bar to watch part of the Celtics-Lakers game on Friday night!) found that he met "a lot of interesting people, not Hoteliers, for the first time." **Rod Rougelot** felt right at home upon seeing the familiar faces of **Vera Steiner Simon**, **Libby Milliken Klim**, **Sue Spooner Olsen**, **Verallee Hardenburg McClain**, **Lynn Waller Young**, and me; all of us were sorority sisters of his late wife, **Carol (Schuette)**. Asked to describe his reaction to the weekend, Rod said, "Just one word: great!"

Lorrie Pietryka Plamondon, married to **Peter '54**, filled us in on that class's annual golf outing enjoyed by eight Cornell couples, including **Barbara Gavin Fautleroy** and her husband, **Clancy '54**. "The golfing goes on and the camaraderie is better than ever!" **John Riley**, BArch '56, said that "catching up with fellow architects **George Shear**, BArch '56, and **Dave Sheffield**, BArch '60, MRP '61, was a highlight," as was discovering that **Frank**, MBA '56, and **Nancy Tetz** are fellow residents of Saratoga Springs. **Renie Adler** Hirsch was thrilled to be able to walk the Cornell hills without pain after major foot surgeries; Renie also won the gift card for bringing the most nostalgia items from past reunions. **Neal Jordan** was "fascinated" to learn about the new

house system on campus, and sorry that so few upperclassmen can be accommodated by them. Neal also introduced "a confirmed New Yorker to grits!" **Phil Harvey** expressed well-deserved kudos to **Bob Belden** for the "smooth registration process," and also appreciated that "timely buses solved the concerns about making it up Libe Slope."

Hilda Bressler Minkoff says she's retired but still going to school. Referring to TARP, she doesn't mean a stimulus package, but Temple Adult Retired Professionals at Temple U. However, like most of us, Hilda says she'd "rather be 20 and back at Cornell." Good to learn that **Marty Gorman** King's health has improved to the point where she no longer needs nighttime oxygen. "Makes traveling a whole lot easier!" The Kings weren't able to make Reunion because their grandson was graduating from college the same weekend. **Martin**, MD '58, and **Phyllis Shames Korn '57** give thanks for their good health, enabling them to stay "very active physically and mentally." Even Marty's tennis and computer skills are improving! The Korn's most recent trips were to Mount Kilimanjaro and Israel. On a sad note, Marty's former roommate, **Paul Baris**, died in March. They were best men at each other's wedding. "Paul was much loved, and accomplished a great deal in his world."

Shirley Sanford Dudley's friends were pleased to see her at Reunion. She said she's been "weathering the transition" since **Carl's** death in March 2009 with the help of their five children, who "came through big time for Carl and me, throughout his illness and after." In the past year, Shirley has taken trips to Barcelona, Belfast, and Colombia. She has worked in the Gulf Coast on a mission trip, sung in a gospel festival in upper New York State, and is a regular in a senior fitness program to stay agile: "I'm trying to get back to playing racquetball!" **Tara Prince** Goldman and husband Warren have moved from their house in River Vale, NJ, to an apartment in an active over-55 development in Wanaque, NJ. Tara keeps busy playing bridge, walking, volunteering, and being with her grandchildren.

Were you looking for results of the class elections? Our co-presidents **Barbara Loreto** Peltz and **Fred Antil** have graciously agreed to sign on for another term. Vice presidents will be **Phil Harvey**, **Ginny Wallace** Panzer Wiener, and **Joan Steiner** Stone. **Eva Konig** Ray and **Mike Avery** continue as secretary and treasurer, respectively, and I will "re-up" as your class correspondent. **Charlie** and **Mary Ann Peck Wolf**, who did such a tremendous job this year, are continuing as our Cornell Annual Fund chairmen. Keep your news coming! I'm indebted to all of you who make my job easier. **Nancy Savage** Petrie, nancypetrie@optonline.net. Class website, <http://classof55.alumni.cornell.edu>.

56 *Solar Decathlon Team finds a home at "Joe's Inn":* For nearly three weeks at the US Dept. of Energy's 2009 Solar Decathlon Competition, almost 150 student members of Cornell's team cycled in and out of Washington, DC, last fall. Some stayed for two days, some for two weeks, and almost all stayed at our classmate **Joe Manelski's** home in McLean, VA. Says Joe, "These students worked very hard, and they needed a place to relax. The students needed to network. There were hundreds of mini-meetings between the team leaders and the team members. It strengthened their esprit de corps and helped them achieve their objective." Team members rotated in and out of Joe's home while they completed the design and construction

of an ultra-modern energy conserving building on the National Mall as part of the biennial competition organized by the US Dept. of Energy. The Cornell offering was judged against competing buildings from 20 other schools from the US and Europe and, although it placed 7th over all, Joe's hospitality and food, we hear, certainly won first prize with the team.

Renowned architect Richard Meier visits New York Inst. of Technology for a presentation and book signing: To a sold-out crowd of alumni, students, and guests in March of this year, **Richard Meier**, BArch '57, managing partner of Richard Meier & Partners Architects LLP, discussed his various projects throughout the world and shared photos of his award-winning designs and buildings. He described the thought process behind the design and development of each of his buildings to the audience of aspiring and established architects, as well as those new to his work. Richard, who received an honorary degree from NYIT in 2009, has received major civic commissions in Asia, Europe, and the US, including courthouses and city halls, museums, corporate headquarters, housing, and private residences. Among his most well known projects are the Getty Center in Los Angeles, the Jubilee Church in Rome, and the Museum of Contemporary Art in Barcelona.

Classmate **Mary Holmes** Moon was "found" by a Cornellian who wanted to honor her with a gift to the libraries for the help she showed him when he was a freshman at Orientation. Mary now lives outside Seattle, WA. A mini-reunion organized by classmate **Sandy Rodetsky** Slipp of Englewood, NJ, is a regular meeting with **Thelma Landau** Markowitz, **Susan Warhaftig** Brownmiller, **Carmela**

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*Whose original quote is this?

Suckow Ackman, and **Judy Roberts Seto**. They meet to celebrate birthdays and talk about Cornell experiences and their current lives. I am sorry to report that classmate **Bitsy Wright** Tower of Stony Creek, CT, passed away in 2007.

Paul Shane of Philadelphia, PA, is a professor in the Dept. of Social Work at Rutgers U. in Newark, NJ. **Alice Platt Brooks** (Vestal, NY), who is retired from the Broome County Dept. of Social Services, is volunteering her time with the League of Women Voters. **Cidney Brandon** Spillman (Bethlehem, PA) enjoys visits to her family in the western US. **Vera Johnson** Lee (San Francisco, CA), retired from practicing law, volunteers her time singing in two choruses and other very

You'll soon receive a dues notice with the opportunity to send news. Please take a moment to jot down some of the happenings in your life. **Judith Reusswig**, 19 Seburn Dr., Bluffton, SC 29909; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.

On Saturday of Reunion Weekend, **Bob Watts** attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the \$8 million renovation and addition to the boat-house and rowing facilities on the Inlet. **Bob Staley**, MBA '59, a member of the legendary crew of '57, and a driving force behind this project, participated in the ceremony, which probably would not have taken place without his dedication and perseverance. Incidentally, the rowing

Walkway over the Hudson project. "I'm also painting the inside of my house and my fingers are crossed, hoping all turns out decoratively pleasing." Michael's grandnephew was the cox of the frosh boat last spring. "They did very well." **John Seiler**, suitcase2@aol.com.

58 **Sandy Mosher** Dwork (Shelby, NC) took up Scottish country dancing a few years ago and enjoys it immensely. She says the dancing, church work, and art—primarily oil painting—keep her busy. **Carol Mayer** Utter (Kennett Square, PA) writes that after 48 happy years in the "nation's capital," she and her husband have moved to a retirement community in the "mushroom capital of the world." **Anita Depaola** Freeman has decided after 12 years of private psychiatry practice to transfer a large caseload to another practitioner through immediate or long-term sale of the practice, so she can retire! As of early 2010, she was looking for a buyer. Her future plans are to winter at the seacoast (Gloucester, MA) and summer at a farm in Vermont (to be determined).

Barry Bloom is of counsel to a law firm, representing real estate investment and financing funds; he also took up the drums and formed the Barry Bloom Dream Band. He moved from the East Side to the West Side of NYC after marrying Susan Blond in April 2009. His late wife, Frances, died in 2005. His volunteer work is in connection with the Bar Association's program of providing legal help to low and moderate income people. **John Morrison** has had a tough year in real estate sales and hopes to move to Arizona. He currently resides in Lake Forest, IL. **Fred Brueck** was associated with Cornell for 33 years as a Cornell Cooperative Extension regional specialist serving more than 2,000 clients. For 20 years he was a private pilot, owned his own plane, and rented larger ones. He has also been a director for the Red Cross for 20 years. He loves where he lives in Schoharie, NY ("one of the most scenic places in the US").

Robert Adler is president of the Riley Walker Agency, professional surety bond producers and brokers. Last August he and his wife went on a Seine River cruise from Paris to LeHavre. They stopped to visit the Monet homestead and museum, the beaches of Normandy, and the American Cemetery (D-day and related deaths). Most impressive! They also visited Honfleur, a very pretty harbor village, and bought an original oil painting of poppies at night. His wife received a kidney transplant in Sept. '08 and is doing wonderfully; the trip was in honor of the first anniversary of the transplant. She had been on dialysis for three years, so travel was relatively non-existent.

I received an article from the *Savannah Morning News* about **Fred Clark** titled, "Retirement not in plans for septuagenarian," written in September 2008. Wow! I guess we are all septuagenarians! It's a wonderful article and starts off like this: "Fred Clark spends his work day lawyering, his lunch hour shooting hoops, and his leisure time snorkeling in the Galápagos or hiking to Machu Picchu. He's been doing these things for almost five decades and has no plans to change his routine. He will continue to visit the court, both the one with the jury box and the one framed by basketball goals. And his future vacation plans include a trip to the one continent he and his wife, Nancy, have yet to visit: Antarctica. His only hobbies are the law, basketball, and traveling! What else would I do in retirement?" "

‘Clinical psychologist Tom Golden has a weekly show on radio station WVOA.’

Jenny Tesar '59

worthwhile causes. And on the Fifth Avenue bus, I meet neighboring classmates to discuss our mutual lives: **Eleanor Goldman** Frommer is selling coops and condos in Manhattan, and **Gerry Kleinbaum**, JD '58, is practicing law. **Ellie Schaffer** came to New York from her home in Paris and we had a chance to catch up.

SAVE THE DATE: The Super Class of '56 will be reuniting June 9-12, 2011 in Ithaca. **Phyllis Bosworth**, phylboz@aol.com.

57 Many of you are probably in book clubs so perhaps you've had a chance to discuss *Rage Against the Dying Light*. Did you know that the author is our classmate? **Jan Klein** Surasky's novel received the Eric Hoffer Award, which is given for excellence in independent publishing. Jan has been a magazine writer for years and is a member of the American Society of Journalists and Authors. She occasionally sees **Grace Wohlner** Weinstein at the Society conference.

We're all familiar with what IBM, CIA, and NYU stand for—but do you know about the ICSBS? That stands for International Chinese Snuff Bottle Collectors. **Joyce Dudley McDowell** has been planning and organizing their annual convention, which will take place in Honolulu in October. Then Joyce and **Ed '54**, who spend part of their time in Hawaii, will head back to their Hermosa Beach, CA, home to pack up for another of their adventuresome trips. Last year they took a cruise along the northern coast of Japan and then attended the ICSBS convention in Dublin, Ireland. This summer the McDowells went on a safari to Botswana, Zambia, and Tanzania. Later in the fall they'll board the *Clipper Adventurer* for a circumnavigation of South Georgia Island.

Another world traveler is **Barbara Pincus Klein**, MS '59, who with husband **Miles**, PhD '61, visited Australia and New Zealand with Smithsonian Journeys this year. The Kleins are both retired faculty from the U. of Illinois and stay busy with professional activities. They see **Nina Zip-pin** Baym and her husband frequently. In June, Barbara and Miles were on campus for the graduation of their granddaughter **Rona Banai '10**, who earned a BS in Chemical Engineering.

coach, **Todd Kennett '91**, is the Class of '57 Director of Rowing and Head Coach. Bob (Watts) even got in a shell with the coach's mother and churned up the Cayuga water for the better part of an hour. The Collyer Boathouse was dedicated during our senior year and will remain the core of the new facility, which will be up and running before our 55th Reunion.

While in Ithaca, Bob enjoyed dinner one night with **Joe '56**, MBA '58, and **Sue De Rosay Henninger**, **Marj Nelson** Smart, **Bob Camp '58**, MBA '60, and our 55th Reunion co-chair **Betty Starr** King. She was there to prep for 2012, and will, no doubt, with the help of **Charlie Parker**, plan and organize another barn-burner in two short years.

Dick Kossoff, MBA '59, has been elected to the board of the Oratorio Society, the New York choral group that has sung the *Messiah* at Carnegie Hall for well over 100 years. **Bruce Babcock** is staying busy in the real estate business, but says he is close to retirement. "We recently bought a house in the Smoky Mountains of North Carolina, an ideal getaway from the summer heat in Naples, FL. It's in a golf course community so we can continue our pursuit of lower scores year-round." At last count, he had 14 grandchildren.

Jim Keene now has his first grandchild—a daughter born to daughter **Ruth Ann Keene '91**, JD '98. As president of the Sigma Pi alumni organization, he visits Ithaca frequently, usually running into **Tony Cashen**, MBA '58, who seems to spend more time there than on his farm in the Hudson Valley. Jim is still working, managing an engineering and manufacturing company in Omaha, NE. **Gil Lamb** has three grandchildren. He retired from Shell Oil after 33 years, "mostly in domestic and foreign exploration and production (E&P)," and has moved from Houston to Bellville, TX, where he and Linda designed and built a country ranch house. "I help people with computers, and am involved with the local historical society, Boys & Girls Club of Bellville, and some other groups that need computer support. Tech stuff learned after Shell retirement."

If you need any interior housepainting done, **Michael Makar** is your man. Michael taught elementary school for 38 years, mostly third grade, and in retirement in Poughkeepsie, NY, is volunteering at Vassar Brothers Medical Center and the

We are in the throes of summer here in Dallas and hope you all enjoyed the same! ☑ **Jan Arps Jarvie**, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75254; e-mail, jjarvie@sbcglobal.net.

59 Wow! Hope you've received the two DVDs of our 50th Reunion and enjoyed them as much as I have. Special thanks to **Harry Petchesky**, who was the moving force behind the project, and to **Ron Demer**, who did a great job coordinating the reproduction and mailing of the DVDs. The DVDs were sent to every classmate free of charge, with the hope that everyone will be inspired to make a special contribution this year to the Class of '59 Scholarship Fund. Each year the fund provides much-needed and appreciated money to a deserving young Cornellian; established in 2004 in honor of our 45th Reunion, it is a fabulous legacy from our class. You can mail your contribution to the Class of '59 Scholarship Fund, Cornell University, Box 223623, Pittsburgh, PA 15251-2623. Or you may call 1-800-279-3099 to speak to a member of Cornell's giving staff and make your gift by phone.

Next time you're in the Finger Lakes region, be sure to stop by the Seneca Lodge and its Bench & Bar Tavern at the south entrance of Watkins Glen State Park and say hello to **Jack Brubaker**, who runs the family business with his brother Jim. In Ithaca, **Hank Stark** has been living in the Kendal at Ithaca retirement community for ten years and serves on the food, pool, tennis, sustainability, and quality of life committees. He has taught business courses at the local community college (TC3), team teaches at Cornell's College of Human Ecology, and facilitates a food and wine discussion group at the county senior center. He also facilitates current events/world affairs discussions twice a month at Kendal and the senior center. He writes food, wine, and day-trip columns for local newspapers—and plays a mean game of tennis, though he admits that his backhand needs a bit of work. He would love to hear from classmates at (607) 266-0796 or hbs6@cornell.edu.

More from upstate New York. Clinical psychologist **Tom Golden** of New Berlin has a weekly show on radio station WVOA (103.9 FM; Sundays, 4:00-4:30 pm; also live streaming at www.wvoaradio.com). His professional writings have included columns in various national and regional newspapers and magazines. He's also writing a book, "Overweight is a Family Affair," which offers a complete family-based program that places concerns about weight control in the hands of parents and children alike. **Carl Jurica**, PhD '73, a farmer in Johnstown, grows garlic and catnip for sale—and at the time of this writing, is scheduled to be at the Hudson Valley Garlic Festival the last weekend in September. Carl started the Cornell men's volleyball club in 1955 and still plays the sport. Favored extracurricular activities for Rochester residents include tennis and bridge (**Maxine Hollander** Bittker) and jogging and watercolor painting (**Helen Sugarman** Presberg).

Cambridge U. Press has published *The Evolving Dimensions of International Law* by **John Murphy**, LLB '62, professor of international law and business at Villanova's School of Law. The book examines recent developments in public international law and finds that the law has become increasingly dysfunctional in dealing with some of the primary problems facing the world community. It considers possible alternative futures for international law and legal process, and notes that choosing among

these will require the making of hard choices by the world community. John spent the summer in France, vacationing in Paris, Bordeaux, and Dordogne. Also summering in Europe—on the beach in Cyprus—was **George Vernardakis**, professor of political science and public administration at Middle Tennessee State U. in Murfreesboro, TN.

Travel—four or more trips a year—is popular with **Bill and Sue Mattison Fraser**, too. They see their four children (and spouses) and 12 grandchildren often. Same for **Cynthia Cavenaugh** Shoemaker of Marbury, MD—four children, 12 grandchildren. Cynthia is the university coordinator at the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center, which provides a regional facility to serve the university and professional training needs of southern Maryland. She coordinates more than 90 degree programs, presented by ten university partners. She does all the center's advertisements, too. **Paul Marcus**, MS '60, of Greenwich, CT, also continues to work full-time, as director of Paul Charles Ltd., a food brokerage company. "When you marry late, at 46, you work way past retirement age to keep up with tuition," he writes. Paul's daughter is at Hamilton College; his son is looking forward to graduate school after working with Merrill Lynch in Australia. Paul, who fondly remembers his experience with hockey at Cornell, continues to play senior hockey at various places around the US.

As a board member of PeopleNet, **Paul McCarthy**, MBA '65, of Pittsboro, NC, makes five trips a year to the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. Paul also continues to do some consulting and financial planning, but finds time for golf, biking, theatre, and lots of traveling. He and his wife, Janet, enjoy periodic mini-reunions with other '59ers in North Carolina: **Jack**, PhD '68, and **Phyllis Johnson Evans**, Bill and Sue Fraser, and **Bob and Sandy Tower Kelley** '60. "Motion is lotion" is his advice! ☑ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, jet24@cornell.edu.

60 The Class of 1960's 50th Reunion was a huge success! We had a terrific turnout—517 attendees, 320 of them classmates—and we set a record for the amount of money donated to the university in a reunion year: \$16,150,277, more than \$2 million above our goal. Many thanks to **Carl Johnson** and **Dick Schwartz**, MD '65, for their excellent fundraising work and to the many classmates who so generously donated to Cornell.

The long weekend was crammed with exciting events, beginning with the class garden dedication on Wednesday evening and concluding with the Sunday morning breakfast and business meeting. At that time hearty thanks were extended to all those who planned and oversaw the Reunion festivities, with special acknowledgment of **Sue Phelps Day**, MEd '62, for her general supervision and her tireless efforts to keep us informed about logistics via megaphone; **Bill Fisher**, MBA '65, PhD '68, for overseeing our complex and large-scale catering needs (and coping with the unexpected withdrawal of the caterer originally hired); **Linda Jarschauer Johnson**, MS '63, for managing somehow to get the hundreds of us registered and into the sort of rooms we'd requested; **Carrie Warnow** Makover for her continuous and highly effective pre-Reunion e-mail blasts and website updating; **Fran Pennisi** Giruzzi for taking competent care of the class treasury; and **Gail Taylor** Hodges for preparing the very useful class directory.

The array of activities offered during Reunion filled an entire binder and each of us had numerous options. We could attend class-focused events—from meals in the tent (located handily right outside our dorm) to the class forum on "A Decade of Change"—the box lunch on the Ag Quad, the piano recital by **Kenn Gartner** at Barnes, the Service of Remembrance in Sage Chapel at which Rev. James Dowd officiated, and the Barton Hall banquet at which President Skorton and his wife, Robin Davisson, joined us. There were also faculty lectures in the various colleges on fascinating subjects that included the evolution of Hollywood film, the Nuremberg trials, and the Mars Rover; athletic activities ranging from golf to rowing; tours of the Johnson Museum; and all-university events such as the Bailey Hall concerts, the Olin Lecture by **Tom Peters** '64, MCE '66, noted author of *In Search of Excellence*, and the conversation with **Sanford Weill** '55, former chairman and CEO of Citigroup, on "Recession, Regulation, and the Future of Free Markets."

Judy Singer Bercuvitz pointed out that the gala class dinner Saturday night took place in Barton, "the same hall in which we received our degrees 50 years ago," something many of us had forgotten. She also noted that, as a former music major, for her, along with seeing treasured old friends, highlights of the weekend were the piano recital, the Savage Club show, and the Glee Club-Chorus concert. Judy added, "The people in our class who planned and ran the reunion did a magnificent job." Her praise was echoed by **Alan** and **Ellie Ross Garfinkel**: "We were delighted with all the opportunities available to us during Reunion. Our sincere thanks to everyone for this wonderful celebration."

It was exciting to see how many classmates were attending a reunion for the first time in the 50 years since graduation. We welcomed newbies **Ruth Birnbaum** Langer, **Susanne Cox** Schaefer, **Raoul Drapeau**, **Myron** "Mike" **Eicher**, **Larry Ferrenbaugh**, **William Foad**, **Paul Grannis**, **Harriet Harkavy**, **Adele Hartney** Nealson, MA '63, **Robert Hazlett**, **William Henry**, **John Hoban**, **E. Ritts Howard**, **John Keefe**, **William Knight**, **Marguerite Martindale** Braden, **Mimi Segal** Daitz, **Terry Starr**, **Donald Strang**, **Jane Thomson** Hickok, MD '64, **Lois Tyler** Benning, **Jim Van Fleet**, **Rosine Vance** Turner, **Harry Welch**, MBA '62, **Judith Whiting** Ireland, **Ernest Wilson**, **Judy Reynolds** Shaw, and **Meris Wlodinger** Zittman. Also impressive were the number who made complex journeys from foreign lands to Ithaca, which can be challenging to reach even by car from neighboring states. These included **Donna Blair** Read, who came from Nairobi, Kenya, with husband Dennis; **Vittorio** "Vic" **Sichler** from São Paulo, Brazil; **Nat Grew**, DVM '63, from Santa Barbara, Costa Rica; **Judy Singer** Bercuvitz from Côte Saint-Luc, Canada; and **Carol Treman** des Cognets from East Melbourne, Australia.

Not a few of us approached our dormitory location with some trepidation, having thought that our advancing years would make us eligible for housing in the Statler Hotel, only to discover that increasing alumni longevity meant that only those from the classes of '45 and below were entitled to actual hotel rooms. But Court-Key-Bauer was well located and within easy walking distance of the center of campus and across from the Newman fitness center. The rooms were quite comfortable, and the lounges and halls, as well as the food tent, made excellent gathering places for conversation and laughter. We experienced an impressive array of Ithaca weather: cold and cloudy

the first day, sunny and pleasant the second day, hot and humid the third day, and pouring rain on the morning we departed. But long experience with the vagaries of the local climate meant that most of us were well prepared, apart from those who left a crucial piece of luggage at home (no names will be named here).

The final activity of the weekend was to vote in the slate of class officers who will preside for the next five years. Those elected are: president Sue Phelps Day (spd6@cornell.edu); VPs **Bill Flanagan** (bill4dst@msn.com), **Gale Jackson** (gale.jackson3@verizon.net), and Carl Johnson (jocajo@earthlink.net); treasurer **Jan Petro** Billings (jancomm@roadrunner.com); historian Gail Taylor Hodges (hodgesja@sbcglobal.net); webmaster **Carrie Warnow** Makover (cwm23@cornell.edu); class columnist **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg (jw275@cornell.edu); and members-at-large **Jim Carter**, MST '65 (carterjames@aol.com), Alan Garfinkel (amgenr@aol.com), Linda Jarschauer Johnson (lj1@cornell.edu), **Don Milsten** (stateserve@aol.com), **Phyllis Pugatch** Schecter (phylandkeve@aol.com), and **Ginny Seipt** (ginnyseipt@gmail.com).

Although I was able to gather bits of information about some of you during Reunion conversations, which will be reported next time, more will be needed for future columns. Please let me know what you're doing or thinking about or planning—and send your news to me. ☐ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, jw275@cornell.edu.

61 Your submissions of the class news form help us keep up with our classmates and provide content to this column. Please keep these forms coming. This month we heard from **Lassie Tischler Eicher**, who has moved to the Classic Residence by Hyatt in Scottsdale, AZ. She and husband **Mike '60** are enjoying an independent living unit after giving up the "big" house. I remember Mike not only from Cornell but also from our high school days in Pittsburgh. Lassie volunteers at the Scottsdale Alumnae Association of KKG and at the care center of their residence complex. **Lucienne Joncurs** Taylor (Minnetonka, MN) retired from the Minnesota Inst. for Talented Youth after 20 years. Now she is involved in volunteer work, quilting, and teaching a U. of Minnesota online class on gifted education. In addition, Lucy is involved with the regional library and is president of the Friends group.

Bruce Miller (Alamo, LA) writes: "I'm still working in the same industry I joined two months after graduation. I have been running my own firm for the past 23 years, specializing in institutional retirement plans, but doing more individual retirement planning than in the past. I've been racing cars for over 35 years and for the past 20 years have been participating in historic auto racing with my son and our five-car team. This past year we have raced in eight states including Watkins Glen, NY." Bruce is also involved in fundraising for the children's hospital and the Parkinson's Inst. **Mark Fleischman** writes, "I spend less time operating night clubs and have changed my focus to expanding the Bar Method exercise studios that I own with my wife throughout Southern California." Mark moved from Malibu to Los Angeles to be closer to business and social activities. **J. Peter Dygert** writes, "Golf, golf, and more golf at our winter home in Venice, FL. Also working on beautification of our Springville, NY, farm. In 2012, the farm will be 200 years old, purchased from the Holland

Land Co. in 1812." Until recently, Peter served as the Western New York director for the CALS Alumni. He expressed hopes that grandson Ryan, son of **Diane Dygert '84** (ILR), will eventually attend Cornell and keep the tradition alive.

Retired ambassador **Stephen Minikes** writes, "I am on two not-for-profit and two for-profit boards of directors. My charitable work is for the Int'l Republican Inst., which seeks to promote democracy, and the Hudson Inst., a Washington 'think tank.' I consult and advise clients and lecture on various foreign policy issues at colleges and universities within the US and in foreign countries. Much of my time is spent traveling domestically and abroad." Stephen would like to hear from his fraternity brothers at Tau Delta Phi, especially those from the classes of '58 to '63.

A press release from last fall recognizes **Peggy Monkmeier** Mastroianni, associate legal counsel of the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), who received the 2009 Federal Labor and Employment Attorney of the Year award from the American Bar Association. Peggy, who led the EEOC's Office of Legal Counsel (OLC) for much of 2009, was selected for the award by the ABA's Section of Labor and Employment Law. This distinguished award recognizes a federal attorney whose professional achievements exemplify excellence of legal work in the field of labor and employment law. Peggy joined OLC in 1991 as the director of the ADA Policy Division, where she was responsible for developing guidance documents interpreting the then-recently passed landmark statute prohibiting employment discrimination against people with disabilities.

Joel Blatt's note tells of his recent activities. "I continue to teach modern European history at the U. of Connecticut in Stamford, CT. I am writing a book, 'The Assassination of Carlo and Nello Rosselli.' Teaching and writing are my enduring challenges, along with a long-standing passion for tennis, which was fostered by my time spent with the freshman tennis team."

From Mount Vernon, NY, **Gail Wingate** Moulton writes, "I love retirement! I can get up whenever I please. There are new activities such as the Scarsdale Women's Club, where I am in the choral singers and the pottery section. My previous interest in choral singing stems from my Cornell years with the Notables and the women's chorus. Our long-distance move three years ago was all of two-tenths of a mile. We decided to downsize and love our new house. After the labor involved in this move, we have no intentions of another in the near future." Gail claims that her most important volunteering is for daughter **Sarah Moulton** Connolly '91, caring for granddaughters aged 6 and 2 and preparing them for eventual enrollment at Cornell.

Finally, a brief note from Cornell trustee **Bill Eaton** announces the arrival of grandchild number 11. That puts Bill well in front of this correspondent. Sue and I, after 47 years of marriage, celebrated the arrival of our first grandchild in March. Please remember to send us your thoughts and whereabouts, and be sure to check out our website, <http://www.cornell61.org>. ☐ **Doug Fuss**, dougout@attglobal.net; **Joanna McCully**, joannacelticlad@comcast.net.

62 **Mike Duesing** (jmd29@cornell.edu) is looking for **Bill Spitzer**, who was last heard from in Winter Park, FL. When not seeking "lost" classmates, Mike toils in Ithaca for Stewart Howe Alumni

Service, which takes care of alumni affairs and development for about 200 nonprofit groups. "I never planned on this great job, but serendipity happened." His wife, Joan, co-owns a neck-lace company. See their wares at <http://www.thebeadnest.com>.

Joel Sundholm (joelsun@msn.com) hopes to hear from **Erich Griesser**. Erich was in the Catskills at the Alpine Inn in Olivera. Joel is a part-time coke plant consultant based in Hudson, OH, with assignments all over North America. He's treasurer of his local Salvation Army service unit and has enjoyed traveling to China, Germany, and the Austrian Alps. Also in Ohio is **Frederick Luper** (fluper@lnlattorneys.com), of the Columbus law firm Luper, Niedenthal & Logan. He and **Carol (Perlmutter) '64** have seven grandchildren. They attended Renaissance Weekend over New Year's: "Stimulating—if a bit depressing—discussion about political polarization." **Bob Schmitt**, DVM '69 (sdvc@aol.com) and Bette also have seven grandchildren. Bob's a veterinarian with a mixed practice in S. Deerfield, MA, and enjoys sailing, skiing, fishing, travel, and down time in Maine and Vermont.

Christopher Barbieri (cbarbieri@vtchamber.com) directs the Asia division of the Vermont Chamber of Commerce. As a result, he spends a lot of time in China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. He and Laurel like antiques (including toys and trucks), travel, and racquetball. **David Dameron** (Henderson, NV) participates in Osher Lifelong Learning Inst. at UNLV by conducting classes on globalization. Community activist **Gerry Miller** Jennings (gerger1@bresnan.net) is busy. She works on behalf of the Coalition to Protect the Rocky Mountain Front and the Montana Wilderness Association and coordinates Advocates for College Awareness. Gerry and Chuck live in Great Falls, MT, from whence they ski, hike, bike long distances, play tennis, and get together with four kids and 14 grandchildren.

Rich Alther (richalther@msn.com) reports that his picaresque novel of 2008, *The Decade of Blind Dates*, has been reprinted and is selling well. His "bildungsroman," *Siegfried Follies*, worked on for years, is being published this fall. It tells the story of a blond German orphan, 8, who rescues a Jewish boy thrown from a train. Rich writes in Palm Springs, CA. His 15 large abstract oil paintings are permanently installed in a new wing of the hospital in Burlington, VT. **Marvin Shaub** (mhshaub@aol.com) is a college professor at Montclair State in New Jersey. "As I neared 65, I reflected that I'd been running a consulting company for a long time," he writes. "Rather than retire, I spent two years getting a PhD via a joint program between the Taos Inst. and Tilberg U. I've been teaching international business for the past several years." Moose planned to take off the fall term to write a book with a friend, a Dutch professor. "It involves Buddhist psychology, meditation, and health. I would really rather do that than anything else. And I'm going to do it." **Bruce Rogers** (brogers@barpc.com) moved his Orangeburg, NY, law office into larger quarters, "even though I am supposed to be slowing down." Bruce does downhill skiing in the winter, tennis, golf, and biking in the summer, and "as much traveling as I can. Still working on my golf and tennis games, although I don't know if there are enough years left for me to improve. Also coaching the grandkids in sports, as well as an old man can."

From sea to shining sea, classmates are joining the ranks of the retired. **Michael Ernstoff**, MS '65 (m.ernstoff@larents.biz) of L.A. lists his

present job as “seeking to preserve my retirement nest egg, given the wild gyrations of the markets.” Robert and **Lynne Williams** Colyer (lwcolyer@att.net) are in nearby Encinitas, where Lynne is “packing, moving, and unpacking while remodeling—again!” Retirement in San Francisco finds Lois and **Richard Tilles** (rtilles@pacbell.net) traveling to Argentina and Australia when not with grandchildren. Richard plays golf and the piano and volunteers at a nursing home. Farther north, gunsmith **Jay Kasin** (jkasin@comcast.net) has retired in Bellevue, WA. Jay enjoys hunting, fishing, skiing, golf, bridge, and time with his and Cindy’s grandson. Scotch Plains, NJ, is home to **William Wallis** (grayelf59@aol.com), who audits classes at Rutgers in New Brunswick and travels often to cultural events in NYC. Babysitting grandkids and traveling occupy Beth and **Rick Kelly** (Hopkinton MA; parabama75@hotmail.com). John and **Joan Ryan** Ruh also like to travel and be with grandchildren. Joan, a member of Red Hat, tap dances, fitness walks, swims, volunteers, and is president of her parish in East Aurora. **Wendell Glasier** (wglasier@verizon.net) of Bowie, MD, retired from the US Dept. of Labor. He has been treated daily for Stage 3 Lyme disease. The Glasiers also enjoy travel and their granddaughter.

Their North Carolina farm keeps **Robert Gillen** (chiller919@aol.com) and wife LeeAnn of Raleigh busy in retirement. Robert volunteers with Meals on Wheels and at the North Carolina Museum of Science. He’s looking for **John Scott**. **Jay Keller** (jay@twokellers.com) has been cataloguing his father’s sports art and maintaining family websites. Rotary projects and set construction for a local theater group keep him busy in his DeLand, FL, community.

Fifteen ‘62 Kappas had their first reunion ever in May at **Tom ‘63**, MBA ‘64, and **Nancy Williams Clark**, MEd ‘64’s Old Chatham Shepherding Co. in Old Chatham, NY. It was an idyllic old inn, now Tom and Nancy’s home, and the cherry blossoms were just coming out on the hillside next to some of their 800 sheep. In attendance were Nancy, **Charlotte Jones** Collister, **Nancy Schlegel** Meinig, **Sandy Wills** Van Velzer, **Barbie Wolf** Jones, **Helen Weston** Bross, **Midge Lorig** Leventry, **Cathy Van Buren** Bomberger, **Alison Kyle** Kerr, **Margie McKee** Blanchard, MA ‘65, **Karen Blumer** Madigan, **Judy Ehrman**, **Peggy Bergquist** Palmer, **Lynne Schroeder** Murray, MEd ‘63, and **Diane Teal** Riddell. **Betsy Mayberry** and **Lynne Lohrey** Armstrong, MFA ‘64, were unable to be there.

More coming next time—send in your news now! ■ **Jan McClayton** Crites, 9420 NE Seventeenth St., Clyde Hill, WA 98004; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

63 As I write this column, I am thinking ahead three years to our 50th Reunion! Last year we all experienced the opportunity to celebrate our 50th high school reunions. It’s amazing how fast time flies. Do put June 6-9, 2013 on your calendars!

As you read in the last issue, class president **Carol Bagdasarian** Aslanian was one of eight recipients of the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Awards. The award dinner takes place Sept. 24 in Ithaca, during Homecoming. Last summer (2009), Carol’s organization, Aslanian Group, joined forces with Education Dynamics, a major private sector company in higher education that helps colleges and universities find, recruit, and retain students. Carol has operated the Aslanian

Group for more than ten years and is senior vice president for market research. **Mary Falvey** took a trip to Tibet in April and I hope to get a full report from her for a future issue. She consults with a couple of interesting early-stage life sciences companies and enjoys helping these brilliant scientists grow successful companies that also can do great things for people with serious diseases. Mary serves on the board of the San Francisco Symphony and on the board of San Francisco Classical Voice (www.sfcv.org), a nonprofit startup with the mission to inspire people in all walks of life and of all ages to engage with classical music and attend live concerts. Let Mary know what you think about the website via the “contact us” page. **Martin**, DVM ‘66, and **Debra Kirschner Wolf ‘66** live in Harrison, NY. Martin retired in January 2010 from his veterinary practice. Now he and Debra spend time with their grandkids (five boys and one girl). They spent two weeks last November in northern India and recommend the trip. They had a great and colorful experience, thought the people were very spiritual, had a great guide, and enjoyed very nice accommodations.

This news is after the fact: The Quill and Dagger Alumni Association honored **Jules Kroll** at a reception on June 16 at the Cornell Club of New York. I mentioned Jules in an earlier issue this year, but just to recap: Jules is chairman of K2 Global Partners. He received the Q&D Clark Northrup ‘93 Award and was named Entrepreneur of the Year by Cornell in 2003. He currently serves as chairman of the John Jay College of Criminal Justice Foundation and is a former member of the Board of Regents of Georgetown U. and Cornell’s Board of Trustees; he once served as chairman of

organization in Pennsylvania. They often see **Morton “Mickey” Langsfeld ‘62** and **Dick Stern** in the Philadelphia area. **David Davis** is in the College of Arts and Sciences at the U. of Toledo. He spent the spring semester of 2009 as a Fulbright professor at the School of Environment at Nanjing U. in China. Now he is back teaching political science at the U. of Toledo. **Elenita Eckberg** Brodie (Casselberry, FL) works for the US Census. She saw **Vicki Fielding** Maxant and Stan Murphy in March when they needed to get away from New England’s winter weather. That’s all for this month! Keep the news coming—e-mail me! ■ **Nancy Bierds** Icke, 12350 E. Roger Rd., Tucson, AZ 85749; e-mail, icke63@gmail.com.

64 And now for something completely different . . . We’ve never written much here about our class’s JFK Award, which is given annually to deserving Cornell scholars, so let’s start a new tradition beginning with this year’s recipient: **Harin Song ‘10**, a History and Government major from La Jolla, CA. **Cindy Wolloch**, our JFK Scholarship chair, writes that Harin, who not surprisingly had a 4.0-plus cumulative grade point average, is heading toward a career in human rights as an international humanitarian. Already she has worked at the Hague Tribunal, the UN office of CARE Int’l, and Doctors Without Borders. She plans to get a master’s at Oxford, plus a law degree. Our committee evaluated 34 strong applicants for the award.

David Evans is appearing for the very first time in this column. Dave owns his own consulting business, which is to provide capture and pro-

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Bruce Rogers ‘62

the Georgetown Law Center Board of Visitors. **Fred Parkin** reports that **Tom Stirling**, JD ‘69, visiting the mainland from Hawaii, lunched in San Francisco with Fred and Peter LePage, the dean of the Arts college. Tom and wife Anita then visited Lake Tahoe for a couple of days of skiing with kids and also had dinner with Fred and his wife, Wendy. **Tom**, BArch ‘65, MS ‘67, and Carol **Zimmerman** keep busy in Canandaigua, NY. Tom retired in 2008 from SWBR Architects after 24 years. He now works as an architect and consultant in Canandaigua as Z2 Architecture PLLC. He does expert witness work specializing in building failure analysis, standard of care and design profession standard of care, and risk management. Tom’s hobbies are gold, gardening, fishing, and care and feeding of their John Deere. Son Scott and his family live in Chandler, AZ; daughter Paula and her husband are in Phoenix; daughter Alison, her husband, and daughter, 5, are in Rochester, NY.

Joe and Carolyn Gottlieb Meyer (Elkins Park, PA) have a home in Margate, NJ, where they like to welcome friends and Cornell visitors. Joe and Carolyn have seven grandchildren and spend a lot of time traveling to visit their youngest daughter and family in North Carolina. Carolyn is active in the Hearing Loss Association of America and head of the outreach committee for the state

positional consultants to government contractors. Dave and wife Sherry live in Reston, VA, have eight children (including **Jennifer Evans** Allard ‘93) and seven grandchildren, and recently vacationed in Cozumel. Dave enjoys running and is active in NCAA hockey tournaments. Another first-timer is Dr. **Martin Selzman**, who lives in Berkeley, CA, and is no longer a “lost” classmate. **Sandy Vogelgesang** remains very active. She writes: “Continuing engagement in global issues, writing and working with international organizations, and participating in the local level on community concerns in Montgomery County, MD.” Sandy’s also interested in photography, hiking, and travel (the latest a cruise through the Panama Canal), and continues to return to Ithaca every year for the annual meeting of the President’s Council of Cornell Women. She and husband Geoffrey Wolfe live in Bethesda, MD, have two children in college, and spent more than 30 years in the US Foreign Service. **John Randall**, PhD ‘72, is an engineer doing research on environmental aspects of nuclear reactor siting and facility decommissioning, and on possible effects of climate change on floods around nuclear reactors for the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission. John continues to enjoy his aikido workouts and was recently awarded the Lifetime Achievement in Tomiki Aikido. He and wife Catherine live

in Columbia, MD, and have three grown children and a new grandchild, their first.

Joan Lazarus Shapiro, last here a dozen years ago, chairs her family's business, Seer Analytics Inc., a market research and analytics company based in Tampa, FL. (Joan still lives in Chicago with husband Jim). Joan writes she spent an "incomparable" week earlier this year with **Lois Wasserspring**, touring between Oaxaca and Chiapas in Mexico. Joan's actively involved with nonprofit organizations, including the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, the New Israel Fund, and the Hillary Inst. (of New Zealand). She writes, "I cannot miss the 50th. Looking forward to seeing you all in a few short years." **Jeanne Kowalik** Payne, who lives in Austin, TX, with husband Michael, is a retired teacher but keeps very active with regular sessions of yoga, Pilates, and bridge. She also participates in the U. of Texas Lifelong Learning Inst., of which she writes, "It's great! No attendance requirement or tests, but too interesting to miss." Jeanne and Michael have two married daughters, each providing two grandchildren. They recently had contact with **Kris Blixt** Glaisek and her husband, Paul.

Nancy Taylor Butler and husband **Ed '63**, MS '65, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary with a tour/cruise of the Baltic Sea and Scandinavian countries. Nancy writes that they ran into former Cornell President Frank Rhodes and his wife while walking along the main street in Tallinn, Estonia. **Virginia Glann** Schneider, who lives in Woodbridge, CT, with husband David, is a very active community activist. She's on several boards, including as vice president of a community organic farm, which she helped found. Virginia is active with her church, gardening, music, hiking, and biking. The Schneiders have three grown children and one grandchild. They vacationed last January on Kiawah Island, SC.

That's it for this issue. Please respond to our dues and news appeal. Watch for updates on our 50th Reunion, in addition to news from classmates. Also, be sure to visit our class website to see pictures from our 45th (<http://classof64.alumni.cornell.edu>), and please send me news at home or online at blamont64@comcast.net. ☐ **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015.

65 Thanks to **Ron Harris**, **Joan Elstein** Rogow, and **Terry Kohler** Schwartz for writing our class column. I've been added to the team and will look forward to your updates so that our columns will be filled with life stories, business news, and travel adventures.

Congratulations and a big thank you to reunion chairs **George Arangio**, MD '69, **Grace Hershberg** Morgenstein, and **Myron Jacobson** for their hard work and creative planning for our 45th Reunion. One hundred eighteen centennial classmates—along with guests, for a total of 200 adults—arrived for fun, stimulating lectures, and presentations . . . and best of all, enjoying the renewal of old friendships and meeting other wonderful classmates for the first time. A list of classmates who attended, plus photos, will be on our class website. Go take a look—and if you weren't there, do make plans to be at our 50th! **Steve** and **Pat Gross** from New Zealand get the prize for coming the farthest. They were especially enthralled by Jim Bell's lecture on the Mars Rover project.

Joe Ryan spent a great deal of time with George and Judy Arangio, **Steve Appell**, **Asher Levitsky**, **Judy Kellner** Rushmore, and **Lynn Kor-da Kroll** and husband **Jules '63**. He said, "There was a great football team reunion on Friday afternoon, thanks to the hard work of **Dave Mellon** and helpers. I met **Brad Herzog '90** and bought his latest book, *Turn Left at the Trojan Horse* (I also purchased some of his children's books for my granddaughters). Steve Appell and I met and chatted with a couple from Connecticut who graduated in 1944. They were going to Ted and Jean Thoren's house for dinner. Ted recruited me to Cornell in 1961 and has been a friend ever since. Dinner on Saturday night with **Joe Re-genstein**, MS '66, his wife, and **Bob Kessler** was filled with great conversation before and after the fire alarm." Joe sends a huge thanks to those who helped him get around campus, especially his good friend Steve Appell.

Scot MacEwan also mentioned the fire drill: "The fire alarm and strobe-sirens went off as soon as we got seated, and soon we walked out and were on the front porch!" Evidently, everything was really OK. "They said it was just dust in the ducts." Scot's Reunion assessment: "All in all it was a fine time." George Arangio reports that feedback to him has been positive—with superlatives. The meals were very good and the weather was great and the air-conditioned lodging most comfortable. Thursday's sing-a-long was well attended and then we smiled at the '60s music being played. Friday's country club dinner was "jumping" with conversation and general ambience. The Johnson Museum tour with Frank Robinson won accolades.

Interaction at cocktails, meals, and events was excellent. The gala Saturday dinner was accented by the performance of one of the campus a cappella groups and the heated interplay between various classmates and historian **Corey Ryan Earle '07**, who was the dinner speaker. The Sherwoods, who are always exceptional, gave a rousing serenade to **Sharon Hegarty** Williams at the Sunday Brunch. Sharon joins a group of past honorees in being swept off her feet by the songsters. **Judi Fowler** Quagliaroli, MBA '66, and husband John praised the Athletics department breakfast Saturday morning with the women's ice hockey coach speaking about the winning season. We are in awe of **Bill Vanneman Sr. '31**, who was present at the Friday dinner, celebrating his 79th Reunion with our classmate **Bill Vanneman** and family. Marvelous! "Powerful" was the adjective used to describe President Skorton's State of the University address to the alumni. Classmates are in agreement that his strong leadership is instrumental in assuring Cornell's position as a premier academic and research university.

Hats off to **Marlene Krauss**, our Cornell Annual Fund representative, and thanks to all 535 donors who contributed in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, among them 60 individuals who joined the Tower Club!

How fortunate we are to claim **John Dyson** as our classmate! The Dyson family has given a \$25 million gift to establish the Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Currently the AEM department is one of only two Ivy League undergraduate business programs that is ranked consistently in the top 10 in its field. The new school is named for John's father to recognize his contributions to American business. John is the founder and chairman of Millbrook Capital Management, a private investment firm

that operates a manufacturing company, a vineyard and wine group, and a hedge fund.

More reunion news next column, as I expect to receive reflections from many attendees. Please write and share your other news. With your spirited contributions we'll have a vibrant class column! ☐ **Joan Hens Johnson**, joanhpj@comcast.net; **Ron Harris**, rsh28@cornell.edu.

66 As we gear up for our 45th Reunion, our classmates continue to lead varied and interesting lives. **Bill '65** and **Dorothy Hoffman Fine** (dotty ochbill@yahoo.com) continue to enjoy retirement living in Ireland. Bill is national secretary of Servas Ireland, a peace organization. The Hoffmans traveled to Mar del Plata, Argentina, last September for the Servas Int'l General Assembly and took a side trip to Peru, including a four-day trek to Machu Picchu on the Inca Trail. **John Monroe**, PhD '70 (jwm28@cornell.edu) has been playing trombone in interesting venues this past year. He played in the brass section of the wind ensemble performing the National Anthem at the '49ers-Detroit Lions game in December. This brought back to him memories of the Big Red Band at the New York Giants-St. Louis Cardinals game in the fall of 1962. In March, a week after taking a master class with Joe Alessi, principal trombone of the New York Philharmonic, John performed two movements of the *Trombone Concerto* by Derek Bourgeois with the Ohlone Wind Orchestra. His playing was well received, but he was told by Mr. Alessi to "stand up straight." John and wife **Margaret (Warne), MS '68**, live in Palo Alto, CA.

Nancy Kurtz (starjive@preciscom.net) writes from Moab, UT, where she plays in a garage band called Phil Dirt with husband Jon Kovash and daughter Josie. Josie has been learning sustainable food-growing techniques and community organizing through environmentally oriented nonprofits. Nancy is expanding her skill base in the healing arts by working on certification for a practice called Ortho-Bionomy, which enhances the body's ability to self-correct. **Carol Farren** (fmww@earthlink.net) has been granted a Lifetime Certified Facilities Manager certification by the Int'l Facility Management Association. Carol lives in East Durham, NY, and in New York City.

We have a new e-mail contact for **Michael** and **Dereynn Kalafer**: Kalafer@gmail.com. A Fulbright grant sent **Ronald Berenbeim** (ronald.berenbeim@conference.board.org) to the University Cergy-Pontoise in France (near Paris) last March and April to give a series of ethics and compliance seminars. He had earlier completed directing a World Bank project on integrating poor countries into the global supply chain. **William T.** (WSmith40@stny.rr.com) and **Priscilla Box Smith** split their time between Horseheads, NY, and Venice, FL.

Class treasurer **Herb Fontecilla**, ME '67, sends summer salutations to all from Oxford, England. "Had my first class on Castles today, then a long walk through town—packed with tourists. Millions of young people taking tours of Christ Church College on account of *Harry Potter* and *Alice in Wonderland*. Dinner at the Great Hall—spectacular. Strawberries with cream and champagne with our tutors in the gardens."

Here's a note from **Alice Katz** Berglas on behalf of Alice, **Rolf Frantz**, ME '67, **Jeanne Brown Sander**, and the '66 class officers/council: Welcome to our 45th Reunion year (Reunion Weekend: June

9-12, 2011)! Sue, Pete, and Deanne have graciously turned over part of their column to allow us to send our warm greetings and warmest invitation to join us in Ithaca next June. Cornell energy abounds as ever: the students, the faculty, the quads, the classrooms, the labs, the new buildings, the 24/7 activities . . . from athletics to the arts; from the social to the quietly personal.

Much is new; much is as we knew it. Cornell is Cornell is Cornell—ever adapting and changing. As are we: new stages, new niches, new interests. It's time to come back . . . for grand old friendships, but equally for great new conversations. Come back to explore our remarkable university. Come back for the ease of it all. Come back because Cornell is yours—and ours.

Still on the Hill: Did you know . . . that '66 classmate **Francine Blau** is the Frances Perkins Professor of Labor Economics, that **Ralph Janis** recently retired as director of Cornell's Adult University after decades of leadership, that **Joyce Morgenroth** is professor of Dance, that **Jeff Tester**, MS '67, is the Croll Professor of Sustainable Energy Systems and associate director of energy programs in the new Center for a Sustainable Future at Cornell, that **Ira Drukier**, ME '67, is chairman of the Advisory Board of the Johnson Museum of Art, that **Andrew Berger**, JD '69, is immediate past president of the Cornell Law Association, and that Jeanne Brown Sander is past president of the Hotel Society? Forty-eight years ago, we first left our footsteps in the snow, in the rain, and in the mush . . . swimming in the falls, walking across bridges and along campus paths. Some of us still tread the Hill regularly—some daily—proudly '66. It's time to: Reclaim our Hill. Find our Footsteps. And more importantly: leave new ones. JOIN US! JUNE 9-12, 2011.

45th Reunion info will come by mail, but more and more by e-mail and via our class website. Please, as we endeavor to support '66 and Cornell's commitment to sustainability, do open the e-mail and help keep Cornell Red green! Questions? Reach Alice at: akb66@aol.com, or visit the class website, <http://classof66.alumni.cornell.edu>. Send news! We always like to hear from you, especially as reunion approaches. **Susan Rockford** Bittker, ladyscienc@aol.com; **Pete Salinger**, pete.sal@verizon.net; **Deanne Gebell** Gitner, deanne.gitner@gmail.com.

67 I faced the lens end of a camera wielded by **Laura Klugherz Seldman** (Washington, DC) at a recent wedding I attended in Montreal over the July 4th weekend. Laura, who's a professional photographer, was active on the job (photographing the wedding) and on the dance floor with husband **Neil '66**, who directs the Inst. for Local Self-Reliance in Washington (nlseldman@ilsr.org). Another Cornellian present was **David Morris '66**, who represents the ILSR in Minnesota.

"Really new and different is that I became a licensed battlefield guide at the Gettysburg Military Park," writes **David Gutknecht**, MD '71, of Danville, PA, where he's an internist and medical educator at Geisinger Medical Center. "Qualifying involved a lifetime of study and the passing of some really challenging exams. The guide service is a unique operation overseen by the National Park Service." David and wife **Donna (Sacks) '69**, BS Nurs '69, are also active members of a large regional chorus, the Susquehanna Valley Chorale, for which she's also a piano accompanist.

"I learned from a neighbor about a local organization that aids former prostitutes and victims of illegal trafficking—the Midnight Mission," advises **Sharon Argus Paschos** (Dortmund, Germany; paschosfam@gmx.net). "I'm active in organizing bazaars and similar activities aimed at help-to-self-help for these people, who are mostly from former Communist bloc nations." Sharon adds that, for her and husband **Emmanuel, PhD '67**, "keeping up with our three children helps us stay young! Travels are enjoyable to our second home in Greece, where we've installed photovoltaic panels to supply our electricity and hot water."

In Sarasota, FL, Chris and **Harvey Bernstein** (ChrisB@ChrisBernstein.com) are realtors who remain "Serious About Real Estate" (to quote their ReMax group business card), although Harvey adds that he'd rather be running a marathon and would enjoy hearing from **Murray Deathe**. Another realtor is **Kathleen Koretz** Abeles (Santa Fe, NM; Kathy@abeles.net), who's with Sotheby's Int'l Realty. Kathy's also president of La Familia Medical Center, a community health center, and a commissioner of the New Mexico Commission for Community Volunteerism, which runs the AmeriCorps program in New Mexico.

Across the state line in Arizona is **Candace Baldwin** Richards (Scottsdale, AZ; candy@johnandcandy.com), who gives her job as "retirement, which is wonderful in the beautiful, relaxing state of Arizona. There are too many people 'catching on' to this place, but the cacti, flowers, and animals make that inevitable. Our church provides many interesting people who have moved here, plus activities: book groups, a magnificent choir of around 80, which I sang in for 1-1/2 years, dinner groups . . . It's a very people-friendly church."

Jim Purcell and wife Kelly (Barrington, RI) led the way during the American Heart Association's Southern New England Start! Heart Walk through Colt State Park in Bristol. Jim chaired the 2010 Walk for the AHA's Rhode Island Chapter and is president and CEO of Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island. He and Kelly were joined by 2,500 walkers from across the state, raising more than \$300,000 for the AHA. **Jim Scullen** (Silver Spring, MD; JimScullen@verizon.com) writes, "I moved to a very nice retirement community where I'm active in my church serving the homebound as a Eucharistic minister. Also auditioned for the church choir." He'd like to hear from **Ed** and **Diane Weinstein Green** in Blacksburg, VA, and **Norma** and **Dan Feld**.

Yes, I attended the semifinal between the Red and the Irish at Ravens Stadium in Baltimore in the NCAA lacrosse showdown. This year's tournament invites for Cornell and their outcomes reminded me of the late Ned Harkness's remark to me when I asked him at our last reunion about the renewal of the hockey rivalry with BU: "We beat them nine straight times," snapped the man who always brought home the hardware. **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St. NW, Washington DC, 202-667-6481, rhoffman@erols.com.

68 **Paul Chiu** (paulchiu88@aol.com) writes that he hosted the somewhat annual San Francisco Bay Area Alpha Delt mini-reunion that took place on June 12, 2010 in Fremont, CA. Attendees included **David Teeters**, MAT '69, from Alameda, CA, **Gordie Evans** from Napa, CA, and **Michael Kinney '66** from San Francisco. They decided that the next

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get-together will include significant others. Another Bay Area resident, **Elaine Elinson** (EElinson@Tsoft.net), won a gold medal in the 2010 California Book Awards for *Wherever There's A Fight: How Runaway Slaves, Suffragists, Immigrants, Strikers, and Poets Shaped Civil Liberties in California*. Elaine is a former communications director for the ACLU of Northern California and previously co-authored *Development Debacle: The World Bank in the Philippines*, which was banned by the Marcos regime. **Louise May Gruber** (lmg@nyc.rr.com) writes that she cruised on the Nile and visited Egypt. She found it fascinating to be in a country so steeped in antiquity. Louise continues to work in NYC as vice president/editorial director at Lee & Low Books. Her current challenge in connection with publishing children's books is the e-book revolution. On a trip to Chicago, Louise saw her former roommate **Anita Marine Ugent** and her husband, Warren. **Sara Straw Winship** (SaraWinship@bellsouth.net), my former roommate, wrote with a report about her weekly sessions with a 79-year-old adult literacy student. They meet to improve his reading and writing skills. She says, "He is my hero."

Peter Orthwein, MBA '69 (porthwein@thorindustries.com) lives in Greenwich, CT, with wife Beverly. **Philip Goldberg**, BArch '68, retired from the City of Rochester, NY, and is enjoying sailing and travel. He is also involved in an amateur musical group. He and wife Florence have two grandchildren, whom they both enjoy. **Alan Stoll**, MPA '70 (stollam@aol.com) is a proud grandparent too. He has twin granddaughters in Brooklyn, NY, and a grandson in Palo Alto, CA. Alan lives with wife Nina in Paxton, MA, and works in Worcester, MA. Dues but no news was received from **Owen McCoy**, who lives in Rock Hall, MD.

After **Alan Altschuler** (alanaltschuler9@yahoo.com) left his job with the Doris Duke Foundation in 2005, he began a new career as an actor. He had a small role on "Law and Order/SVU" last summer and is now a member of the Screen Actors Guild and Actors Equity. Last spring Alan and **Art Kaminsky** attended the Cornell men's basketball team's game versus Kentucky in the "Sweet Sixteen," which was held in Syracuse. Alan is treasurer of the New York Foundation, the Manhattan Country School, and the Fund for the Aged. **Debbie Howland** (dhowland@bphc.org) has been a nurse for 36 years, the most recent 26 as a public health nurse in Boston. She visits pregnant women, new mothers, babies, and kids up to the age of 5. She enjoys the work, and Debbie feels as if she makes a difference in the lives of families. Over New Year's, she made her tenth trip to Nicaragua to visit her church's sister community. I look forward to hearing from all of you.  **Mary Hartman** Schmidt, mary.schmidt@schmidt-federico.com.

69 I hope you all had a great summer. So many of you wrote about the wonderful trips you had planned for the summer, so we're anxious to hear about your travels.

Lots of news from our 'mates in medicine. **Sandor Kovacs**, professor of medicine and physiology, adjunct professor of physics and biomedical engineering, and director of the Cardiovascular Biophysics Laboratory at Washington U. School of Medicine in St. Louis, writes: "On April 14 I gave the Cornell Engineering Alumni Association (CEAA) Enterprise Engineering Seminar. It was wonderful to be able to visit the campus again. Just six

weeks later I was back in Ithaca for the graduation of number two son **Tamas Kovacs '09** with a Master of Engineering degree on May 30." **Jerry Diener** and wife Nancy moved to Bethlehem, NH, in 2004, after trying out life on the West Coast 90 miles north of Seattle. Jerry is the medical director of the Dept. of Oncology/Hematology at Littleton Regional Hospital. He claims the best parts of living in New Hampshire are the ski slopes, digging in the dirt with his tractor, and seeing the wildlife in his yard—including black bears. "Lots of outdoor activities as well, as long as you don't mind cold winters." Jerry and Nancy built and moved into their dream home two years ago and hope it attracts the grandkids enough so they want to visit often. **Rick Greenberg** is still a professor of medicine at the U. of Kentucky and loves the Bluegrass with its beauty and horses—and of course he enjoyed watching Cornell play Kentucky in the NCAA tournament. He was surprised to find a photo taken of him as a volunteer in the WHO Smallpox Eradication Program, along with a brief story, in a history of the Epidemic Intelligence Service: "Inside the Outbreaks."

Marianne Goodman writes, "Since psychiatrists never retire, I am working full-time in private practice in New York City and Westchester. I am on the board of the Golden Circle Council for the American Ballet Theatre, and so I am up to my knees in toeshoes and tutus during the spring season going on at the present at the Metropolitan Opera House in Manhattan. Sometimes it feels as if I am single-handedly supporting the arts, but hopefully there are others of us out there. My older daughter graduated from Lehigh U. a year ago into the miserable job situation. She has been working for American Ballet Theatre while she looks for gainful employment along with many of her fellow graduates. My younger daughter completed her sophomore year at Bucknell as a chemistry major with a pre-med orientation. Heaven knows what the medical profession is going to look like in a few years given the political maneuvering. Both girls just returned from ten days in Israel during the blockade. The younger one is in Rome, Italy, studying for the summer. We shall meet her and travel to my ancestral home in the Rhineland before everyone has to resume the business of normal life and routine."

So many of our classmates are on the move. Here's a quick update on the past 40 years from **Rick** (FKA Bruce) **Emmer**: After leaving Cornell, he worked for the J. Walter Thompson Co. advertising agency as a copywriter in New York for three years and then as copywriter and creative director in Brussels, Belgium, for nearly ten. He returned to the US to do translations for Berlitz and other translation agencies (in French, Dutch, and German) and copyediting for major publishing companies—freelancing first in New Jersey, then in San Francisco, and for the past 15 years in Florida. Now semi-retired in Apollo Beach, FL, just south of Tampa, he still accepts copyediting assignments. He loves to cook, and his recipes have appeared in various publications, and for a number of years he wrote a food column, "The Healthy Gourmet," for a local magazine. His partner of 27 years, Peter, is an itinerary planner for Disney and also part-owner of a gift shop in Lake-wood Ranch (Sarasota-Bradenton), FL—i tesori Gifts and Home Furnishings from Italy. They spend all their free time riding rollercoasters and would love to hear from anyone who remembers him, especially fraternity brothers from Tau Epsilon Phi, at wordwizard@tampabay.rr.com.

Tom Levanduski spent some time skiing in the Three Valleys, France, in March, with a side trip to Milan and Torino, Italy. In April, he skied in Hakuba, Japan, and made a visit to Tokyo afterwards, but a planned bike trip in Provence was squashed by the volcano. When he wrote, Tom had just gotten back from a get-together with his Army unit, the 338th Gen. Hospital, in Niagara Falls. He was with them for most of his 28 years in the Reserves, though was activated for Desert Storm with a sister unit, the 365th Combat Hospital. **Stephen Goldberger** is still living in Farmville, VA, practicing ENT. He divorced earlier this year and has been spending time with an immunologist at the National Cancer Inst., golfing at Firestone Country Club in Akron—as well as in Myrtle Beach, Williamsburg, and Raleigh-Durham—and skiing this past winter in Maryland and Pennsylvania. Oldest daughter Jennifer is a busy artist; google "Jennifer Goldberger" to see her work.

Mary Gidley Gregg, **Cathie Ogorzaly** Lehrberg, **Lee Moseley** Kleinman, and their spouses, along with **Rogelio** and **Nancy McMahon Novey**, BArch '69, have all done a lot of travel together over the years. This past year they went to Puerto Vallarta in January and Tuscany in April. Last year the Kleinmans and the Noveys went on a safari to Botswana and then on to South Africa. Next year, they are planning to go to China. Lee writes, "It has been so wonderful to have these close relationships after more than 40 years. We have watched each other's children grow up, and marry in some cases, and have heard so much about the grandchildren."

Glen Rasmussen has taken on a management consulting project for two large UK firms, and has moved to Bristol, England, for the next 18 months. The project will take him to locations in England, Scotland, and Wales, and as many other locations as he and his wife, Susan, can get to on their scant time off. So far they have been blessed with the best summer England has seen in the last five years. Have a great autumn! Hope to see some of you at Homecoming. Remember to send your news to:  **Tina Economaki** Riedl, triedl@optonline.net.

70 Woo hoo! We had a great 40th Reunion! Attendance was way up and we had a wonderful group of classmates and guests in Ithaca for the festivities, June 10-13. The first attendees arrived before the opening of registration at noon on Thursday, and from that point on we had a steady stream of classmates coming into our HQ in the delightful and almost brand new William Keeton House. The day was topped by a Welcoming Supper Buffet, the Savage Club Show later that night at the Statler Auditorium, and the first of our three Ice Cream Sprees in the Keeton House dining room area with Dairy Bar specialties.

Friday started out with a great HQ breakfast followed by our Class of 1970 Forum, "What You Should Know about the History of Cornell, Especially from 1966-1970." **Corey Earle '07** and our own **Anita Harris** were the featured speakers. Corey, who works for Cornell's Alumni Affairs and is the nephew of **Bruce Earle**, MBA '71, presented a very interesting and most entertaining general history of Cornell, including detailed info about founders Ezra Cornell and Andrew Dickson White, and the real Big Red bear mascots (named Touchdown I, II, III, and IV)! Did you know that our Cornell colors inspired the red and white

Campbell soup can labels? Anita kept very detailed diaries of her years at Cornell, and is in the process of writing her second book, "Ithaca Diaries." She used her own journals as well as extensive research of our time at Cornell. Anita made us laugh at times and definitely made us think about our undergraduate years and the events on campus at that time. Thank you to both our informative speakers.

The university presented the much-anticipated Olin Lecture on Friday afternoon. **Tom Peters '64**, ME '66, the author of *In Search of Excellence*, spoke to a rapt capacity crowd at the newly renovated Bailey Hall. Bailey was once again used in the evening for the University Glee Club and Chorus Concert. Our Friday night reception and dinner were held at the Plantations, which proved to be a glorious setting for both our meal and for our Class of '70 40th Reunion photo. During the early days of reunion planning, **Gail Post** Wallis, the reunion chair in charge of catering and meals, had the idea for a "100 Mile" dinner that would feature food and drink grown or produced within 100 miles of Cornell. It was a successful idea and a delicious reception and meal. Cornell President David Skorton and his wife, Robin Davisson, joined us for dinner. Friday was completed with the first of two Reunion tent parties on the Arts Quad at which everyone always has a good time. Of course there was more meeting of old and new friends back at our HQ until the wee hours of the morning.

Our HQ and meals were artfully decorated by committee member **Ellen Celli** Eichleay, who brought lovely floral arrangements from her hometown of Pittsburgh. She also entertained us with enlarged copies of the entire Freshman Directory for the Class of '70, aka "The Pig Book!" **Bridget Murphy** did a fantastic job organizing and directing the student clerks assigned to us for Reunion. Laura, Katie, Stefanie, Jenn, and Eric did an excellent job throughout weekend and helped make it the success it was. The fact that we had 155 classmates at Reunion was due in large part to the terrific job that **Bill Wallis**, ME '71, did as reunion chair in charge of affinity groups. He had a great team who contacted friends and classmates and it paid off with a total of 240 folks joining us in Ithaca for our 40th. All attendees were skillfully registered by our fantastic reunion registrar, **Carole Peck** Fishman. She worked tirelessly to make arrangements for classmates and did a great job. Our special surprise souvenir this year was the Cornell Arts Quad jigsaw puzzle painted and designed by our classmate **Andrea Strongwater**. Our thanks to Andrea for providing us with a unique and beautiful gift for the Reunion participants. **Cynthia Johnson** O'Malley gathered together the other "sustainable" Reunion souvenirs and we thank her for that.

Our day and evening on Saturday was punctuated by university, college, and organization events, including both the popular Reunion Run and Row followed by the State of the University address by President Skorton that morning. Four of our 61-year-old classmates participated in the 5-Mile Run, which had a field of 82 runners, both men and women, ranging in age from 16 to 76. **Bruce Donahue '74** placed 28th, **Jonathan Gellman** was 44th, **Karen Zajicek** Spinozzi came in 46th, and **Fritz Lockhart** was 79th. Hooray to all of you! Gail Wallis again planned and presented great meals for us. Lunch was on the Terrace of the Willard Straight Memorial Room, with a gorgeous view and tasty sandwiches and salads. Saturday afternoon featured the University Service of

Remembrance and Thanksgiving at the beautiful Sage Chapel to honor the memory of classmates who had died since our last reunion. Our Land, Air, and Sea Dinner was so good—with a vast variety of eating options followed by delicious strawberry shortcake. Many thanks and kudos to Gail and Bill for working so hard to make all aspects of Reunion fun and successful.

The fun and reminiscing came to an end at noon on Sunday after, of course, one last notable eating experience at the HQ in Keeton House. William Keeton House is named after our dear and beloved Biology professor **Bill Keeton, PhD '58**. Those of us who took his course remember him and his lectures with fondness. Remembrances of him are scattered around the dorm and were helpful in bringing us back to our years on the Hill. **Connie Ferris** Meyer, cfm7@cornell.edu.

71 Lots of news arrived with the spring class dues mailing. Keep an eye on this column for yours. Here are some previously unreported items, including a few rare contributors to our class column.

Scott Smith, MS '76 (mssmith@email.uky.edu) started his tenth year as dean of the College of Agriculture at the U. of Kentucky. "Our college and its affiliated organizations include about 260 faculty members and more than 2,000 employees. In recent years, we have received multiple national rankings as a top 20 research and extension institution." **Sandra Livingston Goldberg** (slgoldberg4@gmail.com) is a reading specialist at the Gordon School, a private school in Providence. Husband **Rich '70** is the chief of psychiatry at Rhode Island Hospital and a professor at the Brown U. Warren Alpert Medical School. "I'm enjoying my role as managing partner of the largest executive search firm in British Columbia," writes **Ken Werker** (ken.werker@odgersberndtson.ca). "I'm working on a number of creative assignments including university presidents and deans. **Janet (Feldman) '74** continues to thrive in her research and teaching as a psychology professor at U. of British Columbia." **Alice Stone Nakhimovsky**, PhD '76 (asnakhimovsky@colgate.edu) writes, "I am still professor of Russian and Jewish studies at Colgate. Sasha (**Alexander, PhD '79**) and I have two children who are all grown up. My longtime colleagues here at Colgate are **Matt Leone** and **Bob Kraynak**." **Alan Mittman** (alm63@cornell.edu) and his wife, author Stephanie, returned to Ithaca in 2001. Alan went to work at Cornell as assistant director for workforce policy and labor relations and is now director. As the university's chief labor relations officer, Alan is in charge of labor negotiations, collective bargaining agreement administration, employee relations, and academic and non-academic human resource policy. Fellow ILRie, **Stephen Zweig** (SZweig@fordharrison.com), also checked in. He was appointed managing partner of the New York office of Ford & Harrison LLP, a national labor, employment, and benefits firm. Stephen said his firm is expanding the number of attorneys in the New York office.

After 30 years in her own business as an interior designer, **Lisa Previti** Rose (lisarose22@gmail.com) retired, then started a jewelry business called Windward Rose Collection. "I sell at trunk shows, ladies' nights out, and other country club endeavors, as well as in boutiques in East Hampton, Southampton, and Sag Harbor, NY, and in Palm Beach, FL." Lisa splits her time between New York and Florida, yet manages to find time for

extensive volunteer activities including the American Cancer Society and the Peconic Land Trust. Along the way, she earned her Coast Guard captain's license and takes flying lessons. **Michael Zimmer**, BArch '72 (zimmerm@aol.com) has operated his design/build firm for 20 years. "However," he writes, "my passion is a school in Gulu, northern Uganda (UNIFAT). My wife Jill and I are working to insure a decent education for kids who have been threatened for 20 years by a civil war that has seen more than 15,000 kids forced to become child soldiers. Time to make the world a better place and education is the way."

Doug Meyer (pedalsteelman@aol.com) still works with young adult special ed students in San Diego in a program that assists in transition from school to community. He also still transcribes medical reports. "My longest running passion has always been music, and I keep busy playing pedal steel guitar with the Honky Tonk Kings, Tornado Magnet, Grand Canyon Sundown, and others here in town. The Tornado Magnet CD has been getting a lot of airplay in the alternative country market, as well as overseas. As you may recall, I hosted the Salt Creek show on WVBR, and I still check in by phone and Internet with the show, which starts at 3 a.m. my time Sunday morning, about when I'm getting home from my band gigs."

Several of our classmate physicians sent updates. **Anne Lynn** (anne.lynn@seattlechildrens.org) is a pediatric anesthesiologist at Seattle Children's Hospital. **Deborah Spitz** (dspitz@bsd.uchicago.edu) is professor of psychiatry and director of education in the Dept. of Psychiatry at the U. of Chicago, where she directs the residency training program. Deborah wrote, "The combination of educational design, program development, and clinical work is perfect for me with a teenager still at home. I live in Evanston with my son, Noah. Daughter Tamar attends Holyoke." The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care named **Margaret Spear** to the their board of directors. She has worked in a college health setting for 28 years and currently serves as adjunct professor and director of Penn State U. Health Services. Neonatologist **Chuck Reisen** (chasreisen@aol.com) writes, "I had a nice autumn [2009], going to a wedding in Florence and a convention in Buenos Aires, even though I still work 24-hour shifts in the intensive care nursery." He reports that **Cindy Podren** is a lawyer and artist in Berkeley, CA, and that he saw **Mark Ellyne** during last February's blizzard in D.C. before Mark flew back to Cape Town,



South Africa, where he is teaching in the university, now that he is retired from the International Monetary Fund.

Your participation through the news mailings and e-mail is always welcome and appreciated.

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72 It certainly was a memorable and successful spring for Cornell athletics. The Big Red basketball team won its third consecutive Ivy League championship and shocked the so-called experts by advancing to the “Sweet Sixteen” in the NCAA tournament with upset victories over Temple and Wisconsin. The Cornell women’s hockey team had a “Cinderella” season of their own, making it to the finals of the NCAA hockey championship, where they lost a heartbreaker in triple overtime. Also on the ice, the men’s hockey team won the ECAC championship before losing in the NCAA regional tournament. The wrestling team finished second in the NCAA championships. That is quite an accomplishment for a non-athletic scholarship program going against the perennial wrestling powers. The school year ended with the men’s lacrosse team unexpectedly reaching the NCAA Final Four for the third time in four years. We extend our congratulations to these highly accomplished Cornell teams.

Bill Trommer is a schoolteacher in Maine. Bill started running marathons in the past few years and now has five under his belt, including the Grand Rapids Marathon that he ran with daughter Heather. Bill enjoys visiting Heather and grandson Sam in Michigan. Bill’s other daughter, Leah, lives in Maine. The extended Trommer family had a fun vacation at Gettysburg last summer. Bill also made a visit to **Gerry Roehm ’69**, BS Ag ’72, in Colorado for a week of hiking in the mountains around Aspen and Glenwood Springs. **Gary Cottrell**, MAT ’75, is professor of computer science and engineering at UC San Diego. He says that he is a cognitive scientist collecting a computer scientist’s salary. Gary enjoys backpacking when he has time. He related the story of going on a 42-mile backpacking trip along Oregon’s Rogue River with daughter Tess, 10. She referred to the adventure as a “death march.” Gary and spouse **Joan Sagotsky** Rich live in San Diego. Gary fondly remembers hearing the trees singing in the spring at Cornell. He says that you needed “help” to hear them, but all of his friends heard it. **Jeff Phillips** reports that after being in an auto crash while attending Cornell, his current status is “disabled.” But that does not prevent him and wife Janet from taking care of Jeff’s aging parents in Florida, full-time, which he finds very satisfying and rewarding. In his free time, Jeff is studying

edible and medicinal plants, along with learning about the benefits of a raw food diet.

James Kozuch handles all aspects of intellectual property law (patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, etc.) for the law firm of Caesar, Rivise, Bernstein, Cohen & Pokotilow Ltd. in Philadelphia. His particular emphasis is on pharmaceutical patent litigation, client counseling, and prosecution of US and international patent applications. James previously worked in engineering, strategic planning, and financial analysis of several energy-related companies for ten years before going to Temple U. School of Law and becoming an attorney in 1985. **Michael Halbert** (Valley Stream, NY) writes that he is happily retired. He is recovering from a total knee replacement and anxious to visit horse racetracks worldwide, especially Keenland Race Course in Lexington, KY. The one thing Michael remembers fondly from Cornell is taking a test in the Physics building (Rockefeller Hall?), coming outside to catch a bus, slipping on the ice and falling down the hill, but somehow landing on his feet at the bottom and calmly stepping onto the bus. He says that it’s hard to believe that it was 40 years ago. Michael would like to hear from his advisor, **Harold Hintz, PhD ’64**. He ends his letter by saying that he greatly enjoyed watching the Big Red basketball team in the NCAA tournament. **Thomas, MCE ’73**, and **Gail Fiteni Giordano ’73** are busy planning for their son’s wedding in Helsinki, Finland, the home of the bride-to-be.

Thomas provides valuation services for financial reporting, estate, gift, and income taxes, M & A transactions, and litigation.

Craig Yunker is farming in western New York, working for CY Farms and Batavia Turf instant lawns. He enjoys being a Cornell trustee and also enjoyed watching the Cornell-Wisconsin NCAA tournament basketball game with son **Christian Yunker ’02**, **Luke Wright ’02**, and Craig’s good friend **Charles Zambito ’74**. Craig recently heard from **Steve Sharfstein**, **Tom Kelsey**, MBA ’77, and **John Mitchell**. **Michael Golden** works as an attorney for Robinson & Cole in NYC. After hours, he serves on his local planning board and fire department. He enjoys woodworking and would rather be an itinerant woodworker. While at Cornell, Michael enjoyed skiing and hiking the countryside with his friends. He would like to hear from **Tom Sayvetz**. **Gina Rogers** resides in beautiful La Jolla, CA, with spouse Pat Richmond. **Jody Uttal** is an artist in Venice, CA, putting together a website of her recent artwork. Check it out at jodyuttal.com. She spends her free time reading, walking, and hanging out with husband Jeff Gold, their daughter, 15, and friends.

Evangeios Pezas is director of marketing for Amphitriton Holidays in Athens, Greece. **Karen Pauwe Hicks, PhD ’72**, and husband Lewis live in Wilmington, NC. Karen is retired and spends her time painting, gardening, and kayaking. She fondly remembers doing graduate research at Cornell and enjoyed Cayuga Lake and the other Finger Lakes. **Peter Gargas**

Emancipation Presentation

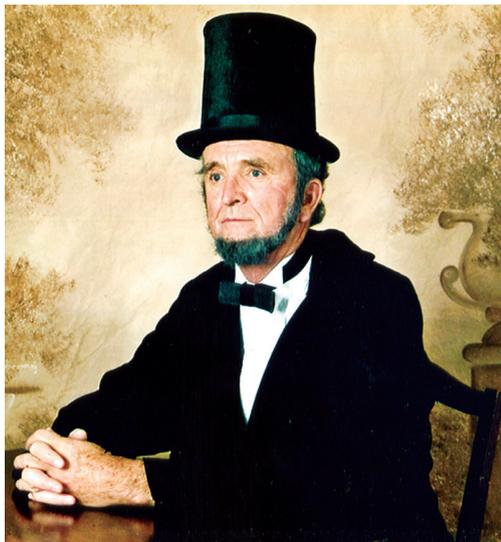
John Baylis ’71

Like many Americans, John Baylis bought an RV after retirement—but he also bought a handmade replica of a Civil War-era suit and matching stovepipe hat. A veteran Abraham Lincoln impersonator, Baylis spends up to five days a week traveling up and down the East Coast portraying the sixteenth president at elementary schools, battle reenactments, historical societies, and civic groups.

After earning an undergrad degree in agricultural economics from CALS, Baylis began a forty-three-year career teaching agriculture at his hometown high school near Cassville, New York. At six-foot-four and sporting a full beard, he was often told that he looked like the Great Emancipator. At his first appearance in the early Eighties—his wife suggested he do a presentation to students at the middle school where she taught—he wore a fatigue jacket, jeans, farm boots, and a hat and tie made of posterboard. Eventually, he graduated to a tuxedo and then to tailor-made replica suits, which he isn’t ashamed to wear until they’re threadbare. “Lincoln would have worn them with holes,” he says. Similarly, Baylis takes care to trim his beard unevenly, pointing out that “Lincoln didn’t have a good-looking beard.”

At events, Baylis is often mobbed by history buffs who want to talk to the former president. When necessary, he has a friend play Lincoln’s trusted bodyguard—rushing him off to “an urgent Cabinet meeting” to keep on schedule. In general, though, he loves meeting the public and educating them about slavery, the Civil War, and the president’s life. “If people didn’t want to talk to Lincoln,” he says, “I’d just be traveling around getting dressed up for no reason.”

— Mark Fischer ’08



retired in 1999 after 27 years working in various management jobs at Malden Mills Inc. Now he plays tennis and golf and enjoys gardening, some travel, and the leisure life in general. He also volunteers with his condo's board of directors as finance chairman doing the yearly budget and the 20-year reserve plan. What Peter remembers most about Cornell is the beautiful campus and Big Red hockey. He would like to hear from **James Howes** and **Rich McNear**. Kindergarten teacher **Patrice Kasten** Schwartz spends as much time as she can visiting and getting to know her granddaughter (her first grandchild). She fondly recalls living in Collegetown with her friends and would like to hear from **Danielle Lombardo** Trostorff '73. Patrice says that she would rather be holding her granddaughter than sending us news. I don't blame her one bit. After I finish this column, I think I will visit my granddaughter Kasey and give her a big hug.

Elaine Leass is a business consultant for small business startups in Boulder, CO. She spends her free time lake kayaking, playing underwater hockey (with snorkel and fins), and learning to play the marimba (a West African wood instrument). Elaine also keeps busy with yoga, improv theatre, traveling, and volunteering at the local high school. She fondly remembers horseback riding classes, canoeing, and being a counselor for high school students studying at Cornell for the summer. **Glenn Ford** is in general medical practice, with some ophthalmology and ENT, in Huntington Park, CA. His extracurricular activities include reading, watching science fiction, and improving his Spanish language skills. He is continuing his medical education and trying to join Doctors Without Borders. He reports that his daughter attends graduate school at Brandeis U. Glenn remembers the beautiful campus and fresh air at Cornell. He would like to hear from **Kenneth McClane** '73, MFA '76, and **Granville Walker** '73. Send news to: [Alex Barna](mailto:AlexBarna@cornell.edu), ab478@cornell.edu; **Gary Rubin**, glrubin@aol.com; or **Carol Fein** Ross, hilltop80@aol.com.

73 Since the news has nearly run dry (look for the annual class News and Dues mailing coming this fall!), I've been forced to resort to desperate news-gathering measures. More about that in a moment, but first the mailbag:

Gabriel Garcia (ggarcia@stanford.edu) is a professor of medicine and associate dean of medical admissions at Stanford, teaching service learning courses to undergrads. He studies the effects of social status on health care, and thanks the career counselors at Barnes Hall for their help. As befits an ILR honors graduate, **Roger Jacobs** works as an attorney and managing partner, specializing in labor and employment law. He was elected acting chair of the New Jersey Educational Facilities Authority, is listed in the 2010 edition of *New Jersey Super Lawyers*, and is nurturing the next generation of caped legal crusaders through his teaching duties at ILR.

That's the mailbag. Not much. But I am not easily discouraged, so I started searching you out on Wikipedia. **John Paxton**, ME '74, is now Lieutenant General John M. Paxton Jr. He earned his degrees on the Hill in Civil Engineering and was elected to the Sphinx Head Society—just the kind of leader the Marines were looking for. He signed up in 1974 as a career infantryman and rose to become chief of staff for the multinational forces in Iraq. In 2008, Defense Secretary Robert Gates

appointed him director for operations, J-3, for the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Not bad for a civil engineer. **Marsha Pechman** started as an intern in the King County Prosecutor's Office in Seattle, rose to deputy prosecutor, spent a few years as university instructor, then was elected King County Superior Court judge. In 1999 she was appointed by President Bill Clinton to her present position as a US federal judge. Her most famous case involved a 2008 decision that has never been disclosed: a ruling on whether the Seattle Supersonics were obligated to honor their lease and remain in Seattle. The team and the city settled out of court at the last moment, the Sonics ended up leaving, and Judge Pechman's decision remains sealed.

Carol Mendelsohn writes a little TV drama you may have heard of: "CSI." She transferred to Cornell from Smith College, went through law school—and then realized she didn't want to be a lawyer. She relocated to L.A., writing for "Hardcastle and McCormick" and even "Melrose Place," until signing on with "CSI," rising to become executive producer. There are other Cornellians working on "CSI," but we at the Class of '73 are convinced that Carol was the one who discovered the secret to making grisly autopsies entertaining. After **Kurt Schrader** earned his BA, he went to the U. of Illinois to train as a veterinarian, moved to Oregon, and developed an interest in politics. After serving in the state house and senate he ran for Congress in 2008 and now represents Oregon's 5th District in the US House of Representatives. He lives with his wife on the Kraft-Brandes-Culberston Farmstead, also known as Three Rivers Farm, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. They have four adult children. After graduating from ILR, **Thomas Quinn** spent 17 years in sales and marketing for Procter & Gamble, but he discovered his real passion after a 1999 trip to Venice: writing. He's currently at work on the third book in his trilogy about Renaissance Venice (working title, "Venice Stands Alone").

Michael Van Valkenburgh lives in New York City's West Village and practices landscape architecture—inspired by a childhood spent on his parents' dairy farm in Lexington, NY. He also teaches at Harvard's Graduate School of Design. Notable projects: the 2004 renovation of Pennsylvania Avenue, Teardrop Park in Battery Park City (2006), and Cornell's own Bailey Plaza (2007). In 2003, he served on the selection jury of the World Trade Center Site Memorial Competition. After graduation, **Dana Fabre** went to Northeastern Law School, then to Alaska, where in 1995 she became a member of the Alaska Supreme Court. She was the first woman appointed to the Court and its first female chief justice. After earning his History degree at Cornell, **John Daniels** signed on with Citibank, which posted him to Panama, Argentina, Chile, and finally London. He liked it so well there that he stayed and is now chief executive officer of Lloyds Banking Group, as well as one of the few Americans to master cricket. **Minfong Ho**, MFA '82, transferred from Tunghai U. in Taiwan to get her BA in Economics from Cornell—but Ithaca's gloom and the distance from home prompted her turn to writing to get past the homesickness. She traveled after graduation and witnessed a government massacre of student protestors in Thailand, which prompted her to return to Cornell for her master's in creative writing. Her ten published works include *The Clay Marble*, which was inspired by her relief work on the Thai-Cambodian border. He lives with her family in Ithaca and now writes children's books. That's it. Please stay in touch, or I'll have

Carol send one of her detectives after you. **Dave Ross**, dave@daveross.com; **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, phg3@cornell.edu.

74 Past class president **John Foote** sent notice that **Seth Siegel** '74, JD '78, was chosen to receive the Jerome Alpern Award for his contributions to the ILR school and the university, as well as his professional successes, at a ceremony in NYC in April. Known universally as "Yossi," Seth is "a businessman and communal activist. He has long been involved with the university, including service on the ILR advisory board and the Cornell Council. He has served as chairman of Cornell Hillel and continues his contributions on that board. Outside of Cornell, Yossi sits on the national board of AIPAC, a leading foreign policy advocacy organization. He is also a serial entrepreneur, having started and/or run several successful businesses in areas as diverse as marketing, cellular communications, entertainment, restaurants, and investment banking. He has been published on a variety of themes and in many outlets, including on the *New York Times* op-ed page, in columns in the *Wall Street Journal*, and on television, including the 'Today Show' and the 'NBC Nightly News.'"

David Eng (Larchmont, NY) writes that he has retired from American Express and now spends his time as a full-time parent and family investment manager. He finally has time to reconnect with the Class of '74 and offers his e-mail: daviddoneone@aol.com. **Dena Goodman** writes, "Amazingly, I have now been at the U. of Michigan for ten years! Last spring (2009) Cornell U. Press published my *Becoming a Woman in the Age of Letters*. Meanwhile, I have been co-directing a Web-based project that brings volunteers together to translate the great 18th-century *Encyclopedia of Diderot and d'Alembert*. You can visit it and volunteer at <http://quod.lib.umich.edu/d/did/>. Ann Arbor often brings back memories of Ithaca, especially when it's snowing, or when I find myself in a swarming mass of students crossing the diag between classes." Dena is the Lila Miller Collegiate Professor of History and Women's Studies at Michigan.

After complimenting all of the '74 class correspondents, past and present, on their tireless efforts to keep classmates updated via each issue of CAM, **Jack Corrigan** sent a lengthy update of his own. He noted, "Last fall, I was invited back to Ithaca by **Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76**, to meet with students in his Popular American Culture seminar and to discuss my involvement with Major League Baseball. The undergraduates were wonderful; we were all disappointed that there wasn't more time for our give-and-take session. As a bonus, John Foote attended the seminar that afternoon and I had dinner that evening with Glenn, John, and John's nephew, who was a student in Glenn's class. That involvement led to an invitation to participate in a March CAU trip to Phoenix during spring training for more discussion of 'America's Pastime.' **Peter Wilhelm '93**, CFO of the Los Angeles Dodgers, **Jon Daniels '99**, the GM of the Texas Rangers, and I met with a group of alums to discuss our roles in the baseball industry, as well as its history and its future. Glenn Altschuler, and to my great delight Dr. Walter LaFeber, my favorite History professor as an undergraduate, were the hosts and fellow lecturers. To spend the afternoon sitting between Glenn and Walt at a Cubs exhibition game following the session was the perfect way to finish the day. Fellow SAE **Ron Skalko '73**

and wife **Lorraine (Palmatier) '73** were attendees and it was great to reconnect with them. It's hard to believe, but I am under way with my 25th year as an MLB broadcaster and my eighth season with the Colorado Rockies. My travels allow me to see many Cornell friends, especially **Mark and Wendy Zurn Allen** in Chicago, **Dan '75** and **Claudia Hebel Malone** when I get to Detroit, and **Chris Stocke**, ME '75, in Philadelphia, among others."

Debbie Dodenhoff Purcell traveled to San Francisco in March with her son Will Dragovic, 11, and they had a wonderful time meeting up with **Gretchen Dorfner** Frank and her daughter **Alexandra Neiderauer** Frank '04. They had hoped to see **Mark Frank '03**, as he is a seasoned surfer, and Will was eager for a surfing lesson, but Mark was on vacation with his girlfriend. Maybe next time Debbie and Will should schedule a trip to Manhattan Beach, CA, for surfing lessons with **Olga Mohan's** teenage sons Michael and Jim. Olga and her husband, Fred, live one block from the beach with a great view of the Pacific Ocean. I know this because in March, **Susan Hardesty**, **Lucy Babcox** Morris, and I made a pilgrimage out to visit Olga and family. We discovered the charm of Peet's coffee bar, checked out the many local boutiques, and were impressed by a relentless parade of slim people getting exercise 24/7 on the boardwalk with a backdrop of ocean sounds. We were wine and dined, took in the show *Dream Girls*, and then, in complete contrast, took a tour of the downtown homeless shelter, as seen in the movie *The Soloist* (Fred is on the board of this shelter). Now retired from teaching medicine at UCLA, Olga has maintained her interest in creating educational opportunity for others and is involved with developing a magnet school in downtown L.A. In a follow-up flurry of photos and e-mails, Lucy reported bumping into **Shelley Cosgrove** DeFord at a cultural event back home in St. Louis, MO.

The highlight of my return from L.A. was attending the NCAA Sweet 16 basketball playoffs in Syracuse, NY. By now of course we all know that number one Kentucky beat number 12 Cornell, but it was great fun while the anticipation lasted. Attorney **Chuck Zambito '71** and trustee **Craig Yunker '72**, both of Elba, NY, were among the 300-plus Cornellians from near and far who attended a pre-game "tailgate party," complete with cheerleaders and the Big Red Bear at the Sheraton on the SU campus. In this sea of revved up alumni dressed in red and white, I also bumped into **Lorraine Mohan** Murray '76, MBA '78, husband Jim, and their two younger sons; oldest son **Chris '12** is a linebacker for the varsity football team.

To conclude with more local news, a recent newspaper headline stated: "Fibers from farm in Pompey, NY, will be sent to the Gulf," and featured the donation of "third-cut" alpaca fibers to assist with oil spill remediation efforts in the Gulf of Mexico. **Ed and Paulie Brooks Drexler '75**, alpaca breeders and owners of Springside Farm, hold an annual shearing festival that yields large quantities of prime fiber as well as approximately 10 percent "third-cut" clipping remnants; these will be combined with other animal fiber donations to form absorbent stuffing for the booms that surround spilled oil. Keep the news coming! **Betsy Moore**, emoore@cazenovia.edu; **Helen Bendix**, hbendix@verizon.net; and **Jack Wind**, jjw@mwhlawfirm.com.

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We were finally treated to good weather in Ithaca during reunion (with a brief shower and a short

stint of hot and sticky!). Headquarters were at Carl Becker House on West Campus, a far cry from the cement brick U-Hall it replaced. Built as a residential learning community for upper class students when North Campus became the haven for all freshmen, the building supplied air-conditioned rooms and our own dining hall for breakfast and late night snacking and talking. Our reunion co-chairs **Susan Fulton** (sfulton@teamwash.com) and **Jeanne Fattori** Smith (jreinig.smith@gmail.com), with tremendous help from their spouses **Alan Burrows '76** and **Nick Smith '74**, MBA '75, spent the past year planning our class activities. It's a ton of hard work! We owe a debt of gratitude to them for providing a great time to all. Susan is the director of marketing and construction management for Team Washington. She and Alan live in Columbia, MD, where they love gardens (but not necessarily the gardening!) and their two dogs. Jeanne met Nick at his reunion in 2004. They live in Texas in the winter and New Jersey in the summers. Jeanne teaches Special Olympics swimming in New Jersey. Her son Chris works in Dubai for Gehry Technologies, while son **Scott '04** is in Boston with wife **Emily Goldin '03** and their daughter, Olivia, 1.

We should also thank outgoing class officers: president **Charlie Temel** (charles.temel@ubs.com), VP **Rich Marin**, MBA '76 (rmarin117@gmail.com), secretary **Vickie Vaclavik** (Vickie.vaclavik@utsouthwestern.edu), treasurer **Karen Kaplan**, Annual Fund rep **Steffi Feit** Gould (gouldpjaks@aol.com), membership chair **Martin Mack** (judge2002@hotmail.com), and Class Council members **Ken and Elaine Johnson Ayres** (eayres@cc.nih.gov), **John Halloran** (jhalloran@me.acadia.net), and **Dean Toriello** (shaaark@aol.com). I want to thank my fellow correspondents **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, **Mitch Frank**, and **Joan Pease** (e-mail addresses at end of column!), not only for all they have done over the past five-plus years, but for all agreeing to re-up for the next five!

Our headquarters were decorated with reunion "mug shots" from this year, as well as from the 20th and 25th reunions, and we had videos running from past gatherings as well. Reunion started midday Thursday and those of us who wanted to experience the entire "show" were treated to some excellent lectures. A number of us attended a funny and insightful standing-room-only lecture on "The Genius of Mark Twain." Dinner was the Hot Truck, where we reminisced over PMPs, MBCs, and Suis. I walked around with a notebook so I would not have to remember everything everyone told me (which becomes increasingly more difficult!). Thanks go out to everyone who contributed. Know that whatever is not in this column is saved for future ones! **Dexter Dyer** (Rochester, NY; turbo.porsche@rochester.rr.com) retired from Xerox Corp. and spends as much time playing golf as weather allows. His wife, **Roxanne (Gallanda)**, arrived on Friday after Dexter finished with the Reunion golf tournament. CPA **Michael Motes** (Chestertown, MD; mjmotest@verizon.net) teaches accounting for the U. of Maryland University College. **Katie Higgins-Tazza** hails from Connecticut, where she is a portfolio manager for Morgan Stanley. On the side, she helped find a gene marker for lupoid dermatosis, a fatal genetic disease in German shorthaired pointers, and she bred and owned the 2009 AKC National Gun Dog Champion. After dinner, I spent time with **Jane Rabbino** Miller (jbn9@cornell.edu) and husband Carl. She has lived in Falmouth, ME, for the past six years and married Carl in 2006. They are

moving to Roanoke, VA (don't like those Maine winters anymore?!). Jane has been a substitute teacher and they both have been volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House. Jane has twin daughters: Katherine, who is getting a doctor of physical therapy at Mass General Hospital; and Sara, who earned a master's in sustainable development at the School of Int'l Training in Vermont.

Friday provided many diverse opportunities, from the early birdwatchers visiting the Ornithology Lab to the golf tournament to more lectures. **Cindy Coulter** Harris (cgeorge@sgcfamlaw.com) came in first place with the women's low gross score and, more importantly, won a Cornell men's baseball cap from **Chris Stocke '74**, ME '75, on a bet over who would hole out first on a par three. Cindy and husband Jeff just bought a home on the Loxahatchee River in Jupiter, FL, and she still works as a matrimonial lawyer. We were all able to reconnect at Rich Marin's house on the golf course for lunch. Rich and wife Kim live in NYC, where he is chairman and CEO of Africa Israel, a distressed real estate development company. He is also on the board of CARE. Rich visits Cornell often, as he is in his fourth year as executive-in-residence in asset management at the Johnson School; he is also chairman of the Johnson School's Advisory Council. He still rides his motorcycle as often as possible!

More lectures were given in the afternoon, highlighted by alums including Cornell geologist **Richard Allmendinger**, who lectured on "Energy in the 21st Century: Informing Hard Choices." In addition, **Sandy Weill '55** had a conversation with President Skorton on the economy. The Olin Lecture was given by **Tom Peters '64**, MCE '66. President Skorton attended our reception before dinner Friday night. After dancing in the tents, we returned to headquarters for ice cream and a hotly contested game of Trivial Pursuit.

Saturday was another day to be outside, whether to enter the Reunion Run, go canoeing on Beebe Lake, take a hike to Cascadilla Gorge, or watch **Bill Hoffman** (b2b94@verizon.net) and others play in the alumni baseball game. Karen Kaplan (kmkaplanmd@gmail.com) came in first in her age class for the five-mile run, while **Mark Powers** (mark.powers@duke.edu) came in first overall in the two-mile run! Karen is seeking classmates, particularly History majors, interested in helping to support an endowed professorship to honor Prof. Will Provine, who retires this year. Alums from other classes are also welcome! Her daughter Aliza is at Williams (Class of '13); son Ben will be a high school junior and travels to Tanzania this summer. Many attended the State of the University address and were reminded that being "One Cornell" means a shared pride in Cornell's current excellence and looking forward together with "resolve and optimism." About a dozen Nutrition majors were able to meet with each other, former department head **Marjorie Devine, PhD '67** (now a professor emerita), and retired foods instructor **Marcia Pimentel '45**, BS HE '44, MS '50, while many of the fraternities and sororities hosted open houses.

Saturday dinner was held at Duffield Hall, where we were entertained by the Hangovers. Many affinity groups were able to arrange tables together for the final dinner. A lively group from Sperry was able to help me with news that will go into the next column, and I spotted groups from Kappa Psi, Delta Gamma, and Delta Upsilon sitting together. A new slate of officers was elected at dinner and I hope you will support the following volunteers: president **Deb Gellman** (yours truly); vice president Joan Pease; treasurer Steffi Feit

Gould; reunion chair Susan Fulton; reunion committee **Jack Brewster** (brewdog66@gmail.com), **Debbie Mace** (deb.mace@gmail.com), Mike Motes (mjmotes@verizon.net), and Jeanne Smith; affinity chair Rich Marin; Annual Fund rep **Fran Melton-Levine** (fmelton@firstmanhattan.com); webmaster **Karen Lauterbach** (kel@rti.org); and the four returning class correspondents listed below.

That's all the room for this column. I hope that those of you that were unable to attend Reunion got a good dose of "I should have been there!" after reading this. And for those of you who came, thanks for helping us all have such a great time. Hope to see you before June 2015! **Deb Gellman**, dsgellman@hotmail.com; **Joan Pease**, japease1032@aol.com; **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, boroffka@shu.edu; **Mitch Frank**, mjfgator@gmail.com.

76 Hi, classmates! Hope all is well. Lots of news to share. **Paul Stander** writes that he continues in his role as chief medical officer at Banner Good Samaritan Medical Center in Phoenix, AZ. He has been named to the board of directors of Blood Systems Inc., a Scottsdale-based company that is the second largest blood banking and blood products company in the US after the Red Cross. Paul lost a bet last year to **Steve Malia** when his Phillies lost the World Series to the DAMN Yankees. Wait till this year! **Elen Feinberg** (Albuquerque, NM) is a painter working at the U. of New Mexico as a Regents professor of fine art.

North Carolina attorney **Brian Boland** was displaced by the Wells Fargo merger/takeover of his employer-client, Wachovia. He is job searching and working part-time for two startup companies. He also presents education seminars on lending, banking, and cash management. **Janet Brothers** Fallon (Tully, NY) works on sales and technical support for the Dairy One forage and soils laboratories in Ithaca. When she is not busy with her work, she enjoys cooking, gardening, reading, and Cornell alumni activities. **Doug Brown** (Ridgefield, CT) is corporate VP and Northeast president at Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. He says he is working harder than ever, but still enjoys golf, shooting, and gardening. **YongSoo Ha** (Dobbs Ferry, NY) is director of technology at the Brearley School.

Steve Albert works for Keefe Group out of St. Louis, MO, as a purchasing agent of food products for inmate personal use in cells at correctional facilities. **Wendy Schessel** Harpham (Dallas, TX) is a physician, writer, public speaker, and patient advocate. **Amy Lubow** Downs (Brooklyn, NY) now has a son at Cornell. She works transcribing interviews of artists for publication and in Macy's Herald Square NYC operations department. **Todd Hardie** is the president of Honey Gardens Apiaries Inc. in Ferrisburgh, VT (www.honeygardens.com), and Caledonia Spirits in Hardwick, VT (www.caledoniaspirits.com). He has started a distillery and honey brewery using local and regional honey, berries, grains, and herbs. Todd also enjoys hiking, bicycling, and cross-country skiing. He fondly remembers the committed professors and quality of education at Cornell. **Gail Sasaki** Slemon is a project engineer for Northrop Grumman. She lives with her family in Encinitas, CA. She says she spends a lot of time working to support sending son **Matthew '12** to Cornell, where he has completed his sophomore year.

Maureen McCormick (Cambridge, MA) is a clinical psychologist with an office in Brookline,

MA. Maureen's major clinical interest is psychological aspects of weight-loss surgery. She and U-Hall 3 buddies **Janis Fleishman**, **Laura Pattison**, and **Jonina Gorenstein** attended the Cornell Chorus concert at Boston's Old South Church in January; she says it was fabulous. She also sees **Steve** and **Kathy Gollin Marshak** when they visit their home on Cape Cod. **Christine Butler** Lenoir (Virginia Beach, VA) is a public health nurse supervisor and captain of the Navy Nurse Corps, Reserve Component. Christine was preparing for a Navy Medicine mission to Haiti when she wrote. **Nancy Arnosti** (Chadds Ford, PA) is a biotechnology consultant. Much of her extracurricular time is spent being a mom and political activist and hiking in the western US.

John Fieschko is in his second career as executive director of the nonprofit Central New York Biotechnology Research Center in Syracuse, NY, and also works as a consultant to biotechnology companies. He visits Cornell often to watch his son play sprint football. Lately he is trying to build a critical mass of industry and industry-academic partnerships in Central New York. He had retired from Amgen in 1997, but got bored after six months and started consulting. **John McPhee** (New Hartford, NY) has a "day" job as a landman in the oil and gas industry, purchasing leases for mineral rights. He has fond memories of the Robert Trent Jones Golf Course on campus, enjoys hitting the links, and would like to do more of it. **Randy Katz** (San Francisco, CA) is a professor at UC Berkeley. He is doing smart grid research and in his spare time enjoys restoring old vehicles.

Charles Schlumberger (Little Rock, AR) was recognized in Chambers USA's *Guide to America's Leading Lawyers for Business* for 2010 in the area of general commercial litigation. He is a managing member of Quattlebaum, Grooms, Tull, and Burrow, a 32-attorney firm with locations in Little Rock, Springdale, and Jonesboro, AR. Charles writes that his two kids are grown and that his daughter has blessed him and wife Ann with two wonderful grandchildren. The Schlumbergers built their "dream house" two years ago, which Charles says means that he'll be working for the rest of his life. He sang the Alma Mater at a cocktail party in Little Rock after watching the Big Red hoopsters beat St. John's in the ECAC Holiday Festival championship. Charles traded notes with **Bob Harrison**, who—as always—is doing his part for public service as the CEO of the Clinton Global Initiative. **Peggy Myers** writes that daughter **Katharine Onofryton '14** is a student in Arts and Sciences. She and Katharine spent a Saturday with the Cornell Club of Phoenix building a Habitat for Humanity home in South Phoenix. They had a blast. Peggy's next-door neighbor, Dr. Howard Baxter, married **Mary Ellen Howe**, MBA '77 (Human Ecology) a few years ago. What a small world. In Peggy's neighborhood of 22 homes, they have five families with Cornell ties. Go Big Red!

That's all the news for now. Please keep those news forms, letters, and e-mails coming. Stay in touch! **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, Krinsk54@gmail.com; **Pat Relf** Hanavan, Relf@tds.net; **Lisa Diamant**, Ljdiamant@rcn.com.

77 As you read this, I will be in a frenzy (if the past is any indication) trying to pack for a month-long sojourn in Italy. I've been studying Italian (to keep the ol' brain active and all that) and will be off to Florence for an immersion class in the

beginning of October. I'll also stop in Sicily to visit the towns my grandparents came from.

Seems like travel is a favorite pastime of our classmates, too. **Randy Melzi**, MBA '80 (New York City; ragnhmel@aol.com) writes that travel is one of the things she does for fun, along with painting and Pilates. Randy is a senior director at Americas Society/Council of the Americas, a not-for-profit organization. Randy reports seeing **Annie Wong** and **Maria Heilbron** Richter. **Mark Gibian** (Brooklyn, NY; mark@markgibian.com) also reports traveling both near and far, in addition to running, biking, and swimming. He goes to his country property in the lower Hudson Valley and traveled with wife Marcy Rosewater and son Marlon to northern India. When not traveling, Mark is a sculptor who had an exposition of monoprints related to his sculpture at the Hartell Gallery in Sibley Hall last fall. He also spends time managing properties that he and his wife developed in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. As a member of the AAP Advisory Committee, Mark sees **Jamie Lustberg** often, and **James Siena** and **Leslie Zwerling '79** occasionally.

Denny Meikleham (Cohasset, MA; dmeikleham@prihotels.com) enjoys travel, golf, and cooking. Denny is managing director of Pinnacle Realty Investments, a national hotel brokerage company. He speaks to **Mike Fatta** frequently and reports that Mike is the general manager of a hotel in Orlando and appears to be enjoying life. **Joyce Smith** Mackessy (mackessyjoyce@aol.com) enjoys travel, entertaining, and painting. She is a hospital administrator in Syracuse, NY. **Patrick Goss** (miami lawoffice@aol.com) lists travel, running, and biking as his favorite activities. Patrick is a litigation attorney in Miami, FL, and reports that he visited **Todd Frankenthal**, who is a fellow lawyer in Fort Lauderdale, FL, a classmate at both Cornell and Miami Law School, and a Phi Gamma Delta fraternity brother. Patrick says hello to all his Phi Gamma Delta brothers and his 1977 Cornell classmates!

Joan Pope Kokoska (jkokoska2003@yahoo.com) has been dancing, singing, and acting for the past eight years in the Ridgewood (NJ) Jamboree, which raised more than \$100,000 for the Jamboree Scholarship Fund this year. Joan reports that **Jennifer Grabow Brito '79** (HE) (set design and crew), **Sharon Palatnik** Simoncini '78 (AAP) (dancing, singing, and acting), and **Ed Catto '85**, BS '84 (CALs) (director, actor, and comedian) are involved in real estate, education, graphic design, and marketing by day and also participate in the Jamboree by night. **Martha Sokol** McCarty (msmccarty@aol.com) is an attorney in private practice in Mamaroneck, NY, handling mostly real estate matters.

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In January, she was also appointed the Town of Rye's deputy attorney, serving as prosecutor for vehicle and traffic infractions. For those familiar with Westchester County, Martha notes that her "jurisdiction extends from exit 10 through exit 11 on 287." Martha's younger son, Mike, was to start at the Engineering college this fall, as well as daughter Joanna at the Law School, and her oldest son is at Albany Law School. Perhaps echoing the sentiments of many classmates, Martha writes: "As for fun, all my money goes to tuition!" **Steve Seidner** lives in San Antonio, TX, with wife **Laura Beizer** (HumEc) and their daughter, 16, and son, 12. "I am a neonatologist and professor of pediatrics at the U. of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. This past February I received the Founder's Award from the Southern Society for Pediatric Research. I have been in San Antonio for 21 years, after coming here for a 'practice interview' because there was no way I was moving to Texas. I can be contacted at seidner@uthscsa.edu, for any old friends who would like to reconnect."

‘As for fun, all my money goes to tuition!’

Martha Sokol McCarty '77

A number of classmates list sports and outdoor activities as their fun activities. **Jody Goldsmith** (Crofton, MD; jody_goldsmith@hotmail.com), who is married to **Amira (ElKodsi) '76**, reports that he is living the good life. Jody takes ski trips (this year to Winter Park, CO) and goes boating out in the rivers off the Chesapeake, waterskiing, and cycling. Now retired from the Army, Jody is a program manager in a managing/consulting company in Virginia, primarily supporting the military healthcare system and other government agencies. Jody's younger son, **Adam '07** (CALs), works for another consulting company near Dad's work, and older son Jacob (U. of Maryland '04) is busy trying to get back into the workforce in construction management after a few years as a snowboard instructor. Jody also writes that the inaugural lecture in his brother's memory (**L. Michael Goldsmith '72**, BArch '73, who passed away at age 57) was in March. Jody and his wife provided the seed money and raised funds for the annual lecture at the NYC architecture campus on practical aspects of architecture. Jody reports seeing **Phil Hennessee** in Atlanta in March.

Michael Hecht (hecht@princeton.edu) reports that he skis and does in-line skating for fun. His day job is as a professor of chemistry at Princeton U., where he will soon start a new position as the "master" of Forbes College, a residential college at Princeton. Mike sends a tantalizing note that he will have some very interesting news to report about his work, and I encourage him to write again! **Craig Gold** (Brentwood Glen, CA; tennislaw@netzero.net) plays competitive tennis (mostly doubles) for enjoyment. Craig is a deputy district attorney for Los Angeles County; he and wife Marietta have twin boys Jared and Lucas, 3. In his spare time, he is busy taking his sons to pre-school and co-hosting fundraisers for Jerry Brown. Perhaps the longest list of fun activities comes from **Rom Mascetti**, ME '78 (Odenton, MD;

rom.mascetti@va.gov): golfing, bicycling, ice skating, skiing, fitness, and coaching ice hockey. He is the chief financial officer and deputy assistant secretary for Information and Technology Resource Management at the US Dept. of Veterans Affairs. Rom reports that he exchanges correspondence with **John Sandvick**, ME '78, **Larry Wah**, ME '78, and **Kerry Frech**, ME '78.

Another impressive list of activities comes from **Diane Freedman**, MAT '78 (Durham, NH; dpf@unh.edu). She swims in a nearby lake in the summer, snowshoes in the winter, bikes, takes long walks, goes to classical music concerts, and visits friends. Diane is a professor of English and women's studies at the U. of New Hampshire, specializing in 20th-century American literature. Diane saw **Martha Stoddard** Holmes, who is an associate professor of literature at Cal State in San Marcos, as well as **Keith Zimmerman**, **Amy Karlen**, and **Michael Levine**, who is a professor of comparative literature at Rutgers U.

Diane kindly asks what I have been up to. In addition to studying Italian and preparing for

my trip to Italy, I have started a mediation practice in Portland, OR, for mediating business and intellectual property disputes. For fun, this year I started downhill skiing and bicycling. I moved back into Portland from the Central Oregon coast, and am now living with a retired environmental engineer who graduated from Princeton in 1973 and breaks into Princeton fight songs at odd moments. *Grazie mille* to those who shared their news. For those of you who haven't shared any news with us lately, your class correspondents would love to hear from you. You can send news via e-mail, snail mail, or the Class of 1977 website, <http://classof77.alumni.cornell.edu>. **Annette Mulee**, annette@mulee.com; **Howie Eisen**, heisen@drexelmed.edu.

78 This issue features several news items about our classmates' forays into the arts and the sciences. We are certainly a multi-talented group all around. **Cindy Morgan** and her spouse and musical partner, Jim Hall, are in the studio working on their second music CD, tentatively titled "The Two of Us." Their first CD, "The Real Deal," was released in 2003, and Cindy had a solo CD, "Sea of Dreams," released in 2008. As the musical duo Hall & Morgan, they play primarily in Michigan, doing Americana music with contemporary touches, featuring guitar, mandolin, banjo, fiddle, harmonica, and concertina. Like many musicians, they both have day jobs (in fact, they run five small businesses!). They've also become grandparents for the fourth time. After a successful career at the three major broadcast networks and Citigroup, **Juan Morales** is now the director of engineering at Trans Video Communications, the TV station for the Roman Catholic Dioceses of Brooklyn and Queens in New York, where he was instrumental in bringing the station to digital and fiber

optics distribution during a recent re-launch. Juan is also pursuing a musical career that started in Ithaca with his own Latin band called Sonido Costeño. The group won the Billboard Award for songwriting, and its CDs are selling very well. You can listen to some tunes at their website, www.sonidocosteno.com, and check the calendar for future gigs in New York and New Jersey.

Cindy Kane sold the manuscript for a picture book called *The Mangrove Tree*, which will be illustrated by Susan L. Roth and is scheduled to be published by Lee and Low in April 2011. She is a full-time writer on staff with a small educational company and is at work on a young adult historical novel set in medieval Ireland. Cindy also teaches writing, including an annual stint at the Southampton Children's Literature Conference each summer, <http://www.stonybrook.edu/writers/children/>. **Kathy Landau** has just begun her writing career after middle-age ailments forced her to step down as manager of Curves. She still lives in the high desert of Southern California, and having recently joined Facebook, is having fun reconnecting with Cornell friends. Kathy invites anyone visiting the area on a personal tour of Joshua Tree National Park.

Dan Miller and **Roger Strauch** run a venture capital company that focuses on clean technology. The Roda Group is the largest investor in Solazyme, a company using algae to make renewable oils. Applications include food and fuels. The company was named number one in bio-energy by *Biofuels Digest* and in mid-March was ranked number one in Sustainable Biofuels Technology at the World Biofuels Market conference in Amsterdam. Dan continues to address the urgent need to confront the threat of climate change, attending last December's COP15 conference in Copenhagen; you can find details on his climate change website, ClimatePlace.org. Dan is also on the board of the Chabot Space and Science Center in Oakland, CA, where he is working with **Bill Nye '77**, "the Science Guy," on a climate change exhibit for kids. The main exhibit will open later this year; the online version is at <http://BillsClimateLab.org>.

Pam Marrone is having fun as CEO of her four-year-old company, Marrone Bio Innovations Inc. (MBI) in Davis, CA. She has just completed another round of financing (\$7.1 million), but is always on the lookout for additional support from venture capitalists. Dan? Pam presented at an Ag 2.0 conference in Silicon Valley and received an IPM Innovator Award from the California Dept. of Pesticide Regulation. When she is not working, Pam can be found in her garden. **Derrick Mancini** is the new project director for the upgrade of the Advanced Photon Source (APS) at Argonne National Laboratory, as well as its deputy director. Before that, he was the project manager and associate director of the Center for Nanoscale Materials at Argonne. Derrick joined Argonne as a staff physicist at the APS more than 15 years ago. You can learn more about his projects at <http://aps.anl.gov> and <http://nano.anl.gov>.

Marie Louise Hagen, JD '81, formed the Back Nine Foundation, a philanthropic organization comprising retired federal government executives who have dedicated their second careers to charitable causes. For its first project, the Back Nine is providing books to children of deployed military personnel. The effort was inspired by Les Hazen's *The South Wind*, a 2009 book that helps explain to children that love endures despite the cruelties of life that can deprive them of adults they cherish. Planning is also under way for a

major initiative to help homeless veterans find their way back to self-reliance.

Steven and Nancy Adler Manket, Andrea Warrick Masterman, Peggy Frischer Schwartz, Ellyse Gelman Greenbaum, Jill Sandler, and Ellen Goldstein Wasserson all converged on NYC for a weekend slumber party/mini-reunion filled with museums, restaurants, and fun. Steven is happy to report that everyone and their families are doing well. My best wishes for the same with all of you. Let me or Cindy know what's up. ☐ **Ilene Shub** Lefland, ilefland@snet.net; **Cindy Fuller**, cindy@cindyjfuller.com.

79 One of the themes among our classmates is the economy and the impact on our generation. A number of people in the class have experienced job loss and tight personal finances. As I was preparing to write this column, I happened upon two newspaper articles that quoted members of our class. **Seth Klarman** was interviewed by the *Wall Street Journal* for his investing prowess at Baupost Group during the current financial meltdown (the story was subsequently picked up on Bloomberg). He was wise enough to successfully navigate through the crisis. **Cindy Green** was interviewed by the *New York Times* about the impending, unsustainable municipal pension obligations. She has a unique perspective because she was on the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) for ten years and is an authority in municipal finance.

I continue to connect with Cornellians through my children. **Stephen Kaminsky** has three children who have attended Hunter College High School, which probably ties a school record for a single family. His son Jesse and my son Jason Gurevitch are 8th grade classmates. Stephen and his oldest son, Noah, both started at Cornell in August 2009. **Noah '13** is in Arts and Sciences, while Stephen returned to the Gene Therapy Core Facility in the Department of Genetic Medicine at Weill Cornell, for which he managed the building and start-up of a drug manufacturing facility in the eight years prior to moving to the Int'l AIDS Vaccine Initiative. He has had great fun traveling back to Ithaca and revisiting freshman year through his son's eyes. He is in touch with college roommates **Howie Frisch**, ME '80, MBA '81, and **Paul Graf**, PhD '88, as well as friends **Julie Hansen '80**, PhD '89, **Susan Hyman**, and **Deb Rosenfeld Cantor '80**.

Many other classmates also have children at Cornell. **Sherri Kapel Kaplan's** son **Jeffrey '11** is in the same fraternity, TEP, as **Marsha Mortkowitz Schreier's** son **Jeffrey '12!** Marsha's other son, Eric, studies music composition at Rutgers and is a member of the National Guard. In 2009, the entire family visited Israel for her in-laws' 60th wedding anniversary. Marsha remains very involved with music—performing, teaching, and directing. Her infamous/famous “Stalker Medley” is on YouTube—just search for Classic Stalker Medley. She has performed it in California, Dallas (where she stayed with **Nancy Snyder**), Alaska, New Jersey, and New York City. **Karen Mineo** has been busy working with former Merrill Lynch colleagues to open a boutique financial services firm focusing on financial planning. Her daughter, Jessica, lives in South Beach, so she can enjoy tropical weather and a different lifestyle. Her son **Zach Weale '13** is in CALS majoring in AEM. **Mary Wilensky Kahn's** younger daughter, **Jacqueline '10**, graduated from the Hotel school. Older daughter Marissa graduated in May

from Columbia U's Graduate School of Social Work and is doing a fellowship at Yale over the next two years. Mary and husband Stuart are totally enjoying being empty-nesters! Mary is still active with the College of Human Ecology and encourages all New Yorkers to attend the annual HEAA annual meeting at the Cornell Club. I spoke with Mary and **Lori Glass Citak**, who also has a daughter attending Cornell, at the last meeting.

Elizabeth Kutscher Rosenstein has been meaning to write for more than a year. Her daughter **Lindsay '13** is the third generation to attend Cornell (Elizabeth's mother is **Edith Wilson Kutscher '53**). Lindsay was accepted early decision, had a great freshman year, and is in the AEM program. This spring she pledged Delta Gamma, which was also Elizabeth's sorority, and Elizabeth has been having lot of fun reconnecting during visits. Elizabeth also enjoyed seeing many DGs at the 125th anniversary weekend this past April. Her other daughter, Lauren, has completed her sophomore year at Syracuse. She has had a great time seeing upstate New York!

In March, Syracuse residents **Kathy Best** and **Steve Green, Kathy Rich** Oscarlece '78, and **Susan Call Terasaka**, MPS '81, welcomed the Cornell basketball team to an alumni reception honoring them prior to the March Madness championship game in the Carrier Dome. **Lisa Barsanti Hoyt** was also there cheering for the Big Red.

Jennifer Grabow Brito has lived in Ridge-wood, NJ, for the past 19 years. Jennifer is a realtor and handles commercial and residential real estate in northern New Jersey. She is an active member of the professional standards committee of her local board of realtors; in that capacity, she handles ethics issues and arbitration hearings. Her husband, Rafael, is retired from the commodity trading business. Their oldest, Phillip, is a junior at Southern Methodist U. in Dallas. Her daughter, Elizabeth, is a freshman at James Madison U. in Virginia. She is in a five-year program for elementary education and will graduate with her master's degree and a teaching certificate. Their youngest, Daniel, is in fifth grade. He's way overscheduled with soccer, piano lessons, and Hebrew school year-round, and football, basketball, and lacrosse in season. Jennifer is active in CAAAN, doing alumni interviews for Cornell. She has managed to keep in touch with a few SDTs, most recently seeing **Sandy Meek True '78, Mary Anderson Ochs, Mary Maxon** Grainger, MPS '87, **Debbie Webster** Davidson, **Mindee Wasserman, Peggy Goldenhersh**, and me) at our 30th Reunion. On the “occasion” front, Jennifer attended **Debbie Webster's** wedding in August 2008, **Olivia Gollin-Hoepfl's** son's bar mitzvah, and **Dianne Beaton Heaps's** son Kevin's wedding in June. She tried to get together with **Nancy Snyder** when she was in Dallas in April, and wants to meet up with **Nancy Kaplan Tancer**, who lives 20 minutes away. (They talked about it, but haven't managed it yet.)

Speaking of whom, **Nancy Kaplan Tancer** lives in Old Tappan, NJ, with husband Steve and their kids Jason, 17, Matthew, 14, and Lauren, 11. Nancy has a small office near her home, where she works as a child psychiatrist around her kids' schedules. She says she loves her stressful life, filled with family and friends. Nancy is still very close to **Linda Essex Jonas '81** and, through her, has seen many of the SDT sisters over the years.

Please keep those letters and postcards (or e-mails!) coming. Send your news to classof79@cornell.edu or directly to your class correspondent: ☐ **Linda Moses**, mosesgurevitch@aol.com;

Cynthia Ahlgren Shea, cynthiashea@hotmail.com; and **Kathy Zappia** Gould, rdgould@comcast.net.

80 Wow! Great reunion! That is definitely an understatement this year! **Nancy MacIntyre** Hollinshead and **Jodi Diehl** Nestle outdid themselves organizing our 35th Reunion. Our exotic travel theme welcomed us to 1980 reunion headquarters at the Robert Purcell Center (North Campus Union to the rest of us). It brought back memories of fall 1976 as I saw our classmates wandering around trying to find registration in the Purcell Center. Registration (or immigration) started with a Big Red stamp in our 1980 travel journal and continued when we were all issued a bona fide Cornell '80 Hawaiian shirt to distinguish us from the other reunioners.

Some of us could not resist donning most of the reunion apparel collected from past years . . . right, Nancy? The straw hat from our 20th, the fanny packs from our 10th . . . For our 35th we will have to see who can come up with a complete ensemble, including the tote bags. Our headquarters multi-tasked as World Cup Central, where we could catch up on the scores on the big screens and enjoy a refreshing oasis, where we found a multitude of libations and ice cream at the wee hours. It was great to see **Esther Elkin** Mildner, my former suitemate from Low Rise 7 sophomore year. I also saw **Eric Meren**, one of those I never knew in college. Glad to catch up, though, and hear that his daughter is attending grad school on the Hill. I saw **Vince**, ME '81, and **Kathy Leskovec Splett**, ME '81, residents of Minnesota and parents to three grown boys. It sounds trite, but they haven't changed a bit. I was glad **Kathy** finally got **Vince** to come back to campus; we had all forgotten just how brilliant he is. We hope to see his son in the major leagues one day soon! **Vince** saw his former roommate, **Mike Pliss**. I was also glad to see **David** and **Laura Day Ayers '78**, MBA '86, who are getting to be regulars on their double reunion circuit. **Karen Vecchio** Simons also made the trip again this year. I saw **Joyce Rosen** on the gorge hike. She is still working in New York City, having pursued a career in financial services. **Kathryn Boor** was appointed dean of the Ag college! '80 rocks!

It was **Andrew Conte's** first reunion back at Cornell. His daughter will be pursuing a master's on the Hill next year. Another returnee, **Freddi Brooks**, is reverse-commuting from Brooklyn to New Jersey nowadays. I saw **Mark Brozina** at the Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering breakfast and toured the incredible labs for the interdisciplinary undergraduate projects—great opportunities that enable students to get relevant work experience prior to graduation. Underwater robotics, Formula I cars—a myriad of skills bring these projects to life, including intercollegiate competitions under the supervision of Prof. Albert George. Mark hires multiple interns from Cornell every year in his engineering firm. What a great way to stay connected to Cornell.

Cornelliana Night, where the university recognizes reunion classes and special alumni, was again a highlight of the weekend. The pièce de résistance was when our inimitable **Chuck D'Angelo** was recognized in front of a packed crowd in Bailey Hall for cycling 525 miles from his old hometown in Connecticut to campus. The logistics included shipping his bike from Houston to Connecticut, reassembling it, and braving New York State weather (torrential rain, of course) in

a multi-day trip to Ithaca. We are all honored to have Chuck in our class!

Fellow correspondent **Dik Saalfeld** writes: “Don ‘Donzo’ **Wierbilis** and wife **Donna MacLauchlan ‘81** traveled from Colorado to attend reunion. We walked around campus together and I caught Donzo studying the map outside Day Hall, trying to find areas of campus he recognized. My wife, non-Cornellian Kelley Phillips, contemplated her aching feet and said, “When are we going to stop looking for things that aren’t there anymore?” **Peter Aufrechtig** and **Bob Montione** were stag attendees, the former having recently divorced and the latter having left his wife in Schoharie to mind family matters. **John Olsewski**, MS ‘82, brought his wife, the ebullient Chris Cole, who made friends with everybody who came within reach. John said he’d had to contend with this for almost a quarter century, but he was smiling.”

Correspondent **Leona Barsky**, MS ‘81, adds that ILR had a terrific turnout from the Class of 1980. She enjoyed seeing **Joseph Baumgarten**, **Beth Bennett**, **Margo Sue Randall Bittner**, **Margery Salshutz** Brauner, **Eva Sage-Gavin**, **Michael McQueeney**, **Brian Myers**, **Esther Elkin Mildner**, **Ed Stratton**, **Lisa Privett-Wood**, and **Marc Ugol**. Margo Sue married her college sweetheart, Jim Bittner, and runs a family business, the Winery at Marjim Manor in Appleton, NY. She invites all classmates to visit and sample their delicious wine. Michael McQueeney is associate general counsel for the Coca-Cola Co. in Atlanta. He is married to **Lucy (Avellino)**, who lived in U-Hall 2 freshman year, followed by three years in residence at Alpha Epsilon Phi. They have two daughters attending the ILR school and a son in high school, and would like to hear from you at MMcQueeney@earthlink.net. Beth Bennett lives in Charlotte, NC, with her daughter, 14. Beth works as VP of human resources for Time Warner Cable. Eva has been living and working in San Francisco as executive vice president for Gap Inc. and has a teenage daughter.

It was fun to hang out and reminisce with our friends from the former freshman residence halls on West Campus. **David Toung** attended Reunion with his wife, Jana, and their daughter, Sunna, 3. **Karen Benz Merns** is a forensic psychiatrist in Manhattan and has children ages 22, 26, and 27. **Scott Thompson** practices intellectual property and trademark law with Greenberg Traurig in Manhattan and is recently divorced. He would like to reconnect with classmates at thompsonse@gtlaw.com. **Leona**, **Regina Brab**, **Linda Ripp**s Feder, and **Margery Salshutz** Brauner reminisced and laughed about their spring break trip to Fort Lauderdale during sophomore year. They were joined over dinner on Saturday evening by **Beth Anderson**, Karen Benz Merns, Esther Elkin Mildner, **Stephen Radin**, **Janet Goldin Rubin ‘79**, and **Nancy Sverdluk ‘79** as they remembered those late nights in Collegetown. Regina Brab works as a human resources consultant with Hewitt in New Jersey and has a daughter, 17, who attended Reunion with her, and a son, 11.

Our class officers are as incredible as ever. **Jill Abrams** Klein will lead us as class president for the next five years. Other officers include: **Jeff Estabrook**, JD ‘83, as VP-membership, **Tim O’Connor** as VP-communications, and **Pat McGarvey** as VP-affinity groups; **Lily Chu**, MBA ‘82, JD ‘09, as treasurer; **Lynda Hershey** Spalding as secretary; Nancy MacIntyre Hollinshead and Jodi Diehl Nestle as reunion chairs; and **Dik Saalfeld**, **Leona Barsky**, **Dana Jerrard**, and **Cynthia Addonizio-Bianco** as class correspondents. In addition, we will have a

Class Council for classmates who are willing to work on classmate outreach, regional events, reunion fundraising, and general friend-raising. If you are interested, contact Jill Abrams Klein (Jill.Abrams.Klein@gmail.com). All the best to the Class of ‘80! **Cynthia Addonizio-Bianco**, caa28@cornell.edu; **Dana Jerrard**, dej24@cornell.edu; **Leona Barsky**, leonabarsky@aol.com; **Dik Saalfeld**, rfs25@cornell.edu.

81 Hard to believe that in nine months we’ll be celebrating our 30th Reunion. Hopefully a lot of you will come to the big event! Information will be coming out soon; in the meantime, you can reserve the dates on your calendar: June 9-12, 2011. Don’t forget to add us to your Facebook friends at: Cornell University Class of 1981 Alumni. It’s a small world. Recently while volunteering at an athletic event at my son’s high school, another parent noticed my fanny pack from our 20th Reunion and said, “Hey, my brother graduated from there the same year!” My friend Robin’s brother is **T. M. “Mike” Scott**, who graduated from the College of Engineering and married **Hope (Taylor)**. They live in Great Falls, VA.

School is back in session and I’m delighted to report that my niece **Allison Wood ‘14**, whose parents were my late sister and brother-in-law **Emily Read ‘77** and **Michael Wood ‘77**, has entered the College of Human Ecology. We have fond memories of going to a couple of reunions with our kids and cousins in tow. **Jim Kent** (jkent@wges.com) has been “commuting” between his home in Winchester, VA, and Ithaca to visit his son **John ‘13**. Jim continues to work as a portfolio trader for Washington Gas in Herndon, VA, and enjoys time spent with the Porsche Club of America and renovating his seven-acre landscape. He fondly remembers the Rongovian Embassy in Trumansburg, just a few miles north of Ithaca, and would love to get in contact with **Kathy Cullen Harwood**, **Lisa Seigle** Byrnes, and **Mike Danzi**.

Bill Nesheim (Windham, NH) has a daughter, **Amy ‘14**, in the freshman class in Arts and Sciences. She is the third generation at Cornell, following her dad, mom **Melanie (Hayes) ‘82**, Aunt **Nancy Nesheim** Simkins ‘82, and grandfather **Mal Nesheim, PhD ‘59**. Bill is a VP of Solaris platform engineering for Oracle Corp. and has been really busy following Oracle’s acquisition of Sun Microsystems. He looks forward to opening up their house “On Golden Pond” at Squam Lake in Holderness, NH. The “Anything That Floats” race on Fall Creek brings fond memories for Bill, including “cold water, sunshine, and beer.” **Tracy Dolgin**, another new Cornell parent, is president and CEO at YES Network (Yankees Entertainment and Sports Network). She was busy this summer getting daughter **Hannah ‘14** ready for her first year in the Applied Economics and Management program, now a school. Tracy lives in Scarsdale, NY, with spouse Jody and enjoys golf, travel, reading with her Kindle, spending time with her three kids, and, of course, watching Yankees games.

Jay Roche (Needham, MA) sold his interest in the family business—Roche Bros. Supermarkets—this past year. Now he has some time to enjoy life playing golf, having lunch with friends, enjoying the kids, and taking care of a buddy who has ALS. He has fond memories of hanging out at the Straight, seeing friends, and looking forward to Fridays. He invites classmates to look him up on Facebook! **Scott Falconer** (Great Falls, VA; sfalconer@nutrissystem.com) is executive VP of

operations of Nutrissystem Inc., based in Harsham, PA. His wife is Diane. **Steve McGovern**, PhD ‘93 (Haverford, PA) has been busy going to his kids’ activities, including swimming and coaching Little League baseball. He is an associate professor of political science at Haverford College. He would love to have time to travel and misses hockey games at Lynah Rink. **Ronald Walsh** is an attorney-at-law in Cortland, NY. He is enjoying his private practice and working as corporate counsel for the City of Cortland. **Rodney Bennett** reported that he is the supervisor for the Town of Granger, NY. He is also a dairy farmer and enjoys archery in his free time. While working as an administrator in healthcare management near his home in Farmington, NY, **James Kinsman** enjoys recreational shooting sports, photography, the outdoors, spending time with his family, and domestic travel. He’d love to get in contact with **Jeff Bower**. **Susan Kroef** Gianforte is enjoying life in Bozeman, MT, with husband Greg.

Velda Breckon Ward (Delphi Falls, NY; Michael.ward@cnywireless.com) and spouse Michael have owned the Delphi Falls Golf Course since 1982. She enjoys playing bridge, fixing up their old barn and house, and raising polled Herefords for the local naturally grass-fed beef market. Velda said she is “retiring” so she can get everything done in her life and hopes to travel to Lake Louise, BC. She misses the Food Science department international dinners at the Dairy Bar during her Cornell days. She would love to hear from **Lysanne Cape**, DVM ‘84. **David Kosson** has started a foundation, Aftermath—Surviving Psychopathology, for those who have been negatively impacted by relationships with individuals with psychopathic features. David is professor of psychology at Rosalind Franklin U. in North Chicago, IL. **Michael Waters** (Portsmouth, RI) and wife Kate own Commonwealth Farm and Carriage Co. Michael is CEO, coachman, farmer, herdsman, shepherd, gardener, handler, hay maker, composter, fence maker and tender, etc. He enjoys playing polo if he can squeeze it into his schedule, playing folk music, reading non-fiction, and spending time with his wife and two teenage stepsons. Michael also hosts the radio show “Living Off Your Land” on WNRI-AM (1380) from 11-noon on Fridays in Woonsocket, RI. The show is dedicated to home, small farm agriculture, recycling, and self-sustaining practices. Go to www.wnri.com for more info.

Rhonda Brauer is still in NYC, keeping up with her job at Georseson, not to mention daughter Jillian’s theatre activities, son Justin’s baseball leagues, and following the Yankees. She reports working with **Pierre Tonachel ‘50** and **Michael Black** to show the 103 McGraw Place Watermargin documentary (made by Wei) in NYC, Ithaca, and San Francisco on Sept. 25. She looks forward to seeing as many “Marginals” as possible. Also in NYC, **Joan Gibson** is a floral designer. She enjoys painting and travel and would love to hear from **Raul Carvalho**. In Woodstock, NY, **Michael Gaylin** lives with wife Alison and has his own video production and editing services company, Aurora Video. He’s done some cool projects. Check them out at <http://www.auroravideo.com>. **Barbara Minor** Headrick, MBA ‘89, is still in Burlington, VT, with husband Randy and son Grant, 10. She is director at Griswold Special Care and enjoys skiing, snowboarding, taking in her son’s hockey activities, and trips to Boston, NYC, Washington, DC, and Montreal. She would love to get in touch with **Heather Guild**, MBA ‘88, **Joe Fergus**, MBA ‘89, and others who were “very fun classmates.”

I'm sad to report that the beloved fraternity cook who served 32 years for Sigma Pi, Adolphus Hailstork, passed away peacefully at the age of 94 on April 13. "Dolly" was a mentor, father figure, and friend to hundreds of young men and their female friends, including me, from 1960-92. The Pi House brothers have put together a beautiful tribute to his life at <http://memorialwebsites.legacy.com/thedoll/Subpage.aspx?mod=1>.

Our reunion chairs are already planning for our upcoming 30th Reunion, and our class has elected to be one of the lead classes in a conversion of our class website to the new CornellConnect system. More to come as we move forward with that. Send us your news! ☐ **Jennifer Read** Campbell, ronjencam@aol.com; **Betsy Silverfine**, bsilverfine@comcast.net; **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, lashoto@rcn.com.

82 The batch of news received for this column once again astounds me with the diversity of endeavors and fields in which our classmates are engaged: doctors, lawyers, and many other fascinating businesses, jobs, organizations, and hobbies. One theme that emerged was that of books. **Nannette Nocon** sends me information regarding a children's book about choices (www.whatsupwithyuk.com). She says, "This is just a fun project for me, but it's been met with a lot of interest. We've sold over 250 books in just a month!" She also has a financial planning business in Rochester, NY, (www.nannettenocon.com) and since February has been featured in Ameriprise national commercials. She is a franchisee for the company and reports that she is wearing the apple green shirt in two ads that can be seen on YouTube. **Mindy Roseman** (Cambridge, MA) is an academic director and law lecturer at the Harvard Law School who co-edited the book *Reproductive Health and Rights: The Way Forward*, from the U. of Pennsylvania Press. She plans to hike the Grand Canyon rim to rim with **Deborah Gesensway** "to celebrate our 30th birthdays, 20 years later."

Jonathan Reynolds and wife **Lisa (Ivanenok) '84** are proprietors of Dramatis Personae Booksellers (Sheffield, MA), and, according to their interesting website (www.dramatispersonae.com), are "leading international dealers in antiquarian books, ephemera, and autographs, specializing in 18th and 19th century performing arts." If you need advice on a glass of something to accompany your reading, **Hank Zona** reports, "I started my Swirl Wine Events (www.swirlwineevents.com) business a couple of years ago, running classes, dinners, private parties, corporate events, fundraisers, and, soon, trips. I would love to hear from anyone interested or anyone in the wine industry, too." I remember Hank tending bar at the Noyes Center Pub and spinning Springsteen records over the sound system, back when the drinking age was 18 and universities could be in the bar business. Hank and wife **Marijane (Magliario) '83** live in Maplewood, NJ.

The class also has the traditional Cornell career paths of business, law, and medicine covered. **Joseph Molloy** was the first recipient of the Business Insurance Benefits Manager of the Year Honor Role 2010 Award in a ceremony in NYC on June 30. He is the corporate director of benefits for North Shore-LIJ Health System (the second largest not-for-profit secular health system in the country) and has completed five years there. Older daughter **Jennifer '07** is a senior

business development analyst at the same company. Joseph and wife **Dana (Lichtman) '83** recently celebrated their 25th anniversary. Their younger daughter, Rachel, is entering high school. **Barbara Goldman Novick** is vice chairman of BlackRock, a "preeminent assets management firm," according to their website. She has moved from the global client group to focus on public policy issues. She and husband **Barry '79** live in Mamaroneck, NY. Attorney **Eve Klein** Samson, JD '85, is a labor and employment law partner at Duane Morris LLP in Manhattan. She lives in Port Washington, NY, with husband Martin. Son **Justin '11** is in the ILR school. Son Evan will be a freshman at Lehigh U. this fall. **Fred Carter II** and wife Martha live in Mattituck, NY. Fred is chief of orthopaedic surgery at Eastern Long Island Hospital and reports he is enjoying a near-empty house as son Freddy and daughter Sarah are also at Lehigh U. He says, "Youngest kid Matt plays lacrosse, so I may get him into the Class of 2019."

Class Council member Capt. **Charles Stuppard**, USN, last spring took command of Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story in Virginia Beach, VA. He reports, "This is the first time in our nation's history that a Navy captain has taken command of both a Navy base and an Army post. We have 18,000 people stationed there from 155 different commands. We're the largest employer in the City of Virginia Beach." Previous to this command, Charles was executive assistant to the commander of Navy installation command at the Washington Navy Yard and before that did a one-year tour in the Middle East as commander of a Navy task group serving in Kuwait, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Also overseas, **Mark Stenzler** (Bern, Switzerland) has been selected to serve as Swiss delegate to the tenth World Assembly of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC 10) conference in Argentina. Mark is also the activities director on the board of the Cornell Club of Switzerland.

Closer to home, **Randolph Hunt** (NYC) is back in school as an urban planning student at Hunter College, where he enjoys the land use class and doing a study of Harlem. Also in NYC, **Amy Cohen** is engaged and looking forward to stepparenting. She says she does "a lot of charity knitting with various groups." **Julie Cianci Gause** thanks Facebook for reuniting her with **Marcy Porter** Jarvis after 30 years. Julie and husband **William, PhD '86**, live in Chester, NJ, where she volunteers for the Chester Township Environmental Commission, bringing sustainability education and programs to the town's residents. She says, "My classes with Dr. Richard Fischer affected me profoundly. Though it has been 28 years since I walked the trails of the Plantations with him, it seems like yesterday. His lessons are still fresh in my mind." From Belfast, ME, elementary public school teacher **Martha Daniels** will resign to pursue writing and private consulting. She is married to Ezra Creamer and loves to ski, sail, read, and travel. She was active in CUSLAR at Cornell and now volunteers for her Unitarian Universalist Church of Belfast. Classmates, thanks again for your fascinating news. Please keep it coming! ☐ **Mark E. Fernau**, mef29@cornell.edu; **Douglas Skalka**, dskalka@nplmlaw.com; **Steven Crump**, spc25@cornell.edu.

83 Hi, all! Some exciting news this month! Many of our classmates wrote in when they renewed their class dues, so there's lots of news to share! Also, it's nearly autumn and the angle of the sun

has changed. Here in New England, the nights will soon be getting cooler, the air turning dry and crisp, and the leaves taking on beautiful colors (we hope). But right now, for some of us, the focus is on the start of a new school year—always an exciting time of promise.

This fall we've got a bunch of legacies and relatives of classmates starting at Cornell. **Thomas Kania '14**, son of Michael and **Gwen Garabedian Kania** (Endicott, NY; gkania@stny.rr.com) will attend the College of Human Ecology. **Andrew Newman '14**, son of Mitchell and **Linda Krasnopolsky Newman** (Perrinville, NJ; lkneman84@cornell.edu) will also follow in his parents' footsteps and attend Cornell; he's enrolled in the Hotel school. Gwen is director of operations at the Tioga County Chamber of Commerce in Owego. **Lisa Alexander** (Chevy Chase, MD; lk_alexander@hotmail.com) and husband Joseph Clayton are proud of their niece Samantha, who is entering Cornell as a freshman this fall.

Penny Nemzer, DVM '87 (Rye Brook, NY; vetmom28@aol.com) and husband **Dan Taitz, JD '86**, returned from a week in London visiting their son, who is studying at the London School of Economics. Penny runs a bus trip for high school students each fall to visit Cornell through the Westchester chapter of CAAAN, the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network. In case you didn't know about the program, being a CAAAN ambassador is a wonderful way to spread the news of how great Cornell is! In a small way you get to re-live "Cornell Fever" all over again. I've been a CAAAN ambassador for a number of years and have met some amazing young men and women over that time. I am always very excited when I hear that one of my "interviewees" has been accepted and chooses to go to Cornell. If you are interested in becoming an ambassador in your area, check out the website at <http://caaan.admissions.cornell.edu/>.

Sheryl Newman Hammond (cornell@blueblaze.com) works as a freelance proofreader. Her company is called Until Midnight. She is working on *The Virginia Edition*, a special reissue of everything science fiction writer Robert Heinlein ever wrote, and Tim Pratt's online serialization project, Broken Mirrors. She and husband **Michael '77** have relocated from Ithaca to Delaware. **Ellen Winchell Goldman** (mlgcattay@aol.com) and husband Michael are living in Trumbull, CT. Ellen is affiliated with a high-end travel agency, Largay Travel, which is part of the Virtuoso Group. After many years in the business, Ellen continues to love it. She visited Panama and spent last winter's holiday with the family in Belize. **Marti Reisman**

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Sheldon (mrsonline@verizon.net) and husband **Mark, MS '85**, stay busy in Huntington Beach, CA, with volunteer activities revolving around politics. When not working, they spend time campaigning for their favorite candidates, attending conventions and caucuses, and getting out the vote.

Alan Ioffredo (i.alan@usa.net) and spouse Catherine live in Melrose, MA. In 2008, Alan and his business partner founded ALENA Wealth, which is a values-focused wealth protection and growth firm. Alan also ministers to teens and pre-teens in matters of spirituality and educates students and citizens on the importance of financial literacy. **Michelle Wildi** DaValle (Lake Forest, IL; mdavalle@comcat.net) and spouse Dennis are busy raising their three children. They spent their summer taking a long road trip across the US and visiting colleges for their eldest son. Michelle's greatest passion is still travel. **Dean Miller** (dean.miller@stonybrook.edu) and wife Tracie relocated more than 2,000 miles from the Tetons to Long Island, NY. The move was prompted by Dean's new job as director of the Center for News Literacy at Stony Brook U. In his off time, he provides dinner speeches for Trout Unlimited, regaling his audiences with stories from his 20 years of fly-fishing. **Larry Hulle** (lhulle@frontiernet.net) is the agricultural program manager at the Watershed Agricultural Council in Walton, NY. **Kathy Orr** Pomerenk (kpomerenk@hillwoodmuseum.org) finished her master's degree in art and culture at Georgetown U. last year and has been working at the Hillwood Museum in Washington, DC, as membership manager. The Hillwood Museum is a historic home that houses a world-class collection of French and imperial Russian art. Her daughter, Olivia, is in middle school, and son Alex is in high school.

Dina Wolfman Baker (dina@bakersdozen.press.com) published her first book under her new publishing company, Baker's Dozen Press. The inaugural publication, *Creative License: Summer Sermons on Torah and Living in Community*, offers a collection of sermons providing insights into contemporary life using Torah study as a guide. Dina also oversees a marketing, communications, and public relations group for a large nonprofit organization in Wyncote, PA. **Richard Haberek** (Ilion, NY; richardhaberek@yahoo.com) has moved to larger space. He works at Remington Arms and has been participating in the Navy Reserves. He enjoys traveling and is also a substitute teacher at the elementary school level. **Mike Darrow** (MDarrow@CareShareHealth.org) is the program and operations manager for Care Share Health Alliance in Raleigh, NC. Keep the news coming! We love updates on what's happening in your lives. Mail to: [Lynn Buffamante](mailto:LynnBuffamante@cornell.edu), LB325@cornell.edu; or [Allysa Bickler](mailto:AllysaBickler@yahoo.com), cousinallyssa@yahoo.com.

84 Although it's June as I write this and BP is still spewing oil in the Gulf of Mexico, fall will be upon us by the time you read the column. Remember the beauty of the Cornell campus in fall, the brilliant colors of the leaves, and the wonderful people you met on campus? Please take some time to send in your news and reconnect with classmates. We can help!

Kevin McCormick and **Catherine "Kitty" Cantwell** may be among those fortunate enough to return to campus this fall—for Parents' Weekend! Their oldest son **Nicholas '13** is a sophomore in CALS; he has followed in his father's footsteps and pledged Seal and Serpent. Kitty has

a busy private practice in ob/gyn, while Kevin has a geriatrics practice at the U. of Rochester. A good number of other classmates in the medical field were kind enough to send along news—and most of it was legible! **Sandra Stephens** (Stephens733@aol.com) is a medical director and interim CEO who has fond memories of Ujamaa parties and the Nines. She would like to hear from **Lisa Jones**, **Vanessa Jeffers**, and others whose names I cannot quite decipher (my apologies), two of whom live in Nairobi (that narrows it down) and Connecticut (not so narrow). **Dennis DeJesus** is a director of radiology in Elk City, OK. He specializes in diagnostic, vascular, and interventional radiology.

Paul Bauer decided to leave the world of pharmaceutical R&D for a biotech startup focused on cancer. He is now the director of biology at Forma Therapeutics in Massachusetts. **Ken Yanagisawa** is an ear, nose, and throat surgeon in a large, single-specialty private practice in New Haven, CT. He is also the section chief of otolaryngology at the hospital of St. Raphael in New Haven, and president-elect of the Connecticut ENT Society. Ken and his wife (and fellow doctor) **Julia Shi '83** have five children, two of whom are already in college! He has fond memories of ice cream (good for the throat?) at the Cornell Dairy Bar and gyros at the Souvlaki House. **Eileen Beattie-Krieg** (Brielle, NJ; EileenKrieg@optonline.net) is a diagnostic radiologist specializing in mammography who enjoys skiing, gardening, and travel. She would like to hear from **Karen Cobery** Henneberger and **Brian Files**. **Celeste "Celia" Shin** (Healdsburg, CA; celesteshin@me.com) would like to hear from **Teresa Arroyo '82** and **Euiduk Han '88**.

Many of us are mixing it up or embarking on new career ventures. After 20 years as a lawyer in private practice, **Jay Lindy** made the leap to the client side. He is now chief operating officer and general counsel for Memphis-based Tower Ventures, one of the country's largest, privately held communication tower companies. He spends his spare time "trying" to keep up with his three children, who range in age from 5 to 11. Sounds like a tall order. After 11 years at CNET, **Michael Kanellos** became the editor-in-chief at Greentech Media, a venture-backed green energy firm. He remembers looking at the Cornell course calendar and wondering what to take. Now he has speaking engagements in Tokyo and Abu Dhabi and says "it beats being a lawyer." If he makes it to Switzerland, he can check in with **John Wanvig**, who has moved back to Switzerland from Australia and is a VP regional director, cereal partners worldwide, for Nestlé and General Mills. His territory includes Russia, the Middle East, Turkey, Germany, and Hungary. Is he responsible for Chocolate Cheerios? He doesn't mention it on the news form. John has spent most of his time recently setting up house and fishing and skiing with his wife and daughters, ages 9 and 7. He has fond memories of the people he met at Cornell, the beautiful campus, Delta Chi, playing football, and attending Big Red hockey games.

Marcy Dubroff went from "a downsized casualty" of the economy" to "the coordinator of an

NSF-funded project that supports a novel way to teach chemistry and biology." In addition to being the project coordinator for POGIL (Process Inquiry Guided Interactive Learning—my thanks to Google!), Marcy's the editor of a science journal (*Science Education and Civic Engagement: An Int'l Journal*), a freelance photographer, a full-time mom, and a Democratic committeewoman. Just writing it all down is exhausting. Another super-woman who should get an award for the best business card (it's two-sided, maroon-and-black, and very cool!) is **Elizabeth Suarez**, a facilitator, mediator, trainer, speaker, and coach who is "insightful, accountable, and real." She's also an adjunct professor at the U. of Denver, author of a blog about conflict resolution and leadership (www.elizabethsuarez.wordpress.com), AND writing a book for busy professional women, slated for publication in 2011. She also serves on the

board of directors for Girls Inc. of Metro Denver and on the advisory board for leadership studies at the Women's College-U. of Denver. AND she is a Zumba dancer. Whew! It all started at Cornell. Elizabeth has fond memories of "traying" in the snow and "face-time" at the Straight.

Lastly, **Cynthia Donato** (St. Louis, MO; cyndy.donato@sbcglobal.net) is a VP of human resources at Express Scripts, a Fortune 150 pharmacy benefit manager. Cynthia writes, "In the last year, I've taken my kids on a Cornell trip (eco-tour in

Panama), traveled to India, and whitewater rafted down the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon." Yes, you read that correctly: kids, Panama, India, Grand Canyon, all in one year! She has fond memories of Clete Daniel's history class in ILR and would like to hear from her former roommates and other Kappa Deltas. That's all the news for now. My sincere thanks to all who sent in the news form. Keep the news coming! [Janet Insardi](mailto:JanetInsardi@hotmail.com), insardij@hotmail.com; **Karla Sievers** McManus, Klorax@comcast.net. Class website, <http://classof84.alumni.cornell.edu>.

85 WOW! That is how many of you described our 25th Reunion in early June! It was a fantastic weekend filled with great events, reuniting with old friends, and even meeting new friends. A HUGE thank you to our reunion chairs **Margaret Nagel** Gnegy and **Jennifer Sidell** Cornelissen Ellis. They did an outstanding job!

Reunion started on Thursday with Happy Hour at our class headquarters on West Campus. On Friday morning, a large group of us went on the winery tour along Seneca Lake for a day filled with sun—and let's not forget the wine. During the bus trip, many of us were entertained by our special guide, **Cindy-jo Gross** (who may be considering a second career as a stand-up comedienne?). Thanks Cindy-jo! During our last stop on the tour, I enjoyed meeting **Margaret Smith** Delorenzo, MHA '89, and **Mary Jones**, who were freshman roommates in Donlon on North Campus (and the reason why we never met since I was on West

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Lynn Buffamante '83

Campus). This was Mary's first time attending Reunion, but I know it won't be her last. The rest of the weekend included a delicious barbecue dinner on Friday night, the Saturday picnic, Fun in the Sun, President Skorton at our reception on the Tanner Terrace, and fun at the tents dancing (and for some, drinking) the night away.

If you were at Reunion, please share your news and memories so that it can be included in upcoming columns. Many of you told me you really do read the column—and you want to read about all of our classmates—so send in your news about your Reunion experience, what you are doing, your travels, and anything else. If you couldn't join us in June, don't be shy. Please write! Your classmates want to read about you!

The Reunion experience is as unique as each of us, but a wonderful experience all the same. There was something for everyone whether you wanted to relive your years as a Cornell student, share Cornell with your loved ones, meet new friends, laugh with old friends, or rediscover Ithaca. For me, it was a little of everything and I loved every moment. I do wish there were many more moments because there wasn't enough time to see everyone and to do everything (but there is always our next reunion in 2015!). We would love to hear what Reunion meant for you so please share your thoughts with your classmates by sending an e-mail to your correspondents.

Reunion is the time when our class officers are elected for a five-year term, and we are excited that many have been re-elected and that there are also new additions to our class leadership. **Mark Sheraden**, MBA '92, will continue as our class president. **John Roscoe**, MBA '90, has joined the class leadership as vice president. **Ron Prague** will continue as treasurer, and Margaret Nagel Gnegy is now our secretary. (Although she is stepping down as co-chair of reunion, we are lucky that she agreed to continue to provide her guidance for the next reunion.) **Marla Berman** Dalton will serve as webmaster. **Melissa Russell** Rubel and **Michael Liess** will continue as Cornell Annual Fund chairs. **Sharon Tolpin** Topper will co-chair reunion with our eternal co-chair Jennifer Sidell Cornelissen Ellis. **Debbi Neyman** Silverman, **Lisa Bluestein**, and **Allen Wong** will serve on Class Council. **Joyce Zerkowitz** Cornett will continue as class correspondent and will be joined by **Roberta Zwiebel** Farhi, and **Risa Mish**, JD '88 (who is making a return engagement after being "off" for five years). Welcome—and welcome back—to our class leaders! I know that they all want you to feel free to contact them with your comments and feedback—and particularly the class correspondents, who want to hear and share your news!

As you will note, my name, **Leslie Nydick**, is not included above because it is time to give someone else the opportunity to be in touch with you so that I can focus on the other volunteer work I do for Cornell. I have truly enjoyed hearing from you during the past five years. Thank you for the opportunity to have served as one of your correspondents! For those of you in or around NYC, I hope you will consider attending one of the monthly networking breakfasts at the Cornell Club-New York. I lead the discussion and manage the network of attendees. Please note that this special monthly event is open to all alumni in the area. If you want to know more about it, send me an e-mail (to LNYdick at aol dot com).

Reunion was most definitely filled with smiles, laughs, fun, and joy. On Saturday afternoon, there were somber moments during the

Remembrance Service held at Sage Chapel. I was honored to attend as our class representative during the service. There was a heartfelt Memorial Meditation led by the Reverend **Jim Dowd '60**. It was a beautiful service and it provided a special time to remember our classmates who have died too soon. A few died while we were still students, some just after graduation, and too many since then. I hope you will all take a moment to remember our deceased classmates. They will remain in our memories and hearts forever.

As I say goodbye to you, I want to remind you of the ways you can connect to our class. You can visit our class website at: <http://classof85.alumni.cornell.edu>. You can also join our group on LinkedIn.com, and on Facebook by looking for Cornell University Class of 1985. These are great ways for you to network, connect, and reconnect with your fellow classmates. Please join us because we really want to connect and reconnect with you! Last but not least, please remember to send in your news! ✉ **Leslie Nydick**, LNYdick@aol.com; **Joyce Zerkowitz** Cornett, cornett0667@comcast.net; **Risa Mish**, rmm22@cornell.edu; or **Roberta Zwiebel** Farhi, rfarhiesq@aol.com.

86 It seems unreal that it was 25 years ago that we stepped on campus for freshman orientation. So many years have passed, yet the bonds formed during those years endure. While on a spring break college tour with my daughter, we stopped in Princeton, NJ, and had dinner with two friends I made during freshman year, **Lynne McFarland** McKinnon and **Dina Lewisohn** Shaw. We don't keep in touch regularly, but every few years when we see each other we immediately resume the camaraderie we established that first year. Dina is our class reunion chair and she is devoting many hours to planning some great events for our 25th Reunion, June 9-12, 2011. **Ellen Lederman** is coming all the way from Switzerland with her 7-year-old. Mark your calendars now, so you are also sure to attend.

Our classmates continue to make an impact on the world. **Daniel Burzon** is a practicing urologist who has been going to Haiti for almost 12 years with an organization called CRUDEM, as a volunteer surgeon in a hospital. This year the CRUDEM team was in Haiti performing surgery when the earthquake struck. Thankfully, they were not injured and were able to take on casualties from Port-au-Prince. In March, Daniel returned to Haiti to treat the 400-plus victims airlifted to the hospital. More details can be found on Crudem.org and Facebook. **Shera Raisen** is also a medical doctor, practicing integrative medicine. Lately, she's been balancing this with her role as a new mom and occasionally she even finds time for yoga and expressive dance. Shera would love to hear from **Trisha Daly '85**, DVM '89, and **Marta Ruedas '85**.

Several classmates have authored books. **Audrey Glassman** Vernick has two picture books coming out this year, both published by HarperCollins Children's. *Is Your Buffalo Ready for Kindergarten?* came out in June and *She Loved Baseball: The Effa Manley Story* will be released in October. For more information, visit www.audreyvernick.com. **Amy Kates**, MRP '87's third book, *Leading Organization Design*, will be published in winter 2011 by Jossey Bass. Amy writes that she is in NYC forming a partnership called Kates Kesler Organization Consultants. Through Facebook, Amy has reconnected with her Alpha Chi sorority sisters.

She enjoys lunches with **Jen Steig-Strugger '85** and they plan to organize some NYC lunches to reunite the rest of the Alpha Chi founders. **Bob Goldman**, a veterinarian in Los Angeles, published an essay in *Cherished: 20 Writers Remember Animals They've Loved and Lost* (New World Library, 2011). Bob would love to hear from **Laura Liu**, ME '87, MBA '89, **Steve Londino**, **Woody Firm**, **Nancy Herta**, and **Elizabeth Woodward**. Also working with animals, **Elizabeth Merryman** is a rare-horse trainer in Coatesville, PA. She would love to hear from **Lisa True**. **Wendy Behm** is a part-time vet and full-time mom to two kids and 15 pets in Leesburg, VA. She loves riding her horse.

The lawyers among us are balancing careers and families while pursuing their passions. **Barbara Alonso** is practicing law in Miami, where she focuses on corporate matters, financial transactions, and commercial contracts, with an emphasis on Latin America. Her husband, **Muhammad Iskandarani**, PhD '91, is a professor of oceanography at the U. of Miami. They have children Maya, Samir, and Leila. **Jeff Dunlap** (Hudson, OH) is a partner at a 185-lawyer firm and was elected to the five-member management committee. Jeff enjoys golf and softball and membership at the country club of Hudson. He has daughters Erin, 15, and Casey, 13. Jeff would love to hear from **John Smales**. **Ben Brown** is married and living in Juno, FL, where he focuses on trusts and estates litigation. In his free time, he enjoys masters swimming and free-drive spearfishing.

Also pursuing interesting hobbies, **Deetta Cruttenden** Spalding collects Studebaker cars and does financial consulting for Indian gaming. Deetta owns S&P Financial Services in Woodstock, CT, and offers tax and accounting services to small businesses. **Mark Brandt** (Rocky River, OH) is training for a sprint triathlon and enjoying a second term on the Cornell Council. Mark is the director of private equity and business development for the fifth largest audit/tax/consulting firm. He has children Mary Grace, 15, and Henry, 11. Mark would love to hear from **Tim Balfe** and **Sam Givens**. **Janet Gossman** Providakes wears many hats as a Job Corps teacher, youth minister, and hospital minister. Additionally, she is running for the Ayer, MA, housing authority. **Betty Ganung** DeNardo is in Montour Falls, NY, where she spends her free time skiing, motorcycling, reading, volunteering at the library, and enjoying family. Lastly, we heard from **Lorena Garmez**, who married Kevin Murphy on Kailua Beach on Oahu in August 2008. They live in Rochester, NY. **Patty Bazzarini** Appel is enjoying life in the land of virtually no rain, snow, clouds, or cold weather in Santa Barbara, CA, with her kids ages 8, 10, and 12. In our next column, I look forward to hearing from my co-correspondent, **Laura Nieboer Hine**, about her summer travels to Beijing, China, with husband **Clarkson '85** and children Sam, 17, Nick, 17, and Emmie, 12.

Start making your reunion plans and be sure to check in with us on Facebook: Cornell University Class of '86. Send your news to: ✉ **Susan Seligsohn** Howell, susancornell86@comcast.net; or **Laura Nieboer** Hine, lauracornell86@sbcglobal.net.

87 We'll get right to the news. From **Tom Riford**: "I got married Sept. 10, 2009 to Angela Nichols. The wedding was held at Keawalai Congregational Church in Maui, HI. The small wedding was under a palm tree, near my mother's grave. My father attended." In his spare time Tom is trying to fix up

his 1910-built home, one renovation at a time. Reports Tom, "It feels like we're 'camping' at home!" **Caryl Silberman** (Asheville, NC) works as a volunteer RN in a free medical clinic. The rest of the time she is mother to two bonus sons, one daughter, one elderly cat, and one fantastic dog. **Daniel Alonso** sent us a quick note to tell of his promotion to chief assistant district attorney, effective January 2010. Way to go, Dan. **Nina Shapiro** writes that she is director of pediatric otolaryngology (ear, nose, and throat) at UCLA, and mother to Alessandra, 6, and Charles, 2. Nina is also busy writing a parenting book, "Take a Deep Breath: Clear the Air For the Health of Your Child," expected out in late 2011. Nina would love to hear from **Cindy Davis '86** and **Valentina Guazzoni '86**. **Matthew Nagler** is an associate professor of economics, City College

in solo practice and teaches and co-directs the pain management fellowship at the U. of Buffalo, Mike has big news too. About two years ago he left his job as president of a manufacturing company and is now the owner and "chief bottle washer" of a winery! Check out Mike's business at www.tenthousandvines.com. Liz ended her note: "When we are not stamping out pain and making wine, we're at the hockey rink with daughters Alexa, 14, and Mikayla, 12."

Not to beat a dead horse, but again I am urging all of you to join our "new and improved" Facebook group: "Cornell University Class of 1987." In addition to it being free, FB technology allows us to push news across your FB feed. In recent months we've been able to send out links to Cornell sporting events such as the ECAC men's

in London and enjoys welcoming visitors including **Steve Chartier**, who was in the UK on business early in the year. **Lauren Parker** writes from NYC that she and her husband, Michael Dobeck, are busy taking care of infant son Carson. Lauren and family live in Manhattan, where she is an editor at *Accessories* magazine and *AccessoriesMagazine.com*. In response to the question, "What would you rather be doing now?" Lauren wrote, "Catching a few much-needed ZZZZs!" Lauren, at one year in, I still very much know how you feel. **Jay Dubowsky** is a cardiologist in Manhasset on Long Island, where he now enjoys playing with his twin boys, age 3 (vacationed Cornell Class of 2029). Jay and family vacationed in St. John's last winter and that is where he'd rather be now. Jay would very much like to hear from **Matt Ruff**, author of the book *Fool On the Hill*.

Leah Eisen Pazol moved with her family to San Diego from Chicago late last year. Welcome to the Golden State, Leah! Leah and husband Steve have children Eli, 12, Molly, 10, and Avery, 6. **Harry Lin** lives in South Pasadena and is the president of Photometria, a startup company based in La Jolla. In another West Coast state is **Bradley Berg**. Brad is a pediatrician at the Skagit Valley Medical Center in Mount Vernon, WA, just north of Seattle. Brad is also the president and founder of Humanity for Children, a nonprofit whose mission is to promote pediatric health worldwide; they are opening pediatric clinics in Africa. Brad wrote that after "being in school forever," he is enjoying life. "Working with kids and making a difference are what I always wish I could be doing," he concludes. Endocrinologist **Maria Chi-Iuorno** is in private practice in Richmond, VA. Maria is married to an Upstate New Yorker named Frank (he went to Hamilton), who is an orthodontist. They have two kids, ages 10 and 12, and a dog named Trixy.

Stephanie Ryan Zerilli says "life is good" and writes, "I'm right where I'm supposed to be." Stephanie lives in Groton, NY, and is thoroughly engaged in her "most important job," single-handedly raising her three children. When she can, she enjoys kayaking and hiking and cross-country skiing in the winter. Another mother of three, **Barbara Walker** Byrne is a stay-at-home mother of daughters. Barbara, husband Sean, and their family live in New Albany, OH. Barbara spends some time gardening, but responded with the question, "What after-hours?" regarding the extracurricular activities query on our class news form. Another mom of all girls is class officer **Pamela Darer** Anderson. Pam, husband Graham, and their daughters Rebecca, 13, Allison, 11, Sarah, 9, and Katie, 4, live in Toronto, where they are continuing work building a new home. Pam coaches her youngest daughter's soccer team and served as coordinator of a magazine drive fundraiser for her oldest daughter's school. The family skied all last winter and went to Mount Tremblant in Quebec for a week of skiing during March break.

Back in the greater New York area, **Ellen King** Brown lives with husband Daniel in Scarsdale and is an executive vice president for acquisitions and development for Denihan Hospitality Group, a hotel management and development company. Making his home not far away in Greenwich, CT, **Ethan Brecher** is a partner at Liddle & Robinson LLP, an employment litigation firm in Manhattan. Ethan and wife Laura have daughters Sarah, 13, and Anna, 10, who keep them busy at soccer and softball games and dance recitals. Last but certainly not least, **Lisa Gagnum-Boillot** wrote from her

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of New York, and has been appointed to head the master's program in economics at CCNY. He looks forward to his upcoming sabbatical, when he hopes to find more time for research and family. Matthew and his wife saw **Jim '88** and **Audrey Berg Long-fellow '88**, MBA '89, who live with daughters Haley, 6, and Hannah, 3, in a suburb of Washington, DC. Jim runs a patent law software business, and Audrey works in the banking industry.

Frank Davis is the director for sales and trading for Leh Securities. Frank reports that he has a new venture, Navy Beach Restaurant in Montauk, NY. You can read the details about Frank's new business at www.NavyBeach.com. **Lisa Kish** Zilik (Chicago, IL) welcomed daughter Jillian in December 2009. Congratulations, Lisa! **Louise Jones** sends word that she is now director of special collections and library for the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort, KY. "It's a big change from Ohio," she writes. Louise also misses "those chocolate chip cookies from the Dragon in Sibley. Yumm!" Don't we all, Louise, don't we all. **Larry Smart** is associate professor in the Dept. of Horticulture Sciences at the New York State Agriculture Experiment Station in Geneva, NY. He specializes in breeding shrub willow, a bioenergy crop. Willow is relatively unknown as an energy crop, but has characteristics that require minimal labor, herbicides, and pesticides, and potential as a source for cellulosic ethanol. Larry hopes to see 1 million acres of willow planted in the next ten years, up from a minimal number now. **Virginia Tabolt** Lyons reports that she is a clinical science specialist with Genzyme, in their renal division. She mentions that she and her family took a memorable vacation to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and spent 12 days rafting the Hulahula River in Alaska. Next up, looking at colleges with her son, 16. Cornell is on the list to visit, she promises. Also making the trek to Ithaca, **Claudia Jimenez** will drop off her daughter, who will be a freshman at Cornell this fall. Claudia keeps busy with her job as director of religious education at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Vero Beach (FL) and as a member of the local school board.

Lastly, we heard from **Mike**, ME '88, and **Liz Rosen Ditonto** (Orchard Park, NY). While Liz remains

hockey tournament, men's lacrosse, and the amazing men's basketball team in its quest to make the Final Four. Not only have we had up-to-date info on the sporting statistics, more importantly we've been able to let you all know where there have been local Cornell gatherings or how to get tickets to these events. My favorite bit of info was a link to a Cornell webcam, streaming live "Libe Slope Day" back in May. Check it out.

That's all the news for now. Continue sending us your news through the link on our Class of '87 Web page, through our Facebook group, or by filling out and mailing those nifty forms Alumni House sends out when they solicit your dues. **Heidi Heasley** Ford, hfh6@cornell.edu; and **Brenna Frazer** McGowan, bfm26@cornell.edu.

88 Greetings, classmates! As I write, it is the evening of the first day of summer, the solstice. It was a very clear and beautiful day here in Northern California and a perfect evening for grilling and enjoying the warm evening air. A year ago in this space, I was very happy to announce the birth of my daughter, Grace. Well, just last month my wife and I passed what may very well be one of the most significant milestones in my life, including graduating from Cornell. We survived our first year of parenthood! Gracie turned 1 on May 24. She is quite mobile on all fours and on the verge of ambulating unsupported. We expect it to happen any day now, much to our delight and anxiety. Many of my closest Cornell friends have offered much love and support this past year. For Grace's birthday, **Steve** and **Anna Barnsley Werblow '90** and their children Shoshana, 12, and Ilan, 7, made the long trek down from their home in Ashland, OR, to join the festivities and lend a hand in preparing for the party. A good time was had by all!

Although I've often considered that I started being a dad rather later in life, it is of some comfort that several classmates have started the same adventure not too far on either side of me. **Victor Seidel** sent word early this year that he and wife Sandra welcomed their son Spencer on May 3, 2009, joining brother Corbin, 2. The family lives

current home in Larchmont that her “day job” is being a mother while serving on the Larchmont Environmental Committee, and that the family is preparing for a big move to Barcelona, Spain.

Please write or e-mail with updates on your lives, work, play, and families. A news form was provided in our most recent class mailing, so please do send it back if you haven't done so already. Until next time, I wish you peace. ☐ **Steven Tomaselli**, st89@cornell.edu; **Brad Mehl**, bam62@cornell.edu; **Sharon Nunan** Stemme, sen28@cornell.edu.

89 You're reading this while fondly remembering those long summer days and gearing up for fall activity and all that brings. We hope you'll send in news about great vacations taken, places moved to, exciting new job opportunities, and everything else you know your classmates will find newsworthy.

First up: I got a great e-mail from **Susan Comminos**, who won *Tablet Magazine's* 2010 Yehuda Halevi Poetry Competition with her pocket poem entitled “Covet.” For a quick read, you can find it at <http://www.nextbookpress.com/scroll/32378/we-have-a-poetry-contest-winner/>. Congrats, Susan! **Grant Esposito** is a partner at the law firm Morrison & Foerster LLP in New York City; he has been appointed co-chair of his firm's litigation department and spends his spare time coaching kids' basketball teams. Joining the partner track is **Leslie Feifer** Rice, at Jaspan Schlesinger LLP in Garden City, NY. She specializes in commercial real estate transactions and has been very busy after hours as well—as an organizer of her high school reunion, step- and kickboxing, and as a member of a business alliance networking group and the Long Island alumni chapter of Delta Delta Delta. Whew!

Busy with her own law practice on Long Island is **Deborah Goldman**, who specializes in divorce mediation and real estate law, which uses both her law degree and master's in social work. **Richard Forrest** is senior counsel for PAREXEL, a global bio/pharmaceutical services firm. He and wife **Heather (Atwood) '91** live in Newton, MA, and have been busy raising two daughters as well. Also in Massachusetts, **Joanne Troischt** Gagnon is a field vice president of Pacific Life Insurance Co. She spends her spare time as president of the Milton Hershey School Alumni Association and as a rules official of the Women's Golf Association of Massachusetts, which was put to use when she was golfing in the Dominican Republic. She misses group therapy at Dunbar's and would love to hear from **Debra Leach** Carney.

Maybe Richard should talk shop with **Alex Martin**, CEO of Affectis Pharmaceuticals AG in Germany, commuting to Princeton, NJ, and raising four daughters. Alex misses singing with the Waiters and would love to hear from **Matt Lane**. Speaking of running their own business, **Elizabeth Petri** is the owner of the Petri School of Irish Dancing, which has two locations on Long Island, NY. She says running a business is a 24/7 job, but she combines her business and after-hours activities by being co-chair of the 2010 North American Irish Dance Championships. By the time this is published, the event will have been held in Orlando, FL. Send us an update on how it went, Elizabeth! **Debbi Waters** started her own firm this year in New York City. ForeSite Facility Planners LLC specializes in facility programming and master planning for student life

facilities, libraries, and performing and visual arts centers: www.foresiteplan.com. Also in the NYC architecture field, **Julie Salles Schaffer** devotes her spare time (do architects have spare time?) to husband **Robert '87**, playing with kids, and traveling around the Caribbean, fondly recalling times with her AEPH friends.

In the entrepreneur section of our amazing class, **Adam and Tonya Byard Engst** celebrated the 20th anniversary of TidBITS, the longest running technology publication on the Internet. They created the first Internet advertising program, began the idea of what is now known as blogs, and pioneered the field of online publishing. TidBITS now focuses on covering stories that help readers use technology effectively. **Dana Post** Adler launched the Adler Collection, a high-end line of business gifts at Myron Corp. in New Jersey, and spends her spare time with her three children and the UJA of Northern New Jersey. **Laura Poolin** Rolnick spends her time in Greenwich, CT, with her daughters' lessons in arts, violin, piano, harp, Broadway, drama, and fine art. She fondly remembers talking with friends while walking around the Arts Quad. **Chris Weeks** wrote from NYC that he's the academic and placement dean for high school and college placement with KIPP Through College, and has also been busy with two daughters whom he and his wife adopted from Colombia.

Our class never ceases to amaze me with its creativity, kindness, and value on humanity as we use our Cornell degrees for the betterment of the world. Keep us posted with all your news and updates! ☐ **Kimberly Levine** Graham, KAL20@cornell.edu; **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell Bliss, ac98@cornell.edu; **Lauren Flato** Labovitz, cu89_news@comcast.net.

90 Reunion 2010 was a weekend of epic proportions. Like Odysseus, some classmates took 20 years to return to beloved Ithaca. Among the 47 first-time reunion attendees were **Brian Hallstrom** and wife **Kirsten (Etka) '91**. Brian is an orthopedic surgeon in Michigan. His Sigma Phi brother **Benjamin Cheney** is a psychiatrist in New York and was accompanied to his inaugural reunion by his wife, Jiwon. **Tracy Taylor**, former US Consul for Public Affairs in Fukuoka, Japan, introduced Cornell traditions to daughter Naomi and husband Masumi Kawamura. Following training in Washington, DC, she will next be posted in Laos. Engineering alumna **Adrienne Alton-Gust**, ME '91, worked for a glass manufacturing company in Japan after leaving the Hill and is currently a music PhD candidate at the U. of Chicago. She made the journey upstate with husband Larry.

Reunion regulars **Scott** and **Kristyn Benzinger Whitney** got hitched during our 10th Reunion and made it back to our 20th from New Hampshire. Scott once again provided lots of Hasbro goodies for our Kids' Zone while Kristyn worked hard behind the scenes as our affinity networking chairperson.

Mother Nature provided pleasant weather for most of the weekend. A beautiful Ithaca sunset accompanied our Thursday dinner and wine tasting on Willard Straight terrace. Several classmates took the red eye from California, including **Scott** and Rachel **Hayes** and **Jim '91** and **Susie Mrozek Cavalieri**, with future Cornellians Sophia and Sean. Others attendees from the West Coast included **Mark Robins**, **Mike Westlund**, **Jennifer Vollbrecht**, ME '92, **Stephanie Jensen**, and **David Cohen**.

Cecile Bouchardeau Weiland, a documentary filmmaker for the Discovery Channel, author **Elizabeth Dougherty**, MAT '91, and book publisher **Penny Smith** Eifrig were some of the classmates featured at our Friday afternoon Hot Truck happy hour. Everyone raved about the Dinosaur Bar-B-Que dinner at Beebe Lake and no one complained about the Wegmans black and white cookies that got a bit smudged after a delivery mishap. **Charles Huang**, ME '92, and **Jeff Goldstein** were among those who took their families for a paddle in the canoes. Saturday morning, **Ted Endreny** did the class proud during Q & A time at the State of the University address, asking President David Skorton how Cornell would carry out its land grant mission in the face of New York's growing economic crisis, while **Brad Herzog** and **Jane Kim** Hyun caught up with friends and signed their books at the Cornell Store. Sports fanatics took a break from reunion activities to enjoy our World Cup soccer viewing party in the packed Donlon TV lounge. Classmates cheering the US to a 1-1 draw with England included **Rob Wu**, **Paul Tauber**, **Phillip** and **Jennifer Bergoine Wilken**, and honorary classmate **Trevor Steer '89**.

Continuing the sports theme, the Class of 1990 scored a power play goal as the first class to have a reunion event in hallowed Lynch Rink. It was a long-shot dream to have our Saturday reception there. Last September, when **Elinor Langfelder** Schwind, **Alysia Sinrod** Reid, **Carolyn De Wilde** Casswell, and I were on campus for Reunion Kickoff Weekend, we were told not to get our hopes up, but thanks to our class president's persistence, not only did we overcome obstacles like the Ithaca fire code, but we also got men's hockey assistant coach **Casey Jones** and Cornell men's athletic trainer Ed Kelly to lead entertaining and informative tours of the locker room. **Kristen Conrad** and **Marc Goldman** were key contacts in inviting the Pep Band to perform. Big Red was on hand for pictures with future Cornellians and also joined us in our class photo. We enjoyed a leisurely dinner in Newman Arena, home of the Sweet 16 men's basketball team and the wrestling squad, NCAA runners-up in 2010. At Cornelliana Night in the air-conditioned Bailey Hall, **Dini Sathe Merz** and husband **Steve '91**, **Joe Miller**, **TP Enders**, ME '96, **Ruth Simpson**, Kristen Conrad, **Cesar Rospigliosi** and **Tom Wyvill**, MBA '09, joined the alumni Glee Club and Chorus, entertaining a packed house with favorites like “Give My Regards to Davy” and the “Evening Song.” During a break from the songs, we learned that alumni from 26 countries were attending Reunion, including **Samir Kuckreja** (New Delhi, India), **Gary Lam** (Kowloon, Hong Kong), **Jennifer Webster** (Hungary), **Sherri Appel** (Beijing, China), and me, **Rose Tanasugarn** (Kobe, Japan).

No epic would be complete without heroes: **Peter “Beau” Durham** filled this role admirably, guarding Donlon's faulty front door Saturday night and preventing deafening sirens from disturbing our slumber. Inspired by the Herculean efforts of the reunion committee, Beau's Sigma Phi Epsilon brother **Rob Bogart** decided to join our class council and was promptly recruited for his first task—helping to return rented reunion vans on Sunday! Rob, an alumnus of Second City, Chicago's renowned improv comedy troupe, suggested bringing them to Cornell to entertain us for our 25th Reunion, which will coincide with Cornell's 150th anniversary. Don't miss it!

Last but not least in the hero department, **Keith Peterson** made sure I got to JFK in time to

catch the last flight to L.A. It was our third post-reunion trip into the city, and I look forward to continuing our tradition in 2015! A math teacher in San Francisco, Keith spent six weeks in Norway attending a summer family reunion. As co-chair, Reunion 2010 was a labor of love for me, but I am glad to rejoin the class correspondent team for 2010-15. Stay tuned for more reunion news from **Kelly Roberson** in the next column. ✉ **Rose Tanasugarn**, bigredrose1990@gmail.com; **Kelly Roberson**, kroberson@lightswitch.net; **Amy Wang Manning**, aw233@cornell.edu.

91 When summer turns to fall, my thoughts turn to Cornell. This year I feel special anticipation knowing that our 20th Reunion is coming up next June. Like many of you, I haven't been back to Cornell since our 15th in 2006, and I am really looking forward to returning to campus and seeing how things have changed—and how things have stayed the same. It is not too late to start blocking time in your calendar for June 9-12, 2011. The Class of 1991 has become known for smashing reunion attendance records. Do you think we can do it again?

Our classmates continue to make news winning prestigious awards. The UC Santa Barbara engineering department shared the news that **Hyongsok "Tom" Soh**, ME '93, won a 2010 Guggenheim Fellowship in engineering. From a field of 3,000 applicants, a total of 180 fellowships were awarded this year in the US and Canada to artists, scientists, and scholars "on the basis of achievement and exceptional promise." Tom was one of only two recipients nationwide to win the fellowship in engineering. Tom's project focuses on personalized medicine, combining two novel technologies—microfluids and high-throughput sequencing—to accelerate and reduce the cost of developing molecular recognition elements (reagents) that specifically bind to their targets. Such reagents are the key component in molecular diagnostics, which is the basis for "personalized medicine." Tom is an associate professor of mechanical engineering and of materials at UC Santa Barbara's College of Engineering.

Thank you to everyone who sent news with their 2010 class dues payments. **Steve Beiser**, director of institutional equity sales and trading at Robert W. Baird & Co. in Milwaukee, WI, sent news that he and wife Katie have adopted a baby boy. Steve wrote that between their 3-year-old and their new son, their home life "is all about potty training, changing diapers, and trying to remember what a good night's sleep was like." In their limited free time, Steve and Katie enjoy the "exciting" Milwaukee nightlife, visiting friends around the country, and continuing to do mixed martial arts. In his note, Steve mentioned how much he enjoyed watching Cornell basketball and seeing the Cornell wrestlers finish second. He would love to reconnect with his freshman roommate, **Art Witebsky**.

Amy Hillsberg Herzog works as a public relations director for PSI Bands, acupressure wristbands that relieve nausea, and additional clients. Amy keeps very busy promoting the latest travel memoir by husband **Brad '90**. *Turn Left at the Trojan Horse* (Citadel Press, June 2010) depicts Brad's cross-country journey through Greek-named small towns to attend his Cornell reunion in Ithaca. You can find more information about Brad's new book, and his previous travel and children's books, at www.BradHerzog.com. **Andrew Puzio**, MPA '92,

reported by e-mail that on April 3 he took his family to see the Touchtones perform in Washington Square Park in New York City. "They were fabulous, of course, and we bought their CD on the spot," wrote Andrew. Andrew's daughter Fiona, 4, was particularly enamored of the group, and some of the members of the Touchtones were kind enough to talk with Fiona after the performance. When Andrew returned home, he subscribed to all of the Cornell a cappella groups on YouTube. Speaking of the Touchtones, **Wendy Fuhr** sent news that she works as a family physician and faculty member at Bryn Mawr Family Practice Residency Program. In addition, Wendy continues her love of music as a singer and violinist with two bands, one pop-rock and one country/western/bluegrass. Wendy and husband Eric Allen are the proud parents of Iris, 4, and Duncan, 1. In her limited free time, Wendy volunteers at Iris's Montessori preschool. Wendy noted that she would love to hear from **Keith Simmel '90**, BArch '91.

Laurie Ceglowski Fronhofer, a junior high Spanish teacher in Salem, NY, wrote that she and her family visited Cornell in February to see the Cornell-Harvard wrestling match. While watching the match, Laurie was delighted to discover that one Big Red wrestler, **Justin Kerber '10**, is the nephew of Laurie's Tri Delta sorority sister **Jill Kerber** Aldous. We received news from several other classmates who also work as teachers. **April Henry** is an English teacher on Long Island and chairperson of her school's English department. She enjoys running, cycling, and watercolor painting. April enjoyed a week in Mexico during her last spring break. **Susan Halebsky** Dimock lives in Falls Church, VA, where she is a visiting professor at the U. of Illinois's Illinois-in-Washington program. **Lisa Camacho-Szeto** is a teacher in the Orange County public schools in Orlando, FL. Lisa and her husband have opened an Orlando franchise of Froots, where you can find a tasty variety of smoothies, salads, and wraps. Outside of work, Lisa enjoys Zumba, reading, continuing education, visiting with friends, and playing with kids.

Charles Andola III works as a surgical physician assistant at Stamford Hospital in Stamford, CT. Charles earned his master's degree in May 2009 and married wife Israel in August 2009. Charles's fondest memories of Cornell are the challenging courses, the endless variety of courses, and the wonderful friends and faculty. Also living and working in Connecticut are **Elizabeth Mirabile**-Levens and husband **Doug Levens '92**. Elizabeth is a pulmonary and critical care physician at Waterbury Pulmonary Associates. Elizabeth and Doug have children Peter, 8, and Eric, 6. In her spare time, Elizabeth competes in triathlons. **Jessica Lifland** lives and works in San Francisco, CA, where she is a freelance photographer and a photojournalism instructor at City College of San Francisco. Jessica's fiancé is from Ireland and proposed to her in the Wicklow Mountains in southeast Ireland. **Heather Atwood Forrest** is senior vice president/financial advisor at MorganStanley SmithBarney in Wellesley, MA. She and husband **Richard '89** keep busy raising "two delightful daughters," Hannah and Sylvia.

We continue to receive news from classmates living abroad. **Noel Matos** lives in Basel, Switzerland, where he is director of strategic export/marketing for Migros. He launched sales and marketing offices in Pennsylvania and in Toronto, Canada. Noel's fondest memories of Cornell are of his friends; he would love to hear from **Jeanette Perez-Rossello**. **Robert Saunders** is in his second year of a two-year stint in Singapore, where

he is director of information technology at Barclays Capital. In his spare time, Bob enjoys sailing and travel.

The Class of '91 continues to send baby news. **Debi Epstein Fried** and husband **Marc, MBA '04**, welcomed daughter Jesse Harper on Sept. 29, 2009. Big sister Sasha turned 5 in August. Debi is a first grade teacher in Briarcliff Manor, NY. On March 22, 2010 **Otto Pohl** and wife Anne Sherwood welcomed their first child, Everett. **Deb Snoonian** Glenn and husband Bradley welcomed son Simon on May 28, 2010. Deb is senior editor of the Time Inc. magazine *This Old House* and appears regularly on the "Today" show and other television programs as the magazine's spokesperson. Also on May 28, 2010, **Kimberly Martin-Epstein** and wife Peg welcomed their second child, son Walden William. Big sister Beatrix, 2, looks forward to playing with her new brother as soon as he is able.

Thank you to everyone who sent us news. Please keep sending updates. ✉ **Ariane Schreiber** Horn, ams14@cornell.edu; **Kathryn Kraus** Bolks, klk22@cornell.edu; **Sharlyn Carter** Heslam, sheslam@berkshirepartners.com.

92 Hello again, fellow classmates! The time has come to put away my basketball sneakers and dust off the good ol' softball cleats! I must admit that after a seven-year hiatus, my swing isn't all that shabby—thanks in part to son Sean, 6, now a veteran T-ball player (soon to be Pee Wee). Of course, no ballplayer's training is complete without the proper coaching (hubby Chris) and solid fan base (Ryan, 3).

Thanks to my li'l sis, **Kerry Duffy '95**, who is fresh off of her reunion tour, my "coach" and two future Cornellians are all decked out in brand new Cornellwear! Speaking of future Cornellians, the Class of '92 is proud to announce some new additions to the Big Red family: **Tracy Furner** Stein (Chicago, IL) writes that she and husband Simon welcomed Audrey Eileen into the world this past February. She joins older sibling Evan, 4-1/2, who is adjusting to being a big brother! **Joshua Meyer** and wife Lori (Irvington, NY) are busy keeping up with son Benjamin, 3, and daughter Sophie, born in January 2010. Joshua is a benefits consultant for the Segal Co. in NYC. **Teresa Fischer** McKenzie, DVM '96, writes that she and husband Martin enjoy playing with their girls Erika, 3, and Elena, 1. Teresa holds the position of associate veterinarian with Carroll Veterinary Clinic. **Jackie Schulman** Dobranski, DVM '97, and husband Anthony have been keeping busy with 7-month-old son Rowan, while designing and building a house in Washington, DC. Jackie, also a veterinarian, has been volunteering at the National Zoo's Asia Trail Exhibit.

Karen Usselman lives in Magnolia, DE, with husband Jeff Booth and works as a veterinarian. **Sophie Hong Zhang-Xu** (Stamford, CT) writes that she is a board member of the OCA-FC (Organization of Chinese Americans, Fairfield Chapter) and is busy preparing her two children for their next academic endeavors. Her oldest will start high school in the fall, while her second will start middle school. **Arun Jha** is embarking on his next academic endeavor—he is in school at the Community College of Denver studying German. **Bob Kiesendahl** (Hawley, PA) writes that he manages the family business, the Lodge at Woodloch, and invites people to come visit or check it out at www.woodloch.com or www.thelodgeatwoodloch.com.

Steven and **Diana Yu Pae** reside in Holmdel, NJ. Steven works in Morgan Stanley's electronic trading division. He writes that he started a new position in the equity department and will be up on the Hill recruiting this fall. He is involved in Cornell Alumni Mentoring and the Cornell FRESH Program, which allows freshmen from all of Cornell's colleges to shadow alumni in their workplace over spring break to learn more about a career field of interest.

Cynthia Caruso (NYC) is head of human resources for ING Investment Management Americas and loving it! In addition to her day job, she has been able to spend her time doing volunteer work throughout NYC. Cynthia writes that she has returned from her 40th birthday celebration vacation. Together with 14 friends, she rented a castle in Umbria, Italy, and explored the countryside, ate pasta, prosciutto, and pecorino, and drank lots of Tuscan and Umbrian vino! Congratulations on your landmark birthday—what a way to celebrate! **Greg Della Rocca**, an orthopaedic trauma surgeon at the U. of Missouri, has spent time in Haiti providing orthopaedic care to patients with fractures and infections at the Hopital St. François de Sales in downtown Port-au-Prince. Greg was involved in operating on infected fractures and infected wounds, as well as performing wound closures and skin grafts. Greg describes his experience as "heart-rending but valuable," and considers "the Haitians strong people facing adversity that many of us cannot even imagine." My respect goes out to you, Greg, for being such an amazing individual and able to help so many!

Tanya Kachen Bentley lives in Pacific Palisades, CA, with husband Alex, and is director of health economics and outcomes research for the Partnership for Health Analytical Research LLC. She enjoys yoga and surfing and is currently competing in the CrossFit Qualifier competitions. Good luck! **Gordon Brunskill** (Centre Hall, PA) is a sports writer for the *Centre Daily Times* of State College, PA. He writes that he, along with a dozen Big Red alums, watched Cornell's first round basketball win over Temple. His big news is his marriage this past April to Amber Gray. Congratulations on your nuptials! That's all for now, folks! Keep your news coming and thanks for sharing. **Lois Duffy** Castellano, LKD2@cornell.edu; **Jean Kinitich**, jmk226@cornell.edu; **Megan Torrance**, mtorrance@torrancelearning.com.

93 Happy fall, everyone! Hope you were able to bask in the glories of summer and are enjoying the busy newness that each autumn brings. We have some great news to share, so let's focus.

Congratulations to **Elizabeth Allen**, director of the movie *Ramona and Beezus*, debuting July 23. The Fox film stars John Corbett, Josh Duhamel, Ginnifer Goodwin, Sandra Oh, Bridget Moynahan, Selena Gomez, and newcomer Joey King—not Cornellians, but accomplished nonetheless. The movie is based on the beloved book by Beverly Cleary, author of the popular children's series about the misadventures of young Ramona Quimby. Elizabeth explains that to develop the screenplay, she studied all eight books in the series and worked closely with Beverly Cleary to pull the best material from each of the books. At Cornell, Elizabeth studied with Prof. David Feldshuh (a Pulitzer Prize-nominated playwright), and remains grateful for that opportunity: "I still credit his classes and the basic building blocks I use when developing

screenplays." Elizabeth modestly refers to the flick as a "small movie at Fox" but if your community is anything like ours, there is buzz aplenty!

Steve Cohen is also enjoying success in the entertainment industry: the *New York Times* published a fascinating article about Steve, nicknamed the "millionaires' magician." Steve performs five sold-out performances each weekend in an elaborate suite at the Waldorf-Astoria and also does private shows. Steve's specialty involves combining close-up maneuvers and tricks with common objects for small groups of people, usually those with substantial means. "Common objects" in Mr. Cohen's repertoire consist of diamonds and \$100 bills. Steve's audiences have included the Crown

work on his house and that after a year and a half, it is "finally done." Aziz is still working at the family business, "but keeping a toe in politics on the side. Most of all, enjoying having two great sons." Aziz saw **Christy Bleyle** Frank and **Kristi Covert** Tsiopanas '94, MCE '95, in London. He looks forward to returning to the States for a visit.

Recently, I filled out a survey as part of the 25th anniversary of Cornell Abroad. It brought me back to a phenomenal year in Geneva, Switzerland. As I recalled traveling and connecting with foreign alumni, I marveled at the strength and breadth of our global alumni network. A diversity of Cornellians from all generations enthusiastically contributed their time and their networks, and

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Prince of Saudi Arabia, the Queen of Morocco, and Warren Buffett. The article explains that Cohen's love of magic began around age 6 and that he majored in psychology at Cornell in order to learn skills like persuasion and eye tracking that could help him with his art. He was recently a guest on "The Late Show with David Letterman." Steve is married to **Yumi Morishige MA '94**, and has children Alex, 10, and June, 5.

Cheers also to **Marc Bruno**, who has been named to *SportsBusiness Journal's* "Forty Under 40" Class of 2010, which recognizes the best and brightest of the sports business industry. Marc is president of ARAMARK Sports, Entertainment, and Conventions, in which capacity he has fed athletes and media at four Summer Olympics, as well as this year's Winter Olympics in Vancouver. Marc, a Hotelier, has been with ARAMARK since graduation; highlights of his career include negotiating and signing the company's largest Olympics contract to date and feeding athletes and fans at this year's NHL Winter Classic at Fenway Park in Boston. Marc is at the helm of ARAMARK's operations at more than 170 sports, entertainment, and convention centers across North America, as well as the company's Olympic catering projects. He lives in Pennsylvania with wife **Brynne (Johnson)** and daughters Lara, 4, and Megan, 2. **Bob LaDue** does some interesting work in the food industry: he is an integral part of a business with a conscience as the greenhouse manager for Finger Lakes Fresh, a division of Challenge Industries of Ithaca. Challenge Industries employs a workforce of people with disabilities, and Finger Lakes Fresh uses innovative, environmentally friendly techniques such as hydroponics to create a diverse array of vegetables that are sold as a greener alternative to produce shipped from afar.

Congratulations to our classmates who have been celebrating milestones. **Marc Axelbaum** and wife Katherine Dowling welcomed daughter and "Daddy's girl" Cameron Storey on Jan. 10, 2010. Cammie joins big brother Charlie, 2-1/2. Congratulations also to **Rob Liubicic** and wife Julie, who were married in the Florida Keys in February 2010. Guests included **Jay Benjamin Drezner**, **Felix Gorrío**, **Vadim Rubinstein '92**, and **Jonathan Abe '95**. **Aziz Meshiea** is also celebrating. He wrote from England that he has been busy completing

even opened their homes to me and my fellow classmates, making a world that seemed impossible to grasp more accessible and meaningful at a personal level. I am inspired to do more to help current students and alumni benefit like I did, and hope you will consider joining me. Take care—and please share. **Melissa Hart Moss**, melimoss@yahoo.com; **Yael Berkowitz** Rosenberg, ygb1@cornell.edu; and **Melissa Carver** Sottile; mtcstottle@yahoo.com.

94 In January, I had the pleasure of seeing old friends at the wedding of **Larisa Alonso**. She and Alejandro Ramirez were wed at Saint Sebastian Catholic Church in Fort Lauderdale, FL, with a reception at the Josephine Leiser Opera Center. The couple honeymooned in South America, then celebrated all over again with a reception in the groom's native Colombia. Larisa is a nutritionist at Canyon Ranch Spa Miami. Speaking of Colombia, **Enrique Chiriboga** wrote from Bogotá, where he's lived for the past 12 years. He started a consulting company seven years ago, after working for Accenture. On the other side of the world, **Kaila Colbin** (Christchurch, NZ) writes, "Cornellians, stop by if you're Down Under! I got married three times last year—once in California and twice in New Zealand, but luckily every time to the same guy. My latest venture, <http://minimonos.com>, has been going gangbusters! It's a virtual world for kids focused on sustainability, and we've just hit 20,000 registered members—a happy milestone!" From San Juan, PR, **Eunice Diaz** Bejar reports that she and Mark, her husband of ten years, have daughters Liav, 7, and Noa, 5.

Welcome to the world, future Cornellians! **Jennifer Power** Doubet missed our last reunion for a very good reason: on that same weekend, her daughter Sophia Marie was born. Jennifer left Minneapolis for Boston in 2007 and moved back to Minneapolis in 2008. **Scott Bielicki** and his wife celebrated the birth of their third child, Troy. A graduate of the law school at USC, Scott is an attorney at Steptoe & Johnson. In May, he attended the Cornell-Notre Dame lacrosse Final Four game in Baltimore with **Chris Muldowney '95**, **Mike Stroud '95**, and **Eric Penttinen '92**.

News from the Left Coast: **Channing**, ME '95, and **Jennifer Saylor Hamlet**, who celebrated their 14th anniversary in July, checked in from San Diego, CA. Five years ago, Channing and a partner started an investment banking and business valuation firm; Jennifer has been a veterinarian for ten years. In Los Angeles, **Todd Beck** and wife Susanna are the proud parents of Willa, 3, and son Travis, born June 1. **Andres du Bouchet** wrote out an exciting update in June: "I married the love of my life, Sara, after moving to Los Angeles to write for 'The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien.' Now I'm working on self-publishing a collection of my comedy writing as I wait to go back to work on Conan's new TBS show this fall. I missed out on attending the Whistling Shrimp's 25th anniversary reunion show, which was a bummer, but I'm excited to visit Ithaca later this July!" And from **Lisa DeLeo**, yet another intrepid alum who is heeding the call to move, came this news: "I'm about to celebrate my 12th anniversary working for the nice people at Mr. Big Film, a production company that makes TV commercials and documentary shorts. This year, our work has taken us from Los Angeles to Budapest and all the way back to Austin, TX. In between job travel, I've continued teaching yoga and mentoring trainees in the Spirit Rising Foundation Kundalini Yoga training program. After 15 years in Chicago, I've decided to pack up my wagon and head west. My condo is on the market and I'm ready to head to Los Angeles."

Over the years, I have begun to look forward to Cornell weddings because they give us an excuse to stage mini-reunions. Such was the case when **Brian Rose** married Rana Dershowitz in Denver in April. Wrote **Susan Bryan**, "A whole gang of us stayed in my parents' house in Denver: **Isaac Bess** from San Francisco; **Cynthia Hwang** Eppeldauer and husband Peter from Los Angeles; **Andrej Wisniewski** and his new wife, Myrza Sison, from Manila; **Leo Yen** without his wife, Song, who was minding the cupcake shop back in Shanghai; **Carmichael Angeles** from Long Island, without wife Annie and their two boys; and **Lisa Nakamura** and husband Ed Lee, along with Takumi, 2, and Akina, 3 months, from Oakland, CA. It was a full house! We cooked, ate some great Mexican and Vietnamese food out on the town in Denver, and had a smashing time at the wedding. Congrats to Brian and Rana! If Cornellians are ever in Ann Arbor, give me a ring."

My freshman- and sophomore-year roommate **Kirstyn Cassavechia** Smith (Rochester, NY) participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life back in May. Kirstyn and her team, Mel's Belles, named in honor of a dearly departed friend, walked through the night on a 1/4-mile course, beginning at 6 p.m. on a Saturday evening and finishing at 7 a.m. the next morning. Thank you for your fundraising efforts! In related news, fellow Rochester resident **Terry Fisher** works at Vaccinex, a biotech company, where he develops "new therapeutics for cancer and autoimmune disease." He and wife Colleen have sons Alex, 9, and Cameron, 7. ☐ **Dika Lam**, dikaweb@yahoo.com; **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, Jennifer.marchant@postfoods.com; **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasylik, dmp5@cornell.edu.

95 I am writing this column with somewhat of a sense of disbelief. After 15 years as your correspondent, this is my final class news report. With our 2010 Reunion, my three-term limit is

up and I am passing the torch on to a new correspondent, as I step into a new role myself. I want to thank you, the wonderful Class of 1995, for providing me with your updates these last 15 years. I've thoroughly enjoyed reconnecting with old friends, making new ones, and hearing about all the interesting things you've been up to—from the weddings and babies, to the new jobs and homes, to the life-changing journeys so many of you have taken. I hope to be able to write about those endeavors again in the future.

For now, I am pleased to report that, for the five years leading up to our 20th Reunion, I will be serving as your class president. Joining me will be **Matt French**, MEE '96 (mcf6@cornell.edu), reprising his role as VP; immediate past president **Shawn Hecht** Morris (Shawn.Morris@db.com) as treasurer; **Tara Dawood** (tudawood@gmail.com) continuing as VP-communications/secretary; **Abra Benson** Perrie, MBA '04 (amb8@cornell.edu) and **Veronica Brooks-Sigler** (vkbrosksigler@gmail.com) as co-class correspondents; **Lisa Powell** Fortna (LisaFortna@yahoo.com) and **Michael Stroud** (big_red95@yahoo.com) as reunion co-chairs; **Chauncy Maddox** (chauncycay@gmail.com) as webmaster; and **Jennifer Wendling** Helgeson, MPA '97 (jennifer_helgeson@hotmail.com) as Cornell Annual Fund representative. We will also be recruiting a robust Class Council to support our officers and class activities, so if you're interested, please drop me a line at amt7@cornell.edu!

Most of our class leadership was well represented at Reunion, but two had excellent excuses for not attending. Larchmont, NY, resident Jennifer Helgeson and husband Chris, along with son Christian, 2, welcomed new addition Jake Broderick in April, while Tara Dawood was participating in the first ever G(irls)20 Summit for women's rights in Toronto as part of the lead-up to the G20 Summit. For those who did make it to the Hill, a smashing time was had by all. We had an excellent turnout, with a total of 280 attendees, including 156 classmates, surpassing the numbers of previous 15-year classes. Other Reunion stats include a total of 558 donors, 437 duespayers, and \$435,290 raised.

I heard over and over from classmates how meaningful it was being back at Cornell. We even had quite a number of folks attending their first-ever reunion, including **Justin Berk**, a meteorologist for ABC in Baltimore, MD, whom I ran into on Thursday night at Ruloff's, along with **Marc Irizarry**, who lived two doors down from Justin freshman year and is now in New Jersey. Also in attendance was **Dayna Fleming**, a former math teacher turned stay-at-home mom who, at the time of this report, lived in Connecticut with her husband and two sons, ages 4 and 20 months, but moved back to the California Bay Area in August. Dayna had just come from the Ithaca airport, where she had picked up fellow Californian **Amy Wilson**, who lives in Oakland. Also traveling a great distance to be with us was **Anne Catlin** Johnson, who had arrived from Tucson, AZ, where she resides with husband Rick and children Natalie, 5, and Ryan, 2. After Ruloff's we ran into another crew at Oliver's . . . oops, I mean College-town Bagels (not sure I'll EVER get used to that one!), including **Erica Heitner** and **Harry Surden**. Erica lives in New York City; Harry, who lives in Boulder, CO, with wife Mara and daughter Kaya, 2-1/2, is a law professor at the U. of Colorado.

The weekend continued in that fashion, with sightings of old friends and new acquaintances everywhere from Hot Truck, parked on the Arts Quad, where we ran into **Elizabeth Leff** and

Jennifer Damashek Strassler, to the Big Red Band reception, where Matt caught up with **Kevin Wang**, who has earned his PhD at UC San Diego. Also in from San Diego was **Howard Yeh** and his wife, Lizzie. During the weekend, many "mini-reunions" occurred as well. Friday night a group that had lived on the third floor of U-Hall 3 during our freshman year, along with spouses and significant others, as well as several children and friends, met up at the Nines for pizza, beer, and camaraderie. Matt and I enjoyed seeing this group, which included **Stephanie Gendell**, **Ken Gordon**, **Stephanie Lessans** Geller, **Russ Levitan**, **David Podwall**, **David Jakobowicz**, **Nicolas Pacione** Gerbe, DVM '99, **Patrice Winter** Rousell, **Michele Russo**, and **Bao Vuong**. Also spotted were a number of "3FD"—or Third Floor Donlon—alums, including **Sanjoy Biswas**, **Jim Whitaker**, **Greg Salgueiro**, **Chris Golgert**, **Agnes Varga** Wells, **Katherine Schoenfelder**, and even **Collin McCarthy**, an Ithaca resident who was spotted pouring beer in the tents on Friday night.

Classmates came from far and wide to the Hill to celebrate our 15th Reunion, many from the West Coast and beyond. **Hans Donkersloot**, accompanied by wife Gina, works for Kaiser Permanente in California, where he does internal change management for two hospitals. **Raj Chandnani** (Irvine, CA) often gets back to Ithaca, given that his company is doing work with the Statler Hotel. **Daniel Jenkins**, ME '96, came all the way from Hawaii. But the award for the classmate traveling the farthest to return for Reunion goes to **Joe Skorski**, who came in from Tokyo. Joe, along with his wife and two kids, has been living there for five years doing equity research for a hedge fund company. Joe says he comes back to New York during the summers with his family to live in the Hamptons while commuting to his corporate office in Boston, and sometimes even back to Tokyo.

That about wraps it up for our Reunion Report. If you have news you'd like to share, please send it to Abra or Veronica. I look forward to working with all of you in my new capacity as president, and to seeing everyone at our 20th Reunion in 2015! ☐ **Alison Torillo** French, amt7@cornell.edu; **Abra Benson** Perrie, amb8@cornell.edu; **Veronica Brooks-Sigler**, vkbrosksigler@gmail.com. Class website, <http://classof95.alumni.cornell.edu>.

96 Recently I was helping a college student I know with a research paper, and I described my own hunt for sources during my senior year. "You had to do it without Google?" he said, as though I'd described having to fly to outer space flapping my own two arms. Ummm, yes. And I also walked uphill both ways in the snow, without even a mobile phone to text. People, we are old. Luckily not so old as to stop having fun.

Andrea Foster reports that she supported her husband, Stephen Burton, in his eighth 100-mile ultra-marathon. Before that, the couple were married on Aug. 28, 2009 in Camden, ME, with a (belated) honeymoon in France. Andrea, who's training for a half-marathon herself, is the vice president for marketing and business development of Miraval Spa. Wedding Two: **Kelly Collini** married **Eugene Colberg '99** on May 23, '09 in NYC. The pair (re)met at the Cornell-in-Rome program's 20-year anniversary reunion in March 2007 in Rome. Wedding guests included **Francisco Acoba**, **Maria Jose Castro-Dara**, **Lourdes Herrero** Ciervo, and **Monica Rodriguez** Quirch, plus **Jessica Malkin '95**, **Sarah**

Trigg '95, and **Jennifer Gellin**. Kelly and Eugene traveled to Puerto Rico, where they reconnected with **Ramon Gomez**, **Eduardo Tapia** and wife **Biqui Fernandez '97**, and **Samuel Luis Rodriguez '97**. Wedding Three: **Daniel Charous** married Shari Weissman on March 6, 2010 in Scottsdale, AZ; the couple honeymooned in Australia. Daniel is an otolaryngologist and head and neck surgeon in Arizona. Wedding Four (courtesy of the *New York Times*): **Michael Odell** married Andrea Olshan on June 24, 2009 at La Grenouille restaurant in NYC. Michael works in New York at Barclays, where he specializes in commercial real estate transactions.

Speaking of media, **Anika Daniels-Osaze** and husband **Jabari Osaze '94** have a new TV show. Called "Kemeti Legacy Today"—and focusing on the principles of ancient African spirituality—it airs on the Manhattan Neighborhood Network (MNN) channel 34 every Saturday at noon. (If you're not in NYC, it's also webcast on www.mnn.org.) Monica Rodriguez Quirch writes that she and her husband welcomed their fourth child, Cecilia Lourdes, born Nov. 3 2009 ("A girl at last," she writes). Cecilia joins older brothers Maui, 8, Victor, 6, and Jordi, 3.

Short takes: **April Tan** is serving as a member of the Fairfax County Small Business Commission and finding time to remodel her house. She's also "building a career and a relationship," she reports. **Jody Neal** lives in Albion, NY, with wife Andrea. "I am a husband, father, and partner of Orleans Poverty Hill Farm." Send news. Don't make me google you! [✉ Courtney Rubin, cbr1@cornell.edu](mailto:cbr1@cornell.edu); [✉ Ron Johnstone, raj6@cornell.edu](mailto:raj6@cornell.edu); [✉ Carin Lustig-Silverman, CDL2@cornell.edu](mailto:CDL2@cornell.edu). Class website, <http://classof96.alumni.cornell.edu>.

97 As autumn settles in, I recall how Ithaca's natural beauty dazzles in this season. I remember walking to class on crisp, cool mornings and soaking in the warmth of waning afternoon sunlight while lounging on the Arts Quad. For those of us who started relationships at Cornell that have evolved into enduring partnerships, sharing such college memories is a bonus. In this column, we have updates from several Cornell couples who continue to grow together.

Beth Kellerman Pattison sums things up with a simple, "Life is good." She and husband **Robert** are raising children Xander, 6, and Zara, 2, near Albany, NY. Robert is an investment banker in the municipal market; Beth is a stay-at-home mom doing some grant writing work when she has "the sanity and a few free moments at 2 a.m." **Joshua** and **Rebecca Faye Soffer Grossman** announce the birth of son Jeremy William on April 8, 2010. Jeremy joins big sister Ariel, 3. The Grossmans live in the Boston area, where both Josh and Rebecca work in marketing. In Chicago since 2001, **Brad** and **Wendy Bensley Jaehn** have

children Hunter and Holden. Wendy is executive director of the Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance and Brad is CMO of BonVoyou, an online travel start-up he founded with a number of former Orbitz colleagues. **Jonathan Fuller** and wife **Molly (Weidner) '98** relocated to Ann Arbor, MI, after almost ten years in Cleveland, OH. Jonathan is senior associate director of admissions for the full-time MBA program at the U. of Michigan; Molly is an ophthalmology resident. Jon started working at the Ross School of Business in August 2009 and commuted weekly between Ann Arbor and Cleveland; he's glad to have that behind him, especially because he gets to be a full-time dad again to their son, Alex, 14 months.

We continue to work hard advancing our various careers all over the world. Congratulations to **Kara Bombach**, who was promoted to shareholder in the international law firm Greenberg Traurig LLP, effective January 2010. Kara is based in the firm's Washington, DC, office, and practices export controls, sanctions, and anticorruption compliance regulatory law. **Sunny Kim** is president and founder of Progressive Rehabilitation Medicine PLC, a busy suburban private medical practice in Cedar Rapids, IA. Sunny is married with two kids and two

Yorkshire terriers. **Maria Lagana '93**, DVM '97, writes that she and **Sandra Tarasoff, DVM '97**, own the Animal Hospital of White Plains. At home, Maria has two Huskies, three cats, and a dark Bay Quarter horse. She reports she is still close with **Patricia Erickson '92**, DVM '97, who lives in Vermont.

New Jersey native **Janie Hulse** Najenson is a Latin American specialist living in Buenos Aires, Argentina, with her Argentinean husband and their son, 2. After graduating from Cornell, Janie obtained a master's degree at the London School of Economics in Latin American development studies. She works as an independent analyst for the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU); her work includes producing the EIU's annual country commerce reports for Argentina and Uruguay. Janie also serves as editor of the quarterly newsletter *Insights from the Field*, which covers economic, business, and security issues in Latin America. Her website is <http://www.researchfromthefield.com/>. Janie adds that she always looks forward to her visits home to see family and friends, many from her Cornell days.

Classmates also continue to play hard and, in **Anne Gorham's** case, climb mountains! Anne checked in from Cambridge, MA, where she works at MIT as the operations manager for the Dept.

Knitting Pretty

Joanne Seiff '95

When Joanne Seiff moved into Risley Hall as a freshman, she was probably the only student toting a spinning wheel. Seiff, who used it to make yarn that she knitted into two dozen pairs of mittens for herself and her friends, was already a knitting veteran when she got to college; she completed her first project at age five, when she began making clothing for her stuffed animals.



Decades later the former Arts and Sciences double major in comparative literature and Near Eastern studies is still knitting—but instead of dressing dolls, she produces what she calls "wearable art." An expert in handicrafts such as knitting, weaving, spinning, and sewing, Seiff creates everything from sweaters to rugs. Her work is displayed in galleries and sold throughout the United States and Canada. She has also published two books: *Fiber Gathering*, which discusses the festivals and traditions associated with fiber art, and *Knit Green*, which offers tips for environmentally sustainable knitting.

In her books and projects, Seiff aims to optimize the sustainability of fiber art by promoting organic and locally grown materials. "It becomes important to ask, 'Where was this yarn produced?'" she says. "'Where was the wool grown? How far is that from my house?'" In addition to her goal of reducing the carbon footprint of fiber art, Seiff aspires to

change the way women's work is viewed. "I like to help people see the skill and intelligence required to produce some of the things that we have taken for granted for thousands of years," Seiff says. "I want them to realize that something made by hand, whether it's bread or yarn, took a great deal of time and talent. People are so used to everything being mass produced that they forget that something made by hand is to be treasured."

— Adrienne Zable '11

of Chemistry's instrumentation facility. Anne lives with Anthony Rachupka and cats Omar and Oscar. Anne and Anthony are avid hikers in summer and winter; they hope to complete the Appalachian Mountain Club's New Hampshire 4,000 footers list soon. Good luck!

The Class of '97 continues to do its part to populate the world with future Cornellians. I'm delighted to announce the arrival of Peter Bernard Belin on April 11, 2010 to **Christine Hewitt** Belin, MBA '02, and husband Daniel. Mom and Dad are thrilled, although sleep deprived, and have started their respective college influences early: Peter's been decked out in Cornell and Yale onesies! (I'll bet he looks better in red!) **Jennifer Ohrenberger** Holder welcomed second daughter Olivia Jin on April 28, 2010; she lives in San

Front Row draws on eclectic and exclusive fashion brands—local, regional, and international. With the success of the store, Ann has recently extended her talents to another venture, Front Row Studio, representing labels with strong brand identity and design aesthetic. Ann and husband Ron Chen have a toddler daughter named Sofie. Congratulations to **Anyeley Dzegede** Hallova, who became a partner at project^{ecological} development, a real estate development company in Portland, OR. They are in the process of building their first building, off-campus student housing next to the U. of Oregon. Congratulations to **Alice Tromble** Fagin, who married on Sept. 12, 2009. Wedding guests included Alpha Phi sisters **Toni Weiss** Stabile, **Laura Rossier '99**, **Rebecca Whittles** Angelicola '99, **Anne Savage** Malenfant, ME '99,

Riley (Seattle, WA) announces the birth of son Joseph. He was born in February 2009 and Laura writes that "life has definitely changed and every day is a new adventure." Laura has been working for the same market research and consulting company that she joined after graduation. She still finds time to play on two softball leagues and a volleyball league—WOW! **Kara Buscaglia** Butcher (East Amherst, NY) owns her own law firm and enjoys spending time with son Andrew, 2. **Jessica Aleman** (Hackettstown, NJ) graduated from nursing school in January 2010. She is also the proud mom of Isaac James, 2. **Laura Kauderer** Batten has moved back to Ithaca. Her husband, Chris, joined the Cornell faculty as an assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering in January. The couple had their first baby, Fiona Jane, on Jan. 5, 2010. Laura writes that Ithaca is "a wonderful place to live and raise a family!" **Wenbi Lai** and husband **Keigo Hirakawa**, PhD '05, recently relocated, too. Wenbi writes, "My husband and I moved to Dayton, OH, because he accepted a job as an assistant professor in electrical computer engineering at the U. of Dayton. While looking for a job, I have been exploring the local playgrounds with my son, Stephen, 15 months."

‘Rebekah Gordon’s work is now focused on hearings related to the oil spill.’

Andrea M. Chan '00

Diego. **Kevin Kieffer** reports his life has taken a "quite unexpected" turn with the April 2010 arrival of twins Benjamin and Julia. Best wishes to all of our bleary-eyed parents!

If you enjoyed this column, do your part to make a future issue interesting! Take a quick minute and send in some news. Classmates want to know what's going on! Send photos you would like to share with fellow Cornellians to cubigred97@gmail.com with "website pictures" in the header (.jpg files). We'll post them on our class website, <http://classof97.alumni.cornell.edu>. Reconnect via Facebook: join the Cornell Class of 1997 group! **Erica Broennle** Nelson, ejb4@cornell.edu; **Sarah Deardorff** Carter, sjd5@cornell.edu.

Megan O'Brien, and **Soo Yi**. Ali is finishing her surgical residency at Lehigh Valley Hospital.

Stay tuned for more news from your classmates and don't forget to write us at: **Uthica Jinvit** Utano, udj1@cornell.edu; **Karen Dorman** Kipnes, kld8@cornell.edu; or **Molly Darnieder** Bracken, mbd4@cornell.edu.

98 One of the things I remember from my first day "far above Cayuga's waters" is this: "Once a Cornellian, always a Cornellian." I don't remember who said it, but I do remember feeling like I was a part of something bigger than myself. And I am... and so are you. We each hold special memories of our time at Cornell and the people who left an indelible mark on our lives, but we make new memories every day with our friends and families. Why not share these experiences with your old friends at Cornell? You know we'd love to hear from you!

Janelle Miao writes that she is in an MFA program at the California Inst. of the Arts for animation. While at Cornell, she studied French, which proved most helpful as she experienced six months of the "joie de vivre" in Paris in 2009. Over the summer, **Cristian Solorza** was in Kigali, Rwanda, as part of a six-person team working in a Duha school. He will be helping Rwandan teachers plan for the English language in the content areas: social studies, science, and math. The program is sponsored by an organization called REAP (<http://rwandaedu.org/>). REAP is working collaboratively with many organizations including the Bank Street College of Education, where Cristian is a full-time faculty member in the Dual Language Bilingual/Special Education department.

Nophmas Ann Kositchotitana opened her own boutique, Front Row, in Singapore in 2005.

99 As I write this column in June, ten days after I've blown the alumni magazine deadline (thank goodness for such a patient editor), I am reminded, yet again, that I really need about six more hours in my day. Or I need an assistant. Between the job, family, kids, home, etc., etc., there's really not enough time to get it all done, on time, and at 100 percent. And there is even less time for relaxation, let alone celebration (or, for some of you, to send a note to your correspondents to share your news).

Once in a while—a long while—it's nice to finally steal time to relax, enjoy your family, take care of that nagging chore, or just enjoy a sip of a cocktail (if that's your thing). Meet **Brian McKenzie**. He is busy distilling in Burdett, NY, at a facility that overlooks Seneca Lake. You might remember that he attended reunion last year and sampled some of his delightfully fruity but still nicely botanical gin. Brian is the president of Finger Lakes Distilling and you can find his products throughout the state and in NYC. This reporter is interested in the subject of cocktails, and I've enjoyed seeing Brian's products gain a reputation in the industry. Brian's rye whiskey was featured in the July 2010 issue of *Martha Stewart Magazine*. Check out fingerlakesdistilling.com for more information and some creative cocktail recipes. I especially like the Big Red Martini, something Brian whipped up to help cheer on the teams this past spring.

The notes on hardworking moms and dads keep coming in. First, the moms. **Rebecca Marcus Shumaker** is a veterinarian and mom to daughter Joanna, 18 months. Rebecca has moved with husband **Jon** to the 'burbs in Riverside, CT. **Shallyn Fitchett** MacDonald (Woodland Park, CO) works as a physical therapist and mom. **Laura Knights**

Now the dads: **Daniel Cassell** works for Corning in Hickory, NC, as an applications engineer. What does he do? "Work, work, work, take care of the house, and raise my daughter" with wife Erika. In his spare time, he works with kids and adults to teach self-defense and "attempts to play golf." **Paul Leung** works as a portfolio manager in San Francisco and has a new son, Marcus.

And more busy folks! **Anne Trawinski** Beck married Andrew last April. The couple lives in Orchard Park, NY; in Anne's spare time she plays ice hockey and tends to her two German shepherds. **Meghna Gupta** Eichelberger is a marketing manager for C.R. Bard in Murray Hill, NJ. She was honored with a company award. **Erin Houck-Toll** works for Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt in Fort Myers, FL. She was included in the 2010 Florida Super Lawyers Rising Star list—for the third year in a row! She concentrates her practice in the areas of federal and state taxation. As always, we enjoy hearing from you, so please drop us an e-mail. **Melanie Grayce West**, mga6@cornell.edu; **Taber Sweet**, tabersweet@gmail.com; **Brady Russell**, bradydale@thistoowillpass.com; **Liz Borod** Wright, lizborod@gmail.com.

00 "My soul runneth over. Revisiting my past during my Cornell reunion makes me feel armed to face my next five years!" Those compelling words were posted by **Azeema Mohaideen** on her Facebook page after attending our 10th Reunion this past June, and I think many would agree that Azeema summarized all of our sentiments exactly. This year's reunion had everyone reminiscing as they strolled down Memory Lane and College Ave. **Melissa Bersofsky** and **Andrea Wasserman**, our dedicated reunion chairs, really outdid themselves this time—planning everything from wine tours and Wegmans trips to tent parties and T-shirt sales. Thanks to both of you and your amazing committee for making this reunion one for the ages.

Outgoing class president **Emanuel Tsourounis**, JD '03, had this to say: "I was glad to see so many of our classmates back at Reunion and am very proud that we exceeded our class campaign goal, raising over \$329,000 for Cornell. It's been a special honor to serve the class for the past ten years.

I wholeheartedly offer our new team of officers my continued support and best wishes!" Emanuel will now be serving a four-year appointment as a member of the Cornell University Council. Thanks to you, Emanuel, and the entire 2005-10 council, for all you've done this term.

As for our new group of officers . . . a slate of enthusiastic and devoted classmates was passed at the class meeting this past June: president, **Rebekah Gordon**; vice president, **Andrea Chan**; secretary/treasurer, **Nina Lee** Torkelson; reunion/events chairs, **David Chipurnoi** and **Erin Flinn**; Cornell Annual Fund representative, **Nick Janiga**; class correspondents, **Andrea Chan** and **Christine Jensen** Weld; webmaster/historian, **Phil King**.

Rebekah Gordon, now in D.C., left journalism to work for Alion Science and Technology. Rebekah keeps on top of all the affairs with Congress for the US Coast Guard's assistant commandant for acquisition. Her work is now completely focused on hearings related to the oil spill, and Rebekah reports, "It's been the most intense challenge of my professional life." She thanks all our classmates who made gifts in honor of our 10th Reunion and sent this personal message to the class: "I am truly honored that you elected me your class president, and I look forward to doing all I can to ensure that you continue to feel that sense of connection to our alma mater!"

Nina Torkelson, currently an attending physician in family practice, is living in south Texas with her husband, Tom, and their two boys Lincoln, 4, and Liam, 2. The entire Torkelson crew all had a blast at Reunion, especially tumbling down the Hill! In fact, Tom even had a mini-reunion with his old high school friend Andrea Larranaga, who just happens to be the wife of the new Cornell men's assistant basketball coach, "Coach Jay." The couples were happy to have the opportunity to catch up on old times (and new) under the Class of '00 tent.

David "Chip" Chipurnoi, who played an active role in organizing the weekend, had this to report: "Reunion was so much fun for all of us behind the scenes, so it must have been *really* fun for those who had no actual reunion responsibilities! Thank you to everyone who already approached me about volunteering for our 15th—it will be an amazing weekend celebrating Cornell's 150th anniversary!" Also, if you still haven't purchased one of the highly coveted Reunion 2010 T-shirts, then contact Dave at chip1218@yahoo.com before they run out! Dave's co-chair, Erin Flinn, roadtripped up to Ithaca with **Allison Bailey** Blais, now the chief of staff at the National September 11 Memorial & Museum, and **Jonathan Jao**, a senior editor at Random House. The trio got to reconnect with 15 other chorus/glee club alumni, some traveling as far as **Dana Day** (from London) and **Loki Johnk** (from Australia). Right now, Erin is the co-executive producer for a new documentary series on A&E entitled, "I'm Heavy." Welcome aboard, Chip and Erin. We're thrilled to have you!

Continuing as my partner in crime, Christine Jensen Weld has happily returned to New York. Her family recently relocated to West Point, where husband Chris teaches mathematics at the US Military Academy. Christine and Chris both attended Reunion with daughters Claire and Abby in tow, and the entire family thoroughly enjoyed the weekend! Phil King will not only remain our webmaster, but will now be our historian to boot. Yet, in addition to keeping our class website and Facebook page updated, Phil will also keep working at his day job! He is the director of user experience at Flickr in San Francisco and absolutely loves it!

Phil wasn't able to attend Reunion this time around, but will be creating his own reunion trip as he travels around this year to visit fellow Cornellians **Mike Lester**, **Laura Lipman '01**, **Dave Bernreuther '01**, and **Emily Emerson, JD '07**.

As for me, I feel incredibly privileged to not only be taking on the role of vice president this term, but also to continue serving as your class correspondent with Christine. Milestones like our 10th Reunion remind us that staying connected is the only way to keep our memories of Cornell, and of each other, alive. So keep in touch, my friends. We love hearing from you and we love writing for you. ✉ **Andrea M. Chan**, amc32@cornell.edu; and **Christine Jensen** Weld, ckj1@cornell.edu.

01 Happy fall, Class of 2001! Our congratulations to **Andrea Hoberman** Martinez and husband Alan on the birth of daughter Talia May on March 18, 2010. The Martinez family is all doing well and enjoying each day as a new family. Congratulations also to **Meredith Messing** Winokur and husband Ross, who welcomed their first child, Avi Reid Winokur, on March 4, 2010. The Winokurs live in Caldwell, NJ.

dunnhumbyUSA, an international leader in building sales and brand value for consumer goods and retail companies, has hired **Lisa Dughi** as director, client insights, in their New York office. Lisa will be responsible for providing customer engagement insights for Macy's. Previously manager, business insights, for American Express, Lisa also spent four years as a marketing analyst for Chanel.

I, Lauren Wallach Hammer, had an achievement in April. I ran the Big Sur Marathon on April 25, which goes from Big Sur to Carmel, CA, along Pacific Coast Highway. I finished in 4:00:50—in the top 23 percent for finishing the race. Keep forwarding the good news! E-mail us at classof2001@cornell.edu. ✉ **Lauren Wallach** Hammer, LEW15@cornell.edu; **Trina Lee**, TKL6@cornell.edu.

02 World Cup frenzy had just begun around the world as I started this column, and I have been enjoying the ESPN spoof commercials, where the copy machine at "work" gives him a yellow card for kicking it when it stalls. If you missed it, YouTube it.

Anna Herforth, PhD '10, completed her PhD in International Nutrition at Cornell in May 2010 and started a new position at the World Bank in Washington, DC, as a nutrition specialist on multisectoral issues. Her work involves linking human nutrition, agriculture, and the environment. Slightly northwest of Anna, **Ellen Brosius** changed jobs from Abercrombie & Fitch to Victoria's Secret in Columbus, OH. I had the chance to see Ellen on her 30th birthday right here in New York. For any of the local females who have not yet been to the new Yankee Stadium, head on over and check out the new "Yankees VS Pink" apparel that Ellen helped design.

Across the country, **Lizzie Andrews** (Lizzie@RareBirdLit.com) is living in Los Angeles and interning for Rare Bird Literary Events and Promotions. She'd love to hear from fellow Cornell writers. A bit further east, **Lis Cohen** earned her master's degree in atmospheric science at the U. of Utah. She currently teaches at the university and works in the Governor's office in Utah. She will be enrolling in the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton U. in the fall for a master's in public affairs to study

environmental policy. Lis's fiancé, Jonathan Saari, is a genetic counselor at University Hospital.

Across an ocean and another continent, 2009 was an eventful year for **Laura Currin** Salter: "I spent the summer in Zanzibar working in a hospital in the capital, Stone Town, and then returned to my family home in Michigan to get married in September. My husband and I live in London, where I have been since leaving the gorges in 2002. This summer has more life events in store as I'm looking forward to graduating from the MD/PhD program at King's College London in July 2010." This fall Laura will continue her training in women's health (ob/gyn) with an academic and clinical position at University College London.

We got some great news from the staff at Mars & Co., a management consulting firm specializing in business strategy, that **Sean King**, MS '04, was promoted to senior consultant. Sean joined Mars & Co. in 2004 after earning his master's in Civil and Environmental Engineering. He has worked on a broad range of strategic consulting engagements for a variety of Fortune 100 clients and recently worked on a series of projects for a global beer brewer. Sean works in Mars & Co.'s New York area office in Greenwich, CT, and lives in New York City. Also in New York City, **Scott Belsky** writes, "I just published my book, *Making Ideas Happen: Overcoming the Obstacles Between Vision and Reality*, about how the most productive leaders make their ideas happen, time and time again. The book became a *Wall Street Journal* best-seller (see <http://the99percent.com/book>)."

North of the City, **David Carlucci** is currently serving his third term as Clarkstown Town Clerk. He was honored by the Greater Hudson Heritage Network for the preservation of the Town of Clarkstown's historical records and was awarded a Google Fellowship in recognition of being a top technology innovator. David has been nominated by both the Orange and Rockland County Democratic committees as the Democratic candidate for the NYS Senate seat in the 38th District for the 2010 election.

In a recent issue of *CALS News*, a story was published about a "resilient band of international-development students and educators from Cornell" who partnered with farmer groups, Catholic Relief Services, grassroots development practitioners, and fellow college students from host countries to develop new styles of teaching and learning using seminars and computer-based materials. One of those doctoral students was our very own **Thomas Archibald**, a candidate in adult and extension education from Lexington, MA. Thomas collaborated with students from Kenyatta U. in East Africa for the project, which provided fully loaded computers to field agents who trained farmers in such areas as recognizing plant viruses. "The field agents told us how much they appreciated the new training frameworks and pedagogical approach, without using words like pedagogical, of course," Thomas was quoted as saying. To see the article, go to: <http://calsnews.cornell.edu/2010spring/features/smart-listeners.html>.

Thanks to the strong efforts of your 2002 class officers, we hosted several "Non-Reunion Reunion" happy-hour events in June, in the spirit of getting together in major local cities in the years between our official reunions on the Hill. Cities included New York, Los Angeles, Washington, DC, and Boston, but may expand in the future to more locations. If you missed it this year, stay tuned for more information from your class officers next spring about our 2011 NRRs! Send news to: ✉

Carolyn Deckinger, cmd35@cornell.edu; or **Jeff Barker**, jrb41@cornell.edu.

03 I had a special opportunity to travel back to Cornell with my husband, **Patrick Noonan '00**, a few weeks ago to celebrate his 10th Reunion. We rented a house on the lake with some friends from his class, including **Adam Watson '00**, **Adam Schwartz '00**, **Nate Gunsch '00**, **Drew Hildebrand '00**, and **Aaron Lustbader '00** (and their spouses/significant others), went wine touring, visited the Ithaca Farmers Market, ate subs at Shortstop, walked all over campus, indulged in ice cream at the Dairy Bar, and generally had a great time reminiscing. While I realize our 10th Reunion for the Class of 2003 is still a few years away, it makes me excited to make the trip back to Ithaca in 2013 and visit the old haunts all over again. Good times ahead!

Thanks to those of you who shared your news this time around. It's wonderful to hear from you! **Aislinn Cook Kopek** and husband **Brad '02**, ME '03, welcomed a baby girl, Karina, on April 16, 2010. **Christine Banks** married Danny Calderon last November. Christine wrote, "Other '03ers in attendance were **Christine (Moon)** and **Sean Angeles**, ME '04, and **Rachel Goldstein**." **Simon Tanksley** graduated from medical school in 2009 and is in the process of completing his family medicine residency. **Krishna Maheshwari**, ME '03, wrote that he and wife Annu, married five years ago, celebrated the birth of their son, Arjun, in February. Since graduating, Krishna has earned an MBA from Harvard Business School and moved coast-to-coast four times. He writes, "As part of one of my jobs, I traveled the world (Singapore, Australia, China, India, Europe, and domestically in the US). Amidst all of this, the constant was my focus on product management in the high-technology industry."

Nassim Majidi wrote from Kabul, Afghanistan. "Since graduating from Cornell, I went on to pursue a master's in development studies and international relations from Sciences Po, Paris, leading me to seek professional experience in the NGO sector. As a result, I worked for two years as the education program director of Seeds of Peace, an American NGO working on conflict resolution in the Middle East and South Asia. My interest in this region, and my Iranian background, then led me to settle down in Afghanistan, where I have been living for the past 2-1/2 years. As a consultant based in Kabul, I have been managing research on migration issues and population movements for various organizations (UNHCR, IOM), governmental agencies (UK DFID), international organizations, and think tanks (World Bank, ODI). My knowledge of the country and its language facilitated this work, which to this day remains fascinating and challenging." Nassim is also working on a PhD thesis on the challenges of Afghan migration at the local, regional, and international levels.

Also living on the other side of the world, **Nick Chong** writes that after three years at the Royal Bank of Scotland, he joined the leveraged finance team at RBC in November 2009 as a second

year associate. "Prior to my new position, I traveled for a month in Asia, spending time in Hong Kong and Shanghai with my girlfriend, **Angela Hom '07** (Arts)." **Ben Weiss** announced his marriage to Yali Szulanski this summer. Ben and Yali's wedding included **Saul Uranovsky '04**, BArch '05 (AAP) and **Jonathan Sharret '03** (Eng) as his co-best men. **Howard Langsner '03** (Eng) was an "usher in absentia." Ben and his new wife hope to return to New York this fall, after living for three years in Singapore and Israel.

Again, thanks to those who shared their news! You can always count on Sudha and me to provide five seconds of fame in *Cornell Alumni Magazine* by contacting us by e-mail or via Facebook. We hope to hear from you in the near future. Don't hesitate to look us up if you're ever in the Pacific Northwest! **Samantha Buckingham Noonan**, swnoonan@gmail.com; **Sudha Nandagopal**, sn58@cornell.edu.

04 September. For **Ronald Avila** (ronaldm.avila@gmail.com), that means back to school. "I will begin attending Loyola New Orleans College of Law in pursuit of my JD this fall. I have been working in the Immigration and Refugee Services department with the Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans, assisting survivors of human trafficking with social services. I have also been working as a liaison for the Archdiocese at a BP Claims Center to address the needs of those affected by the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Prior to this work, I was at Allstate Insurance Company." **Julian Eskin** (julian.eskin@gmail.com) is attending Brandeis U. in pursuit of a PhD in molecular biology. He is married to **Tania Lemos '05**, BFA '06.

Also returning to school is **Betsy Cooper** (betsycooper@gmail.com): "After four years in England, I'm back in the States and will be starting my second year at Yale Law School in the fall. This summer I worked at the Dept. of Justice National Security Division in D.C. and really enjoyed catching up with Cornell alums in the area. A highlight of this past year was heading to Georgia with **Meghan Dubyak**, **Greg Levow**, **Ken Auspaker**, and **Harriet Antczak**. Anyone who visits New Haven should definitely drop me a line!" **Tony Balda** (tonybalda@yahoo.com) will be starting Wharton in the fall. "I will be in the class of 2012 and plan to double major in healthcare management and finance."

Cindy Cho (cjc55cho@gmail.com) will be on the move soon, too. "I am currently working and researching in Namibia on a Fulbright scholarship and will be returning to Washington, DC, in the fall to work for the Dept. of Justice as a trial attorney in the Civil Division. **Richard Chang** (rjc335@gmail.com) is married to **Tasha Campbell** and working as an emergency medicine resident in Minneapolis, MN. **Sandra Alvarez** (sca2323@yahoo.com; www.reelmuse.com) worked as a television producer for the past six years in NYC and just recently moved to Los Angeles in January. "I got a job with a top-rated television show on A&E. So far, I am loving L.A.! It's so wonderful to be able to travel

to the desert, beach, and ski resort all in a matter of one hour. I played varsity softball at Cornell, so of course I am always keeping tabs on the Big Red and have been able to reconnect with several former Cornell athletes here in Southern California."

Speaking of sports, **Drew Bagin** (dbagin@gmail.com) participates in a few basketball leagues that have games after work. "I also spend time attending weddings, as every other week someone seems to be getting engaged. I plan on coming back up to Cornell in August for a buddy's bachelor party. I'm working at Lincolnshire Management, a middle market private equity fund—fourth year now. I took the Level III CFA in June. This test is horrible and it's anyone's guess if you pass or not. I'm not looking into MBA stuff yet, but maybe sometime—if the Johnson School will have me. Classmate **Ed Carroll** is in his sixth year as a sales trader at Goldman Sachs."

Check out www.ubelong.org, the website of UBELONG, a social venture based in Washington, DC, that supports development projects throughout the world by offering people of all backgrounds volunteering opportunities. Classmate **Cedric Hodgeman** launched this social venture with co-founder **Raul Roman, PhD '04**, in 2009, and would love to spread the word. "We mobilize individuals for one-week to six-month volunteering and educational placements to advance international development efforts and promote cross-cultural understanding." Cedric and Raul have a combined 20 years experience in international development, management, and teaching. **Rohini Gandhi** has joined the Wolff & Samson law firm as an associate in the Litigation Group. Previously at Kaye Scholer LLP in NYC, Rohini's background includes general commercial litigation, antitrust, consumer protection, fraud, and employment matters.

Victoria Amador has been working on her new website, www.tremendouslife.com. "I have also been spending a lot of time with my 2-1/2-year-old son Tyler. We love swimming and going to the library searching for books to read. I am also writing—an e-book about getting out of debt . . . a work in progress. I am seeing **Samantha Ng** in August and hope to see **Vincent Vela** some time in the near future. If anyone is interested in writing something and posting it on my website, please e-mail me at victoria_amador@hotmail.com. I created this site for everyone to share experiences and help each other find meaning in this life." **Silvi Alcivar** (salcivar@gmail.com) also has a website. She writes, "I've been putting down the roots of my business, The Poetry Store, here in San Francisco—selling custom, on-demand, typewritten poems and poetry art pieces. Check it out at <http://thepoetrystore.net>. I also teach poetry in nursing homes for the Inst. on Aging and was recently selected as one of San Francisco's Poets 11. Life is pretty good when you pursue your dreams." Thanks to everyone for your news. Stay connected through our class website, <http://classof04.alumni.cornell.edu>, check us out on Facebook, and send your updates to: **Anne Jones**, iannanejones@gmail.com.

05 In what felt like a hybrid between Orientation and Senior Week, 500 classmates celebrated together at Reunion. As the first class to live solely on North Campus during freshman year, our staying in Clara Dickson Hall felt appropriate. Greeting attendees upon check-in were cases of beer and a prank invitation to a discussion session on our

first-year reading project, Jared Diamond's book *Guns, Germs, and Steel*. **Matthew Nagowski** kicked off the festivities with his red and white striped jacket, bringing back the tradition of a reunion blazer to the younger classes. Matthew, the editor of MetaEzra (metaezra.com), an alumni blog about Cornell, tweeted updates all weekend long. Some alumni arrived on Thursday night, including **Vivek Kumar**, ME '05, who just graduated from Harvard Business School and is moving to Philadelphia to work for a medical device company. On Friday, several classmates went on a tour of Cayuga Lake wineries. Others attended a forum with the Class of '55, where **Thomas Balcerski**, who is pursuing his PhD in History, presented a slide show on Cornell history. Throughout the day, we attended lectures, canoed on Beebe Lake, and caught up with friends at CTB. Among those were **Eric Sontag**, who recently joined his family business, Sontag Advisory, an independent registered investment advisory firm that provides wealth advisory and investment management services for individuals. He lives on the Upper West Side in Manhattan. Friday evening began with a BBQ and trivia in the Class of 2005 tents. Participants included **Rob Zweibel**, who lives in Manhattan and is an assistant district attorney for Brooklyn's district attorney's office, and **Asmi Shah**, who works at CitiGroup in Manhattan and takes ice skating lessons at Chelsea Piers. Later that evening, many classmates visited the live music tents on the Arts Quad and flooded into Collegetown.

On Saturday, we attended the State of the University address and then ate at the All Alumni Lunch in Barton Hall. In the crowd was **Anne Schwieger**, a city planner working at the intersection of university, community, and public school through the U. of Pennsylvania's Netter Center for Community Partnerships. Anne was selected as one of 35 urban leaders under 35 years of age honored as a Next American Vanguard by *Next American City* magazine. She was also elected as one of six members of the 2010 Vanguard Class Council. Also in attendance was **Alyson Greenlee**, who after four years in San Francisco working in economic consulting and living with **Helen Yoon '04**, BS ILR '05, moved to Boston to pursue her MBA at Babson College. She's currently an intern at IBM, and in the fall she looks forward to studying abroad in Beijing and connecting with the Cornell community there. To cool off from the heat, many—including **Jonathan Kron**, who works for Bloomberg in New York, and **Noah Gaspar**, ME '06, enjoying his fourth year in the Bay Area working at KLA-Tencor—stopped by the Dairy Bar to enjoy ice cream. Speaking of ice cream, **Zain Yousaf** has become a big fan of Western Massachusetts's local ice cream scene. He spent the past few years working for a financial services company in the region. He took the summer off before moving to Manhattan to start his MBA.

Dinner was served at RPU. **Sabeen Virani** and **Qahar Dhanani '03**, who were just married in Dubai, stopped by the dinner before heading off on their honeymoon. **Shahar Ziv**, who was at their wedding, has finished his first year at Harvard Business School. While not at Reunion, he is spending the summer on the West Coast interning at a startup called Better Place, a company creating a solution to accelerate the mass adoption of electric cars and end dependence on oil. During dinner, we elected our new class officers, including co-presidents **Meghan Cunningham** and **Julia Levy**. Then some of us headed off to Cornelliana Night, which featured incredible Glee Club

performances, followed by more dancing in the Arts Quad reunion tents. Former ballroom dance team member **Evan Samek**, who works for Speak-Like, a startup in NYC that specializes in crowdsourcing translation management, spiced up the salsa tent. **Claire Schaefer** also enjoyed the tents. Claire is the deputy executive director of the Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District (BID) in the southeast waterfront area of Washington, DC, around the Nationals ballpark—one of the city's recently developing new business centers and urban riverfront neighborhoods. The BID is funded by private developers within the neighborhood to assist in the management, collaboration, and forming of partnerships to achieve the vision and development potential for this area.

After saying goodbyes on Sunday morning, everyone headed home, with a few of us stopping at the Ithaca Farmers Market to enjoy one last moment in Ithaca. We missed the alumni who weren't able to join us, like **Chris Kan**, who is launching his international teaching career in Hong Kong. He teaches at an international school that uses an American curriculum and has a large American student body. He says that living overseas has been an eye-opening experience for him. **Algernon Cargill** finished medical school at the U. of Chicago and is completing his residency in pediatrics at Wash U./St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Thank you to reunion co-chairs **Sarah Perkins**, **Michelle Wong**, and Meghan Cunningham for making the weekend so amazing! ☑ **Julia Levy**, levy.julia@gmail.com; **Michael Lepage**, MGL23@cornell.edu; **Michelle Wong**, michelle.r.wong@gmail.com.

06 Life is good for us '06ers. Some of us are really starting to settle into our professions and many are beginning families. **Mike Zuckerman**, JD '09, planned to move to Detroit in August to serve as a law clerk for a federal appeals judge. **William Culley**, ME '07, lives in New York City and works as an equity member at Finlo LLC, a solar electric development and installation firm. Bill also keeps busy traveling, playing the ukulele, and bicycling. **Ana Maria Techeira** works in human resources for Sygma Network in San Antonio, TX; in her spare time she runs marathons and plays soccer. **Jennifer Yager** is in Washington, DC.

Congratulations, all who have recently wed. **Travis Virgadamo** and his Mrs. married in June 2009. **Madeleine Wells** Goldburt was married in November 2006 and is currently getting a certificate in nutritional consulting. She lives in Washington, DC, and works as a research assistant for the RAND Corp. and the Military Leadership Diversity Commission. She plans to begin a PhD in political science at George Washington U. in the fall. **Jenna Mitchell** married **Michael Goldman '04** on May 8, 2010. Michael has begun his first year of residency at NewYork-Presbyterian Columbia Children's Hospital while Jenna works at the Continuum Co., a real estate development firm in Manhattan. They moved to the West Village in June. **Laura Schoenle** and **Matt Thomas** live in Tucson, AZ. **Cameron Cooper Psiaki** and husband **Tim '07** welcomed daughter Linnea Michelle on August 28, 2009. Cameron loves every minute as a stay-at-home mom. They have lived in the Seattle area for the last three years and just bought their first house in Kirkland (yes, home of Costco). They look forward to putting down roots as a family in the Northwest.

Alice Yi-Li Yeh took a break to say, "Hi, everyone!" as she prepared for her last year of pharmacy school at the U. of Michigan in Ann Arbor. **Jennifer Quintanilla** graduated from Notre Dame Law School in May 2010 and relocated to the Los Angeles area. **Farzana Nuruzzaman** graduated from medical school (woohoo!) and began a pediatrics residency this year in New York. **Monica Schwartz** (Millburn, NJ) is going into her fifth year in a doctoral program in school and clinical child psychology at Yeshiva U. She starts a full-time school psychology internship in September at the Gateway School in New York City.

Daniel Nelson has graduated with his PhD in music composition from the U. of Pennsylvania. **Susanne Wakerly** is a dietetic intern at Brigham and Women's Hospital while getting her registered dietician credentials. She is also a Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador and a team captain in a recreational soccer league. **Andrew Beckwith** graduated from Hofstra Law School in May '09, passed the New York State Bar Exam in July '09, moved to the D.C. area in September '09, and is now a tax lawyer at the IRS. He also traveled to Australia and New Zealand. **Anicia Ndabahaliye** graduated from medical school in New Jersey (UMDNJ) and is now doing a residency in internal medicine at Vanderbilt U. in Nashville, TN. **Alison Paskert** was slated to start at the Wharton School in August to earn an MBA. **Brian Warshay** is studying for a master's degree in engineering systems and management, focusing on sustainability and renewable energy, at Masdar Inst. of Science and Technology near Abu Dhabi, UAE. He is part of the first class of about 80 students at this new graduate-level institution, located in the newly constructed Masdar City, the world's first zero net carbon, zero net energy city.

Daniel W. Smith lives and works in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, as coordinator of the Cornell Civil and Environmental Engineering project Agua-Clara. He works with communities and a Honduran NGO to design, build, maintain, and train the community to operate drinking water treatment plants. Daniel has been working in Honduras since 2009 on a Fulbright Scholarship and hopes to continue the project for the coming year. **Danny Weisfeld** lives in Park Slope, Brooklyn, as a professional musician and songwriter while working by day for Congressman Jerrold Nadler. A College Scholar at Cornell who majored in "Popular Music Composition and Performance" and Government, Danny released his debut album, "One Way," in the fall of 2009. The album, which was originally his senior thesis at Cornell, was featured in the *New Yorker* and CMJ.com. He's currently touring the Northeast with his six-piece band. **Ryan Morris**, MS '08 (New York City) runs Meson Capital Partners, an investment partnership he founded at the start of 2009. He goes back to Ithaca often for the gorges and to ride his bike. **Blake Reiter** works for Ernst and Young in their hospitality advisory group, while also pursuing stand-up comedy in New York City. **Greta James** is a senior human resources representative for Pepsi Beverages Co.

Jennifer Munhofen is beginning a master's program in biomedical and veterinary sciences at the U. of Georgia and participated in a half-Ironman in June in Macon, GA. She has been selected to play with the USA women's inline hockey team to participate in the world championships in Prague, Czech Republic, in July. Go, USA! **Jessica Schnell** is a PhD candidate in ecology and evolutionary biology at the Newark campus of Rutgers U. Her thesis focuses on using metapopulation

capacity to analyze fragmented habitats for tropical forest birds; she hopes to finish in 2011. After four years at Intel, **Bryan McGowan** will head back to Cornell for an MBA in August. On his way there he will race in the Lake Placid Ironman in July. Stay in touch, all! ☐ **Nicole DeGrace**, ngd4@cornell.edu; **Kate DiCicco**, kad46@cornell.edu.

07 It's our first baby! **Tyler J. and Raquel Velez Davis** brought Isaiah Pierce into the world on April 1, 2010. Before becoming a stay-at-home mom, Raquel was working at the Center for Family Representation, a nonprofit policy and law organization in New York City. Tyler and Raquel live in Philadelphia, PA.

After graduating, **Brian Smith** spent two years with Teach for America, serving as a science teacher on the Zuni Indian reservation in New Mexico. He now lives in NYC with wife Caitlin and is teaching science at Harlem Success Academy. **Kristamarie Pratt**, ME '08, stayed at Cornell to earn a master's in Biomedical Engineering, then began working at Hospital for Special Surgery in NYC, where she conducted research on knee kinematics and gait analysis. In August she moved to the West Coast to begin a PhD program in biokinesiology at USC. Her hope is to improve the preventive and rehabilitative care of injuries in the lower extremities of the body.

Like Kristamarie, many of our classmates have decided to continue their education. **Hyun Nyun Woo** received a master's in biotechnology at the Johns Hopkins U. and is currently working as a researcher at MacroGen Inc., a biotechnology company in Seoul, South Korea. **Ariel Tan** has been working in private equity for the last three years and began attending the Wharton School of Business at the U. of Pennsylvania this fall. This past year **Lauren Ann Jimerson** worked as a tour guide at the Vatican museum in Rome. In September she began graduate studies in art history at the Courtauld Inst. of Art in London. After two years as manager of China Inst. Gallery in New York, **Sara Tam** is starting Fordham Law School this fall.

This year **Richard Scherer Jr.** received honorable mention in the Int'l Association of Defense Counsel Student Legal Writing Contest for an article he wrote, "Grab a Drink and Pass the Blame: An Argument Against Social Host Liability," which was published in the April 2010 edition of the *Defense Counsel Journal*. Richard graduated magna cum laude in May from the U. at Buffalo Law School. After spending the summer enjoying her internship at the Pitt Law Health Law Clinic, where she assisted low-income clients in obtaining medical benefits, **Rhea Chakraborty** has begun her second year at the U. of Pittsburgh School of Law. Prior to law school, Rhea worked at NYU School of Medicine as a course coordinator, as an SAT teacher for Kaplan, and as a learning management systems administrator at Schering Plough. She misses the beautiful Cornell campus, the clock tower and chimes, and the fantastic libraries.

Former Hotelier **Charn Bak** is an entrepreneur at heart and loves developing new hospitality and restaurant concepts as a partner at Bistro Restaurant Group. The Group opened two new locations this summer: the Thinking Cup, a boutique coffee shop located in downtown Boston, and Blu Restaurant & Bar in San Francisco, a fine-dining establishment that incorporates locally grown, sustainable, and organic menu options in Union Square. Charn gives many thanks and credit to

Hotel school professors Robert Kwortnik and **Giuseppe Pezzotti '84**, MMH '96, for sparking his interest in hospitality entrepreneurship.

James M. Jimmerson received his JD from Columbia Law School in May and is working at the Winston & Strawn law firm in NYC. As the winner of the Columbia Law School Jerome Michael Jury Cup for best trial advocacy in 2009, James wrote the problem for the same mock trial competition in May 2010. His father, James J. Jimmerson, who also received a JD from Columbia (in 1976), judged the competition. James M.'s fiancée, **Colleen Slater, PhD '09**, received her PhD in History in 2009. After spending a year teaching English in Chile, **Megan Higgins** is taking time to study Spanish. She is currently a landscape architect and marketing manager for Michael Brothers Nursery in Cheswick, PA. **Heather Dratler** loves her job as an account executive at a boutique public relations agency in NYC. **Monica Johnsrud** is a designer at Catherine Malandrino, a French women's clothing designer based in NYC.

Andrew Naeve and Kristin Conway were wed in Philadelphia, PA, on August 14. Kristin has spent the past three years in law school at Drake U. in Des Moines, IA, and finished her JD in May. Andrew sealed his fate and joined the family business as a sixth-generation crop and cattle farmer in Clinton, IA. He is also the varsity men's basketball coach and member of the school board at East Central Community High School, his alma mater. In March Andrew submitted his bid for election to the Iowa State Senate seat in District No. 13. **Alicia Zahn** is a facilities planner at T. Rowe Price in Baltimore, MD. She is enjoying traveling to London for work. **Jacqueline Holliday** is an associate brand manager at SC Johnson in Milwaukee, WI, and misses real bagels. Her favorite Cornell memory: walking uphill both ways on Saturday afternoons to get the Eggs Melissa at Collegetown Bagels before heading to Olin Library. Those were the days.

Thank you for sending in your updates for our column, and please keep 'em coming! Just shoot an e-mail anytime to your class correspondents: ☐ **Marianna Gomez**, MariannaAGomez@gmail.com; or **Dana Skolnick**, dana.skolnick@gmail.com. Class website, <http://www.classof2007.cornell.edu/>.

08 Happy fall! I hope this Sept/Oct column finds members of the Class of 2008 diving into new ventures and continuing their exciting post-college pursuits. We have passed our two-year anniversary since graduating from the Hill, and change is in the air this autumn for many of our classmates who are returning to school or starting new jobs.

Ali Waks, Brian Connolly, BArch '07, MRP '08, and I will be classmates once again at the U. of Michigan Law School, beginning this fall. My fellow former tour guide **Devon Rupley** also moved to Ann Arbor this August, to begin med school at the U. of Michigan. Devon, Ali, Brian, and I look forward to reliving CTB's delicious sandwiches at the world-famous Zingerman's in Ann Arbor! Devon wrote in June, "I am heading to Europe this summer with **Anjelica Gregory** for a final hoorah trip before starting medical school!" Anjelica is also hitting the books again this fall as a 1L at Northwestern U. Law School, where she will be joined by **Noah Brozinsky**, who just wrapped up two years in Washington with me and says that he remembers the Whistling Shrimp most fondly from his time at Cornell. **Remy Roizen** also started law school this fall, after finishing two years

working at the Estée Lauder Co. Remy writes that she has also "gotten involved in a number of philanthropic organizations and currently sits on the board of directors of the Birthright Israel Foundation." Congrats, Remy, for setting a great example of community involvement for the class! Another fellow former tour guide, **Monisha Samanta**, returned to the classroom this September, studying for a master's in human genetics and genetic counseling at Sarah Lawrence College. Mo is excited to live in New York City and pursue her dream of becoming a genetic counselor.

Eva Sawyer also went back to school this fall; she moved to Nashville, TN, to start a PhD in neuroscience at Vanderbilt. Eva spent the two years since graduating from Cornell on the other side of the pond, working as a research assistant in the clinical neurology department of the U. of Oxford. She was studying comparative micro-neuroanatomy in the cortex of chimps and humans and finished a Master of Science in zoology at Oxford in the fall of 2009. She says that she has been "working a lot, traveling in Europe, applying to PhD programs, and preparing for a summer traveling in India." She's also keeping busy playing softball in the Oxfordshire League, as a member of the Oxford Slow Pitch Nationals team, taking ice hockey for beginners, and listening to a lot of BBC Radio 4. She misses kayaking on Cayuga Lake with Cornell Outdoor Education and would rather be doing that or "watching the sun go down over the bay in Wrightsville Beach, NC" right now. Eva would love to reconnect with **Alyssa Stram '07**. **Sara Zglobicki** also has a research assistantship and new master's degree on her resume. Sara is studying soils and land resources at the U. of Idaho and conducting research on potatoes. Her current "after hours" extracurricular activities include "playing guitar and congas and singing with St. Augustine's choir in English and Spanish at RCIA at St. Augustine's Catholic Community."

From potatoes to ice cream, members of the Class of 2008 are using their Cornell degrees to improve how we eat. **Kirsten Schimoler** works at Ben & Jerry's as a food scientist and product developer in the innovation department, developing new ice cream flavors. (Sounds like a delicious dream job!) Kirsten's been keeping busy eating ice cream and serving as a board member of the Cornell Club of Vermont. She enjoys Vermont and its microbrews and will be starting the MBA program at the U. of Vermont this fall, but she'd really "rather be on vacation, forever." Kirsten, is there any way you can arrange for a donation of Half-Baked and Cherry Garcia for our 5th Reunion in 2013?

We have another New Englander submitting news—my freshman-year suitemate **Allison Wing**, who writes that she is now a graduate student at MIT's Program for Atmospheres, Oceans, and Climate, researching tropical cyclone genesis. **Emily Gardner** is now a designer at landscape architecture firm Hudson & Pacific Designs in Saugerties, NY, and has been keeping busy hiking, making jewelry, spending time with family, and preparing for her brother's graduation from RIT. Many of our classmates report that their burgeoning careers are picking up speed. **Jay Searson** writes that he is CEO of Scheduler, "which you may have heard of. I understand that a few people in our class used it during college. It's been going rather well." Thank you, Jay, for helping undergraduates keep themselves from scheduling both an 8:40 a.m. class and a 9:05 a.m. class on the same day!

From potatoes to ice cream to the law to medicine to undergraduates' schedules, our class

is making a difference across many sectors around the world. Keep up the exciting work, and keep us in the loop about it! Send us your news. Wishing you all a fabulous fall. ✉ **Elana Beale**, erb26@cornell.edu; and **Libby Boymel**, lkb24@cornell.edu.

09 With aplomb, the Class of 2009 has tackled the workforce and the halls of academia since our departure from campus last May. With merely a year of bachelor's degree clout under our belts, we have made some accomplishments worth sharing with the greater Cornell community.

Emi Day has completed her first year as a Master of Architecture candidate at the U. of Oregon. She presented her senior honors thesis, "Fostering Whole Systems Thinking Through Architecture" to the Environmental Design Research Association in Washington, DC. She hopes to begin a concurrent master's in educational methodology, policy, and leadership when she returns to Eugene this fall. **Maria Debye-Saxinger** has been working on her Master of Landscape Architecture degree at the Rhode Island School of Design. The two-year program is already halfway done! In January, she traveled with the architecture department to India. Now she is in Virginia for the summer as this year's Rudy J. Favretti Fellow of the Garden Club of Virginia, working on a restoration project in Mathews County. "Always thinking fondly back on my time at Cornell," she writes.

Kojo DeGraft-Hanson spent the past year in Boston at the MATCH Charter Public High School. He tutored 9th and 10th graders in math and English, coached track and cross country, and tutored 4th grade math students at local elementary schools via an AmeriCorps partnership. **Kaitlin Driscoll** has been doing research on polycystic kidney disease at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School. It has been a very rewarding experience. In the fall she will begin the long road toward her PhD in biology at MIT. **Lauren Downing** has moved across the country to Arizona for a job with Universal Laser Systems. She spends most days working with customers and designing solutions for their laser needs, all of which is quite a change from life on the Hill. She is definitely glad she took those Communications classes; they sure are coming in handy now!

Rachel Dorfman-Tandlich has been living and working in Buenos Aires, Argentina, for the past year. She works more or less as a "professional English speaker," teaching English classes to students of all ages, translating documents, and editing reports, presentations, and scripts written in English by non-native speakers. During her summer vacation (winter in the States) she spent several months traveling around Argentina, Uruguay, and Bolivia. **Brandon Lemesh** works as a client services associate for a hedge fund compliance consulting firm, and volunteers with the Central Park Medical Unit in his spare time. While he misses campus life, he still gets a chance to watch the men's hockey team at away games and even attends some home games! **Galina Tan** is a first year student at New York U. medical school in Manhattan. Although the demands of school restrict her free time to a minimum, she is still thrilled to have the opportunity to study in one of the greatest cities in the world.

Meghan Travers works in Rhode Island as an engineer for the environmental consulting firm EA Engineering, Science, and Technology. She never

imagined she would use her degree to actually become an engineer (she had planned on research and other things), but she is enjoying the opportunity to make a real contribution to society and the environment, little by little. **Evan Ture** completed his Big Red family by marrying **Dahlia Mayberry '08** on Jan. 2, 2010 (01.02.2010 for those palindrome lovers). They moved to Austin, TX, where Evan works for Xtreme Power Solutions in renewable energy integration and enjoys the very green Austin community! **Katie White** works as a Georgia Sea Grant education intern at the U. of Georgia Marine Education Center and Aquarium on Skidaway Island, GA. She spends her days on boats, in the classroom and lab, and exploring Georgia's breathtaking estuaries and barrier islands while teaching classes in marine biology and coastal ecology to pre-K through 12th graders. She feels incredibly lucky to have such a rewarding and challenging job, and urges everyone to come visit the Savannah area if they get the chance!

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Elana Beale '08

Victoria Wolanin (Nashville, TN) heads up TopNotch Records, an indie label. Victoria is also traveling the world while working as a brand manager for several companies. When she isn't in the studio or on a plane, she enjoys spending time with her sister, Whitney, who is studying at Vanderbilt. Whitney is opening for the Beach Boys in April and releasing new music soon—check her out on iTunes! **Andrew Zipkin** is a graduate student in the hominid paleobiology doctoral program at George Washington U. His research involves studying the biomechanics of archery by having his friends shoot recurve bows in a lab while wearing lots of pressure-sensing equipment. This coming summer he will be excavating an archaeological site at Ologesailie, Kenya, with his advisor, Dr. Alison Brooks. Six members of the Class of 2009 spent the last year working with City Year, a nonprofit organization and member of AmeriCorps that unites young people of all backgrounds for a year of full-time service. Congratulations to **Lisa Cao**, **Jennifer Ferreira**, **Laura Romeo**, **Katharine Davis**, **Renee Lasnier**, and **Weilin Yang** on the completion of a successful year of service! ✉ **Julie Cantor**, jlc252@cornell.edu; **Caroline Newton**, cmn35@cornell.edu.

10 It has only been a few months since graduation, yet your faithful correspondents are already hard at work keeping tabs on the whereabouts of the Class of 2010. Fortunately, through the power of social networking and e-mail, that task is easier than ever before. Not easy, however, is writing clever puns for the column. Please forgive us in advance.

As real life begins, much of the newly minted Big Red alumni will be heading to the Big Apple. Your class of 2010 co-president **Stephanie Rigione** will be working in development for Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. **Andy Lazar** will

be keeping himself busy. He'll be doing research at Weill Cornell Medical Center, taking classes at NYU—and working as a part-time EMT for NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital. **Andrew Daines** will be working on his startup venture, PrePlay Sports, which will eventually revolutionize how we watch football games. Also, don't be surprised if you bump into **Dave Markowitz**, **Sami Greenberg**, **Kristen Tauer**, **Amanda Idoko**, or class correspondents **Rammy Salem** and **Mike Beyman**. They'll be in NYC as well.

Speaking of New York, the city planners may want to rename the area around Columbia U. "Little Ithaca," because that campus will be swarming with Cornellians completing their higher education. Class of 2010 co-president **Darin Jones** will be getting his Master of Divinity, **Ola Williams** will be pursuing a master's in the School of Int'l and Public Affairs, **Adam Agata** will be working toward a master's in statistics, **Danielle Bartolo**, BS '09, will be heading to the Mailman School of Public Health on a graduate research fellowship, and **Su Yeone**

Jeon will be getting her master's in natural resources management and policy. Look for **Rahul Desai** in the law library as he pursues his JD.

Brandon Imp (bmi3@cornell.edu) sent an update shortly after his December graduation with the news that between March 9 and August 9, he would be hiking the Appalachian Trail and shooting a documentary of the experience. "I could have gotten a regular job," he writes, "but in the Cornell tradition I went for something creative, unusual, and unique." In early July (according to his blog, <http://appalachiantrail2010.blogspot.com/>), he and his sister Kate and two friends had reached Bennington, VT, and had only 577 miles to go on the 2,178-mile trip! Many members of the class will be moving to some exotic locales. **Ben Cole** will be joining Google in Africa, helping to launch new Web products on the continent. If you happen to be traveling through Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Senegal, Uganda, or South Africa, drop him a line. Also in Africa is **Alma Aldrich**, who is joining the Peace Corps. **Jack Cao** is a little further north, in the Middle East, serving as a TA for **Jim Maas**, PhD '66's Psych 1101 at Weill Cornell Medical College-Qatar.

Of course, many members of the class won't be leaving sunny Ithaca just yet. **Jeff Paley**, **Tom Petek**, and **Eric Ross** will all be sticking around for their master's in Engineering; **Tim Wickham** will be earning his MBA from the Johnson School; and **Alice Choo** will be earning her JD from the Law School. **Troy Nickerson '09**, BS Ag '10, will be splitting his time between the mat, as he helps coach the Cornell wrestling team, and the lab, as he does research at NYU. Finally, **Eddie Rooker** will continue to serve the community as the elected Alderperson from Ithaca's Fourth Ward.

If you can stand the bad puns we'll sandwich in, tell us about your life. Send your big announcements to your class correspondents: ✉ **Mike Beyman**, mjb262@cornell.edu; or **Rammy Salem**, rms84@cornell.edu.

'28—**Frederick B. Jester** of Arlington, TX, May 23, 2010; owner, Jester Insurance Agency; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'29—**Marvin B. Preeman** of Pacific Palisades, CA, April 29, 2010; active in alumni affairs.

'30—**Lillian Miller Smith** of Phoenix, AZ, formerly of Portland, OR, March 21, 2010; microbiologist, Yale U.; co-discovered the antibiotic chloramphenicol and oral medication to treat B12 deficiency; worked at U. of Georgia, Columbia U.-Lamont Labs, Brooklyn Botanic Garden, U. of Puerto Rico, and College of the Virgin Islands.

'32 BCE—**Bernard L. Falk** of Brewster, MA, formerly of Westfield, NJ, March 26, 2010; district sales manager, Metropolitan Life Insurance; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Tau Beta Pi.

'34 BA, JD '36—**Marcus I. Breier** of Doral, FL, May 15, 2010; attorney; active in alumni affairs. Pi Lambda Phi. Wife, Eleanor (Cramer) '41.

'34 BME—**Russell F. Greenawalt** of Rochester, NY, March 21, 2010; assistant director of engineering services, NYS Mental Hygiene Dept.; food processing plant engineer; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'35 BS HE—**Ruth W. Clements** of Liberty, NY, May 13, 2010; home economist, New York State Electric and Gas; also worked for the Farm Home Administration; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'35 BS Ag—**Joseph J. Davis** of Frederick, MD, October 25, 2008; active in alumni affairs.

'35 BA—**Mary D. Didas** of West Seneca, NY, May 19, 2010; high school English teacher; textbook author; class correspondent, *Cornell Alumni Magazine*; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'35 MA—**Frederick H. Test** of Asheville, NC, formerly of Ann Arbor, MI, March 26, 2010; professor emeritus of biology, U. of Michigan; author; associate editor, *Ecology*; active in professional affairs.

'35 BA—**Meda Young Thetford** (Mrs. Norman D. '34, MD '38) of Eatontown, NJ, April 26, 2010; active in community and alumni affairs.

'36 BS HE—**Evelyn Goetcheus Beiderbecke** (Mrs. Joseph T. '34) of Kannapolis, NC, June 17, 2010; high school home economics teacher; homemaker; musician; active in community and religious affairs.

'36 BS HE—**Marjorie Kane Hoppen** of Naples, FL, May 24, 2010; taught home economics at East Rockaway High School; active in professional and religious affairs.

'37 BA—**G. Richard Handrick** of Lexington, MA,

February 18, 2010; research chemist; worked for Arthur D. Little Inc. and SHARPS Assocs. Theta Xi.

'37 BS Ag, MS '39—**Alden M. Jones** of Norwich, NY, May 17, 2010; worked for General Electric; aquatic biologist, Tennessee Valley Authority; AARP officer; author; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'38 BA, LLB '40—**John S. Conable** of Warsaw, NY, March 22, 2010; attorney; retired Wyoming County Court judge; farmer; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Phi Delta Theta.

'38—**Mildred Paul DeVenney** of Talent, OR, April 12, 2010; rancher; hotel manager; hospital bookkeeper; saleswoman; active in civic and community affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'38—**Edgar C. Eustance** of Hilton, NY, June 18, 2009.

'38 BA—**J. David Hammond** of Sennett, NY, March 22, 2010; director, Ithaca College Medical Center; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Sigma Nu.

'38 BME—**Ramon H. Palmer** of Williamsport, PA, March 22, 2010; physics professor emeritus, Pennsylvania College of Technology; active in community and religious affairs.

'38 BS Ag—**Frederick C. Smith** of Dayton, OH, May 16, 2010; CEO and chairman of the board, Huffy Corp.; veteran; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs. Sigma Phi.

'38 BS Ag—**William T. Smith II** of Big Flats, NY, March 30, 2010; former NYS senator; farmer; operated Smithome Farms and Smithome Farms Kitchen; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'39 BA—**Benjamin E. Dean** of Owego, NY, March 18, 2010; attorney; veteran; author; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'39—**Margaret Black Harris** of Gardiner, ME, April 3, 2010; high school teacher's aide; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'39, BS '40—**Carter Livermore** of Rochester, NY, May 5, 2009; worked for Eastman Kodak; researched Native American genealogy in New York State; active in civic and religious affairs.

'40 BA—**Dayle Faris Durkin** (Mrs. Thomas J. '44) of Baldwin City, KS, May 15, 2010; English professor, Kansas Wesleyan U.; veteran; active in community affairs. Alpha Omicron Pi.

'40 BA—**Elizabeth Cincotta** Kling of Wauchula, FL, formerly of Fultonville, NY, January 18, 2010; farmer; active in religious affairs. Kappa Delta.

'40, MD '43—**Morrison Rutherford** of Medford,

OR, formerly of Oxnard, CA, February 4, 2009; ob/gyn.

'40 MS—**Mary E. Sanders** of State College, PA, April 3, 2010; research scientist; specialist in plant genetics and botany; taught at Penn State, U. of Wisconsin, and South Dakota State College; also worked at Carnegie Inst. genetics dept., Smith College, Connecticut College, Mt. Holyoke, and Yale U.; active in professional and religious affairs.

'40 BEE—**LeRoy A. Woodruff** of Sun City West, AZ, November 17, 2009; electrical engineer. Seal & Serpent.

'41—**Richard P. Conway** of Morganton, NC, August 22, 2009; worked for Ford Motors; farm manager, Seven Springs Farm; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Phi Kappa Tau.

'41—**Pansy Roake** Green of Victoria, British Columbia, February 9, 2010.

'41 BA—**Jean Syverson** Lewis of Bear Creek, NC, June 21, 2009; active in alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'41, BA '42, PhD '46—**John R. McCartney** of Westtown, PA, January 3, 2010; research scientist, DuPont; filmologist. Wife, Dorothy (Wilson), MA '43.

'42 BCE—**Spartacus DeLia** of Freeport, Bahamas, formerly of New Hartford, NY, April 15, 2010; owner, S. DeLia Construction Co.; active in community and alumni affairs. Seal & Serpent.

'42 BA—**Thelma E. DeLoid** of Manchester, NH, April 14, 2010; violinist; active in community and religious affairs.

'42, BA '43—**Gladys Slocum** Geer of Montpelier, VT, April 30, 2010; worked for East River Savings Bank; active in community and religious affairs. Chi Omega.

'42 BS HE—**Dorothy Marshall** Henderson of Peoria, AZ, formerly of Greenwich, CT, June 12, 2010; high school teacher; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Delta Gamma. Husband, Albert W. Henderson '42, LLB '47.

'42 BS Ag, PhD '51—**Riley H. Kirby** of Upper Marlboro, MD, April 15, 2010; worked for the USDA; veteran; genealogical researcher. Alpha Zeta.

'42-43 GR—**Mary Taylor** LaFalce of Richville, NY, April 10, 2010; English dept. chair, Gouverneur Senior High School; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'42 BME—**Mazel M. Merrill** of Fort Worth, TX, formerly of Dallas, TX, March 27, 2010; engineering manager, Lone Star Gas; industrial engineer, LTV Corp.; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Seal & Serpent.

'43—**Eunice Storey** Deerhake of Raleigh, NC, February 24, 2010; counselor; radar technician, Bell Laboratories; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.

'43, BME '49—**Jim St. John Hughes** of West Grove, PA, formerly of Ramsey, NJ, April 10, 2010;

mechanical engineer; worked for DuPont, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Corp., and American Cyanamid; real estate broker; veteran. Seal & Serpent.

'43 BA—Shirely Wurtzel Jacobs of Westport, CT, April 28, 2010; owner and operator, NMCGA Insurance Co.; retired realtor; active in community affairs.

'43 MA—Dorothy Wilson McCartney (Mrs. John R. '41, PhD '46) of Westtown, PA, January 9, 2010. Sigma Pi.

'44—Frederick C. Hannahs of Tiburon, CA, May 16, 2010; retired stockbroker; volunteer firefighter; veteran; active in civic and community affairs. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'44 BS Chem E—Herbert H. Jacobs of La Jolla, CA, March 24, 2010; VP for research and development, Hallmark Cards; director and counselor to the president, American Greeting Cards; VP and director of research, Dunlap & Assocs.; asst. professor of industrial and management engineering, Columbia U.; consultant to the Surgeon General on workplace safety; veteran; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'44 MD—George Knauer Jr. of Naples, FL, May 12, 2008; ob/gyn; partner, Elizabeth Obstetric Group; assoc. professor of obstetrics and gynecology, New Jersey College of Medicine; chair, dept. of ob/gyn, Elizabeth General Medical Center; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'44, BA '43, JD '49—Col. Harold D. Rhynedance Jr. of Fairview, NC, April 11, 2010; attorney; asst. to the Attorney General, US Dept. of Justice; veteran; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs. Sigma Chi. Wife, Ruth (Cosline) '44.

'44, BS Ag '47, PhD '50—Robert M. Roecker of Geneseo, NY, January 7, 2010; professor emeritus of biology, SUNY Geneseo; veteran.

'44—Edmund J. Talott of Saint David, AZ, November 12, 2008. Theta Xi.

'45, BS HE '43—Claire Michaelson Bergrun of Los Altos Hills, CA, April 4, 2010; assistant dietician, Stanford U. Hospital; computer operator, NACA Ames Aeronautical Lab (now NASA Ames Research Center); active in religious affairs. Husband, Norman R. Bergrun '43.

'45—Lucy Tarshes Broido of Haverford, PA, March 28, 2009; president, Lucy Broido Graphics. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'45, BS ORIE '48—Rhoderick E. Brown of Hendersonville, NC, June 20, 2010; retired plant supervisor, Belding-Corticelli Textiles; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'45—Nancy Clark Cox of Lakeland, FL, November 14, 2008.

'45 BME—Walter S. Easley of Gig Harbor, WA, May 22, 2010; worked for IBM; veteran; active in religious affairs.

'45—Charles R. Eble of Homosassa, FL, October 4, 2008. Sigma Nu.

'45—Wilson L. Gilbert of Rushford, NY, January 28, 2010; director emeritus, Allegany Co-Op Insurance Co. Wife, Marian (Tellier) '48.

'45 BS Nurs—Evelyn Schiffert Hale of Winthrop, ME, March 24, 2010; Baptist minister; nurse; active in religious affairs.

'45 BEE—Charles R. Heising of Berwyn, PA, September 7, 2009; electrical engineer, General Electric; worked on reliability management for NASA's Apollo program, early-warning radar system, power transmission, and turbojet engines; author; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'45 BS Ag—Helen Machata Kroll of New London, CT, February 10, 2010; microbiologist, pharmaceutical industry; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'45 DVM—Philip H. Liebig of West Pawlet, VT, April 21, 2010; veterinarian; fruit and strawberry farmer. Alpha Psi.

'45—Agnes Hurley Majilton (Mrs. Edward A. '41, DVM '43) of Elizabethtown, NY, formerly of Winslow, AR, and Lake Placid, NY, January 5, 2010; assisted in her husband's veterinary clinic; active in community affairs.

'45 MD—Mary Ann Payne of Ithaca, NY, March 24, 2010; physician; clinical professor of medicine, Cornell Medical College; attending physician, New York Hospital; also worked for the Communicable Disease Center; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'45, BA '44—Ethel Quackenbush Wadeson of Warwick, NY, April 12, 2009; schoolteacher; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'45, BA '44—Charlotte Madison Devers Wallace of Tucson, AZ, formerly of Armonk, NY, April 22, 2010; director, New Castle Library; information specialist, General Dynamics Corp.; head librarian, Compton Advertising; active in community and religious affairs.

'46, BME '45—Rev. Donald W. Beers of Belvedere, NJ, May 18, 2010; retired US Navy and Marine Corps Episcopal chaplain; founding vicar, St. Alban's Episcopal Church; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs.

'46—Joel N. Kutz of Sarasota, FL, September 10, 2008; veterinarian; founder, Brockport Animal Hospital; veteran; woodworker; sailor.

'46 BS HE—Sara McKissick Vick of Albion, NY, April 24, 2010; retired kindergarten teacher; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'47 BA—Allison Dewey Crittenden of Wheaton, IL, May 15, 2010; active in religious affairs. Delta Gamma. Husband, Harold R. Crittenden '47.

'47 BA, MBA '49—John P. Cushing of Queensbury, NY, February 27, 2010; personnel manager, Scott Paper Co.; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Wife, Marion (Scott) '45.

'47 BS Nurs—Martha Sevison Dade of Bradford Heights, KY, December 15, 2009; nurse, Jennie

Stuart Medical Center; homemaker; active in community and religious affairs.

'47 MD—Harry M. Depan of Queensbury, NY, May 26, 2010; general surgeon; medical missionary; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'47, BS HE '46—Dorothy Corser Gislason of Victoria, British Columbia, April 20, 2010; psychiatric social worker, Saanich Mental Health; Unitarian chaplain; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'47-49 SP Ag—Charles A. Hennrich of Williamsville, NY, May 10, 2009; owner, Hennrich Poultry Farm.

'47 MS, PhD '49—Julius R. Hoffman of Flushing, MI, April 14, 2010; entomologist; specialized in nursery and greenhouse pests; professor and assistant dean, College of Nat'l Science, Michigan State U.; researcher, U. of Utrecht; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'47 BS HE—Carmel Vertucci Maldari of New Dorp, NY, April 18, 2010; elementary school teacher; artist; active in community and religious affairs.

'47 BA—Doris Swart Panisius (Mrs. William G. '46, BCE '48) of Newark, OH, March 16, 2010; interior decorator; active in community affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'47 DVM—Calvin B. Roper of Menlo Park, CA, August 11, 2007; veterinarian; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'47 PhD—Harold E. Smith of Dekalb, IL, March 24, 2010; sociology professor, Northern Illinois U.; researched Southeast Asia; veteran; author; book review editor; active in professional and religious affairs.

'48 BS ORIE, MBA '50—Jerome M. Blum of West Orange, NJ, December 24, 2009; retired controller.

'48 MS—A. Dewey Bond of Great Falls, VA, May 25, 2010; senior VP, American Meat Inst.; also worked for the American Farm Bureau Federation; executive secretary, Nat'l Meat Canners Assn.; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'48 BA—Julia Marzec Cacavas of Buffalo, NY, June 10, 2010; retired social worker; career counselor; active in civic and alumni affairs.

'48—Betty Pritchard Cameron (Mrs. Robert A. '46) of Corning, NY, May 28, 2010; secretary, Ingersoll Rand and Corning Glass Works; active in religious affairs.

'48 BCE—John C. Cunningham of Kettering, OH, March 29, 2010; special assistant for water policy, US Dept. of Interior; waste management engineer; civil engineer; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Beta Sigma Rho.

'48 MA—Donald P. Dietrich of Ithaca, NY, August 1, 2007.

'48—Joseph M. Fitzpatrick of Carmel, CA,

formerly of Salt Lake City, UT, May 29, 2010; advertising executive; reporter, *Salt Lake Tribune*; reporter and columnist for the *Monterey Herald*.

'48—Mary Mozier Fowler of Middlefield, CT, June 10, 2010; retired real estate agent, Merrill Lynch; buyer, Kabachnick's clothing store. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'48 LLB—Albert R. Hochster of Allenhurst, NJ, April 2, 2010; attorney; veteran; active in community affairs.

'48 BA—Mary Ellen Salisbury Kelton of Montpelier, VT, March 14, 2010; social worker; customer service representative; homemaker; musician. Kappa Delta.

'48, BA '49—Jeanne Chamoulaud Kimmell of Cornwall, PA, formerly of Cheney and Kennett Square, PA, May 13, 2010; post office worker; active in community and alumni affairs. Alpha Omicron Pi.

'48 BME—Russell R. Kinsey of Annandale, VA, February 9, 2010.

'48 BS Hotel—David E. Lloyd Jr. of Holden, MA, April 8, 2010; treasurer and VP for business affairs, Worcester Polytechnic Inst.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Alpha Sigma Rho.

'48—Elizabeth Evenden MacGregor (Mrs. Malcolm J. '48, MS '51) of Park City, UT, January 28, 2010.

'48, BME '49—John S. Osborne of Vestal, NY, April 16, 2010; retired engineer, IBM; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'48 MS HE—Lola Lackey Weaver of Dallas, TX, May 24, 2010; home economics teacher; active in professional and religious affairs.

'48 BA, MA '49—Franklin M. Wright of Memphis, TN, January 30, 2010; retired history professor, Rhodes College; also taught at Brown and UConn; veteran; Roman coin collector; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'49 BCE—Richard Bard Jr. of Murray, ID, March 7, 2010; land surveyor; VP and manager, Simi Ranch; veteran. Chi Phi.

'49, BA '51—Seymour Brines of Brooklyn, NY, April 19, 2010; psychotherapist; active in alumni affairs.

'49—Frances Pocus Eldredge (Mrs. Halsey A. '44) of Westmoreland, NY, formerly of Sharon Springs, NY, April 18, 2010; dairy farmer; Thoroughbred horse breeder; active in alumni affairs.

'49 BEE—William R. Elmendorf of Frederick, MD, August 31, 2006. Acacia.

'49 MA—Rowena Fairchild Hewitt (Mrs. Ryland H. '48, PhD '61) of Stamford, NY, formerly of Albany, NY, June 23, 2010; English teacher; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'49 BS ILR—Joseph E. Hirsch of Scottsdale, AZ, July 3, 2009; retired elementary schoolteacher.

'49 MRP, PhD '52—Robert C. Hoover of St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, January 22, 2010; professor emeritus of urban and environmental studies, Brock U.; crusader against urban sprawl; worked in city planning departments in New Jersey and New York; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'49 BA, DVM '54, MS Ag '59—John L. Hyde of Ithaca, NY, April 19, 2010; veterinarian; chief biological safety officer, Plum Island Animal Disease Center; worked for USDA Research Center; taught at School of Veterinary Medicine, U. of Pennsylvania; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'49 BS HE—Clara Ann Newell Lloyd (Mrs. John W. '49) of Ithaca, NY, April 30, 2010; special education teacher; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'49 PhD—Morton E. Milberg of Tucson, AZ, March 24, 2010; research physical chemist, Ford Motor Co.; specialist in automotive glass and ceramics; taught at U. of North Dakota; active in professional affairs.

'49 PhD—Bernard B. Stangler of Hot Springs Village, AR, May 6, 2010; landscape designer; nursery owner; veteran; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'49 PhD—William D. Walker of Durham, NC, April 8, 2010; professor emeritus of physics, Duke U.; co-discoverer of the rho meson sub-atomic particle; also taught at U. of Wisconsin; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs.

'49, BA '52—Barbara Race Weber of Niskayuna, NY, April 15, 2010; mental health aide, Ellis Hospital; piano accompanist, Schenectady Light Opera; helped found the Schenectady Women's Tennis Assn.; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Sigma Kappa.

'49 BA—Alfred R. Wood of Milford, MI, April 26, 2009; retired from Decorative Wood Windows; veteran. Chi Phi.

'50 PhD—Warren S. Barham of Gilroy, CA, April 16, 2010; plant breeder; founder, Barham Seeds; professor and head of horticultural sciences, Texas A&M; director of raw products research, Basic Vegetables; asst. professor of horticulture, North Carolina State U.; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'50 MCE—Rev. William N. Bender of Manitowish Waters, WI, April 26, 2010; retired United Methodist minister; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'50 BS HE—Jo Kessel Buyske of Crozet, VA, May 5, 2010; worked for New York Life; active in civic and alumni affairs.

'50-51 GR—Carolyn Craugh of Dallas, TX, April 5, 2010; travel agent; handled Rochester European Sister City trips for the State Dept.'s "People-to-People" program; worked with Hal Sawyer's TV show "Passport to Travel"; consultant, Story Travel Services; active in community affairs.

'50 DVM—William P. Darrow of Wellington, FL, May 11, 2010; veterinarian.

'50 BArch—Lewis M. Eisenstadt of Greenville, SC, February 23, 2010; architect; partner, DesignStrategies; partner, Odell Associates; partner, Kling Partnership; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'50 BS Ag—Richard N. Etter of Tomball, TX, June 2, 2009; worked for the Social Security Administration. Seal & Serpent.

'50 BS Ag—Walter L. Ganshaw of Wilson, NY, February 12, 2010; 4-H executive; recipient of 4-H Distinguished Service Award; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'50 MS—Janet McHugh Hawksley of Victoria, British Columbia, April 14, 2010; taught science at both university and elementary levels; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Husband, Oscar Hawksley, PhD '50.

'50 BS Ag—Don C. Higgins of Schenectady, NY, April 1, 2010; neurologist; taught at the Yale School of Medicine, U. of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, and Albany Medical College; veteran; author; active in community affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'50 DVM—Alvin E. Hixon of Orange City, FL, June 14, 2010; veterinarian; taught at Daytona Beach Junior College; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.

'50—Richard J. Ireland of Southborough, MA, November 30, 2009; product design consultant. Seal & Serpent.

'50 JD—Daniel C. Knickerbocker Jr. of Brooklyn, NY, May 17, 2010; senior VP and general counsel, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance; former president, New England Home for Little Wanderers; former president, Family Counseling and Guidance Services; professor emeritus, Seton Hall School of Law; active in alumni affairs. Wife, Helaine (Blutman), JD '51.

'50 BME—Edward W. Lighton Jr. of Falls Church, VA, April 27, 2010; retired superintendent, Washington Gas; veteran.

'50 DVM—Vader M. Loomis of Waynesboro, PA, April 23, 2010; veterinarian; drugs inspector, FDA; also worked for USDA; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Alpha Psi.

'50 BA—Alphonse A. Satkus of Ventnor, NJ, March 25, 2007; insurance adjuster; artist; veteran.

'50 BS Ag, MS Ag '51—Ralph R. Smalley of Cobleskill, NY, May 17, 2010; soil scientist; taught at SUNY Cobleskill; also worked for Turfgrass Management, Florida Experiment Station; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs.

'50 BS Ag—Farquhar Smith of Mystic, CT, April 3, 2010; florist; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Delta Tau Delta.

'51, BME '52—Lawrence L. Burckmyer of Marblehead, MA, June 2, 2010; owner and president, Backer-Loring Corp.; partner, Broad Street Capital; veteran; sailor; photographer; active in community affairs.

'51 PhD—Peter V. Curl of Shelbyville, IL,

formerly of Washington, DC, May 17, 2010; worked for the Historical Office, US State Dept.; veteran.

'51 BS Hotel, MS Hotel '55—Lt. Col. **Richard L. Ehni** of Washington, DC, April 11, 2010; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Phi Gamma Delta. Wife, Joan (Koelsch) '51.

'51 BA—**Leonard R. Fahs** of Cincinnati, OH, May 25, 2010; retired asst. VP, Merrill Lynch; also worked for Reade Manufacturing Co.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'51 BS Ag—**Bruce Gray Jr.** of South Portland, ME, April 9, 2010; active in alumni affairs. Theta Xi.

'51 BFA—**Fred L. Hudson Jr.** of Miami, FL, May 8, 2010; retired industrial designer; worked for Chris Craft, American Motors, Chrysler, Hatteras Yachts, Whitcraft, Bertram, and Uniesse Yachts; active in professional affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'51 DVM—**M. Herbert Jones** of Amherst, NY, May 23, 2010; veterinarian; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'51 MEd—**Jane Golding Joslin** of Kenmore, NY, May 17, 2010. Husband, Norman E. Joslin, LLB '52.

'51, BArch '52—**Robert D. Katz** of London, England, April 28, 2010; architect.

'51—**George W. Martin** of Gardnerville, NV, October 24, 2009.

'51-52 GR—**Carol Naumann Shallenberger** (Mrs. Robert S., PhD '55) of Geneva, NY, April 21, 2010; worked at the *Geneva Times*; active in community affairs.

'51 LLB—**E. W. Dann Stevens** of Buffalo, NY, April 29, 2010; estate attorney; founding director, Food Bank of Western New York; veteran; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'51 BS Ag—**Francis A. Trerise** of Glens Falls, NY, October 6, 2009; retired science teacher; veteran; author; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'51 BA—**Marilyn Cohen** Yorkshire of Boynton Beach, FL, formerly of Niskayuna, NY, April 8, 2010; special education teacher; executive underwriter, Prudential Insurance; active in community affairs. Sigma Delta Tau.

'52 MS HE—**Gladys Nicholson** Black of Martin, GA, formerly of Warren Township, NJ, May 10, 2010; artist; sculptor; member, Ward Foundation; active in community and professional affairs.

'52 BCE—**Walter S. Bortko** of Bonita Springs, FL, April 1, 2010; civil engineer, Comptroller's Office, City of New York; real estate broker; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Chi Epsilon. Wife, Rosemary (Manno) '55.

'52, BCE '53—**Gordon R. Brooks** of Wilsonville, OR, June 13, 2010; worked for the US Federal Highway Admin.; veteran; active in community affairs. Chi Phi.

'52 BS Ag, MEd '64—**Stanley R. Burton** of

Mount Dora, FL, May 13, 2010; school superintendent and high school principal; taught agriculture and industrial arts; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Sigma Pi.

'52 BS Hotel—**Edward R. Felshow** of Las Vegas, NV, February 25, 2010. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'52—**Roderick L. Fuess** of New Hartford, NY, April 10, 2010; worked for Eastern Rock Products; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'52 MA, PhD '54—**Dallas L. Jones** of Ann Arbor, MI, April 24, 2010; professor emeritus and chair, Dept. of Labor and Industrial Relations, U. of Michigan; labor arbitrator; business professor, U. of Colorado, Boulder; author; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'52 LLB—**Reese H. Taylor Jr.** of Las Vegas, NV, April 16, 2010; attorney; chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission; chair, Public Utilities Commission of Nevada; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs.

'53—**Raymond E. Adams Jr.** of Maple Hill, KS, September 3, 2009. Phi Gamma Delta.

'53—**Geraldine Hastings** Anderson of Houston, TX, formerly of Grambling, LA, March 27, 2010; department head of home economics, Grambling U.; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'53 MD—**George T. Conger** of Akron, OH, and Cortez, CO, March 29, 2010; ob/gyn; practiced at Akron City Hospital; veteran.

'53, BS Ag '56—**Leslie A. Dickinson** of Nipomo, CA, April 9, 2010; retired teacher; veteran; active in community affairs.

'53 BS Ag, PhD '60—**Donald G. Dodds** of Coldbrook, Nova Scotia, Canada, May 5, 2010; pioneer in wildlife management in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia; professor of biology and dean of science, Acadia U.; served in the UN's Development Program and the Food and Agricultural Organization; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'53 BA—**Martin D. Ginsburg** of Washington, DC, June 27, 2010; professor of law, Georgetown U. Law School; counsel to Fried, Fran, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson law firm; also taught at Columbia U. and New York U.; expert in tax law; veteran; active in civic, professional, and alumni affairs. Tau Delta Phi. Wife, Ruth (Bader) '54.

'53 BS Hotel—**Robert B. Green** of Napa, CA, March 31, 2010; radio announcer; restaurant owner; veteran; active in community affairs.

'53 MEd—**Samuel C. Gundy** of Reading, PA, April 23, 2010; professor emeritus of natural sciences, Kutztown State College; director, Reading Public Museum; nature specialist, Reading Recreation Dept.; veteran; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'53, BS Nurs '54—**Jean MacGregor** Iliff of Newton, NJ, April 6, 2010; registered nurse; active in community and religious affairs.

'53, B Chem E '54—**John P. Jones** of Fairmont, WV, February 8, 2010; owner and president, Jones Fur Service; also worked for Standard Oil of New Jersey; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Alpha Chi Sigma.

'53 JD—**William M. Kavanaugh** of Newburgh, NY, April 19, 2010; attorney; corporation counsel, City of Newburgh; acting Newburgh City Court judge; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'53—**Ernest L. Kistler Jr.** of Shreveport, LA, May 8, 2010; aerospace and marine engineer; asst. professor of marine engineering, Texas A&M; designed a space re-entry vehicle and the escape capsule for the B-58; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'53 BA—**Nancy Helpern** Moldover of New York City, April 16, 2010. Husband, Edward D. Moldover '47, BA '45, MA '46.

'53—**William H. Raser Jr.** of Los Angeles, CA, November 12, 2009; president, Datatrace.

'53 BME—**William J. Sallak** of Wallingford, CT, April 9, 2010; senior industrial engineer, Sikorsky Aircraft; also worked for Winchester Repeating Arms; active in community and religious affairs.

'53 BS Ag—**Henry C. Shapley** of Stafford, TX, January 22, 2006.

'53—**Alan A. Steinberg** of Bala Cynwyd, PA, December 2, 2006; worked for American Steel Engr. Co. Beta Sigma Rho.

'53—**John R. Whitney** of Reseda, CA, October 10, 2009. Cayuga Lodge.

'53 PhD—**Robert J. Young** of Ithaca, NY, April 19, 2010; professor emeritus and chairman, Cornell Animal Science Dept.; researcher, Procter & Gamble, Int'l Minerals and Chemical Corp., and U. of Toronto; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'54 MS—**Charles G. Fargo** of Westlake Village, CA, April 9, 2010; VP, engineering and test, and director of engine and mechanical research for the Space Shuttle, Rocketdyne; also worked for Northrop Grumman; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'54 BA—**William D. Gohr III** of Atlanta, GA, May 23, 2010; president, Blue Ribbon Products; also worked in the oil industry; veteran. Delta Phi.

'54 BS HE—**Diana Skaletzky** Herman of Franklin Township, NJ, May 30, 2010; worked in childhood education, communications, and administration; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'54 BS ILR—**Wilfrid C. Jervis** of Falls Church, VA, March 7, 2010; artist. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'54 MA—**Francesca Vidale** Langbaum of Charlottesville, VA, April 11, 2010; Italian professor, U. of Virginia; taught French at Cornell U.; edited the French section of the Random House unabridged dictionary; also taught Latin; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Husband, Robert W. Langbaum '44, BA '47.

- '54 BA—Betty Siebert** Libera of Stuart, FL, April 15, 2010; writer, Kodak Co.; active in community affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta.
- '54-58 GR—James P. Lipp** of San Antonio, TX, May 7, 2010; electrical engineer; manager and consulting engineer, Honeywell; also worked for General Electric; veteran; author; active in community and religious affairs.
- '54 MS—Stephen W. Simon** of Cockeysville, MD, April 11, 2010; ornithologist; biology professor, Catonsville Community College; also taught at Ashland U.; active in professional affairs.
- '55—Mary Dodge** Astle of Walpole, NH, May 17, 2010; breeder of Connemara ponies and golden retrievers; active in community affairs.
- '55 BA—Paul H. Baris** of Ramat Chen, Israel, March 22, 2010; attorney; partner and chair of the International Dept., Yigal Arnon & Co.; law professor, Bar Ilan U.; author; active in civic and professional affairs. Tau Delta Phi.
- '55 BS HE—Marcia Porter** Dowd of Moultonborough, NH, June 18, 2010; homemaker; active in community affairs. Delta Delta Delta.
- '55 BS HE—Roberta Bellis** Long of Pittsford, NY, January 20, 2010; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Delta Tau.
- '55 BS Ag—Rodney S. Morris** of Cortland, NY, April 21, 2010; agricultural missionary, Friends United Meeting; expert in non-violent conflict resolution; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Cayuga Lodge. Wife, Joan (Skillicorn) '54.
- '55 BS Ag, MS '58—Lyle A. Newcomb** of Altamont, NY, October 9, 2009; director, Dairy Industries Services, NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets; outdoor enthusiast. Wife, Judith (Barber) '57.
- '55 BA—Audrey Kinney** Pabst (Mrs. Gustave '52, BA '56) of Tucson, AZ, March 28, 2010; outdoors-woman; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.
- '56 MS Ag—Francis Bethlen** of Sarasota, FL, formerly of Plattsburgh, NY, June 17, 2010; professor of economics, Dept. of Management and Marketing, SUNY Plattsburgh; Fulbright Fellow; int'l consultant, United Nations; livestock market specialist in Argentina; served in the Hungarian Resistance in WWII; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.
- '56 BS HE—Sonia Goldfarb** Brody of Summit, NJ, April 28, 2010; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Phi.
- '56, BArch '57—Edward A. Rosen** of New York City, April 14, 2010; architect; senior VP, Bovis Lend Lease; also worked at General Foods and Ulrich Franzen & Assocs.; active in alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.
- '56 BS Ag—Barbara Woods** Russell of Ashland, OR, formerly of Arcata, CA, June 13, 2006. Pi Beta Phi. Husband, John B. Russell, PhD '56.
- '56 BS Ag—Aubra Chadwick** Storer of Palo Alto, CA, February 27, 2010; social worker; active in community affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta. Husband, Tracy S. Storer '54, BEE '55.
- '57 MBA—James H. Burkley** of Wayland, MA, April 27, 2010; int'l marketing manager, air traffic and control systems, Raytheon; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.
- '57, BS Ag '60—Robert M. Butts** of Pittsford, NY, formerly of Geneva, NY, May 17, 2010; research support specialist, NYS Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva.
- '57 DVM—Albert C. Fritz** of Manchester, CT, June 2, 2010; veterinarian. Alpha Psi.
- '57 PhD—Paul A. Putnam** of Springfield, VT, May 8, 2010; retired director, Beltsville Agriculture Research Center, USDA; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.
- '57—Cynthia Whitman** Sledge of Wyomissing, PA, April 1, 2010; active in religious affairs. Delta Gamma.
- '58 BA—Jay L. Cunningham** of Las Vegas, NV, November 5, 2007. Theta Xi.
- '58 MBA—John L. Kelley** of New Smyrna Beach, FL, and Hermitage, PA, January 2, 2010; VP of tax and government affairs, Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co.; also worked for Ernst & Ernst; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.
- '58 LLB/JD—Marvin J. Rosenthal** of Rochester, NY, March 14, 2010; attorney.
- '58 BS Ag—Herbert H. Stoevener** of Blacksburg, VA, May 10, 2010; special asst. to the provost for int'l programs, and dept. head of agriculture and applied economics, Virginia Tech U.; also worked at Oregon State U. Alpha Zeta.
- '59, BME '60—Robert C. Crites** of Clyde Hill, WA, formerly of Lake Oswego, OR, April 3, 2010; retired, engineering sales; sailor and outdoorsman; veteran; active in civic, professional, and alumni affairs. Wife, Janet (McClayton) '62.
- '59 BS Hotel—E. J. Crofoot II** of Sterling, AK, April 10, 2010; president, Golden State Bottling Co.; VP of operations, Pacific Hosts; president, Auto Bath; owner, Pacific Interiors; veteran; active in community affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
- '59, BME '60—James T. Curran** of Gibsonia, PA, June 11, 2009; mechanical engineer. Delta Chi.
- '59 BS Ag—James K. Green** of Monticello, NY, March 27, 2010; dentist; staff dentist, Woodbourne Correctional Facility; veteran; active in civic and community affairs. Cayuga Lodge.
- '59 BA—Janet M. Jones** of Rye, NH, May 16, 2010; worked for Travelers Insurance; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.
- '59 BA—Stephen J. Segal** of Glendale, CA, March 25, 2010; producer, film trailers and premiers for MGM, Columbia Pictures, Allied Artists, and Universal Pictures; VP, creative advertising, New World Pictures; WVBR commentator. Phi Sigma Delta.
- '60 BS Nurs—Barbara Lynch** Guise of Hillsboro, OR, April 27, 2010; registered nurse; active in professional affairs.
- '60 BS Ag—Robert M. Heliczer** of Lakewood, CA, December 6, 2009; plant safeguard specialist, US Dept. of Agriculture; active in alumni affairs.
- '60 MBA—John D. Hendrix** of Naples, FL, January 23, 2010; worked for Federated Stores and Peat Marwick & Mitchell; certified financial officer of retail chain; veteran; author; active in community and alumni affairs.
- '60 PhD—Samuel Kotz** of Silver Spring, MD, March 16, 2010; statistics professor, George Washington U.; also taught at the U. of Maryland; editor, *Encyclopedia of Statistical Sciences*; author; served in Israeli Air Force; active in professional and religious affairs.
- '60 BA—Joel E. Marsh** of Berkeley, CA, April 4, 2010; co-founder, Marsh & Perna, immigration law firm; taught international and immigration law at Golden Gate Law School; Foreign Service officer; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Beta Sigma Rho.
- '60 BA—James M. Nelson Jr.** of Kewadin, MI, January 27, 2009; founder, Indoor Furniture; CEO, Scan Furniture; veteran. Beta Theta Pi.
- '60 BS HE—Patricia Ceterski** Rebollo of Aurora, CO, formerly of Sacramento, CA May 9, 2010; special education teacher.
- '60, B Chem E '61—George W. Roberts** of Raleigh, NC, April 5, 2010; professor and dept. head of chemical engineering, North Carolina State U.; author; active in professional and alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi. Wife, Mary (Perdriau) '61.
- '60 BA—Judith Arnold** Scharpen of Cupertino, CA, January 26, 2010; chemist. Chi Omega.
- '60 BS Hotel—Hugh L. Starnes** of Charlotte, NC, April 9, 2010; restaurateur; veteran; active in professional affairs.
- '60—Donald E. Stirbis** of Patterson, NY, October 18, 2009.
- '60 MS—Thomas A. Wisner** of Lusby, MD, April 2, 2010; songwriter and "Bard of the Chesapeake Bay"; educator, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory; high school science teacher; naturalist, Sequoia Nat'l Park; veteran; active in civic and community affairs.
- '61 PhD—Charles P. Mason** of St. Peter, MN, May 10, 2010; biology professor, Gustavus Adolphus College; founder, Linnaeus Arboretum; active in professional affairs.
- '61 BS Ag—James H. Miller** of Pierson, FL, April 5, 2010; chief operating officer, Scott Labs.
- '61-62 GR—Keith P. West** of Broomall, PA, October 22, 2008.
- '62-63 GR—Victor G. Como** of Millington, TN, March 30, 2010; taught science and math in the Shelby County School System and local college; veteran; active in religious affairs.

- '63 MA, PhD '67—**Dorothy Marshall** Betz of McLean, VA, April 13, 2010; associate professor of French, Georgetown U.; author; editor, *Romance Quarterly*; active in professional affairs. Husband, Paul F. Betz, MA '63, PhD '65.
- '63 BA, MS '67—**Dennis R. Eadie** of Ithaca, NY, May 20, 2010; physicist.
- '63—**Robert C. Hauf** of Wyomissing, PA, July 30, 2009.
- '63 BA—**Robert L. Potter** of Glenshaw, PA, May 8, 2010; attorney; argued a case that changed how the NIH funds medical research; taught at U. of Pittsburgh School of Law; veteran; active in professional affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.
- '64, BEE '65, MEE '66—**Daniel J. Fowley Jr.** of Ithaca, NY, November 19, 2009. Theta Xi.
- '64 BS ILR—**Sanford M. Gibbs** of Anchorage, AK, June 12, 2010; attorney; partner at Brown, Waller and Gibbs; worked for the Alaska Dept. of Law; trial attorney, Civil Aeronautics Board; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.
- '64—**Robert F. Lander** of Keno, OR, April 8, 2010; head of data processing, Klamath County, OR; also worked at Los Alamos Labs; active in civic and community affairs.
- '64 BS Ag—**Susan Lang** Merrill of Olympia, WA, formerly of Shavertown, PA, March 31, 2010; founder and co-administrator, Peace and Justice Center; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.
- '65 BS Nurs—**Pauline Chouk** Camarota of Bethlehem, PA, May 22, 2010; professor emerita of nursing, Cedar Crest College; also taught at Cornell U. and Marymount U.; active in community and religious affairs.
- '65 BEE, MEE '66—**John M. Davis** of Woodbine, MD, March 11, 2010; electrical engineer.
- '65—**Richard C. Kevin** of Cottonwood, AZ, April 29, 2010; engineer, U.S. West; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.
- '65 MA—**Richard L. Troischt** of Clifton Park, NY, May 16, 2010; worked for Xerox Corp.; active in community affairs.
- '65 BS Nurs—**Mary Johnson** Woods of Tequesta, FL, April 7, 2010; professor, Palm Beach Community College; family and marriage therapist; also taught psychiatric nursing.
- '66 PhD—**William A. Howard** of Melbourne, Australia, August 9, 2009; labor economist; expert on industrial relations; developed the union dependency thesis; associate professor of economics and politics, Monash U.; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.
- '66 MS—**Kathleen Dennison** Masters of Prescott, AZ, March 28, 2010; attorney; active in religious affairs.
- '67 BA—Lt. Col. **Edmund Bauernfeind** of Hobe Sound, FL, March 14, 2010; retired pilot; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Pi.
- '67 MBA—**William R. Moody Jr.** of Skaneateles, NY, and Palm Beach, FL, May 6, 2010; pediatric orthodontist; veteran; active in professional affairs.
- '67 MS Ag—**Vishnu Swarup** of Santa Barbara, CA, February 14, 2010; active in alumni affairs.
- '68 BS Ag—**David J. Chiron** of Boca Raton, FL, December 16, 2009; orthodontist. Beta Sigma Rho.
- '68—Rev. **Richard G. Metz** of Sisters, OR, May 13, 2010; Lutheran pastor; business executive; veteran; active in religious affairs.
- '68-69 GR—**Joan Niles** Sears of Ithaca, NY, November 9, 2009; author.
- '68 PhD—**Hari P. Sharma** of Burnaby, British Columbia, March 16, 2010; professor emeritus of sociology, Simon Fraser U.; author; Hindi short story writer; photographer; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.
- '69 MD—**Victor P. Addonizio Jr.** of Newtown Square, PA, May 5, 2010; chief of cardiac surgery, Abington Memorial; surgical director, Porter Inst. for Valvular Heart Disease; chief of cardiac and thoracic surgery, Temple U. Hospital; associate professor of surgery, U. of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. Zeta Psi.
- '70 BS Ag—**Paul X. Kirchoff** of New Dorp, NY, April 3, 2010; securities trader; owner, Moravian Florist; active in religious affairs.
- '71 BA—**Richard S. Kanter** of Cleveland, OH, May 6, 2010; international trade specialist, US Export Assistance Center; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.
- '71, BS Ag '75—**John P. King Jr.** of Chalfont, PA, May 3, 2010.
- '71 BFA—**Kathleen McQueen** Tipper of Nantucket, MA, May 6, 2010; fashion retailer and buyer for Macy's, Lane Bryant, and Belk stores; active in civic and community affairs. Husband, Harry Tipper III '71, BA '73.
- '71, BS Ag '72—**John E. Twitchell** of Mount Upton, NY, April 13, 2010; certified nursing assistant, NYS Veterans Home; farmer; environmentalist; active in community affairs.
- '71 BA—**Susan Goldberg** Wax of Holliston, MA, March 22, 2010; high school and junior college math teacher; doula. Delta Phi Epsilon.
- '71 BS Ag—**Stephen W. Ziemba** of Cato, NY, May 1, 2010; dairy farmer; owner, Ziem's Farms; former president, Nat'l Holstein Assn.; active in professional affairs.
- '72 BS Nurs—**Janet R. Humble** of Westwood, MA, April 9, 2009; nurse practitioner.
- '72 MPA—**Gordon E. Hurd** of Arlington, VA, May 17, 2010; development director, World Council of Credit Unions; worked for the U. of Wisconsin Foundation; senior development officer, AARP; also worked for TransCentury, Applied Management Sciences, and the US Office of Education; active in professional affairs.
- '72 BS Ag—**Peter J. LaRose** of New City, NY, April 18, 2010; principal court attorney, NYS Supreme Court. Pi Kappa Alpha.
- '72 MD—**Jon A. Rothenberg** of Riverdale, NY, May 7, 2010; physician; trustee, Gurdjieff Foundation.
- '73 MS HE—**Sherwyn Cunard** Brandt of Warner Robins, GA, June 19, 2010; university instructor and program manager at Robins Air Force Base; artist.
- '73 BS HE—**Joyce Freedman** Garber of Boca Raton, FL, May 18, 2010. Husband, Harvey T. Garber '73.
- '73 BCE—**Walter C. Sperry** of Binghamton, NY, March 26, 2010; civil engineer, NYS Dept. of Transportation; active in religious affairs.
- '75 MS—**Gordon K. Prouty** of Arlington, VA, April 10, 2010; USAID officer; manager, branch office of American Express in Europe; veteran.
- '85 BA—**Deborah J. Togut** of Rockville, MD, April 9, 2010; cantor, B'nai Israel Congregation.
- '88 BS Hotel—**Jill Oliver** Tannebaum of Baltimore, MD, April 29, 2010; owner/manager, the Wharf Rat pub.
- '89 BS HE—**Christine Husisian** Stewart of Vestal, NY, formerly of Naples, FL, July 7, 2006; graphic designer; author.
- '90 DMA—**Duane L. Heller** of Daly City, CA, March 6, 2009; composer; music professor, Humboldt State U.; pianist.
- '92 MS—**Roland E. Shanks** of Anchorage, AK, April 9, 2010; retired, Rural Community Assistance Corp.; also worked for the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, the Democratic Party, and Alaska Fish and Game; active in civic and community affairs.
- '93 MS—**Steven J. Uzman** of West Danby, NY, April 10, 2010; online instructor, U. of Phoenix.
- '97 PhD—**Joseph P. Flaherty** of North Andover, MA, May 28, 2010; senior principal systems engineer, Raytheon; active in community and religious affairs.
- '98 BS Hotel—**Leah J. Sutherland** of Utica, NY, April 29, 2010; general manager, Hotel Utica; attorney.
- '01 MBA—**Rupert A. Walters III** of New York City, May 20, 2010; VP, Bank of America; investment banker, Royal Bank of Canada; also worked for Bear Stearns; asst. coach, Cornell women's lacrosse; active in alumni affairs.
- '02 BME—**Jonathan Leung** of Cohoes, NY, April 26, 2010; grad student; expert on monolayer hydrodynamics.
- '08 BA—**Andrew M. Webb** of Houston, TX, April 12, 2010; student, pre-health program, Penn; author; Cornell lacrosse player; active in community affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.
- '11—**Matt C. Zika** of West Lafayette, IN, March 12, 2010; junior Operations Research major, College of Engineering; poet; varsity baseball player; active in community affairs.

Elevator to Yesteryear

In an aerie that's home to the Medical college archives, a royal charter and some vintage bedpans



WEILL CORNELL MEDICAL COLLEGE ARCHIVES

On the Ithaca campus, the archives reside in a sub-basement—deep underground in Kroch Library's Rare and Manuscript Collections. At the Medical college in New York City, it's the opposite: its repository of institutional memory is located far above the East River's waters.

To get there, you take a vertical ride to the twenty-fifth floor of Baker Tower. It's not a quick trip; only one elevator serves the archives, and its operator must be coaxed to pick you up between patient transports. Once arrived, you have a literal bird's-eye view: outside the window is a nested pair of peregrine falcons. They're a protected species, and whenever Weill Cornell does exterior maintenance, it has to work around them.

Housing the records not only of the Medical college but of New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center and its progenitor institutions, the archives include some 6,000 linear feet of documents and more than 15,000 photographs. Then there's all the assorted ephemera: Civil War-era surgical instruments, old microscopes, various awards, the hulks of discarded medical equipment. "We don't encourage it, but we get what people send," longtime head archivist Jim Gehrlich laments, touring the archives a few weeks before his retirement in June. "We've become the attic of an old house. If people don't know what to do with something, they say, 'Send it up to the archives.'"

In one corner is a stack of brass letters, dismantled when the medical center's Greenberg Pavilion was built in 1993, that spell

out the name of the Lying-In Hospital. "People didn't want to throw them away," Gehrlich explains. And what's that round thing? "It's an old wheel that was found on the site of the brewery that was here before this building was built." Across the way is what looks like a clear plastic dollhouse, furnished with Seventies-era décor; it proves to be a bygone collection box for donations to buy gifts for needy pediatric patients. "It has no archival value, but they were cleaning a room downstairs and sent it up here," Gehrlich says with a now-familiar sigh. "It used to be in the room where employees cashed their checks, which nobody does anymore, and if they got any coins they would put them into the 'penny fund.' There's still some change in it."

Though such objects—like, say, the stack of vintage bedpans—may catch the visitor's eye, for Gehrlich they were more of a space-hogging headache. Yes, some have curatorial value, such as the glass slides that anatomy professor George Papanicolaou used in creating the Pap smear. But the archives' real mission is to preserve photographs and documents—the most precious of which is the royal charter, dated June 13, 1771, and written on three map-sized sheets of sheepskin, that King George III granted to what would become New York Hospital. It resides in a custom-made box, which Gehrlich kept in his coat closet. "This document is older than the Declaration of Independence," he says. "The U.S. government has spent millions on preserving that, and we've spent maybe \$500 on this. It's hardly readable anymore. Part of the reason is that for almost a hundred years, it hung over the fireplace in the Board of Governors room."

Tools of the trade: The archives' holdings include antique surgical instruments.

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