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Notice of Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Acacia Fraternity Corporation will be held on Saturday, May 4, 1991 at 11:00 a.m. at 318 Highland Road, Ithaca, NY 14850. A barbecue lunch will follow the meeting. All alumni are encouraged to attend.

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Mark A Schaten, MD '84 (0923) [2 Adams St #803, Denver, CO 80206] is currently in third year of Internal Medicine Residency in Denver. He hoped to practice in the Denver area. Has kept in touch with **David Sangree '84** (0917) who is finishing his Peace Corps commitment in Africa. Also keeps in touch with **Jon Ollick '84** (0920). Would enjoy getting together with any Cornell Acacians he knows who come to Colorado (even if just at the airport waiting between flights).

Andrew Brenner '90 (0953) [47 Parkvale Ave #3, Allston, MA 02134] enjoyed the new, classy format Traveller (despite its spelling errors!). Law school is great, but tons of work. First year law school women are "healthy", and have 5-figure earning potential in just 3 more years! Has spoken with **Garth Petracca '87** (0938) who lives with his wife on Cape Cod, **George White** (UNH grad who was Resident Advisor during Cornell Acacia's 're-birth'), and **Mike Oates '88** (0937) who works and lives nearby. Andy speaks frequently with **Mike Rosenthal '90** (0955). Anyone who wishes to chat with Andy can call him @617-783-0693.

Devin Van Zandt '90 (0962) [3296 Lydius St., Schenectady, NY 12303] recently married a blond Swedish stewardess in France. Their first-born (on the way) will be named Acacia (boy) or Wootan (girl). Since he started working for GE (08/90) designing lightbulbs, he has become manager/CEO of the east coast.

Seriously, though, Devin writes 'Good luck to anybody looking for a job in the engineering field!'

Chapter Eternal

Howard Campbell '25 (0235) - 2/25/90
J. Paul Blanchard '29 (0292) - 7/9/90

active in the creation of a new entity to provide a financial solution to the S&L and banking industry liquidity crisis.

Fred Tierney '71 (0763) [48740 Amarilla Ct., Fremont, CA 94539] walked away with third place title in a National Volvo Tennis League tournament. He still runs his own transportation management company, while wife, Kay, is technical editor and writer with Apple Computer.

Tim Birkland '75 (0798) [29A Camelot Court, Buffalo, NY 14214] recently moved back to NY from Boston with wife, April, and sons Aaron and Scotty.

John Maciag Jr. '75 (0802) [109 N. Washington St., Plainville, CT 06062] joined **Howie Zwiefel '69** (0734) and **Don Herring '76** (0815) in Boston to see the Cornell football squad beat Harvard.

John Gammel '77 (0826) [RD#1, Box 454, Womelsdorf, PA 19567] and wife, Geri, and year-old son, Garrett anxiously await the completion of the addition to their home. John has heard from **Jeff Earickson '77** (0823) and **Bob Merritt '75** (0807).

Mark Maltenfort '77 (0831) [12076 Mereview, Creve Coeur, MO 63146] has two children, Marshall (5-1/2) and Miranda (2-1/2).

Joseph Schussler '80 (0872) [51 Gentilly Trailer Park, Auburn, AL 36830-4211] expects to receive his Masters of Accountancy at Auburn this month. Has visited **Bill Hairston '80** (0873) in Birmingham. Joe, wife Wendy, and their three children enjoy living down South where they face the difficult decision of which pair of shorts to wear in January.

Christopher Deane '83 (0908) [8 Ridgewood Dr., Vernon, CT 06066] and **Barbara Warner Deane '83** (L012) keep busy these days with beautiful infant daughter, Elizabeth.

Venerable Dean's Report

By Steven Horowitz 966

Once again, the highlight of our semester was hosting the second annual North-east Regional Leadership Academy on March 1 - 3. It turned out even bigger than last year, with 100 Brothers from seventeen chapters converging on Ithaca. This year's topics included Rush, Risk Management, Pledge Programming, Time Management, Alumni Relations, Public Relations, and Ritual Exemplification.

This year, we've brought back some things from the past. We started last semester as you may have noticed from the format of *The Traveler*. This year also marks the first time in about five years that we will be getting a composite. We're also back in the yearbook after a short absence. This semester also marks the return of Parents Weekend. Starting this past Fall, all of our new Brothers will receive the Acacia Badge. We've also revived the Guest Speaker Program. Last semester, we

were privileged to have Professor Glenn Altschuler, History, Randy Stevens, the Assistant Dean of Students, and Dr. Kenneth Wing, Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. This semester we are planning to have Richie Moran, Cornell's Lacrosse Coach, and hopefully Cornell's President, Frank Rhodes, among others.

Finally, We want to thank the following people that came back to visit this year. I hope I didn't miss anyone; Jim Showacre (447), Peter Sun (680), Steven Stein (787), Jeff Earickson (823), Sam Morrie (833), Kevin Ashman (843), Jim Skiff (879), Paul Herrington (882), Curtis Alliaume Jr. (919), Jonathan Olick (920), Mark Schaten (923), Chris Nolan (947), Gary Boone (949), Tom Bruechert (950), Brian Klumpp (952), Devin Van Zandt (962), and Nick Strenk (963). I hope we get to meet more of you in the coming year.



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Corporation President's Report

Steven L. Stein '73 (0747)

The 1990-91 Academic year has, for the second year in a row, been rather uneventful. Jim Showacre '50 (0447), Sam Morrie '81 (0833), and I have continued in our maintenance and repair effort. Recently installed are a new grease trap, garbage disposal, and light ballasts in the kitchen. The Corporation is beginning to plan a five-year maintenance schedule, but the magnitude of this project is quite dependent on Alumni contributions. To be included in our plan is a new roof (fortunately, no leaks yet in our 20 year old roof), energy efficient replacement windows, and exhaust fans in those bathrooms which are not so equipped. This plan will be discussed at our Annual Meeting.

A few requests for an inexpensive Cornell Acacia

Alumni Directory have been received. Please contact me if you are interested in the Corporation pursuing this any further. We're not talking anything fancy, just a computer generated directory sorted several ways (by name, by state and zip, by class). How much would you be willing to pay (\$5, \$10, \$15, \$25, \$50)?

A standing invitation to those Alumni living in the Ithaca area to join us at our regular meetings (second Tuesday of every month Cornell is in session @7:00 pm). We need new members!

Thanks to all (57) of you who have contributed to the financial well-being of Acacia. How about the rest (600) of you? Please help us keep the spirit of Acacia alive at Cornell.

19380] saw **Bob Pfahl '60** during the Summer of '89. He and wife of 18 years have freshman daughter attending Penn State and 10th grade son.

Peter Eisenhut '65 (0664) [11755 Lone Tree Ct., Columbia, MD 21044] had a big year in 1990. After both daughters were married, dear old dad got remarried! Says Peter, "As followers of Pythagoras we must, in this time of international crises, 'seek the truth' within our own minds. But, let us not, mistakenly assume we have found any more of it than those with whom we disagree."

Laddie Amatull '68 (0714) [3150 Windjammer Dr., Colorado, CO 80920] retired from the Air Force after 21 years of active duty. Daughter Lisa is a competitive gymnast and daughter Alison competes on the high school swim team. Wife Evelyn teaches preschool and babysits.

William Amon III '68 (0715) [13312 Pennypacker Lane, Fairfax, VA 22033] returns from London, England this month after spending a few years there on a US Navy project. He has seen **Chuck Rickard '67** (0706), **Johnny Brown '69** (0727), **Hollister Moore '67** (0702), **Jerry Kreider '68** (0720), **Rich Ahlfeld '68** (0713), and **Ed Groark '66** (0691).

Jerry Kreider '68 (0720) [9 Narbrook Park, Narberth, PA 19072] visited Ithaca last April with daughter Melissa who is looking at colleges (applying to Yale for early decision).

Richard Lysle '69 (0732) [Washington Square 400, 330 Washington St., Marina Del Ray, CA 90292] and Lori are proud parents of new baby girl, Lily Rae, born 8/5/90.

Stewart Burger '70 (0738) [623 Crystal St., Ames, IA 50010] commented on the 'Excellent Traveller'. *Why thank you! - eds.*

David Miller '70 (0741) [2413 Hillock Ct., Lansdale, PA 19446] is

Robert Flickenger '47 (0434) [801 Le Brun Rd., Amherst, NY 14226] enjoyed reading the Fall '90 Traveller, and says to 'Keep up the good work!'.

John Woodford '47 (0435) [4364 Greenwood, Okemos, MI 48864] visited Alaska last summer for 2 months. Has had four more grandchildren in past year.

William Burnett '53 (0490) [11 S. Helderberg Pkwy., Slingerlands, NY 12159] attended a mini-reunion near Philadelphia on 11/17/90 hosted by **Dave '51** (0526) and **Lorna Hower**. Also attending were **Dick and Barb Davis, Joe and Jean Wilford, and Bill and Nancy Burnett**.

Ernest Schaufler '48 (0500) [101 Turkey Hill Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850] is keeping busy here in Ithaca. Made it to Alaska last summer (10,000 miles round trip).

Lafayette W. Knapp, Jr. '51 (0509) [402 Linder Rd., Iowa City, IA 52240] became Professor Emeritus 2/88 from U. of Iowa. Presently is consultant on Agricultural Health and Safety problems.

David Hower '51 (0526) [187 Lookout Lane, Willow Grove, PA 19090] took early retirement and now has own Management Consulting business in total quality, and is on faculty at Penn State. Was planning a 5 week Australian vacation last Fall.

Carey Fletcher '58 (0596) [169 Seville Dr., Rochester, NY 14617] has only a couple more years until he can retire (Science Teacher at East High) and spend the winters with his wife at their Honolulu condo. Summers will be spent at their Adirondack camp, and they will travel and visit friends and family in between.

William Keltz '61 (0632) [1403 Grand Oak Lane, West Chester, PA

R.L.A. Report

George Masswohl, Acacia Leadership Consultant

On March 1st through 3rd the Cornell chapter hosted Acacia's second annual Northeast Regional Leadership Academy. In attendance were over 100 undergraduates from 17 chapters. These undergraduates joined with alumni and Headquarters staff for a week-end of brotherhood and education. All in all, the weekend was a resounding success and a fine fraternal opportunity for all those involved. On behalf of the International Fraternity I would

like to express here my appreciation for all of the hard work and effort put forth by the men of the Cornell Chapter. Without the dedication, pride, and tolerance shown by these Acacians in organizing and operating Northcote in such a manner as to accommodate so many guests, this weekend could never have been the success that it was. The Cornell Chapter, its actives and alumni, may all be very proud of what they have contributed.

Acacia: "Animal House"

By Anrew Regenbaum 973

On October 17-19 1990, the brothers of Cornell Acacia kicked off our third annual "Meet the Animals Week". This event benefits the Tompkins County SPCA. This year we were aided in our fundraising efforts by the sisters of Alpha Phi sorority. As per tradition, we borrowed a couple of kittens and a puppy from the shelter and set up shop in front of Willard Straight Hall. Here we let the animals evoke sympathy and spare change from any and all members of the

Cornell community who happen to pass by. Despite the windy, rainy and generally dreary weather, the puppies and kittens of the shelter still managed to attract the sympathy and charity of the Cornell community as we raised over \$1100. T-shirts were also produced and sold to benefit the SPCA. Overall, everyone who participated in the event had a great time and we all will sleep better "knowing we helped feed and house the homeless animals."

Meet the Pledges

Peter J. Eworonsky is a junior in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, majoring in Animal Sciences. His hometown is Colonie, NY, a suburb of Albany. He transferred into Cornell after receiving an Associates in Applied Science, in Agricultural Science, from the State University of New York, College of Technology, at Canton. His hobbies include fishing, hunting, and weightlifting. He will be graduating in May 1992, and would like to attend graduate school.

Michael J Budreski is a young man who enjoys life. He is currently a freshman in the College of Engineering, studying to be a chemical engineer. Michael is originally from Brockton, Massachusetts, but now lives in Bourne, Massachusetts, on Cape Cod. During his free time, Mike likes to exercise. He was on the crew team during the first semester of his freshman year, and later hopes to join the ski team. His other interests are sailing, softball, swimming and relaxing. Michael hopes that he can contribute to the Acacia desire for knowledge and to also be social and help the community. Whenever there is something to be done, be it something enjoyable as a party with other brothers and students, or

something as tedious as painting a house or doing construction, Michael will be sure to do it with promptness and the positive attitude that all Acacians are known for.

David Hatch is a freshman in the School of Hotel Administration. As a member of the class of 1994, he plans on majoring in operations management or food and beverage management. David is from Aurora, Colorado where he enjoys skiing, soccer, baseball, and basketball. In his second semester, he is taking courses in economics, statistics, government, language, and communication. On campus, David is working at the Statler Hotel in the housekeeping department and is in the Student Hotel Sales and Marketing Association.

James E. Fu is among the new generation of Acacians embarking on the journey of pledgship to realizing brotherhood in the Cornell Chapter. Born in Missoula, Montana, James has spent the last twelve years living and learning in Milford, Connecticut, where he graduated with honors last year from Notre Dame High School of West Haven, Connecticut. He resides in Wichita, Kansas, with his parents and younger

97222] has generously created a Cornell Fraternityship fund.

John Clarkson 'GR (0309) [Presby Home C-213, Clinton, SC 29325] is planning a seven day Caribbean cruise aboard the QE2 in May.

Clarence Bent DVM '39 (0334) [Embassy MHPark, 16416 US-19 N., Lot 1704, Clearwater, FL 34624] spent last summer going north and south. Joined Faith Church in Clearwater.

David MacQuigg (0352) [8633 Meadowood Dr., Newburgh, IN 47630] retired from medicine in 1986 (including 29 years in army). Underwent bypass cardiac surgery 10/89 and is now bothered by arthritis. Sends his regards to all the Brothers.

Robert Bradley '40 (0365) [18680 Augusta Dr., Monument, CO 80132] had a short visit to Ithaca last June for his 50th Reunion. He and wife, Kit, were disappointed that there were so few Cornell Acacians attending. They did get to visit with **Sandy '40** (0381) & **Martha Cheney**. Were pleased that the Chapter House and grounds are looking so nice.

Burt Dutcher '41 (0377) [2645 D Frontier Trall, Atlanta, GA 30341-5227] is in the process of writing about some of his Cornell experiences while a student (1937-41). Anyone Cornell Acacian in the classes of 1938-44 who know Brother Dutcher are welcome to share their memories with Burt.

M. Truman Fossum '40 (0393) [Thomas House, Apt. 519, 1330 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20005] has been plagued with diabetic ailments of late.

R. Stephen Hawley '43 (0403) [8249 Bank St. Rd., Batavia, NY 14020] requested the address of **Richard Bonser '43** (0403) [12 O'Clock Rd., Weston, CT 06883].

loop, there is always a letter in it from everyone in the chain. As long as everyone continues to send the letter on, the chain will never be broken and you can keep in touch forever.

Two hints. First, if you have too many people, it will take a long time to make one complete circuit unless everyone is super-fast about writing as soon as they get the chain. Second, if you can get everyone's address before they graduate and scatter, it makes it easier to get started.

If you can't get everyone's address, get as many as possible, start the chain, and add others as you get their addresses. This has usually worked well for our pledge class, and there is no reason why it can't work for any other group who wants to stay in touch.

Paul C. Herrington 882 Pledge Class of '78 Agr. '81

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August Rittershausen '21 (0167) [87 Clinton Ave., Nyack, NY 10960] writes that he is still alive and kicking - confined to his home, but happy to hear any news of Acacia.

John Cheney DVM '24 (0239) [57 E. Main St., Canton, NY 13617] and his wife are more or less confined to home, but manages to get to church and Rotary, as well as doing the shopping.

Dr. Wayne Kuhn 'GR (0288) [12705 SE River Rd., Portland, OR

brother, Edward. A freshman in the College of Arts & Sciences, James has been honored by the University Board of Trustees in being named a Cornell University National Scholar. He currently intends to major in the biological sciences, with emphasis on anatomy and physiology, pursuant to a career in medical practice and aerospace medicine. At Cornell, James is a trumpeter in the Cornell Symphony Orchestra, and the Big Red Marching Band. In his free time, James also enjoys running, cross-

country skiing, sailing, and bicycling. James hopes to invest his enthusiasm, ambitious desire for achievement, and his ideals of community and human service in the Cornell Chapter, to enhance and carry forth the illustrious tradition that is Acacia.

Editor's note: At the time of this printing our spring rush has yielded three new pledges with a number of bids still outstanding. We'll let you know about them in the fall edition of *The Traveler*.

Big Red Sports II

By William Cammuso 965
Acacia Athletic Director

The winter sports seasons are drawing to a close, and several Cornell teams are in excellent shape. Of course, we can not overlook the football team's garnering a share of the Ivy crown for the second time in three years. Behind the leadership of Chris Cochrane, the Ivy League's top rated passer, the Red finished the season with a 6-1 Ivy League record. Congratulations, guys!

Getting to winter sports, we can't say enough about the wrestling team. As of

this writing, the team is 14-0 and has captured their fifth Ivy League title. Coach Jack Spates says "Right now we're just rockin' and rollin'," and we hope they continue to do so as the squad rises in national prominence.

The men's hockey team is currently tied for the ECAC lead with the Golden Knights of Clarkson, and stands a very good chance of making the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1986. The team is ranked sixth nationally, and its rosters hold some fourteen

NHL draftees. Since last issue, you can add freshman goaltender Parris Duffus (cousin of Andy Moog) to your list of draftees. He was selected by the St. Louis Blues out of high school. How can you go wrong with a team with this much talent? Look for a definite national championship run, with the team (and many of my old teammates) hopefully going all the way in the St. Paul Civic Center.

Looking forward to spring, we hope you will stop by to watch the lacrosse and baseball teams in action. Let us know when you'll be in town.

The Dissolution of the Division of Campus Life

When students returned for classes this Spring 1991 term, more than just another semester was born. This Spring term marks the first semester in the last 20 years of Cornell history in which the Division of Campus Life no longer exists. Allow me to provide a brief history of the Division and the philosophical foundation on which the changes were implemented.

Many are already familiar with the Division of Campus Life (DCL). The former Vice President of Campus Af-

fairs, William Gurowitz, always toted a bright yellow smiley face button on his lapel—everyday. Students regarded him with the highest respect and loyalty. After the departure of Dean of Students David Drinkwater in 1988, Bill remained as the last friendly and approachable administrator on campus. Students loved him and he loved students: a rare combination.

DCL consisted of several University departments, including the four that the Student Assembly has legislative jurisdiction over: Residence Life, Dining, Dean of Students, and Unions and Activities. Bill met biweekly with the leadership of the Assemblies governance system to discuss the affairs of the departments in relation to the governance system.

Currently, the University wishes to pursue a new philosophy. Specifically, administrators felt that Cornell should integrate the academic and non-academic realms of the University. In the pursuit of such a goal, University administrators decided that the "student" departments should fall under the auspices of an academic Vice President.

Consequently, DCL was dissolved and the student departments were re-routed to report to the Vice President for Academic Programs. Further, the title would be amended to read Vice President for Academic

A Note from Brother Herrington 882

Paul came to visit us during the editing of The Traveler and wrote this article for us.

I know it's been a while since I have written, so I'll give you the Reader's Digest version of what's going on in my life. I'm still married, and still working as a loan officer for the Farm Credit Service. My wife Lisa works as a data entry clerk for a local oil company. We bought a house two years ago, and are hoping to add on a garage this year. No kids yet, but we'll probably be taking that step in the next couple years.

Our pledge class is in the process of putting together a 10-year reunion, since most of us graduated in 1981. We may very well end up having a summer picnic at Cornell. Whatever we do, we will be inviting alumni from other years that we still keep in touch with. If we do end up at Cornell, it could be a start toward reviving the old Acacia Summer Weekend. We'll keep you posted.

I'd like to tell my fellow alumni (and future graduating classes) about a good way to keep in touch. My pledge class — the pledge class of '78 — has what we call a chain letter. Basically the way it works is as follows.

The first person in the chain writes a letter, telling what's going on in his life. He sends it to the second person, who adds his own letter, and sends it on to the third. By the time it gets to the last person (in our case, #10), there are letters from every person in the chain except the last. The last guy adds his letter and sends it on to the first.

The first person then takes out his letter and writes a new one, telling what has gone on in his life since he wrote his previous letter. He then sends it on to the second person, who does the same thing. In essence, once the letter has made the first complete

Honor Roll 1990-91

FRANK O AGEL '26 (0232)
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 JOHN M CLARKSON 'GR (0309)
 MEREDITH R CUSHING '44 (0418)
 CHRISTOPHER P DEANE '83 (0908)
 SCOTT H DULMAN '83 (0899)
 BURTT D DUTCHER '41 (0377)
 PETER S EISENHUT '65 (0664)
 WILLIAM R EVANS '66 (0672)
 JOHN F FELDSTED '77 (0824)
 CAREY W FLETCHER '58 (0596)
 ROBERT D FLICKINGER '47 (0434)
 M. TRUMAN FOSSUM '40 (0393)
 JOHN C GAMMEL '77 (0826)
 PAUL B GOLDBERG '71 (0755)
 JOHN M GRAHAM '81 (0883)
 RICHARD K HAN '81 (0878)
 R. STEPHEN HAWLEY '43 (0403)
 HENRY L HOOD '43 (0407)
 FRANCIS M HUGO '62 (0597)
 BURTON F INGLIS '40 (0385)
 PAUL C JAMES '56 (0606)
 ALAN L JETTE '82 (0895)
 WILLIAM L KELTZ '61 (0632)
 LAFAYETTE W KNAPP JR. '51 (0509)
 A. LEE KNIGHT '71 (0757)
 JOHN L KRAKAUER '62 (0642)
 JERRY W KREIDER '68 (0720)
 WAYNE E KUHN 'GR (0288)
 JOHN A MACIAG JR. '76 (0802)
 JOHN S MALLERY JR. '52 (0545)
 MARK F MALTENFORT '77 (0831)
 DAVID J MILLER '70 (0741)
 SAMUEL C MORRIE '81 (0833)
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 STANLEY R NIMAN '73 (0783)
 ALAN T PASQUINO '84 (0916)
 CHESTER L POHL '51 (0495)
 STEVEN H PRINCE '67 (0705)
 AUGUST W RITTERSHAUSEN '21 (0167)
 MARK A SCHATEN MD '84 (0923)
 ERNEST F SCHAUFLEER '48 (0500)
 JAMES C SHOWACRE '50 (0447)
 ROBERT T SNOWDON '39 (0364)
 FREDERICK W TIERNEY JR. '71 (0763)
 DEVIN T VAN ZANDT '90 (0962)
 KENNETH M WEISS '83 (0902)
 ALBERT S WOODFORD '45 (0436)
 JOHN P WOODFORD '47 (0435)

Programs and Campus Affairs. Bill now serves as the Director of Environmental Health and Safety in the Department of Life Safety.

Dr. Larry I. Palmer will retain his position as the Vice President for Academic Programs and Campus Affairs. Dr. Palmer has little experience in terms of dealing with students, yet he possesses a sincere ambition to make the transition as easy as possible and hopefully gain the wealth of experience and the rapport that Bill had with students. In addition, Bill Gurowitz will serve as a special advisor to the President of the University, Frank Rhodes, in the next semester or two to ensure that the transition is smooth and free of impediments.

Not surprisingly, students were vehemently opposed to the hasty reorganization. The overriding philosophy of the changes and the actual changes themselves are, perhaps, in the best interest of the university, yet the administration neglected to confer with student representatives on the issue. Instead of discussing the changes with the Student Assembly to predict and quell potential problems before they arose, the administration decided to plough through with their new ideas. Naturally, the administrative moves were met with ambivalence and insecurity.

Since the presentation

of the changes to the Student Assembly in November, much has been worked out to the mutual satisfaction of both students and the administration. Nonetheless, there are still many dilemmas that are currently in discussion and alternative solutions are pending investigation. There remains much work to be done, and both students and administrators have pledged support to find a quick resolve to restructuring pitfalls.

Now, more than a month after the changes, the hallways of Day Hall are more quiet than just weeks earlier and a vacant office remains on the third floor. Bill has retired his trademark: the smiley face that once symbolized Bill's devotion to students now brightens a drawer in his home. I suppose that in order to foster new traditions, older ones must be forgotten. Bill's service to the University and, more importantly, to students, will never be forgotten to those who know what he has accomplished in his years of service. My friendship with him and the perpetual smile on his own face will live on long after the Division of Campus Life is lost in the history books of your and mine, Cornell University.

Paul N. Hayre 970

*President of the Student Body,
the Student Assembly, Cornell
University*

Venture to the Great White North

By Jonathon Lammers 972

January 26, 1991, a day that will go down in history. The commencement of Cornell Acacia's first roadtrip of the semester. At 2:00 p.m. on this fateful day, six brothers, with a handful of pledges in tow, embarked on a journey into the "Great White North."

We chose Carleton Acacia in Ottawa, Canada as the destination of the roadtrip. There are several reasons we chose Carleton, most of which I shouldn't mention as I am a fine, upstanding member of Acacia fraternity. Lets just say that in my current standing as a 19 year old, Canada has certain advantages over the U.S. However, the main reason we chose Carleton was because they were having a huge "beach party." We thought this sounded like fun since they had a record breaking snowfall in Ottawa the night before, and also because we didn't realize they had beaches in Canada, so we wanted to see what their interpretation of a beach party was.

Anyway, as I already mentioned, we left at 2:00 p.m. on January 26, 1991, with new pledges in tow, to show them one of the great experiences of being an Acacian. As we drove through Cortland, then Syracuse and Watertown, our excitement grew. We crossed

the Thousand Islands bridge, went through customs, and stopped at the Duty Free store on the border to see what kind of goodies we could find, and also to change our money to Canadian. Then, finally, we headed into the -10 degree weather of the desolate wasteland called Canada. (Actually, it wasn't too cold, we were in Canada, so that temperature was in Celsius.)

When we got to Carleton, we decided to go to the bars before the party, so we didn't get to the party until 10:00 p.m. We entered with our long underwear and winter coats into a house full of people wearing, at most, shorts and a t-shirt. We looked and felt out of place, so we stripped down as far as we legally could. There were a few smart ones in our group who had brought shorts along. Unfortunately, I wasn't one of them. I have to admit, the Carleton boys can throw a really good party. We all had a great time. Around midnight, as the party was wrapping up, we all went our separate ways, since we couldn't all easily fit in their house.

We got back together the next morning and set off back to the States, stopping first to eat at Harvey's. I highly recommend going elsewhere if you're ever in Ottawa. It was

not a pleasant experience. On the way home, and for several days following, we talked about our exploits in Canada that weekend.

I, personally, am very glad I took the time to roadtrip

to Carleton. Not only was it one of the best times I've had all year, but I feel a lot closer to the brothers and pledges I shared the experience with. That, in itself, made it worth the trip.

House Improvements

By Andy Nolan 969

Within the last few months we have made some outstanding improvements at beloved Northcote. The house, getting near a century old, needed some new appliances, and a select few alumni helped carry the burden of fixing things up and replacing that which could not be repaired. I would like to make special mention of local alumni Jim Showacre and Sam Morrie, without whom our house would surely have toppled from its foundations.

Last semester saw the additions of a commercial dryer, washer, and a water heater, the latter two of which were funded by the corporation board. This semester, we completely replaced all the plumbing in the kitchen, and installed a new grease trap and a new garbage disposal unit. We also added a brand new refrigerator to our kitchen, and replaced the rotted out tile that lay below the old one. The drains in the kitchen deep sink were replaced along with the plumbing. The fluorescent lamps in the dining room

and kitchen were starting to die, and Jim and Sam arrived once again to replace the ballasts and bulbs so that we could resume our eating habits.

Eureka! In a meek show of independence (i.e., without having to harass Jim and Sam over the phone), I found a used condensing unit for our broken freezer from a local plumber, thus saving the house \$438 on the cost of a new compressor. Hopefully, this will be the last of our house repairs for this year, for the funds we had set aside for my office are long ago depleted, and we have had to solicit much funds from our corporation board.

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