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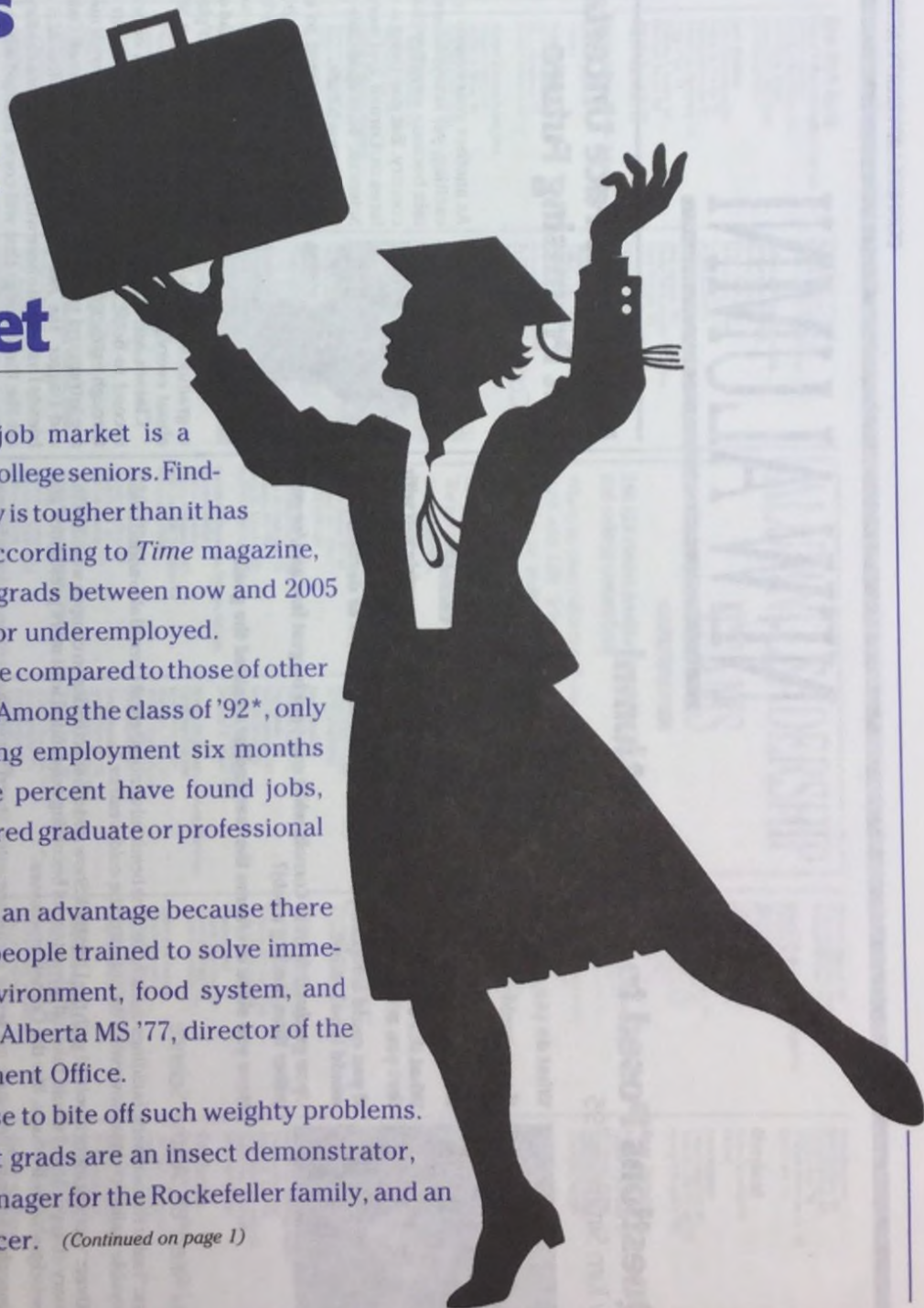
ALS Grads Are Making It In Tight Job Market

Contemplating the job market is a scary business for college seniors. Finding a good job today is tougher than it has been in 20 years. In fact, according to *Time* magazine, 30 percent of new college grads between now and 2005 will end up either jobless or underemployed.

Just how do ALS grads fare compared to those of other colleges and universities? Among the class of '92*, only 7 percent were still seeking employment six months after graduation. Fifty-five percent have found jobs, while 34 percent have entered graduate or professional schools.

"Over all our grads have an advantage because there will always be a need for people trained to solve immediate problems in the environment, food system, and health care," says William Alberta MS '77, director of the college's Career Development Office.

But not all of them choose to bite off such weighty problems. Among the ranks of recent grads are an insect demonstrator, a food stylist, an estate manager for the Rockefeller family, and an organic-mushroom producer. (Continued on page 1)



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ALS Grads Are Making It (continued from cover)

Those who make the biggest bucks, however, tend to work in business as actuaries, auditors, and accountants. Close runners-up are environmental and biological engineers and consultants.

Graduates from statistics and biometry commanded the highest median starting salary of \$35,000, followed closely by those from agricultural and biological engineering at \$33,000, and applied economics and business management at \$28,000.

At the other end of the spectrum are those who studied natural resources and animal and plant sciences. They typically began at \$18,000.

Those most likely to postpone employment until after graduate school are microbiology, education, and biological science majors. The most frequently sought advanced degrees are the MD, MA/MS, and DVM.

What about the young people for whom the college was founded, the sons and daughters of New York's farmers?

"Fewer and fewer students choose production agriculture," Alberta observes. In 1982, 15 percent of ALS grads went into farming, whereas today that number has shrunk to 6.5 percent. And more often they prefer to become management-level employees on other people's large operations than to own and operate smaller farms themselves.

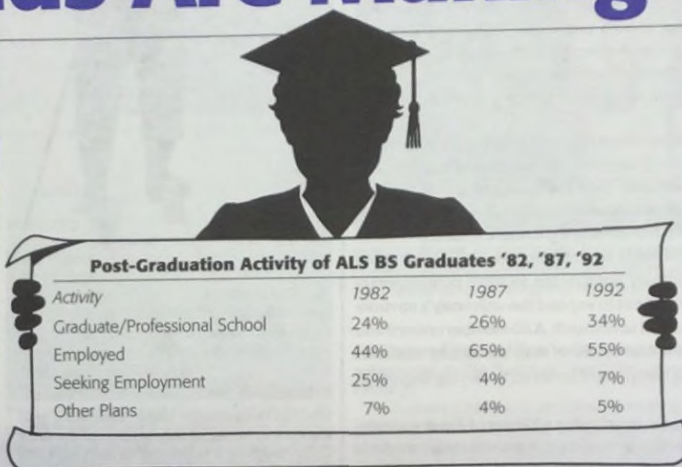
Alberta has been counseling job-seeking students for more than a decade. What differences has he seen over the years?

"As the Fortune 500 companies continue to downsize from hiring 14 percent of the population in the late 80s to less than 10 percent today, more students are looking to jobs with small and mid-size companies," he says. Too, there's more interest in the public sector where, he points out, nearly one-third of the American workforce is now employed.

Even so, corporate recruiters still see the college as a fertile field for finding prime employees. As everywhere, recruitment is declining, but here less so. Whereas a decade ago 100 recruiters came to campus each year, 85 did so last year. But Alberta points out that most other institutions have seen a drop of more than 40 percent.

Another trend he sees is the way women approach their own career development.

"Women are more concerned than men about being effective in the job search," Alberta says. "They want to know an employer's record and policies toward women and toward child care, just how many women there are in mid-manage-



ment positions, and the like. They're very assertive in looking for jobs where women are treated fairly."

All in all, ALS grads have reason to take heart.

"Students need to look at the job market realistically," Alberta allows. "But I've found that if people have a real passion for a particular kind of work, have prepared themselves well, have done

internships and summer jobs to get added experience, and if they're willing to pay their dues, it's rare that they don't land the jobs they want."

By the way, just what do insect demonstrators do? Believe it or not, it's a new field of education in science museums where, dressed-up as bugs, they teach kids about insects.

Metta Winter

Career Networks Link Alumni And Students

You can't beat personal contacts when it comes to landing a job or even figuring out which career suits you best. Plugging into the right network is the trick.

To give students a leg up, the ALS Career Development Office has asked alumni to participate in two networks, one for food science graduates and the other for those in agricultural and biological engineering. Since the networks began two years ago, 240 alumni have signed up to help students and fellow alumni—in a variety of ways from discussing their careers over the phone to arranging job interviews with their companies.

"Even looking through the network listings is valuable for students," Alberta says. "They show them the vast range of job opportunities within a given field." They are also a good source for summer jobs or volunteer opportunities to try out a particular line of work.

The service will be expanded to a collegewide basis in the very near future. Alumni interested in participating in the networks—or using them to make their own career changes—can contact the ALS Career Development Office, 177 Roberts Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. 14853; 607-255-2215.

Metta Winter

Beginning Annual Salaries of 1992 ALS BS Graduates (\$ in Thousands)

Major Field of Study	High	Low	Median
Agricultural & Biological Engineering	36	25	33
Animal Science	28.5	9.5	18
Applied Economics & Business Management	100	12	28
Biological Sciences	70	10	22
Communication	50	15	22
General Studies in Agriculture	46	14	21.5
Natural Resources	27	10.4	18
Plant Sciences	32	12	18
Soil, Crop, & Atmospheric Sciences	23	14.5	19.75
Statistics & Biometry	39	27.5	35
TOTALS	100	9.5	21.75

Too few salaries were reported from other departments to be significant.

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*data on the class of '93 was not yet available

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



College Uses Interdisciplinary Approach To Solving Today's Problems

The college has released a strategic plan that will take us well into the next century. It is the culmination of two years of discussion, with the collective input of more than 400 faculty members, staff, alumni, and advisers. The overriding theme of the plan is the challenge of change and how we will meet that challenge.

Fortunately, adapting to change is nothing new for the college. Our efforts have been directed by the shifting needs of the food and agriculture industry and the larger society. What's different today is the complexity of the problems we confront and the ways we must go about solving them.

In a special report prepared for the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, the noted education expert Ernest L. Boyer points to the need for an interdisciplinary approach in solving today's problems. "Many of the urgent problems of society, whether in physical science and technology or in the social sciences and institutions, are complex and require the contributions of many disciplines," he writes. "In this context, discovery emerges from integration, which often results in new insights from the merging of existing bodies of knowledge."

For the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and other research institutions, this means we must have faculty members who will put their expertise to work within a broader perspective. We need economists who can contribute to the solution of environmental problems, biologists who can help create rural development programs, and water quality experts who can help Third World nations develop sustainable agriculture systems.

If you've been following developments in the college in recent years, you've learned about three initiatives that are already using interdisciplinary approaches to solve contemporary issues. In 1991 we created the Center for the Environment to expand the university's environmental efforts to include teaching and extension as well as research. A 30-member council and six Senior Fellows make up the core of the program, and the more than 200 faculty members who participate in environmental programs across campus are involved to varying degrees. A majority of these are from ALS.

As part of its educational component, the center is developing a Master of Environmental Management degree program. The rigorous, scientifically based program will attract students from a variety of disciplines and prepare them to deal with "real-world" environmental issues from an interdisciplinary perspective.

Another initiative, the Community and Rural Development Institute (CARDI), has approximately 200 Cornell faculty affiliates from ALS, the College of Human Ecology, the School of Industrial and Labor Relations, and the Department of City and Regional Planning. Another large group of professionals from government agencies, Cornell Cooperative Extension, and the private sector are affiliates of the program. One CARDI project, which is studying conflict resolution of solid waste disposal issues in several New York counties, involves faculty from the departments of communication; education; agricultural, resource, and managerial economics; and human service studies; as well as several members of the Center for the Environment, the Division of Biological Sciences, and the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Overseas, the Cornell International Institute for Food, Agriculture, and Development (CIIFAD) is helping developing nations improve sustainable agricultural practices. Headquartered in the college, CIIFAD brings together Cornell faculty members, public and private sector agencies, and academics from international universities to address specific problem areas. An ongoing project in the Dominican Republic is helping protect national parklands from the slash and burn tactics that threaten the old-growth forests in so many Third World nations. This is a most sensitive issue, and finding a solution that considers the needs of everyone involved requires the collaborative efforts of rural sociologists, soil scientists, plant pathologists, biologists, and many others.

The problems society faces will demand even greater collaborative efforts in coming years. In response, we will see the creation of more multidisciplinary programs and new coalitions that merge the expertise of faculty members from Cornell and other institutions toward a common goal. Society expects a great deal from its colleges and universities. With our triple responsibility of teaching, conducting research, and making knowledge available to those who need it, we must be ready to meet those expectations.

David L. Call '54, Dean

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FACULTY PROFILE

Roughing It Earns Him a Soft Spot In Students' Hearts—Daniel G. Sisler, PhD '62



Whether cross-country skiing, supervising grad students in Nepal, or fishing north of the Arctic Circle, roughing it is the stuff of both work and play for Sisler.

Snow had fallen incessantly for two hours outside Daniel Sisler's Warren Hall office. The oversized flakes did a fine job laying a lush powder on drifts left by a week's worth of intense winter storms. Barely 15 degrees out, such a day gladdens the hearts of cross-country skiers.

It was winter break, with nary a student in sight. Sisler, behind his desk, sat smiling at the promise of an afternoon spent gliding over the snowmobile tracks near Level Green Road. Whether a quick ski break, a month spent supervising a graduate student's work in a remote village in Nepal, or a vacation fishing north of the Arctic Circle, roughing it is the stuff of both work and play for Sisler, the much-revered Liberty Hyde Bailey Professor of Agricultural Economics.

In 32 years of teaching, Sisler has shared with more than 12,000 undergraduates his knowledge of the complex and ever-changing interplay of economics, history, geography, and population growth which influence agriculture worldwide. Under his guidance more than 60 graduate students have conducted path-breaking research on world food problems that has prepared them to become leaders in international development.

Yet Sisler might never have begun such a career, one in which he's garnered all the major teaching awards given to a faculty member of the college, had it not been for his skillfulness in the out-of-doors.

"I first started thinking about teaching in the Air Force," Sisler recalls. "As a survival and rescue specialist, I would take personnel on flying status out into the field for a couple of weeks and teach them how to live off the land. It was an interesting challenge to find helpful things to say to these people and not have them blow you off because most, of course, outranked me!"

With time Sisler found that he indeed did think of helpful things to say both in the field and, later, in more formal classroom settings at several Air Force bases, and that he enjoyed teaching and was good at it.

Undergrads at Cornell spotted him fast. With the ink barely dry on his own PhD—he'd been teaching agricultural economics

just three years—Sisler was given the Professor of Merit Award, cited by a vote of seniors as outstanding in teaching, advising, and overall concern for students. Former students speak of his compassion, thoughtfulness, integrity, intellectual thoroughness, and a striking ability to motivate people.

Some reasons for such praise are obvious. "I make myself very accessible to students," Sisler says. "In large classes, I handle all the help sessions myself, personally regrade papers if students have complaints, and come to class early and stay late just to chat."

And he's generous with his office time as well. In addition to the 35 advisees he sees regularly, the door is open to all who want to come in just to talk. Evenings and weekends he gives talks and socializes at gatherings in sororities, fraternities, or other living units, usually about ten such events each year.

Letting students know just what he expects of them shows respect and caring. "Students truly do not want any surprises," Sisler says. "On the first day of class, I tell them precisely how grades are formulated, how many points they need to get an A, and so on. I've found students really like to know exactly what's going on."

Then there's the liveliness of his classes. Humor is one of Sisler's hallmarks. He maintains that in life it helps to laugh at yourself from time to time and he's known for doing so in class.

When asked about his success as a teacher, Sisler replies: "I came to the profession with a lot of varied and unusual life experiences. I'd been on Arctic expeditions, served in Korea, taught survival and rescue courses, become blind, spent an extended period of time in a hospital, and

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—Sisler

went through a vigorous Veterans Administration rehabilitation program. People look at me and are willing to talk about their problems, both academic and personal, because they figure, 'if this dude could overcome blindness, certainly he'd be able to help me.'"

Sisler thinks, too, that his blindness may have been an asset in his research on the relationship between agricultural economics and nutrition in low-income countries. He's spent time in more than a dozen Third World countries across the globe, often with his graduate students while they were getting established in a field site. "The families whose cooperation we seek seem impressed that I would come so far to work with my students," Sisler says. "So, they figure they'll help us out."

Looking back at his years here, Sisler sees rewards aplenty. "I've had the best job I can possibly think of," he says. "It's kept me in contact with extraordinarily motivated, bright undergraduates who are asking all the right questions. And with graduate students who are the cream of the crop, eager to do important things for hungry people in developing countries."

In response to the request of some of Sisler's former students, a fund has been established in honor and in anticipation of his retirement. The fund will be used to support a graduate teaching assistant in agricultural economics. If you'd like to make a gift to this fund, please contact Rebecca Smith, ALS Director of Development at 607-255-7635.

Metta Winter

ALS Inventions Take Mess out of Munching, Lethargy out of Laying



CAGEY TOYS: Hens who play with this toy designed especially for them are healthier and lay more eggs.

If playful chickens produce more eggs—and they do—what does the ideal chicken toy look like?

Gadi Gvoryahu, a scientist visiting from Hebrew University in Jerusalem, figured it out. His invention, marketed by the name Agrotoy, resembles a multi-colored plastic baby teether. Chickens peck away at it to their heart's content. With this simple addition to an otherwise barren environment, hens are healthier, live longer, and lay more eggs.

In the last five years patents have been issued for 31 inventions devised by college faculty. Some, like the chicken toy, improve food production, while others tailor foods more to consumer liking. Among them are inventions that enhance our environment and those that hold long-range potential for improving human health.

Grower Has Redder Apples

Breeding an improved cultivar of the Empire apple also came about in response to consumer demand. When the Empire, developed at the New York State Experiment Station at Geneva 26 years ago, hit the market, the only drawback to this international best seller was its color. People thought they just weren't red enough.

In 1986 Russell Teeple, a grower near Lake Ontario, noticed that one limb of an Empire apple tree in an orchard behind his house bore fruit of a distinctly redder shade. Geneva pomologists Robert Andersen, Kenneth Livermore, and Roger Way were called to the scene. By taking buds from this unique limb and grafting them on to an apple tree rootstock, they were able to capture the unique genetic trait that produces the redder skin. Susan Brown, an apple breeder at Geneva, worked with the Teeples to co-release this redder version of Empire, named Teeple Red Empire.

Root Cuttings Use Velcro

A Velcro band is the secret behind an invention that broadens the number of ornamental plants—from rhododendron and clematis to jade plant and schefflera—that can be propagated by rooted cuttings. Nina L. Bassuk, associate professor of floriculture and ornamental horticulture, and former graduate student Brian K. Maynard found that they could prime a cutting to produce roots more successfully by wrapping a 7.5 cm wide band of Velcro, which had been treated with a root-stimulating compound, around a stalk of a plant.

What happens is that the tines of the Velcro bruise the stem of the plant, allowing the compound to be absorbed quickly. By the time the stem is separated from the stalk it's all set to produce vigorous roots.

Gene Gun Is Sharp Shooter

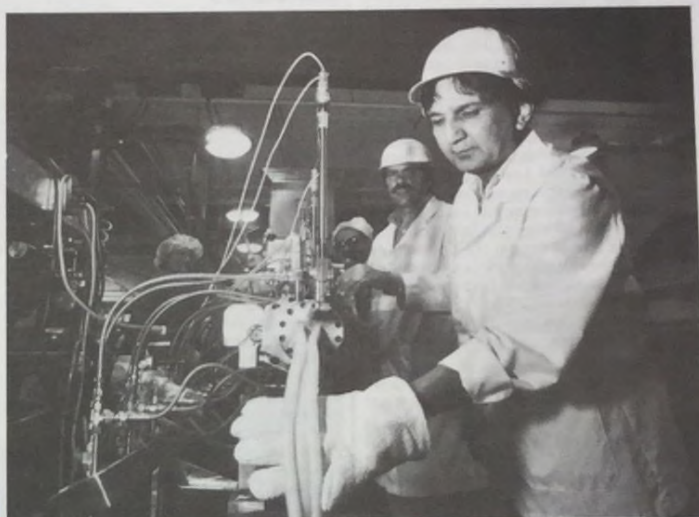
The most important invention to come out of the college in the last decade is the gene gun,

according to Walter Haeussler, president of the Cornell Research Foundation and director of Patents and Technology Marketing for the university.

"The gene gun has had a remarkable impact on agricultural biotechnology," he says. "For the first time, corn and wheat and other valued crops were biotechnically transformed using this device."

To transform a plant is to put into it a gene from some other plant that carries desirable characteristics such as drought or disease resistance. The beauty of the gene gun, for which the DuPont Company paid the college \$2.28 million in royalties and research support, is the accuracy with which it "shoots" microparticles coated with DNA and other genetic substances into living cells and tissue, thus altering their makeup.

The instrument and the processes by which it works were invented by John Sanford, associate professor of horticulture; Edward Wolf, professor emeritus of electrical engi-



CHEESE PUFFS IN THE RAW: Rizvi examines dough as it oozes out of the extruder. His invention of using supercritical fluids with an extruder to produce tastier, neater snack foods, cereals, and pasta products has been licensed to Borden, General Mills, and Nabisco.

neering; and Nelson Allen, technical services supervisor at the National Nanofabrication Facility.

Two more patents have been recently issued for refinements of this technology. Tests are under way to use the gene gun for vaccinating animals by injecting genetic material through the skin. The device holds promise as a means of treating human diseases through genetic therapy.

Snack Foods Get Tastier

Remember how your hands would get all yellowish when you ate cheese puffs? That's because the flavor of this popular snack food

was actually a coating added after the puff itself was formed. A food-processing technique invented by food science professor Syed S.H. Rizvi takes the mess out of munching.

While conducting experiments on how to make a healthier milk fat, Rizvi perfected the use of what are called supercritical fluids. When used with a machine called an extruder, supercritical fluids make it possible to disperse flavors uniformly through grain and cereal mixtures, while creating the desired texture and an infinite variety of shapes. The result: one-step production of tastier, neater-to-eat chips, puffs, cereals, and novel pasta products.

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ALUMNI PROFILE —Thressa Campbell Stadtman '40, MS '42

Pioneer Vitamin Researcher Still Pushing Frontiers at Age 73



Back in 1972 when biochemist Thressa Campbell Stadtman began studying selenium—the nutrient now thought to be a protection against cancer—it still was considered by many to be a poison. For good reason.

"Selenium is rather tricky," she explains. "There's a very narrow window between what you need and what can cause problems."

How this substance works in humans such that a certain amount of it is beneficial, indeed essential, while just 10 times that much may be toxic is but one of the projects that keeps Stadtman "in the game" after 43 years as a research scientist at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

When she was growing up near Oswego, N.Y., she thought the way to pursue her interest in math and science was to become a doctor. She entered the ALS premed program at age 16 as a bacteriology major. It was the middle of the Depression.

With free tuition, a New York State Regents Scholarship, and two part-time jobs, she managed to make it through.

"My adviser was Irwin Gunsalus," Stadtman recalls. "He was terrific! When I didn't think I could handle the courses along with working, he'd say, 'Oh, you're a good student, you can do it.' We've stayed fine friends."

Stadtman came to NIH as the only woman in the heart institute when her employer at Harvard Medical School—where she was then conducting research in cholesterol metabolism—was asked to head a new laboratory of cellular physiology. The offer was ideal because it included two jobs, one for herself and one for her husband, whom she had met while a graduate student in microbial biochemistry at the University of California at Berkeley.

"In 1950 the nepotism rules at universities were almost insurmountable," she says. "In some instances, university departments that offered my husband jobs would offer me one too, but with no salary! At NIH we could each have a job in the same laboratory." They stayed.

For more than four decades Stadtman has investigated the biochemical activities of vitamins and trace elements needed for sound nutrition.

"With something like selenium," she says, "you want to find out where it's located and exactly what it does. Without knowing this, you

can't do anything intelligent with nutrient supplements."

Stadtman's pioneering work in selenium biochemistry, begun 20 years ago, was the starting point from which other researchers would go on to discover the critical roles selenium plays in fertility, development, and protecting against heart disease and cancer.

At the age of 73, Stadtman still finds her work exciting. "We're constantly pushing the frontiers," she says. "Right now we're characterizing a new form of selenium that is forcing us into all sorts of sophisticated spectrophotometric techniques, so it's always interesting."

So, she says, is her participation in scientific organizations, busman's holidays she and her husband take around the world. The Christmas season found them in Taiwan, both giving lectures. In 1995 Stadtman will co-host an international meeting of Vitamins and Biofactors in Health Sciences, a society she helped establish to pass on the latest research in nutritional biochemistry to clinicians and health professionals.

She refers to much in her life as gratifying, including the increasing number of women in the National Academy of Sciences (of which the Stadtmans are one of the few husband and wife teams) and the National Academy of Arts and Sciences, where she sits on one of the nominating committees.

"When I was starting out in biochemistry, there were few of us," she says. "Now there are many fantastic young women in the field."

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Dale E. Bauman, professor of nutritional biochemistry in the Department of Animal Science, has been appointed chair of the Board on Agriculture of the National Research Council. His three-year term began January 1.

The board addresses science and policy issues in agriculture, food, and the environment. It is one of 10 units within the National Research Council, which was established in 1916 by the National Academy of Sciences.

An internationally recognized expert in bovine lactation, Bauman and his colleagues in the department were the first to suggest that bovine somatotropin (bST) could enhance milk production and they conducted the original studies with both bovine and porcine somatotropin. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently approved bST for commercial use.

Warren F. Lamboy, a research associate in the Department of Horticultural Sciences at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva assigned to the U.S. Plant Genetics Resources Unit, has received the Third Annual Richard and Minnie Windler Award presented by the Association of Southern Biologists. The Windler Award is given annually by the association to the author of the best paper in systematic botany published in the previous year's volume of *Castanea*, the quarterly publication of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society.

Peter L. Steponkus, the Liberty Hyde Bailey Professor of Crop Science at Cornell University, has been named president-elect of the Society for Cryobiology, an international scientific organization devoted to studies of low-temperature biology.

Steponkus's research activities, supported by grants from the U.S. departments of energy and agriculture, the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the United Nations Development Program, and several private corporations, include projects on developing techniques for the long-term storage of crop plant germplasm at ultra-low temperatures (minus 196 degrees C)—a process known as cryo-preservation. He is also pursuing the development of such procedures for storing insects used in genetic and medical studies, as well as for storing blood and blood components.

OBITUARIES

Paul J. Chapman, professor emeritus of entomology at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, died at home on October 6. He was 93.

During his five-decade career, Chapman's research distinguished him as a specialist in providing basic knowledge about insect pests of fruit crops and their interaction with their hosts. Determining the storage conditions that control apple pests and developing safe, effective horticultural spray oils now used throughout the world are but two of his many accomplishments.

Chapman served as chair of the Department of Entomology at Geneva from 1948 until 1967. He encouraged basic biological studies, seeing them as essential to the development of sound integrated pest management procedures. He established toxicology and biological control positions in the department and hired non-entomologists to help solve insect pest problems that plagued New York's fruit and vegetable industries.

When Chapman came to the Geneva Station at the age of 29, he was hired as the equivalent of a full professor, perhaps the youngest full professor ever hired by the university.

Stanley W. Warren, professor of farm management emeritus died January 10 in Elmira. He was 86.

A native of Ithaca, Warren retired in 1972 after 40 consecutive years of classroom teaching. He joined the Department of Agricultural Economics (now the Department of Agricultural, Resource, and Managerial Economics) in 1933 and over the years introduced more than 9,000 students to farm management.

Renowned for his teaching skills and his rapport with students, he received the first Professor of Merit Award granted by the college in 1948. His primary work was teaching the basic course in farm management to students who intended either to become farmers or work in related fields.

He kept a permanent file on every student he taught and devoted all his professional energies to teaching rather than research. In 40 years he missed only one scheduled class.

"He touched many lives with his down-to-earth, homespun philosophy of management and life," said George Conneman, associate



Stan Warren '27 (left) and Doug Brodie '55 shown at a recent alumni event. Warren was recognized as an Outstanding Alumni Award recipient in 1984, and Brodie in 1992.

dean for academic programs and professor of agricultural economics. "His sense of humor and sense of purpose were always evident in everything he did."

Warren's devotion to teaching was evident outside the classroom. He taught through field trips and kept in touch with many of his students long after they graduated, said C. Arthur Bratton, professor emeritus of farm management.

Not surprisingly, therefore, Warren was active with the college's Alumni Association. He was elected secretary/treasurer in 1960 following the retirement of A. W. Gibson, long-time director of resident instruction. Warren held this position until 1967. He then served as treasurer until his retirement in 1972.

In 1984 Warren was recognized by the ALS Alumni Association as a recipient of the Outstanding Alumni Award.

In 1986 the Stanley W. Warren Teaching Endowment Fund was established to maintain excellence and support innovative programs in farm and business management. That fund has grown to \$378,000 from nearly 1,000 donors.

Awarded a Distinguished Life Membership in the Northeastern Agricultural Economics Council in 1973, he was cited for his continuing commitment to farming. Among the many

honors he received were Honorary Life Membership in the Association of Teachers of Agriculture of New York (1967), the Distinguished Undergraduate Teacher Award from the American Farm Economics Association (1967), the Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award from the New York Farm Bureau (1969), and the Distinguished Service Citation of the New York State Agricultural Society (1970).

Warren received his bachelor's degree in 1927 and his doctorate in 1931, both from Cornell. On completing his undergraduate work he went to Nanking, China, where he served as a statistician for studies of Chinese agriculture at Nanking University.

For 17 years (1945-61), he served as scoutmaster of Ithaca's Boy Scout Troop 4 and was instrumental in restoring the Eight Square School on Hanshaw Road, a one-room schoolhouse.

Warren was the son of George F. Warren, an agricultural economist for whom Warren Hall is named.

Gifts in his memory to the Stanley W. Warren Teaching Endowment Fund can be sent to the College Development Office, Cornell University, 272 Roberts Hall, Ithaca N.Y. 14853-4203.

A memorial service is planned for Saturday June 11 at 9:45 a.m. in Alumni Auditorium, Kennedy Hall. For more information, please call 607-255-7651 or 607-255-3081.

SHOWCASE ALS



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Tours of the Ag Quad and Cornell Plantations were offered along with the Cornell-Fordham football game (Cornell-46, Fordham-6). Jason Straka '94, ALS Student Ambassador/alumni liaison, landscape architecture, from Brookfield, Ohio, (2nd from left) and Rebecca Emerling '94, acting student director on the ALS Alumni Association Board of Directors, agricultural, resource, and managerial economics, from Perry, N.Y. (far right), led the Ag Quad Tour during Showcase ALS. Viewing projects in the landscape architecture studio atop Roberts Hall are (l-r) Michelle Coleman '85, Bill Carr '56, Agnes Carr, and Al Lounsbury '55.



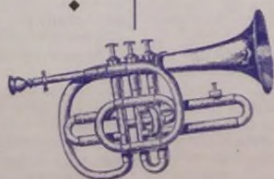
Alice C. Fort '31, Isobel C. Clark, and Austin W. Curtis '32 enjoy refreshments under the tent on the Ag Quad at the after-game party.



The Big Red Band serenades ALS alumni during the tent party on the Ag Quad.



John C. Sterling '59 (center), retiring director of ALS Alumni Affairs, was recognized by the ALS Alumni Association during the after-game party by Elaine Newcomb '64, association president, of Jackson, Wyoming, and Dean David L. Call '54.



Russian Kids Turn Radishes to Rubles

ALS horticulturist uses Russia's strong gardening tradition to teach about the Free Market

When Marcia Eames-Sheavly's *Radishes to Riches* was hot off the presses little did she know her most enthusiastic readers would be Russian youngsters. Within nine months, what was written as a 4-H project to show American teens how to sell fresh produce had been adopted by the St. Petersburg school system to bring the concept of free market capitalism alive for children of the former Soviet Union.

"Russians are excellent and enthusiastic gardeners," says Eames-Sheavly, Cornell Cooperative Extension support specialist in the Department of Fruit and Vegetable Science and a 1983 graduate of the college. "Every Russian dreams of having a dacha, a small plot of land in the countryside, for raising their own fruits and vegetables."

With such a strong gardening tradition and an avid interest in the ways of capitalism, it's easy to see why *Radishes to Riches* would catch on. Using straightforward terms and illustrated with actual work-sheets for planning the garden and keeping track of supplies, equipment, labor expenses, and receipts, the publication lays bare the nuts and bolts of managing a business.

The art of courting and satisfying customers—all the way from how to create enticing produce displays and advertisements to such advice as "Be friendly and find out what your



Eames-Sheavly talks with a Russian woman about her small garden called a "dacha." Every spare inch in a dacha is crammed with fruits and vegetables—strawberries might be interplanted with garlic, right under a plum tree, and next to some tomatoes.

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—Eames-Sheavly '83



customers want by asking them"—encompasses many elements to ensure successful marketing.

"We've had Russian students practice selling to each other in role-playing exercises," Eames-Sheavly says. "These basic concepts

of selling and making a profit that we take for granted are new and exciting to them."

Such theoretical lessons—already mastered by nearly 1,000 students—may be put into practice next spring. Eames-Sheavly has suggested they might embark on the road to entrepreneurship by growing tomato seedlings to sell to the adults in their apartment buildings for planting in container or rooftop gardens.

A Russian horticulturist has estimated that 30 percent of all fresh food consumed in the former Soviet Union is grown in privately owned small plots or gardens. Yet for many in St. Petersburg, their dachas may be up to eight hours away from home. Urban gardening is being encouraged by such organizations as the Center for Citizen Initiatives, a nonprofit group that promotes the exchange

of ideas between citizens in the United States and the former Soviet Union and which sponsored Eames-Sheavly's visit there.

So the lessons learned in *Radishes to Riches* not only give young people a chance to earn money but may also provide a way for city dwellers to plant their own gardens, providing fresh foods not otherwise readily available.

Eames-Sheavly introduced the program during a two-week trip to Russia the fall after the publication came into print. She found the people she met to be keen for gardening information.

"It was almost overwhelming at times," she recalls. "Here when I finish giving a talk, people politely applaud and that's it. But in Russia when I finished speaking to 250 or so people, many of them pressed forward eager to ask questions and share their experiences."

Using horticulture as a vehicle to experience other cultures and learn about other disciplines is the common thread that runs through all of Eames-Sheavly's work these days. In *Radishes to Riches*, for example, she incorporates entomology, plant pathology, marketing, consumer economics, and business and money management.

Here eye-opening adventures in Russia

confirmed her belief that learning about how a people grow and use their crops teaches much about their society. She has three 4-H gardening projects in the works based on this theme.

The Three Sisters: Exploring an Iroquois Garden introduces the planting system where corn, beans, and squash are grown together in hills, instead of each being planted separately in rows. Recipes for foods made from these crops, legends that explain the planting of the three "sisters" together, and even learning basic plant breeding concepts draws young people into the world of the Iroquois.

The Great American Peanut teaches the horticultural concept of manipulating the environment to produce crops originating in other climates while highlighting the contribution of African American scientist George Washington Carver who, through fully exploring uses of the peanut, rejuvenated agriculture in the southern United States. (Peanuts were brought here from Africa on slave ships, by the way.)

The Potato: Eyes of the World, developed with Tracy Farrell of the Division of Nutritional Sciences, dramatizes the nutritional value of this tuber and its place in the cultures of the South American Andes, of Ireland in the days of the Potato Famine, and in contemporary U.S. culture.

Meanwhile, as Eames-Sheavly's publications lead American young people on a tour of other cultures and other times, Russian children are learning a great deal about us. And it's all because of the educational potential one woman sees in an age-old bond among peoples—the need to eat food and the interest in how to best grow it.

Radishes to Riches and *The Three Sisters: Exploring an Iroquois Garden* are available from the Cornell University Resource Center, 8 Cornell Business & Technology Park, Ithaca, NY 14850. *Radishes to Riches* is available in two volumes: one for an adult (parent or educator) and the other a workbook for children, both for \$7.50, postpaid. *The Three Sisters* (which won two prestigious awards for excellence in garden communications from the Garden Writers Association of America) costs \$4.75, postpaid.

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ALUMNI NOTES

Rebecca Cady '95, Student Writer



1930s

Francis Davis '35 of Jericho, N.Y., continues to work on his farm and help his son Russell with his retail vegetable and flower business.

Edward J. Talbot '35 of Jefferson, Colo., retired in 1976 after working for 37 years with the U.S. government.



1940s

Joe Pendergast '38 of Lakeland, Fla., received an award for Outstanding Service to Agriculture in the community of Schorville County, N.Y., during the Cobleskill Fair. The award was presented by fair president Philip King.

Paul J. McCormick '43 of Bliss, N.Y., runs a 5,000-acre farm with his son. Chip potatoes are the main crop.

George H. Axlin '47 of East Lansing, Mich., is a professor in the Department of Resource Development at Michigan State University. George received one of five awards for Outstanding Alumni by the ALS Alumni Association this past October.

Franklyn P. Cism Jr. '49 of Harpersville, N.Y., is retired and active in many community organizations including the Harpersville School Board, the Broome County Environmental Management Council, and CAAAN, and he is a member of the ALS Alumni Association's Leadership Team for Broome and Tioga counties. He has 19 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



1950s

Philip H. Davis '50 of San Antonio, Texas, married Ingrid Deitz in February 1993. He plans to turn his farm over to his son Peter and travel.

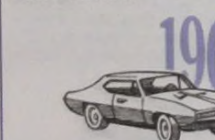
J. P. Holbein '50 of Harrison, Miss., is retired but still does consulting work and community service. He also enjoys crabbing and shrimping from his dock on the Tchoutacaboula River.

Richard L. Strangeway '50 of Granville, N.Y., is the executive director of the New York State Department of Agriculture and executive secretary of the Future Farmers of America.

Carlton J. Porter, Jr. '52 of Elba, N.Y., has six children and three grandchildren.

Gerald Kendrickall '55 of Newark Valley, N.Y., retired in 1991 from IBM and is currently the CFO for Onuma Ag-Dev.

Robert E. Francis '55 of West Chester, Pa., retired from the USDA in 1990 and now works part-time as an environmental coordinator. He travels and runs the monthly retired men's lunch at a church in West Chester.



1960s

Clifford A. Smith '60 of Oregon, Ohio, retired in June from his positions of professor and chair of the Department of Biology at the University of Toledo. He plans to devote his time to amateur radio, gardening, and developing multimedia presentations for classroom use.

Frederick Langley Jr. '65 of Kingston, N.H., is a government relations manager for Dow Chemical. He enjoys car collecting, traveling, scuba diving, and furniture making.

Freuk Vuytman '66 of Carleton, Ontario, received the 1993 Award of Merit of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta. He retired in 1992 after 25 years as curator but continues his research. **Ina (van Teunenbroek) Vuytman '65** of Carleton, Ontario, is curator of the Canadian Centre for Historical Horticultural Studies and the head librarian at the Royal Botanical Gardens.

Richard M. Lockwood '66 of Newton, Mass., is the Cornell Fund chairman for the Class of '66 and the president of Lockwood Nutrition Service, Inc. Richard reports that his son, Daniel, is a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences at Cornell.

James R. Schiabel '67 of Hilton, N.Y., is the president of Lions Club International and a teacher at Hilton Central School.

Thomas Stoddard '68 of Fayetteville, N.Y., is a project manager for the New York State Department of Transportation.



1970s

Conrad Foster '79 of Comstock, N.Y., is a retired teacher who now shows integrated circuits.

Allyn L. Lamb '71 of Rochester, Mass., is the senior vice president and credit supervisor of the South New England Farm Credit office.

Leslie Aglin Eiser '71 of Stowe, Vt., has three children. She writes about education and computers for several magazines and designs computer graphics.

Sally Shumaker '71 of Tucson, Ariz., was at Cornell this summer on a trip to deliver two high school juniors to Cornell's Summer College. In July she started a new job as the investment manager for multifamily loans and is active with the Cornell Club.

Ralph Davis '72 of Pt. Barrow, Alaska, is working with the Environmental Protection Agency.

David Glass '75 of Needham, Mass., works in the technology transfer office at Massachusetts General Hospital and consults in agricultural and environmental biotechnology. He and his wife, Pam, have two children.

Stephen LaPointe '75 of Cali, Colombia, works as an entomologist at CIAT and is currently in the Rice and Tropical Forages Programs. He is married to **Claudia Jimenez '87** and they have a daughter, perhaps class of 2017.

Janet B. Fallon '76 of Tully, N.Y., works at the Agway Research Farm. She and her husband, Martin, have two children.

Wendy E. Graham '77 of Carlsbad, Calif., completed her PhD in program evaluation in Human Ecology in 1991 and now directs one of the largest evaluations of substance abuse treatment in the criminal justice system in the country.

Thomas G. Hedberg '77 of Norwalk, Conn., recently finished research on radio frequency radiation effects on humans. He is a fellow in neurobiology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

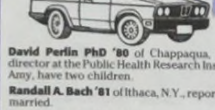
Susan Yanoff '77 of Atascosa, Texas, is a major in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps.

Jeffrey Schaefer Belisle '79 of Greenwich, Conn., received her MS from Pace University in 1991 and is a registered nurse. She is currently at home with her two daughters.

James T. Belisle '79 of Greenwich, Conn., is a neonatologist at Norwalk Hospital.

Russell Davis '79 of Melville, N.Y., runs a farm as well as a retail business and greenhouses.

Geraldine G. Cammel '79 of Womelsdorf, Pa., owns and manages a black Angus cow-calf operation.



1980s

David Perlin PhD '80 of Chappaqua, N.Y., is the scientific director at the Public Health Research Institute. He and his wife, Amy, have two children.

Randall A. Bach '81 of Ithaca, N.Y., reports that he was recently made a partner at Bingham University. She is married to **Ryan Christopher**.

Manuel Choy '82 of Delmar, N.Y., is a vice president with Fleet Bank and active in the New York State Mentor Program.

Frederick J. Ott Jr. '82 of Groton, N.Y., received his MS from Louisiana State University and teaches at the Groton Central School.

Gary R. Pollard '82 of Hudson, N.Y., is a senior loan officer, member of the Hudson Rotary Club, and an avid sportsman.

Ellen M. Talmage '82 of Calverton, N.Y., developed and operates a wholesale perennial division nursery on her family's farm. She is married to **Arnold Bernagor** and they have one son.

James J. Versweyde '82 of Delavan, Wis., is married and has two daughters. He will complete his master's degree in May.

Robin Jaffe White '82 of Jeffersonville, N.Y., has run her own family care business for eight years and is pursuing her master's degree at Bingham University. She is married to **Gregory Alan White '82**, an agriculture program leader with Cornell Cooperative Extension. They have three children.

Jan H. Woodworth '83 of New Woodstock, N.Y., is working part-time at Cornell while she finishes her PhD in education. She is married and has one daughter.

Karen Reyna White Allen '84 of Mecklenburg, N.Y., is an account marketing representative with IBM.

Patricia L. M. Lohjok '84 of Byfield, Mass., works as a custom kitchen designer and is married with one son.

Lisa Phillips Porter '84 of Adams Center, N.Y., received her MEd from St. Lawrence University in 1989 and works part-time for Cornell Cooperative Extension. She is married to **Gregory Porter '83** and they have two sons. Lisa is a member of the ALS Alumni Association Leadership Team for St. Lawrence, Jefferson, and Lewis counties.

Jean M. Richards '84 of Rome, N.Y., has three children.

Elizabeth Smith '84 of Deer Park, N.Y., has completed her ophthalmology residency and fellowship and is looking forward to private practice.

Lynne L. Crook '85 of Columbia, S.C., is an instructor at Riverbanks Zoological Park and Garden.

Kathleen Doyle '85 of Laramie, Wyo., is a graduate student at the University of Wyoming.

David J. Lewandowski '85 of Aurora, Colo., received his master's degree from Texas A & M and works for the Farm Credit Administration. He and his wife, Jennifer, have one daughter.

Alan Rutter '85 of Santa Monica, Calif., is doing advanced specialty training in ophthalmology.

Constance M. Sasso '85 of Brookline, Mass., is working for an architectural design firm in Boston and is enrolled in Harvard's Graduate School of Design.

Elizabeth M. Stamp '85 of Rock Stream, N.Y., is the assistant manager at a small family-run winery.

David M. Vetycka '85 of Wayland, N.Y., operates a family-owned potato farm.

Daniel L. Hooker '85 of Erieville, N.Y., is a captain in the Marine Reserves and served 41/2 years' active duty including service in the Far East and Operation Desert Storm. He is a manufacturer's representative and engaged to Jackie Southerner.

Paul D. Reed '86 of Apalachin, N.Y., is a science teacher and is married to **Sheri Savers Hark '86**. They have two daughters, Lauren and Morgan.

Steven L. Spalla '86 of Lewiston, N.Y., is a federal plant protection and quarantine officer. He was chosen as a member of the Preparedness for Emergency Plant Pest Action Cadre for a three-year term.

Marcia M. Zorilla '86 of Cranbury, N.J., completed her Master of Public Health in community health education from New York University in 1992.

Mary D. Best '87 of Mills, Mass., worked for the EPA's National Surface Water Survey until 1987 and is now an environmental consultant.

Kellie Reynolds Rosenberg '87 of New York City is an officer at Summitone Trust and Banking company. Her husband is enrolled at Cornell Medical-Sloan Kettering.

Kathryn K. Clejan '87 of New York City received her MS in Industrial Engineering from Columbia University. She is a financial analyst and is married to **Jean-Pierre Clejan**.

Peter L. Mapstone '87 of Manlius, N.Y., is the owner-operator of a dairy farm and married to Wendy Sell.

Edward G. Nadeau '87 of Schenectady, N.Y., is the manager of technical support for a computer networking firm.

Beth M. Newlands '87 of Troy, N.Y., is the manager of human resources and training at Hannaford Brothers.

Judy Sekelick '87 of West Sand Lake, N.Y., is a full-time student, working on her master's in elementary education.

Alicia Tolefano '87 of Chicago, Ill., received her MS and ScD in Statistics from Harvard School of Public Health. She is an assistant professor at the University of Chicago Medical Center.

Tracy I. Ward '87 of Calgary, Alberta, is a practicing veterinarian and was married to Calvin Brown on October 24, 1992.

Susanne Kraszewski Wessofsky '87 of Bridgehampton, N.Y., owns and operates a farm stand where she sells flowers and vegetables. She is married and has one child.

Michael A. Allway '88 of Fairfords, N.C., received his Master of Public Affairs from North Carolina State University in 1991 and is the community development director for the town of Morrisville.

Nimaf Hafez Barazangi '88 is a visiting fellow at the Women's Studies Program at Cornell and was awarded the 1993-94 Fellowship of Oxford University Center for Islamic Studies in support of her research on Muslim women's education. Her research project is entitled "Educational Discourse of Muslim Women: Resolving the Tension between Ideals and Realities," and she is at Oxford during the winter of 1994.

Hillary Brodsky '88 of Duluth, Ga., received her MBA from Harvard Business School and is working at the southeast region marketing manager for Reckitt and Colman.

Christopher D. Holmes '88 of Edinburgh, Scotland, is currently serving a two-year tour as operations officer aboard the HMS Chiddingfold on an exchange program with the Royal Navy.

Yeong C. Kim '88 of Chicago, Ill., is a PhD candidate in computer science at Illinois Institute of Technology.

Lisa A. Pasquale '88 of Williamsburg, Va., is pursuing her MBA at the College of William and Mary.

Rodney Porter '88 of Trumansburg, N.Y., is a sales and operations manager. He and his wife, Lynne, have two children.

Diane E. Welsbro '88 of Alliston, Mass., completed her master's degree at Boston University in 1991 and is a physical therapist at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital.

Sally H. Alling '89 of Houston, Texas, was married to R. Douglas Alling in July 1991 and works for the Houston Plaza Hotel.

Frank Alsheimer '89 of San Diego, Calif., is a meteorologist for the National Weather Service.

Kathy Hill Brown '89 of Albany, N.Y., is the vice president of the Albany Regional Office of the U.S. Forest Service. Both Kathy and Dwight are members of the ALS Alumni Association's Leadership Team in Albany, Schenectady, and Rensselaer counties.

Tami A. Carlson '89 of Springfield, Va., is working in the systematic entomology laboratory at the National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C.

Mark A. Davis '89 of Bridgehampton, N.Y., is married to **Pamela Lenowicz Davis '89** and works as a sales associate.

Christine M. DeBorja '89 of Mooresville, N.C., is a hydrologist with the North Carolina Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources and has one daughter.

Catherine Blodgett Gaffney '89 of Rush, N.Y., is the area sales manager for Kaufmann's Department Store and is attending Master of Science in Technology. She is also a member of the Rush Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department.

Ellen Graap '89 of Westchester, Pa., works for an environmental company, plans in an intensive Frisbee league, and rollerblades.

David T. Green '89 of Glen Aubrey, N.Y., purchased a small farm outside of Binghamton and has established his business.

Tracy A. Hammer '89 of Okemo, Mich., is a DVM/PhD candidate at Michigan State University. Her research involves a dog gene mutation.

Peter M. Hannigan '89 of Delhi, N.Y., teaches eighth-grade science at Delaware Academy and Central School. He married Peggy Quintin in July 1992.

Svetlana I. Hrudu '89 of Highland, Kans., teaches learning disabled, behavior disordered, and mentally handicapped adolescents.

Laura Judd '89 of Taunton, Mass., teaches floriculture at Bristol County Agricultural High School.

Edward Koronowski '89 of Starkville, Miss., is attending veterinary college at Mississippi State University.

Kenneth I. Malachowsky '89 of Knoxville, Tenn., is married to a veterinarian and is pursuing his PhD in microbiology at the University of Tennessee.

Laurie T. Markin '89 of New York City graduated from Mount Sinai School of Medicine in May and started her residency in family medicine in July.

Christy Marshall '89 of Middleburg, N.Y., is the county supervisor for USDA-Farmers Home Administration and the vice president of the Cobleskill College Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Claudia Moreno '89 of Bogota, Colombia, started a company and serves as the general manager.

Diane R. Neressean '89 of Maplewood, N.J., works as a media negotiator, tutors high school students, and plans to take classes in business and languages.

Sarah Merriam Nourse '89 of Wageningen, Netherlands, is in a master's program in plant genetics at Wageningen Agricultural University in Holland.

Kevin L. Oak '89 of Corvallis, Ore., is working on his PhD in vegetable breeding at Oregon State University.

Michelle M. Patraw '89 of Hawthorne, N.J., was married in August 1992 to William E. Stanton. **Jojo Mello '89** was the maid of honor.

David Poland '89 of Locke, N.Y., works in the field of development communication, primarily doing publications and videos.

Theodore H. Schenberg '89 of Bossier City, La., is an environmental and pest control specialist with the U.S. Air Force.

M. Iel Tschang '89 of Los Angeles, Calif., is the CEO of an international food trading company.

James C. Allen '90 of Schenectady, N.Y., is a board certified entomologist from the Entomological Society of America. On a 13-week survey trip to Australia he collected 8,000 insects; he is planning a return trip.

M. W. Brubaker '90 of Seattle, Wash., is working as a fisheries biologist in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

David R. Herz '90 of Stamford, Conn., is a law student at Pace University.

James M. Larkin '90 of Sheffield, Mass., is a farmer at Larkin and Batech Farm.

Timothy A. Schoonover '90 of Troy, Pa., is a law student at Ohio, Northern University.

Karen A. Baase '91 of Hamilton, N.Y., is the Cornell Cooperative Extension dairy agent for Madison and Onondaga counties.

Melanie A. Bloom '91 of New York City is working at Japan Broadcasting Corporation producing television and films for broadcast in Japan. She also attends New York University.

Dani A. Calentano '91 of Ithaca, N.Y., is an editor with the Northeast Regional Agricultural Engineering Service.

Geneva W. Chong '91 of Albuquerque, N.M., is pursuing her MS in ecology at the University of New Mexico and doing research on revegetation for the U.S. Park Service.

Robin M. Dennison '91 of Denver, Pa., trains sales representatives for the American Breeders Service.

Deborah S. Donahoe '91 of Frankfort, N.Y., is an appraiser with Empire Farm Credit and is working toward certification in real estate appraisal.

Hara C. Dracoz '91 of Oxford, Ohio, is pursuing an MS in microbiology at Miami University of Ohio.

Timothy J. Driscoll '91 of Genoa, N.Y., teaches high school agriculture and works on his family farm.

Kathleen A. Duggan '91 of Norwich, N.Y., is a high school biology teacher.

Lisa M. Epstein '91 of New York City is a graduate student at New York University pursuing a master's in higher education in student personnel administration.

Susan K. Gerlinger '91 of Belleville, Pa., is a quality control manager for Fairmont Products.

Kara L. Griffith '91 of Fairfax, Va., is planning to take the GRE and obtain a master's degree in environmental science.

Toby Handler '91 of New York City is attending Cornell Medical College.

Dayne L. Hannon '91 of Overland Park, Kans., is a student at Kansas State Veterinary Medical College.

Dawn E. Harrison '91 of Roulin, Calif., is engaged to Mark Harris and works as a physical therapy aide. She hopes to attend medical school in 1994.

John A. Jackson '91 of Oxford, N.Y., teaches biology and earth science at New Berlin High School, where he is active in other school activities.

Paul R. Joseph '91 of Ithaca, N.Y., continues to operate his own business and teaches a vocational training course in beverage service and risk management.

Joanne Ann Jhun '91 of Astoria, N.Y., works for a textbook publisher.

Jill A. Kerber '91 of St. Paul, Minn., is studying for a master's degree in swine nutrition.

Traci S. Kissel '91 of Knoxville, Tenn., is enrolled in the DVM program at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine.

Nicole L. Knapp '91 of New York City is an accountant with Arthur Andersen.

David A. Kurts '91 of Chicago, Ill., is an office imaging sales representative with Eastman Kodak.

Debra L. Kuska '91 of Levittown, N.Y., keeps busy doing odd jobs, freelance design, and work with landscape contractors as she looks for a permanent position.

Kathleen M. Leavay '91 of Franklin, N.Y., attends the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell.

Tamara Montague Leach '91 of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., is moving to Olympia, Wash., to work in the field of wildlife biology.

Michelle J. Mattrey '91 of East Amherst, N.Y., is planning to return to school to pursue her PhD in rhetoric and communication theory.

Christopher M. Milazzo '91 of Worcester, Mass., is a lab animal technician at TSI Mason Labs.

Amy D. Morris '91 of Bloomington, Ind., is a law student at Indiana University.

David L. Noddy '91 of Auburn, N.Y., is busy training, riding, and showing American quarter horses.

Rebecca M. Remis '91 of Burnt Hills, N.Y., is working on her MA in teaching at Union College.

Judith Bisset '91 of Cambria Heights, N.Y., is pursuing jobs.

Eric A. Sazsis '91 of Salisbury, Md., is a truck supervisor for Perdue Farms, Inc. Since graduation, he has traveled in Norway and worked as a substitute teacher.

Patricia L. Skiblicky '91 of Ithaca, N.Y., is looking for jobs in the New York City area.

Michelle L. Slobod '91 of Chicago, Ill., is a law student at the University of Chicago.

Joel R. Stevens '91 of Brandon, Fla., is a sales representative for Uarco, Inc. and plays arena football.

Scott M. Surowiec '91 of Atlanta, Ga., is a medical student at Emory University.

Andrew D. Sussman '91 of Pittsburgh, Pa., is a student at the University of Pittsburgh Law School and Graduate School of Business. He is engaged to **Caroline Mischak '90**.

Eric J. Torkelson '91 of New York City is a law student at Brooklyn Law School.

Heather L. Van Aulen '91 of Gainesville, Fla., is attending the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine.

Gary S. Wojcik '91 of Albany, N.Y., is in the master's/PhD program in atmospheric science at SUNY-Albany.

Camille A. Barnes '92 of Ballston Lake, N.Y., is a wilderness instructor.

Rebecca J. Cleveland '92 of Odessa, N.Y., is attending Corning Community College where she is studying forensic investigation and fire science.

John P. Crolle '92 of Westfield, N.Y., joined the U.S. Marine Corps in November 1992.

Patricia A. Erickson '92 of Ithaca, N.Y., is working at Cornell and applying to professional schools.

Jacquelyn A. Forshey '92 of Central Valley, N.Y., is an environmental educator for the Frost Valley YMCA.

Stephanie Irene Hochman '92 of Newburgh, N.Y., is studying for her DPM at the Pennsylvania School of Podiatric Medicine. She helped plan for the Dean-Alumni Get-together with Dean Call during the November '92 in Philly festivities.

Rajiv K. Jain '92 of Williamsville, N.Y., is a medical student at the University of Buffalo.

Bradford L. Minnich '92 of Greenville, Del., traveled around the world, including visits to China, Thailand, and Africa.

Jason C. Schiland '92 of Chicago, Ill., is a sales representative for Procter & Gamble.

Bernette Schilling '92 of Sugar Loaf, N.Y., is interested in environmental education, extension, and research.

Patrick R. Uhling '92 of Cheektowaga, N.Y., is a retail merchandiser for Armour Sweets Eclair, which represents food companies.

Michelle L. Witt '92 of Canadaga, N.Y., is a lab technician and plans to return to school and then pursue a career in reproductive physiology.

Hugh F. Yeman '92 of Onondaga, N.Y., is working as a health aide and substitute teacher.

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Questions Posed to the New Alumni

by Kim Simmons '95



What do you miss most about Cornell?

If you could go back and do it all over, is there anything you would change?

What was your most memorable spring semester at Cornell?

What did the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences provide you with that you are forever grateful for?

If you could compare your time at Cornell to a movie or dessert, what would it be? Why?

Upon graduating from Cornell, what was your biggest fear and/or goal (other than landing a job)?

Have you since overcome the fear and/or attained the goal?

Paul Reed '86, Animal Science

Miss: "I miss the aesthetic buildings on campus. The beautiful atmosphere at Cornell also added to the enjoyable walks to class; however, I do not miss the cold weather."

Do Over: "Getting more involved with the Livestock Show and other activities on campus would be the primary change. Also, I would take full advantage of becoming acquainted with more prestigious and knowledgeable individuals, like the Cornell professors."

Memorable Spring: "Definitely my senior spring semester. Sherri Savers, a nutrition major in Human Ecology, and I had several classes together including an organic chemistry lab. We began dating, got married, and six years into our marriage we have started a family, with two beautiful daughters. Lauren Ashley is two years old, and Morgan was born February 5, 1994."

Forever Grateful: "My experience at Cornell gave me the confidence to set out to do whatever I want. Also, the knowledge I acquired during my four years assists in attaining my goals."

Dessert: "My time at Cornell is similar to baking a cake and eating it. It is hard and frustrating to make it but once you do, it is smooth and satisfying."

Fear/Goal: "My biggest fear was wondering if four years of stress and hard work at Cornell would be worth it in the long run. Realizing that the professors at Cornell really support you in their teaching allowed me to overcome my fear. I realize that I did not waste time because I use what I learned by applying it to life."



James Versweyeld '82, Animal Science

Miss: "I miss Ithaca and its appealing features: the gorges, lakes, and waterfalls. Cornell is located in such a beautiful part of the country."

Do Over: "As an animal science major, I found fewer job opportunities offered through the college. We were responsible for arranging our own interviews outside of Cornell. I would have benefitted by interviewing more. Now as a supervisor for W. W. Granger Lab Safety Supply, I interview prospective employees. This job position clarifies the importance of interviewing—I wish I had realized this upon graduating from Cornell."

Memorable Spring: "Spending free time with my friends made my senior spring semester most memorable. The tough classes were behind me and my strategic planning allowed for a light course load, a nice way to end my college career."

Forever Grateful: "Having the opportunity to meet many people with a variety of personalities and backgrounds. The diversity found at Cornell is enlightening, especially for someone like me. I came from a small town and graduated from a high school with 43 other students who were similar to me."

Dessert: "Cornell is like a bowl of ice cream. It is really, really cold but worthwhile."

Fear/Goal: "Cornell is tough, yet there is a form of structure in your life. Structure that you do not have again. At Cornell I moved from a dormitory to a fraternity house. Both of these living situations surrounded me with great friends. Upon graduation I feared being alone without the structure that accompanies a college life and wondering if I would succeed. Once again I am surrounded by friends, and I no longer question my ability to succeed."

Kathy Hill Brown '89, Communication

Miss: "I miss the atmosphere of learning and the whole ambience of an educational institution."

Do Over: "I wish I had taken full advantage of volunteering for the Ithaca community. There are many opportunities on campus; however, the activities off campus, in the Ithaca area, were intriguing to me."

Memorable Spring: "The semester before graduation was most memorable. I had met my husband, Dwight Brown MS '89, the previous summer. We finally had the opportunity to spend time together enjoying the atmosphere of Cornell."

Forever Grateful: "The high quality of education at an affordable price. Also, the caliber of students in the college was similar in character to mine."

Movie: "I would compare my time at Cornell to the movie 'St. Elmo's Fire.' Whenever I watch this movie it brings back the camaraderie, and the innocence of youth overcomes me and I feel as if I am reliving my college years."

Patricia Lojek '84, Floriculture

Miss: "Besides the obvious, being young again, I miss the people and the entire lifestyle that accompanies college life."

Do Over: "After living in Cayuga Heights as a transfer student, I would definitely live closer to campus or in College town if I could go back and do it all over again. Living off campus makes it difficult to meet people."

Memorable Spring: "The anticipation of graduating and moving onto the real thing—life—made my senior spring semester the most memorable."

Forever Grateful: "The academic pressure at Cornell provided me with the ability to deal with situations in the real world."

Movie: "My time at Cornell can best be compared to the movie 'Howard's End.' At the beginning, the purpose is unknown. Then at the end, you have figured everything out, and the purpose becomes very clear."

Fear/Goal: "Becoming an interior landscape designer marked the end of fearing my ability to succeed. My four-year marriage and two-year-old son, Neal, only add to my happiness and success."

New Grads Face Uncertain But Promising Future

by Corey Wolff '94



As another year comes to a close on the hill, the class of 1994 faces the exciting, yet scary, future. The future for many graduates seems uncertain because so many changes are occurring worldwide and in our own country. But one thing is certain: Cornell has prepared us well for what faces us. Cornell, and more specifically the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, is responsible for laying the groundwork for a bright and prosperous future.

We are comforted to know that our first job (and maybe that first rejection) will be easier because of this fine institution's rigorous preparation. Many of my friends and I feel the uncertainty of the future. Some of us will return home and go into production agriculture, some will spend a year abroad, and others will be still pursuing jobs. With the fierce competition in the job place, however, many of my friends will be going to graduate school. The possibilities are endless. With such a diverse group of ALS graduates, just about every profession will be explored.

Classes are only one part of the Cornell education. While Cornell academic standards are second to none, there are other elements of our educational experience. What I have learned through extracurricular activities will stay with me forever. Among the activities I participated in are intramural sports, a fraternity, the Cornell Dairy Judging Team, Cornell in Washington, Quill and Dagger, the ALS Ambassadors, and the ALS Alumni Association as student director. The friends I have made here will help me on into the future. Friends, camaraderie, and the atmosphere are the three things that will come to mind when I reflect on Cornell.

Through being a student director on the ALS Alumni Association's board of directors, I have been fortunate to meet some of you. I hope to give back to the college as many of you have done. It is certain that this class of bright and motivated ALS seniors will be the future leaders of our country. Soon Slope Day, Senior Week, and Commencement will be over, but Cornell and its tradition will always stay with us.

Alumni Life Members Fund Freshman Scholarship

Earnings from the \$100,000 Endowed Life Memberships (established in 1985 by membership dues from the first 1,000 alumni to join the college Alumni Association as life members) are used, in part, for financial aid scholarships to four entering freshmen. This year's recipients of the Alumni Association awards are

Julie Berry '97—Adams, N.Y., Animal Science
Bridget Doyle '97—Ontario, N.Y., Agricultural and Biological Engineering
Toby Emo '97—Dansville, N.Y., Animal Science
Dale Freier '97—Seneca Falls, N.Y., Animal Science

The Endowed Life Memberships make four awards of \$1,000 annually and support other items such as special projects in the Career Development Office.



In November the "CU in Philadelphia '93" celebration featured a weekend on the Penn campus for Cornellians and Penn alumni to celebrate 100 years of football. ALS events included a breakfast with Dean Call and Dean-Alumni Get-together after the football game. Here, University President Frank Rhodes enjoys the pre-game party with ALS students Raphael Cuadros '94 of Miami, Fla., and Collin McCarthy '95 of Gansevoort, N.Y.

Edward Morgan '89, Pomology

Miss: "I miss the social aspect of Cornell. Being surrounded by people with common interests and goals is something Cornell provided that was not easy to find in the real world."

Do Over: "Studying harder is one thing that I would change; however, I would not worry about my grades as much."

Memorable Spring: "I did more exploring of Cornell in my last semester before graduating than I did my first three and a half years. In the spring of '89 I swam in the gorge, attended my first and only Dragon Day, and participated in more organized events for the senior class."

Forever Grateful: "Exploring every angle or every avenue has always been my approach to making a decision. I want to be certain that I am doing the right thing. Cornell provided me with an appreciation for knowledge and the ability to seek the best possible solution for any situation in life, and I am grateful for this."

Dessert: "Cornell is like my favorite dessert, a chocolate truffle. There are a great many layers and it is very satisfying."

Fear/Goal: "Deep inside, my aspiration was to become self-employed as a farmer. Although, upon graduating, I feared that if I went directly into farming, someday I might look back and feel as if I had missed out on a great opportunity or experience. Becoming a loan officer for Farm Credit was the route I took to overcome this fear. This position provided me with the confidence to go after my real goal in life, farming."

CALENDAR '94

May 5

District 7 (Albany, Schoenectady, Rensselaer counties) Dean/Alumni Get-together—
Peter Panikowski, district director
(315-785-5875)

May 11

District 18 (Chemung, Schuyler, Yates counties) Dean/Alumni Get-together—
James Van Buren, district director
(607-324-4740)

May 20

District 20 (Erie and Niagara counties) Dean/Alumni Get-together—Larry Brown, district director
(716-487-6515)

May 24

Senior Picnic, Ag Quad, 5 p.m.

May 25–28

NAADA, Louisiana State University

May 29

Commencement

June 5

District 15 Picnic for new and continuing students. Contact Dick Bonanno at 315-549-2528

June 9–12

Reunion Weekend

June 10

New Director Orientation and Past Presidents Council, starting with lunch at noon

June 10

Board meeting, dinner

June 11

ALS Reunion Breakfast, Sheraton Inn

July 17

District 13 Picnic at Marshman's in Oxford. Contact Dick Keene at 607-783-2328

September

ALS Alumni Association event at Eastern States Exposition (Big D), Springfield, Mass. (9/16–10/2); Jane Longley-Cook '69, chair—details in separate mailing.

September 16–18

Homecoming Weekend

October 7

ALS Alumni Association standing committee meetings, 8–noon, campus

October 7

ALS Outstanding Alumni Awards Banquet, 6 p.m., Sheraton

October 8

ALS Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting, 8–noon, campus

Professor Norman T. Uphoff

director of Cornell International Institute for Food, Agriculture, and Development (CIIFAD) and director of the college's International Agriculture Program will speak on

"Cornell's Efforts to Achieve Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development in a Hungry World"

May 5—Cornell Club of Cape Cod, Hyannis, Glens King '90 at 508-775-2233

May 6—Cornell Club of Vermont, Burlington, Russ L. Drake '85 at 802-656-3893

May 7—Cornell Club of New Hampshire, Bedford, Chandler Burpee Jr. '44 at 603-497-2099

Dyson Named Deputy Mayor



John S. Dyson '65 was recently appointed Deputy Mayor of New York City for Finance and Economic Development. Dyson has served the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences in several capacities and currently is chair of the College Campaign Committee. He also is a member of the university board of trustees and is chair of the Committee on Land Grant and Statutory College Affairs.



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The new Alpha Zeta house was dedicated on October 16, 1993.

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NEWS

For Alumni and Friends of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

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ALS Grads Are Making It In Tight Job Market

Contemplating the job market is a scary business for college seniors. Finding a good job today is tougher than it has been in 20 years. In fact, according to *Time* magazine, 30 percent of new college grads between now and 2005 will end up either jobless or underemployed.

Just how do ALS grads fare compared to those of other colleges and universities? Among the class of '92*, only 7 percent were still seeking employment six months after graduation. Fifty-five percent have found jobs, while 34 percent have entered graduate or professional schools.

"Over all our grads have an advantage because there will always be a need for people trained to solve immediate problems in the environment, food system, and health care," says William Alberta MS '77, director of the college's Career Development Office.

But not all of them choose to bite off such weighty problems. Among the ranks of recent grads are an insect demonstrator, a food stylist, an estate manager for the Rockefeller family, and an organic-mushroom producer. (Continued on page 1)