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### A FIRE!

Well, not really, but I figured that title would catch your attention, and I guess I was right! Well, since there are no other "burning" topics for me to write about, I'd like to review our progress of the past few months. This is your chance to know what we've been up to, unless of course you've stopped by recently.

Due to a small rush class last year (in numbers, not height!), we're feeling a little bit undermanned this year. We are, however, an extremely close group, which makes living in the chapter house very enjoyable. We have 23 actives living in, two living out, and three boarders. Our finances are solid, and should remain stable throughout this year.

We have just started kitchen renovations by installing a new booster heater for the dishwasher. Our next planned improvements are aimed at the ovens and broilers. Unfortunately, our current seventy-fifth fund won't cover all of the kitchen renovations we need to make, and it will only be a matter of time before some of these units become completely unfunctionable. I cannot thank some of you enough for your donations to this fund, which is being used to cover our most urgent kitchen repairs: you know who you are!

Rush this year seems to be going well, but it is still too early to give an accurate prediction. As of this writing, there are three weeks of informal rush left, and these next few weeks will be of prime importance. Campus wide, I feel there are fewer freshmen rushing fraternities this year. This was extremely evident to me after seeing two very sparse north campus smokers. A combined total of only 42 rushees visited our house during north campus smokers, despite our efforts to bring them in. I feel this is partly due to several new dorms opening on campus.

We are working very hard this year to accomplish a successful rush, we have to. Our organizational methods are superior to anything used in the past, and we seem to have a good image around campus. These factors should combine for a fine rush, despite the general lack of freshman interest.

Overall, I feel that the house is running well this year. However, as Venerable Dean, my opinion here may be biased. Personally, I feel that I am becoming more effective as President as time goes on, although I am still feeling overwhelmed by the responsibilities of the office. In general, all of our officers are doing a fine job in their respective areas, and many brothers are extremely dedicated to the house. I am extremely proud to be associated with Acacia, and I hope you are too!

Fraternally,  
Kenneth M. Weiss (902)  
Venerable Dean

Season's  
Greetings



HEY YA'ALL

The active chapter could really benefit from your help. Your involvement can be an effective catalyst for strengthening our fraternity as well as the brotherhood. The driving force of a strong alumni is almost a requirement for a strong house in our competitive environment, and I'd like to see Acacia remain strong for many years to come.

I take a lot of pride in Acacia, because it is a direct reflection upon myself, as well as all of the brothers. Yet, even after I graduate, the term "Cornell Acacia" will remain as a source of pride for me. I hope you all feel as I do, and there are many ways we can assure that Acacia remains a fraternity which we can all be proud of.

As an alumni, there are many ways in which you can provide us assistance and support. One of the most obvious is through financial assistance when we need to initiate large projects, but this is by far not the only way. Certainly, generous contributions by Thomas Visconti (849), Andrew Mercer (890), and others should not be overlooked. Indeed, they have started a fund which will ultimately bring our kitchen back up to standards. However, I'd like to dedicate the rest of this article to propose some other ideas.

How about aiding some of our actives in finding good summer jobs? Many of you are in the position to help us out immensely here. Even if you are just aware of an opening, a short note to let us know may help a brother here start off on the right foot, and it may help your company secure a top notch employee!

In addition, whether you realize it or not, those who return for visits or alumni events are helping our morale, as well as securing a great time for themselves. We are a social fraternity (and proud of it), and we judge the success of our alumni partially by the number of alumni who participate. So why not stop by? You'll see some old friends, meet some new ones, and I think you'll enjoy yourself!

I am sure there are other ways in which you can help. Got an idea? Then let us know. I also send thanks to those who have contributed to us in the past, and to those who intend to in the future.

See ya'  
Kenneth M. Weiss (902)

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** As it now stands, Alumni Dues and Donations for Cornell Acacia are not tax deductible. Houses that are owned by the University can have these deducted, but since we own our house, we cannot. This is very unfair, and as a result University owned fraternities receive greater alumni financial support. This is common to all fraternities at colleges nationwide and many national's have been trying to lobby in Washington and have this changed for years. We are currently looking for some legal advice on a new approach for ourselves. We are considering setting up an Educational Fund (which would be deductible) to replace current Alumni Dues. Money would still be used as it is now, but it would hopefully increase the amount we receive. If you or any other readers have any comments or ideas concerning this problem, please feel free to get back to me.



JUST LIKE MOM MAKES



OFF TO THE SHOWERS!





### THE 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION THE FINAL REPORT

So where do I begin? It's difficult to discuss the actual 75th Anniversary Celebration, which we spent so much time planning and working on, but seems to have flown by. (Actually, this is a pretty bad lead paragraph.) Actually, I'd like to tell it from my point of view.

It all began Friday afternoon (well, Thursday night, if you want to get technical, because that's when the first alumni started pouring in) with a frantic cleaning of the house to prepare for the opening reception that night. I found myself tending bar at the reception . . . for a short while. Most everybody seemed to prefer mixing their own drinks, which was fine with me. I'm an awful bartender. The reception was a lot of fun. It gave everybody the chance to either meet each other or renew old acquaintances. I went to sleep around midnight (having stayed up late the previous night for some reason), but there were still plenty of people around for a long time after that.

Saturday. Of course, it rained (this is Ithaca, remember?). Fortunately, we had contingency plans. Lunch was a huge barbecue in the dining room. I still remember about 10 people trying to get everything straightened out about 30 seconds before we started serving . . . and after, as a matter of fact.

Afterward, we had an alumni vs. active volleyball game at Helen Newman Gym. I wish I could say what happened, but I wasn't there. I think the alumni won. But if I had been there . . .

Dinner was a huge success. It started at the Holiday Inn with cocktails, and our special guest was Cornell President Frank H. T. Rhodes. The dinner was served buffet-style, with about every imaginable type of food available. (Well, it may not have been the best *ever*, but you who have to remember you're talking to a kid from New Providence, N.J., who's never seen anything like that before.) After dinner, we heard speeches from Venerable Dean Ken Weiss (902), National Treasurer G. Kenneth Nelson, Alumni Board Vice President Ernie Schaufler (500), '78, Little Sister Alum Patty Warner Kehe (651) '79, and Andrew Mercer (890) '82 (thanks for the birthday card!).

After this, we all returned to the chapter house for a great party, the highlight of which, for me, was the mortgage burning. Yes, the house is all ours now. The party officially ended at 2 a.m. I was among the last stragglers who retired sometime after 4.

I was also one of the first people awake at 9 a.m., for kitchen crew as Pearl cooked brunch for us. For a few minutes, it looked like we would set a record for most people in the kitchen until Julie Traver and Laura Mikalchus (LS 17 and 20, respectively) volunteered to waitress, much to the relief of the kitchen crew. They will be appropriately rewarded at Christmas with a tape of Rupert Holmes' Greatest Hits each.

On a more serious tack. The 75th Anniversary Celebration was a success mainly due to the alumni who attended. I found myself being asked questions about the house and the more recent innovations, and I was asking about what Acacia was like in the 60s and 70s. We all shared something . . . the common interest of Cornell Acacia. It just picked up from there.

Also, the reason the 75th worked so well was due to the work of Ethan Cosgriff (889) '82 and David Sperry (905), who had begun the planning over a year before the actual event. Also, all the brothers worked on the event, making sure that everything went smoothly. And the Little Sisters took on an unbelievable amount of responsibility, doing jobs when we were short-handed.

Overall, it was a great experience. I'm getting ready for the 100th Anniversary, when I should be married with 2.4 children.

Oh, one more thing. The 75th Anniversary Fund is still alive and going. We received several contributions over the weekend, including \$500 each from Thomas Visconti (849) '78 and Andrew Mercer (890) '82. With these, we have been able to purchase a new pre-heater for our dishwasher. We're still working on other accessories for our "dream kitchen," and it's never too late to show your support.

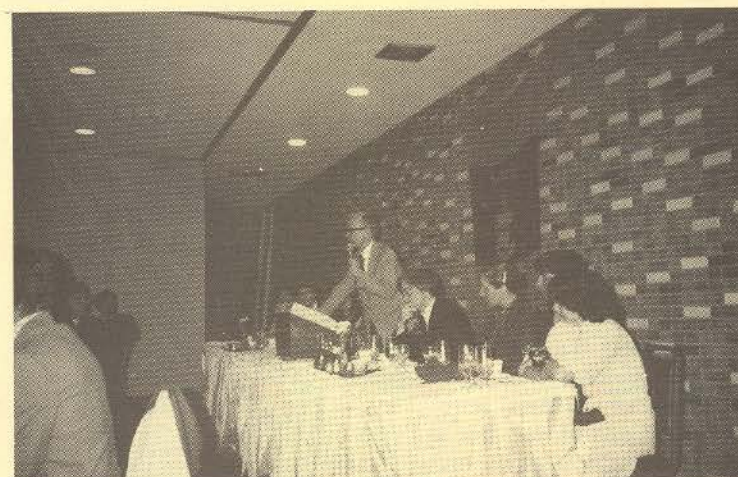
Curtis Alliaume (919)



PRES. AND MRS. RHODES DURING COCKTAILS



THE YEARS REUNITED



MR. NELSON—NATIONAL TREASURER



NEWS FROM CONCLAVE

As school closed for the spring of 1982, the brothers of the Cornell chapter of the Acacia fraternity went their separate ways to spend their summer vacations in places ranging from one coast to the other. Some states visited included California, Indiana, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii and many others. We spent our time lazing around the beach, working jobs ranging from painting houses to engineering jobs, participating in military training (the Navy sent me to Hawaii for a week), going to school, serving jury duty and generally having a good time doing it all. As August approached a number of brothers prepared to attend Acacia's 42nd bi-annual conclave in New Orleans, Louisiana.

As conclave opened on a very warm, muggy day in August, the Cornell chapter was very lucky to find itself with a very respectable number of actives and alumni representing it. Actives in attendance included Kenneth Weiss, Jonathan Olick, Christopher Deane, and David Nevarez (me). Our contingent of ever faithful alumni included Andrew Mercer, Ethan Cosgriff, Timothy Thom, Jim Manfredi, William Bethke, Bill Hairston and Bill Udick. The agenda for the conclave was full as you can imagine since these conclaves are held at two-year intervals. There were many workshops offered in addition to the regular business sessions. Topics for the workshops included rush, improving campus image, chapter retreats, successful social events and various other leadership topics. We attended all of these and gained some very useful information. The business sessions while sometimes tedious, accomplished a lot. The national budget was presented and approved but only after the chapters fought to save funding for our chapter consultants which had been cut out as a belt tightening measure. The Central State chapter had its charter revoked due to various infractions of the National rules and regulations. The most serious of these being the non-payment of the national dues with arrears in the thousands of dollars. The Cornell chapter was lucky enough to be given a clean bill of health from the national fraternity.

Probably the highlight of the business sessions were the elections of the national officers. The Cornell chapter found itself as an active participant in the elections of two of the offices. Ken Weiss, our Venerable Dean, was asked by one of the candidates for president to give a nominating speech. This was a great honor for the Cornell chapter because both of these candidates went on to win their respective offices. It also shows that the national fraternity still highly regards and respects the Cornell chapter. This has come about by the active participation of our alumni in the national fraternity and because of the smooth running of the local chapter. Alumni Jim Manfredi, William Bethke and Bill Udick continue to be active in the fraternity by holding the positions of northeast regional counselor, chapter advisor for the Berkeley chapter and chapter advisor for the UCLA chapter respectively.

One election in which the Cornell chapter found itself directly involved was for undergraduate counselor. David Nevarez (me) ran unsuccessfully for the office. He did manage to make it through the first ballot and had a great time campaigning with the brothers and meeting a bunch of people. We hope to put forth another candidate at the next conclave.

After all the work of the day was done, Acacians from all over the United States flooded from the hotel to attack the wild streets of the New Orleans French Quarter. Bourbon street was filled with Acacians, all of them actively taking part in the revelry that has made that part of New Orleans famous. Pat O'Brien's saw a bunch of rowdy Cornellians give a rousing rendition of Davy for the hundreds of people that crowded that famous bar. Another Cornellian found

himself the object of the, no doubt, less than honorable intentions of some very aggressive women. He managed to rescue himself from the situation and emerged none the worse for wear. The host chapter of Louisiana State organized a river boat ride for all interested Acacians. It turned out to be a very enjoyable time. In fact we all managed to dry out the bar.

The Conclave was a lot of fun and partying mixed with a lot of serious business. It was also a great time to meet our counterparts from all over the United States. Many friendships were created and it was a time to realize what a truly great institution this fraternity is. You realize just how much you've gained by belonging and how much you can continue to gain by remaining an active supporter of both the national and the local fraternity. There are many ways to contribute to the running of the chapter that are not necessarily monetary. We all would be more than happy to hear from you if interested.

Our next conclave is going to be in the summer of 1984. The place will be Kansas City which also is a big convention town. We would like to see another big showing by our alumni if possible and look forward to it.

Dave Neuarez (912)

FROM THE DESK OF THE SENIOR DEAN

This year I am hoping to see a lot of alumni coming back for initiation. It will be starting Thursday night *April 9, 1982* and running through Sunday. Alumni support is needed to help the brotherhood through this difficult and rewarding time. It is also a good time to get reacquainted with the house and a memorable experience as well. I hope to see you all there and hear about "how much tougher it was when you joined the house!!" Till then take care and have fun.

Christopher P. Deane

A NOTE FROM THE DEAN OF ALUMNI AFFAIRS

A note of thanks to all the Alumni who have written in, you have made this issue of the *Traveller* an enjoyable one to work on. A "special thanks" goes to all the Alumni who attended the 75th and Homecoming events this year. You made these events a tremendous success and, more important, you all seemed to have had as good a time as we did having you with us.

One vital point that I heard the returning Brothers say over and over again is this—"I wish there were more people from my era here": I must add, so do we. Now that you all have gotten your copy of the Directory—use it! Call up your old buddies, get them together and come. We would love to host reunions here at the House—and be assured, I would be most happy to assist in any way for one in the future. It is our goal to have a more active and meaningful relationship with our Alumni by having you all back as much as possible. This is an Alumni contribution that costs nothing, but has great impact and value and is so important to us. Please, if you can, make it back to our Homecomings, Initiations, and Spring Weekends; I'll guarantee you all will have a great time if you do.

Larry McSorley (911)



## THE MAILBAG

**DR. LELAND SPENCER '23 (198), 400 TRIPHAMMER ROAD, ITHACA, N.Y. 14850**

I was surprised and pleased to find news of several "Old Timers" from the 1920s and 1930s in the most recent issue of the *Traveller*. *Keep it up*. Unfortunately, much of the news about the older generation is not so good, but it is appreciated anyway. It is truly remarkable (and heartwarming) how active some of our retired brothers are in community and public services. My good neighbor and Acacia-mate, Fred Morris, is one of them.

**JOHN B. CHENEY DVM '24 (239), 57 E. MAIN STREET, CANTON, NEW YORK 13617**

Inez and I celebrated our 55th wedding anniversary on August 27, 1982. We travel very little but enjoy our neighbors and other associates. I keep busy playing 9 holes of golf each day during the summer months. My game is not what it used to be. I also keep busy in Masonic Lodge and church. Also, I keep active in Rotary. I received a citation as Rotarian of the Year in our Canton Rotary Club with sixty members for year 1980-1981.

**HOWARD H. CAMPBELL '25 (235), 99-7th STREET, GARDEN CITY, NEW YORK 11530**

I wish I could join all of the Acacia Brothers next month in the celebration. However, I cannot because of arthritis which has slowed down most activities. I wish all of you a good time in May.

**PERRY D. SLOCUM '35 (342), 950 AVENUE S, S.E., WINTER HAVEN, FLORIDA 33880**

My wife and I spend Spring, Summer and early Fall in Western, N.C. (in the foothills of the Great Smokies—near Franklin and the world famous ruby mines). We spend winter in central Florida close to Cypress Gardens. This way we can enjoy all 4 seasons to the fullest extent.

**CLARENCE F. BENT DVM '39 (334), 329 EMBASSY PK., CLEARWATER, FLORIDA 33516**

Ruth and I purchased new (to us '79) Lindy motor home. About to head for Herrville, Texas to visit our lifelong buddy Lt. C. William Foster, U.S.A. ret. who suffered a double heart attack last summer. If weather permits, up to Dallas to visit Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hey, an old army buddy in W.W. II in New Guinea, Manila, PI (this is second motor home for us).

**HAROLD B. SPOFFORD '40 (368), 3 LONVALE LANE APT. 57, AMESBURY, MA 01913**

I am semi-retired and almost 30 years in Sales and also as a Lt. Col. after 28 years active duty and reserve in the Army. Retired this year after 6 years as the Varsity Baseball Coach at Amesbury High. Am presently the local Park and Recreation Director and a Director of the Northeast Baseball League. My wife, Doris, is head bookkeeper of a fabrication firm and my only son Dick, is Supervisor of Counseling at the Concord State Prison. P.S. Get to see some Cornell games at Harvard and Dartmouth each year.

**WILLIAM PENDARVIS JR. '47 (440), 16581 SE HAGEN ROAD, BORING, OR 97009**

Still see Don Berens every few months.

**WILLIAM B. GIBSON '48 (437) 417 SYCAMORE HILL, DANVILLE, CA 94526**

Still with IBM in San Francisco area. Barbara and I have 3 great grandchildren that live nearby and we see them often.

**DAVID F. SHELDON '48 (431) BOX 232, MAIN STREET, ANDOVER, NH 03216**

Sold family business to Agway, Inc. in 1972, worked for a division of Prentice-Hall, Inc. for 4 1/2 years. Moved to N.H. December '78 to semi-retire—busier than ever, but enjoying it. Our three daughters, ages 34, 32, 27 are all now educated and scattered throughout the U.S.A.—only one married with 2 grandchildren. Would like to hear from "Bud" Cushing, Ed Lemon.

**DAVID J. HOWER '51 (526) RICHARDSON VICKS INC., BOX V, HATBORO, PA 19040**

I am looking forward to the 75th Anniversary activities. My son Mark graduates from Bucknell Un. in June and my daughter Anne starts Bucknell in September. My youngest daughter Kay is a sophomore in high school and active with the marching band. We enjoy being back in the States but miss our friends in Australia.

**JAMES M. SYMONS '53 (534), 7510 LAWYER RD., CINCINNATI, OH 45244**

After working 20 years in the Federal government, I am resigning this August to become Professor of Civil Engineering in the Environmental Engineering Program at the University of Houston. My business address will be: Environmental Engineering Program, Un. of Houston, Central Campus, Houston, TX 77004 and my business phone will be 713-749-1703. Our oldest, Andy, 23, was married last August and is working as a recording engineer in Indianapolis. He graduated from Butler University in Indianapolis, IN. Linda, 21, is finishing her junior year at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA. She is a biology major with an eye in human cytogenetics in graduate school. Julie, 19, is finishing her freshman year in the Human Services program at Cazenovia College in Cazenovia, N.Y. My wife and I visited Cornell last September for the first time in 22 years. The house looked very good. Different but similar.

**RODNEY R. MUNSEY '54 (539), 6512 BROOKLYN BRIDGE ROAD, LAUREL, MD 20707**

Am currently a partner with law firm of Sickstein, Shapiro and Morin, 2101 L St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20037

**GEORGE L. MUELLER '57 (574), 3803 BONITA LANE, LAPORTE, TX 77571**

My wife (Claudia) and I are still working at the same company (S.I.P. Engineering) in Houston, Texas. Our oldest son Dwight, is in the second year of Dental School; our son Mark, is in his third year at West Point Military Academy; and our youngest son Chris is in his second year at San Javito College and living home with us. Hope to be able to get back to Cornell when we visit our son Mark at West Point next fall.

**CAREY W. FLETCHER '58 (596), 169 SEVILLE DRIVE, ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14617**

I have been awarded a year's sabbatical leave to study earth science courses at the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia. My wife and I leave June 11 and my children will fly over to join us on August 23rd. We will tour the Australian outback in November and New Zealand in December. For the spring semester, I will be studying physics at the University of Hawaii. It looks like an exciting and fulfilling year ahead.

**JOHN MALE '58 (600), 12 HEMLOCK DRIVE, LUNENBURG, MA 01462**

Judy (Cornell '60) and I took a 350 motorcycle ride around the Great Lakes last summer. We spent a night with my old roommate Dave Billo and family.

**DAVID W. BILLS '58 (590), 933 LITTLE POND WAY, WEBSTER, NY 14580**

One question I've had for a long time which may help in obtaining a better financial support from alumni concerns whether the dues are deductible on our income tax. If they are, you could publish the fact in the *Traveller*. Maybe changing the words Dues—to Donation would help. Either way I'm interested in the answer. It appears from the IRS publication that dues are not deductible.

**TAYLOR M. CHAMBERLIN '64 (662), 2500 FOWLERS LANE, RESTON, VA 22091**

I returned last fall after a 3 year tour in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Previous tours included Rio De Janeiro and Recife in Brazil as well as Guatemala. I married Leila (an Arioca I met in Rio) in 1975 and we have two daughters, Anna Christina and Vera. We are all glad to be back in the U.S. for the foreseeable future. I have kept in contact with the following Acacias—Gerald Brockhurst, Harry Wells and Ed Groark.

**RAYMOND J. BRACALIELLO '67 (698), Box 306, Prattville, N.Y. 12468**

We visited David and Barbara Woung in Anarice, Mass. where we saw Don and Julie Smith and Ed and Linda Aiareen—all look fantastic—we had a great time with beer, golf, beer/lobster.

**JERRY W. KREIDER '68 (720), 236 DUDLEY AVENUE, NARBERTH, PA 19072**

We had an enjoyable visit at the 75th anniversary in the Spring—wish we had seen more alumni from the sixties. Kathy and I are expecting child no. 2 in March 1983. This will bring a change of life style since our daughter, Melissa, is now nine years old. Design work at H2L2 has been steady but not really booming. I'm presently in charge of a project to relocate the headquarters staff of a large department of DuPont in Wilmington, involving about 1000 people. Let's hear more news from the "silent majority" of alumni.



**ROBERT H. LIGHTFOOTE '69 (731), 25 HILLCREST AVENUE, GLENS FALLS, NY 12801**

I won't be able to come to the May festivities because our second child is due in late April. I'm teaching a graduate course in management at Russell Sage College in Troy now, which limits my free time a lot. My parents report that Rex Inglis '68 and family are farming half of Ontario County these days.

**DAVE THOMPSON '69 (735), 800 N. SMITH RD., APT. 4J, BLOOMINGTON, IN 47401**

I've moved. Have left Rockefeller Univ. Now at Indiana University. Research takes me to Linbakeve, Australia and Trinidad. Recently vacationed in Nepal climbing the Himalaya. Got to within 5 miles of the summit of Everest. Great view of the peak!

**RONALD S. ROTH '70 (746), 49 MAPLE STREAM ROAD, EAST WINDSOR, NJ 08520**

On September 3rd, my wife Rhorda gave birth to our first child, a son Gabriel Cass.

**STANLEY R. NIMAN '73 (783), 3340 NE ACADEMY, PORTLAND, OR 97220**

I was married to Ms. Linda Groh on July 10, 1982. Linda is a registered Civil Engineer in Oregon and works (as I do) for Pacific Power and Light Co. We spent our honeymoon in Hawaii, and since our return, we've been working hard at getting our home in order. During the next two years, we plan to visit the Eastern United States and we will spend some time at Cornell if at all possible.

**EDEN SLEGR '73 (788), 11521 VALLEY SPRING LN., STUDIO CITY, CA 91604**

Hope you are all well and have survived the Fall Rush. Went to Oregon for vacation in September—beautiful state—especially on the coast. Keeping very busy at work and getting ready for our really busy season—December.

**CLEVELAND M. JONES '74 (790), 207 SEDGWICK DRIVE, SYRACUSE, NY 13203**

After almost four years managing a Brazilian mining concern, I returned to the States this Spring. Am starting a career again, and looking for a job. Plan to stay in NYC with my new wife—Janete. At least I brought something worthwhile from Brazil. We were married April 17, nothing fancy, just official. Sorry I won't make it for the festivities.

**DONALD J. HERRING JR. '76 (815), 11 HOLLOW TREE RD., NORWALK, CT 06854**

I recently visited with Les and Sally Nelson in Ann Arbor, MI. They are doing well there and are both involved at the University of Michigan; Les is an instructor in the ROTC program and Sally is studying for her Masters. I hope to visit again when Michigan vs. Ohio State is in Ann Arbor. Anyone heard from our long lost roommate Bob (the blower) Young?

**MATTHEW L. BROWN '77 (822), 478 WARLEY STREET NETC, MELVILLE NEWPORT, RI 02840**

Son, Ethan Samuel born February 22, 1982.

**BRUCE B. SCHNEIDER '78 (842), 4 SUNLIT DR. E, NORWALK, CT 06851**

Over the past year my life has really changed. Amy and I were married in May 1981. Rob Spiess, Sam Morris, Joe Schussler were at my wedding. Amy and I bought a house last November in East Norwalk, CT. I bumped into Don "Moose" Herring on a train from Conn. to NYC. He is doing well and working in NYC. I had the pleasure of having active brother William Wong work for me this summer. I recommend alums contacting the active chapter for available actives or recent alums to work during vacations or permanently. You won't be disappointed. I was promoted to Assistant Vice-President at Citibank in NY.

**PHILLIP M. SCHULER '80 (886), 23 FRANDÉE LANE, ROCHESTER, NY 14626**

Life goes on in Rochester. A few fairly recent developments: I bought a house during the summer, upkeep of which keeps me busy enough. Luckily the neighbors have yet to petition for my eviction, due to negligence of property. I was forced to buy a new car in September when an electrical fire seriously injured the old Camaro. I drowned my sorrows (and my bank account) with a new Celica GT but I'm working on restoring the Camaro as a winter car. Things at Kodak are going well (has everyone bought a disc camera yet?) the perfect Christmas gift. Was glad to see everyone at homecoming. Best of luck to the brothers with rush.

**PAUL C. HERRINGTON '81 (882), 7671 MAPLE AVENUE, BEGEN, NY 14416**

1982 has been a great year for me. In March, I took a course in dairy cattle artificial insemination which will be good for my career. Memorial Day weekend, I built a front porch, with the help of Alan Pasquino '84 and my girlfriend Laura May. Was able to make John Graham's wedding (another one bites the dust) in June. Wish we could have stayed for the reception John and Tanya. In July I took 4 days of vacation in Maine with Laura and her family. It was a beautiful trip all the way around. In September, I was able to attend Acacia's Annual Chapter retreat, where, understandably the main focus was on rush. Along with Alan Pasquino, Brian Strohlein, and Will Wong, saw The Who in Buffalo October 9th—a terrific show. Jim Skiff is in grad school at Stony Brook, Jeff Chung may have finished up his Master's by now, and John Friedlander is somewhere at sea, after dropping in with Lisa Davidson in August. Has anyone heard from Tom Cain, Scott Kenney or Tom Visconti?

**JAMES M. SKIFF '81 (879), 17 MYSTIC WAY, STONY BROOK, NY 11790**

So far I find that being a graduate student is for the birds. Too bad. There's still hope for Alaska. I won't make Homecoming because I don't think I can afford to come. Maybe I'll stop by around the end of classes. I hope all the people I took part in initiating are *still* ideal Acacians. Hope you find plenty of *new* ideal Acacians.

**MORRIS A. JETTE JR. '80 (868), 286 MCLEOD STREET, LIVERMORE, CA 94500**

Gary Hay '80 (867) married his long time girlfriend Krista this summer. They are up in Princeton, N.J. where Gary is working toward a Ph.D.

**JOHN M. GRAHAM '81 (883), 120 ELM AVENUE, GLEN COVE, N.Y. 11542**

Married life is great (4 months at Homecoming). Tanya and I are now in a new apartment and are enjoying decorating it—note the new address at 120 Elm Ave., Glen Cove, NY. Tanya is fine and working in a Manhattan ad agency. I am still in Law School and made Law Review in my first year. I am now (in Sept. would you believe) in the process of interviewing for "summer" jobs. Dean Price is alive and well in Ohio with the Air Force and JTF is in the North Atlantic. Chris Wong says he will be eight credits short of graduation in May. Jeff Cain seems to be doing just great in Indiana along with Linda.

**JEFFREY C. CHUNG '81 (876), 4758 2nd AVE., NE, SEATTLE, WA 98105**

I really enjoyed reading the spring Traveller. I guess it's too late now, but I'd like to know what the graduating Acacians plan to do. Good luck to the new officers—especially Scott.

**GEORGE DERBY '81 (870), 6305 GREEN VALLEY CIRCLE, APT. 311, CULVER CITY, CA 90230**

I'll tell you, a person can easily get acclimated to the California lifestyle. But a word of warning to those who would like to settle out here. Buying a home is costly and damned near impossible given the prevailing housing and banking situations. The cheap land of the 60s and early 70s is long gone. (Phased communities and condos now adorn former orange groves.) You'll need great perspicacity or a kindly gesture from the gods to obtain your own comfortable quarters (of course, loads of money will work just as well if not better). Myself, I will be back East for a protracted stay in New Jersey beginning in January 1983. Hope the blizzards part for me on my cross-country sojourn.

### A FAREWELL AND A PARTING

These men have lived among us for a time and we have been privileged to call them Brothers, now they have gone to their eternal rest—we bid them a fond farewell at this parting.

John G. Gaines (272) '28, May 8, 1981

Herbert P. Cooper (186) '22, August 25, 1981

John H. Nelson (216) '22, September 11, 1981

William F. McDonald (282) '26 May 30, 1982

Bertram Y. Kinzey (175) '18, October 12, 1982