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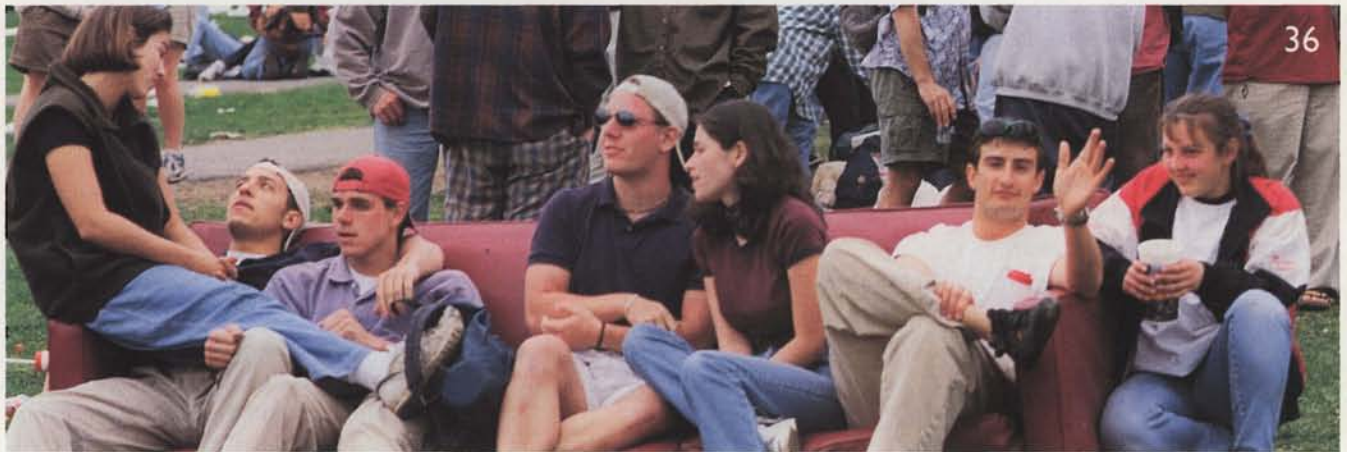
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## DIAL "R" FOR REBUTTAL

LIKE MOST VENERABLE 117-YEAR-OLD institutions, the *Cornell Daily Sun* can take a joke. Therefore, we appreciated the effort at satire in Mr. Goodman's account of a muddled phone call with a *Sun* staffer in your July/August issue (Currents, "Dial M for Muddle"). However, good satire contains a touch of truth and humor. This piece had neither.

Hilary Krieger '98  
Senior Editor, *Daily Sun*



YOUR FAILURE TO RECOGNIZE BANAL satire, Goodman-style, produced a vexing situation when I tried to thumb through the July/August issue without sneering at "Dial M for Muddle." I suspect the muddle polluted the creative efforts of the author, or perhaps clouded the otherwise good judgment of the editorial staff. When I reread the piece to find its virtues, failure ensued.

The generation gap may seem abysmal, but inflated, outrageous commentary is no way to bridge our differences. Throwing a weak punch at the intelligent and respected *Daily Sun* staff in service of a worn out cliché is an inaccurate portrayal of today's Cornellians, and makes a mockery of your readers. By running such a piece the editors of *Cornell Magazine* tainted an otherwise quality issue.

So don't be surprised if, after answering the phone with the classic "Good Evening, Cornell Daily Sun," we *Sun* staffers leave you on hold for a bit longer than usual with Yo-Yo Ma playing into the receiver. It's just a clever ploy to get you hip to the buzz of how mega awesome we really are. And how much like your article we are not.

Jacqueline Cerretani '98  
Ithaca, New York

## THE GREAT CONJURER

ALTHOUGH EXCELLENT, CORNELL'S English department in the '50s had a blind spot concerning Vladimir Nabokov ("The Exile," July/August 1997). The older, more powerful clique knew no

Russian and could not read his early work, had no knowledge of nor interest in Sirin (VN's pen name in the '20s and '30s), and was condescending to him because he did not have a doctorate. In fact, meeting with my advisor, I was told to audit his class rather than "waste credits" on it.

Audit I did, and realized he was teaching us not only to read, but to write. Despite the terrible losses he had suffered, VN had a great capacity for happiness; to this day I can see his jolly smile and hear his blissful laugh while watching "Beat The Devil" at an Ithaca movie house.

Alfred Appel '56 was the Nabokovs' closest friend in the undergraduate Cornell population. He did a marvelous annotated *Lolita* and kept in close contact with the Nabokovs until they both died. Not long before Vladimir's death, Appel returned from Montreux and reported how moving it was to see the great conjurer facing the inevitable with his usual extraordinary dignity and humor.

Roberta Karpel Silman '56  
Ardsley, New York

IN 1946, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF Book and Bowl, Professor Peter Pertzoff of the Russian department read his (authorized) translation of a short story by Nabokov—a fine story indeed—and revealed his plan to translate and sell many more. Peter's balloon would be burst by Nabokov's arrival in 1948.

A year or so before Professor Pertzoff's reading, Nabokov lectured at the club's annual banquet. Like all his work, it was a masterpiece—I can still

see the scenes he described. A few months later the story appeared in the pages of the *Atlantic Monthly*. I remember, too, a meeting at 802 East Seneca, but the charm, beauty, and graciousness of Vera has erased any memory of the literary offering that evening.

William C. Stokoe '42  
Chevy Chase, Maryland

AS A SENIOR RUSSIAN LANGUAGE MAJOR I pre-registered for Nabokov's Russian Literature 315-316, Pushkin. The only student registered, I was told to report to his home, 927 East State Street, one afternoon a week for the course.

It was a delightful year. Nabokov was unfailingly courteous, helpful, welcoming, interested in me, and concerned in my development. Vera brought us tea toward the end of each session. Once I began idly to set up the pieces of a chess set in the entry area. When Nabokov appeared he invited me to play and beat me in about eight moves. We never played again.

I once asked Nabokov why he moved each year. His answer: he was averse to owning any property, having lost so much in the Revolution, and wanted never to risk suffering any loss again. In 1958 I purchased a copy of *Lolita* and was amazed that my seemingly conservative professor had written such a book. I am convinced he had decided to use his sublime writing talent to craft a work of literature that would earn him enough money to escape the need to labor in the future at anything but writing.

Ted Heine '54  
Waverly, Iowa

## STORKS & BOATS

THE FANTASTIC ROWING OF THE '57 heavyweight varsity crew crowned Stork Sanford's thirty years of coaching ("One Motley Crew," July/August 1997). Your photo on page 42-43 was not the final 1957 varsity but an earlier 1956 boating. The wooden launch shed was razed in 1956, and the oarsmen shown include John Blanchard '56 and Richard Comtois '56. Stork and Marion Sanford are in their nineties and retired in San Diego. The 1957 crew are planning a special fortieth reunion with the Sanfords later this year.

Charles Stanton '57  
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## LETTERS

### NEGATIVE ADVERTISING

THE JULY/AUGUST 1997 ISSUE ADVERTISES Absolut Citron, Absolut Vodka, and Glenlivet. I do not like your advertising these drugs.

I note that you are "editorially independent of Cornell University." Therefore, I am ashamed of your magazine, but perhaps my beloved Cornell University is insulated from this shame by a federation, a committee, and an association. I hope so.

Robert C. Morton '36  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

YOU DEVOTED FOUR PARAGRAPHS IN the May/June issue to the activities of Associate Dean of Students Randy Stevens, MPA '95, who seems to be devoting a fair amount of time to improving the public image of the Greek system, which he faults for a certain lack of civility and philanthropic spirit ("From the Hill"). Sounds like shades of the involuntary voluntarism decreed by the phonies at this summer's Philadelphia Summit on Voluntarism, attended by Colin Powell and former Presidents Ford and Bush.

The 350 undergrads, alumni, and faculty who developed the Greek system's strategic plan require that monthly articles be submitted to the *Ithaca Journal* and the *Daily Sun*. Who selected these 350 brainboxes? I don't recall having been consulted. What business of these people are the activities of the Greeks, as long as they stay within the law and the student code of conduct? The days of *in loco parentis* are long gone. The Greeks should tell Stevens and the 350 to get lost. I would put it a bit more colorfully.

John S. Davidge '55, JD '58  
Binghamton, New York

### FURTHER OBSERVATIONS

THAT LITTLE GIRL IN YOUR LEAD-IN to the Arecibo article ("Eyes on the Universe," May/June 1997) has already started enjoying a lifetime of the pure delight of star-gazing, while her babysitters might be so engrossed in the radio view of the heavens that they would miss out on this pleasure.

Canopus (not Canopus) is the second brightest star in the heavens, behind only Sirius. Together with the nearby winter constellations Orion, Gemini, Canis Minor, Taurus, and Auriga, they make up a

staggeringly brilliant panoply of recognizable pattern containing eight of the seventeen brightest stars. Number Eighteen, Fomalhaut, is less than one-seventh the brightness of Canopus. A star-gazer would not confuse the two.

Next, Fomalhaut crosses one's meridian seven-and-a-half hours before Canopus, and, at Arecibo, is twice as far above the horizon at transit. They are simply not in the same part of the sky. It's the geometric equivalent of looking out of a space station and confusing Moscow with Cape Hatteras.

Most of all, "in the depths of February" (page 40), Fomalhaut, one hour west of the vernal equinox, would be lost in the Sun's glare and not visible anywhere (except, of course, in a radio telescope). In closing, I admit to total ignorance of radio astronomy, and my sextant is obsolete.

George Durham '44, BME '43  
Rochester, New York

YOUR ARECIBO STORY NAMED DOZENS of functionaries (including an improbably precocious two-year-old), but dismissed the most important name associated with the entire program with "it was built more than three decades ago under the direction of a Cornell electrical engineering professor." He was William E. Gordon who conceived, designed, directed construction of, and set up operation of "the dish."

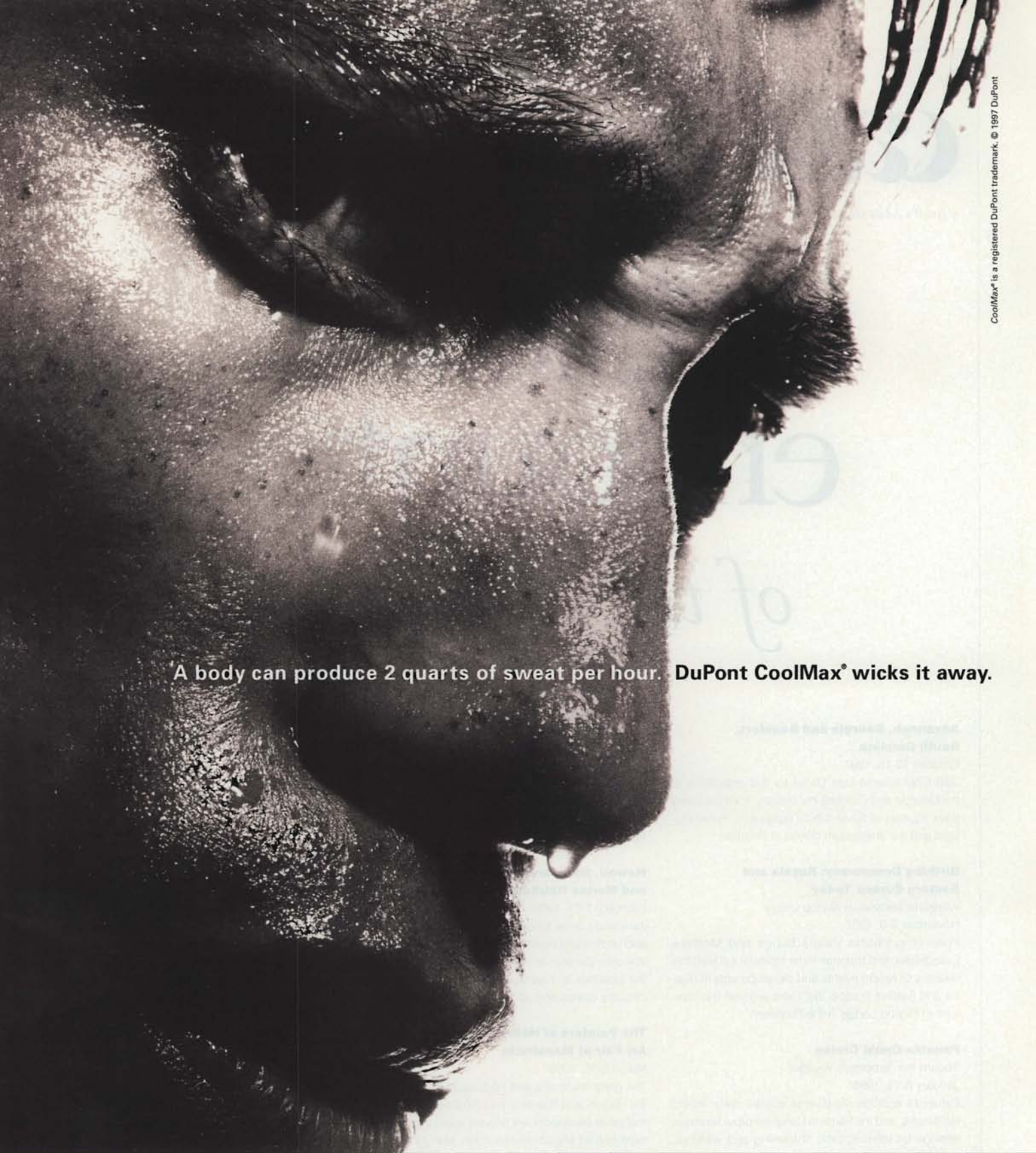
You write of the 900-ton platform being suspended "by three massive cement towers." The 500-foot towers are of concrete. The relationship of cement to concrete is that of flour to bread. Concrete consists of cement, sand, stones, and water packed into a mold around a steel-bar skeleton.

And "flyovers" didn't find the spot. Many flyovers shot aerial photographs that were studied, analyzed, and interpreted by then civil engineering Professor Donald J. Belcher to determine the best site among several choices.

M. Dan Morris '44, BA '76  
Ithaca, New York

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mor, and the audience seems relieved to be understanding every word. After all, there may be no one in the world better qualified to explain the history of cloning than Robert Foote.

Over the last forty years, Foote has authored nearly 500 papers on animal fertility and biotechnology. He was one of the first scientists to understand how embryonic transfer and in vitro fertilization could transform agriculture, and his work has not only revolutionized the dairy industry; it helped make Wilmut's achievement possible.

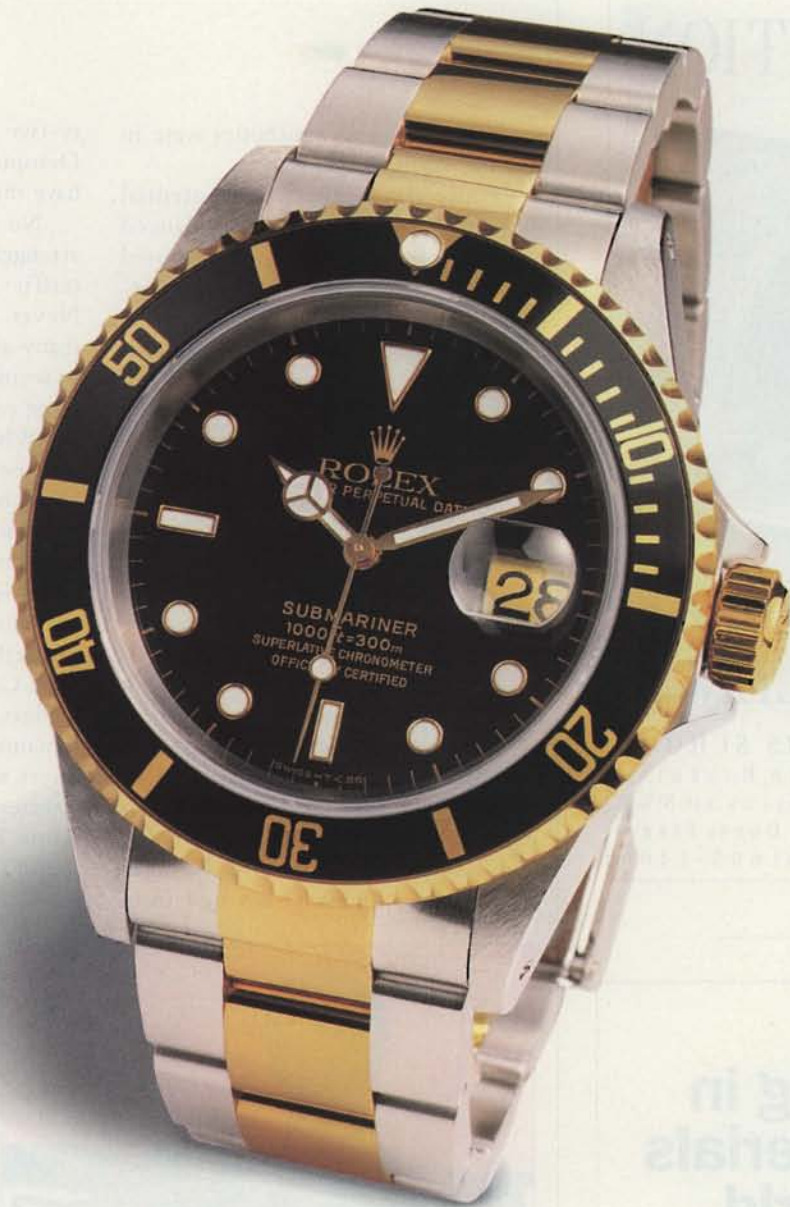
Although Foote officially retired as the Jacob Gould Schurman Professor Emeritus in 1993, he remains an active

presence in the Department of Animal Science. A few days after his presentation to the science journalists, he sits in his office, whose walls are crammed with bovine mementos of his career, and considers why Dolly has grabbed worldwide attention. "I'm not sure how many people read more than the headlines," says Foote, PhD '50. "They tend to be a little bit scary if you don't know very much about the subject." He shakes his head, recalling a TV news story about cloning that was called "Sheep yesterday, monkeys today, and people tomorrow." He says that much of the coverage of cloning research has been misleading, suggesting that developments are happening much more quickly than they actually are.

Rather than leaving the task of teaching the public about science in the hands of the media, Foote believes that scientists and ethicists must participate in forums that cover all sides of debates like the cloning furor. "We need to educate government officials about what thoughtful people, coming from different viewpoints, believe," he says. "We need to think about how to manage things in an intelligent way, predicting the future as accurately as we can and preparing for it, rather than putting out fires as they occur."

While cloning has only just hit the public consciousness—summoning up Aldous Huxley nightmares of custom babies and a master race—Foote has been considering its ethical implications for years. He recently testified before the New York State Senate, arguing against any hasty efforts to ban cloning research. He believes it is a mistake to focus on the distant possibility of cloning human beings rather than the real medical benefits that could result in the more immediate future. "I'm not aware of any researcher who is interested, at this time, in cloning people," he says. "They're interested in learning more about genetics and development."

Such research could, for instance, help scientists learn why cells divide abnormally, as in the case of cancer. "New medicine will probably be based in molecular biology," Foote says. "Cloning and related technologies will probably be as important in the twen-




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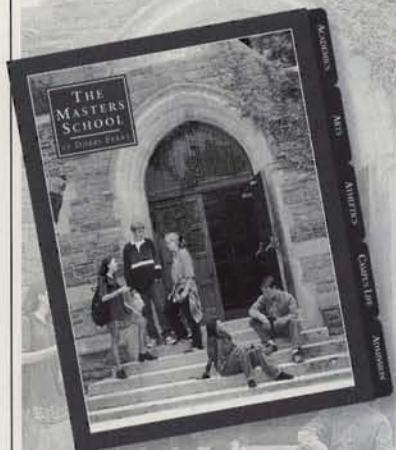


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ty-first century as antibiotics were in the twentieth."

Foote also believes that potential human benefits must be balanced against concern for the animals used in experiments. "We need to ask ourselves why we want to do something like cloning. Will this research help us solve future problems?" he says. "Are these experiments important in unlocking secrets of nature that we don't understand?"

— C. A. Carlson '93, MFA '96

### BOONDOGGLEPUS

**F**OR THE CLASS OF 2001, ITHACA'S gateway to the west will not bear the moniker of a mythic marine cephalopod. The Octopus, that legendary confluence of state and local thoroughfares choking Ithaca's West End, is no more. The students will cruise over Cayuga's waters along highways restored from

ty-five million bucks, the landmark Octopus is dead. And in its place we have this. This . . . Boondogglepus?

No one knows what to call the new arrangement yet. But Ithaca's West End traffic problems are far from over. Never in the city's history have so many argued so much over something so seemingly simple to such an unsatisfying conclusion.

What should never have been a big deal became a divisive squabble that even the state Department of Transportation avoided for decades. The problem: fix a narrow, two-lane highway—Route 96—and untangle a juggernaut christened the Octopus after the Army Corps of Engineers straightened Cayuga Inlet in 1962, burning all bridges behind them except one. The remaining span, an extension of State Street, serviced traffic from eight major arteries, hence the sea-creature tag. Aside from rush-hour headaches—minor fugues to anyone from major urban areas—there was the issue of access

to the hospital; Cayuga Medical Center is two miles up West Hill toward Trumansburg. Another snag: there was—and still is—the matter of a coal-and-salt-hauling freight train that passes like a kidney stone through the West End several times a week, blocking traffic for twenty minutes.

Abandoning its laissez-faire policy toward the whole mess, the state DOT

arrived a couple of years ago and started amputating the offending arteries with all the grace of a Civil War field surgeon. One of the unkindest cuts was the re-routing of Meadow Street traffic. Suddenly, the entire southbound lane for half a miracle mile was closed. Forever. To compensate, Fulton Street—once a two-lane shortcut lined with small businesses, shade trees, and a handful of homes—became a one-way, three-lane highway.

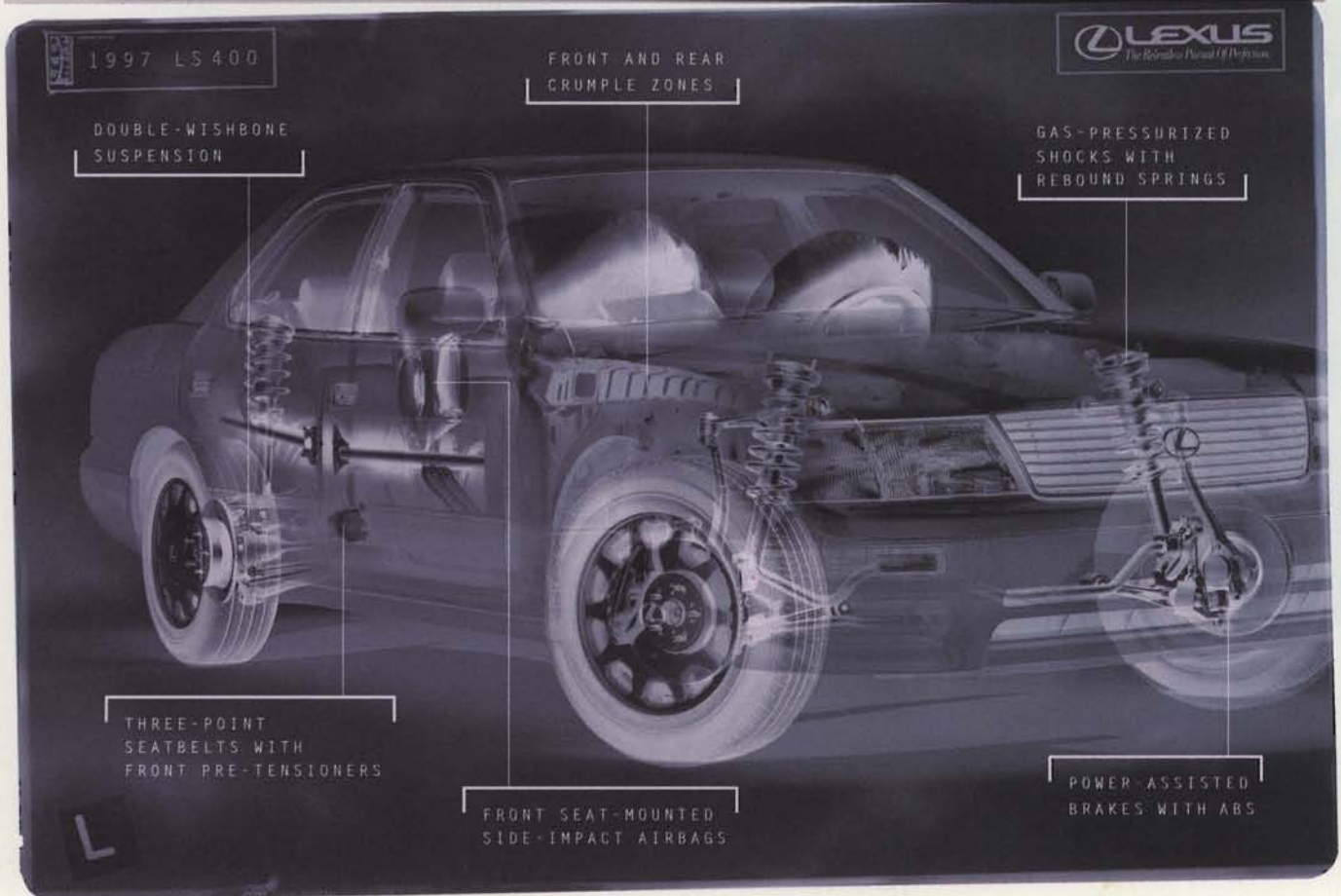
So what? Good question—until you take a spin along Fulton just as a three-engine, 102-car freight train full of salt threatens to keep you pinned in the right lane with your turn signal ticking off twenty minutes of your life.



THE OCTOPUS, ITHACA'S COMMUTER NIGHTMARE, DID NOT DIE EASILY

metaphoric concrete tentacles to their prosaic designation as numbered routes: 96, 89, 79. Freshmen crews will row beneath three bridges, as though they'd been there all along. Should the Octopus be mentioned to them, it will be irrelevant history, a lot of local fuss about god-knows-what. Reflected in their eyes will be a foreigner's contempt for bumpkinesque pet names. Curious newcomers might wonder if "this Octopus of which you speak, is it somehow associated with the lake, like Nessie of Loch Ness?"

Locals will be hard-put to explain it: how, after a quarter-century of exasperating debate, more than three years of disruptive road work, and about twen-

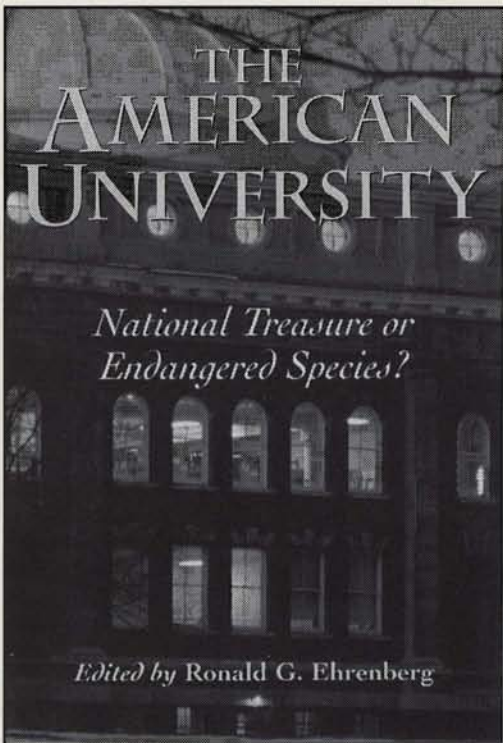


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CURRENTS

In its death throes, the Octopus project threatened the newly relocated GreenStar Cooperative Market, headquarters for many local lefties who fought for—and partly won—a low-impact solution to the Octopus. A sweet victory at the time curdled after a fire forced the coop to relocate—guess where? On the West End, right in the path of a bunch of beefy guys in bulldozers with an “Earth first, we’ll get the other planets later” attitude. GreenStar survived, trimming some of its retail space to accommodate a wider West Buffalo Street.

The Octopus did not die easily. The three years of road work put a stranglehold on established haunts like the Lehigh Valley House, Pete’s, and the Station Restaurant. Several West End businesses went belly up. Personal relationships were shattered in the citywide squabble over what plan would best suit the community. A local woman, who sat through numerous potluck dinners with friends and backers of the politically correct Plan A, decided that Plan B was the most practical. She was duly ostracized. “I don’t get invited to Solstice brunches anymore because of it,” she says.

As dysfunctional as it was, the Octopus had its practical side, and its passing has led to some small, unquantifiable losses. With just one bridge, you didn’t have to worry about missing your exit leaving town; last-minute adjustments required a simple lane change. Get on the wrong bridge today and good luck getting back. As one resident put it: “You really have to plan ahead now when you drive down there. You can’t space out anymore.”

Now *that’s* a quality of life issue.

— Franklin Crawford

A FOOTBALL, DEFINED

**M**AYBE SOMEONE OUT there can help me. I’m stumped. Not long ago, while flipping through some old notes about the ancient Penn-Cornell football rivalry, I came across a brief account in the 1932 Thanksgiving Day *Franklin Field Illustrated* of what appears to be an intriguing event in the annals of football and

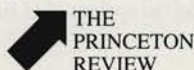
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science. What I can't decide is: did I pull out a piece of lost history or is someone pulling my leg?

Tongue-in-cheekiness, some of it dangerous to the gullible among us, isn't all that uncommon among those who publish for a living. Remember *Sports Illustrated's* Sidd Finch article in 1985, when author George Plimpton profiled a New York Mets pitching prospect who could throw 168 miles per hour, about 70 percent faster than any other human? Never mind that the first letter of each of the first ten words spelled out A-P-R-I-L F-O-O-L-S, the *New York Times* didn't catch on until after it sent a reporter to cover the story.

I pride myself on being able to separate fact from foolishness, at least usually. This one, however, has me mystified. Is it a truthful account of a somewhat whimsical occurrence, and I'm just too cynical to believe it?

Or is it a bit of creative fiction, obvious to the reader sixty-five years ago but baffling to those who are unschooled in Depression-era humor? You be the judge.

On page eleven of the program is this headline: "CORNELL'S PROFS DEFINED A FOOTBALL." Above it is a drawing of eighteen representatives of academia (all bearing a striking resemblance to that mustachioed gentleman from the Monopoly board). They're seated at a conference table, surrounded by books, and they are pondering, discussing, figuring, calculating, even measuring a football with calipers. Standing in the doorway watching the scene with desperate and forlorn expressions are three young men, each with a big "C" on his sweater.

The author of the story about an event that happened nearly a century ago is Lou Boochever '12, Cornell's director of public information at the time. This is his tale: It begins with an uncomfortable legend, a legend by the name of Walter Camp. A bigger-than-

life figure in American sports, Camp was the man who gave us the down system, the line of scrimmage, and six points for a touchdown. Essentially, without Camp, football is soccer. He was the father of American football, and he lorded over the sport with loving care.

But one day Camp found himself dissatisfied with the current definition of a football. It read: "The ball is an oval leather cover containing a rubber inner, which is inflated by means of a small air pump or the lungs."

The definition had its strong points. Inflation, for example. This became paramount in a turn-of-the-century encounter between Cornell and visit-

ing Princeton.

It seems that during the game, the participants removed themselves from a pileup to find that the ball had gone flat. One side wanted to continue the game using a pancaked pig-skin; the other

side wanted some air; everybody called for a rule book. After a "long-limbed individual" raced up the Hill to campus (they played football in town in those days, down on Percy Field) and raced down with the definition, the game was continued with an inflated oval.

But it was the "oval" part of the definition that supposedly bothered Camp. "It doesn't take an Einstein to see that a football is not an oval," wrote Boochever. "For an oval, any high school student will tell you, is a flat surface, whereas a football is solid."

Now, my dictionary does not mention the world "flat" once in its definition of oval. But it doesn't mention the word "solid" either. It says simply: "Resembling an egg in shape," which helps not a bit. Still, Camp was relentless in his pursuit of the truth and in his desire to firm up the regulations. So he turned to Cornell chemistry professor L. M. Dennis, who was then in his first year as chairman of the Football Rules Committee.



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Dennis was unable to find an acceptable scientific definition of a football, so he went to the Cornell math department. A special faculty meeting was organized, Boochever wrote, and after a long session, the Ivy League's best brains emerged with a definition. The ball, they decided, "shall have the shape of a prolate spheroid, the entire surface to be convex."

Hmmm . . . So what we have is a Cornell publicist telling the readers of a Penn publication on the day of the biggest game of the year that, technically, without the benefit of Big Red brains there is no such thing as a football. It's enough to make a CU alum fight an inner battle between cynicism and school pride, both of which led me to try to solve the puzzle.

Boochever passed away in 1952, but some who knew him are still around. I approached eighty-one-year-old Kenny Van Sickle, who covered Cornell sports for nearly six decades. "He was pretty straightforward," the former *Ithaca Journal* sports editor says of Boochever, "but that sounds pretty far-fetched. I don't know whether it happened or not."

Undeterred, I phoned the Honorable Robert Boochever '39, JD '41, senior judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He played football at Cornell; he personifies truth; he is Lou Boochever's eldest son. "He had a pretty good sense of humor," claims the seventy-nine-year-old jurist in Pasadena, California. "But I would be almost 100 percent sure that he wouldn't—in the Cornell-Penn program—say that Cornell professors defined it this way if it weren't so."

If you're keeping score at home, that's one "probably not" and one "probably so."

Turning instead to the archives, a little research reveals that it just may have happened the way Boochever said it did. Professor Louis Monroe Dennis was, indeed, a member of the Cornell chemistry staff for forty-nine years. And he was quite obviously a sports fan—organizer of a faculty baseball team, president of the University Athletic Council, faculty representative for football, and, yes, longtime chairman of the Football Rules Committee.

But then there's the NCAA rule book itself. Under "SECTION 3: The

Ball" there is a discussion of detailed specifications: cover consisting of four panels of pebble-grained leather . . . one set of eight equally spaced lacings . . . natural tan color . . . inflated to the pressure of twelve-and-a-half to thirteen-and-a-half pounds—but no mention of a "prolate spheroid."

Like I said, I'm stumped. But I'd like to give my alma mater the benefit of the doubt and believe that Professor Dennis's definition has only been refined over time. So maybe the Hill was the birthplace of the perfected pigskin. Perhaps we Cornelian football fans can hold our heads a little higher with every lateral, punt, and halfback option.

Or maybe Lou Boochever just wanted to stick it to Penn.

— Brad Herzog '90

## OF RICE AND MEN

**T**HINK ABOUT ALL THE INSTITUTIONS we love so much—art, literature, music," says geneticist Susan McCouch.

"They don't mean a whole lot if you don't have enough to eat." It's a heavy bottom line, one that has been driving McCouch to take rice, arguably the world's oldest and most important domesticated crop, past the wall it hit after the Green Revolution a generation ago.

Then, as the world population was doubling over a thirty-year period, agricultural scientists responded with high-yield rice and other crops created with new breeding techniques. McCouch is a leading character in the sequel, as scientists try to feed a

world whose population could again double, to more than 10 billion, in the next half-century.

In the developing world, rice means more than calories. It underpins political stability (recall the rice highjackings that led to U.S. troop deployment in Somalia) and ultimately life. It feeds more people on Earth than any other food. In regions of Asia and Africa it is second only to water in the equation of survival.

McCouch is trying to boost production in rice varieties that humans have been eating since our nomadic days by reintroducing some of the genetic diversity that agriculture and inbreeding have stripped away. Farming probably began with hunter-gatherers plucking the good-looking stuff from the wild. As seed was scattered, early folk caught on to agriculture. Since then, humans have refined the process by mating the strong and culling the weak. That has meant millennia of inbreeding, and the rice most people eat today has been cultivated within narrow genetic lines. "By the time you've worked on something for 10,000 years," McCouch says, "it's as good as it's going to get."

That's not to say that current yields are low. But they've got to rise, not only to feed more people but to compensate for shrinking arable land. "The idea," says Professor Ronnie Coffman, who helped develop "miracle" rice varieties at Cornell in the Seventies, "is to link specific genetic sequences with functions such as yield and disease resistance."

As nature demonstrated with the royal families of nineteenth-century Europe, eventually you need some fresh blood. That prompted McCouch to go in search of the variation that nature uses to stir up the gene pool. While introducing wild genes back into the traditionally inbred varieties, McCouch has been looking



GOOD GENES AND GOOD TASTE:  
THE MCCOUCH STANDARD

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## A BELL TOWER ON A LIBRARY?

THE TWO WOMEN LOOKED PERFECTLY respectable and mostly sane. Dressed in Ithaca soccer-mom togs (khaki shorts, sandals, polo shirts) they weren't the sort who'd be caught dead in a mosh pit. Then they started talking. "When I heard tickets were sold out, I almost had a cardiac arrest," said one as they hustled toward Bailey Hall. "And I mean a *cardiac arrest*." Her friend made a sympathetic groan. "If I'd had to," she said, "I'd have camped out in Binghamton overnight."

For the public radio set, Elvis is alive and well and living in Lake Wobegon. In May, Garrison Keillor brought his *Prairie Home Companion* radio show to Cornell, and the local intelligentsia fairly leapt out of their skins with glee. When tickets to see the butter-voiced performer went on sale in early spring, so many people called the nearest Ticketmaster that it snarled phone lines between Ithaca and Syracuse—and prompted the phone company to ring up the Binghamton-based NPR affiliate WSKG and ask just what it was trying to pull.

Saturday evening's live broadcast sold out within hours, and Keillor fans not among the lucky 2,000 were downright furious. To avoid an uprising, the Saturday afternoon rehearsal was opened up to a paying audience that got to watch Keillor negotiate tempos with the Guy's All-Star Shoe Band and sweet-talk a downsized Cornell Glee Club into performing that *other* version of the "Alma Mater."

The two-hour show proved to be a postcard for Ithaca and Cornell, bolstered by all the background that University Archi-



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### "A CORNELL HOME COMPANION" FROM KEILLOR

most enlightened burg—and that the Ithaca Festival was going on just down the road, with its Birkenstock Brigade and parade of tutu-clad Volvos. "This is a town," Keillor said, "where one can live one's whole life and never run out of choices for granola."

Keillor had a field day with undergraduate angst, penning a skit on an English major's nightmare: he's pulling an all-nighter to write a paper when Emily Dickinson, Hester Prynne, and Walt Whitman show up to seduce him. (The rehearsal audience loved it, but it was cut from the live broadcast and used on another program.) The show's dramatic centerpiece was a tribute to Ithaca's mythic status as the home of Odysseus, featuring some very nasty sound effects when the hero poked out the Cyclops's eye. "O, Ithaca, city on a hill," said Keillor's Clever One. "Ten years have passed since last I drank your latte, or walked the aisles of an independent bookstore."

— Beth Saulnier

for locations along the double helix that contain the yield-enhancing traits. Mapping the rice plant's 30,000 genes requires identifying more than 2,000 locations which serve as signposts, helping guide scientists to the target genes.

It can take more than a dozen generations to breed a plant with the conventional methods, crossing varieties until desirable traits emerge. Using gene maps can cut that to as few as three generations. "We're looking for a needle in a haystack," McCouch says. "But we've got a pretty strong magnet." There is some genetic gold there; using genes from the wild rice *O. rufipogon* McCouch and plant genetics professor

Steven Tanksley were able to increase yields in the domesticated *Oryza sativa* variety by as much as 17 percent. McCouch takes the work a few steps further by seeing how cross-bred rice cooks and tastes to ensure the end result is palatable, practical, and affordable.

Behind a curtain of waist-length auburn hair neatly bound back, the lanky, angular McCouch seems to draw her energy from a simmering idealism about science in the service of mankind. She arrived in genetics and plant breeding after travels through the East, where she developed a keen appreciation of rice's position as a staff of life. Science purely for the kicks of discov-

ery wouldn't sustain McCouch, whose work is both an intellectual stimulant and a moral tonic. "I'm interested," she says, "in information that can do something."

She also wants to make sure those discoveries are available to the developing world. She sees troubling signs that the genetic revolution will produce a patenting orgy where industry seeks to own and sell life-giving information. To ensure wide exposure, McCouch's mapping data is being loaded onto a Cornell website. She chimes her computer to life, then says contentedly, "This way anyone who needs it can have it."

— John Yaukey

A photograph of a bathroom sink with a glass of water, a toothbrush, and a tube of toothpaste. The scene is lit with a warm, golden light, creating a soft, intimate atmosphere. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font.

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## FROM THE HILL

### A RICH LEGACY

AFTER 29 SEASONS, MORAN TURNS FROM LACROSSE TO FUNDRAISING

ONCE EVERY quarter-century or so, a coach comes to the Hill who bleeds Big Red so deeply that it becomes impossible to separate the sport from the sportsman. What Jack Moakley is to track, what Stork Sanford is to rowing, Richie Moran is to lacrosse.

With the announcement in July that Moran would be leaving his position to become associate director of athletics alumni affairs and development came the realization that Big Red lacrosse will have a new leader for the first time since Lyndon Johnson was in the White House. The Moran style has been a rite of spring for Cornell sports fans since long before today's players were born—the coach pacing the sidelines in a red pullover, khaki slacks, and sneakers, whistling loud enough to drown out the clocktower.

The energy of a man who never met a hand he didn't shake will now focus on fundraising, primarily for Cornell lax. "It sounds corny, but this is an opportunity for me to give back to Cornell," says Moran, who led the Red to three

NCAA championships. "I've enjoyed the people I've dealt with, the players who played for me, the faculty, the support staff, the custodial staff, the whole nine yards."

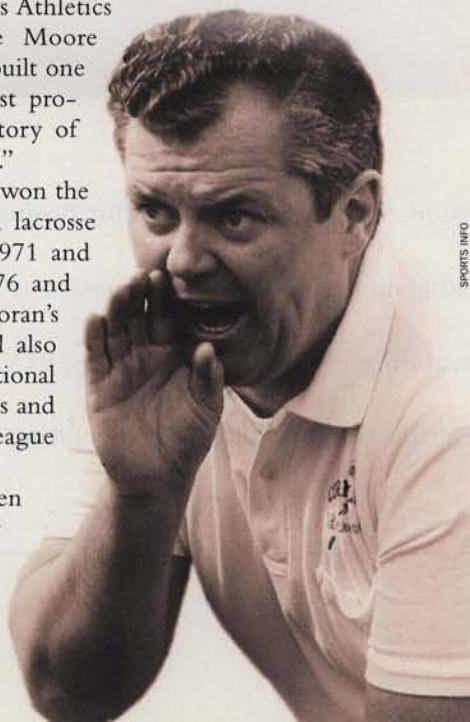
Moran took over the Cornell program in 1969 after six years of coaching high school and club lacrosse. A 1960 graduate of the University of Maryland, he was a midfielder on the 1959 Terrapin national championship team. He brought that winning feeling to the Hill, carving out a 257-121 record over nearly three decades. "In twenty-nine seasons," says Athletics Director Charlie Moore '52, "Richie has built one of the winningest programs in the history of collegiate lacrosse."

The Big Red won the first-ever NCAA lacrosse tournament in 1971 and two more in 1976 and 1977. Under Moran's guidance Cornell also recorded three national runner-up finishes and fifteen Ivy League championships.

In 1983, when he was still only midway through his Cornell career, Moran was named to

the Lacrosse Hall of Fame. "As a coach, he's attained the highest honors," says Paul Schimoler '89, an All-American goaltender who later served as Big Red assistant coach. "But his legacy is basically living Cornell lacrosse, the number of lives he's touched and coached and helped direct."

As Moran concentrates on endowing the lacrosse head coach position, a search is under way to find his successor. Says Moran of a tenure that spanned three Cornell presidencies: "It's been a real nice romance."



### SMALL TALK

IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY will come. And if you build it very, very small, they will come in truckloads. In July, scientists at the Cornell Nanofabrication Facility announced they'd created the world's tiniest guitar, a six-stringer carved out of crystalline silicon.

How small is it? No bigger than a human blood cell, ten-millionths of a meter long and one hundred atoms wide. A stack of twenty would still be thinner than a hair.

The *New York Times* came calling. So did the *Washington Post*, *Time*, *USA*



WANTED: A MICRO ELVIS

Today, National Public Radio, the BBC, and the Voice of America. Applied and engineering physics professor Harold Craighead stopped counting at fifty, and he got awfully tired of giving interviews. Most of them weren't so much interested in the intricacies of electron beam lithography as in calculating how many microguitars could dance on the head of a pin.

But Craighead stresses that the wee instrument—etched by Dustin Carr, a grad student who always wanted to be a rock musician—was simply a way to illustrate the silicon mechanical oscillators created for such fields as data storage and fiber optics.

"People don't react to transistors," Craighead sighs. "But they do react to a guitar."

## GIVE MY REGARDS TO . . .

THESE CORNELLIANS  
IN THE NEWS

**James Mack '63**, nominated by President Clinton to be ambassador to the Cooperative Republic of Guyana.

**Persis Drell**, associate professor of physics, and **Terence Irwin**, professor of philosophy, named 1997 Guggenheim fellows.

**Edward Ryder '51**, developer of the world's most widely planted variety of iceberg lettuce and recipient of a U.S. Department of Agriculture Honor Award for Personal and Professional Excellence.

**Joan Jacobs Brumberg, Debra Ann Castillo, David Feldshuh,** and **Clifford Pollock**, Cornell professors named the 1997 Stephen H. Weiss '57 presidential fellows for their "effective, inspiring, and distinguished" teaching.

**Riccardo Giovanelli**, professor of astronomy, awarded one of Italy's highest scientific awards, the *Cavaliere nell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana*.

**Richard Meier '56**, BArch '57, recipient of the 1997 Praemium Imperiale Award for lifetime achievements in architecture.

**Jeffrey Bleustein '60**, BME '61, named president and chief executive officer of Harley-Davidson, Inc.

**William Nye '77**, star of "Bill Nye, the Science Guy," whose show, with "Wishbone," was named "best children's programming" for 1997 by the Television Critics Association.

**Harold Tanner '52**, recipient of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education Grand Gold award for alumni volunteer involvement.

## BUGS TO THE RESCUE!

**L**IKE A JAMES BOND VILLAINESS, purple loosestrife is beautiful but deadly. The deep purple weed was brought over from Europe in the early 1800s, and its lack of natural enemies in the U.S. allowed it to run amok, choking wetlands and knocking ecosystems out of whack. "The problem is not so much the plant, but the abundance of it," says natural resources researcher Bernd Blossey. "It displaces the natural plant community, which provides food and shelter for all sorts of other organisms. It more or less becomes a biological desert."

To combat the prolific plants—which can grow to nine feet tall and

carry three million seeds—Blossey has imported some unlikely champions. The *Galerucella pusilla* and *G. californiensis* beetles are what scientists call "host specific"; they'd starve before they'd nibble on anything but loosestrife.

After a decade of research to prove the beetles wouldn't create their own ecodisaster, Blossey's team has been shipping the bugs to affected areas, particularly in the Northeast. About half a million of the pea-sized soldiers will sally forth this year. "Within ten years we'll see large reductions of loosestrife," Blossey predicts, "and within fifteen years it will be under control."



G. CALMARIENSIS  
AT LUNCH

BERND BLOSSEY

## UNION LABOR

### UAW MEMBERS APPROVE CONTRACT

**A**FTER MONTHS OF NEGOTIATIONS and a year-long campaign for higher wages, Cornell and the United Auto Workers Union have agreed on a new contract. Under the four-year deal, the university's 1,050 service and maintenance workers will get pay raises totaling between \$1.70 and \$2.70 an hour over the next four years. "The idea of a livable wage was front and center," says union spokesman Jerry Maloney '96. "We're making good steps toward arriving there."

With the contract settled before the semester started—in time to avoid a bitter labor dispute or even a strike—both sides are describing the negotiation process as cordial. ("We got what we wanted without getting into a little war," says Maloney. "It wasn't scratching out your eyes and clawing," says Pete Tufford '69, Cornell's director of labor relations.)

But passions ran high throughout the 1996-97 Justice for Cornell Workers campaign, during which the university was accused of confiscating pro-labor literature and 1,000 students pledged not to donate funds to their alma mater until it raises salaries significantly. "The issues in the contract were larger than the bargaining table," says English professor Paul Sawyer. "The living wage is a



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'HONK FOR A LIVABLE WAGE':  
WORKERS PROTEST SALARIES.

community issue and a moral issue."

Union members had rejected an offer that would have concentrated pay raises at the lowest salary levels. And while protests by student activists and union members focused on employees making what they tagged "poverty-level" wages, Tufford says the failure of the first offer indicated that higher-paid employees felt left out.

The new agreement provides for a wage pool of about \$21.4 million, Maloney says, compared to \$20.7 million under the old contract. But despite the gains, the pledge to withhold alumni donations still stands, says labor activist George Luscombe '99. "This is definitely not the end," Luscombe says. "Cornell is not morally off the hook."

## MARS IS ROCKING

RESEARCHER SCOPES THE RED PLANET

ON THE FOURTH OF JULY, ASTRONOMER JAMES BELL SAW SOME INDOOR fireworks. "Oh, man! It was crazy, absolutely crazy," says the Cornell researcher, who witnessed the Independence Day landing of the Mars Pathfinder probe at NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab in Pasadena. "It was neat to see a bunch of grown engineers and scientists cry." As part of the Pathfinder's imaging team, Bell spent his summer interpreting video footage of the Martian surface, concentrating on rocks and minerals. "It's sort of like being a field geologist walking around on Mars through the camera, and trying to tell what's on the surface," he says. After the successful touchdown, the vehicle and its landing site were renamed the Carl Sagan Memorial Station, after the late astronomy professor.

Bell's initial observations include the presence of rounded rocks, which may have been worn away by water billions of years ago. Similarly, Bell observed rocks

**"It's like being a field geologist walking on Mars through the camera."**



of different colors, some indicating a more oxidizing environment than the planet presently has. Such hypotheses are based on the images from interplanetary TV, coupled

with knowledge about terrestrial mineralogy. "You just rely on the fact that science is the same wherever you are in the universe," he says, "unless you're in the middle of a black hole or something, where things get weird."

If NASA's long-range plans for Martian exploration go on as scheduled, Bell may have a chance to test his theories when an unmanned craft brings back chunks of Earth's red neighbor in 2005. "We might be on the right track, or we might be completely wrong," Bell says. "After all, it's a different planet."

## SURFING THE CYBER-SLOPE

SINCE THE ADVENT OF THE WORLD WIDE WEB, CORNELL IS ONLY A URL away. Here are a few highlights among the university's thousands of homepages, both official and unofficial. In the fine tradition of web surfing, each site provides links to many others.

- **BirdSource** is a repository of information for amateur birdwatchers. Users can call up archival maps showing locations of species, listen to recorded calls, and register their own sightings. The page offers links to the rest of the Ornithology Lab, including the Library of Natural Sounds. [www.ornith.cornell.edu/CS/PFW/main.html](http://www.ornith.cornell.edu/CS/PFW/main.html)
- **The Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation Homepage** has news, scores, schedules, ticket info, and links to such sites as the Hockey Faithful homepage. Click on the bear to hear the Big Red fight song. [www.athletics.cornell.edu](http://www.athletics.cornell.edu)
- **Cornell's Legal Information Institute** offers instant access to Supreme Court decisions, as well as an electronic version of the voluminous U.S. Code. Even the White House web page offers links to the immensely popular site, which gets more than 80,000 hits a day. [www.law.cornell.edu](http://www.law.cornell.edu)
- Find other alums, hook up with your local Cornell Club, send news to your *Cornell Magazine* class correspondent, and learn about events on campus and at home at the university's website for **alumni, parents, and friends**. [www.alumni.cornell.edu](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu)
- **Sean's Hot Truck Page** lets you indulge your gastronomic memories from the comfort of your desktop. Mechanical engineering major Sean O'Brien '00, who's consumed many a Triple SUI, has crafted a website dedicated to Bob Petrillose's Hot Truck cuisine—from the RaRa to the HaHa to the ever-reliable PMP. [www.people.cornell.edu/pages/smo9/hottruck](http://www.people.cornell.edu/pages/smo9/hottruck)
- Hear the dulcet tones of the "Alma Mater" and the "Jennie McGraw Rag" at the **Cornell Chimes Homepage**. You can also take an illustrated history tour of the chimes, meet current chimesmasters, check out the latest song schedules, and link up to the national Guild of Carillonneurs. [www.cornell.edu/zChimes](http://www.cornell.edu/zChimes)



VIRTUAL BIRDING

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## MONEY MATTERS

Salary increases have more effect than promotions in retaining employees, according to ILR professors John Boudreau and Barry Gerhart and grad student Charlie Trevor. They found that job satisfaction largely depends on salary growth.

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Ironically, women who don't always have enough food may risk obesity, says nutritional sciences professor Christine Olson. Such women consume fewer fruits and vegetables and tend to overeat when food becomes available, Olson says.

## PLANT TALK

Using a laser microscope, researchers have found tubules connecting plant cell chloroplasts. Plant biologist Maureen Hanson and researchers Rainer Köhler and Jun Cao believe chloroplasts communicate with each other, refuting the view of independent structures.

## WEAPONS 101

Seven percent of college students say they've carried weapons in the past thirty days, says a survey by Cornell and Southern Illinois University. Psychologist Philip Meilman notes that the survey shows "there are no completely safe havens."

## GROWING GROWTH

Despite a diet low in animal-based foods and fat, childhood growth rates in China have increased, says nutritional biochemistry professor T. Colin Campbell, who is leading a survey of diet in Chinese villages.

## PEST CONTROL

Entomologists have cloned a protein that renders insects susceptible to a lethal companion virus. Virologist Robert Granados and Ping Wang, PhD '96, are trying to insert the "trojan horse" gene into plants for use in pest control.



## GRIEVING FOR FIDO

**C**HEER UP. IT WAS ONLY A DOG. YOU CAN ALWAYS GET another one. Though the words are meant well, they can do more harm than good for people who've lost a pet. A new project at the Vet college aims to help pet owners through the grieving process, while giving future doctors valuable counseling experience. Cornell's Pet Loss Support Hotline offers information, referral, and a sympathetic ear.

The hotline, one of seven nationwide, is staffed by vet students, many of whom have lost pets themselves. "When we take the calls," says fourth-year student Pam Corey, "we're not talking as veterinarians, but really dealing with people on an emotional level." The hotline can be reached at (607) 253-3932 from 6 to 9 p.m. EST, Tuesday through Thursday, or on the World Wide Web at <<http://www.vet.cornell.edu/public/petloss/>>.

## SPECIAL DELIVERY

**T**HE AUGUST UPS strike created a media maelstrom for the School of Industrial and Labor Relations, whose faculty got more than one hundred interview requests in the first week alone. Professors such as Richard Hurd, seen here doing a live segment for ABC News from a TV studio in Martha Van Rensselaer Hall, gave expert opinions on the strike to all the nation's major newspapers and TV networks.



HURD VIA SATELLITE

ADRIANNA ROWERS / UP

## FIT FOR FAME

### ATHLETES INDUCTED INTO CORNELL PANTHEON

**T**HIRTEEN NEW MEMBERS HAVE been named to the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame, bringing the total to 366. The inductees, including seven All-Americans and a longtime groundskeeper, represent eleven different sports. The new members will be honored at the annual ceremony on September 26.

They are: the late Charlie Berman '49, a soccer All-American for whom the university's new field is named; the late Rocco Calvo '52, a football quarterback who holds several Cornell records and earned All-American honorable mention honors; Dave Doupe '78, a track All-American who holds Cornell records for indoor, outdoor,

and Barton Hall shot put; Dave Dresser '60, an All-American and All-Ivy lacrosse midfielder; Larry Fullan '72, a hockey center named to the All-American, All-ECAC, and All-Ivy first teams his senior year; Holly Gross '81, a gymnast who won New York State titles in the balance beam and floor exercise; Lauren Kulik '85, who broke Cornell track records in the long jump, triple jump, and indoor 55-meter hurdles; Jack Meakem Jr. '58, who stroked Cornell crews to Intercollegiate Rowing Association victories in three categories; the late Norm Padula,



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who retired in 1971 after fifty-one years on the athletic grounds staff, twenty-one as foreman; Dale Porter '75, a wrestling champion and lightweight football offensive tackle; Phil Ratner '66, a football captain, All-American honorable mention, and *Daily Sun* athlete of the year; the late George Witherbee 1894, who was elected captain of the football team but died trying to save a sailing companion; and the late Norwood Wright '28, a track All-American and champion in the weight and hammer throws.



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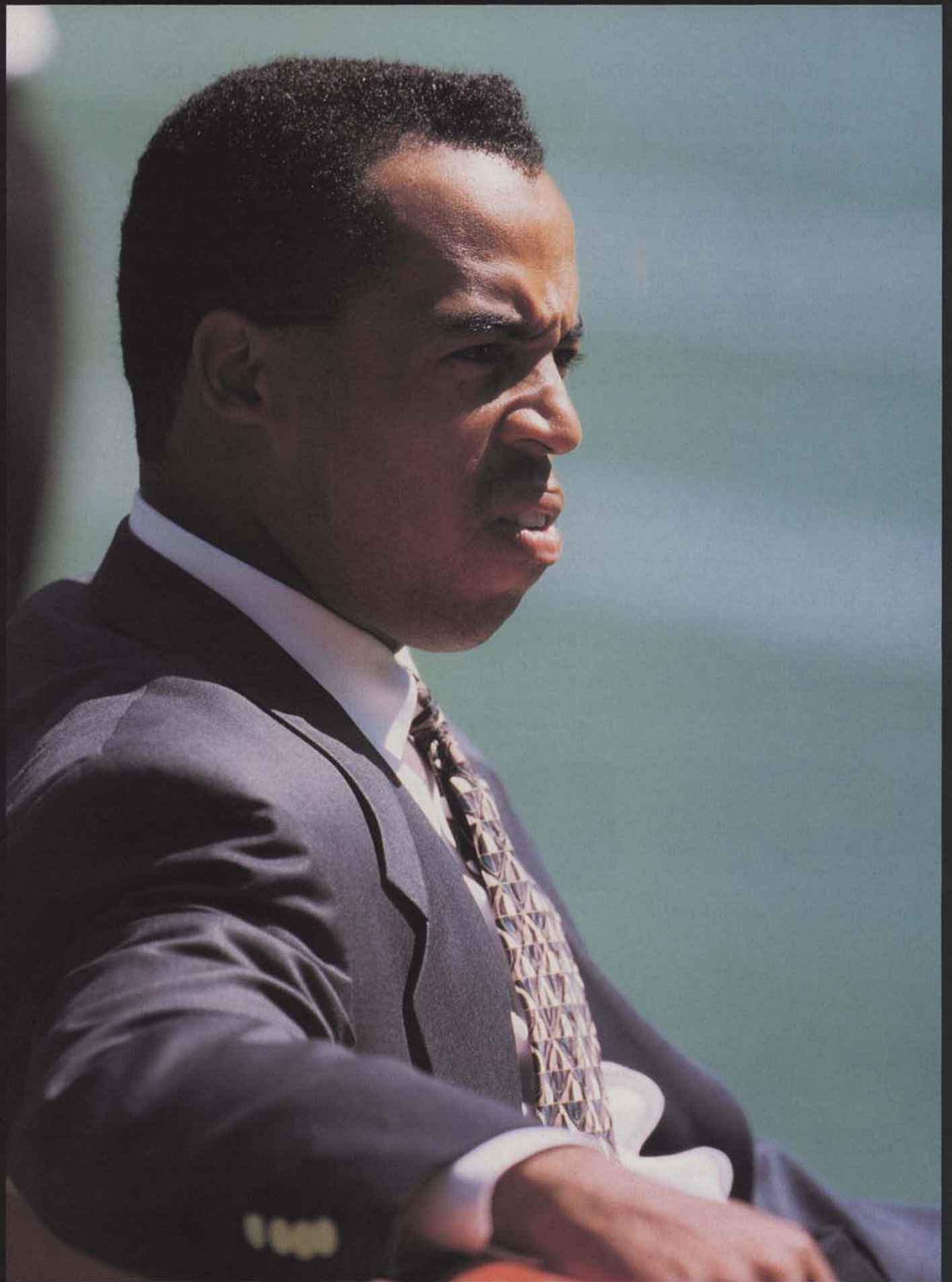
## PAGAN RIGHTS

**T**HE LATEST GROUP TO JOIN THE UNIVERSITY RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY is neither Christian nor Jewish, Buddhist nor Moslem. United Pagan Ministries—representing Druids, Wiccans, Animists, and other faiths—has been granted membership in Cornell United Religious Work. "These are legitimate pre-Christian traditions," says CURW Director Robert Johnson. "They are Earth-based traditions, which in many ways form the foundation of Western Christianity." Organized in March, the group numbers several dozen members. "Many people do not believe Pagans take their religious identities seriously," says spokesman Robert W. Brown '97. "We do. Many of us are extremely devoted to our faiths and the divinities we worship."



BROWN & DARLENE MALONEY '99, FOUNDING MEMBERS OF UPM

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**MICHAEL HUYGHUE, THE FIRST BLACK  
GENERAL MANAGER IN THE NATIONAL  
FOOTBALL LEAGUE, IS THE LATEST IN  
A LONG LINE OF BARRIER BREAKERS.**

# Huyghue

[remember the name]

**BY BRAD HERZOG**

**I**t's an early afternoon in late April and about a dozen thick-necked men are squeezed inside a waiting room like circus clowns in a Volkswagen. They are newly drafted pro football prospects in the executive offices of the Jacksonville Jaguars, and they've spent the past eight years sweating and grunting their way toward this moment. After dozens of games, hundreds of practices, countless injuries, and months of being prodded, poked, interviewed, and evaluated, they are about to sign their first NFL contracts. It is the first day of the rest of their lives.

Just across the hall, in much more commodious surroundings, a five-foot-ten, 180-pound man wearing a crisp chambray shirt, a designer tie, and a bit of a baby face is camped behind a desk surrounded by books and binders and guides and folders. He is Michael Huyghue, the man with the contracts, the man they are waiting for.

Huyghue '84 is the Jaguars' thirty-five-year-old senior vice president of football operations, a title that is a matter of perspective. Sports-scoring cynics might submit that his job is merely to determine how much to pay men of inflated size and inflated egos who toss around an inflated bag of wind. At the other end of the spectrum are those

who may envy the fact that what Huyghue considers a profession they and thousands of other armchair sports executives regard as a passion, one that nudges the borders of obsession.

Both perspectives miss the forest for the trees. The significance of Huyghue is not about sports, per se; it's about understanding what has been and imagining what might be. It is about the realization that he is a pioneer of sorts, the latest in a long line of barrier breakers who have known the burden of representing more than just themselves, a man with a sky's-the-limit future in a field with a shamefully limiting past. In fact, it may be that a lot of people—not just a group of wide-eyed draftees—have been waiting for Michael Huyghue for a long, long time.

Huyghue (rhymes with “fugue”) was raised by a middle-income family in a mid-sized town in the middle of Connecticut. They lived near the center of Windsor, a community of some 17,000 souls on the west bank of the Connecticut River, which slices through the midpoint of the state. He had one sister, one brother. Politically, his parents were just to the left of the middle-of-the road. All in all, it was a relatively vanilla existence, except for one thing: Huyghue is black; about 99 percent of Windsor isn't.

“Fortunately, I think, the environment was mixed between a lot of

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different ethnic groups. There was a large Jewish population. There was a large Italian population. So it wasn't like it was such a homogeneous group of people. And I think it was easier for people to get along because of that. But still," he adds with a hint of a smile, "if you looked at any of my Little League photos, it would be easy to find me."

Huyghue's father, Bruce, was a city councilman, a member of the board of education, and an insurance executive. Huyghue's mother, Joan, worked part-time at another insurance company. Both put a premium on achievement, involvement, self-reliance, and self-esteem. "It didn't do much good to come home and complain about issues because they weren't that sympathetic," Huyghue recalls. "Well, they were, but they weren't going to show it. When I was a little kid, if I came home crying or something, they'd say, 'What are you crying about? Go back out there.' If I said, 'They're squirting me with a squirt gun,' they'd say, 'All right, here's a squirt gun. Go squirt them back.'"

For the most part, his neighbors in Windsor treated him like an adopted son and his family like the integral part of the community that it was. But racism is potent even in small doses, and there were times when he encountered the kind of discrimination that sticks in a small child's psyche. Like when the rest of his Little League team would run into a friend's house for lemonade after a game, and Michael would stand outside while one of his teammates brought him a drink. Or when some of the families wouldn't let their sons camp out in the Huyghue backyard, forcing the kids to solve the problem by setting up tents a few feet away from each other, straddling the property line.

"I think when you're a little kid, you don't understand it as well. I mean, you're not intellectually cognizant of racism. You just know that you're being

unfairly treated," says Huyghue. "But that's probably a good education because in the real world—black, white, or indifferent—there are all sorts of prejudices that operate on people. To be a young person, to have seen that at a critical age, it probably was better preparation for me than if I had walked into it in college, which is when most people face it."

At seven, Huyghue turned to organized sports. It was the easiest way for him to find an immediate group of friends, to fit in by holding his own. "Sports has always been the link for me in any issue because I think it cuts against racial lines," he explains. "I mean, even the most racist people will sit in our stadiums and cheer on sixty-five black guys with the greatest enthusiasm."

Huyghue became a multi-sport star in high school, an all-state selection as both a third baseman and a running back/defensive back, and his school's athlete of the year as a senior. But when it came time to choose a college, he was thinking education first. His brother, Danny, two years older than Huyghue, attended Amherst and then Stanford's business school. His sister, Valerie, a year older, opted for Providence College and then graduate school at Brown. With impressive footsteps to follow, the youngest Huyghue was recruited heavily by Cornell. When he visited campus one weekend he met Cornell's star running back, Joe Holland '79, and Joe's father, All-American Jerome "Brud" Holland '39.

Both were outstanding black men who followed stellar football careers with even more impressive feats, Joe as an attorney in Harlem who founded a shelter for homeless men and Brud as a college president, U.S. ambassador to Sweden, and director of the New York Stock Exchange. Huyghue knew in-

stinctively that Cornell was the place to begin his ascent.

One walks a fine line when touting black athletic figures as heroes. When former heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis died during Huyghue's first spring semester on the Hill, syndicated columnist Carl Rowan took umbrage with the widespread praise Louis received as a pivotal figure in African-American history. "White people who would never compare the achievements of Jack Dempsey or Rocky Marciano with those of Jonas Salk or Franklin D. Roosevelt," he wrote, "glibly tell us that an uneducated boxer was the most meaningful of black men."

In general, of course, Rowan is right. To compare the achievements of Willie Mays or Walter Payton with those of W. E. B. Du Bois or Thurgood Marshall is insulting. However, in choosing Louis as his example, Rowan may have chosen poorly. The athletic fields are far removed from the turf of political or intellectual achievement, but they are no less salient. Perception is reality, fame is influence, and sport is consistently at center stage in the American cultural arena.

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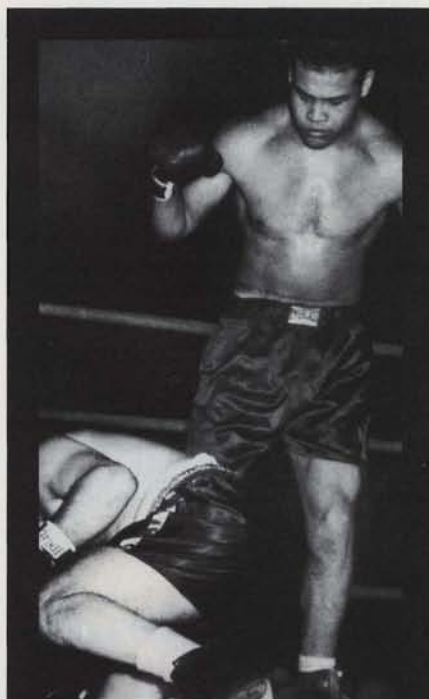
s a result, through some magic mix of time, place, talent, and courage, a handful of athletic figures—black athletes in particular—have made more of a symbolic difference in a relatively short span of success than other role models have made in a lifetime of achievement. They represent opportunity and hint at possibility. This has been particularly true when the world of sports has been more progressive than society as a whole.

In 1875, for instance, when black jockey Oliver Lewis rode the winner in

the first-ever Kentucky Derby, the nation was only a decade removed from slavery. In 1908, when Jack Johnson, a Southern black man, became the heavyweight boxing champion of the world and wealthy beyond the imagination of most Americans, lynchings were still widespread in the Deep South. In 1936, when Louis began receiving cross-racial cheers for pummeling white opponents into submission and Jesse Owens turned Hitler's notion of Aryan supremacy on its head at the Berlin Olympics, the only other black faces that could be found in "mainstream" newspapers were criminals. And when Jackie Robinson stepped onto Brooklyn's baseball field a half-century ago, integrating the national pastime en route to Rookie of the Year honors, America had yet to desegregate its armed services or public schools. "The Supreme Court decision of 1954 . . . was about the law of the nation," David Halberstam recalled decades later, "but the coming of Jackie Robinson into organized baseball . . . was about the very soul of the nation."

Those heroes opened doors for the next generation of African-American sports pioneers—people like Althea Gibson, Muhammad Ali, Wilma Rudolph—who, through the force of their personalities and the televised magnitude of their feats, continued to transcend the playing fields by transforming them. The black athletic heroes of the first half of the century influenced those who would become the dominant voices in the struggle for political and social equality in the second half. Martin Luther King, Jr. thanked Jackie Robinson for making his job easier, while Desmond Tutu claimed that, as a boy in South Africa, it gave him an "inspirational lift to know black people could do such a thing." Malcolm X wanted to be Joe Louis; Jesse Louis Jackson was named after him. The lesson: never underestimate the symbolism of a steal of home, the power of a left hook, or, in the case of Tiger Woods, the far-reaching arc of a 330-yard drive.

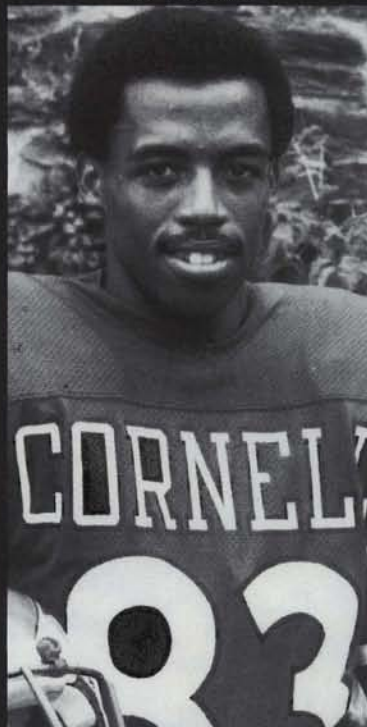
Witness the intensity of emotion surrounding the O. J. Simpson saga. Here was a man touted as one of sport's first "crossover" heroes, beloved by both black and white, a friendly face in mil-



JOE LOUIS



ARTHUR ASHE



HUYGHUE THE RECEIVER

lions of living rooms. His football prowess translated into careers as a commercial pitchman, television commentator, and actor. His murder trial became a forum on the power of celebrity, the definition of heroism, the shortcomings of the criminal justice system. But it was first and foremost a racial litmus test. Like Ali, Louis, and Robinson, Simpson was a symbol and a color, a powerful combination.

Michael Huyghue wanted to be Arthur Ashe. He played competitive tennis as a youth, taught the game during several summers, and enjoyed a stint as a ballboy for one of Ashe's U.S. Open matches. But as enthralled as he was with Ashe the athlete, he was equally inspired by Ashe the man—dignified, intellectual, complex. "He was a person who went against all the obstacles," says Huyghue, "and, in a very sterile environment, found a way to be accepted and revered."

Though Huyghue was a good football player—a three-year starting receiver who collected forty-one receptions and 613 yards for the Big Red—he was a better student. A communications major in the Ag college, Huyghue toyed with the idea of a sportswriting or broadcasting career. But a business law class, followed by a Cornell-in-Washington stint with the D.C. Public Defender's Office, sold him on the legal profession. He graduated in 1984 and entered the University of Michigan's law school, where he met his wife, Kimberly.

By 1987, when he earned his law degree, he had long known he wanted to concentrate on sports. The big question: which side of sports law—players or management? Having interned on both sides, he knew he was more of a management type, just as he knew he likely would have been a prosecutor had he entered criminal practice. "The union side, or players' side, was a little too laid back. It wasn't as structured," he says. "They arrived in jeans each day, while the management council were Madison Avenue lawyers who I just related to better. I thought, being a young lawyer starting out, I would want to learn from people who dotted the i's and crossed the t's a bit more."

Huyghue became labor relations counsel to the NFL's Management

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Council during the 1987 strike. His job was to advise the NFL teams on interpretation and enforcement of collective bargaining agreement provisions, to keep abreast of the legal issues surrounding all strike activity—and, yes, to facilitate the signing of replacement players.

His job, to some extent, was to pick the scabs, which may have made him the bad guy in the eyes of the Players Association. But to NFL management he was an integral part of a complicated scenario. “It was sort of like being a young resident right out of medical school and being told that you’re going to a mobile surgical hospital, and you’ll be operating on people,” says Huyghue. “The ink wasn’t even dry on my degree, and I was arguing issues before the National Labor Relations Board.”

Over the next four years, he gained the respect of a number of NFL general managers. When one of them, Mike Lynn of the Minnesota Vikings, was named commissioner of the new World League of American Football, an offshoot organization with franchises in mid-sized American cities and international metropolises, he offered Huyghue a position as general manager of one of the teams. So the twenty-nine-year-old moved out of the frying pan of NFL labor relations and into the front offices of the Birmingham Fire.

In Alabama, where there are commandments against using Bear Bryant’s name in vain, football is king. But this was a city best known for its church bombings and fire hoses just a generation earlier. Huyghue’s arrival must have generated in some residents an inner battle between obduracy and enthusiasm. “There wasn’t even a black vice president at any level in the entire city. It had just been so institutional, just an accepted code of the way things went,” notes Huyghue. “And I came from an environment where, starting at eight years old, you just overcome. You don’t even consider those things.”

When the team held a press conference to announce its new general manager, there was one TV cameraman in the crowd. As the new GM stepped up to the lectern, Huyghue distinctly remembers the man’s jaw dropping. They stopped the press conference, and all the local news outlets scrambled to



JESSE OWENS



HUYGHUE THE GM



JACKIE ROBINSON

cover the event. Suddenly, it was not just a story about a new GM but a black GM, the first ever in professional football.

Huyghue was a young, black, Connecticut Yankee come to take control of Alabama’s passion. But he quickly settled down to the business of directing the football team to a division championship and began to earn the respect of the community. Now, when he returns to the city for speaking engagements, he can’t help but smile when he’s introduced as “Birmingham’s own . . .”

Over the years, the National Football League has moved toward racial equality with all the deliberate speed of a lumbering nose guard. A handful of black players were allowed to compete in the earliest days of the league, most likely because people who patronized pro football in those days were of the stripe now associated with, say, daytime TV talk shows. It was a struggling enterprise, exiled mainly to second-tier cities and lambasted by moralists who believed play-for-pay was blasphemy. The struggle bred desperation, and desperation led to grudging tolerance.

While several African-Americans stood out, they were still relegated to second-class status, targeted by opponents, disrespected by teammates, savaged by journalists. Six-time all-pro Duke Slater, for instance, was described as the “colored colossus,” a colossus who once had to sit out a game in Kansas City because the home team refused to play against him. Future Hall of Famer Fritz Pollard, the coach and star of the Akron Pros, didn’t even dress with the team and learned to roll on his side after a tackle to prevent opponents from piling on.

Between 1920 and 1933, a total of thirteen black players competed in the NFL. But by 1934, the league was beginning to come of age. That meant the owners could afford to cater to the perceived prejudices of their growing fan base—which in turn meant an unwritten ban on black players. For the next dozen years, not a single African-American graced an NFL roster, forcing black collegiate stars of the era like Brud Holland out of the game.

The re-drawn color line was crossed in 1946 when Kenny Washington and Woody Strode, both former

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**HUYGHUE IS AWARE THAT — DUE TO THE VISIBILITY OF HIS POSITION, HIS YOUTH, THE COLOR OF HIS SKIN — HE HAS MORTGAGED A GLASS HOUSE. HE IS A MAN OF CAUTION IN HIS PERSONAL LIFE BECAUSE HE KNOWS HE IS A SYMBOL, AND SYMBOLS MAKE INVITING TARGETS. “I DON’T REALLY DO ANYTHING,” HE SAYS. “I GO HOME TO MY WIFE AND DAUGHTERS. THAT’S ABOUT IT.”**

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teammates of Jackie Robinson at UCLA, were signed by the Los Angeles Rams. Even then, the signings were suspect. Washington was already twenty-eight years old, and his knees were shot. Strode was three years older. Still, it was a start, and barriers tumbled gradually. The last all-white NFL champions were the 1953 Detroit Lions. The last team to integrate was the Washington Redskins in 1962. The first black assistant coach was hired in 1963, the first black referee two years later.

But it soon became clear that a new, perhaps more formidable, barrier had been erected. As the percentage of black athletes in professional football grew steadily in the ensuing decades, the percentage of black executives did not. They were managed; they weren't management. There were a handful of assistant coaches, a smattering of low-level executives. If white owners were willing to use black athletes to put money in their pockets, that was one thing. But behind the scenes? Spending that money? Respecting the black man, rather than the black athlete? That was quite another.

By 1987, there had still not been a black coach in the NFL since Fritz Pollard more than sixty years earlier. While owners hemmed and hawed and recycled coaches like tin cans, black applicants found themselves caught in the catch-22 of needing coaching experience to obtain coaching experience. It was then, exactly four decades after Jackie Robinson's major league debut, that a former teammate of his, L.A. Dodgers executive Al Campanis, appeared on *Nightline* and suggested that it wasn't a product of prejudice at all. It's just that blacks may not have some of the "necessities" it takes to be, say, a field manager or a GM.

Two years later, in the wake of the

uproar caused by Campanis's loose lips, former all-pro tackle Art Shell was hired by the Oakland Raiders as the first black head coach of the modern era. It was another six years before the league's first black senior executive appeared. In fact, in a league run by older, white men, he was not only black, he was just thirty-two.

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**T**he Jacksonville Jaguars hired Huyghue in March 1994. He had spent the previous year with the Detroit Lions, serving as vice president of administration and general counsel—essentially an assistant general manager. The year before that, he had been given the same title in the World League, one of the organization's top three positions. It was a meteoric rise by any standard, let alone the NFL's.

"I don't think race has anything to do with it," Jacksonville owner Wayne Weaver insisted upon announcing the hiring. "Michael Huyghue happens to be an extraordinary, accomplished, and experienced executive who has done a lot of things and has tremendous football knowledge." As for Huyghue's age, said Weaver, "You reach full maturity at age twenty-seven, so why shouldn't you compete with anybody?"

Weaver was so impressed with Huyghue, in fact, that he offered him the greatest compliment a multi-millionaire can give—he trusted him with his money. Huyghue and Jaguars head coach Tom Coughlin have worked hand-in-hand to craft a franchise. Coughlin has the final say in personnel decisions, while Huyghue negotiates contracts and administers the salary cap, an equally important task in today's era of creative financing in professional sports.

Last season, in only the second year of competition for the expansion franchise, the Jaguars emerged as Cinderella in shoulder pads. A 200-to-1 shot to make the Super Bowl, the team struggled to a 4-7 mark by mid-November. But Jacksonville won its last five games to sneak into the playoffs and then pulled off upsets in their first two playoff games at Buffalo and Denver. After the second game, Huyghue and the rest of the team returned home to the cheers of some 40,000 well-wishers in football-hungry Jacksonville, the biggest celebration in the city's history. The following week, in the AFC championship game against the New England Patriots, the Jaguars were within five yards of a tying touchdown late in the game only to suffer an interception in the end zone and an eventual 20-6 defeat.

Jacksonville fell just short of the Super Bowl, but its success provided more validation for Huyghue's hiring. In three years, not only has he played a primary role in crafting a contender, he's earned the admiration of those who sit on the other side of the table during negotiations. Agents who have dealt with him describe Huyghue as "prepared on all fronts" and "ahead of the curve." Huyghue prefers to quote another lawyer, Francis Bacon, when describing his working philosophy: "Knowledge is power."

At Cornell, Huyghue never considered himself one of the smarter students in his classes, but he outstudied almost everyone. In his first job as the NFL's labor relations counsel he had a better success rate than more experienced colleagues, in part because while they were enjoying \$300 bottles of wine and continental breakfasts he was prepping witnesses. With the Jaguars, it's been more of the same. "You just out-

work people," he says, "and I think the more you know, the more you overcome."

Knowing so much about the inner workings of an NFL team, Huyghue is no longer the pure football fan he once was. But he is so close to the action that he has cultivated a different kind of appreciation. "I get a tremendous thrill out of seeing this young, black kid who comes in from a broken family, having him sign a million-dollar contract and watching him mature and grow into a person who's advancing his life," he says. "I love the competitiveness on the field, putting our thoughts together versus another team on Sunday. I love being around a lot of high-energy people. And even though that sounds crazy, it's nice to be around other tightly wound people. You know, comforting."

At the same time, Huyghue is keenly aware that—due to the visibility of his position, his youth, the color of his skin—he has mortgaged a glass house. He is a man of caution in his personal life because he knows he is a symbol of sorts, and symbols provide inviting targets. "People ask, 'How do you like living in Jacksonville?'" he says. "Well, this office looks a lot like my office in Detroit, which looked a lot like my office in Birmingham. I don't really do anything. I go home to my wife and two daughters. That's about the extent of it."

Caution is prudence. Pressure is energy. Knowledge is power. They are the X's and O's of Huyghue's strategy and success. The problem, of course, is that power—as in the kind of autonomous control enjoyed by NFL owners—can also breed ignorance. In fact, Francis Bacon also said this: "Men of age object too much, consult too long, adventure too little." The question is whether these white men of age view Huyghue as an inspiration or an anomaly.

For the past eight years, Northeastern University's Center for the Study of Sport in Society has published a "racial report card" on the hiring practices of the NFL, the NBA, and Major League Baseball. It is a comprehensive analysis of all three leagues, with each grade issued in relation to overall patterns in society. For player opportuni-

ties in the 1996 report card, the NFL received an "A+." For top management, a "C."

Last year, African-Americans constituted roughly two-thirds of NFL players and nearly one out of every four assistant coaches. But at the most senior levels of management, where prejudices die hardest, change arrives grudgingly. There are, for instance, a total of three black head coaches, a high-water mark for the seventy-seven-year-old league. Though there were eleven head coaching openings following the 1996 season and several deserving black assistant coaches (including the offensive coordinator of the Super Bowl champion Green Bay Packers), not one of them was offered a top job. Only one was even interviewed.

**C**urrently, there are three black men in charge of daily operations of NFL teams. The other two, Larry Lee of the Detroit Lions and Bobby Griener of the New England Patriots, followed in Huyghue's footsteps, and only Huyghue is senior enough to be invited to the exclusive power meetings featuring each of the thirty franchise owners and one other representative from each team. He is always the only black man in the room.

"It's really not much different than the corporate boardrooms of Fortune 500 companies, except that the product being sold—professional football—is predominantly black," says Charles Farrell, formerly national director of the Rainbow Coalition for Fairness in Athletics and now executive director of Sports Perspectives International Institute at American University. "So that begs the question: if you can provide so many opportunities for African-Americans on the field, what is wrong with making sure the opportunities are provided beyond the playing field?"

There is, however, a distinction between the two in that the impetus for integration is more subtle when the employees are behind the scenes. The earliest integration of pro sports was primarily a product of keeping up with the Joneses. The Brooklyn Dodgers be-

lieved signing Jackie Robinson and getting the jump on the best black players would lead them to a pennant; the remaining ballclubs began signing black players to keep up with the Dodgers. Discrimination is more difficult to conceal on the fields of play because quality is more tangible, measured in forty-yard-dashes or rebounds or runs scored. The criteria for being a general manager or coach, on the other hand, is the product of an owner's personal preference.

"The only way things are going to change massively," says Richard Lapchick, founder of Northeastern's center and author of the racial report card, "is if owners see that it's a good business decision to hire the best person who happens to be whatever color or ethnic background, and in the process of their success you're going to increase the fan base. There's no more growth in the white fan market. It seems to have reached a plateau. But as black fans see a black general manager or team president, I think they're going to respond differently to a team."


So Michael Huyghue becomes an example, a case for eroding a color line while strengthening the bottom line. But he doesn't let the responsibility overwhelm him, preferring to let his success further the cause and reminding us that opportunity is a function of persistence. "Doors have been opened to me not so much because I was sitting back and someone said, 'Oh, here's an opportunity,'" he says, "but because I was always pressing at the door."

Where the next door leads is anyone's guess, but know this: Pete Rozelle stepped down as NFL commissioner eight years ago at the age of sixty-three. His successor, former NFL attorney Paul Tagliabue, will reach that age in seven years. By then, Huyghue will be forty-two with nearly two decades of NFL experience behind him and perhaps a Super Bowl ring or two.

There has never been an African-American commissioner in a major professional sport. But there's a first time for everything.

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# Ivy Envy

BY ALFRED GINGOLD

*"We are a race of hairy-chested men,  
hairy-chested men,  
hairy-chested men.  
We are a race of hairy-chested men,  
We are from Cornell."*

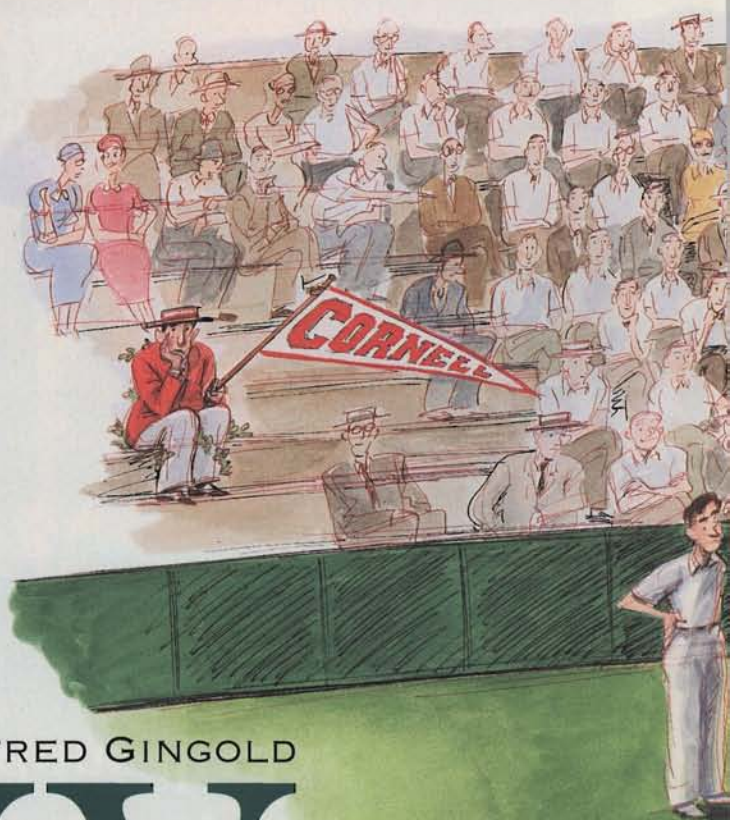
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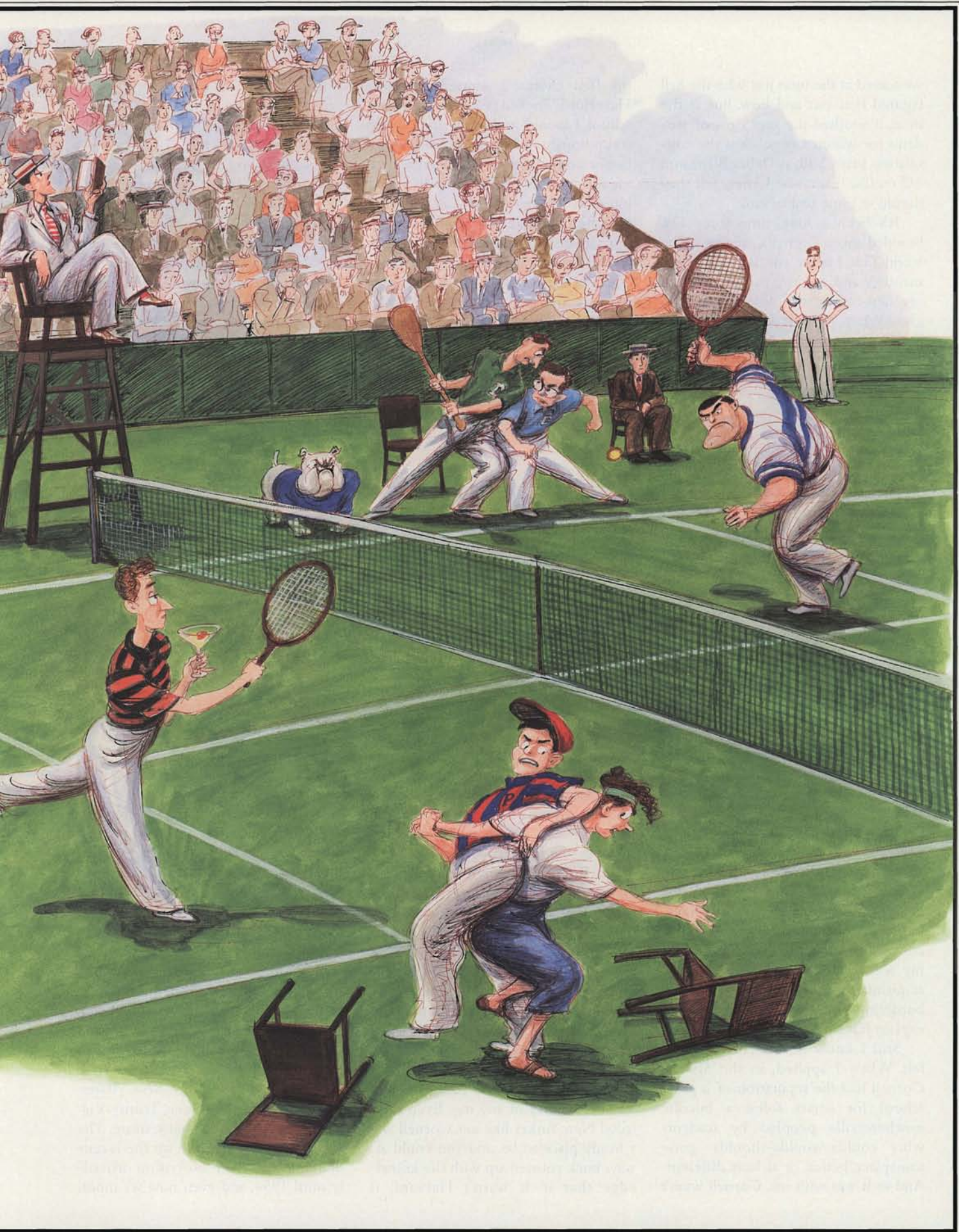
Imagine that the Ivy League's Big Three reinvent themselves. Harvard becomes an institute of air-conditioning repair, Yale a bar-tending college, and Princeton an academy of long-haul trucking. Do their standings plummet or their endowments wither? Do their applications dwindle?

Of course not. America's brightest and best still apply in droves. And for backup, they apply to Cornell. Or Columbia, or Dartmouth, or any of dozens of other distinguished institutions, all de-

manding, all prestigious—but none quite so prestigious as the Big Three. Like Old Man River, they just keep rolling along, reputations unassailable, beyond reference to fashion, faculty, or students.

We Cornellians can get testy about our alma mater's position near—but not on—the top of the heap. It's not a question of academics. Everybody knows you've got to be smart to get into Cornell, even smarter to stay there. An oft-heard bromide around the dorms my freshman year was that a Cornell "B" was worth an "A" anywhere else. I





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wondered at the time just who the hell figured that out and how, but at the time, it soothed the sore egos of students for whom Cornell was the consolation prize. Still, as Debra Birnbaum '92 recalls, "Everyone I knew felt they should've gone to Harvard."

It's been a long time since I've brooded about Cornell's prestige in the world. This, I assure you, is a sign of the maturity and wisdom that are making my descent into middle age such a groovy trip. At least I hope it is, and there's no doubt I've been helped immensely in the maturing



my first choice; I wanted to go to Haverford. Tucked away in that tiny school, I would studiously study while scrupulously following the Quaker honor code. People would appreciate me for my finer qualities, which would burgeon there in spades. In my Haverford fantasies, I was always wearing a tweed sport jacket with leather elbow patches and driving a Morgan. This was the period of my life when, it pains me to confess, I smoked a pipe.

Well, Haverford's a swell place, but they turned me down. And I mean no slight to that distinguished, cloistered grave—um, grove—of academe when I say that next to meeting my wife, their rejection was the luckiest thing that ever happened to me, and not just

wasn't Ithaca College either. Or Syracuse or Elmira. Within the smaller universe of Upstate New York schools, Cornell rules.

Big deal, you say. Who cares how it ranks upstate? In the real world, it's an also-ran. And this has to do with its membership in the Ivy League—first source not only of Cornell's prestige, but also of its prestige problem.

Now, we all know lots of distinguished institutions that aren't Ivies, and not just big names like Stanford and Berkeley and Swarthmore. How about the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, where the Mosaic and Netscape browsers and Eudora e-mail system were developed? Doesn't sound like a school for dummies, does

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department by my wife, who is a graduate of Cambridge—the university in England, that is, not the hometown of the college formerly known as Radcliffe. And I'm here to tell you that in terms of raw status, a Cambridge degree is a 900-pound gorilla of an academic credential. Cornell, Harvard, Oswego State—compared to Cambridge or Oxford, they're all Hamburger U., socially speaking. I've seen conversations shudder to a halt when my wife's alma mater comes up; new acquaintances peer at her with respect bordering on awe, as if she's about to explain fractals.

Still I know how Debra's friends felt. When I applied, in the Sixties, Cornell had the reputation of a party school for smart folks, a bucolic nowhere-ville peopled by students who coulda-woulda-shoulda gone someplace better, or at least different. And so it was with me. Cornell wasn't

because I would've had to spend weekends in Philadelphia had I gotten in. No, it's because at Cornell I found myself among the most sublimely heterogeneous sprawl of people with whom I've ever had the pleasure of being stuck in the middle of Upstate New York: Bohemian long hairs, ROTC crew cuts, frat boys, farmers' daughters, soigné preppies, ferocious fifteen-year-olds carrying slide rules as tall as themselves. Far above the busy humming of the not-so-bustling town (notable chiefly for the Ithaca Gun and NCR plants, and its astonishing number of divey bars), Cornell was an isolated but teeming enclave where the winters were fierce and the drinking age was eighteen. "Study hard, party harder" was the mantra of my day. Even for a jaded New Yorker like me, Cornell was a heady place to be, and you could always buck yourself up with the knowledge that if it wasn't Harvard, it

it? Still, the words "U of I at Champaign-Urbana" conjure no magic. Why? Because it's not Ivy League—in the hearts and minds of desperate high school kids and their hopeful parents, the most recognized brand name in American higher education. It's Coke, Kleenex, Xerox. But beyond its importance as a trademark, what, exactly, is the Ivy League?

It's a football conference. Period.

What's more, it's very young; only its member schools are (relatively) old. The term was first used in the Thirties by a sportswriter named Stanley Woodward. At one time or another, the term has been applied to Amherst, Bates, Bowdoin, Colgate, Duke, Trinity, Virginia, Wesleyan, and many more. The eight schools that make up the league didn't declare their association officially until 1954, and even now it's moot.

Last season, Holy Cross's football team played Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth, and Columbia. Holy Cross is not an Ivy League school. Go figure.

Of course, nobody really thinks of the Ivy League as simply an athletic association. The label confers assumptions, not only of intellectual stature but also cultural refinement, on its member institutions—even if one of them happens to be a cow college. There's no doubt that Cornell's place in the Ivy pantheon has buffed its image. But has something been traded away in exchange for the imprimatur? I believe so. Ask retired University Archivist Gould Colman '51, PhD '62, what the Ivy League means to him, and he'll answer without hesitation: "It means second-rate football."

Last year, the *New Yorker* ran a piece by a Princeton graduate who, along with his father (also a Princeton man), attended the last football game played at venerable Palmer stadium. The piece was full of bosky descriptions of Old Nassau in the fall and sappy reminiscences of great games father and son had enjoyed in years past. Princeton lost badly, though that didn't stop the fans from storming the field and tearing down the goalposts, as if they had something to celebrate. This is typical Ivy behavior. However ardent Ivy League fans may be, their team's performance is often beside the point—and it's a good thing, too.

'Twas not ever thus for Cornell, a national athletic presence in its pre-Ivy days. In 1940, Cornell beat Ohio State. In 1951, the brilliant play of quarterback John Jaeckel '53 led Cornell to a 20-7 victory over Michigan and a top ten national ranking. "Imagine that today!" says Colman. Sure, Ivy schools occasionally field contending teams in hockey, basketball, or preppy sports like lacrosse, and there's even the occasional football star (viz. Ed Marinaro '72). But they do not compete seriously against schools with high-powered, high-profile athletic programs. Like Cornell's used to be.

I have to confess here that Cornell's athletic reputation has never mattered much to me. I've attended exactly one Cornell football game in my life,

memorable only because somebody pointed out the top of Bobby Kennedy's head (guess our guys were playing Harvard). More interesting to an intellectual snob such as myself is that the Ivy association has obscured Cornell's position as an educational pacesetter.



FROM ITS FOUNDING, Cornell was a pioneer. It established the country's first psychology laboratory; it offered the first college courses in such outré subjects as American history and veterinary medicine. The schools of electrical engineering, hotel administration, nutrition, and labor relations were all firsts of their kind. Cornell is not only the youngest Ivy school, it was the first to admit women and the only one which has never had a sectarian affiliation. (A nondenominational posture is unexceptional today, but it was controversial in its time; during Cornell's early years, many educators denounced the university as hopelessly godless and corrupt.)

Even as Cornell's innovative conception has shaped and distinguished it, it has also deprived the place of the tweedy, refined patina of its venerable Ivy League peers. Part state and part privately endowed, part liberal arts college and several parts practical training school, Cornell's intense diversity makes for a democratizing atmosphere rather than an elitist one. It's hard to get too full of your own prestige when your school's course offerings include rural road building, flower arrangement, and meat cutting along with the usual academic suspects. Cornell is what Ezra famously wanted: "an institution where any person can find instruction in any study." And if for some, like Debra Birnbaum, that means "an Ivy League education at a state school price," so much the better.

Cornell's reputation hasn't changed much in years, nor has any other Ivy school's. Brown's stock has risen a bit. So has Dartmouth's, though their

thuggishly vocal right-wing element and perennial tales of Winter Carnival debauchery suggest that it maintains the loutish aura that caused my sister and her friends at Smith in the Sixties to refer to Dartmouth guys as the "not-so-noble savages." Yale and Harvard and Princeton are still Yale and Harvard and Princeton. Does that bother you? Get over it.

After all, Cornell's special character deserves to be celebrated for itself, not just the snooty company we keep. Ours is the only Ivy school to begin life as a cow college and to this very day, Cornell students have the reputation of being a tad less, shall we say, polished than those of the other Ivies, as in this vintage Sixties Cornell joke, one of my personal favorites:

Three commuters are chatting on their way to work. The first says to the second, "You went to Harvard, didn't you?" "Actually, I did," the other says. "How did you know?" "Oh, your Boston accent, your clear thinking, and the fact that you've mentioned Harvard four times in the last five minutes."

"Well, it's easy to see you're a Yalie," the Harvard man says. "So I am," the fellow says. "How'd you guess?" "The crisp cut of your J. Press suit, your elegant manners, and the fact that you keep talking about New Haven as if it were a place worth visiting."

"I went to Cornell," says the third commuter. "We could tell," says the Harvard grad. "Yeah?" the Cornellian replies, impressed. "How?" The Yalie says, "We saw your class ring when you were picking your nose."

Well, our guy might have been picking his nose, but he wasn't bragging. Are Cornellians really closer to the ground than their Ivy colleagues? I hope so. Not only ruder and cruder, but also less effete, less pretentious, smarter, nicer, funnier, and cuter. In short, better people in every conceivable way. And, with board scores like many of us got, many of us could've gone wherever we wanted to go, if only . . .

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IGNORE SLOPE DAY, AND CORNELL COULD GET SUED.  
BAN IT ALTOGETHER, AND STUDENTS MIGHT GET  
INTO EVEN MORE TROUBLE THAN THEY DO ALREADY.

# SLIPPERY



THE PICTURE WINDOWS IN URIS Library are boarded over. Colored markers flutter from the Libe Slope treetops above banks of portable toilets, new locks on lounges in the nearby dorms will bar even

people who think they have a key, and the Gannett Health Center waiting room has been turned into a MASH unit with mattresses on the floor and intravenous bags at the ready. By eight in the morning, Catherine Holmes is setting up a command post

# SLOPE

BY EDWARD HERSHEY & CAROLE STONE





**'ONE DAY TO MAKE  
UP FOR ALL THE  
OTHER DAYS YOU  
WANTED TO PARTY  
AND COULDN'T.'**

DORMROOM COUCHES, *PORC AU  
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SECURITY PERSONNEL 300 TO 1.



in the Straight, clutching a clipboard and looking less like an associate dean of student activities than a field officer. It's a part she has played since January, when she began convening hundreds of Cornell employees and student volunteers to prepare for an event that does not even officially exist.

Students await it. Administrators dread it. It is the first Friday in May—Slope Day. You won't find the event on the Cornell calendar or in the student guide—even if it did make David Letterman's list of the best campus parties in the country. By early afternoon there will be 9,000 people celebrating the last day of classes with the year's biggest bash. Some will come half-tanked, many more will be drunk before long, and a few will have to be carried off. In 1995, the worst year on record, thirty-four students were treated at emergency rooms, most for alcohol poisoning.

For the past three years responsibility for orchestrating Slope Day precautions has fallen to Holmes, MS HE '85, a diminutive thirty-eight-year-old who wears fashionably spiky hair and plays bass guitar in a rock band. "When I was at Wells College, the activities office never planned any events for that day," she says. "There was no need. Most of our students were at Cornell. One time I was down in Ithaca and I spotted a Cornell student wearing a 'Take Back the Slope' T-shirt. I thought to myself, 'We have our problems, but nothing like that.' Pretty ironic now, huh?"

By ten in the morning, the party on

the Slope is well under way. Students arrive with lawn chairs, blankets, picnic coolers—even sofas, carried overhead like racing shells. Almost everyone comes with beverages in hand: half-cases of Milwaukee's Best (the beer of choice at \$3.79) or two-liter soda bottles filled with colored concoctions. "Those are the ones who get in the worst trouble," says Mike Moran, a Cornell Police lieutenant who has seen twenty-three Slope Days. "The stuff tastes sweet and they gulp it down." In fact, research suggests experienced drinkers are just as much at risk of overdoing it on Slope Day as novices who don't drink any other day of the year.

An early arrival named Jeffrey who is president of the Model United Nations sees the blue-and-white UN flag affixed to his lawn chair as an appropriate symbol. "This is one day in the year when everyone at Cornell parties together," he says. "That's what makes it unique." A student named Jennie agrees. "Normally you socialize with your friends," she says. "Here, you walk around and see people from all over. It's the friendliest day of the year at Cornell. It's one day to make up for all the other days you wanted to party and couldn't."

For once it makes sense to talk about the "student body." At its maximum the throng equals three-quarters of Cornell's 13,000 undergraduates assembled as one. The milling around is restless and constant, the sound a steady

drone like the crowd before a football game. On an edge of the Slope, where cooking is allowed, the president of the Cornell Dinner Club stands over a propane gas grill and bastes black tea-and-lime-smoked salmon with teriyaki sauce. First, last, and always the Hotelie, he declares, "No compromises. Not even on Slope Day." The club's menu includes tenderloin of *porc au poivre* and five-spice rotisserie game hen.

Fifty feet away someone throws up on the lawn. It's just before noon.

"It scares me to death," says John Ford, Cornell's soft-spoken dean of students. "A lot of people say, 'Just stop it,' but it really isn't that simple. Then there are those on the other side who say, 'Hey, John, lighten up. Let them have some fun.' Well, when you have thirty people in the hospital that's a serious problem."

**S LOPE DAY STARTED  
IN THE 1970S WHEN**

Cornell Dining spread a last-day-of-classes barbecue one year and added live music the next. The drinking age then was eighteen and by May virtually every student was legal. It didn't take long before fraternities were rolling in kegs and Slope Day took on a life of its own. When New York State raised the legal age to twenty-one more than a decade ago, administrators declared an end to the event. But they couldn't make it stick. Students still toasted the end of





schoolwork with oceans of alcohol at parties all over campus and Colletown, and mounted a successful movement to "Take Back the Slope."

"The question is which would you rather have," says John Gutenberger, a former mayor of Ithaca who is Cornell's assistant director of community relations, "one gathering on campus with everything happening right in front of you, or a hundred little 'Slope Days' all over town where you have no control of what's going on?"

But control also implies responsibility, and some administrators worry that too much overt involvement could expose Cornell to lawsuits if anyone is seriously hurt—and might violate the federal Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Act, which threatens to withhold federal aid from institutions that condone underage drinking. "The university is walking a tightrope here," says John Chiment, assistant dean for academic services in the College of Arts and Sciences and a veteran Slope Day patrolman. "They're trying to make Slope Day safe and enjoyable, but if it can be shown they put too much thought into planning it, then it becomes what's called an 'attractive nuisance.'"

One way Cornell skirts the issue is by encouraging student groups to take the lead in preaching responsibility, dispensing free bottled water, and organizing volunteers. This year, there was also an aggressive media campaign and an open letter in the *Daily Sun* from Pres-

ident Hunter Rawlings and four student leaders urging moderation. Students often suggest that returning live music to the Slope would reduce drinking. "All of us have worked hard and now we're celebrating the end of classes," one student says. "Taking away the music kills it. Besides, it was an alternative to drinking, something to do besides getting wasted."

The idea meets with skepticism from Ford, who pulled the plug on music at Slope Day after the 1995 debacle, hoping to shorten the party and reduce alcohol consumption. It rained in 1996, turning the grass into a muddy mess; students shed their clothes and slid down the slope, some onto broken bottles and rocks.

Ford kept the music away again this year, but promised to consider allowing it back if students tone down the party and act responsibly. It's part of a two-pronged strategy: work with students toward a more festive, entertaining event without the alcohol abuse; or, if that fails, use it as a rationale for eliminating Slope Day once and for all. "Cornell is trying to be sneaky," one student says. "They're trying to take away Slope Day without saying so. They're covering their butts, but they fooled themselves and they're left with a huge alcoholic cesspool."

Not everybody goes to the Slope to drink—a few students play Frisbee or toss a football around—and not all who drink do it to get drunk. "What this day is all about is conversation," an un-

dergraduate named Jan explains, "and alcohol helps conversation." For those who do not like to drink or be near drinking, there is a dry alternative, called "Hope Day," on the Engineering Quad.

What music there was on the Slope in May came from African hand drums and cowbells in an enclave of students with ponytails, beards, and dreadlocks, dandelion garlands, batik skirts, and hand-tied sweaters. Not far away, four students have set up a folding table and are playing dominoes while sipping mixed drinks. "Hey, you've got to entertain yourself," one says. Near Uris Library at the top of the Slope, Ken Liu '98 smiles on the sea of people below him. His T-shirt, in the spirit of the day, has a large note attached with a safety pin: "If found, please return to 110 Dryden Road Apt #4C Ithaca."

To the paramedics it's no joke. By mid-afternoon they're working hard. One team attends to a woman who threw up on herself before passing out. They hold an oxygen mask to her nose. Her eyes flutter open and close. When they lift her limp body onto a litter and strap her to it, her friends standing by look scared and start to cry.

The need for students to look out for each other had been a theme of the pre-Slope Day campaign promoting responsibility. "Jamie's picture never made it into the Cornellian," one ad declared. "He decided to get wrecked 'just once.' That night he died of alcohol poisoning. Where were his friends when it

mattered? This year let's celebrate not self-destruct on Slope Day."

The death of "Jamie" had nothing directly to do with Slope Day but played to the theme. A young man from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, who did not normally drink, he died of alcohol poisoning on his twenty-first birthday, in 1994, after he and his Cornell fraternity brothers marked his coming of age by doing twenty-one shots.

An alcohol-related death on another campus early this year shocked the Cornell community and helped involve some faculty in Slope Day. Binaya Oja, the son of two Cornell professors who teach Nepali, choked to death on his own vomit after passing out during a fraternity hazing at Clarkson University in Potsdam, New York, where he was a freshman engineering student.

At an emotional campus memorial service at the A. D. White House, some of the Ojas' colleagues spoke of the need for faculty to take more interest in student activity outside the classroom. Later, several signed a letter urging all 1,700 Cornell faculty members to volunteer for Slope Day patrol. "Until now," they said, "the faculty has been almost conspicuous in its absence."

Dick Feldman '69, a senior lecturer in modern languages who was attracted by the letter, said the two hours he spent patrolling the slope with a student volunteer gave him a new per-

spective. Holing up in their Morrill Hall offices on Slope Days past, Feldman said, created "a siege mentality" that left him and his colleagues "disgusted, afraid, and alienated" by what was going on outside their windows. "Actually, it's really a rather benign event," he said, "at least from what I could observe today."

About two dozen faculty came, barely 1 percent, but a major increase from prior years when you could count volunteers like Chiment on one hand. "I don't see my students in class on the last day, so if I want to see them I have to come here," says Peter Schwartz, a professor of textiles and apparel in the College of Human Ecology, as he strolls the Slope. With last-day attendance dwindling some professors have canceled their final classes in recent years, a trend Holmes and Ford are campaigning to reverse because they say it sends the wrong message.

For the most part, police are in containment mode, trying to spot those who look suspicious or especially young as they arrive to join the crowd. Kegs are forbidden and so are the truckloads or carfuls of beer. "Cornell cops don't even ask if you're under twenty-one," one student says. "They could, if they wanted to bust you. They don't. They're limiting the booze, but the checks are more of a pain than anything else."

Students outnumber officers as-

signed to patrol the Slope by 300 to 1, a ratio security officials cite to explain why they cannot strictly enforce the rules. "There probably aren't enough cops in central New York to shut down Slope Day," one says. "I think it would take the National Guard."

Volunteers wearing T-shirts that read, "It's our day, it's our party, it's our responsibility," pick up litter as quickly as others throw it down. Yet, as the afternoon wears on, the slope is as trashed as some of its inhabitants. The mood is more weary than mellow and even the epicureans from the Hotel school are disheveled, a slew of empty tequila bottles under their grill. Yet none of them is in trouble, and that seems to be the case generally. "Last year it sucked," one celebrant remembers. "It was drinking for drinking's sake and guys getting "glory scars" sliding down the slope into broken glass bottles. This year there's less rowdiness. The animalism is more laid-back." Paramedics are still kept busy scurrying from one passed-out student to another, but the number of hospital calls is down significantly and by late afternoon students occupy only three beds in the health center.

According to research conducted in 1996 by a communications professor in Cornell's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, many students intentionally drink to excess on Slope Day, don't



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consider it a threat to their health or safety, and see Cornell's interest in their misbehavior as preachy, meddlesome, and further incentive to test the limits.

As she picks up trash on the slope, anthropology professor Kathryn March wonders about that. "There will always be some mistakes. And what the university does is put a safety net under that," she says. "But drinking to oblivion, deliberately overdoing it, that I don't understand."

**M**OST UNDERGRADUATES call Cornell a relatively sober place compared to other campuses. The size and diversity allow students to find a social niche without drinking, they say, and the competitive climate discourages partying even on weekends. In fact, some surveys show that alcohol abuse is down slightly at Cornell in the Nineties.

When the danger is considered serious enough, administrators act. At the University of Wisconsin, a student who fell from a third-floor window during the annual Halloween bash survived, but the party didn't. A spring fiesta at the University of Virginia, "Easters," had been a fixture since the 1870s, but Dean of Students Robert Canaveri felt its time had come. "There were 19,000

people gathered on a fairly short stretch of road out through our fraternity area," Canaveri said. "In addition to our students there were elements from motorcycle gangs, Marines from Quantico, soldiers from Fort Eustis, students from other colleges and high schools. It was really a disaster waiting to happen." After building support for four years from student leaders who also sensed the danger, Canaveri made his move. "We just said no partying on campus during the month of April," he said. "We flat out told them, 'You can't party.' We stuck to our guns. That was the key."

Virginia's success may be the exception. At the University of Colorado hundreds of students rioted this year on the same weekend as Slope Day, tossing bricks and bottles at Boulder police who retaliated with volleys of tear gas. The fracas, says Ron Stump, Colorado's associate vice chancellor, stemmed from tighter city and campus regulations against underage drinking.

Forbidden by the federal regulation to permit underage drinking even in the name of making it less dangerous, administrators tell students not to consume a drop until they turn twenty-one. It's a futile policy—unenforceable, disingenuous, and probably counterproductive. Researchers from the Harvard School of Public Health report that 44 percent of all college students engage in binge drinking, and a book

by Brown University anthropologist Dwight Heath cites evidence that in nations with lower legal drinking ages than the U.S., youngsters experience far less alcohol abuse.

"Most of us wish that we could roll the twenty-one drinking age back to eighteen for at least four reasons," Stump says. "First, it would allow us to educate students about alcohol. Second, we could sponsor activities that promote responsible drinking. Third, the current situation sets up this hypocrisy, if you will, in which what we say does not square with our actual behavior. Fourth, we are breeding a disrespect for rules and law, giving students a sense of getting away with something when they do drink."

The mixed messages hardly escape the attention of students. "It doesn't seem to me that anybody has ever said to freshmen and sophomores, 'Look, if you're going to drink, this is how you do it responsibly,'" one senior observed during a focus group at Cornell last April. "I mean, they do it with sex. You get sex training sessions in the residence halls. It doesn't seem that there's enough attached to teaching people responsible drinking before Slope Day—or in general, for that matter."

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## 'A Very Cyclical Thing'

It's been a glorious run for the Big Red men's soccer team over the past two seasons. After several years of struggle, Cornell rose to the ranks of the nation's elite programs, posting a 27-6-3 record in 1995 and 1996, including two consecutive invitations to the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Championship. Dave Sarachan's squad won its first six games last year en route to a 12-4-2 season, which was brought to a halt by an overtime loss to Rutgers in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

But now comes the big test—surviving attrition. The top five scorers on the team last year were seniors, including All-Ivy forward Eric Kusseluk '97, who concluded his Cornell career ranked second in goals (32) and points (72), and midfielder Rob Elliott '97, who was named to the All-America second team. Gone, too, are All-Ivy backs Adam Schomer '97 and Donny Megliola '97, as well as goaltender Hemant Sharma '97, who tied a school-record eight shutouts. To make matters worse, one of the 1997 squad's two senior captains, Garth Fuller '98, suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament over the winter and might not be ready for the season.

Can the Big Red survive the mass exodus? "I think we can," says Sarachan '76. "We looked at our younger players this past spring in scrimmage games and training, and I'm actually very pleased with their development. The leadership and experience factor is what we lose, but talent-wise I think we're going to be pretty solid."

Cornell, which opens the season September 13 against Adelphi on its new field at the Kane Sports Complex, will be counting on a group of largely untested players, including goalkeeper Andrew Barton '00, back Russell Walker '98, and forwards Dan Abelson '98,

David Carlos '99, and Robert Petrina '00. Still, Sarachan has confidence in their potential. "Ivy League athletics is a very cyclical thing, and it's difficult to be continually at the top," he says. "We might have to be patient, but I think there's enough talent to keep it going."

With plenty of returning players, the women's soccer team is a different story. Leading the way is forward Genna Terranova '99, who tied a school

record with eleven goals in 1996. She tallied twenty-four points, followed by Caarki Sweitzer '99 (11), Ashton Chen '99 (9), and Becky D'Aleo '97 (8), who returns for her final year of athletic eligi-

bility. Coach Randy May will have to replace goaltender Marybeth Bell '97, but Kristin Pepe '99 appears up to the challenge. The Big Red hosts Columbia September 13 to start the season. "We're looking to improve upon our finish because we didn't have our characteristic strong upper echelon finish within the league," says May. "We have a desire to get back in the hunt."

**Varsity football.** The football team begins play September 20, when Princeton comes to Schoellkopf Field, one of six home games for Cornell this year. Leading the Big Red (4-6 overall, 4-3 Ivy last year) will be the first quint-captains in the 110-year history of Cornell football. The five captains—



RALLY 'ROUND COACH SARACHAN: "WE MIGHT HAVE TO BE PATIENT," HE SAYS.

## FALL SCHEDULE

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### Men's & Women's Cross Country

Sept. 12, Army, E. Stroudsburg  
Sept. 20, at Boston Invit.  
Oct. 4, Paul Short Invit. at Lehigh  
Oct. 4, at Colgate Invit.  
Oct. 17, IC4A & ECAC Champ. at Van Cortlandt Park  
Oct. 24, Reif Memorial Invit.  
Oct. 31, Heptagonals at Van Cortlandt Park  
Nov. 15, District I NCAA Qualifier at Boston

### Women's Soccer

Sept. 13, Columbia  
Sept. 19, at Central Florida  
Sept. 21, at Florida  
Sept. 27, at Pennsylvania  
Sept. 30, Penn State  
Oct. 4, at Dartmouth  
Oct. 7, at Syracuse  
Oct. 12, Harvard  
Oct. 14, Army  
Oct. 17, at Princeton  
Oct. 19, at Hartford  
Oct. 22, Colgate  
Oct. 25, at Bucknell  
Oct. 29, St. Bonaventure  
Nov. 2, at Brown  
Nov. 8, Yale

### Men's Soccer

Sept. 13, Adelphi  
Sept. 16, Bucknell  
Sept. 20, at Princeton  
Sept. 27-28, at Loyola  
Oct. 1, Colgate  
Oct. 4, St. Francis  
Oct. 12, at Pennsylvania  
Oct. 15, at Syracuse  
Oct. 18, Harvard  
Oct. 22, Hartwick  
Oct. 25, at Dartmouth  
Oct. 28, Fairleigh Dickinson  
Nov. 1, at Brown  
Nov. 4, at Army  
Nov. 8, Yale  
Nov. 15, Columbia

### Men's Tennis

Sept. 20-21, Cornell Fall Outdoor Invit.  
Sept. 26-28, at Army Invitational  
Oct. 3-5, ECAC Champ. at Princeton  
Oct. 24-26, Cornell Fall Indoor Invitational  
Nov. 6-9, Rolex Regional Champ. at Princeton

### Women's Tennis

Sept. 12-14, SUnity Life Classic at Syracuse  
Sept. 19-21, Easterns at Princeton  
Oct. 3-5, Cornell Fall Invitational  
Oct. 17-19, ITA Team Qualifiers at Princeton  
Nov. 1-4, Rolex East Regional at Wm. & Mary

### Women's Volleyball

Sept. 12-13, Big Red Invit.  
Sept. 19-20, at Nevada Invit.  
Sept. 21, at St. Mary's (CA)  
Sept. 26, at Canisius  
Sept. 27, at Buffalo  
Sept. 27, at Niagara  
Sept. 28, Fairfield at Niagara  
Oct. 1, Syracuse  
Oct. 3, at Harvard  
Oct. 4, at Dartmouth  
Oct. 10, at Iona  
Oct. 12, at St. Peter's  
Oct. 13, at Colgate  
Oct. 17, Brown  
Oct. 18, Yale  
Oct. 24, Columbia  
Oct. 25, Navy  
Oct. 25, Rutgers  
Oct. 31, Pennsylvania  
Nov. 1, Princeton  
Nov. 7-8, at Cornell Invit.  
Nov. 14-16, I.L. Tourn. at Yale

### Field Hockey

Sept. 12, Columbia  
Sept. 17, Colgate  
Sept. 20, at Princeton  
Sept. 21, at Lehigh  
Sept. 26, Pennsylvania  
Sept. 28, Rutgers  
Oct. 1, at Syracuse  
Oct. 10, Harvard  
Oct. 14, at Lafayette  
Oct. 18, Rider  
Oct. 19, Villanova  
Oct. 23, at Dartmouth  
Oct. 26, at Holy Cross  
Oct. 29, at Bucknell  
Nov. 1, at Brown  
Nov. 2, at Boston College  
Nov. 9, Yale

### Football

Sept. 20, Princeton  
Sept. 27, Colgate  
Oct. 4, at Dartmouth  
Oct. 11, Harvard  
Oct. 18, Lafayette  
Oct. 25, at Fordham  
Nov. 1, at Brown  
Nov. 8, Yale  
Nov. 15, Columbia

### Lightweight Football

Sept. 13, Alumni  
Sept. 19, Pennsylvania  
Sept. 26, at Princeton  
Oct. 10, at Navy  
Oct. 17, Princeton  
Oct. 24, at Pennsylvania  
Oct. 31, Army

seniors Scott Carroll, Eric Krawczyk, Chris Allen, Justin Bird, and Rich Sheerin—were selected by their teammates in May.

Quarterback Carroll led the league with 1,583 passing yards last season, while wide receiver Krawczyk collected fifty-three catches for 786 yards. An All-Ivy second-team selection, he holds the school record with twenty consecutive games with a reception. Bird, a strong safety, and Allen, free safety and son of former Big Red quarterback Mark Allen '74, return after placing third and second on the 1996 team in tackles with 119 and 132, respectively.

**Lightweight football.** Big Red lightweight football hopes to bounce back from a 2-4 record (1-3 in league play) last year. This will be the first year in nearly four decades that the squad begins a season without Bob Cullen as head coach. Cullen died last September. His son, Terry, MBA '66, has been co-head coach since 1978.

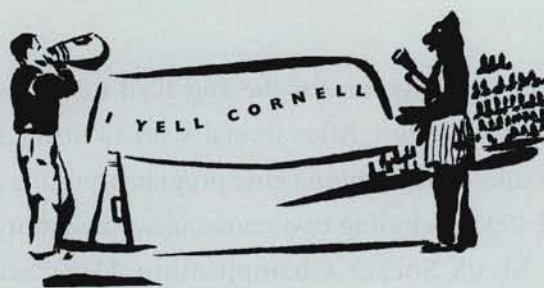
**Cross country.** Men's and women's cross country teams will be led by captains Zach Woodmansee '98 and Laura Audette '98. The men were 2-1 in dual competition last fall and finished fifth in the Outdoor Heptagonals. The women (3-0) placed fourth, thanks to the All-Ivy performance of Kate Walker '97, who ran a personal-best 17:43.6 for the 5,000-meter course.

**Field hockey.** Field hockey (8-9 a year ago, including victories in four of its last five games) expects to continue its run of success under new coach Michelle Frates. The Big Red returns last year's top scorer, Emily Robb '99 (five goals, eight assists), as well as Marisa Hanaka '99 (four goals) and Cari Hills '98, who scored eight points despite missing most of the season with an injury.

**Volleyball.** Big Red volleyball returns Erika Migliore '99, Leesa Gotko '99, Traci Mizoguchi '00, and Leah Wiest '00. Last year, the squad finished 9-20 (1-6 Ivy).

**Tennis.** Kelly Molloy '98, Rebecca Cannom '99, and Michelle Degen '99 are expected to set the pace for the women's tennis team this fall. Seniors Tom Brownlie and Fred Nelson should provide leadership for the men.

— Brad Herzog '90



• **SIGN POSTS** The Big Red men's and women's basketball teams have a total of eight recruits. Joining the men's team were six-foot-nine Cody Bradshaw from Memphis, six-foot-three Kevin Cuttica from Illinois, and six-foot-two Quaran Pender from Queens. Women recruits include six-foot-three Christine McMillan from Houston, six-foot-one Jennifer Linker from New York, six-foot-one Erin Huth from Pennsylvania, five-foot-eleven Sandy Martisauskas from Massachusetts, and five-foot-eight Janice Arcilla from Los Angeles.

• **FRATES TRAIN** Michelle Frates, Cornell's new field hockey coach, replaces longtime coach Shelby Bowman, who retired following the 1996 season. A Penn State grad and former first-team All-American, Frates coached Towson State University to an 11-7 mark last year, its best record since 1979.



MICHELLE FRATES

• **UNITED STAND** The D.C. United, coached by former Big Red lacrosse and soccer star Bruce Arena '73, continues to be the team to beat in Major League Soccer. Last year, Arena's squad won the MLS Cup in the inaugural season of the professional league, which hopes to bring the world's passion for the game to the States. After finishing 16-16 in the regular season, the United won three straight playoff games to take the title, the last being a 3-2 overtime defeat of the Los Angeles Galaxy in front of 33,643 spectators. This year, Arena, who led the University of Virginia to five NCAA titles over eighteen seasons and coached the 1996 U.S. Olympic team, has a simple goal—to repeat. D.C. won eleven of its first fourteen games this season. Playoffs begin in October.

• **ANCHOR'S AWAY** Keith Olbermann '79, witty and irreverent anchorman on ESPN's SportsCenter program the past five-plus years, left the cable TV network June 29, six months before his contract was to expire. Both sides described the parting of the ways as "regrettable but amicable." *USA Today* reported that the former WVBR reporter was prepared to host a five-nights-a-week general interest talk show for MSNBC, which is broadcast to 37 million homes.

• **ON THE TUBE** The "ECAC Football TV Game of the Week" will feature the Big Red's Homecoming contest against Colgate on Saturday, September 27, at noon (EDT) on DirecTV and Primestar. The October 4 game against Dartmouth will be televised live on WMUR-TV, the ABC affiliate in Manchester, New Hampshire, at noon.

GirlTalk

**The Body Project: An Intimate History of American Girls**

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**H**OW DO GOOD PARENTS invest in their daughters' looks?" Professor Joan Jacobs Brumberg asks. Her answer—braces, dermatologists, weight-loss camps—is explored in her latest book, *The Body Project: An Intimate History of American Girls*. In 214 pages, Brumberg examines the shift from the Victorian emphasis on girls' character development to the Wonderbras, body piercings, and dieting that consume some modern adolescents. No book on bodies would be complete without pictures, and Brumberg includes a thirty-two page photo essay with a portrait of a teenaged Queen Victoria, prom pictures, and advertisements for beauty contests. Asks a 1958 *Life* ad for "slenderizing" clothing: "How happy can a chubby girl be?"

The author of *Fasting Girls: A History of Anorexia Nervosa*, Brumberg earned a PhD in history from the University of Virginia in 1978. A year later, she was appointed to Cornell's newly opened Department of Women's Studies. "I'm an affirmative action success story," she says of the shortage of female Arts and Sciences faculty which led to her temporary appointment. Now a tenured professor in Human Ecology, Brumberg is the lone historian among developmental psychologists in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies. Heavily influenced by the work of Professor Urie Bronfenbrenner '38, Brumberg takes a sociological approach to the study of adolescence. "Most historians have a time period they ex-

amine and write about," Brumberg says. "I was interested in explaining the relevance of social and historical moments for different generations of adolescent girls."

*The Body Project* draws heavily on



Brumberg's senior seminar, Female Adolescence in Historical Perspective. "It's not that we talk about our periods all the time," she says. "But coming of age and analyzing it is important. Adolescence is a time of vulnerability to social messages."

Most of the research for *The Body Project* came from reading diaries—some 100 journals written by teenage girls between 1850 and 1990. "People have them in a drawer, the attic, an envelope," she says. "They say, 'It's boring, embarrassing, ordinary.' That's precisely why I'm interested in them."

— Sharon Tregaskis '95

In Brief

**THE ZOO GARDEN: 40 ANIMAL-NAMED PLANTS KIDS CAN GROW THEMSELVES** by Chris Hastings '93,

with illustrations by Janet Hamlin (Longstreet Press). Hastings's do-it-yourself gardening guide pairs plants with animals. The forty entries, such as bear's breech, lion's heart, and spider lily, include Latin names, growing instructions, and illustrations of plants and animals. The manual guides the young gardener from first nursery visit to planning a plot and conducting garden tours.



**INSIDE THE KAISHA: DEMYSTIFYING JAPANESE BUSINESS BEHAVIOR** by Noboru Yoshimura, MBA '93, and Philip Anderson

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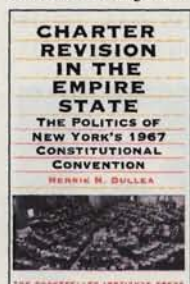


**SEWER, GAS & ELECTRIC: THE PUBLIC WORKS TRILOGY** by Matt Ruff '87

(Atlantic Monthly). The latest novel by the author of *Fool on the Hill* features an army of androids, a crew of eco-warriors aboard a polka-dotted submarine, and a 181-year-old wrangler named Kite. While unraveling an elaborate murder mystery, Ruff chronicles the chaotic heartbeat of New York City in 2023.

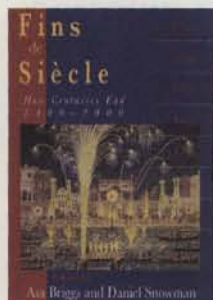


**DECISION 1997: CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE IN NEW YORK** edited by Gerald Benjamin and Henrik Dullea



'61, and **CHARTER REVISION IN THE EMPIRE STATE: THE POLITICS OF NEW YORK'S 1967 CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION** by Dullea (Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government). Dullea, former director of state operations and policy management under New York Governor Mario Cuomo and now Cornell's vice president for university relations, co-edits essays exploring questions of constitutional change and takes a historical look at the issue.

**FINS DE SIECLE: HOW CENTURIES END, 1400-2000** by Asa Briggs and Daniel Snowman, MA '63



(Yale University Press). A collection of essays on the endings of centuries from the fourteenth to the twentieth. Topics include culture, economics, technology, politics, and the similarities and distinctions of each century's end.

**I KNOW YOU REALLY LOVE ME: A PSYCHIATRIST'S JOURNAL OF EROTOMANIA, STALKING, AND OBSESSIVE LOVE** by Doreen Orion '81.



Orion spotlights the incurable disorder that has driven fans to terrorize such celebrities as Cher, Madonna, and David Letterman. The Colorado psychiatrist and victim's advocate also chronicles her legal battle to protect herself from a former patient who has stalked her for more than eight years.

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**THE NEW PARENTS SOURCEBOOK** by Hilory Federgreen Wagner '86 (Citadel Press). A directory of products, services, and online resources for new and expectant parents.

**JOB DISCRIMINATION: HOW TO FIGHT, HOW TO WIN** by Jeffrey Bernbach '64 (Crown). A step-by-step guide to pursuing claims, from a seasoned job-discrimination lawyer.

**CULTURALLY AFFIRMATIVE PSYCHOTHERAPY WITH DEAF PERSONS** by Neil Glickman '77, BA '78, and Michael Harvey (Lawrence Earlbaum Associates). A model for counseling members of the deaf community.

**ARE WE NOT MEN? MASCULINE ANXIETY AND THE PROBLEM OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN IDENTITY** by Phillip Brian Harper, PhD '88 (Oxford University Press). In the wake of the O. J. Simpson case and the Million Man March, Harper explores issues of race in the mass media.

**BIG DAMS AND OTHER DREAMS: THE SIX COMPANIES STORY** by Donald E. Wolf '48 (University of Oklahoma Press). An account of the development of much of the modern American West.

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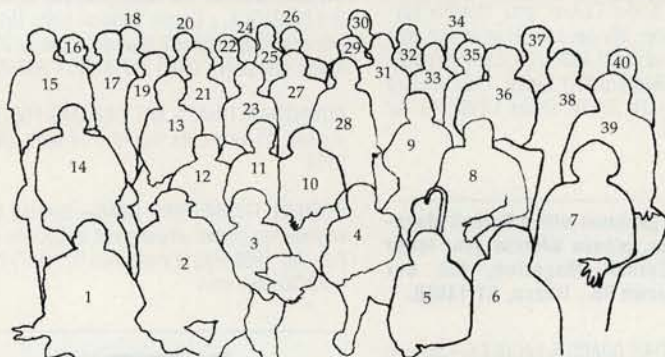
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**CARING FOR THE PARENTS WHO CARED FOR YOU: WHAT TO DO WHEN AN AGING PARENT NEEDS YOU** by Dr. Kenneth P. Scileppi. (Carol Publishing Group). The New York Hospital-Cornell Medical College professor offers a practical guide for adults caring for their parents.

**MOMPREENEERS: A MOTHER'S PRACTICAL STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO WORK-AT-HOME SUCCESS** by Ellen Parlapiano and Patricia Cobe Feldstein '70 (The Berkley Publishing Group, 1996). The authors apply their first-hand experience, offering guidance for entrepreneurs and advice for handling the stresses of working at home. The handbook includes a sample business plan, thoughts on marketing, and interviews with famous "mompreneurs" Debbi Fields and LilianVernon.



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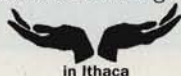
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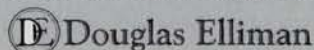


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# REPORTS OF THE REUNION CLASSES

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**27** Getting to Ithaca was not as difficult as I had imagined. All stops had facilities for the handicapped and Cornell made it easy for us, too. **Norma Ross Winfree** and I got to President Rawlings's State of the University Address and to *Cornelliana* Night, thanks to the alumni affairs staff. I was lifted on board a van in a wheelchair and we were taken to the rear of Bailey for a ride up in an elevator and to a place where we could see (but the acoustics were poor, under the balcony—our ears are no longer sharp). How we would have loved to walk down front and sit with the other '27ers. Two who did and went to other events will also report. **Mary Berens '74**, director of alumni affairs, who was the emcee at *Cornelliana* Night, had nice things to say about '27 women, especially our 20 years of newsletters that "have kept us connected."

Returning were seven women and four men: **Ruth "Bonnie" Bohnet** Jenkins, **Grace Eglinton** Vigurs, **Sue Elson** McKnight, **Becky Martin** Starr, **Betty Wyckoff** Balderston, and I, **Grace "Sid" Hanson** Reeve; and **Chuck Bowman**, **Albert "Bus" Carpenter**, **Gene Lehr '26**, **CE '27**, and **H. L. "Bert" Pick**. The women were presented with corsages, a gift from **Charlie Werly**, whom we all missed. Our attentive clerk, **Maureen McCormick '98**, presented us with a card on which we all signed and wrote notes to Charlie. We were all impressed by our new president, Hunter R. Rawlings III, and his wife, worthy successors to our beloved Frank and Rosa Rhodes. Cornell remains in good hands. I'm so thankful I made the 70th.

I asked Bonnie Jenkins and Gracie Vigurs to give their impressions. Bonnie wrote, "Gracie and I attended everything on the schedule and enjoyed it all. The Savage Club performances, singing and magic, were excellent and most entertaining. All the lectures were informative and interesting, and the Glee Club at Sage Chapel really topped it all. They gave their program and at the end of the last piece, Scott Tucker, the director, invited all old Glee Club members to come up on the stage. So many came up, it was fabulous, and then they all sang our popular Cornell songs, which was impressive.

The rally at Bailey on Saturday is one that I shall always remember. President Rawlings

announced that we were the oldest reunion class and that the women in their blue jackets were the best looking girls on campus. It was the highlight of the evening for us. President Rawlings came down from the stage and gave us each a "warm welcome" and congratulations. It was a very special and memorable moment for us in '27 to have the rest of those in Bailey rise and applaud. President Rawlings is very tall and has an excellent sense of humor. He complimented us on our enthusiasm and good spirit. He said that these are difficult times for colleges. He also complimented the alumni on our generous contributions to the university, \$50,000,000 this year; about 5,000 attended reunion. President Rawlings has big shoes to fill, following our beloved Frank Rhodes, but he is already doing a fabulous job. He has lots of enthusiasm and ability and we found him friendly and delightful as he came to greet us at the Statler every day of reunion. He and his wife were most cordial to us all.

Gracie agreed, adding that the applause we received from the other reuners was "deafening." She also added, "I am sorry I didn't get to the wildflower garden that my cousin, the late Muriel Mundy and her husband, the late **Floyd W. '28**, founded a few years ago, but you can't do everything!"

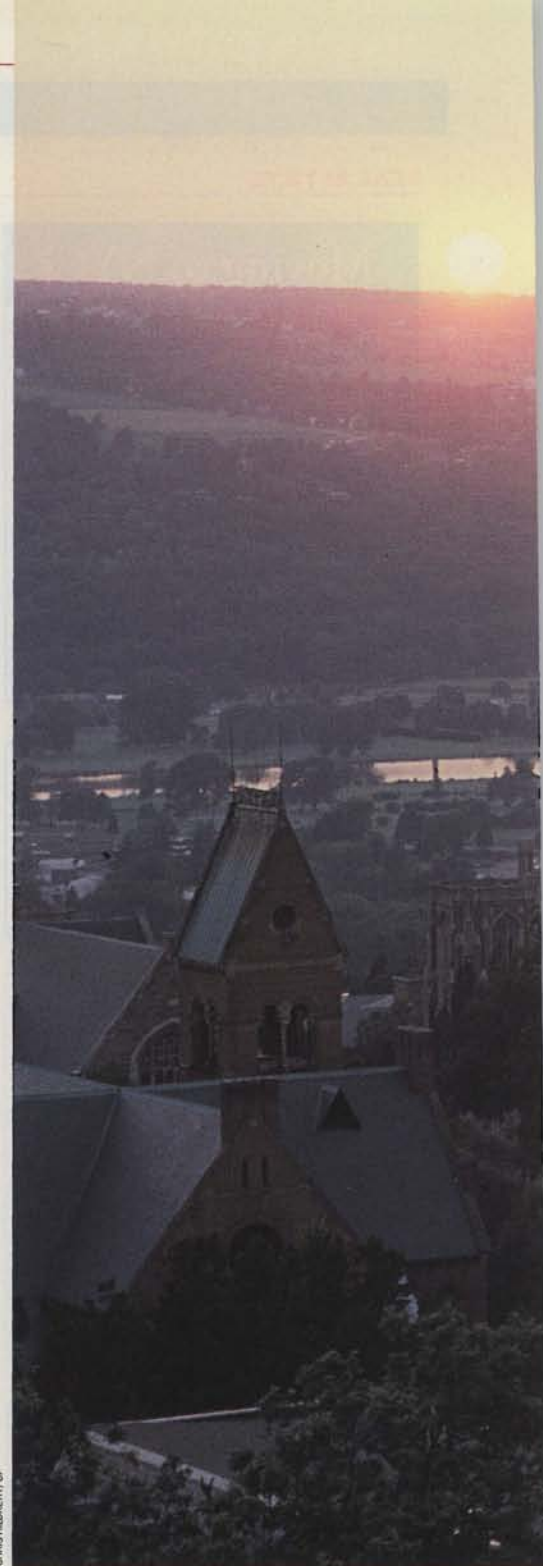
I'd like to add one more word. Our rooms in the Statler looked out on the renovation going on as the former Sage College for Women is being turned into the Johnson School of Management. I thought of all of you who hold such good memories for that dormitory, of Grace Seeley, social director, and of Joseph at the desk, upon whom she so depended. To build the Statler, four freshmen houses were razed: Thurston, where I lived for two years; Sill; Craig; and Kenniston. Service and food at the Statler were the very best. ♦ **Sid Hanson** Reeve, 1563 Dean St., Schenectady, NY 12309.

**32** It is somewhat late to provide you with a report of our 65th Reunion held in June, but it cannot be helped. The class officers remain much as they have been with **William E. "Whitey" Mullestein**, president; **Walter E. Deming**, vice president and treasurer; **Bernice M. Hopkins**, vice president; **Martha Arthur** Starke, secretary; and the same two worn-out class correspondents as

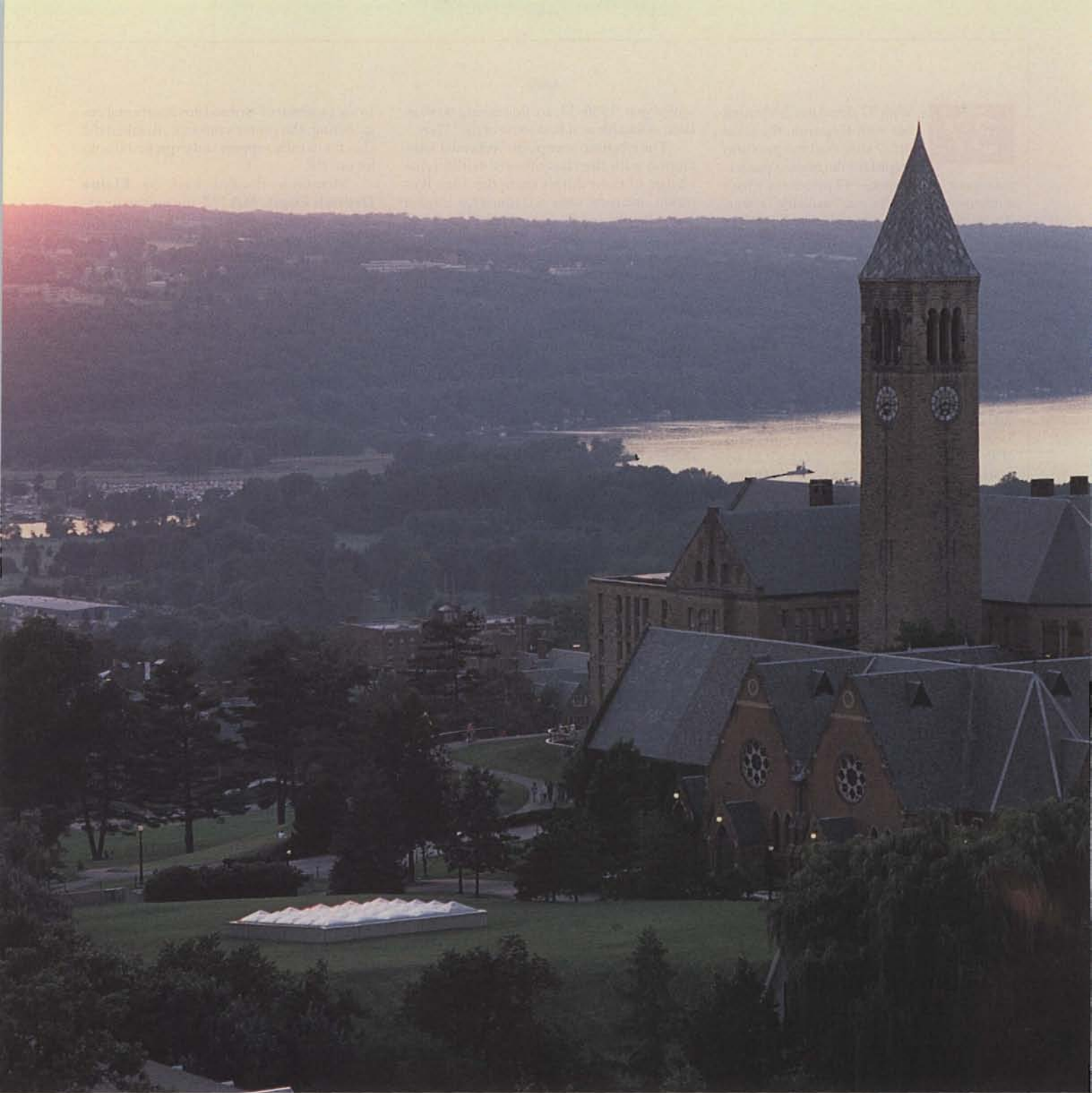
before. **Bernard Falk**, who performed magnificently as chair for our 65th and several other reunions, asked to be relieved, and **Elmer S. Phillips** (professor emeritus of communication) agreed to serve for our 70th.

Walt Deming's treasurer's report indicates that the fiscal health of our class is good; that our Memorial or Scholarship Fund is now \$40,500, plus or minus. He moved that this sum and subsequent receipts (less money needed for class activities) be allocated to the Scholarship Fund. The motion was seconded, put to vote, and unanimously passed.

On Friday afternoon, some of us partici-



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pated in a program, Preserving the Past—an oral history of our years at Cornell. The archivists are eager to acquire mementos from the past—and we are indeed a group that should have them! So, if you still have scrapbooks, pictures, class papers, and reports—things you have cherished all these years and are now ready to give up, please send them to: Archivist, Preserving the Past, Carl A. Kroch Library, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14850-5302.

At our Friday evening dinner, President Emeritus Frank H. T. Rhodes, Mrs. Rhodes, and Mrs. Wendy Purcell, widow of our late Class President Robert W. Purcell, were

present and were made honorary members of the Class of '32. It was announced that Wendy Purcell had made a generous gift to the university to be used specifically to make improvements to the Robert Purcell Union, a facility Bob gave to Cornell a few years before his death.

With the addition of our three honorary classmates, the number of graduates present was 43, a new record for a 65th Reunion class. Counting spouses and other family members, attendance exceeded 60 persons. We distinguished ourselves in other ways. Inge Reichenbach, vice president of alumni

affairs and development, spoke at our Saturday night dinner and gave us a fascinating account of the “way things were” during our undergraduate years. At graduation our class numbered 836 men and 292 women for a total of 1,155. And while we were gathered, Whitey thought it an appropriate time to present Inge with a check in the amount of \$1,114,392, the sum contributed to Cornell in this reunion year by members of the Class of '32. ♦ **Martha Travis** Houck, 421 Monroe St., Bridgewater, NJ 08807; and **James W. Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.

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With 97 classmates celebrating our 60th Reunion, the Class of '37 shattered the previous record for the highest participation rate at a reunion—42 percent of what's euphemistically called our "mailable" roster. And to think that we thought we did well in 1992 when 90 of us returned! We came from all over the country including **Ev** and **Peg Palmer**, **Mary Lauman** Wheeler, and **Marvin Klein** from California. "Big Marv" had vowed that he'd be back, "even if I have to come in a wheelchair." (He did!) **Mary** and brother **George W. Lauman**, of Arizona, were distinctive as they proudly wore the super-sized round name badges from their father's reunions. **George N. Lauman** graduated in 1897, 100 years ago. Upon graduation he became an instructor, and later a professor of ag economics in the Ag college for many years. Counting husbands, wives, and family, there were 144 of us.

Living in the lap of luxury at the Statler Hotel, we enjoyed three splendid banquets,

senior year, 1936–37, are flourishing 60 years later, as durable as at least some of the '37ers.

The election "campaign" reflected satisfaction with the class officers' faithful discharge of their duties since the 55th Reunion, and most were acclaimed for another term. Returning President **Ed Shineman** did gently suggest that, as the years catch up with us, it might be prudent to add some vice presidents! The administration until our 65th Reunion will be: **Doris (Thompson)** and **Ed Shineman**, co-presidents; **John T. Barton**, **Irving Friedman**, **Selma Block Green**, **Bertha Kotwica**, **Merle Elliott Ohlinger**, and **Herbert Raisler**, vice presidents; **Peter Cantline**, treasurer; **Robert Hayman**, assistant treasurer; **Gertrude Kaplan** Fitzpatrick, secretary and women's class correspondent; **Robert Rosevear**, men's class correspondent and planned giving chair; **Jean Bradley Osborn** and **William J. Fleming**, Cornell Fund representatives; **Helen Saunders Engst** and **John Rogers**, reunion chairs.

**Lynn**, professor of civil and environmental engineering, the center's director, thanked the class for its early support and expressed thanks for our gift.

Memories flooded back as **Elaine Deutsch Engst, MA '72**, the university archivist, speaking at the banquet, recalled our student years, 1933–37. Remember Spring Day, frosh caps, the Ithaca streetcars, memorable and colorful teachers, and President Livingston Farrand—and Daisy? It was certainly a trip down "memory lane." Then our guest, President Emeritus Frank Rhodes, challenged, inspired, and congratulated us in a very special grand finale.

As always, the nostalgic Cornelliana Night rally in Bailey Hall was exciting and memorable, bringing all the reunion classes together to celebrate. There was not a dry eye in the house after the fervent singing of the "Evening Song" and the swelling chorus of our glorious "Alma Mater." ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd., N, DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

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**Jim and Dottie Dodds Kraker**, co-chairs of our very successful 55th Reunion, welcomed 103 classmates plus

spouses as we swung into the past with our usual aplomb. It was wonderful to be with such great friends for three days and celebrate to the beat of the Big Bands. As someone said, "Nostalgia is like an anesthetic; you experience no pain, only a beautiful haze. What matters is not the way it was, but the way you remember it."

And remember we did as **Ken Jensen**, the SS *Norway* authority on Swing, told us more than we'd ever known about the musicians and their music. We dined on fine dinners planned by Treasurer **Liz Schlamm Eddy**; took home the beautiful silver souvenirs secured by **Beverly Ham Allen**; and played in President **P. R. "Dick" Thomas's** golf tournament, won by **Lynn Timmerman**. **George** and **Barbara Crohurst Howell** reported that an "Ezra" was awarded the class because 300 donors (three giving more than \$200,000 each) gave almost \$2 million honoring our 55th. **Liz Eddy** was honored for her bequest and her name is now etched in stone in the new Library Tower patio. Our class has given \$12,600,000 since graduation.

We posed for the class picture and at the class meeting all class officers agreed to serve for another five years, with the only exception that **Don** and **Madeline Ring Kent '45** (Old Westbury, NY) will take over the 60th Reunion Committee. The **Krakers** bowed out, after a job well done. **Don** enjoyed running the recent Cornell Medical College reunion, so is loaded with experience. You will be hearing from him as time goes by.

**Liz Eddy** reported on our three class scholarships. The Class of '42 Memorial Scholarship Fund has a market value of \$80,000 and will award a \$2,200-per-year scholarship to a descendant of one of our classmates. The children of classmates killed in World War II are certainly eligible. The student must apply—so



RUTH BOHNET JENKINS, BECKY MARTIN STARR, AND GRACE EGLINTON VIGURS: THREE OF ELEVEN CLASS OF '27 GRADUATES WHO RETURNED TO CAMPUS

daily breakfasts and receptions, and the cheerfully efficient helpfulness of student registrars **Jill Eisenhard '97** and **Jessica Thornton '00**. Some of us felt just a tad ancient seeing those 21st century class numerals. Reunion Chairs **Helen Saunders Engst, MS '65**, and **John W. Rogers** had planned splendidly. We roamed the campus, visited familiar student-days haunts and old friends, revived memories, and marveled at the rich heritage we share in Cornell. Buses whisked us to Bailey Hall for President Rawlings's State of the University Address, a provocative and entertaining lecture by former Texas Governor Ann Richards, and to the Glee Club concert in Sage Chapel—although some of us did try it on foot.

The campus, especially in the Plantations, was beautifully verdant, even though some of the green spaces we remembered from "our time" are now occupied by the ever-proliferating new buildings. The beautiful oaks which were planted along Tower Road during our

There will be a Class of 1937 Tradition Scholar in 1997–98 and onward because our reunion special project is fully funded, with \$60,000 in contributions. The oversubscribed funds—which will keep growing with future gifts—are the nucleus for a second fellowship. Tradition scholars are very special academically—outstanding young men and women with a commitment to work, volunteer service, and leadership.

Our total giving to Cornell during the 60th Reunion year was \$1,030,440 from 191 donors, including 26 Tower Club members. Cumulative life-time giving to the university now stands at \$8,395,654.

Our support for the Center for the Environment, the 55th Reunion project, is to be acknowledged on a plaque in the center's Rice Hall headquarters. After President Emeritus **Frank Rhodes** joined our project facilitator, **Esther Schiff** Bondareff, in unveiling the plaque at a special reception, Prof. Walter R.



spread the news. The **G. Burke Wright** Fund for an agricultural scholarship in developing nations is now at \$60,000. The James B. Sumner Fund is \$125,000 and funds a biochemistry lecture at Cornell each year.

We lunched at the Drill Hall, went to the tents for music, and got teary-eyed as Glee Club and Savage Club members sang Cornell's greatest songs. We tracked down the yellow-bellied sapsucker (a woodpecker) at the Cornell Plantations, drank **Gus Vollmer's** milk punch, and gave toasts to those we all love so well. We vowed, God willing, to be back in the next millennium and do it again in 2002. For the 637 who didn't make it, be assured that no matter how hard it is to arrange the trip, it is even harder to leave Ithaca and Cornell when it's over. Thanks to all who made it a memorable event.

I visited **Hal** and **Charlotte Hazen's** new truck and fifth-wheel trailer, parked right outside Hurlburt House. It is unbelievably complete with a place for everything, even becomes wider at the press of a button. Truly remarkable. They have been living and traveling about in this grand manner for many years. Soon they're coming to Seattle.

**Ruth Simes Morgan** (Dallas, TX) and I enjoyed the reunion at Hurlburt, but will welcome staying at the Stadler right smack in the middle of the campus for the 60th. Ruth reported scoring her first and only hole-in-one in Bonita Springs, FL, where she also won the three-day Eclectic Tournament. She also won the Senior Women's Championship in Dallas. Is she '42's Tiger, or what? Her husband, **Rex '39**, is recovering from a quintuple-bypass heart operation. The Morgans, **Jeanne Pardee** Cole and **Jim** (New Canaan, CT), and **Connie Caffrey** McMurray (Upper Montclair, NJ) are all planning on the NCL Big Band Cruise this November. Call or e-mail me for information if you, too, are interested in attending the world's greatest floating houseparty.

**Charlie Jack** (Jackson Springs, NC) is another fine golfer. He plays a lot and has shot his age in three of the last four years. At reunion we saw **Ignatius** and **Dorothy Lacombe** (Peru, NY) who met on the *Queen Elizabeth* going to England during World War II. They attended a big family reunion and revisited war venues. Also **Ralph** and **Jeanne Kanders** (Convent, NJ) enjoyed a family-filled Cornell Reunion: reuniting were their children **Jonathan '82**, **Alan '87**, and **Emily '92**. Four reuniting in the same year may be some sort of a record. Daughter **Beatrice '79** and three who did not attend Cornell completed the roster. **Ralph** takes courses at Palm Beach Community College, and volunteers with the Palm Beach School of Performing Arts, Wellington Medical Center, Morristown Memorial Hospital, and Mountainside Hospital. He is also president of Kanders Foundation. He received awards from the Johnson School of Management (which is going to be housed in the renovated Sage Hall) in 1993 and School of Hotel Administration in 1994. In his spare time he sculpts.

**Conrad** and **Anne Engelhardt** came

from Bermuda. They attended the American Hotel Assn. meeting at Basin Harbor, VT, and chatted with **David E. Beach**, whose family has owned the Basin Harbor Club for 100 years. The Englehardts play tennis doubles and keep busy with charitable works. Daughter **Joanne Engelhardt Johnston '71** works for Trust House Fortes. **Raphael** and **Teresa Ting** (Richmond, CA) were at reunion. He presented a picture to celebrate the centennial of the first Chinese student's attendance at Cornell and will be in Beijing in September.

**Gene Schneider** (Tacoma, WA) was selected for listing in *Who's Who in the West*, 26th Edition, for outstanding achievement in microbiology. He was founding president of Washington State Society of Medicine, and member of the Tacoma and the state commissions on alcoholism. He received the Distinguished Citizen Award and the Order of the Golden Microscope. Still working, in his spare time he enjoys model railroading. Occasionally we meet for lunch.

**Elaine Hoffman Luppescu** (Maplewood, NJ) cruised Italy and Spain, so has now visited a goodly portion of the world. Elaine enjoys The Great Books and Adult University (CAU) classes. She and **Harvey** (a retired PepsiCo vice president) play golf and enjoy bicycling. They enjoy six grands, two living in Denmark. Son **Stuart Luppescu '70**, BA '71, MA '74, has earned a PhD in education and is a psychometrician at U. of Chicago. **Beverly Phifer Walters** (Warren, PA) sends greetings to all. She enjoys weekly visits at home from the local nursing home. **Jim Goodwillie** (Punta Gorda, FL) keeps up with **H. W. III "Skip"** and **Ruth Goodyer Jones**, and **W. Hawley Scott Jr.** **Jim** and **Mary** toured Scandinavia in honor of their 48th anniversary. They had a big family reunion in Vermont and attended the reunion of the 83rd Ordnance Co. **Harry R. Smith** (Bayville, NJ) retired from ITT. He and **Dorothy** have visited Eastern European countries and cruised Long Island Sound in their boat. **Harry** takes Power Squadron courses and enjoys ham radio.

A recent marriage featured **R. Allen** and **Edna Shotwell** (Union Springs, NY). They took time out from moving to dance at reunion. **Charles** and **Doris Strong Castor '41** (N. Rose, NY, and Palm Bay, FL) traveled to Alaska and the Yukon. **Charles** is launching a new writing project and enjoys computers and gardening. He has renewed contact with **Charles Novak** (Orange, CA) after ten years.

**Bill Mendenhall '49** sent the sad news of the passing last February of his sister **Elizabeth Mendenhall Milham** (Covington, LA) after a long illness. Her husband, **David**, passed away shortly thereafter. **Ruth Freile Crittenden** (Upper St. Clair, PA) passed away in April 1996. Her husband, **Charles '40**, had passed away in 1994.

I enjoyed seeing so many at reunion and hope to hear from all of you during the next five years. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 2933 76th SE, #13D, Mercer Island, WA 98040; tel., (206) 232-3092; e-mail, ceefinn@mci2000.com.

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We did have a Wow of a reunion. Thanks to the hard work of **Hannah (Haas)** and **Marv Wedeen**, BS Ag '49, 157 classmates and 72 spouses and guests were there. **Norma Isaacson** Remes traveled the farthest, coming from Israel. **Sheila de-Pasquale** McKibbin brought her daughter from Hawaii, and **Junerose Kuchler Killian**, BA '48, came with her seeing eye dog, **Freya**, and husband **Jimmy '42**, PhD '49. Among those attending their first-ever reunion were **Allen Ginsburgh**, BME '46, **C. O. Henry**, **George Becker**, and **Andy Geller**, to mention a few. Pollster **Jerry Alpern '49**, MBA '50, husband of our classmate **Enid (Levine)**, came up with the following statistics: V-12s, 31; ASTPs, 2; married to Cornellians, 29; taking more than 15 pills per day, 5.

Classmates, you can be proud of our 50th Reunion Class Gift. For the 40th our gift was plantings and a bench at the Plantations. The goal for the 50th was one Cornell Tradition Fellowship. A Tradition Fellowship requires \$60,000, which is put in a perpetual endowment, the proceeds being used to provide an annual award of up to \$2,500 to a deserving undergraduate. An anonymous challenger agreed to giving \$100,000 if the class raised \$200,000. The result was \$300,000, enough for five Tradition fellowships and a first-place Ezra trophy in the Most Dollars Raised for a Newly Established Class Project category. At Thursday night's buffet dinner, Reunion Fund Chairs **Melba Levine** Silver and **John Ayer** presented a \$3,084,241 check to President **Hunter Rawlings** representing our total reunion fund effort.

Memorable highlights were the America's Big Band Era program and a great talk by former Texas Governor **Anne Richards**. Other activities included a tour of the Johnson Art Museum guided by the museum director, a golf tournament, a bird walk, visits to classrooms, and a Reunion Run, where we were proudly represented by our champion runner **Dick Stubblebine**. Some attended the Savage Club Show, while others hung around the Town House headquarters to sing along with pianist **George Giroux**.

At the Human Ecology Breakfast, **Adrina Casparian** Kayaian was awarded first prize for her breakfast menu. No prizes were awarded to those attending the Electrical Engineering breakfast; however, we met the new professors, toured the laboratories, and saw what was new in the classrooms. Those attending were **Tom**, BS EE '46, and **Betty Alden Talpey '48**, J. S. "Jack", BEE '46, and **Naomi Strumer Samkoff**, H. R. "Dick", BEE '46, and **Mary Lou Johnson**, Cal, BS EE '46, and **June Carver**, your correspondent, **Peter Schwarz**, BEE '46, and wife **Elaine**.

Saturday's All-Alumni Luncheon at Barton was followed by a march to the grandstand and a long wait for the photographer for our class photo. The late afternoon private Plantations tour ended at the Arboretum tent for the class meeting, election of class officers, a delicious lobster and chicken cookout, and a visit with President Emeritus **Frank Rhodes**

and wife Rosa Rhodes. Cornelliana Night at Bailey, bands at the tents, and a songfest at the Town Houses ended the evening.

The weather was almost perfect. Thursday and Friday were sunny and warm, Saturday it rained a little, and Sunday we arose to a chilly, heavy fog. Most appeared at the Sunday farewell brunch in sweaters and rain gear but as the crepes, quiche, bagels, and muffins were served, the sun broke through and provided a bright ending to a great reunion weekend. Awards for helping to create a successful reunion went to: **Bill '45**, BS Ag '48, and **Isabel Mayer Berley** for arranging the museum tour and their pre-reunion party in New York City; **Melba Silver's** son for designing our reunion logo; **Jeanne Schmidt** for composing our class song; **Helene (Fehrer)** and **Art Bernstein '48**, BA '49, for the loaded dice that always come up 47; **Jim Hutchinson** for the class golf tees; **Ray Fox** for the floral arrangements which he started in the greenhouse one year ago; **Arlie Williamson** Anderson, **Don** and **Margi Schiavone Berens**, your correspondent for the Princeton tailgate party; **Jay**, BA '46, MBA '48, and **Laurel Fox Vlock '48** for the New Haven party, even though it was canceled; **Bill Eberle** for leading the troops with his bagpipe; **Frank Carney** for taking charge of the food service; **Barlow Ware**, custodian of the class souvenirs; your correspondent for compiling the dining guide. **Marv** and **Hanna** presented these with a "Jay Milner Vintage 25th Reunion Mug" repainted for the 50th. Destined to be a classic!

Your new class officers are: **Herb Brinberg**, president; **Hannah Wedeen**, vice president; **Margaret Newell Mitchell**, treasurer; **Arlie Anderson** and **Pete Schwarz**, reunion chairs; **Ed Gouvier**, Cornell fund representative; **Melba Silver** and **John Ayer**, reunion fund chairs.

Let's keep in touch. Need class info? Have news? E-mail me. You can also keep up with class news on our new home page at "<http://www.alumni.cornell.edu>." Then click on "Alumni Organizations," then "Classes," followed by "Class of 1947." ♦ **Peter D. Schwarz**, 12 Glen Ellyn Way, Rochester, NY 14618; tel, (716) 244-5684; fax, (716) 244-1373; e-mail, 74544.611@compuserve.com.

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From the Cayuga Lake cruise in the sunshine on Day One to the sunny farewells under our new '52 straw hats on Day Four, our class had an outstanding 45th Reunion. Chairman **Paul Blanchard** and his committee of **Suzy Blanchard**, **Sharon Follett** Petrillose, **Tom Foulkes**, **Jan Hofmann McCulloch**, and **W. "Billie" Robbins** Starke produced a great weekend—the impressive directory, efficient accommodations organization, the very best-ever food and music, the attractive decorations and displays for reminiscing. The undergraduate clerks provided welcome van service when the weather was occasionally inclement and found keys when we locked ourselves out of our rooms!

The 177 classmates and 113 associates who attended were treated to two excellent forums right in our own tent in Risley's back yard. Professor **Phyllis Moen**, director of the Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center, led a lively breakfast discussion on "Life Course Issues and New Passages" for what she terms we "Seasoned" (not Senior) Citizens. A seminar entitled "Healthcare in the Year 2000—Who Pays?", ably led by **M. Carr Ferguson** and **Sid Goldstein**, held the attention of all of us who do wonder who will pay.

In addition, our class and the Cornell Black Alumni Assn. co-sponsored a seminar on "Race Relations Then, Now, and in the Next 45 Years: on Campus and in Society." **Jim Gibbs** was one of the panelists and **Juanita Miller Johnson** and **Gayle Raymond Kennedy** were discussants in the full-house seminar in the Hollis E. Cornell Auditorium of Goldwin Smith Hall.

**Rich Davis** kept the stats for our class athletes indicating that the best men's golf scores were produced by **Stu Merz** and **Bob Vogel**.

of any class, \$41,970,535; the most campaign workers, 56; and the most bequests. **Eli** thanked the steering committee members who have been working for the campaign goals for one and a half years—**Jean Thompson Cooper**, **Fred Eydt**, **Don Follett**, **Tom Foulkes**, **Sid Goldstein**, **Mert Meeker**, and **Bob Bitz**. He also thanked **E. Terry** and **Dori Crozier Warren**, who led a phonathon committee, plus the many others who made all the phone calls and participated in the regular or the planned-giving campaign.

At this lunch, outgoing officers were given awards—golden crowns for Co-Presidents **Sid** and **Phebe Vandervort** Goldstein and a ceramic Cornell piggy bank for Treasurer **Mert Meeker**, who has agreed to continue in his office. The other officers for the next five years are Co-Presidents **Jane Kiely Davis** and **Jack Veerman** (one from each coast); Vice President **Don Follett**; Secretary **Jean Brown** Craig; Alumni Fund Representative **Eli Manchester**; Reunion Co-Chairs **Jan Hofmann McCulloch** and **Tom Foulkes**; His-



CLASS OF '52 FUND DRIVE CHAIR **ELI MANCHESTER** (LEFT) HAS A WORD WITH **SID GOLDSTEIN** (RIGHT), WHO CO-LED A SEMINAR ABOUT HEALTH CARE.

For the women **C. A. Gebhardt** (Mrs. **Ronald E.**) and **Betty Vogel** (Mrs. **Robert E.**) were tops. In tennis mixed doubles **Babette** and **Harlow Cameron**, DVM '59, had the best results followed by **Jane Kiely Davis** and **Bob Rosenthal**. **Carr Ferguson** was second in his (our) age group in the two-mile run for all ages. We checked out the **Lindseth Climbing Wall** to see if any '52ers had tried that exercise (on top of all the good eating we'd been doing). No names from our class appeared among the Reunion participants, but we understand that some of you have been there and done that on other occasions.

At our **Statler Ballroom** lunch, Fund Drive Chair **Eli Manchester** presented President **Rawlings** our class check for \$12,110,944. This amount broke the previous record for a 45th Reunion class and represented contributions by 440 donors. Our class also set new records for number of Cayuga Society members, with 66; the highest lifetime giving

torian **Carl Gortzig**; and *Cornell Magazine* Correspondents—us—**Bob** and **Jeanne Irish Lewis**.

At *Cornelliana* night in **Bailey Hall** we were proud to cheer the announcements of our class accomplishments, and we saw a few tears being shed when **Bill Hodges** sang the solo part to "Cornell" ("The soldier loves his gen-ral's fame . . .").

You have probably already received notice of Homecoming on Sept. 27, '97. If you missed info on plans for our class or need to know more, call **Paul Blanchard** at (203) 323-2060.

This column marks the beginning of a well-earned rest (from this activity at least) for **George** and **Gayle Raymond Kennedy**. They have kept us reading this column for five years—and we will try to do that, too—if you will send us the kind of news that you enjoy reading. As we told people at reunion—if you don't send us stuff we may make some up.

♦ **Bob and Jeanne Irish Lewis**, 34 Hickory Ridge Rd., Rochester, NY 14625; tel., (716) 381-6370.

**57** Our Class Act was certainly a classy one. The Prelude to Act I opened on June 4, a gorgeous day in Ithaca. The producers, director, and set decorator set the stage for our arrival. **Connie Santagato** Hosterman supervised the opening of the Balch Theater and **Vanne Shelley Cowie** adorned the walls with red and white stars for the opening number—You Are the Star. **Dori Goudsmit Albert** was setting up props on another stage in Balch, **Bert Grunert** DeVries was hospitably greeting the stage hands, and **Shari Flynn** captured it all on camera. **Betty Starr King** had the costumes assembled while technicians **Bob Watts** and **Al Patterson**, BME '58, booted up the computers. Overseeing the entire production were directors **Linda Wellman** Stansfield, BA '58, and **Ed Vant**, BME '58. With dress rehearsal complete the group was off to the home of **Bob '55**, MBA '57, and **Vanne Cowie**, by the lake, for pizza and a view of the sun fading far away in the crimson of the West with our voices murmuring low and not sinking to rest, but spontaneously lifting a chorus of the "Evening Song."

Act I officially began on Thursday with a second day of glorious sunshine and faces to match—especially those who hadn't been back to the Hill in 40 years, such as **Sally Blake** Lavery. Later in the afternoon our Cayuga cruise got underway with **Rick Knittel**, B Chem E '59, and his Ivy 5 Jazz Band entertaining us. **Sue Breslow** Dillon, **Betty Rice** Keane, **Wendy Hayman** Knauer, **Jo Field** Bleakley, **Joyce Dudley** McDowell, and **Adele Petrillo** Smart enjoyed the views from the top deck; down below were **Barb Kaufman** Smith, **Sue Westin** Pew, **Mollie Turner**, and **Jeanne Waters** Townsend. A Tex-Mex buffet followed at Balch. (Sadly, as reported by **John Seiler**, above, the first act ended in tragedy when **Peter Mamunes** suffered a fatal heart attack.)

Act II began with a forum, Lives in Transition, organized by **Barbara Flynn** Shively, a first-time reuner. Human Ecology Professor Dr. **Phyllis Moen** presented some statistics about our class and the paths we're following. **Connie Kelly** Fletcher, one of the panelists, described the changes and adjustments she and her husband have made over the past 40 years. Open discussion followed and many classmates shared their thoughts on the subject. A basic message gleaned from the forum is, if you retire, get some organization in your life—volunteerism leads the way toward contentment as we face our "golden years." The All-Alumni Lunch at Barton was a chance for more classmates to visit together. Among those at the '57 tables—**Barb Baltzel** Burton, **Bobbie Redden** Leamer, **Roxanna Urquhart** Phillips, **Jan Charles** Lutz, and **Harriet Merchant** Shipman. Friday afternoon former Texas Governor Ann Richards spoke at Bailey with **Sue DeRosay** Henninger, **Marilyn**

**Way** Merryweather, **Marilyn Hester** Ridgley, **Joan Reinberg** Macmillan, BA '58, and **Jan Nelson** Cole in the audience. Meanwhile, **Connie Dimock** Sebald, BS Ag '58, was reaching the top of the Lindseth Climbing Wall.

The next scene took place at the '57 Reading Room in Uris Library (main Libe to the old-timers) for a reception prior to the class dinner at Statler. **Lyn Nehrbas** Alexander, **Elaine Meisnere** Bass, **Barbara Ress** Rotenberg, **Olga Duntuch** Krell, BArch '58, **Phyl Whithed** Spielmann, **Lois Ernstoff** Stekler, **Mary Hobbie** Berkelman, **Gina Turnbull** Christie, and **Nancy Krauthamer** Goldberg were among the attendees. The class dinner was a chance to hear President Rawlings and to elect new officers. **Bob Watts** takes the helm from **Judy Richter** Levy, JD '59, (more on officers above, and in next issue). After hearing the Glee Club at Sage Chapel, it was back to afterglow at Balch where **Judy Tischler** Rogers, **Anabel Stresino** Leigh, and **Barbara Haglund** Schlerf enjoyed the piano playing of the very talented **Ann Stevens**. The evening wound up as at all of our reunions—singing the tunes we learned at frosh camp and our favorite Cornell songs. **Joan Kennedy** Repetto, **Marj Nelson** Smart, and **Chris Carlson** Ford filled in our lapses of memory about that rolling silver dollar and others. **Stuart MacKay** and **Nancy Savage** Morris '55 gave us great four-hands piano accompaniment.

By the time Saturday's Act III was ready the overcast skies and drizzle returned to campus. Some stopped at the Johnson Art Museum to visit **Phyllis Goody** Cohen's exhibit of woodcuts before heading to lunch at the Straight. **Beverly Graham** Powers joined a table which included **Kathy Brennan** Daly, **Eileen Hoffman** King, and **Alice Brunner**. The last big production—"Cooking out at Beebe" starred **Sally Tuhill** Knapp, MNS '58, **Marty Davis** Hirsch, **Marcia Wishengrad** Metzger, JD '60, **Gail Lautzenheiser** Cashen, **Joanne Eastburn** Cyprus, **Sheila McGrady** Callahan, and **Sue Shelby** Schurmeier on chicken and ribs. The evening ended with Cornelliana Night at Bailey, where **Helen Kuver** Kramer, **Shirley Besemer** Itin, and **Susie Howe** Hutchins were spotted in the loges.

**Judy Madigan** Burgess, music director of the Class Act, arranged for the Sherwoods to serenade us at Sunday morning's Finale as hugs, goodbyes, and "stay healthy" closed the curtain on another successful reunion. Hope to see you in 2002. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, jcreuss@aol.com.

It's over, and thanks to **Linda Wellman** Stansfield, **Ed Vant**, **Judy Richter** Levy, and **Bob Watts** (and several others), it was a smash. The planning and execution were perfect, and the 38 classmates who were attending their first reunion, in addition to the returnees, are probably mentally marking their calendars for 2002.

I apologize up front for not being able to

mention all of the events and people, but I will try to play catch-up in future columns. On the sports front, **Jack Dempsey** shot a 77 on Friday, and there doesn't seem to be a lower golf score turned in by a classmate. **Bruce Clark**, **Bob Black**, and your correspondent represented the lacrosse team. We three were in great competitive shape, but there was no alumni game this year. **Charley Stanton** was on hand to speak for the crew, as well as to do his stint in the Alumni Glee Club presentations.

**Bob Bayer**, four-year roommate of **Steve Weiss**, was one of the 38 first-timer reuners. Forty years went by in a flash as he mingled with his classmates. **Dan Barufaldi** and wife **Lyn** came down from Lockport, NY, for the Saturday night festivities. **Rod** and **Liz Beckwith**, BME '58, took a circuitous route from Charlottesville through the Poconos, and **C. R. "Dick" Tevebaugh**, B Chem E '58, was there, but had to leave for a wedding early Saturday morning. **Tony**, MBA '58, and **Gail Loutzenheiser** Cashen had a wagon drawn by horses (they promise llamas in 2002) that was put to use all over the campus. **Tony** picked up President Rawlings and **Steve Weiss** on Saturday morning, taking them to Bailey Hall for the State of the University speech, where **Steve** introduced himself as being a member of the Class of '57. This was the last time he will preside at this event. His term as trustee chairman ended on July 1. He was praised by President Rawlings at Bailey, as well as at our class dinner. Space for this column for the next ten years could not begin to chronicle the contributions that **Steve** and wife **Suzanne** have made to Cornell. Their footprints will be visible forever.

The reunion was marred by the death of the mother of **Adelaide Russell Vant**, and the Vants had to leave before they had a chance to welcome all of us. Tragically, Dr. **Peter Mamunes** collapsed and died as he was arriving on Thursday night. We extend our sympathies to their families. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477.

**62** You should have been there! A few clouds did nothing to dampen the spirits or enthusiasm of classmates gathered to Renew with '62 in Ithaca in June. Well-deserved kudos to **Char Jones** Collister for a delightful, well-planned weekend full of memories for all.

Where to begin to list the highlights? Friday morning's class forum, planned by **Evelyn Eskin** Major and **Myra Maloney** Hart Hewitt and moderated by beloved Robert Julius Thorne Professor Emeritus of Economics **Alfred Kahn**, provided food for thought and lively discussion for the following days. **J. M. "Mike" Duesing**, **Dick Johnson**, **Michael Lorig** Leventry and **Phil Handler** shared their own lifestyle changes/solutions, with enthusiastic participation from classmates. More than 90 attended the presentation—43 responses had been received to the solicitation for participation.

The Johnson Museum was the venue for a

class gathering coincidentally featuring a retrospective of the work of the late master builder **Vuko Tashkovich** (attended by his widow and son **Gligor '87**, MBA '91) and an impressive sampling of paintings from the collection of **Paul '60** and **Helen Rabinowitz Anbinder**, BS HE '63, (whose sons, **Mark '89** and **Jeffrey '94** also attended). You'll be able to view a few of the paintings on your next trip to Ithaca, as several have been donated to the museum. The view from the top floor of the museum is worth the trip! The Sherwoods serenaded the Beebe Lake-side Italian lunch—my, how their routine has matured. Or have we? The Stewart Park barbecue featured a band that sounded like one that could've entertained us in 1962—great danceable tunes. (And we knew the words!) Unwinding at Cascadilla Hall with live music each evening . . . Arts Quad tents (now featuring individual music instead of the classes, for those who haven't been back for a few years) . . . Plantations tours . . . Olin Lecturer Ann Richards . . . President Hunter Rawlings's annual address . . . stifling Bailey Hall . . . great shower water pressure in the dorm . . . classes, lectures, college and affinity-group breakfasts . . . the list goes on and on. The best thing about reunion is the opportunity to appreciate old haunts and discover new ones, to appreciate "old" friends and discover new ones, and to truly appreciate that we were fortunate enough to attend a university where any consultant (many of our number are, now) can

ic Palisades, CA, where Margo is an architect specializing in medical and transportation design.

Richmond, VA, is home to **John Lowrie**, vice president of Reynolds Metals. **Phyllis Blair Darrah '64** also lives in Richmond. **Neil**, BME '63, MME '64, and wife **Ro Schilke** spoke of their "international affair"—she remains a school principal in Rochester Hills, MI; he enjoys a challenging position with GM in Toronto. What a cute little Corvette with Ontario plates!

"Hunting, fishing, playing with grandson" are the favorite pastimes of attorney **James D. Campbell**. Professor **E. Kay Trimberger** is coordinator of the women's studies program at Sonoma State U. in California. "Chilling out and relaxing after years of being a compulsive overachiever" and spending time with his wife occupy **A. L. "Skip" Wilder**, BME '63, who's retired in McLean, VA. When not managing PLC Medical Systems in Holliston, MA, Nancy and **Robert Rudko**, BEE '63, PhD '67, enjoy their new digs in Scottsdale, AZ.

**Roberta Stillman** Wisnosky chose to move to Las Vegas, NV, years ago and is systems engineer for Bank of America there. It was good to see **Liz O'Connell Hax**, BA '65, whose work day as executive assistant at Moore Tool Co. has been cut back to six hours. She and **John '59** enjoy their weekend home on Cape Cod. "These days, all I want to do is enjoy each day at its natural pace," she

Other travelers included **Frank Robbins** from Signal Mt., TN, **Bob**, MBA '64, and Sharon **Slagle** (back home in Preston, PA, after several years in Australia), Prill and **George Slocum**, MBA '67, from Houston, **Mari Stachenfeld** from Laguna, CA, **Michael Ernstoff**, BEE '63, MS '65, from Los Angeles, and **Vic Ericson**, BA '63, from Edmonds, WA.

**R. R. "Bob" '61**, BME '66, and Midge Lorig **Leventry** had fascinating tales to tell of their two years' stint in the Peace Corps in Ecuador. They are importing Ecuadorean handcrafts from their new base in Chicago. **Phil Handler's** architectural training (BArch '64, MArch '65) met his love of videography in his new company, Fly on the Wall Productions. He produces video manuals for owners of new buildings showing systems installations. He has also produced a video of our 30th Reunion, with one in the works for the 35th. If you'd like to see what you missed, contact Phil at (888) 232-0383—for a price, he'll send you your choice and include a donation to the class for each video sold. There are several magic moments on the video of the 30th, which we saw this year, including the crew rowing and a wonderful shot of a reknowned classmate eating a French fry. Who knows what lurks on the video of June 1997? Phil's address is 46 Miamis Rd., W. Hartford, CT 06117.

A followup note from **Dick Monroe**, BS Ag '63, included a photo of the Sherwoods' serenade and the following: "As a 'townie', I missed many of the campus activities as an undergraduate. Once I started 'sticking my hand out' [at reunion] I found great warmth and camaraderie among my classmates. It was pretty neat!" Dick is a United Airlines captain based in Woodinville, WA. "I strongly urge you all to visit the great Northwest—fly United and check that cockpit out! If I'm flyin' ya, you'll be glad you did! Forced retirement comes in April 2000, so I hope to have plenty of time to get in shape for the 40th Reunion in 2002." **Ruth Zimmerman** Bleyler and **D. J. "Jeff" Blumenthal**, BEP '63, are co-chairs for that Reunion and are looking for input from everyone! There's more to say than room in this column. Reunion attendance does reinforce appreciation for the incredible diversity of Cornellians, each with something special to offer. Cornell and Cornell classmates have enriched all of our lives and keep us centered. You should have been there! ♦ **Jan McClayton** Crites, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97034; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.



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find instruction in any study.

**Ali Akhavein**, MS '67, came from Raleigh, NC, with wife Dee Long. He's a retired organizational consultant. If you're anywhere near Ferrisburgh, VT, you really should stop to see **Rich Alther's** Tuscan watercolors, on exhibit there. **Frank Burgheimer** came to Reunion from Israel, where he is chief food technologist for Vita Quality Foods. Leon Embry and wife **Margo Hebal** Heymann arrived from London, en route home to Pacif-

noted—a sentiment that recurred over the weekend.

The Boulder contingent, **Liz and Jon Hinebauch**, MBA '67, and **Byron**, MD '70, and **Cathy (Shull) McCalmon '64**, still encourages visits from skiers. **Mike Eisgrau** brought his beautiful bride, Betty. They enjoy their second home in Florida. From "first homes" in Florida, **Mike Egan**, **Warren '61** and **Beth Newell Spicka**, and **Duke and Pat Padgitt Wellington** made the trip north.

**67** Garrison Keillor reflected during his live broadcast of public radio's "Prairie Home Companion" from Bailey Hall on how few totally clear days Ithaca boasts each year—56, one fewer than Seattle. Sobering, yet the more than 100 classmates plus friends and families at the grand-but-relaxed 30th Reunion enjoyed themselves.

If you arrived early and stayed through Sunday, you luxuriated in at least two of those magnificent 56, but even if your treadmill allowed you only 36 hours, as did mine, it was

well worth the trip. People had lots of different reasons for coming: if you were **Harvey Kinzelberg**, a university trustee, Cornell named a wing of Savage Hall (nutrition) for you and organized a dedication ceremony on Friday morning; if you were **C. David Burak**, MFA '80, there was a microphone and a full house in whatever they call Goldwyn Smith C now, to hear you lead a panel on Vietnam.

Back in Ithaca as a labor economics professor in ILR, **Fran Blau '66** had the shortest journey, along with **Murray Deathe**, now masterminding development at the College of Engineering. There were grizzled Sherwoods and unchanged, naturally, Hangovers, but the late-Saturday *a cappella* sing featured such current campus singing groups as After Eight, a sprightly distaff outfit. Advising the Glee Club and singing for the Savages is **Mel Richards**, BS '68, when neither dentisting nor sailing.

Dr. **Steve Polansky**, **Dave Kantorczyk**, MBA '69, **Judy Silverman Kaufman**, and I made it to both the 7:30 a.m. start and the Schoellkopf finish line of Saturday's Reunion Run, but we all missed **G. L. "Luke" Ashley**, far ahead of us, who turned in a marvelous 33-minutes-and-change showing to win the men's age group. Judy, who was reunion co-chair, copped the women's title.

On hand at some point during the weekend: **Jim Davis**, **Emily Keast** Donahue, **Marsha Beirach Eisen** and **Larry '66**, MEI '67, **Susan (Goodman)** and **Bob Feldman '66**, PhD '75, **Les Glick**, JD '70, **W. J. "Skip" Kessler**, Ron, MD '71, and **Barbara Friedman Altman '68**, **Judy Edelstein** Kelman, R. D. "Ting" **Vanneman**, **Alan** and **Barbara Kass Rubin '69**, **Carole Newman Allen** and husband **Thomas '66**, MEE '67, **Richard Tunick**, and **Libby Roth**.

Then there were four classmates who had roomed together for three years—**Joan Solomon Weiss**, **Toby Tucker** Hecht, **Fran Keller** Fabian, and **Phyllis Bell** Jonas—and then the former and latter duos were senior year roommates. All returned as a group for their first reunion back on the Hill, along with **Ellen Kaspin** Henkin, and the five loved every minute of the weekend. Joan added. Somehow I missed seeing **Chuck** and **Rita Ratner Levin**, but they signed the reunion register.

Saw **Susan Mokotoff** Reverby, **Ava-nelle Morgan**, and **Mitch Ross** at the Vietnam forum, while **S. R. "Sandy" Berger** was taking a non-speaking day off. **Ken Strahs** and wife **Susan (Kane)**, **Mike S. Bank**, **Matt Goldberg**, **Larry Slous**, **Paul Schlenker**, and **Dave Worrell**, among others, were at the Big Red Barn picnic. The Plantations Overlook for dinner brought **Steve R. Schlesinger**, **Steve Ogintz**, ME Ch '68, **Dave Darwin**, our new reunion chair, and **George McWeeney**, MBA '69, stalwart supplier of class favors. **Dave Buck**, **Steven Chase**, **Tom** and **Marti McGregor Dumas**, **Barry Estrin**, **Barbara Weinflash** Denerstein, **Nancy Chesser**, **Norine Zimberg** Krasnograd, and **Warren Calligaro** were back.

Ran into Class Prexy and Reunion Co-Chair **Margie Greenberg** Smith, **Sherry**

**Carr**, MILR '70, **Pedro Mata**, MEI '68, **Lonetta Swartout** Sanford, **Phil Scheff**, MEE '68, **Don New**, **Karen Kaufman Polansky**, **Chris Williams**, **Mike Redlin**, PhD '74, and **Colleen Livingston**; present too were **Kevin Battistoni**, MPA '69, **Alex Brooks**, **Mike Moore**, MBA '69, **Sally Nellis Kuehl**, **Xavier "X" Kohan**, **Lynne Davis** Myers, **Suzanne Rudin** Posner, **Judy Limouze** Price, and **Ed Troy**.

**Stephanie Brandstetter** Smart, **Cliff Straehley**, **Jim Sagalyn**, MEI '68, **Tom Salinger**, **Diane Haas** Kramer, **Michael Nolte**, **Margie Peech**, MA '69, **Bill Hinman**, BA '68, **Anne Sack** Heybey, **Ron Kaye**, **Liz Fein**, **Joel Gerst**, **Alan Kapilow**, MBA '69, **Van Greenfield**, BS Eng '69, and **Elaine Kamhi** Greenwald, BS HE '66, were also on the scene. Others attending were **A. J. "Skip" Homicz**, **Cary Hershey**, **Georgie (Schuyler)** and **Tony Fernandes**, **Barbara Green** Savage, **Douglas Shore**, **Donald Shapiro**, **Ronald Soroos**, **Rick Weisman**, PhD '73, **Laraine Testa** Zappert, PhD '76, **James Zeman**, and **John Ziegler**. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

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The rite of passage known as 25th Reunion has now worked its alchemy upon us, leaving bittersweet memories and renewed relationships in its wake. What was, what is, what ifs, and what's what came together for a brief meeting where it all began, and then went their separate ways. Familiar faces and places reappeared with such dizzying speed that each day seemed to deliver a week's worth of experiences, and it was sometimes hard to know precisely which decade we were in. Let us hope that at our next reunion, in the new millennium, the computers will not be equally confused.

To celebrate our induction from Pre-25th to Post-25th status, 287 classmates (12 percent of the class) attended reunion this year, together with 111 spouses and 110 children. Some slept in the cozy confines of Mary Donlon Hall, where so many dates began in days of yore. Others (like me) opted for accommodations elsewhere in Ithaca, thus placing themselves truly over the hill. At press time, 613 donors had pledged a total of \$845,652 for the 25th Reunion Campaign, giving '72 the largest number of contributors of any 1997 reunion class. Much of the credit for this achievement goes to Class President **Bruce Graev**, Reunion Chairs **Deidre Courtney-Batson**, MA '75, **Elizabeth Post Falconi**, **Kay Burgunder** Stevens, MRP '75, **Lauren Tozek** Cowdery, PhD '80, **Richard Fish**, **Eric Keller**, **Muriel Mulgrew** Klein, **Harry Pape**, MBA '73, and **Ann Freedman** Spoot; Major Gifts Committee Members **Craig Lambert**, **Steven Scheck**, **Aaron Rubinstein**, **Muriel Mulgrew** Klein, **Richard Banks**, BS Ag '74, **Alex Barna**, **William Copacino**, **Stanley Fish**, DVM '75, **Jeffrey Gelfand**, **Douglas Herron**, **Carolyn Jacobson**, Marie Kerr, **Ed Marinaro**, BS Hotel '73,

**Bruce McGeoch**, **John Morehouse** and wife **Ellen (Rosenstock)**, **Manuel Schiffes**, **Eugene Weber**, and **Thomas Wilkinson**, MBA '73; and Campaign Committee Chair **Louise Shelley**, who collectively performed yeoman service to Cornell and to our class.

The new slate of class officers is remarkably similar to the old slate: **Bruce Graev**, president; **John Morehouse**, vice president; **William Toffey**, secretary; **Irwin Rosenfeld**, treasurer; and **Aaron Rubinstein**, Cornell Fund rep. The class council will consist of **Deidre Courtney-Batson**, **Larry Baum**, BS Agr '73, **Donna Brescia**, **Zachary Carter**, **Lauren Tozek** Cowdery, **Elizabeth Post Falconi**, **Richard Fish**, **Muriel Mulgrew** Klein, **Bruce McGeoch**, **Harry Pape**, **Carol Fein** Ross, **Patricia Miller** Ross, **Bruce Steiner**, **Kay Burgunder** Stevens, and **Susan Rosenberg** Thau. Reunion Chairs for our 30th: **Gregory Fisher**, **Kenneth Halpern**, **Robert Maroney**, **Sharon McNulty**, **John Nicolls**, B Arch '73, **Nancy Roistacher**, **Beverly Roth**, and **Ann Freedman** Spoot. Congratulations and thanks to all.

I am also pleased to report that **Alex Barna** and I were elected to new five-year terms as class correspondents, and will thus continue to have the honor of trying to entertain you with news of yourselves. The May 5, '97 issue of *Time* magazine included the following item in "Class Trash," a 25th Reunion spoof class notes column by **Garry Trudeau**: "Speaking of big changes, a happy **Joe Firestone** writes from his private room at the Hospital for Special Surgery that he is no longer a man, and **Ed Starker**, still at Goldman Sachs, reports that he is no longer black. **Ed** had been slated to join the Clinton Administration at Treasury, but now it seems all bets are off. Best of luck to both **Ed** and **Dorothy**, which is **Joe's** new name." Of course, neither **Garry Trudeau** nor his fictional subjects are members of our class, but his pithy writing sets a worthy standard for the next five years.

As its gift to Cornell, the Class of '72 has established the Class of 1972 Award for Academic Innovation. On the strength of \$25,000 contributed by 119 class donors, the class will award a \$5,000 cash prize every five years (during our reunion cycle) to a Cornell professor or program which is uniquely innovative, creatively inspires learning in Cornell students, and demonstrates Cornell's commitment to excellence in education. The 1997 award winner, to be selected by a class committee, will be announced later this year.

It seems vaguely unfair to report about friends and acquaintances I saw at Reunion, since there were so many other classmates in attendance whom I did not know as well. On the other hand, it would be preposterous to write a post-reunion column without mentioning any people who were actually there. Therefore, with apologies to anyone who has heard more than enough for one lifetime about former *Sun* staffers and their crowd, the following is a highly selective listing of some classmates who made the pilgrimage: **Jay Branegan** and his charming wife **Stefania**, who traveled all the way from Belgium to join

me in discovering that the entrance to our old *Sun* office had become a tattoo parlor and the new *Sun* office was locked; **Robert Molofsky** and his charming wife Anne, who reminded me (lest I forget) that I never, ever forget the exact date of our graduation and countless other events; **Joseph Masci** and wife **Elizabeth Bass**, who displayed their charming son Jonny, born to them three years ago. (Said Joe, in explaining Jonny's shocking shock of light blonde hair, "I hated to break the news to Liz, but she's not the mother.") Also on the Hill, were **Philip Dixon**, JD '80, (not accompanied by his nevertheless charming wife Ellen), who regaled us with hitherto untold tales from the Albany crypt; Dr. Nancy Roistacher and husband **Wayne Merkelson** '73, JD '75, both overflowing with warmth and kindness as they prepare to send their first son to Cornell in the fall; Manuel Schiffres, lead writer for *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* magazine, another gentle soul despite his extraordinary success in telling the world how to get rich;

**Paul Kaye** and his wife and one-and-only **Cathy Duke**, preeminent in the world of Peekskill pediatrics; **Martha Kayser**, in her own Colorado business manufacturing cold-weather gear for cold-weather people; **Stuart Lipton**, BA '71, who has acquired such extraordinary medical stature that he is now far taller than he was in college; Louise Shelley, carrying unspeakable secrets about Russian crime, crime, crime; **Iris Portny**, who briefed me in detail about her current book project but made me promise to keep it all hush-hush; **Kathleen**

**Waits**, lately engaged in an old-style protest of Cornell's housing policies for minorities; and **Joseph Connolly**, former president of the Interfraternity Council, who is now supervising a huge investment research staff at Citibank. Also on hand was **Barry Straus** '74, now a professor of ancient history at Cornell and director of the Peace Studies Program, which focuses on the study of war and euphemisms.

Before leaving Ithaca to visit his family near Pittsburgh, Alex Barna filed the following reunion report: "I want to thank **Gary Rubin** for permitting me to intrude upon his column with my reunion perspectives. I hope Gary and his lovely family had a great time. I know we did. The weather was better than any other reunion, just a few occasions of rain. Bruce McGeoch and I enjoyed the sunny Friday to play in the alumni golf tournament. **James Ohargan** was in our group along with **Chuck Cohn** '73, MBA '77. **Ralph Watts** and **Stephen Snyder**, BArch '73, not only played, they were winners. [More, next issue.]

One of the distinctive features of our 25th Reunion was the sturdy "Cornell '72" red backpack issued to class members who registered for the event. Extra "Cornell '72" backpacks are available for purchase. Send a \$30.00 check payable to Cornell Class of 1972 to Lauren Tozek Cowdery, 16 Dart Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850. Send new ingredients and we'll keep the pot boiling. ♦ **Gary L. Rubin**, 512 Lenox Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090; e-mail, glrubin@aol.com.

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My family and I just returned from the most marvelous trip—we went to Ithaca for our 20th Reunion and then went to Cooperstown for the Baseball Hall of Fame experience and Howe Caverns with **Janet Lorn** Cobe, MBA '78, and her family. Reunion was just a tremendous amount of fun. A lot of classmates came, some with their families and there were some who came alone to

see old friends and the campus. This was the last year for our class to stay on West Campus which, more than anything, marks the passage of time for me. My son can't wait to go to college so he can stay up all night if he wants to!

We climbed to the top of McGraw Tower, which I had never done before, went to a lecture by Ann Richards, former Texas governor and an extremely engaging speaker, tent-hopped at night on the Arts Quad, and had a PMP at Johnny's Hot Truck. We skipped rocks and went fossil hunting in the gorge, saw a sunset at Sunset Park in Cayuga Heights, drove through the cemetery, and even got to go into the house adjacent to Carl Sagan's as it was for sale. **Bill Nye**, the Science Guy, came all the way from Seattle and was a major celebrity at reunion. He was very gracious about letting all the star-struck kids take pictures with him.

**Bill Smith**, JD '80, and **Mike Murray** organized a great weekend and we all owe them a huge debt of gratitude. One afternoon, **Steve Snider**, **Mark Mayrsohn**, **Mike E. Wald**, **Geoff Gailey**, and **Dave Brunner** entertained us with old Cayuga's Waiters tunes in the Straight. Mark used **Mark Monroe**'s guitar, which the latter recently learned to play as an antidote to turning 40. This was followed by a moving memorial in Sage Chapel to our late classmate **Peggy Newcomber** Pollack. **Laurie Robinson** was instrumental in orga-

nizing the ceremony, which included the planting of an oak tree in Peggy's memory in front of Sage Chapel. The weekend gave us typical Ithaca spring weather—at times spectacular, and one afternoon of "Ithacation." I spent the latter in The Royal Palm in Collegetown with old friends, just as we had while we were in school.

On the fundraising front, our class raised more than \$600,000 from 519 donors, which is a remarkable amount. I guess this amount shouldn't be surprising, given the way people feel about Cornell. All weekend long you could feel the good will among classmates and the plain old pleasure at being back in Ithaca. Here's what some of the attendees had to say, in their own words:

"I'm still amazed by the beauty of this place."—**Tom Wales**, BS Ag '78. "I've always loved this place and always will."—**Bob Becker**. "Our kids can't understand why we say college life is so hard after the events of this weekend."—**David** and **Lisa Dickieson**. "I spent four wonderful hours driving up to Ithaca with my old roommate, **Bob Scharf**. He now lives in Florida and I don't get to see him as much as I'd like to. I'm overwhelmed by the beauty of Cornell."—**Bill Axelrod**. "It's been a great reunion. This was my first trip back since 1977, and we're taking a week to visit Niagara Falls and relatives in New York. We saw many things I never visited in my four years at Cornell."—**Mark Fontes**. "While we are both '77 graduates, we met in 1985, having never met while at Cornell. It's always fun at reunions to discover common memories and common friends we'd never realized we share."—**Joan Salzman Grant** and **Mike**. "Cornell and the '77 reunion committee did it again; they really know how to put on an event! There are so many things to do, it's hard to choose, but we had a blast!"—**Nancy Mayer** and **Dave Salman**. "I left the family at home and enjoyed revisiting the campus on my own. I managed to climb down to the gorge, although recovering from Achilles tendon surgery. I spent a lot of time reminiscing with good friends **C. F. "Chip" Olari** and **John Scarcella**, MEE '78."—**Joe Reina**. "What a nice feeling to be back; we're looking forward to the 25th."—**Debra Beigelson Wechsler** and **Ron**. "If I could do Cornell over again, I would try out for the basketball team."—**Peter Brav**. "My three kids all want to go to Cornell after going on the Lindseth Climbing Wall and the Suspension Bridge."—**Mark Monroe**. "Cornell is the coolest place on Earth. It's so much fun to be back and not have to worry about deadlines. Old friends are the best friends."—**Gina Davis**. "I miss the Pancake House!"—**S. Fargas**. "Oh, that chemistry building! I never realized the unendurable pain of organic misery! Whatever happened to Jimmy Feldman?"—**Ilene Klugman**. "I had a great 2-1/2 years here. I just wish that they had taken me off the damn wait list freshman year!"—**Betsy Greenblatt**. "We met our first day at Cornell at a party. Remember that when your kids are invited to a party and they tell you that they don't want to go."—**Robert**



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and **Helene Ansis Kipnees**.

**Sheryl Checkman** summed it up: "It's really great being back at Cornell. Just hearing the chimes and walking up to the Arts Quad has brought back wonderful memories that have been hidden for 20 years. (How can it possibly be 20 years?) I've enjoyed spending time with friends I haven't seen in a long time. When we were in school, we had a favorite saying—"Banana cakes don't last forever, friends do," and this weekend has proven it." ♦ **Lorrie Panzer** Rudin, 14833 Botany Way, N. Potomac, MD 20878; e-mail, rudin@erols.com.

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Greetings from your new class correspondents. **Monika Woolsey** and I have both been given the lowdown by the departing correspondents **Nina Kondo** and **Neil Fidelman Best**. Thanks, you two, for all the notes, etc. We are looking forward to giving you the best in Class of '82 news for the next five years—until our 20th Reunion in 2002. (Can you believe that number?) But before we get there, allow me to give you the rundown from Reunion Weekend 1997. The Class of '82 had a fantastic attendance level, including 203 classmates and an extra 97 adults—spouses or otherwise—to round out the attendance at 300, not including the children, who seemed to be accompanying everyone. This was almost, but not quite, another record for reunion attendance. Cornell is tallying how we did on our reunion year fundraising drive, so maybe we'll make another record yet.

The record for children attending from one family must go to **Wally**, MBA '83, and **Judy Chaing Hlawitschka**, who were brave enough to bring their four youngsters with them to Ithaca from their home in Connecticut. Another record was set by **L. L.** "Tony" **Satterthwaite**, who came all the way from Singapore to join us for the weekend. Other names I could associate with faces included **Mike Greenberg**, MBA '83, from Houston, TX, **Stuart Feldman**, BArch '84, MS '89, from Rocky Point, NY, and **Dawn Crismon** Amos, BA '83, who just moved from North Carolina to Pennsylvania.

Those of you who stayed home missed a great party! There was a grand barbeque at the Plantations, a wonderful lunch beside the Johnson Art Museum, and a fine dinner party in a new dining hall called Trillium in Kennedy Hall on the Ag Quad, with entertainment from the Alumni Hangovers. Combine that with an opportunity to take a hard-hat tour of the new ILR building, walks in Collegetown and your favorite gorges, horseback riding at the Equestrian Center, or canoeing on Beebe lake, and late night chats in the hallways of the U-Hall and you have the makings of a fine Cornell weekend. The weather cooperated in its normal fashion. We did have one day of rain, but remember the old saying about Ithaca weather—if it's not raining, it's snowing; if it's not snowing, you're home. The festivities were wonderful, and wonderfully planned. We all owe special thanks to Reunion Co-

Chairs **Terry Kilmer** Oosterom, **Teri Williams** Harvey, and **John McDaniel III**.

At the class meeting, we elected Co-Presidents **Bob Ramin**, MBA '85, and **Wendy Raymond**; Vice Presidents **Stu Baron** and **Charles Stuppard**, BS Eng '83; Secretary **Lauren Silfen**; Treasurer **Greg Busby**; Reunion Co-Chairs (again—talk about your dedicated alums) **Teri Harvey** and **Terry Oosterom**; Cornell Fund Representatives **Lorraine Aronowitz**, **Brian Zimmerman**, and **David L. Russo**, JD '85; and a Class Council consisting of **Miriam Akabas**, Dr. **Elizabeth "Liz" Dibs Dole**, DVM '86, **Gregory** and **Julia Martin Langan**, Tony Satterthwaite and Nina Kondo. If you'd like to get involved with the class, consider joining the council—this is a volunteer group to help provide advice to the officers regarding keeping the class in touch and making our reunions great.

And speaking of keeping in touch, **Brian Zimmerman**, our past president, and the **Ramin-Raymond** co-presidents have promised us a new way to keep in touch. Soon the Class of '82 will have its own Web page. Keep an eye on this column and we promise to let you know the Web address as soon as possible. In the meantime, you should know what I learned as an intrepid Internet explorer. Cornell and each of the schools within the university has its own web site. Reunion activities were full of opportunities to learn to explore the Internet and the Web sites for various parts of Cornell; check it out the next time you're browsing the Web.

That's all for now. If you made it to reunion and want to share news you learned there or your impressions, drop me a line with your class dues. ♦ **Donna DeSilva**, 2719 Lorcom Lane, Arlington, VA 22207.

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June 5-8, 1997: Our 10-year reunion was a great success: 574 classmates took planes, trains, and automobiles back to the Hill and "smashed" the all-time 10th Reunion attendance record by more than 100 classmates. (The record, by the way, was set only a year ago by the Class of '86.) Our fellow classmates brought along friends, spouses, and children (lots of them!) for a total attendance of 794. We must tip our hats to indefatigable Reunion Chair **Karla Griffin**, who worked tirelessly for the several months leading up to the big weekend, to make sure that we had cool souvenirs (tote bag, T-shirt, and embroidered '87 baseball cap) and plenty of food and drinks for everyone. We also extend our gratitude to all our reunion clerks, without whom things could not have run smoothly at our class headquarters in U-Hall 1: **Noelina Arciniegas '98**, **Laura Barrantes '97**, **Penny Colette Kramer '98**, **Kelly Krueger '99**, **Sandra Loeb '97**, **Stacey Miller '99**, and **Bruce Millman '99**. A special thank you goes out, too, to **Karla's** sister, **Kara Griffin Fugere '90**.

Class elections were held during the weekend. Before announcing the new officer corps, the class would like to thank the outgoing officers for having done a superb job in the

past five years: **David M. Price**, president; **D. L. Ressel**, vice president; **Lauren Spergel**, secretary; **Gordon Whiting**, Cornell Fund representative. I would especially like to acknowledge **Richard Friedman**, **Gail Stoller** Baer, and **Risa** and **Caryn Weinberger** for having shared the class-column-writing duty with me in the past five years. You guys were great! The new officers, who will lead our class into the 21st century, were elected by ballot and they are: **Gligor Tashkovich**, president; **Roger Hill III**, vice president; **Paul Morenberg**, treasurer; **Scott Pesner**, secretary; **Scott Armstrong** and **John Gee**, Cornell Fund reps; **Karla Griffin**, reunion chair; **Tom Smith Tseng** and **Debra Howard Stern**, class correspondents.

I am also pleased to announce that our reunion campaign was a success: as of June 13, 548 classmates had given \$124,255 to our alma mater, setting a record number of Ivy Society (\$250-499) charter members. A big round of applause goes to our Cornell Fund reps and their committees of volunteers, and to all of you who have given so generously.

To give you a flavor of the 10th Reunion, I invited several classmates to provide their impressions of being back on Libe Slope and the Arts Quad: **Christopher Spidle** (CSpidle@ual.com) wrote: "Incredibly, 14 years have passed since our Freshman year. Yet reunion found us once again living in U-Halls, eating food from the Hot Truck, and drinking in Collegetown bars. The *deja vu* was so strong that at times it seemed we'd made no forward progress in our lives! But, alas, we have: we have less hair now. Also, there weren't any small children living on campus 14 years ago, and there were many on reunion weekend—including **Joe Scrandis's** three children. Joe's wife was unable to attend, so he brought all three by himself, and they were very well-behaved! Joe is a senior engineer with Raytheon in Andover, MA. Others showing evidence of forward motion were **Steve Sinofsky**, now director of program management at Microsoft in Redmond, WA; **Albert Chu**, who brought wife Michelle Chen, and is director of retirement services technology at Prudential in Newark; and **R. Brent Vallat**, senior director of credit strategy at American Express in New York City. **Cynthia Green** now practices law in NYC; **Scott Holter**, who came with wife Mary, works for a manufacturing firm in Cleveland; and **Lisa Kish** is an optometrist in Chicago."

**Andrea Wolga** (andrew@mjr.com) took time from planning a wedding and moving from Massachusetts to Vermont to write: "It was great seeing everyone at reunion. It was very easy to feel as if we had never left Cornell and we were still at Fun in the Moon in 1987. But I suppose that's because "no kids (were) allowed" at the tent parties, for the days were much different—toddlers everywhere! It was like being at a giant day care center! I spent most of my time at Reunion hanging around with the people I still keep in touch with: **Jean (Graef)** (who came with part of her gang, **John** and **Elizabeth**, leaving husband **Andrew J. Martin '86** and eldest, **Alyssa**, home),

**Wendy Writer Gettleman** (and husband **David '86** and son **Clarke**), **Rachel Wagner** (and daughter **Clare**), **Susan Ecker Anderer**, **Susan Boyle Wood** (with husband **Dexter** and daughter **Madelaine**, who, as far as I saw, slept peacefully through the whole weekend!), **Shawn Osadchey Wadell** (but where was **Patty Moon West**?—next time, **Patty!**), **Nanci Swartz O'Connell**, who braved the trek from LA with her husband, **Mike**, and her two boys, **Sean** and **Kyle**, and **Alison Heedles Huck** with her husband, **Dan '84**, and **Ellie Scala** and husband **Ed Rodriguez '87**. Then there were some surprises: **Rena L. Hecht** (rhecht@ford.com), **Sue Mackesey Tickle**, **Karl** (karlt@best.com) and **Karen Fann Townsend**, **Steve Erdman**, **Lowell Sachs**, **Liz Spiegel Anderson**, **Carolyn Prior Woodward**, and **Rachel Laird Ranieri**, and many more! I searched desperately for **Kara Latorella** and **Lee Talley**, but to no avail. It's interesting to note that no one looked very different from the way they looked when we were at Cornell. So when is it that we 'show our age'?"

Thank you, **Chris** and **Andrea**, for giving your thoughts on our reunion; you both did such a great job with your paragraphs that I was glad you did not run against me in the class election! We will feature more guest columnists in the months ahead with their takes on reunion.

As for my own reflection on my days back in Ithaca: my wife, **Rebecca Smith**, and I spent three nights in Room 1229 of U-Hall 1, and we were so glad to have a chance to visit with former colleagues at Cornell, as well as catching up with old friends and meeting new people. **Mary Hohenhaus** <hohenham@labs.wyeth.com>, who was my Comm Arts 201 TA our senior year, will be leaving her job as senior editor at **Wyeth-Ayerst Lab** in Philadelphia this fall. When you read this, **Mary** will have headed to the U. of Pittsburgh to begin her first year in medical school. It was just wonderful to see **Mary** and I couldn't help but admire her determination and courage to pursue a medical education after a successful career in editing medical journals. At the Campus Store, I ran into **Amy Benigno Odum** (aodum@us.oracle.com), an instructor for Oracle Corp. based in Boston, and **Patricia F. Cochran** (tcochran@btncapital.com), senior transaction coordinator for Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi in the Boston office. **Richard** (rfriedman@zwa.com) and **Leslie Kaufman Friedman** also drove in from the Boston area, as did **Terry Linsey**, whom I had convinced to come. I had no idea that **Richard J. Bojko**, ME EP '91, (rbojko@sgi.net) had left Cornell a year ago and taken a job as senior engineer in microelectronics technology for Northrop Grumman Corp. in Pittsburgh. **Erika Carroll** (ecarroll@indusgroup.com) flew in from San Francisco; she recently joined **INDUS Group**, an industrial management company owned by fellow alumnus **Robert Felton '61**. We ran into **Michael Riley** and wife **Allison (Doney) '84** under the tents, as well as **Michael O'Hara '88** and his brother **Joe**. It was particularly nice to spend Thursday

evening with **Anne Vitullo '77** and husband **Jon Poe '82** from Palo Alto.

I have more to report, next issue. I will be writing the next two columns, as well, because my new writing partner, **Debra Howard Stern**, will be busy preparing for her master's defense. **Debra** has also started a new job, as director of pre-college programs at **Barnard College**. Please send your thoughts on reunion, or your news. ♦ **Tom S. Tseng**, Harvard UDO, 124 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge MA 02138; e-mail, [ttseng@harvard.edu](mailto:ttseng@harvard.edu); also, **Debra Howard Stern**, 600 W. 116th St., #41, NYC 10027-7010; e-mail, [dstern@barnard.columbia.edu](mailto:dstern@barnard.columbia.edu).

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Congratulations to the Class of 1992! We broke several records at Reunion! YEAH!

The official tally is 698 of us attended reunion, breaking the previous record for classmates in attendance by 22. (Of course, there were even more of us there who never registered officially and therefore were not counted in the tally!) When you add in the guests of our classmates, there were 846 adults registered to the Class of '92—this includes **Cornellians** from other graduating years and non-Cornellian spouses and friends. Again, we were the largest group ever, topping the previous record by 49 attendees. We were also pretty generous—there were 579 donors to our reunion campaign. Also, 237 classmates gave to Cornell for the first time ever—another record!

A big thank you to the class officers who served us for the past five years for keeping us such a cohesive bunch! The officers were: **Meredith Rosenberg**, president; **Kate Buehl**, vice president; **Jon Simon**, treasurer; **Michelle Struble**, secretary; **Allison Abel** and **Steve Segaloff**, Cornell Fund reps; **Alyssa Handler** and **Marc Wallace**, Reunion co-chairs; and **Jade Chao**, **Debbie Feinstein**, and **Renee Hunter**, class correspondents.

In case you weren't able to make it to reunion, be assured we had a great time and missed having you there! Our class was headquartered in **Dickson Hall**. This meant that most of us slept there and learned to hate going down the long hall to the bathrooms all over again! (Hope you remembered your bathrobe!) The dorm served as the headquarters for pretty much everything—registration, messages to one-another, snacks, drinks . . . For the record, over the weekend, 250 cases of soda, juice, and water and 200 cases of beer were consumed at headquarters.

Reunion started on Thursday night, which provided time to explore Ithaca on our own. Many headed to **Collegetown** to discover what had changed. First, on the Arts Quad, the **Kroch Library** is officially open and there is now a nice paved and landscaped area in front of the Straight. Down in **Collegetown**, **Oliver's** is no longer, but instead there's an expanded **Collegetown Bagels**, which serves beer. (The patio stays alive!) **Gould's** is no longer, **Cafe Decadence** is now **Jasmine's** (the owner of **Aladdin's** bought it and changed

only the name), **Collegetown Motor Lodge** is in the process of being sold, **The Alamo** (formerly **Shadows**) is now **Billy Bob Jack's Barbeque Shack**, and there are a couple other "new" restaurants near **Johnny's**. Remember those three houses between the bank and **Collegetown Plaza**? Keep those memories, as in their place now stands another apartment building. And don't forget the shock some felt when they went to order a **Schaefer** at the **Palms**. The new "value" beer has been **Milwaukee's Best** for a couple of years.

Friday provided the opportunity to drop in on some classroom lectures (did you remember all the building names?) and some athletic events. There was canoeing on **Beebe Lake**, a golf tournament, the **Reunion Run**, horseback riding, bicycling, and rowing. In fact, some of the crew alums were able to help christen two new shells, and get out on the water for old time's sake.

**Ann Richards**, former governor of Texas, gave the **Olin Lecture** and then there was a reception for singles on the Arts Quad. The first **BIG Class of '92** event was the dinner and party in the tent set up on the **Dickson lawn**. Who else could we have had cater besides **Hot Truck**? Somehow 650 **MBCs**, **PMPs** and **Suis** were served up in a somewhat timely fashion (well, on **Hot Truck Time!**). Everyone was busy having some facetime and trying to figure out why that person over there looked familiar—but from where? That night was also a **Glee Club** and **Hangovers** concert, and then the parties in the **Reunion Tents** on the Arts Quad.

Picture three tents packed with alumni and free-flowing beer and soda. It was one big fraternity party, only with **Bernie Milton** and the **Soul Patrol**, a DJ, and a **Big Band** orchestra providing music for different tastes in different tents. (Our class was later given the unofficial award for worst music—due to the congregating of '92ers in the DJ tent—by President **Hunter Rawlings**.)

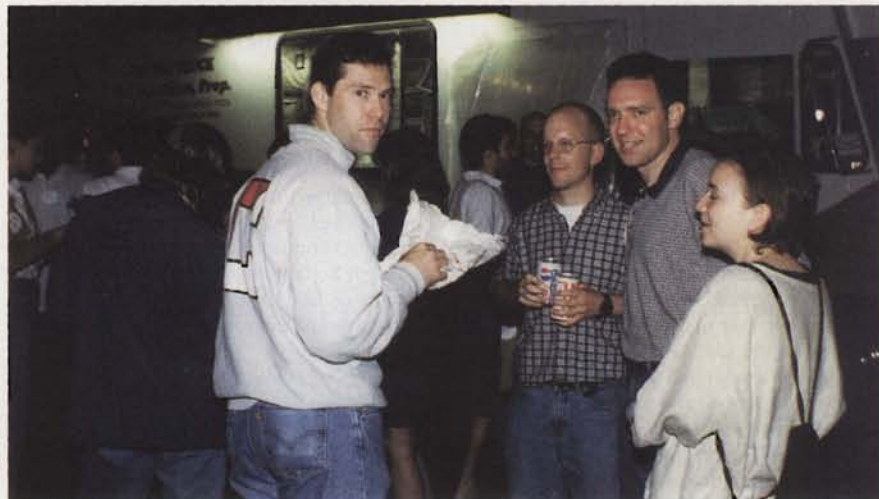
Saturday's highlights included a **State of the University Address** by **Hunter Rawlings** and winery tours. **Word** had it one cool bus driver placed an order for hamburgers for his 50 passengers at the **Pines**! Saturday's weather reminded us of our graduation . . . yes, it rained on and off. (At least it was still warm out!) Many of us who did not go on the winery tours cruised to the **Plantations** for a concert by the **Hangovers**—in the rain. Most of the fraternities and sororities also had receptions for members. Later on Saturday, the class had a cocktail reception on the Arts Quad and then posed for a class photo. Then we booked to **Barton Hall**, where we had the **Class of 1992 Feast**. Class officers for the next five years were announced: President **Meredith Rosenberg**; Vice Presidents **Jon Simon** and **Marc Wallace**; Secretary **Karen Hovorka**; Treasurer **Cindy Spera**; Cornell Fund Reps **Allison Abel** and **Steve Segaloff**; Reunion Chairs **Tracy Furner**, **Karen McCalley**, and **Michelle Struble**; and Class Correspondents **Renee Hunter** and **Debbie Feinstein**.

Saturday night brought **Cornelliana Night** (where attendance and fundraising records



were announced) and another night of tent parties and some visits to Collegetown. On Sunday, brunch provided the forums for goodbyes and promises to stay in better touch over the next five years.

Reunion was certainly a different experience for everyone attending, but I'm certain many of us shared some of the same feelings.



SNACK TIME AT JOHNNY'S HOT TRUCK, ONE OLD HAUNT THAT HASN'T CHANGED (UNLIKE OLIVER'S, GOULD'S, CAFE DECADENCE, THE ALAMO . . .)

Did we really walk that much at Cornell? Did we really know that many people at Cornell? How could we have not known so many of our classmates? Will we have as much spirit in another 65 years as the Class of 1927 attendees had? Will we wear vests and hats with our class proudly displayed at future reunions? Will we donate as much money as those other alumni classes?

I think what was most important were the people at Reunion. As Tracy Furner wrote, "What I noticed the most about returning to Cornell is how special my friends are and how much of a part of my Cornell experience they are."

Obviously there is not enough space here to write about everyone who attended. Debbie will give some more details in the next column. But for now, Tracy wanted to thank her friends **Sarah Chambers**, **Shelley Halloran**, and **Heather McHugh** for coming from California; **Jan Best** for coming from Oregon; **Jennifer McSorley** Cloutier, husband Mike, and baby Jacqueline from the Bahamas; **Kelly Keim** from Boston, **Liz (Clisby)** and **Alex Nikolic** from Philly, **Theresa Faraci** Berg and husband Brian from New Jersey; and Peggy Williams and **Gina Johnson** from Chicago.

**Elliot Austin**, who took a break from his studies in sexuality at New York U., met up with **Leslie Bluman** at reunion. Leslie received her MPH from U. of Michigan in Ann Arbor and is now at Duke doing breast cancer research. **Michelle Thevenin**, who works at the Johnson school library, took part in festivities too! Another not exactly traveling far to make it to Reunion was **Amy Sachs, Grad**, now in her last year at the Vet college. Many

thanks go out to all who helped plan the successful reunion weekend, especially Marc Wallace, Alyssa Handler, Meredith Rosenberg, and Michelle Struble. Here's to an amazing 10th Reunion in 2002! Between now and then, be sure to send your news and updates to Debbie and me for future inclusion in these columns. ♦ **Renee Hunter**, 27 Prospect St.,

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Ithaca, it has been noted recently, is where you can live an entire life without running out of granola choices. Or could proceed into your 60s and 70s still seeking yourself. Members of the Continuous Reunion Club found each other again at their 91st convocation this June and renewed the pleasure of the company. (They've been doing that since 1906. For CRC, just one reunion every five years is insufficient, so we go every year, or almost.)

More than 90 were there to taste the tents (not much granola there) and/or tune in on the wit and wisdom of Ann Richards, former governor of Texas, at the Olin Lecture on Friday. Later, in the **Jerome "Brud" Holland '39** International Living Center Low Rise 8 headquarters, many were willing to share their views of her comments. Concurrence and dissent did not strictly follow party lines.

They met at CRC's yearly reunion luncheon at the Statler ballroom, along with sporting types like coaches, on Friday. They heard then that the holder of the Cornell Tradition Fellowship named for CRC's late president, **Joe Driscoll '44**, MBA '49, is settling nicely into Cornell. She is **Lauren Thal '00**, of Havertown, PA. And, that CRC had donated \$1,000 to the women's softball team. (The team responded by winning the Eastern College Athletic Conference championship.)

They applauded **Bill Vanneman '31** and **L. W. "Bill" Kay '51**, winners of the annual Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award, and **Alice Lieber** Hefner '82, new pres-

ident of the Human Ecology alumni assn.

They heard that **Jerry Loewenberg '29**, who says "being over 90 ain't for sissies," wouldn't be there this year but sent his regards to Davy and the CRC members.

Kathy Barnard, the first-year women's tennis coach, described her approach to the game ("aggressive"). Football coach **Jim H. Hoffer '79** looked back warmly at **Chad Levitt '97** and **Seth Payne '97**, both fourth-round draft choices, predicted grand NFL days for both, and looked forward to more exciting times for his Big Red when we get back this fall.

Athletic Director **Charlie Moore '51**, BME '52, presented the state of athletics Far Above. CRC's senior—and honorary—member Ted Thoren, the retired but not shy baseball coach, presented some verbal crowns of Thorens. **Gerry Grady '53**, BME '54, gave the financial report and called for a moment of silence for four who will not be coming back: **C. F. "Mike" Hendrie '19**, **Frederick Kuehn '28**, **Ronald Lynch '58**, and **Henry Sanborne '32**.

Members made Plantation tours and returns to old familiar places (with or without Greek initials) and dug the jazzy Big Band Era gig whomped up by our own **Jim Kraker '42**, **Lou Daukas '44**, BA '47, and **Art Kesten '44**, BA '49, suited up for the alumni baseball game between teams managed by Thoren and the incumbent coach, Tom Ford. Numerous CRCs toasted lacrosse at a reception hosted by honorary member, Coach Richie Moran.

**Sandy Blackwood**, wife of **Jim '53**, B Chem E '54, did an 18.36 two miles in the Reunion Run. **C. R. "Dick" Lynham '63**, BME '65, made it in 16.54, and **Bill Webber '54**, MD '60, came home in 16.20. All three won first place in their respective age group.

Cornell Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) President **Dick Keegan '49**, reporting reunion attendance tallies and handing out hardware at Cornelliana Night on Saturday in Bailey Hall, heeded a call from **Harry Glass '35**: "What about CRC?" Quoth Richard, "Okay, Harry, you want a pitch? Well . . ." Dick and wife **Joan (Noden) '50** always reunite with their classes at the regular five-year intervals. CRC has filled in the gaps, so they have been to 28 reunions, Dick said. Then he introduced Hunter Rawlings III.

There were refreshment and discourse at the Holland HQ throughout. Nostalgia and levity are permitted. And a heroine was born. **Dorothy "Dee" Mulhoffer Solow '49**, moved by the plight of a squirrel trapped in a deep recess of the dorm, caught it and sent it back to its tree, undoubtedly relieved to be away from so many nutty humans. The squirrel won't be back, but most of the members will.

And so. Hail, all hail, to **Margaret Gallo '81**, Tina Gourley, and their colleagues at Alumni House, who made it all possible, and to our class clerks, **Michelle Brandon '99**, and **Helene Richards '98**. They prove that Mater is still producing wunderkind almost as bright and diligent and efficient as we were. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009.

# CLASS NOTES

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In June, the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* ran a story with photo reporting that **Paul R. Young '16**, now 102, and his younger sister, Esther Ragan, 90, are taking part in a Harvard medical school DNA study of siblings who have survived into their 90s. The researchers are looking for clues as to why longevity seems to run in some families. The father of Young and his sister had lived to be 92. To take part in the study, one sibling must be at least 98 years old and the other, at least 90. Dr. Thomas Perls, who is conducting the study, is looking, says writer Molly Kavanaugh, for areas of DNA that the two siblings have in common. Within those areas there are thousands of genes and the researchers will look for common genes, which will then be dissected.

At the Elyria [Ohio] United Methodist Village, where Young has lived for the past 20 years, he continues an active involvement and is editor of the monthly newsletter—a logical job for the former newspaper garden writer who, according to the article, had missed “only one week of publication in 42 years.” Although Young and his sister have avoided the vices of smoking and drinking and have other characteristics associated with long life, some of his eating habits “go against the grain. He eats an egg a day, generously salts his food, and has a daily 10 p.m. ‘snack’ that resembles a meal,” writes Kavanaugh. “Young enjoys reading, with several magazines and books going at once. Lately, he has been reading a book about heaven. ‘I’ve always been skeptical about heaven,’ he said, but he figures he has only a year or two left until he finds out. ‘I’m sort of waiting to see what happens.’”

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A report on **Aaron Kaufman '19** came from his daughter-in-law **Barbara Wahl Kaufman Cate '43**, last spring following a visit she paid him at his home in Palm Beach, FL. She wrote:

“I felt this urge to tell you one of the stories he told me about Cornell. He said that he attended a lecture by the president of the university in Palm Beach about five years ago. The names of Andrew Dickson White and Jacob Gould Schurman came up during the speech. It was said that Cornell was founded in 1868 [with White as its first president, and later became] a state agricultural school. In the late 1890s, Schurman—educated in England, Scotland, and Germany—saw to it that

Cornell became a true university.

“After the lecture, Aaron went up to the speaker and told him that he had known both men personally. How? Well, when Aaron was a student, in 1915, he went to hear music in Sage Chapel every Sunday, and he always sat next to White in the front row, and they found time to chat. Aaron told me that White died that year . . . the statue of him in the Arts Quad had been erected much before his death, with the date of his birth and a dash engraved, and space left for the date of death. When Aaron graduated in 1919, Schurman handed him his diploma and congratulated him.

“How’s that for the memory of a man in his 100th year? Aaron still drives, goes to the opera and concerts every week, in season. His appetite puts mine to shame. He reads the *Times* daily and he is still a notably smart man. Sadly, Aaron has lost two of his sons, both Cornellians: **Bill '44** and **Allen '46**. While he can still write with the same elegant handwriting, he said to me, ‘Barbara, you do it,’ and so I have.”

Please send news of other members of this class for publication in this spot. ♦ Class of '19, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

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The *Alumni News* for August 1922 contained one of those items editors dream about—a high-grade space filler suitable for editorial comment and likely to produce printable correspondence from readers. At the moment, our class was about to return as sophomores, complete with debonair look, according to the song, if not in fact, and irrelevantly, in any event, since most of us, I’m sure, had never heard of the *Alumni News*. The item referred to was a light-hearted “letter to the editor” from the novelist **Kenneth L. Roberts '08**. The editors note that “like everything that Ken writes that gets by his publishers, it is easily read and contains enough basis of fact to provoke an inventory.” Mr. Roberts asserts that he wouldn’t normally complain against the “public prints,” but that in the case of the *Alumni News* he has a proprietary interest, “due to the same reason that causes a rescued person to labor under the peculiar delusion that his rescuer is indebted to him.” Mr. Roberts had in fact been rescued from a “minion of the law” who was trying to collect \$27.50 for a pair of riding breeches; **Woodford Patterson**

1896 had lowered him to the street from a window of the *Alumni News* office while the sheriff “bawled and bellowed on the other side of the door.”

After complaining that the *News* was usually a week or ten days old when it reached him (it was then published weekly during the college year and monthly during the summer), Roberts says: “My chief objection to your paper, however, lies either in your treatment of Mr. Berry [**Romeyn Berry '04**, who produced the regular column “Sport Stuff”], or in Mr. Berry’s laziness. There seems to be no reason for Mr. Berry’s sport column to be limited to about the number of words that can be written on a postage stamp with a mop.” The editors agree that “Sport Stuff” never seems long enough, but point out that Mr. Berry is an impressionist, who would not be as interesting if he tried his hand at painting in the minute details. [Berry and Roberts had in fact been personal friends since the latter’s undergraduate days.]

Finally, Roberts reaches the matter of Class Notes. “. . . the *Alumni News* rather slights us antiquated, decrepit old parties who graduated so far back that we are lucky to have one member of our class mentioned in the alumni notes of every third issue. Our interest in your magazine flags somewhat when we get over toward the end and begin to hunt for '08 notes, only to find one '06 note, three '11 notes, and about three pages of '20, '21, and '22 notes . . . we suffer and say nothing. What we want is more local color, and less information to the effect that T. Guy Wimplepeg '22 Arts has moved from 3 Synthetic Place to 2044 Canoodle Ave., and is now Chief Glue Taster of the Multi-Flavored Glue Company. T. Guy Wimplepeg’s movements do not interest any of us who graduated prior to '19—and very few who graduated since that time. We want to know what kinds of soft drinks the boys are drinking, and how their livers stand it; how many undergraduates can be crowded into a coupe nowadays; what they’re singing on the Hill; what sort of dance-steps the rising generation is perpetrating; what kind of clothes Louis Bement is sticking 'em with at present . . . We are even willing to be irritated . . . somebody just sent me a sample of the column that **Hendrik Willem Van Loon '05** is conducting in *The Baltimore Sun*. The entire sample was devoted to hammering my latest book, *Why Europe Leaves Home* (Bobbs-Merrill, \$3) . . . many of the thoughts expressed in it were unsound, and the whole thing naturally struck me as being insufferably dull. But if you could get Mr. Van Loon to write you an occasional column, the older alumni would abandon their policy of silent suffering, and write you a great many letters of protest that would provide you with chatty material for months, if not years, to come. Very sincerely yours,” etc. The editors said they’d welcome a manuscript from Mr. Van Loon—“a first class broil has been noticeably absent since the last time someone tried to assign the authorship of ‘Alma Mater’ to the wrong person”—and observed: “It is to be regretted that alumni notes can’t be picked more

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at random. Mr. Roberts has hit upon one of the main problems of alumni editing. If the class of 1908 should suddenly begin to change jobs, residences, and names with the present frequency of the class of 1919, it would help fill those gaps as nothing else. But we went through all of that with 1908 about a decade ago, and it now takes a murder, a book, or a run for office to cause a reader to send in an item about anyone as far back as 1908." Well, from 1908 to 1922 was 14 years, equal to the time from 1925 to 1939—which was still more than half a century ago. So perhaps we should stop complaining that we seldom get a personal note from anyone except with the News & Dues letter. But your items are of course more than welcome at any time—not limited to murder, books, or runs for office. ♦ **Walter Southworth**, 744 Lawton St., McLean, VA 22101.

**26** **Bob Uhry** continues his volunteer work with prisoners, now with the women inmates at the Bedford Hills Correctional Facility. At age 92, he limits his visits to once a week, when he runs a program called "Down on Violence" in which speakers address domestic violence and other experiences the women may have had. Uhry says, "The system categorizes them as criminals. But I've seen a lot of goodness here." Writer Barbara Nachman, in her profile of Uhry published in the Gannett Suburban Newspapers of White Plains, NY, describes him as "A tall man with a shock of white hair and a ready smile . . . [He] has won the hearts of all the Bedford Hills women, says inmate Rosalie Cutting, who helps Uhry with his program." In his 29 years as a prison volunteer, Uhry has helped bring counseling programs to as many as eight prisons a week. He and his wife, Helen, have been married for 68 years. They live in Millbrook, NY.

Please send news of other classmates for use in this space. ♦ Class of '26, c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

**28** This is being written here in Ithaca while planning your 70th Reunion with **Alyene Fenner** Brown and the lovely ladies at Alumni House. I've called a few of your classmates, who have all said the same as **Nash Williams**, who said, "If I'm erect, I'll come." So, the following will be here to greet you in June 1998: **Katy Altemeier** Yohn, **A. Madge Marwood** Headland, **Alyene, Ted Adler, John Gatling, Paul Buhl, Paul Gillett, Howard Levie**, and one more, who reports in at the end of this column. Please add your name to the list and write to me at the address below.

**Jarvis Leng '54**, our classmate **Bob's** son, has his father's films and will show them to us on Thursday evening at Reunion. At cocktails or dinner we will probably meet our new President Hunter Rawlings. After that it will be bed or the Savage Club show, your choice. On Friday evening you will hear reports on our Class of '28 Hall dormitory. Then, it's on

to the Glee Club concert. Saturday we hope to have President Emeritus Frank H. T. Rhodes speak to us. And all of us should plan to attend *Cornelliana* Night at Bailey Hall. We will also arrange a campus tour for our class so you can see what's changed and what's unchanged. Let me know of things on campus that you would like to visit. (Our program is subject to change without notice!)

We plan to run a bus to Ithaca for Reunion from New York City. You will probably want to bring someone with you. For the 65th we were able to make no reunion charge for all meals except breakfast and sleeping accommodations. We hope to do the same for the 70th and may be able to do the same for your companions (in part or whole). Drop me a line and say you will be on board.

Now, here's some news passed along to me by Ted Adler. **Charles Durling** asks whether class dues are tax deductible. If so, he is sending an extra \$25 and will pay still more. The dues themselves are not deductible, but any additional amount can be deemed a payment to Cornell. **Milton Firey** was happy that his name was not in the last obit column, and then promptly paid his dues.

**Argus Tresidder** retired from the Foreign Service in 1970 after serving in five countries. He became professor of English at the Marine Corps Command and Staff College in Quantico, VA, and taught there for 12 years. His wife died in 1995 and he now lives in Annandale, VA, trying to write, six books having been published. **Israel Gerberg** writes that life came to an end on Jan. 5, '95, when his wife died after a long siege from a stroke. He still lives in Tucson, where he moved after retiring, and where his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren live. Judge **H. Sol Clark**, LLB '30, continues the practice of law in partnership with his son, **Fred Clark '58**.

ing forward to my 70th Reunion and hope to see you all there at Cornell." ♦ **John B. "Bud" Mordock**, 640 Winnetka Mews, #107, Winnetka, IL 60093; tel., (847) 446-4298.

**29** This year the number "90" means a lot to my classmates. **Ben Levine** offers a toast "To Life" and hopes to enjoy it.

**Jerry Loewenberg** can spell nonagenarian. **Jerry Lehner** wants to attend (and survive) a big party in celebration.

**Paul N. Martin** remembers music of our youth. ("Blue Skies" was my personal favorite, Paul.) **John E. Coleman** says he intends to travel (with *Deo volente* in the back of his mind).

**Morris Glushien** wonders how you can reunite if you're the only returnee. **Aub Schenck** thinks we are lucky to be alive with good memories of our Cornell experience. ♦ **Don Layton**, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

Three cheers to **Ethel Corwin** Ritter, who has done an outstanding job as class correspondent and turns the job over to me as vice president of the class as her substitute until someone comes along and volunteers for the job. One unrewarding aspect of this assignment is that so few classmates read our copy. Most classes have annual class dues and duespayers receive *Cornell Magazine*. The Class of '29 women have no dues except at reunion time, therefore they do not see the magazine or read about their classmates unless they buy a subscription independently. Alas! Alack! I have tried to persuade the university to offer the magazine at a reduced rate, or, maybe, in a magnanimous gesture, free to the fewer than 100 of our class surviving in deference to our many years of devotion to our favorite alma mater. Since we are a Depression class, we have a depression mentality and \$29 is not like \$29 is to the students of today. Many, strug-

“I still drive a little, play bridge about five evenings a week, and go to concerts and lectures.”

—JULIA MEHLMAN GREENHUT '29

Dr. **Max Werner** sent dues in December 1996, along with news that "after 16 years, I finally parted company as 'camp doctor' at Raquette Lake Boys Camp (owner, **Jerry Halsband '54**). Felt it was time to move over and let the young ones take over." He followed up with thanks to Ted Adler "for the tremendous job you have done as treasurer and class correspondent."

Here is some good news sent last winter by **Earle C. Adams**: "Greetings to all. Because of unpredictable weather in Maine in December, I have just attended an early celebration of my 90th birthday. (Ouch!) It was a complete surprise. All of my children and grandchildren were there, in addition to my wife of 56 years, my sister, and several others. I am look-

gling with the problems of health and longevity don't even realize the score—that we have to subscribe to the magazine to see our write-ups in the '29 class column. Many of you receive a questionnaire from the alumni office requesting news. Thirteen of our class responded, but almost none asked for new subscriptions. Only about ten of us get the magazine and see the column. Of course some other classes read about the "classy class," I hope. That however, is a discouraging fact for the correspondent, as Ethel would affirm, when so few classmates read her copy.

Many, many thanks to the cooperative wonderful classmates who responded. They are: **Julia Mehlman** Greenhut of Baltimore, MD, **Frances Levinson** Zippin of New

York City, **Edith Stenberg** Smith, JD '31, of Floral Park on Long Island, **M. Genevieve Coon** of Sayre, PA, **Grace Carlin** Wile of Princeton, NJ, **Jo Mills** Reis of Sarasota, FL, **Ruth Calkins** Guerin of Hinsdale, IL, **Judith Glassman** Simon of Guilderland, NY, **Dorothy Mead** Johnston of Naples, FL, **Emily Briggs** Gould of Gwynedd, PA, **Anita Sadler** Weiss of Baltimore, MD, **Charlotte "Lucille" Ingalls** Wood of Nazareth, PA, and **Louise Platt** Lane of Bradenton, FL.

Julia Mehlman Greenhut writes, "My husband, Frederick, died in August 1996 at the age of 98. I still drive a little, play bridge about five evenings a week, and go to concerts and lectures from North Oakes, the retirement home where I reside. I do enjoy hearing about my classmates. Frances Levinson Zippin, who lives on Riverside Dr., New York City writes, "I lost my husband, Prof. Leo Zippin, of New York City U. on May 11, '95, presumably of old age, 90-plus. My daughters are **Nina Zippin** Baym '57 and **Vivian Zippin** Narehood '60. Both graduated Phi Beta Kappa, as I did. Nina is a professor of English and American literature at the U. of Illinois, Urbana. She is married to Prof. Stillingner. Vivian is an attorney in Lancaster, PA, her specialty fields being environmental law and education law. She lives at 73 Lakeview Dr., Mt. Groton, PA. Granddaughter Nancy Clark is an assistant professor at the U. of Michigan and Rachael Austen is assistant professor of chemistry at Bates U. and grandson Geoffrey Baym is earning a PhD at the U. of Utah. I also have a great-grandson, Zane Clark, 1. I taught English for 40 years, first at James Madison High School in Brooklyn, then at Washington Irving in Manhattan. I walk a mile a day and at 88 seem in pretty good health. I often think romantically of my days at Risley and Sage and the friends I made there. Sylvia Moskowitz taught French at James Madison briefly. I admired Prof. **John W. Hebel**, PhD '20, and Prof. Martin Sampson in the English department so much, probably the reason I became an English teacher.

I [**Agnes "Tib" Kelly** Saunders] had lunch with **Rosalie Cohen** Gay and her husband, Ernie, in E. Hartford, CT, a couple of months ago and found her as chipper as usual, despite a slight stroke which necessitates using a cane. **Marian Walbancke** Smith and I drove out to Brightwaters, Long Island, and visited **Linnea Peterson** Ceilly, who seems just fine—involved in volunteer work at St. Charles Hospital. Marian and I also visited Edith Stenberg Smith, who has recently given up driving but is enjoying her talented artist daughter, Linda, who lives nearby. **Anna Schmidt** called me from her retirement home near Boston last week. She misses you all and would love to hear from you. Her address is St. Patrick's Manor, Framingham, MA. My own news is that I now have two doctors in the family. In addition to my son John, in Baltimore, my grandson Paul Saunders Jr. just graduated from Mt. Sinai medical school in NYC and will do his residency in surgery in NYC. ♦ **Agnes "Tib" Kelly** Saunders, 106 Spencer Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563.

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After what seems a long vacation for us columnists, here we are joining in with the news from Reunion 1997! (I hope

Cornell Magazine print hasn't gotten any smaller.)

**Rose Margolin** Fishkin can still drive her car to her activities, which she now restricts to one project a day! (Some of us are happy to be able to do one a week, Rose.) One activity is the OPEN DOOR, "where volunteers like myself help children do their homework. Their teachers send them, mostly from Spanish-speaking homes. Our AAUW and NCJW staff the Freehold OPEN DOOR." There are loans to be repaid when projects are completed. The funds are from membership dues, contributions, and gifts. VGLFUW, c/o AAUW, 111 E. 37th St., NYC 10016. Rose says she is saving her strength for the year 2000. Let's all join her!

Another of Ruth's interests is the Virginia Gildersleeve International Federation (V. G. was dean of Barnard College). She writes, "We loan money to groups of women to help them in their projects. For example, we will subsidize purchase of sewing machines so they can manufacture bags and learn dressmaking. India, Nepal, Africa, Argentina are some of the places."

**Frances Crossman** Bailey wonders what is in store for her grandchildren in this changing world. She has two nearby in Connecticut, and three step-grandchildren in San Diego. She is active in church-going and her own homemaking. (We enjoyed junior year as roommates in Sage with **Hazel Reed** and **Mary Sly** as near neighbors. (Both deceased—and we miss them.)

**Catharine Bullock** Traub enjoyed a ten-day tour in Russia, taking in St. Petersburg and Moscow with its golden domes. She has a 2-year-old granddaughter, the joy of her life, and is thinking of moving from her Maryland home of 50 years to join her family in Pennsylvania. (Catharine and **Kira Volkoff** Robinson lived just down the hall in Sage from Frances and **Joyce Porter** Layton. This begins to sound like Old Home Week!)

REUNION 1997 is going on as I write this, in lovely sunny weather. Be sure to read the columns of the reunion classes to know about the events. ♦ **Joyce Porter** Layton, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

By the grace of Cornell Magazine's editorial staff, I hope to get into the "Class Notes" of this issue the class news sent in by more than 30 of you. News not published will be carried over to the November/December and later issues. (This submission is already more than two weeks past the deadline date, due to a personal family development which requires my departure for Europe as soon as I can get a flight in this heavy travel season.)

**Dr. Morris Alpert**: "Retired as surgeon in 1979. For 15 years was dean of St. Georges (Grenada) medical school." He then retired for the second time at age 85 and at age 88 had a quadruple by-pass. Extolling "Ah, those

golden years," he confidently expects to make it to our 70th Reunion. We know you will, Morry! He wants news of his good friend, **Jim Gidlitz**. Jim read his mind; news Jim sent in follows immediately:

Always rightly the proud father, Jim tells us that his son David, doing 25 years research for it, authored his book, *Secrecy and Deceit, the Religion of the Crypto Jews* (Jewish Publication Society). David received the National Jewish Book Council award for the best book of the year on Sephardic studies. The book has been widely publicized nationally, including two articles in *The New York Times* in February and April 1997. Formerly the dean and provost of Binghamton U., David is presently chairman of the Spanish department at Rhode Island U., where he was formerly the provost.

**Stanford C. Bates**: On April 28, '97, Stan reported exultantly: "Our peas are up and looking good!" And pridefully: 20th year of living on the shore of Henderson Harbor, NY; he has rebuilt 16 old player pianos; his son Lt. Gen. **Jared** '63, BS ILR '64, is Inspector General of the US Army. Jared's wife is **Patricia (Greene)** '64.

**Montie F. Cone**, JD '33: Montie's son Michael, who was a post-doctoral student on the Hill, set up for Montie a large-screen Mac computer, (which Montie lovingly calls a "beast") which he finally managed in order to help his poor handwriting and sight, but he had to be helped by a tutor to achieve his managing success. He reports going to our 55th Reunion with his nephew and grand-nephew, **Charles Berlinghof** '53 and **B. Todd Berlinghof** '85, who are among the nine Cornellians in his family; others include Aunt **A. Celia McKay** Champion '13, sisters **Katherine Cone Todd** '24 and **Barbara Cone Berlinghof** '27, brother-in-law **John O. Todd** '24, and cousin **G. van McKay** '31. In Ithaca, Bud saw **Bob Terwillegar** who, at 90, is the same age as Bud. He concludes with regards to all who remain in the "ranks (that are) thinning."

**Barnett B. Glassberg**: Upon retirement in 1975, he moved to Florida, where he lived for a number of years before moving to North Carolina to be near his two children. There are now six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, all of whom live nearby. ♦ **Ben Cotton**, Bay Plaza 802, 1255 N. Gulfstream Ave., Sarasota, FL 34236; tel., (941) 366-2989.

31 **Jeremiah S. "Jerry" Finch** (3-110 Monroe Village, Jamesburg, NJ 08831-1918) has paid a graceful, and appropriately illustrated, tribute to a great and good friend of his and many '31ers in the following: "The death of **Amos G. "Mose" Allen Jr.** prompts memories. In our freshman year we lived in Waite Hall, an old fire trap on College Ave., and joined the same fraternity, Phi Sigma Kappa, along with **Harold W. "Hardy" Hansen**, **Bill Rountree**, and **Christobal "Chris" Martinez-Zorilla**, whose father, **Carlos A. Martinez** '05, had been a classmate of Mose's father, **Amos G. Allen** '06, in that same fraternity. Mose had prepared for

[Reunion class columns are on pages 52-63.]

Cornell at the Chicago Latin School (which he called 'Chicawga Lat'n'). He studied forestry and played end at 160 pounds under Gil Dobbie, who always spoke of him as 'Little Allen.' On the train returning from a defeat at Hanover, Mose groaned, 'When I let that guy go around my end, I won my D for Dartmouth!' Once when my wife and I were in Chicago planning to meet him at the Yacht Club, I asked by phone where to find him there. 'At the bar?' I asked. 'It's all bar' said Mose. Years later in a somewhat similar situation I asked 'Martini?' and Mose replied, 'I can't even lift a martini, let alone drink one!' Always cheerful, warmly liked, ready for fun, and scornful of pretense, Mose was a colorful and memorable friend to many classmates. I miss him."

On the same melancholy note, **John S. Townsend** (2110 Longwood Dr., Auburn, AL 36830-7108) wrote that the unique group of six Phi Kappa Sigma brothers who have staged annual mini-reunions ever since our 50th Reunion has been dealt a severe blow by the Grim Reaper this spring. **Albert L. Hodge**, a lawyer and judge in Chattanooga and his hometown of Lookout Mountain, TN, for many years, died suddenly on or about Apr. 10, '97. When John tried to call **Robert C. Collins** to tell him the bad news, wife Pat Collins said Bob was in the hospital and very ill. Our "world traveler" had gallantly fought the effects of a stroke, and kept on seeing the sights till the end, which came on or about Apr. 21, '97. With the passing of **Bob Hazlett**, our Cornell Fund representative, Sep. 21, '96, these blows cut the loyal group in half. Now there remain to carry on **William H. "Bill" Eberly** (208 Hamlet Hills Dr., Apt. 91, Chagrin Falls, OH 44032), **Emerson D. "Mike" Moran** (429 Brackenwood Lane, N., Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418), and John, himself, who bravely tries to close with some good news—the weather in Venice, FL, last winter was "the best ever."

Another batch of News Forms has come in, so I will continue the practice of the last issue of passing on items from the line "Family Information News." Later I will go back and pick up the rest of your notes. **Ed Blumner** (Edmund G., 290 Hall Ave., White Plains, NY 10604) "My granddaughter Nicole Blumner was admitted for graduate study in the Department of City and Regional Planning of the College of Architecture, and will reside at Telluride House. In spite of a year in Italy, she disclaims any responsibility for the Tower of Pisa." Hurray for Ed! A '31der granddaughter on the Hill, and at Telluride!

**Eve Dedrick Corbin** (Mrs. J. Kenneth, 255 Old Rte. 32, Saugerties, NY 12477) "Nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews, and two great-grandnephews (Caleb and Gabriel)." **Myrtle "Toots" Uetz** Felton (Mrs. William M., 1024 E. Cushman Rd., Southampton, PA 18966-4113) "I have three 'great' sons, and six 'great' grandchildren, whom I hope will present me with some 'great' great-grandchildren before I pass away." Toots also suggests that "Myrtle" would be more dignified at this age. NEVER! Long live the happiest and most apt nickname

in the class!

**David A. Fisher** (17 Storrs Heights Rd., Storrs Mansfield, CT 06268) "Just learned that I now have my first GREAT-GRANDSON! I'm really proud of myself!" **Edward J. Mintz** (1550 Sand Hill Rd., #205, Palo Alto, CA 94304) "Daughter Marie (MS, U. of California, Berkeley) is a family counselor; grandchildren Simone (sophomore, U. of Oregon), 19,

have had a cataract removed and feel blessed living in an era of wonderful medical procedures. They also dined with **Byron Bookhout '39**.

**Allan Cruickshank** and wife Connie attended the July 1996 wedding of granddaughter **Laura Werner '91**, daughter of Peter and **Neila Cruickshank Werner '61**, to Matt Wickey. The ceremony was in the very strick-

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— MARJORIE CHAPMAN BROWN '33

Jasper (freshman, high school), 16." **Rosemary Hunt** Todd (760 Cambridge Blvd., SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506) "... three children, 12 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. At the moment we are looking forward to a grandson's wedding on Martha's Vineyard in September on my husband's 89th birthday!" ♦ **William M. Vanneman**, Thirwood Pl., #250, 237 N. Main St., S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2079; tel., (508) 760-5250.

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Thanks again to each one who sent news—yours will appear eventually. Be patient. Class President **Marion Ford**

**Fraser (HE)**, forwarded interesting letters from recipients of our Cornell Tradition Fellowships grants **Danielle Linkous '99** and **Brian Barrows '99**. Danielle, an animal science major, was promoted to lab assistant, caring for research mice, evaluating tissue samples. She has volunteered backstage at Ithaca's Hangar Theater, and culminated her Future Farmers of America (FFA) career with an award as national winner of equine science proficiency. She hopes to join a Cornell chapter of collegiate FFA. She is grateful for financial help. Brian is studying biology and nutrition, also in the Ag college. He has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and at the YMCA. He pledged Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity, and joined the cross-country running team. He appreciates the financial assistance from Cornell Tradition funds.

**Eli M. Goldberg**, JD '35, and wife Grace were thrilled by a walk on top of Mendenhall glacier at Juneau on a recent trip to Alaska. He gives the class pocket calendar to his grandson as part of his Cornell indoctrination. **Isadore I. Belloff** (Engineering) is active in Rotary Club, plays a little bridge and golf. He made two hospital visits for flu and pneumonia and is getting fat. **Marietta Zoller** Dickerson (HE) and husband **Lucius A. Dickerson '39** (Ag) enjoyed lunch with **Helen Weisbrod** Rowland (HE) and husband Merton [who has since died] in the Rowlands' new Chittenango home at Apt 180, Hickory Hills, 500 W. Genesee St. 13037. Residents of Alexian Village, in Signal Mountain, TN, both the Dickersons

ing Lutheran church of the groom's father, the Rev. Wickey, in Ft. Salonga, Long Island—a beautiful ceremony. **Edward J. Williams** (CE), and wife Carol have children located from Boston to Honolulu. They went to Houston in April 1996, then to Cozumel and back to Texas for a grandson's graduation from medical school. A trip to Jackson Hole, as well as the mountains of western Montana and eastern Idaho provided breathtaking views of peaks, lakes, and parks. October found them at the birthday celebration of their youngest son, 46, and planning visit to eldest daughter and family in Honolulu. At home, Ed and Carol volunteer in a hospital. Son **Christopher '67** celebrated his 30th reunion in June. "God willing, we will celebrate our 65th in 1998." Robert A. Cosgrove Jr. writes for his father, Dr. **Robert A. Cosgrove**, MD '36, "Doctor has been in ill health since July 1996. With help he enjoys the fruits of a wonderful profession and retirement. He has weekly visits from his son and grandson in Jersey City, phone calls and cards from son Richard in Tucson, and grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado. He is still interested in the growth of the university."

Our esteemed Class Treasurer **Charles S. "Ted" Tracy** and wife Cynthia have seven children each, which adds up to a substantial gathering at Christmas. December 21 began the festivities last year with the Tracys—**Anne Tracy '79** and husband Barry Summers from Australia, **Charlie Tracy Jr. '68** and **Marie "Teri" (Hewes) '74**, plus three from Westfield, NJ, and Saratoga Springs, NY, daughter **Kathy Tracy '73** and Bick plus two, plus au pair from South Africa. International, *n'est-ce pas?* Libs and David plus two are in Manlius, NY. Cynthia's new way to cook turkey is to have it cooked by Century Club, delivered HOT! The Dietz team assembles Christmas Day. Feasting are Ginger and Hugh plus one, Ben, a junior at U. of Pennsylvania, and minus one, Isaac, on a year's Rotary scholarship in Thailand, having a ball; Michael and Fouad and Cynthia Jr.; Susan and Harry plus five were to be 3,000 miles away in Seattle. Ted and Cynthia then flew to Australia to escape a Syracuse winter. Annie drove them 1,700 kil-

ometers to South Island, New Zealand, not trusting them to stay on the left side of the road. Back in Syracuse on March 1, '97, winter kept biting them after all. In spring, a trip to Victoria Isle from Seattle with eight others in a Larsen Suburban and a ferry ride was an EVENT. In Portland, they visited Cynthia's

**“My success in life is due in part to Cornell and most certainly to a great partner.”**

— FRED ILLSTON '36

old friend Ann Pagenstetcher. In May, Ted competed in Tucson US Senior Sports Classic Six in tennis, the over-80 class.

**Alfred H. Grommon**, PhD '43, writes from Portola Valley, CA: “**Helen (McCurdy) '31** and I have given up traveling. We can always be reached at our Sequoia Portola Valley Retirement Community apartment at 501 Portola Road, Box 8025, 94028-7601.” They would love to see anyone who might be visiting in the San Francisco area. **Eleanor Johnson Hunt (HE)** writes “Still in the nursing home but doing okay. New addition to family is first great-grandchild, Whitney Rose LeMay, born Nov. 26, '96 to oldest granddaughter.” She has seen pictures and videos of the child who is named Whitney after her grandfather's middle name. Eleanor was pleased to have been visited by her son and two daughters and four grandchildren during the holidays. ♦ **Marjorie Chapman Brown**, HC 03, Box 420, Old Town, FL 32680-9685.

**34** **C. Louisa Bissell** Capper sent a nice, long, informative letter with her dues. She keeps busy doing volunteer (there's that word again) work at Hope Hospice and her local Alzheimer's Assn. That in addition to playing golf and bridge. **Margaret Fagerstrom Brown** is in a care facility but enjoys reading the *Cornell Magazine* and reminiscing—so you see how important the news that you send is, including to shut-ins.

**Minerva Coufos** Vogel sent in her dues but no news. We hope that she is well and happy! **Jean Connor** Whipple spends time with her two daughters, part in Grand Rapids, MI, and part in Sarasota, FL. Her eyesight has failed but she enjoys having the *Cornell Magazine* read to her—another reason for our class members to keep sending “news” to me so I can share it!

**Isabel White** West wrote of having a “tea dance” for husband Pat's 90th birthday. What a fantastic idea! Isabel is a “modern woman”: having fun with a word processor. She also works with the reading program at a local school. Dr. **Dorothy E. “Dot” Foster** has not been well, but took time to drop a short note. We all hope she is feeling better now.

A note from **Mabel Rice** Gross's son mentions that she is quite ill—darn it all, getting into our so-called “Golden Years” is a

myth-laden tale!

This is not a very long column but I must save something for next time. If anything wonderful happens, don't wait for our next news and dues letter, please let me know right away and I'll be only too happy to let your friends know about it. Keep busy and healthy.

♦ **Eleanor “Dickie” Mirsky Bloom**, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209-3205; tel., (718) 836-6344.

**Randall Agor**, Mayfield, NY, reports, “No changes.” However, he mentions that he is breathing regularly, taking his pills, taking good nourishment, getting plenty of rest and avoids the “B” movies. You are in great shape, Randy. Keep it up.

**Lauren “Bill” O’Kain**, Niagara Falls, NY, claims bragging rights when it comes to offspring. Seven grandsons, three great-grandsons, and now a great-granddaughter. Recently was a tour guide for 33 foreign exchange students from Russia, Netherlands, Brazil, Colombia, Japan, Switzerland, Finland, Germany, Sweden, and Uzbekistani (pop. 11,963,000). Foreign service for you, Bill.

**Clyde Johnston**, Springville, NY, advised that great-granddaughter Lessa will be in the Class of '06 majoring in Veterinary Medicine. Pet owners note.

**Theodore Booss**, (Col., ret.) Cincinnati, OH, still flies across country in his Cessna Cardinal, including flights to Alaska via the Alcan highway and back over the Inside Passage. The Pacific coast and Florida are additional destinations. A real “fun” trip was flying to Florida to observe a shuttle launch and then watching the landing in California five days later. Why not apply to NASA, Ted?

The 51st Edition of *Who's Who in the World* includes **Charles Norberg**, Washington, DC, honoring him for his outstanding record in tasks accomplished and contributions made in his career. After graduating with a BS in administrative engineering he continued his education with an MA in international economics from U. of Pennsylvania in 1937 and an LLB from Harvard in 1939. During World War II (1942-46) he was an intelligence officer with the Chinese American composite wing of the 14th USAF Flying Tigers and is now a colonel USAFR (ret.). His government career began in the office of the assistant secretary for public affairs, US State Dept., 1948-51; next in the executive office of the President as assistant director of the psychology strategy board, 1952-54; followed by service as staff member of the US delegation to the United Nations General Assembly, Paris, 1951; adviser, US delegation to UNESCO General Conference,

Montevideo, 1954; treasurer and general counsel, Inter-American Commercial Arbitration Commission, 1968-83, director general, 1983-95, honorary director general 1995, and still active; chief, Special Aid Mission to Ecuador 1961; Special Aid Mission to Uruguay, 1961; member, US delegation to specialized Inter-American conference on private international law, Panama, 1975; chairman, International Visitors Information Service, Washington, 1965-69; Mayor's Committee on International Visitors, 1971-78; chairman Bicentennial Committee of DC Inc., 1975-81; he is a member of the Philadelphia, PA, and Inter-American Bar Assns., Washington Foreign Law Society (president, 1959-63), American Society of International Law, American Law Inst., American Bar Assn. (chairman, international legal exchange program, 1974-79), Bar Assn. of DC (chairman, international law committee, 1977-79), Inter-American Bar Foundation (founder, director, 1957, president, 1969-84, and board chairman, 1984-present). Charlie was especially honored last October by being awarded the first Gold Medal of Honor ever given by the Inter-American Commercial Arbitration Commission. Founded in 1934 by the Conference of American States (now OAS), recognized by a treaty in 1975 which he helped to draft and signed for the US as a member of the US delegation of the First Inter-American Conference on Private International Law. ♦ **Karl F. Schmidt**, 4780 Mt. Rose Way, Roseville, CA 95747-8279; tel., (916) 771-4734.

**35** As I write this, our national capital area, perhaps thriving on the hot air generated here, is blooming with pink and white dogwood. The following news items, received last fall, may be overdue, but we always look for reminders of our surviving classmates.

**Paula “Lucille” Bethke** Bateman, of Belle Isle, FL, was still (in her fourth term) serving as a city commissioner and had recently returned from a Boca Raton Cities convention. **Margaret Robinson** Jones, Asheville, NC, still attends Blue Ridge Cornell Club events and is enthusiastic about living at Givens Estates retirement community. She is near enough to visit her two daughters and grandchildren quite often.

**E. Josephine Brown Jones** (Mrs. **Dean G., PhD '46**), of Pine Village, IN, traveled to Athens, GA, in June 1996 to attend another grandchild's high school graduation—with four more to go! **Frank Ptacek**, of Blue Bell, PA, and his wife, Ruth, continue to do volunteer and other activities at Normandy Farms community. **John S. Leslie**, of Hanover, NH, our favorite polo captain, says, “we still spend summers at our farm in Reading, VT, but for the first time in 46 years, we have no horses or ponies!” Ride on, John!

**Anne Shulman Sonfield** (Mrs. **Edwin C.**) wrote, “I do miss seeing our classmates.” Bertha T. **Coombs**, widow of **Kenneth L.**, who died in September 1996, sent his dues and a contribution to our Class of 1935 Walk Fund. We send our deep sympathy and appre-

ciation for supporting our Walk Fund. We will always remember that you and Ken were with us at our 60th Reunion, Bertha.

**Constance Sheedy** Powers, San Diego, CA, wrote that she is "busy as ever," after having laser surgery. **Elinor Robinson** Washburn, of Rochester, NY, broke her right ankle in September 1996 and with "Home Health Care" was returning to her apartment, helped by her daughter "Scottie" (Mrs. **Pluma Washburn** Kluess '67). Elinor is a "computer game" enthusiast and planned to return in summer 1997 to a retreat program in Dutchess County, NY, called "Omega." Don't try to contact me by e-mail, Elinor. Like George Bush, I can barely re-set my VCR clock!

**Daniel Stein**, (BS Ag) of Cranbury, NJ, is proud of his three-generation Cornellian family: daughter **Janet Stein** Davis '63, (BS HE) of Westport, CT, and grandson **David Stein** '96, (BS Ag) who is working in the medical field before going on to medical school. Lt. Col. **William A. Barden** (USAF Ret.), of Falls Church, VA, and wife Carolyn, look forward to visits by their son, **William A. Barden Jr.**, MBA '75, of Plano, TX, who occasionally travels this way for Global Industries. On other trips, Bill Jr., his wife, and three children have also come to visit. In July 1997, Bill Sr. and Carolyn will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. Wonderful!

Just a final note to say that our class had a table for eight at the Van Cleef Dinner at the Statler on June 9 during this year's reunion. With the **Mullanes**—**Jim** and **Viola (Miller)**—"presiding," **Dr. Eugene** and **Helene Murphy**, **Frances** "Sancie" **Lauman**, **Dr. Harry Glass**, **Virginia (Sturtevant)** '39, and I all had a great time together, thanks to the warm hospitality of the **Mynderse Van Cleef** '74 family. **Viola** said she had received a call that day from **Marian Katzenstein** (Mrs. **Richard**), sending best wishes to us all at the dinner and also saying that **Dick's** recent medical report was not encouraging. Hang in there, **Dick**—we're all pulling for you! To end upbeat, I should add that we were harmoniously entertained at the Van Cleef Dinner again this year by the reactivated, bearded, and balding **Sherwoods**. The 1997 reunion and Cornelliana Night were bigger and more enthusiastic than ever. March on, Cornell! ♦ **Ed Miller**, 10101 Grosvenor Pl., #1515, Rockville, MD 20852.

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We all regret the passing of **Carl Sagan**, a man of exceptional accomplishment and writings, as told in the January/February issue of this magazine. In the November 1996 issue, this column documented **Capt. Benjamin Moore's** work with the planetarium in Kamuela, HI. The planetarium is an extension of the 12 international observatories in operation on Hawaii's premier telescope location, Mauna Kea Mountain. Its board unanimously agreed to a **Carl Sagan** memorial exhibit. **Jon Lomberg**, Smithsonian space artist and **Sagan's** illustrator, will coordinate the exhibit with the planning team and

Cornell's astronomy department.

**Helen Harding Clark** and husband **Charles A.** '37 planned to celebrate their 60th anniversary at their Binghamton, NY, church in June. They have four grandsons (the youngest is Class of '95), one granddaughter, three great-grandsons, and two great-granddaughters. **Helen's** youngest of four daughters, **Sally Clark** Shumaker '71, reunites at the same time she does; **Sally** started the Tucson (AZ) Cornell Club, now with 200 members. **Helen** has traveled widely: twice to China, Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand, and Singapore; thrice to Australia, where she visits a couple near Perth. The woman of that couple had a brother in the Australian Air Force while **Helen's** brother was in the US Air Force and the men were stationed together for 4-1/2 years during World War II in New Guinea. The Australian couple visited **Helen** and **Charles** for a week and drove with them around most of the US Northeast.

**Olive Taylor Curvin** carries on her life without husband **Winthrop** '35, who passed away in 1991. She spends six months near Auburn, NY, where her home is on 11 acres, and she gardens and swims a lot. The other six months she lives at her other home in Siesta Key, Sarasota, FL. More swimming and walking there, too. She considers it a great place to spend the winter.

**Capt. Fred Illston**, Fort Worth, TX, is celebrating his 60th wedding anniversary with wife **Dot**. He wrote, "My success in life, whatever it might be, is due in part to Cornell and most certainly to a great partner all these years." He continues to do Coast Guard Auxiliary patrols, as a volunteer under the auspices of the US Coast Guard. They have five grandchildren who have finished college, with five more to go. He enjoyed very much the 60th Reunion, especially visiting with **Dick Reynolds** and **Dan Embody**.

**Henry Munger** wrote, "Norma and I are enjoying life at Kendal at Ithaca. We regularly see our classmate **Martha Warren Hertel**, as well as many other Cornellians." **Olive Nissle** Shaw has been retired for, by now, 17 years in Kelly Ridge, Oroville, CA. She has a son in Santa Cruz and a daughter in San Diego. She says, "Sixty years in this magnificent state have passed by like a dream." **Carl Sagan** was her hero and she will miss him.

**Franklin Karn** and wife **Lois**, who are from Spearfish, SD, took some trips in 1996: one to the Canadian Rockies, "where there is some of the best scenery in the world," and another to Greece and Turkey for two weeks. After that, he underwent a hip replacement in the hospital in Spearfish; **Franklin** is doing well now. **Margaret "Miggs" Edwards** Schoen wrote of her trip to Alaska last December and January to see her son and his family. "Five feet of snow on the ground, surrounding tall peaks totally covered in snow, temperatures down to minus-21 degrees, tall white spruces covered with Christmas lights; sunrise between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m. and sunset between 4:00 and 4:30 p.m. made for short days and little sun. I

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wanted to learn what it's like on December 21 and how people react to it. They just go right on working, skiing, entertaining, and living. My 3-1/2-year-old granddaughter still amuses me and teaches me how to use the computer. Technology is great. I came back refreshed and happy to see New Jersey sunshine." ♦ **Allegra Law** Ireland, 125 Grant Ave. Ext., Queensbury, NY 12804-2640.

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"Great progress" is the message from **Mike Strok's** family, adding to the recent report from **George Schempp**, a buddy of **Mike's** since Ithaca schoolboy days. A colorful Aruba postcard is notice that **Charlie Pratt** greatly enjoyed traversing the Panama Canal and visiting an assortment of Caribbean islands.

Thanks to all the family members of '38ers who notify the campus and the column when they report that our classmate (a recent case, that of **Robert "Slick" Abell**) is incapacitated and mailings should be suspended. These are sad messages, but oh, so useful, in keeping class and campus records up-to-date.

The **Bill Rosenthals** enjoyed the **Adult University (CAU)** study of ecology in the Cape May migration season. The **Cars Cornbrookes** went to Niagara Falls to note their 51st anniversary "and more importantly, drove down the west side of Cayuga Lake 'along the wine trails,' picking up a few mementos there and enjoying that glorious view of 'the Libe tower' as we spotted the campus."

**John "Jack" Stewart**, JD '40, and wife **Ellen "Toni" (Saxe)** '40 will be celebrating their anniversary in Kendal at Ithaca, the life-care community, for the first time this year. **Hardy** and **Lib Cook's** children gave them a 50th anniversary luncheon attended by 37, ten of those from out-of-state. **Hardy III's** been promoted to chair the English and modern languages department of Maryland's **Bowie State U.**

**Norm Agor's** sold his home in Manlius, NY—now has an apartment in the same municipality and bought a home at a new address, 15104 W. Heritage Dr., Sun City West, AZ 85375; his son, **Warren** '64, lives in Penfield, NY, and has a van-conversion business in E. Rochester. **Ray Deuel** lost wife **Mary** in 1994. **Harold Segall** is working on more additions to his writings on the law business, the newest destined for Fordham, and he recently wrote for the **Gannett** (founder, **Frank E. Gannett 1898**) newspapers in re "Reflections on Life and Golf."

The **C. W. Severinghouses**, after 51 years, have moved to a new address, 21 Lakeside Ave., Edinburg, NY 12134-5611, and in winter, Titusville, FL. **Rocco Perna**, JD '41, (bless him—he typewrites his info-postcard) lost his wife of 50 years in 1996 after an illness of more than seven years. **John**, MD '42, and **Betty Hooley** had a "whirlwind trip" to England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, and later took all their children and grandchildren (a party of 14!) on an Alaskan railroad/cruise expedition and had "a great time."

The **Harry Houses** have been on the

# Cheers

WILLIAM F. FUERST '39, MS '61

**A**lmost 200 admirers of Cornell's Number One sports fan managed to keep Bill Fuerst's eightieth birthday party, June 26, a surprise. They gathered in Schoellkopf's Hall of Fame Room, donned sequinned bow ties, and



waited for their friend, a forty-year presence at all sorts of games and supporter of athletic and academic programs on both East Hill and South Hill, to appear. Words failed the seldom-speechless guest of honor, who was escorted by then Lacrosse Coach and Master of Ceremonies Richie Moran and Lightweight Football Coach Terry Cullen, MBA '66.

Lunch, served under the Crescent, featured broiled chicken and a roast of Bill. Those singing his praises included James Whalen, president emeritus of Ithaca College, Ag college Dean Daryl Lund, a score of Ithaca-area school and college coaches, big brother Myron "Mike" Fuerst '29, and three Big Red women's hockey players. Finally, to "Skippy" Fuerst's obvious delight, came the cake, big as a table-top. There would be no problem with leftovers. As Cullen explained, "Bill never met a meal he couldn't finish."

—Elsie McMillan '55

road, as it were: "Finally" London, and then by train to Land's End; and later the Adult University (CAU) summer session—"wonderful, but where was anyone else from '38?" **David Misner's** sold the home on Sanibel and moved to Shell Point Retirement Village at Fort Myers; 3400 Sundial Ct.; Fort Myers 33908; Christmas was celebrated in Massachusetts. ♦ **Fred Hillegas**, 7625 E. Camelback Rd., Maya Apts., #220-A, Scottsdale, AZ 85251.

Our sympathy goes to **Mary Nardi Pullen**, whose husband, **Winston, PhD '50**, died last November after a lengthy illness. **Millie Brooks** Ogden's oldest granddaughter was a June high school graduate. **Julie Robb Newman** and **Paul, PhD '37**, will continue to spend their summers on Skaneateles Lake, but recently moved to an apartment in Waterman Village, an assisted-living complex in Mt. Dora, FL, for the winter months. Julie says it's a good place for a reunion; five couples there are Cornellians! Last September's major event was the wedding of grandson **Robb Newman '94** and **Canadice Stein '95**, and in January 1997, Paul, Julie, and daughter **Ann Newman '66** were scheduled for a cruise to Costa Rica and the Panama Canal.

**Judy Jaffe** Newman's schedule rarely has empty hours. She chairs a retirees' weekly study group, and for 17 years has also served as

a reader for the Washington Ear, a closed circuit radio station for the visually impaired. She's an active board member of her congregation, attends concerts and theater presentations frequently, and is in a weekly dancing class. Various trips have taken her to the Amazon, the Panama Canal, an Elderhostel in France, and Russia—this summer she was to go back for a Volga River cruise. Her four grandchildren are all college graduates.

Do please bring me up to date on *your* activities, as we look forward to the big 60th! "No news is good news" does *not* apply to my mail bag! ♦ **Helen Reichert** Chadwick, 225 N. 2nd St., Lewiston, NY 14092.

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Moving slower and taking a bit longer to do it is the word from **Joseph "Ed" Godfrey** and Susan, who with a knee replacement and broken hip, is now almost off the crutches. A trip to Hawaii (management decision by Susan) rather than golf down South, left Ed a bit dismayed at the replacement of pineapples by multiple housing.

Happy to hear that **Frank Boring** is holding his own with a four-year-old rare form of blood cancer. Now retired since 1989 from Boston VAOP clinic where he was chief, psychology service, he usually spends a busy summer sailing on E. Penobscott Bay in Maine. His spare time is spent on "rehabilitat-

ing" the family farmhouse in Maine which he inherited from his mother, **Lucy Day Boring, PhD '12**.

A startling observation came from **Ernst Sinauer** who recently completed his second cruise ever, this one from Istanbul along the Turkish coast and Greek Islands to Athens. Believe it or not, he reports that '39ers eat moderately and no longer seem overweight.

After 46 years as Fairfax, VA, residents, **Warren Hewes** and Dot are making North Port, FL, their permanent home, hoping to continue some traveling and spend part of the summer with their son and daughter in Virginia.

**Stan Hoffmann** still makes his permanent residence in Washington State and spends the summers on Lake Stevens. Says the area is too nice to even consider selling. "Just getting older by the minute" with nothing new happening is all the news from **Prescott Nead**. **Blair Weigel** has finally retired from Weigel Engineering Co. and has settled down to resting and traveling.

Where else would a **MacDonald** go for a vacation but good old Scotland to visit friends. **John** had a chance to show his family many of the sights last August, including the remains of the cottage where his great-great-grandfather was born in 1772. Downsizing from his home of 35 years to an apartment has left him still moving boxes around and getting acquainted with his first great-grandchild.

Enjoying the ancient art of pitching horseshoes helps keep **Alfred Kuchler** busy when not preparing income taxes, playing golf, or taking an active part with Rotary and his town recreation committee. Last year **Lyndon Stevens** attended a reunion of his 390th Bomb Group (B-17s) in Philadelphia but managed to get back in time for Homecoming last October.

"Tried to retire from medical practice but had to keep my hands in it," says **Lawrence Kaplan**, who received a limited Florida license and volunteers his service in neurological consultation work. He says it doesn't interfere too much with tennis, golf, and bridge, or a trip to Southeast Asia, with Vietnam as one of the highlights.

*Tidbit:* You may not know when you're well off, but the IRS does. ♦ **Russ Martin**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-1103.

**Annette "Annie" Newman** Gordon, our class secretary, is returning for the summer to Southold, NY, from Santa Cruz, CA. Santa Cruz is a university city and senior citizens are welcome in undergraduate classes. Faculty members dress in jeans and T-shirts; students address them by first name. Quite a change!

**Priscilla Buchholz** Frisbee is still living as curator in the Frisbee ancestral home (dating back to 1847). She also edits the *Van Buren Chronicle*, newsletter for the "Friends of Lindenwold," helping to support Martin Van Buren's home (a National Parks Historic Site). Her garden club, which decorates the home for Christmas, won a state award last year. She is now historian for a Reformed Church, having retired after 25 years as historian of the



Town of Stuyvesant, NY. Highlight of last summer was an ascent in a hot-air balloon.

**Ethel "Piney" Piness** Abrams, our class vice president, teaches technical writing and other language skills to foreign-born executives of major New Jersey corporations. Her one grandson plays soccer in California, earning the nickname "Rocket" for his speed. **Elvira Falco** Bass recently traveled through southwestern France with **Virginia Shaw Shelley '43**. She volunteers at a library.

**Geraldine Bladen** Croner lost her husband in 1995 and has moved to a retirement home. Her new address is 24552 Paseo de Valencia, A114, Laguna Hills, CA 92653. Her grandson graduated from Washington U. and her granddaughter is a junior at the U. of Arizona. **Dorothy Bauer** Fedor and her husband took two vacations, visiting Greece, Egypt, India, Portugal, Spain, N. Africa, and the Madeira Islands. They plan to enjoy their Florida condo from now on. **Jean Pettit** Lentz joined other NOMADS (United Methodists Retired) on a mission trip to Sylvania, AL, to paint a newly-built home. She also helped to distribute food and clothing. She took along her guitar for sing-alongs.

**Ruth Woolsey Findley** is still painting and receiving prizes for her work. Her husband, **William N., MS Eng '39**, is retired. Although he has lost his vision, he still sings song recitals. They spend summers in Camden, ME, in an apartment overlooking the harbor. Last winter they spent two and a half months in Bradenton, FL, in their mobile home. ♦ **Ella Thompson** Wright, 7212 Masonville Dr., Annandale, VA 22003; tel., (703) 573-5403.

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A couple of notes help this column. It really is the best way to keep news as current as possible. **Theo (Beekman)** and **Francis Thomas '39** still spend seven months each year in Lake Worth, FL, where they keep busy with church activity and sports watching. They summer in Indian Lake in the Adirondacks in a charming, wooded, lakeside home. Youngest son Jamie and his wife, Mary Ann, teach in the Ithaca public school system. With three children of their own, they all love the Ithaca area.

Very recent note from **Harold "Buddy" Robins**, living on W. 67th St. in New York City, "Have just written my first book, *People Calling People*. It is being serialized by World Radio News, published in Sacramento, CA. First month was November 1996. Story is autobiographical in character, telling of my 60 years as a licensed radio amateur. Calls include 'W2KN' (USA), 'EA8BUC' (Tenerife, Canary Islands), 'GDOAVF' (Isle of Man—where I maintain a second residence). Have operated over the years in Caribbean St. Martin, in the United Kingdom, Taipei (Taiwan), and in Beijing, Shanghai, and other cities in the People's Republic of China. Have given framed collections of radio cards from other amateurs located worldwide to Cornell Amateur Radio Club in Barton Hall." Buddy has chaired the Bronx Secondary Schools Com-

mittee (now known as Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN), did not say how many years, but I'm sure this interest led to recruiting grandchildren of college classmates! Among them are his own grandniece **Leah Shafer '94**, now involved in a five-year program leading to a PhD degree in theater arts at Cornell, **Daniel Schubert '99**, grandson of **Myron "Mike" Linz '43** (a fraternity brother), **Amanda Schulman '96**, and **Melissa Hart '93**, JD '97, both granddaughters of classmate **Stan Kates**. Robins says that recruiting is almost as involved a hobby as "Ham Radio." Robins sees fraternity brothers of the now defunct Tau Delta Phi like Mike Linz, **Bernard "Barney" Mayrsohn '45**, BS Ag '47, **Phil Rosen '42**, **Abby Layne '41**, **Teddy Zimmerman, DVM '43**, **Charles Lowenfeld**, and others.

A not-too-recent note came from **Janet Smith** Butzine, who lives in Maui, HI—she describes her children as '60s kids—her daughter is an environmentalist with the Corps of Engineers and her son grows tropical flowers on Maui. Janet attends frequent Elderhostels and has enjoyed SAGA Tours for Seniors. She is active in the AARP chapter in Kihēi, Maui. **Ruth Howell** Davis and husband Dean also enjoy Elderhostels, especially environmental programs. The fall of 1996 took them to Lake Tahoe, and another at Killarney, Ont., Canada, at the top of Georgian Bay. Their families lure them to visit in Maryland and Tacoma, WA. Ruth is in her second year of volunteer work two mornings a week at Cornell's Laboratory of Ornithology—"a very interesting place to be!"

**Dr. Dorothea Daniels** Glass writes from Palm City, FL, that she retired from practice in 1944, still does part-time consulting in a local free clinic. She enjoys her three grandchildren, the lovely weather and surroundings in Florida, trips around those waters in their 31-foot Bertram motor boat, gardening, and friends and family. She met **Ruth Lebrecht** Duke's cousin at a yacht club party, and should have sent on her news. **Bob Ogden**, PhD '41, was playing tennis four times a week even with knee replacement in November 1995. In 1996 he and wife "Dudie" met for lunch with **Norm** and **Jean Briggs, F. S. "Pete" '41**, **Chem E '42**, and **Polly Hathaway** in Dana Point, CA. Later the Ogdens left for two weeks in Turkey, then four weeks in the Greek Islands.

**Jack Ratzkin**, JD '42, writes from Boynton Beach, FL, that he retired in 1982 as senior vice president and general counsel of Federated Department Stores. He moved to Florida in 1984, where he enjoys living in a golf course community, does arbitrations for the NASD and the NFA, and volunteers for the state attorney's office. He had just returned from three weeks in Australia and New Zealand. He sees **Jerry Affron**, JD '42, who winters in the same community. He and Jerry hoped to make their Law school 55th Reunion in June 1997!

Thank you, everyone. My strength isn't what it used to be, but as I write this, I'm back on the hill helping trees to grow. ♦ **Carol**

**Clark** Petrie, 18 Calthrope Rd., Marblehead, MA 01945.

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Leftover 1996 news. **Ruth (Hillman) '43** and **Jim Bennett**, JD '48, celebrated their 55th anniversary on Oct. 25, '96. Both are in reasonably good health and enjoy a garden that is too big. Both are involved in pro bono volunteer work. Short notes. **Julian Smith** has a new granddaughter, Celeste Juliana, born Sept. 24, '96. **William "Pete" Mathers** wrote, "All's well and enjoying." **Bob Herrmann** spent two weeks in Africa, Kenya, and Tanzania, then three weeks in New England. In Maine he visited Lois and **William F. Robinson**. Bill is an excellent golfer. Bob volunteers with Habitat for Humanity and tutors 10-year-olds at a church in Baltimore. He takes night courses at Johns Hopkins.

First news of a Cornell January mini-reunion applies equally to women and men. **Eddie Burgess Bartholomew** sent a news release to **Dot Papish**. Cornell's President Emeritus Rhodes received an honorary degree from Florida Atlantic U. Several '41 members were present. (Frank Rhodes is a welcome honorary member of our class.) Also there were **Walter "Pop" Scholl** and wife **Eleanor (Bloomfield) '44**, **Warner Lansing**, and **R. L. "Bob"** and **Eddie Bartholomew**. Eddie retired from Florida Atlantic U. in 1990. She was director of media relations.

**David Altman** is celebrating a big year. It's Beverly's and his 50th anniversary. They were planning a barge trip on canals in France and enjoying theater in London. **Dr. John Ayer** and wife Mary visited Ecuador, where they saw their granddaughter. John is now training for Senior Empire State bike race and 90-mile Adirondack canoe race.

**Don Bedell** retired from federal service after 40 years. In 1990 he moved from Maryland to Spring, TX. He joined the Cornell Club there. **Paul Blasko**, after living alone in a big home, moved to a villa. New address: 4972 SW 32nd Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312. "Have an extra bedroom for a good friend."

**John Borst** is in summer home in Hamilton, NY. He had surgery in Florida to correct macular hole in an eye. "By coincidence encountered Fran and **Robert G. Fowler** enroute from surgery in Miami; great therapy!" We are sorry to report that Robert died, May 20, '97.

**Howard Dunbar** writes, "Golf handicap slowly rising. Awaiting cruise in Baltic. See Walt and Eleanor Scholl once or twice a year. Health reasonably good." ♦ **Ralph Antell**, 9924 Maplestead Lane, Richmond, VA 22325-2240.

This issue of *Cornell Magazine* marks the end of my first year as women's correspondent and I am asking for a volunteer from among you to replace me. Unlike the other alumni offices that are elective, this position can be voluntary. If you are interested write to **Elsie McMillan '55** c/o *Cornell Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd.,

Ithaca, NY 14850 and let her know. It's a good chance to brush up on your writing skills.

Class President **Eleanor Slack Randles** sent us the very impressive obituary of **Dorothy Reynolds Bell** of Cambridge, NY. Dorothy had been a home economics teacher for several years in her hometown and was the mother of nine children. After her children were grown she was co-proprietor with husband Andrew of Bell's Village Store in Cambridge. She enjoyed another career in her retirement as a realtor. Dorothy was a very active member of the community, frequently serving as board member or chairperson in church, hospital, and political organizations. She died Apr. 20, '97. Eleanor, living in nearby Argyle, wrote, "I went to see Dottie Reynolds Bell recently. She had a stroke two years ago that put her on the handicapped list. We had a great time talking about Cornell. We caught up on news of our families—her husband Andy and their nine children, and my six children and my husband **Joe '43** and his five children—and the many grandchildren. A full afternoon!"

Thank you everyone for your wonderful responses to the news and dues requests. From **Constance Eberhardt Cook**, our former New York State senator, we hear, "All's well. I'm almost fully retired; am cutting down on extracurricular activities except Planned Parenthood."

**Helen Ackerly** Oshima from Las Vegas, NM, writes, "Although very limited by rheumatoid arthritis, I have grown, sold, and instructed in the use of herb plants for 20 years; also very involved in bio-dynamic agriculture, plus program here teaching this method to apprentices, Native Americans, and other groups as the only way to save our farmlands." Helen also had a varied career starting with the Red Cross overseas stationed in Guam and Kwajalein during World War II, practiced as a social worker after earning a master's degree, raised a family, and worked as a medical school researcher. Congratulations, Helen; it was good to hear from you.

And congratulations are also in order for one of Cornell's most recent alumnae. My granddaughter **Elizabeth Papish '97** graduated last February and earned her BA diploma *magna cum laude* in chemistry on May 25. How strange to sit in Baker Lab's small auditorium for the awards ceremony. What memories. ♦ **Dorothy Papish**, 192 Lancaster St., Albany, NY 12210-1941.

**43** **Dick Nickerson**, who was president of my class at Cheltenham High School, has asked (shanghaied?) **Roy Unger**, who was president of my class at Cornell, to join him as co-chair of our 55th Reunion. Roy is already on the scene in Ithaca (Kendal). See that, come June, you are there also. With these two Type A personalities how can our 55th be anything less than phenomenal? Roy, having served tours of duty with Sealy, Serta, and Simmons, is already visiting the various proffered living quarters to bounce on the mattresses. While you're at it, Roy, take a

peak at the assists in the bathtubs.

One-time hockey Captain **Jerry Batt**, with the cooperation, it would appear, of wife Dorothy, has been busy breeding Cornellians. From his winter digs in Venice, FL—he still summers in Williamsville, NY—he wrote that son Dr. **Michael G. Batt '67** and daughter-in-law Susan recently traveled to China to pick up their adopted Chinese daughter; and that daughter **Rosemary Batt '73** (PhD, MIT) is now a professor in ILR. She and husband Ron Applegate enjoy their new Ithaca home. Second son, Kevin, (Yale '70) changed directions at age 44 and three years later graduated *summa cum laude* from Boston U. law school. He is now clerking with Massachusetts Supreme Court. Youngest son, Richard, is in advertising in Dallas, TX. Jerry and Dorothy play lots of golf and tennis at the Plantation Club and often see Bunny and **Ralph "Woody" Jennings '54**.

Another Florida note, this time Naples (Venice; Naples; I'm so old I remember when them burgers was in Italy). **Howie Parker** reports that he and wife Joan bought a summer place in Lake Geneva, WI, to be near four children and their families. Eleventh grandchild was due this past May. Back to Venice. **Dave Mertz**, who with wife Nancy summers in their mountain lake house in northern Pennsylvania, writes: "You know you're getting old when your middle daughter and her husband retire! She is 48; he 52. How do they do that? In golf my short game is great. Too bad it's off the tee."

The news, not that new really, from **Catherine (Young)** and **Charles Goodyear** is that they celebrated their 51st anniversary in March and last fall traveled with two granddaughters to China and Southeast Asia. And that **Blanche** and **Jim Elderkin Jr.**, he having retired as vice president, investments, at Dean Witter in Pittsburgh, are now free to golf and sightsee whenever, wherever.

Sad news. Wife Florence reports that **William S. Pendergast** died in May. He worked in Cornell's Agricultural Extension program for 40 years. And of **John Kahabka**, wife Audrey writes: "My husband had a stroke last year followed by a heart attack. He is paralyzed on one side. He is at home under nursing care and can neither read nor walk."

Retired surgeon **John B. Casale** is fortunate, as are we, that wife Francoise takes pen in hand to write: "Visit to family in Belgium (we assume that's her family) last year with lots of golf and, of course, excellent cuisine. Two weeks via float plane and small boat along the coast of British Columbia and Alaska, glacier hopping and lake hopping. Sent the salmon home as gifts, but seems that only the fisherman is pleased. Moving to Vermont from E. Hampton—too bustling for retirees—but since we have five children in that area I'm sure we can get ocean and beach time. Rule is no more than three days."

**Roy Herrmann Jr.** writes: "Have five children, 13 grandchildren. Still have Farm & Home Store in Ontario, NY, where last year I

became town supervisor. Don't want to retire!" And this complaint from **Donald Black** in Charlotte, NC: "Grandchildren too far away—three, 220 miles; four, 800 miles."

♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968.

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The editors cropped from my May/June column brand new (since 1991) news contributors. Note aforementioned classmates, including **William G. Evans** of Camillus, NY, and **Seymour "Sy" Reiman** of Corvallis, OR. Here's what was cut. **Lynette Ward** Witter, writing from Decatur, GA, mentions two sons, one an associate professor in ob/gyn at Johns Hopkins U., the other a computer scientist pursuing an MBA at the U. of Michigan. It was good to hear from all of you. **Philip McGinnis** is still working for Habitat for Humanity one day a week and still attending Delaware's Academy of Lifelong Learning. He's also "involved with five married children and 12 grandchildren." **Fred R. Allen** is still traveling around the country as a consultant for corrections programs that require help. **Marion Fear** Moon is still working on a book in Tavernier, FL. She has been to London, twice to Paris, but stayed home last year because of "too many hurricanes." With one grandchild at Skidmore and one at Harvard she bemoans no fourth-generation Cornellians. Occasionally she sees **Marianna "Ann" Ricciardi**, who lives nearby. Nearby is Hollywood (in the Fort Lauderdale area), where **Margaret McCaffrey Kappa**, on a consulting job at Lago Mar, checked in with Ann and sent me a photo to prove it. She's back at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island for her 14th season.

**Jean Abbott** Ault landed at Fort Lauderdale after cruising from Malaga, Spain, aboard Cunard's *Vistafjord*. **Dorothy Colman** Sanden took a Princess cruise to Alaska. **Burl** and **Frances Ward Kimple** traveled to Santa Fe and Albuquerque, NM, where they attended the hot-air balloon festival: 800 balloons were launched at daybreak—"a magnificent sight." **Betty Scheidelman** Droz and John spent a month in Hawaii and another in Naples, FL, escaping the wintry winds of Utica, NY.

Warm climes have lured many classmates. **James McTague** and Jeanne are "active-retired," busy with charity work, land investment work, and travel (Beal, Darn Colp—agents? guides?) to Sun Valley and to Prague. Back home in Naples, FL, he says, "Won't venture out of warm country till the pumpkin is defrosted." **Curt Andrews** and Maria are enjoying retirement on a lake in Ft. Pierce, FL, where Curt is vice president of the Home Owners Assn. **Charlie Williams** and Barbara have bought a house in Scottsdale, AZ, after five years of apartment living there. They have stopped commuting from Ithaca (5,200 miles round trip). They love being out of the snow, sleet, ice, and rain. Charlie says the new *Cornell Magazine* is a "posh publication" and wishes that he and former Editor **John Marcham '50** had had the funds and staff available to the more recent editors.

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**Roland Ortiz** writes from Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, that he retired in 1985 from facilities engineering and construction, HHS. His hobbies are dominoes, baseball, travel, and reading. **Harold Sheble** is still in Coronado, CA, where he offers a drink to any visiting Cornellian and adds, "Cornell Club in this area is too young." He serves as a deacon in the Presbyterian Church and counsel for SBA (SCORE). His golf handicap is skyrocketing but otherwise he's in pretty good shape. **Hildred Gleason Merrill** is happy in the San Francisco Bay area, where she finds plenty of excitement and lovely weather. She's active in many clubs, including a yacht club. Her address is Alameda, and though she regrets the Naval base closing, "the city goes on." **James R. Olin** and **Phyllis (Avery) '45** chose to settle in Roanoke, VA. James retired from General Electric 15 years ago and from the US Congress in 1993. They have ten grandchildren, three of whom are in college; one is **Marc Olin '99** in Arts.

**Frederick Erb**, DVM, is still practicing but now limited to small animals. All four children and nine grands live within a half-mile of the family home in Lisbon, NH. **Virginia MacArthur Claggett** announces the arrival of her second grandson, born to son Henry B. Claggett III, a *magna cum laude* graduate of Monmouth U.

Cornell's new, the tenth, University Librarian Sarah E. Thomas, sent a letter of introduction. Graduating from Smith College in the late 1960s, she began her career as librarian at Harvard's Widener Library. After earning a doctorate in German at Johns Hopkins U. she was manager of the Research Libraries Group at the U. of Georgia, the National Agricultural Library and special collections at the Library of Congress, supervising a staff of more than 700 people. Her current title is **Carl A. Kroch '35** University Librarian. Her husband, Peter Hirtle, is manager of the campus-wide Digital Access Coalition.

Ms. Thomas sent a second letter announcing an exhibition, "The Instinct of an Artist—Shaw and the Theatre" from the Bernard F. Bergunder Collection of George Bernard Shaw in the University Library. The exhibition and accompanying catalogue were prepared with the generous support of the **Arnold** and **Gloria Tofias** Fund and the Bernard F. Bergunder Fund. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir. #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.

**45** Two years ago, we attended the dedication of our 50th Reunion gift to the Cornell Plantations, the Class of '45 Steps to Comstock Knoll. The last issue of the Plantations publication carried a story headed "Class of '45 steps in the right direction"—if you didn't see it, contact Plantations, (607) 255-2407, for a copy and ask to be added to their mailing list. Thanks to all who sent some news in response to our last mailing! The answers to our new question as to what you'd rather be doing proved interesting; next column we will summarize them.

Summertime brought out the would-be golfers/sailors, among them **Tina Berliss** Rubinstein (Livingston, NJ), who's delighted that her granddaughter, Amanda Rubinstein, will become a freshman, Cornell Class of 2001 (shall we call it '01 now?); **Lois Georgia Humphrey** (Ithaca) who tripped to the Greek isles last fall with **Henrietta "Hank" Burgott** Gehshan (Southampton, PA); **Ann Lynch Pape** (Garden City, NY), who really would rather have been golfing, since she was snowed out of the annual Classic at Stewart Manor Country Club, of which her late husband **Robert '43** was president. Their grandson, Scott Trendenning, was to be married in August at Loyola-Marymount U., Los Angeles, in the presence of all five of their children. She is still busy settling in her new home, but finds time to visit with **Priscilla Young Waltz '44** (Sea Cliff, NY) and to gab with **Adelaide**

it would be sipping a mint julep. **Ben Klein** (Miami, FL), on the other hand, says that his preference would be reserving the Lincoln Bedroom during his next visit to Washington, DC, to visit their daughter. Like Robert Maynard Hutchins, who said that every time he got the feeling that he should exercise he would lie down until it went away, I'm with Jerry! ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454: e-mail, Cescova@aol.com.

**46** Requests are still trickling in to Gulfport, FL, for **Robert J. "Joe" Nist's** ten-page reminiscence of V-12 days at Cornell. He thanks those who sent a stipend to defray copying and mailing costs. At reunion, Joe, **Mavis Gillette** Sand, **Frank Rom**, and a few others painstakingly unearthed 180-plus

**"You know you're getting old when your daughter and her husband retire!"**

— DAVE MERTZ '43

**Kennedy Underwood** (Cortland, NY).

Our class officers also include big-time golfers such as Co-President **Jim Shaw** (E. Amherst, NY), who traveled to Myrtle Beach, SC, just to play three rounds after his elephant-watching trip to Zimbabwe, and Reunion Boss **Stanley Johnson** (Mantoloking, NJ), who spends winters on a golf course in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. Stan and wife **Jean (Knight) '47** took off this spring for a trip to the Canadian Atlantic Provinces with **Marcia Noyes Archibald '46** (widow of our late and lamented buddy **Douglas**). Stan wants to know if anyone noticed the new logo on the Class letter in the last mailing. I think it's splendid, especially if it reminds everyone that 2000 and the 55th are fast approaching.

**Katharine Kilburn** Bullard (S. Dartmouth, MA) so far enjoys having just-retired physician-husband John lunching at home but, for some unexplained reason, they sold their sailboat after 35 years. How can you be retired and live in Padanaram without a sailboat? **James Jenks** (Garden City, NY) wouldn't. But he sails all summer, anyway, when he isn't golfing, skiing, or indulging in his new love, flying a Piper Cherokee. He's still writing and editing when he gets to it.

**Ward Campbell** (Cold Spring Harbor, NY) is another sailor, but he likes racing. Wonder how he's doing, mastering the new racing rules which just went into effect. I am busily pursuing that now, as I'm scheduled to be chief judge at an International MORC Championship regatta next week. Whether listening to protests is better than pulling spinaker strings is questionable, but it's easier on the old body.

**Jerrier Haddad** (Briarcliff Manor, NY) took time off from his travels to Florida and the Caribbean to note that, unlike the aforementioned athletes, his preference for an activ-

names of Cornell V-12ers. Now, mysteriously, an un-signed list with no cover letter reached Chez Nist from the Alumni Office with more than 400 names. Joe became a great-grandfather for the second time on Feb. 24, '97, when his granddaughter surprised the family with the birth of Kayla Rochelle Maugean. Are there other '46 great-grandfathers? If so, send details. There may be a contest in the offing.

**Owen Birnbaum** wrote when he returned to Bethesda, MD, from wintering in Deerfield Beach, FL. He has now retired as adjunct professor of law at Howard U. after 22 years. He had retired from the US Office of Management and Budget in 1986. Son **Drew, MBA '84**, is an IBM systems engineer in Hagerstown, MD. Daughter Jane is a freelance writer in Los Angeles. **John I. Eckerson** writes from Akron, NY—where he's town/village historian, cemetery president, and lead choir singer—that our 50th in 1996 whetted his appetite for 2001. He's busy restoring his second Ford touring car. John has marvelous memories of driving the first one up on the Hill, courting wife **Joanne (Skinner)** in it, and taking Professor Weaver home in it from Glee Club rehearsals. Sadness overcomes him when he recalls the day the firemen painted it red while he was in class. The Rev. Dr. **Donald W. Beers** of Belvidere, NJ, has retired from the Office of the Episcopal Bishop for Armed Forces. He's presently chaplain of the House of the Good Shepherd in Hackettstown, assisting at St. Mary's in Belvidere and second vice president of his retired officers' association. Donald and Teresa toured the Caribbean and the Panama Canal in 1996. **Chester L. Knowles** of Cushing, ME, pulverized his kneecap in a fall from a ladder while volunteering at a local elementary school. Thus, Chet missed what he heard was

the best reunion ever. He promises to be much more careful when preparing for 2001.

**Donald R. and Peggy Tallman Peirce**, now of Hilton Head, SC, are enjoying retired life and appreciating every moment. Their kids are scattered around the globe but they get together about once a year for a reunion. We suggest Ithaca for their 2001 venue. **Paul T. Atteridge and Louise (Van Nederynen) '48** write from Big Bend National Park, TX, that they were spending so much time in their trailer they sold their Granby, CO, home. Now, between November 1 to April 30, they volunteer at Big Bend. If you'd like the address of any classmate I've mentioned, write, phone, fax, or e-mail as below. When you do, I'd appreciate a blurb about yourself or classmates to pass along in this column. See you on the Hill for our 55th: 2001, An Ithacan Odyssey! Please send news. ♦ **Paul Levine**, 31 Chicory Lane, San Carlos, CA 94070; phone, (415) 592-7189; FAX, (415) 593-2572; e-mail, pblvine@juno.com.

These gals attended Adult University (CAU) programs last fall: Syria—**Jeanne Corcoran Halpin** and **Phyllis Stapley** Tuddenham with husband Bill; Martha's Vineyard—**June Cronig** Kapell; Cape May—**Mary Hankinson Meeker**; and Mohonk—**Barbara Schaefer Colbert**. Sorry about this old news cut from previous columns: **Maj-Britt Karlsson** Gabel (Wayne, PA) wrote that her granddaughter attends West Chester U. and that her son-in-law earned his bachelor's degree in organizational management from Eastern College.

**Pat Demarest Brace** lives in Cherryfield, ME, with husband **John W. '48**. She writes, "our son-in-law died one year after a double lung transplant. He had cystic fibrosis. The day after his death, our son married, and two days after that our daughter had a son. We also had two more family weddings; now we are recovering." What an emotional time they had that year!

George and **Mildred Marks** Barr wrote, "We were about to attend reunion when our home in Connecticut was sold. Now we are permanently located in Ft. Myers, FL." **Ben Franklin '50**, **JD '52**, and **Carolyn (Usher)** left Ovid after 41-plus years and moved to Kendal at Ithaca last October. Their new address is 412 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850.

News from Ken and **Elaine Johnson** Bliss (winter, Victor, NY; summer, Canandaigua) have children Michael Bliss, Michelle Davis, and Deborah Klein. (Elaine is one of my buddies from frosh year in Risley—she was with me the day I met my future husband, **Philip Kennedy '47**, in October 1943.) **Janet Buhsen Daukas** (Glastonbury, CT), whose name usually appears in the '44 column with that of husband **Lou '44** (that class is really active and travels all over the world), wrote: "Spend time with our grandchildren: two girls in Colorado and a boy in Maryland. Still enjoy downhill skiing and swimming in the ocean."

**Irene Kinney** Conley (Schenevus, NY) wrote, "Almost fully retired but am still an

elected assessor for the Town of Maryland. Traveled to England and France in June 1994 for the D-Day activities, joined by son **Todd Conley '79** and daughter **Paula Conley May '83**." **Janet Sutherland Clement** (Lynchburg, VA) was unable to attend reunion because she was scheduled for hip replacement last fall. "The Ithaca trek not on my agenda until I get new part. **Bob '43** and I are kept busy with 14 grandchildren and one great-grandson. Bob retired from General Electric in 1983, but still does consulting." Jan is a retired Extension agent with Virginia Tech Cooperative Extension Service. She plans to be in Ithaca for our 55th. ♦ **Elinor Baier Kennedy**, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607.

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**Sidney Law**, Ormond Beach, FL: "We spend summers in Northfield, VT. Our grandson Jim Law has been a resident of the Netherlands for the past 16 years and has entered his second year of chemical engineering at the Technical U. of Delft. He was accepted at Cornell, but the scholarship system over here would not recognize the fact that his father pays 50 percent of his income in Dutch income taxes. Therefore, the choice was easy. Yesterday we recovered from jet lag after spending a month in Europe visiting the Netherlands, Scotland, and England."

**Cal Landau**, Miami, FL: "I keep busy raising funds for Cornell and will have breakfast, lunch, and dinner with different Cornellians tomorrow. Approaching 70 isn't as bad as I once thought and I'm here to think about it. Had dinner with former College of Architecture, Art, and Planning Dean Bill McMinn and wife Joan. He is now dean of architecture at Florida International U. in Miami. Our youngest son is now Number 38 on the lieutenant colonel's list with duty in the Pentagon followed later last spring by duty in Australia for two years." **Joyce Goldstein** Kahn, Palm Beach, FL: "Now have two grandchildren. Had most wonderful trip through Israel last fall and plan to travel through Germany this fall on a river boat." **Irving Holcomb**, Amherst, MA: "I found it very adventurous to tour Ireland in a rental car. The golf courses are great and the pub grub is not bad either."

**Arthur Hiltbold**, Auburn, AL: "I retired from being a professor of agronomy and soils and have become very accomplished in the practice of retirement. The older I get the more aware I am of the blessings bestowed upon me through life beginning with home, parents, school, country, and most of all the opportunity of learning and making friendships at Cornell. Wonderful blessings!" **Ray Green**, Maitland, FL: "Celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary last January. All the children were here with their children. Great time had by all since the family is scattered to the four winds. Last week I was trying to get my new computer (first one I've owned with the Windows program) to operate. Spent the week in Glacier National Park with most of the family and shared a high ridge hiking trail with a moun-

tain goat and her kid who both ignored us and kept right on eating the tender brush."

**Bill Gibson**, Danville, CA: "Retired as account executive with IBM. Visited Paris last spring with daughter. Second grandson graduated from high school. I found out last week that Las Vegas still does not let you leave town with any money. Would rather be sailing on San Francisco Bay than sending you this news. I've found that political gab on TV is more effective than sleeping pills." **Gerard Fox**, Garden City, NY: "I'm retired, but still doing structural engineering consulting for Seismic Retrofits on major bridges. I spend time surfing for blues and striped bass off Montauk Point. Wife **Jeanne (McNulta) '49** comes along on these trips to cheer for me or the fish. I rarely catch one. I received an honorary doctor of science degree from New Jersey Inst. of Technology last year and have recently learned how to use Windows '95." **Jim Ford**, Easton, PA: "Wife Doris died January 1994. I've been retired ten years. Son Tom is a commodore in the US Navy (three sons) and daughter Sue is a PhD and professor at Southern Illinois U. (one son, one daughter). In 1995 I took the alumni tour of Bangkok, Vietnam, Singapore, and Hong Kong. Play golf whenever I can. Last fall attended the 11th reunion in 20 years of Phi Gamma Delta, staying at the Statler Hotel. Those attending over the years have been **Don Creede '49**, **Bob Davis** (now deceased), **Matt Farmer '47**, **Winnie McGowan** McCarthy, **Harry Scurr '44**, **Harold** and **Florence Dombrowski Engh**, and **Walter '45** and **Barbara Rapp Hamilton**. I've learned that Cornell friends are still the greatest. My solution for solving today's problems is to get all the facts, then make a decision, even if you have to flip a coin."

**Jim and Jackie Smith Flournoy**, Westport, CT: "Attended wedding in California of the daughter of Jim's brother **Hugh '50**. Much fun at brunch the next day which included 18 Flournoys! I keep busy playing bridge, taking notes at Yacht Club governors' meetings, doing volunteer work at Norwalk Hospital Thrift Shop (raised \$92,000 for the hospital last year) and cruising on our boat." **Charlie Elbert**, Clifton, NJ: "My memory is not too clear on what I was doing last year or last week, but it is very clear that yesterday I was preparing for a trip to Italy or some place that sounds like Italy. Would rather be sipping a vodka martini than answering these questions, but will do that tomorrow while I'm cutting the grass. Recently enjoyed a very pleasant trip to the Southwest, including the Grand Canyon, various dams, Las Vegas, and national parks. Enjoyed March in Florida, but it was very windy. I have found that procrastination provides many of tomorrow's opportunities—don't knock it!"

**W. R. "Bill" Carroll**, Williamsburg, VA: "Just returned from Emma Jane's high school 50th reunion in Monroe, LA, where we had lots of fun. We are leaving for Venice, Italy, for a three-week cruise through the Suez Canal and home from Mombasa, Kenya, to replace a cruise last spring when Cunard *Royal Viking Sun* struck a reef in the Straits of Tiran and we

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all had to abandon ship." ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050.

**49** Great to hear from some of our "quieter" classmates; always good to get updates from our regulars, but who is the mystery man? (no name or address on card). Vital statistics—retired to Florida, plays golf three times a week, but can't hit them like he used to; busy in his woodworking shop; wife Natalie plays golf and is president of homeowners' association. Asked for **Donald Rowland's** address—177 Newton Rd., New Haven, CT 06525. Do you know this man's name?

Thanks, men, for filling in "Birth Name" with same, full name or date of birth! Liked **Walt Peek's** choice best—BABY! Walt writes from New Rochelle, NY: "Four children, including **Walter Peek '80** and **Daniel Peek '92**, all doing fine, three magnificent grandchildren, and a 20-year-old poodle. What more can a man ask for? Left paper business (by request) after 48 years and entered music business. Music a lot more fun than paper! 'Winged Foot Records' may break even in second year—incredible. Lots of plans and one very big deal in the works."

**E. Russ Smith**, Yardley, PA, happily retired since 1988, did a little consulting, but now spends time as one of 12 members in "His Book Club," along with **John Kent '48** and **Karl Mann, PhD '55**. Reads nonfiction, choosing selections most apt to provide discussion. **Mike Nothman**, Paris, France, retired in 1987 and is still doing some consulting. Concept of retirement communities doesn't exist in France. "Kendal at Ithaca sounds great, but remembering winters on the Hill, will probably end up in California. Daughter architecting in Boulder, CO, and son in computer graphics in Barcelona."

**J. Robert "Bob" Jones**, Grand Blanc, MI, agrees with Mike. Worst Cornell memory: the winter of 1945-46. Best: swimming in the gorge. Bob and wife Phyllis retired and travel a lot—Alaska last year and three-week tour of Orient this past spring. "**Alan Jamison** stopped by a year ago. Hadn't seen him for 45 years; we were in Navy V-12 together." **William P. Vosseller** retired and enjoys his winters in Green Valley, AZ. Escapes to a different Northern haven each year.

**Martha "Marty" Coler** Risch says, "Save your dimes and time for the big 50! If '16 set a record in '66, '49 can set a new one in '99. Enjoyed yet another class officers' meeting at Class Officers Assn. (CACO) meeting in January (about my 39th Cornell chicken lunch). **Dick Keegan** ran a great meeting and **Jack Rupert** put the Class of '49 on the map with his pep talk. No trouble finding projects in this small New Hampshire town (Silver Lake)—automating Madison Library Systems now." **Bette McGrew** Benedict says we're already working on the 50th. She's still producing and acting in shows in New Hope, PA—as a policewoman in *Rumors* by Neil Simon this season. Last year she died in *The Musical Comedy Murder of 1940* and everyone

laughed. "Felt funny, but it's OK—they were supposed to!"

Despite advanced years, **David Garlen**, Summit, NJ, is still working as founding partner in Cosmetech Labs, a cosmetic research and development lab. Wife **Hyla (Brodkin) '48** reports happy retirement—volunteering and writing. Garlens have joined "snowflakes" with vacation home in Heathrow, FL. **Thomas**

businesses in Ithaca.

Surprise!—Jan Rus writes of a wonderful visit with his quarterback, Bob Dean. Jan and Mary Jean have been in a cruising mode the last three years. Jan visited 56 countries, 32 being associated with athletics (Olympics and visiting teams).

Some of our classmates have been in for repairs. **Robert E. Miller**, Dayton, OH,

## “Major acquisitions along the way: gray hair, wrinkles, six grandchildren, and an IRA.”

— RICHARD F. DIETZ '49

**E. Lavell**, Walton, NY, is attending surgeon with Bassett Healthcare; president, NY State division of American Cancer Society; and chairs the rural health issue committee of Medical Society of NY State. Married with four children. **John Cornelius**, Galesville, MD, after 47 years, still enjoys being a State Farm agent. He has five kids and ten grandchildren. And he's working with an architect to build a new home.

Just imagine celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary already (or ever, for many of us!). **Marilyn Olsen Baurle**, Dryden, NY, and **Walter '48** celebrated by taking their family to Acapulco, Mexico, last winter. "Grateful for good health, faculties, and proximity to Cornell. Still participate musically when concerts or shows need volunteer violinists." **Helen "Honey" Kullman Belknap**, Redding, CA, and **Dan '47** celebrated their 50th last August, with six children, spouses, 11 grandchildren, and one 101-year-old mother-in-law gathering to commemorate the day they met (Thanksgiving) in 1945 at Theta Xi (a women's dorm, then). **Richard "Dick" F. Dietz** and wife Claire celebrated their 40th in May. "Major acquisitions along the way: gray hair, wrinkles, six grandchildren, and an IRA. Surprisingly a full-time, home-based marketing communications business is still feeding the latter and us!"

Speaking of feeding(!), I saw **Ruth Davison Dormand** and **John, JD '49**, at a delicious Memorial Day dinner. This past winter she skied in Chamonix, France; then on to Florence, Italy, to visit a niece. They toured Ravenna, Padua, and Vincennes. **Carlie Ince** Graves, Boulder, CO, retired and the grandmother of five boys, visited her oldest daughter in Strasbourg, France, last fall. She still plays tennis three or four times a week. Also, she visited **Eileen Bennett Maglathlin** and **Leon "Mac"** in Florida.

**Robert "Bob" T. Dean** reports skiing 37 days after having spent more than three months in Park City, UT. Met **Mal MacGregor '48** and wife **Elizabeth (Evenden) '48** there. Bob took a North Sea cruise a year ago with 140 alumni. With wife Maxine he visited **Jan Rus** and Jan's wife, Mary Jean, in Laguna Hill, CA. Keeps involved with small

joined the ranks of the cardiac impaired last fall: "Got nine inches of new aorta!" **Donald S. Hudson** had a valve replaced in his heart. He lives with his grandson and wife in Albany, OR. **George Nixon** came home from an enjoyable African safari to a six-way bypass operation. "I'm doing fine and ready to hit the little white ball again."

**John R. Egerton**, Sarasota, FL, says it in one word, "Retired!" **Frank L. Morgan** is also retired, and 79 years young. After 52 years of marriage he lost his wife ("teacher, friend, and companion") last February. **Marilyn L. Thatcher** Kreider, Sun City Center, FL, says 1996 was not a good year. "It started well, with my mother's 100th birthday (the day after George Burns's!). Then mother died in May. Dan and I were enjoying retirement, free from worry about mother, when he had chest pains, catheterization, pneumonia, and died in November 1996. Words cannot express how much I loved that man!"

**Stephen Collins**, Bethany, CT, founded their town's land trust, served as first chair of conservation committee and vice chairman of the advisory council for West Rock Ridge State Park. He taught biology for 27 years in the state's university system. Now he lectures on nature before varied audiences, showing his color transparencies. "Life has never been more exciting and interesting. The 50th will be my first reunion!"

Count on it, all you '49ers! ♦ **Mary Heisler** Allison, 470 Chandlee Dr., Berwyn, PA 19312; tel., (610) 640-1387.

**50** I'm taking the liberty of beginning this column with my own news. On June 7, I became Mrs. William E. Kreitz. Bill is a long-time friend. He and my late husband worked together in the late 1960s and his deceased wife was a sorority friend from Washington State U., where Bill is also an alum. We've been friends as couples over the years and now we have a new beginning. We have sold both our homes and our newly built house should be ready by the time this reaches you. We each have three children, with seven grandchildren between us. Note the new ad-

dress at the end of this column.

Many of you are volunteering in your retirement years. **Jean "Jay" Miller Weber** (Rochester, NY) is active with her church and assisting the blind and the mentally ill. She and husband **John '49** do a lot of traveling and play tennis to keep in shape. The Webers have five children, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. **Don Snyder**, JD '52,

**Ag '06-11**, and grandfather to Seeley, was wounded, captured, had a leg amputated, and was recaptured near Petersburg. "Roots" and history helped to make this a most memorable trip. The Phillipses also visited son **Carl '77**, BS ILR '78, in Waldwick, NJ, and daughter **Barbara (Phillips) '73** and her husband, **David Long '72**, in Maysville, KY.

**Roger Chamberlin** (Harperswell, ME)

**"As long as my muscles, joints, and 'marbles' hold out, I will stay with it."**

— RICHARD DAME '50, MD '54

(Henrietta, NY) is serving as treasurer of the Phi Kappa Tau Foundation and serves on a committee of the United Way of Rochester. He enjoys one month a year at his time-share on Grand Cayman Island. Son **Richard Snyder '86** and wife produced the fifth grandchild.

**Richard Hudes** (Flushing, NY) retired from CBS Finance. He volunteers by tutoring ex-prisoners to help them pass the high school equivalency test. He attends Adult University (CAU) courses in Ithaca primarily to keep his calves supple. **John Timmerman** (Lakeview, OH) volunteers with many serious scientists in the examination of the UFO phenomenon. He met **E. Chapin "Rusty" Davis, Elizabeth "Libby" Severinghaus** Warner, and **J. P. '49** and **Mary Baxter Barger** on a trip to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where they invented exciting ideas for the year 2000. I hope they have to do with reunion and that you will share them with us.

**Dan and Betty Rosenberger Roberts** traveled on two CAU trips—from Budapest to Amsterdam on the European rivers and to Syria and Jordan. Son Eric was married last year; Dan and Betty followed the event with a CAU weekend at Mohonk Mountain House. They sum up a feeling shared by many. "Retirement sure is hectic, but we love it." **Malette Pope** Matta (Paris, France) has managed to fulfill a long-held dream—to spend one-third of the year in India, one-third in Paris, and one-third on an island in Sicily. She suggests we never abandon hope! A new granddaughter brings the number of family around the table at Christmas to 14. She also adds she should have gone to the Hotel school to handle these numbers.

**Henry Ryon** (E. Setauket, NY) tells us he is still enjoying retirement. He and his wife visited Paris last year, using it as a base to retrace some of his World War II travels. Two of our classmates have visited Civil War sites. **Stew Cudworth** (St. Charles, IL) was waking at 5:00 a.m. from habit after retirement. In travels to Civil War sites he has squeezed in golf along the way. He might have run into **Seeley, DVM '50**, and **Mary Mapes Phillips** (Richmondville, NY) who have surveyed Petersburg National Battlefield, VA, and followed "Lee's Retreat" to Appomattox. This was of particular interest because William D. Phillips, father to **John Harry Phillips, Sp**

says he retired to the coast of Maine and is fishing, sailing, skiing, and playing tennis and bridge. He continues, "It's tough, but somebody's got to do it." **Al Strack**, BEE '51, (Schenectady, NY) would agree. He says his life is not too shabby. Last year he took a winter trip to Arizona and then one down the East Coast to see all the people who have said "come see us." The trip ended by gathering seashells in Sanibel, FL. Back home he has been repairing his 200-year-old house and floating in Lake George. Retirees **Al Neimeth**, JD '52, and wife Doris live now in Ithaca with a winter break in Dorado, Puerto Rico, and summer at their Breezy Point, Long Island, beach home.

**Philip "Ole PB" Steinman** wrote that he had a miniature reunion in August 1995 with **Sid Laibson '51** and wife and **William Hershleder '49** and wife. While eating in downtown Ithaca he spotted **Lou Skoler**, BArch '51, who entered Architecture with him as a freshman in 1946. Ole PB recognized Lou immediately though they hadn't seen each other in all these years. PB also sees **Howard Lemelson '49** often, as they have been close friends since they met on the Quad in 1946. Howard has remarried after being widowed some time ago.

**Kenneth Altman** (Tenafly, NJ) continues his professional activities as a physician. He has received a patent on a self-advancing endoscope which will be a boon to patient and doctor. He is also making an index of non-legal material in the Babylonian Talmud. Our classmates continue to introduce us to a wide variety of interests. But then we are the hand-picked Class of '50! Another of our class still active professionally is **Richard Dame**, MD '54, (Louisville, KY). He is now in about his 40th year of solo practice in endocrinology and internal medicine. He says he is enjoying it still in spite of managed care, Medicare, Medicaid, and hospital administrative shenanigans. "As long as my muscles, joints, and 'marbles' hold out, I will stay with it." And he's planning on reunion in 2000.

**Bernie Roth**, BME '51, (N. Dartmouth, MA) is semi-retired. He does management consulting with business owners of non-public firms. He has also been Elderhosteling, as have many others in our class. These travels have included studying the Grand Canyon, living on

the Hopi Reservation, and skiing in the Laurentian Mountains. He is Grandpa to seven children. **Ames Filippone Jr.**, MD '53, (Morristown, NJ) has retired after 20 years as chief of surgery at Morristown Memorial Hospital. He has "retired" to private practice with some of his former residents. Doesn't sound too leisurely, Ames, but you seem to be enjoying it.

**Leonilda Altman** Farrow (Highlands, NJ) writes that husband Cecil is also among the "retired." He is consulting and recently published a paper on corrosion science. We truly are active senior citizens. **Marilyn Hegeman** Selders (Silver City, NM) has lived in the Southwest for 40 years. She retired from the Lordsburg, NM, school system, where she coordinated the special education department. She is another of our volunteers, who paints and sculpts in her leisure time. She is also fortunate enough to have all four children and four grandchildren living in New Mexico. ♦ **Ruth Downey** Kreitz (rhymes with heights), 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; tel., (703) 938-3550; e-mail, RuthBill@erols.com.

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**William "Art" Bingham** reports from N. Andover, MA, that he retired from corporate life ten years ago and is now closing down a part-time consulting practice in employee benefits. He will fill the newfound time and keep his brain from atrophying by taking courses at Harvard Inst. for Learning in Retirement. He is also active in Concord Coalition activities, and he finds time for golf and traveling (next trip, Italy). **Florence Jessup** Beaujon of Maineville, OH, has retired from the clergy. She is a board member of the Cincinnati Mental Health Assn. and a Compeer Friend. She traveled to the Virgin Islands in January and to Aruba in March.

**Michael Chayes** of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, reports that he is still in private practice as a psychiatrist and psycho-analyst/psychotherapist working a full schedule. He attended the Atlanta Olympics, where his oarsman son-in-law won a gold in the Dutch eight. He has also recently vacationed in Israel and France. As hobbies he lists playing coronet for the Amsterdam Old Jazz Band (old music or old musicians?), as well as choir and rowing. **Brad and Bardee Stirland Bond** report from Marietta, OH, that Brad is mostly retired. His volunteer activities include recycling center, guide on W.P. Snyder at River Museum, editor for the Towpath Canal Society of Ohio, and outdoor educator for first through fifth graders. Recent travel: an Elderhostel in Greece. Hobbies: birding, minerals, and insect photography. **Walter Dean** lists a new address in Marietta, GA. Retired from IBM, he is now a realtor with Prudential Atlanta Realty. He volunteers on Marietta's ADA advisory board, and as a listener for first-grade readers. He attended our 45th Reunion and sends kudos to the reunion committee. As hobbies he lists doctor visits and Medicare.

**Ralph Deuel** (N. Myrtle Beach, SC) passed away at home, Jan. 3, '97, after a struggle with cancer. His widow, Nancy, reports that he had retired and his hobbies were paint-

ing and photography. **Rolf Dyce**, PhD '55, is retired in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico. He is on call for piano service, electrical repairs, and installation of satellite dishes in the Caribbean. He recently celebrated 100 months of marriage. **Robert Giebitz** and wife Marjorie live on their farm in Portales, NM. He is retired, but still sells insurance part-time for the fun of it. He chairs the building committee for Habitat for Humanity and was honored as Volunteer of the Year in Portales. They recently toured 22 states (California to North Carolina) in their RV. His hobbies are gardening and model railroads.

**Joy Stern Gilbert** (Mrs. **Richard '49**) reports from Lexington, MA, that she is completing her 25th year as guidance counselor at Lexington High School. In April she took a two-week trip to South Africa. She also visited Zimbabwe, Zambia, and Swaziland. **William Grevelding**, who lives in Paw Paw, MI, retired five years ago from National Grape Coop and he is beginning to get used to the active life of a retiree. His volunteer activities include Kiwanis Club, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and the presidency of a local Senior Citizens' club. His hobbies include golf and converting the basement in his new home into spouse Jeanne's work-sewing room, extra living space, and a workshop for woodworking and model railroad rebuilding. In January he enjoyed two weeks in the Hawaiian Islands.

**Howard Hyde** is retired and lives in Clarks Summit, PA. His volunteer activities include Rotary, Habitat for Humanity, Singers Guild of Scranton, and church activities. He recently celebrated 51 years of marriage. He lists hobbies of singing, carpentry, and canoeing. **Elizabeth Jones Johnson**, BS Ag '52, is retired in Macon, GA. Her volunteer activities are chairing Meals on Wheels, Loaves and Fishes (housing for poor), teaching lectionary class for the Episcopal Church, and Friendship Force. She recently traveled to Hungary, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Ireland. Her hobbies are music, gardening, and walking.

**Joan Stern Kiok** is practicing law, solo, in New York City with no retirement in sight yet. She took an Audubon Society cruise in February, birding and snorkeling off Central America. She was named Civil Service Merit Council's Attorney of the Year in October 1996. Her hobbies are tennis and opera. Joan reports that **Sam Suckow** still lives in Geneva, Switzerland, with wife Shirley and children; also that physician **Bob Lev** lives in Providence, RI, with his family.

**William McKinnon** (Beverly Shores, IN) retired in 1986. He is a ten-year member of Literacy Volunteers of America in Chesterton, IN, and usually spends January in Acapulco, Mexico. His hobbies are gardening and cooking. **David Rice**, M Ed '61, of Wysox, PA, is site coordinator for Northern Tier Industry/Education Consortium and has received awards from the National Alliance for Business, the State Education Dept., and the Chamber of Commerce. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, golf, and attending Cornell football and lacrosse games.

So far, we have received 67 news respon-

ses from the spring news and dues mailing, which is great. If you haven't already returned the post card form, please do so because we would like to put news about you in this column. ♦ **Jack and Betty Meng Howell**, 289 Ashford Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150-8563; tel., (716) 833 9543; e-mail, jack-howell@msn.com.

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June was busting out all over—no, not failing—in Ithaca at Reunion time and an advance party from '53 was there to taper on for next spring and our 45th. Besides spouses (spice?) of '52, there were Reunion Co-Chairperson **Bill Sullivan**, a number of his '53 colleagues from the Continuous Reunion Club (CRC)—we go every year—indigenous Ithacans, and others who may be drawn to the Finger Lakes in this season. See you next June.

AIDS Walkers, a horde of inline skaters, coiffed canines, a low-flying snowy egret, worshipers of sun and cool fresh air, and Fifth Avenue fife-and-drummers shared Central Park, NYC, with a dedicated few '53s at our annual Picnic in the Park, May 18. The banner was hoisted on terrain behind the Metropolitan Art Museum and the tradition lives. See you next May.

Perhaps slightly jarred by her children attaining their 40s, **Barbara Brothers Abizaid** (Boulder, CO, and Udine, Italy) says she's "appallingly old" but is grateful for computer lessons from a grandson of 17. Barbara and **Miguel '52** have been "bopping around the world," including a Nile cruise and, with the voice of experience, she offers advice: "Don't lose (have stolen) luggage! All ours was stolen during a week in Mexico, with attendant forms to fill out. . . 'when, where, and at what price did you buy the contents of the luggage?' " That doesn't bring it back. But, speaking of coming back, Barbie says she expects to see all hands in Ithaca in June. So does **Jack Bradshaw** (Houston, TX) who's "busy, still working full-time, with some travel in Europe and the US."

Architect **Bob Spillman**, BArch '54, (Bethlehem, PA) has a place in the sun. He lives in a Pennsylvania Dutch bank barn he remade. ("The farmer built it facing south, so there's sunlight all day long," he observes.) It's one of his many creations around the Lehigh Valley, where he's deep into planning and development as prez of Lehigh Valley Industrial Park. He's also fond of water, as in the Lehigh River and racing a 14-foot Laser sailboat. (At last look he was planning to go for the world championship in Chile this fall and says, "I can still race a high-speed sailboat against 20-year-olds.") And romance in the rain. Back in those "Singin' in the Rain" days, he told a local newspaper of **Cidney Brandon '56**, "I saw her (in a red raincoat) through the rain when I was a student at Cornell and said 'I have to find a way to meet that woman.'" He did, and she has been Mrs. Spillman since 1956. CRC buddy **Phil Harvey '55** sent the clipping, along with a note: "Cidney was my leading

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lady in a high school play in 1951."

**Ernie Hardy**, PhD '69, who answered "no" to the maiden name line on our news-and-dues form, reports a successful conclusion to his four-year intensive crop production experiment and adds: "My family says I must write a book about the experience." (He comes from a family of excellent writers, including wife **Jane (Little)** and son **Ed '79**, MFA '88 [both of whom have contributed articles to this magazine.—Ed.]. Ernie earned passage on a Caribbean cruise ship with his trusty trombone in May. Jane is working on a textbook and managing trips to South Africa and Alaska. Fellow Ithacan **Dave Allee**, PhD '61, back from New Zealand, was looking to return to do a study on the results of local government consolidations in Kiwi-land.

Twice-retired **Joe Alfredo** (Rye, NY, and Highland Beach, FL) now has time for golf maybe four times a week. He speaks with understandable pride of five sons—including a writer, a rocker, and a low-handicap golfer—one daughter, and, at recent count, three grandchildren, but is somewhat reticent about having raised \$500,000 for the Boys Town of Italy, of which he is chairman.

Let your glasses clink for **Helen Eldredge Bradley**, BA '54, M Ed '55, named 1996 Trustee of the Year by the Massachusetts Library Trustees Assn. for her efforts in establishing a new libe for Weston, MA, replacing a charming, but nearly century-old building. Farther from home, she saw Buenos Aires, Cape Horn, the Straits of Magellan, Santiago, and Machu Picchu last year. And back home, she's a volunteer tutor of inner city fourth-graders in reading and writing—and savors Boston. **Martha Schwartz Baird** left the "beautiful" hills of Arden, NC, last year and logged 7,500 RV miles with husband **Douglas, MA '53**, to the Pacific Northwest and back via the Canadian Rockies. Kids and six grandkids are scattered.

Retired to the good life in Newport, RI, **Chuck Berlinghof**, BME '54, favorably reviews this year's "fabulous" skiing at Alta, UT, "on five feet of light powder snow." He says he "can still rip through the trees and down the steeps." Chuck is setting down new roots after six moves around the US in his last 18 working years. He mentions sailing, tennis on grass, and fine eating at his son-in-law's harborside restaurant, The West Deck. Grandlings (six) are spread from Newport to Melbourne.

**Keizo Furuta** moves up as executive advisor of the Royal Hotel Osaka, Japan, where he was formerly Rotary governor, and **Ichiro Inumaru** is operating the Imperial Hotel (besides the Imperials in Tokyo, Kamikochi and Bali). **Dick Diamond** economically reports that he's still publishing the *Staten Island Advance*.

See you at Homecoming. (It's vs. Colgate, Sept. 27. But you already know that.) ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009.

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Our reunion chairs are on the wing again. **Mary (Gentry)** and **Dave Call** had no sooner finished mustering sheep on the South Island of New Zealand when they

packed their bags and headed off to Zimbabwe and Botswana to survey the game reserves of Chobe and Okavango. I had asked them to do a bit of research as I am headed over there next year. They were superb advance scouts and loved the work.

**Muriel "Mitzi" Sutton** Russekoff has reserved the library of the Cornell Club—New York for a class dinner the evening of Saturday Jan. 24, '98. Great way to help the Calls organize our 1999 reunion. We can give Dave and Mary input on what we choose to do, eat, hear, see, and wear. Put the date on your winter calendars and let Mitzi or me know if we can look forward to seeing you. More details to follow. Due to **Bill Blake's** astute sleuthing we have located several class members who didn't mind being found, even some who didn't wish to be discovered. Our hope is to have as complete a list as possible and welcome many back for their first-ever reunion. E-mail Bill at [wfbco@aol.com](mailto:wfbco@aol.com) if you can be of help.

Bob and **Debbie Kroker** Ineich have been traveling nonstop since she retired a year ago. Can't imagine what they will do now that Bob has joined the previously employed crowd. But the following might be an answer for their wandering feet.

**Sam Alessi** retired from the bench three years ago and has been on the road ever since. Sam with new bride Gretchen sold their house in Jamestown, bought a motor home, and have never looked back. Sam figures they might have a static address in the Ft. Myers area someday, but don't send the Christmas cards just yet. Upon his retirement from Cornell, **Jim** and **Eleanor Gould** sold their abode, bought a big fifth-wheel trailer and they, too, are among the full time RVers. Wish the Alessis, Goulds, and Nelsons would all bring their roving homes to reunion and share their tales of life on the road. For us tradition-bound people it would be fun and might open some new avenues.

On the Elderhostel front we have some new suggestions. **Bernice Rotter** Schmid took a swing at the game of golf for her second Elderhostel, this time at the U. of South-

Mesa Verde have also been on the Krauss's travel agenda. Where to next, Steve? I like your choices. **Barbara Jones** Jenkins had not seen a class member in 30 years until **Sally Binley** Boothby with husband John stopped by on their way to Duluth. Jonesie, do come back to Ithaca in June 1999—then you can visit with a couple-hundred classmates and we, in turn, with you. **Lawrence Cohen** is still active as a trustee in the Village of Brookville, NY, and does some management consulting. With wife Ilene's retirement they intend to ramble a bit more. This past year they visited Israel and Jordan for the first time and, as with so many others, were profoundly moved. Loved **Rosalyn Roth Treger's** note re going against the grain. She has for the past 20 years taught freshman English and edited the Ellis School alumnae magazine—that is, until she switched jobs instead of retiring. Roz is presently an editor at Transarc, a software company in Pittsburgh. "It's like going to live in a foreign country, learning a new language. Refreshing and fun. I'm the oldest person in the place, work with tech writers who welcome an editor, instead of (sometimes) sulky freshmen who resent anything short of an A and are taking the course because it's required." She and **Al '52** have four unmarried children, so the grandchild drawer is empty, to date. When in Philadelphia recently, Roz had dinner with **Laurie Rilander** Zellnik.

Had a long letter from **Teodoro "Ted" Valentiner**. Ted feels his job has more and more become his hobby, so retirement is not in the cards—he is having too much fun. Ted is an architect who enjoys the entire process from blank site, through contract negotiations, to pre-opening jitters, and the ultimate success of the finished project, in his case, hotels. Ted lives and practices in Friedrichsdorf, Germany. All but one of their five children reside in Germany. His youngest son lives on Long Island and is a pleasant reason for Ted and wife Gudrun to visit the States.

Dr. **Richard Jones** has retired from the U. of Buffalo medical school but, in the tradition of our medical classmates, hasn't to-

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**Otis Keller**, BME '56, M Aero E '59, recently contacted **Phil Harvey**, our vice president for special events, with a suggestion for a "mini-iron-man/woman" event for our 45th Reunion, open to all classmates and spouses. To keep the playing field level, Otis advises, no "teeny-bopper constant companions" permitted (despite their obvious decorative value). It would be a one-mile swim, five-mile run, and ten-mile bike ride, on each of the three reunion days.

Otis also forwarded news about **Albert Bohl**, who'd been listed as "missing" from the class roster. Otis heard from Albert, a fellow Kappa Alpha, several years ago when he was soliciting for the Hill School annual fund, but since then has learned that Albert died, after eating tainted shellfish. I am also sorry to report the death of **Olivia Eskridge Mandel** (Mrs. **Leon Mandel III '50**). A note from my former roommate, **Vera Steiner Simon**, and her husband, **Joe**, enclosed an article about **Ralph DeStefano**, who won the Finance Excellence 1996 Health Care Heroes Award. As president and CEO of Passavant Hospital in Pittsburgh, Ralph was recognized for spearheading a restructuring of the hospital's operations and finances. Joe and Vera welcomed Ralph, **Jim Van Buren**, MD '59, and **Dick Peterson**, BME '56, for a golfing weekend in Sarasota last January. **Shirley Sanford Dudley's** days are busy. She works with the Presbyterian Church, focuses her efforts on hunger and children's issues, and is involved with Latin American human rights. In whatever spare time is left, Shirley's studying Spanish, taking a stained-glass class, and enjoying grandmotherhood. Her husband, **Carl '54**, is "still going strong as professor of church and community, and co-director of the Center of Social and Religious Research, at Hartford (CT) Seminary."

I ran into **Mike Browne**, MBA '56, over Reunion Weekend 1997, and was reminded of his story of how he met his wife, **Betty Ann Jacques '52**, at Balch. Mike was working as a pot washer, and Betty Ann was head waitress. Betty's "great laugh" got his attention, and now, "42 years and 11 children later, we're still chuckling," says Mike. Architect **Dave Sheffield**, BArch '60, MRP '61, closed his office (The Architects' Collaborative in Boston) on April 7, '95, and joined his new office (Kasper Group Inc.) just three days later. Dave and **Allison (Hopkins) '56** were married in June 1957 in Ithaca, with a reception at Sigma Chi, where Allison had reigned as "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" during their undergrad years.

**Jacqueline Slinde** Robbins has retired from teaching in Cicero, NY, and is devoting her time to gardening. "I enjoy the creative planning of herbs and perennials, the pleasure of living among the flowers, and the solitude of working with them." Following suit, Jackie's 5-year-old granddaughter has already planted her first garden. **David Levin**, who

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ern Alabama. **Bert Neuman** traveled to the U. of Haifa to study politics and political processes in Israel. Nothing like going straight to the source for accurate information. When last reported, **Steve Krauss** was digging arrows and other artifacts out of the desert above the Grand Canyon. Then he was studying the natural history and geology of W. Yellowstone, MT, while cross-country skiing to Old Faithful. Steve followed that up with a return trip to the Southwest to hike and do a bit of Chinese brushstroke watercoloring. Durango and

tally left the field. He continues to consult and lecture at several US and Canadian locations but migrates South to enjoy the Florida sunshine when Buffalo does its winter thing. Traveling with Adult University (CAU) were: **Fred** and Susan **Reidenbach** in the British Virgin Islands; **Jane Shanklin** Warter in Cape May for the bird migration season; and **MacAllister** and Frances **Booth** along with **Ellen Fischer** Roman doing the Nile from Giza to Abu Simbel. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 17 Hillside



chairs the radiology department of Thomas Jefferson U. Hospital in Philadelphia, was the keynote speaker of the Israel Radiological Society meeting in Jerusalem on the 100th anniversary of the discovery of X-rays (by Wilhelm Roentgen, in Germany). Highlight of the trip for Dave and Carol was visiting with their oldest daughter, Deborah, who was studying in Jerusalem.

There's a movement under way, spearheaded by Joe Simon, Jim Van Buren, Ralph De Stefano, and other football players from the Class of '55 to get **Lenny Oniskey** named to the Athletic Hall of Fame. A petition has already been forwarded to the athletic department and Joe asks any other members of the team who'd like to take part to write a letter of support to Prof. **Russell Martin '39**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850.

"No retirement plans," reports **Jerry Klein**, who remains active with Northwestern Mutual Life in Cincinnati. No retirement for me, either: after five years at the American Red Cross in White Plains, I've moved on to a new job directing the Annual Fund at a private girls' school in Greenwich. And, adding much joy to my life, my daughters are nearby. **Susan Morris Wilkey '84** and **Joanna Morris Brinker '86** are married, each with one daughter, and my youngest—**Karen Morris '90**—works in asset management for Salomon Brothers in New York City. My sister **Mary (Savage) '58**, BS Nurs '59, and her husband, **Bill Webber '54**, MD '60, who now live in Ithaca, are frequent visitors, too. Hope your families are well and happy, and I look forward to seeing some classmates at Homecoming this fall! ♦ **Nancy Savage Morris**, 110A Weaver St., Greenwich, CT 06831; tel., (203) 532-0287; e-mail, nsm3@aol.com.

**56** **Marilynn "Vickie" Woollatt** Peckham (Albany, NY) works at Siena College (Loudonville, NY) in the development office. And, her poetry writing is expanding into short stories. (Perhaps we might have a guest column of your work.) **Gail Berry** Reeves (Pittsford, NY) is senior marketing consultant at Valley Manor Apartments (an independent senior living community). Gail also serves on the boards of Rochester Broadway Theater League and Catherine McCauley Housing (transitional housing for teenage mothers). **Milton Pelovitz**, BEE '57, (Lawrenceville, NJ) retired after 36 years at the Princeton U. plasma physics lab.

**Douglas Parker**, JD '58, (S. Orleans, MA) reports that he is greatly enjoying retirement on Cape Cod, and would like to hear from classmates on the Internet (dmparker@tia@.net) or in person. **Milton Lendl** (Delmont, PA) reports that he is retired. However, he adds, he has put his old classic tractors to good use and personally cut, baled, and stored away 50 tons of hay! **Alfred Hahn Jr.**, B Chem E '57, (Media, PA) retired in June 1996. **Bryan Gosling Sr.** (Voorheesville, NY) is enjoying his second year of retirement from a 35-year career in public relations for the electric power industry. Bryan wonders whether

there are any Cornell alumni fencers in the Albany area?

**Curtis S. Reis**, our beloved former-president, is still the chairman of Alliance Bank in Culver City, CA. He and wife Pamela have moved to 1 Wagon Lane, Rolling Hills, CA 90274, as previously noted. Recently Curt and Pamela attended a dinner where the American Jewish Committee honored **Richard Meier**, BArch '57. Honoring Richard were former US Senator John Tunney, the head of the Getty Foundation, Harold Williams, Marvin Davis, Eli Broad, and **Don Barker**, BArch '57, and wife Urte. Don has been office manager for the new Getty Museum designed by Richard Meier. The museum will open on December 13 and has been described as a modern day "Parthenon." Congratulations to **Mike**, BCE '58, and **Lori Nadler** for being honored as Foremost Cornell Benefactors, with their name being added to the terrace wall at the base of McGraw Tower. President Hunter Rawlings, among others, honored them during reunion in June.

Thanks to **Nancy Rice** for sending news about her husband, **Joe**, BA '57. He and Nancy, his wife of 36 years, live in Nashville, TN. Joe had worked for SmithKline Beecham as a pharmaceutical rep. for 25 years. They have three children and Joe's lifelong dream of becoming a pilot came true at the age of 50. He works out at the Y and is taking life easy. **Virginia Powell** Wilson is now living at 40 Norfolk Ave., Northampton, MA. Virginia moved from Tennessee and would love to meet other Cornellians in her new area, so please phone Virginia if you get a chance.

**Ed Blair**, BS Hotel '57, sold his Holiday Inn in Massachusetts in 1990 and then moved to Georgia (320 Sassafras Rd., Roswell 30076) where he worked for Holiday Inn Intl. until retiring. According to Ed that is OK with him, since he can concentrate on his tennis and skiing. Two of his four children are in the hospitality business. He has seen **Edwin "Dick" Meade**, **Artie Boland '57**, MD '61, and **Don Woodworth '57**. Although he had a heart attack last February, Ed is back in fighting trim.

**William** and **Madeline Abramson** recently went on the Alumni University (CAU) trip to Tortola. Dr. **Clarence M. Burgher**, BS Ag '57, DVM '58, of Stanton, NJ (Box 17), is retired from veterinary practice and is enjoying raising Hereford cattle on his small farm. He has taken trips to Scotland, France, and Italy. Out of five children, three are married.

My buddy **Michael "Chucker" Cornman**, BME '57, is just as frisky as ever. He is senior partner in the firm of Schweitzer Cornman specializing in patent law and is the chairman of the Irvington Town Hall Theater. His two children are in show-business in California, while he lives the quiet life at 81 Riverview Rd., Irvington, NY 10533.

**Sharon King** Fernandez-Cavada resides

at Calle Victor de la Serna 31, 28016 Madrid, Spain. She is retired but loves being with her grandchildren. Her son is a pilot with Air Europe and her daughter a lawyer with a construction company. **Sue Kleinman** Luskin, 11 Hawthorne Terr., Great Neck, NY, retired from law practice. Her interest in gardening led to the Master Gardener training program given by Cornell Cooperative Extension. Her husband, Jerry, is still actively practicing obstetrics and gynecology.

Sorry for the delay, but our belated congratulations to Dr. **Bertram Schwarzschild** on his marriage to Olive Berry on the steps of Willard Straight Hall with **Alan Natapoff** as best man. Sure I'm a year late, but give me a break! ♦ **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., NYC 10128.

**58** I recently had a press release on **Phyllis Yates** Marshall, principal of FoodPower, a national restaurant industry consulting firm. She is a contributor to a recently released book, *50 Proven Ways to Build Restaurant Sales and Profits*. Phyllis has had 17 years' experience as a food industry consultant and is co-owner and operator of Mr. Stox, one of Southern California's most popular restaurants. **Dottie Blow** Dane is involved with real estate sales in Virginia and is also an avid quilter, having just finished a year as president of Fairfax Quilters Unlimited—120 members. She is also active in a women's philanthropic educational organization. **Renni Bertenthal Shuter** is still selling houses and condos in St. Louis. She is also taking a computer course and fencing lessons, and serving on the school's board of education. She and **Eli '56** travel often to their condo in Marco Island.

**Edward Grevatt** was recognized with a dinner event for having served 25 years as the pastor of the Congregational Church of Laconia, NH. **Howard Abel** is still enjoying the practice of medical oncology and hematology in Fort Lauderdale. **David Brown** has retired and is thoroughly enjoying his motor home. He has nine grandchildren—eight girls and the youngest, a boy! **Art Brooks**, as president of the City Club of Cleveland, had the privilege of introducing the Honorable **Janet Reno '60** to the club audience and its 170 radio station affiliates. He said they had a wonderful time reminiscing about campus life. "She is a credit to her class, Cornell, and, indeed, a national treasure."

**Kathe Bennett Hall** is a science teacher in Naples, FL. She says two of her brightest students came home last year from the Florida State Science & Engineering Fair with first place in computer science and third place in medicine and health. She says, "It's definitely time to think about retirement, while I'm ahead!" Her newest activity is roller blading (with all the proper pads). She and **Jackson, Ed D '67**, also had a wonderful four-week trip to Hong Kong, China, Singapore, and Bangkok. **Ellen Gussman** Adelson is enjoying working on the Cornell and U. of Tulsa boards of trustees. She is still practicing psychotherapy and enjoyed a trip to South Africa

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with Adult University (CAU) last January. **Anna Jean Schuler** Cushwa is still working with a citizens coalition and working on community development in cooperation with Youngstown State U. Last fall, she and husband William were off to Australia and New Zealand as a reward for her having gotten through seven months of chemo. **Louesa Merrill** Gillespie is still an innkeeper at the Beachmere Inn in Ogunquit, ME. She spent a month in China visiting seven central Chinese cities and was amazed at how fast the Chinese have developed their hotel industry. Shanghai has seven five-star hotels now.

**Jerry and Eileen Funcheon Linsner** celebrated their 37th anniversary last year. Jerry has retired(?) and is playing the role of great builder. He finished off his son's basement and put in French doors for his daughter, as well as having cemented a large portion of the driveway. They did take time off to go to Florida for a few weeks and to Friendship, ME, to visit **Ken Keoughan**. **H. Vreeland Whittall** has retired and moved to Vero Beach, FL. After selling their house last summer, they visited 28 states and three Canadian provinces while waiting for their house to be completed in Vero Beach. During that time, they also visited their five children and seven grandchildren. He says they are just starting to get into Vero activities. **Robert Reinhard**, BME '59, has a new address, also. He has moved to Savannah, GA. **Jon Howell** attempted to ski the Haute Route (Chamonix, France, to Zermat, Switzerland) but was forced to come down after four days, due to severe weather. He is determined to try again in 1998. He is an insurance agent and has completed 25 years of qualification for the Million Dollar Round Table (top five percent of Life Underwriters worldwide). Jon is building an addition to his house so he can finally have a pool table!

A new retiree is endocrinologist Dr. **John Herman**, although he's still very active in teaching (fourth-year medical students at U. of California, San Francisco), as vice president of The Diabetes Society of Santa Clara, CA, and as a fundraiser and director on various boards. He's traveling too; New Zealand AND the coast of Norway were projected for 1997. Speaking of traveling, Co-Correspondent **Dick Haggard** and wife **Connie (Case)** planned to sail the Blue Danube on an alumni cruise as in July; they also had a great trip to Egypt, Cairo, and the temples along the Nile up to Aswan, last March. **Bob Dunn** and **Lawrence Severino** also enjoyed Egypt, taking the trip with Adult University (CAU) and President Emeritus Frank Rhodes last January, and **Lowell Sanders** and Jan studied ecology in the migration season on Cape May last October with CAU—a great way to go. **Edgar Vaughn** took the South Africa trip in early 1996 and stated how proud he was "to see how good our CAU was at putting together a top-notch package—superior." Edgar also taught a graduate ecology course these past two years at the U. of New Haven.

**Beverly Amerman** Lewin earned her PhD in applied linguistics in 1995. She is a faculty member at Tel Aviv U. **Bob Klumpe** is a

retired federal executive from the US Dept. of Agriculture. He is enjoying golfing and life around Chesapeake Bay. **Neil MacCormick**, after careers in international banking and coastal management, is embarking full-time on music composition. Top priority is for "Cornell Sketches," a seven-movement work which he hopes will be performed at our 40th Reunion in 1998. And, speaking of reunion, it's not too early to start planning for the big one in June 1998! That's all the news I have, so you all need to send me some! ♦ **Jan Arps** Jarvie, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75240.

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How wonderful it was to receive the first batch of 1997 news forms from classmates, just days before this column was due. Among those reporting new career moves was **Patricia Allen** Brown, BA '78, of Atlanta, GA. She is president and CEO of a newly formed corporation, The Psychological Advantage, which provides corporate and organizational assessments, executive mentoring, customer analyses, and methodologies to enable CEOs to enhance their organizations' use of intellectual capital. **Ira Wolpert** left the Washington, DC, law firm of Foley & Lardner in 1996 and opened his own law office in Bethesda, MD. He reports that son **Randy '86** has two children, and that daughter Claire recently married.

"Since this is the age of journalistic synergy, we've moved into a new office which we share with the correspondents for the 16 television stations owned by the A.H. Belo Corp., which also owns *The Dallas Morning News*," writes **Carl Leubsdorf**, Washington, DC, bureau chief for the paper. In addition to writing a weekly column (not missing a week in 16 years) and managing the office, Carl is the co-host of a weekly public affairs television program called "Capital Conversation," which airs on the company's Dallas (WFAA-TV) and Houston (KHOU-TV) stations each Sunday and will eventually be seen elsewhere. "It's a lot of fun, and a new challenge," he says.

"The increasing interest in ethics and values in the workplace has increased the demand for my public speaking and consulting on this issue," writes **James McCusker** of Bothell, WA. "What had for years been a 'voice in the wilderness' activity for me has now become a hot topic. My work as a publisher, newspaper columnist, and radio host continues, and like so many other businesses in the communications sector, we are attempting to adapt to the changes wrought by the Internet."

**Dennis Collins** of Bethlehem, PA, has worked in land conservation for many years, trying to preserve open spaces, agricultural lands, and special habitats. It's been a "slow, frustrating, but very satisfying career," writes Dennis. "The organizations I've worked with have saved more than 25,000 acres of land in crowded southeast Pennsylvania. Retirement is not an option, as there is so much more to do." **Kate Sickles** Connolly of Hanover, NH, a clinical electron microscopist in the Dartmouth medical school's pathology department, is running unopposed for a fourth term

as a Hanover selectman. "I continue to enjoy my role in town government, which mainly consists of land-use activities," she says. Geologist **Chester Nichols**, BA '60, of Aiken, SC, is working in the soils program for the largest Superfund site, near Augusta, GA. Prior to this, he spent 15 years with Union Carbide in uranium, vanadium, and tungsten exploration and 11 years as a consultant in gold, silver, and platinum exploration, and environmental permitting for mines and mills.

**Carolyn Russell Coombe** writes that one of the longtime goals of husband **Phil '58** was to walk down the Grand Canyon. Following Phil's retirement last year, the two of them did a lot of hiking around their Gramhamsville, NY, area—up and down hills, two to five miles, three times a week for a couple of months. Then in February they headed West. They took about five hours to hike down the canyon, stayed overnight in a cabin at the bottom, then hiked out the next day. "It was a great experience," says Carolyn; "'just awesome,' to use my grandson's words, and I would recommend it for anyone who likes the outdoors." Phil and Carolyn were up to six grandchildren at last count, and one more on the way. They are still farming, raising hay and corn for feed and tending six horses and some 150 head of Angus cattle.

"More golf, tennis, and travel!" reports **Dexter Kimball**, who lives with wife **Linda (Pritchard)** in Roswell, GA. Dexter retired following a 34-year career with Ryder System but also stays active as a consultant in the human resources field, primarily in the transportation industry. "Happy to report that the first year of my retirement has been even better than hoped for," says **Bill Dring**, BArch '61, of Oak Park, IL. "I have been able to help wife Jan in her travel business and have taken many interesting vacations and led groups to the US Rockies, Europe, Egypt, and South America. Jan is a graduate of Depauw U., but thinks of herself as a Cornellian because we spent our first two years together on campus in Ithaca, after we were married in 1959. Our love of travel was born when we spent almost two years in Europe in 1966 and 1967, courtesy of an Eidlitz Traveling Fellowship awarded by the College of Architecture."

"Who would think that at this point in life—while all my colleagues are planning their retirements—I would have changed careers," writes **Beth Weinstein** Newburger-Schwartz of Arlington, VA. After a hectic nine months in The White House Office of Women's Initiatives and Outreach, she has settled in as a Clinton appointee at the General Services Administration, where she heads the Office of Public Affairs. Beth and husband Richard Schwartz traveled to Israel and Egypt earlier this year, then came home to plan a wedding for Richard's last unmarried daughter and await the birth of their tenth grandchild. "Nothing stems the hectic pace of our lives as my new career expands and Richard plans expansion for his company, BOAT/US."

**Doug '57** and **Carole Sahn Sheft** of Tiburon, CA, are awaiting the birth of their fourth grandchild—and are happy to report

that, for the first time in ten years, all of their children are living in the same time zone as mom and dad. **Jim Grunzweig** of Chagrin Falls, OH, notes that his Cornell ties continue to expand. His youngest son, **Jeremy '93**, married **Naomi Gelber '95** in New York City at the Park Avenue Synagogue in June 1996, with oldest son, **Jon '85**, acting as best man. Jim and wife Nancy hosted a pre-nuptial dinner at the Cornell Club—New York. Among those attending the wedding were **Harold "Buddy" Leidner** and **Steve Kasten**.

**Alvin** and **Nola Rosanoff Marx**, MD '64, of San Antonio, TX, have also added a Cornellian to their family. Their daughter, Beth, a senior manager with American Express in NYC, married attorney **Morton Lorge '88** in August 1996. Nola is enjoying her private practice of developmental pediatrics, while Alvin owns and operates Path-Net, an independent pathology lab in San Antonio. They're among a growing group of classmates who write, "We are looking forward to being in Ithaca for our 40th Reunion in 1999." "Save those June 10-13, '99 dates!" urges 40th Reunion Chair **Nancy Sterling Brown**, who promises to give us a most memorable reunion.

After five years as president of Wheaton College, **Dale Rogers Marshall** (Mrs. **Donald '58**, BME '59) can report that "enrollment is at an all-time high and we are becoming more selective rather than growing." The speakers at Wheaton's recent commencement were **Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54** and her husband, **Martin '53**.

More than 170 people attended the April 29 alumni reception for President Rawlings given by the Alumni Assn. of Greater Rochester. Chairing the event was **Gail Freeman Kayson** of Pittsford, NY, the club's historian. Other '59ers present were **Maxine Hollander Bittker**, **Sally Wheaton Gillan**, **Roslyn "Roz" Bakst Goldman**, and **Ken Steadman**.

**Jackie (Grimm) '61** and **Bill Kingston**, BEE '60, of Wilton, CT, "had a great visit" with **Ron** and **Annette Demer**, BME '60, in March. "We saw the sights in Atlanta and went to Augusta for the rowing regatta, where the Cornell crews turned in an excellent performance," writes Bill. "The strong new coaching and great team spirit should give us a lot to look forward to in the seasons to come." ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801-2643; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, 102433.3653@compuserve.com.

**60** Recent news from **George Gellert**, MBA '62, JD '63, reveals that he and his immediate family have a large number of Cornell degrees among them. George chairs the board of Atalanta Corp. and lives in Oradell, NJ, with wife Barbara. George is now a university trustee. Their oldest is son **Andy '89**. Second child is daughter **Amy '91**. Younger son, **Tom '94**, Grad, is still on the Hill, now at the Law school. Andy and Amy both work for Atalanta and live in New York City.

**Bill Fisher**, MBA '65, PhD '68, writes from McLean, VA, that he recently started a new job in Washington, DC, as president and

CEO of the American Hotel and Motel Assn. after many years with the National Restaurant Assn. Bill and wife Yvonne are traveling internationally a good deal these days, but set aside time to spend with their young granddaughters ("Classes of 2015 and 2017," says Bill) and sons **Mike '91** and **Tom '93**.

**David Covitz**, BS '62, DVM '63, says, "I recently overcame my resistance to change and moved my veterinary practice into a single location close to home," and also reduced his practice, in which he specializes in ophthalmology, to four days a week. "I call it semi-retirement," says David, who lives in Ridgefield, CT, with wife Barbara. **A. Kirk Field**, MS '61, also changed his professional venue; he moved to N. Wales, PA, from Massachusetts and now spends more time working from home for his company, Hybridon. Kirk and **Marcia (Case) '61** have Cornellian children **Karen Field Murray '86**, who lives in Boston, and **Rick Field '91**, currently in Amman, Jordan. A more complete change of status was announced by **Edward Cliggott**, M Ed '61, of Hyannis, MA, who retired after teaching history for 34 years in Ithaca and Barnstable, MA, and thus has "more time for golf on Cape Cod's many courses."

**Jon Steinberg** is now in his seventh year as judge on the US Court of Veterans Appeals and lives with wife Shellie, an interior designer, in Potomac, MD. Daughter Amy is at Washington U. working on a degree in physical therapy, and son Andrew works at the US Department of Justice. Jon and Shellie run and bicycle regularly, "trying to ward off the aging process—so far, pretty successfully," he says.

**Sara Wise Kane** notes that her family has been growing rapidly, with the recent addition of "a charming daughter-in-law," Melissa, and three young grandchildren. Sara and **Joel, '58-59 SpAg**, live in Key Biscayne, FL. **Sharon (Lasky)** and Sid Mishkin of Indianapolis, IN, became grandparents for the first time with the birth of a son to daughter **Tracy Mishkin '88**, who is a professor of English at Georgia College, and her husband, George Kelley, who is completing a graduate degree.

New grandchildren (Cornell, class of 2017?) were among the throngs on hand to celebrate **Dan '58** and **Barbara Cyrus Martin**'s 35th wedding anniversary in Scarsdale, NY, in June. Son **Alex '89** and wife Maria brought baby Alexander to the festivities, and **Jeff Morgan '84** (son of **Becky (Quinn)** and **Jim Morgan**, BME '62, MBA '63) and his wife, Valerie, had baby Julien in tow. On their way from San Francisco to New York, the Morgans stopped off in Chicago to see daughter Mary receive her MD degree from the U. of Chicago and to visit their other grandchildren, Sean and Morgan. Other friends at the Martin gala included **Michaelin Reamy** and **Margaret Osmer-McQuade**.

Several classmates report exciting recent travels. **Jan Mitchelhill** Leas took a month away from her usual habitat in Stone Ridge, NY, to tour Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji. Jan says, "It was all quite wonderful" and she enjoyed every moment except the 4:00 a.m. wake-up calls when flights were leaving,

## IT SLEEPS ALONE



A FRUGAL AND ANONYMOUS SCOT, LONG YEARS AGO, observed that the oaken casks which had been used for bringing sherry, port, or madeira into the country, might be employed thereafter to *mature malt whisky*.

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**Leonard** and **Patty Johnson** just returned from a bicycling trip to France and Italy with a group that included **Keith Johnson '56**; in Venice they visited **Anne Rothenthaler Vendramin** and husband Giancarlo, who have vowed to make the trip to Ithaca for our 40th Reunion in 2000.

**Susan (Cowan)** and Henry Jakubiak may have logged the most miles with their recent trip, which included children **Jeff, JD '97**, and Elena, and took them to Japan, Bangkok, and Myanmar (Burma) and concluded with a round of scuba diving in Thailand. The Jakubiaks also recently visited Mayan ruins in Guatemala and Honduras before scuba diving in Costa Rica, and toured the fortified hill cities of Umbria in Italy. When at home in Washington, DC, Susan gets together with local Class of '60 women for activities such as hikes, museum visits, or tours of places like the State Department. Anyone who wishes to participate in the group's get-togethers should contact Susan; her e-mail is: jakubiak@apogee-us.com.

**Paul Becker**, BS Eng '61, and **Gail (Hirschmann) '62** became grandparents for the fourth time when daughter Lisa gave birth to a son shortly after earning an MFA from the U. of Texas. Son **Kevin '89** lives in Buffalo with his wife and two boys. The senior Beckers' two other children are busy as actors in theater and film. Son Randy is one of the stars of the movie *Love, Valour, Compassion*. The Beckers extend a warm welcome to anyone visiting Bloomington, IN; they can be found at 3504 William Ct. Send news. ♦ **Judy Bryant Wittenberg**, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02161; e-mail: jwittenberg@vmsvx.simmmons.edu.

**61** Hope that you all had a good summer. Due to the fanaticism of my older son, James, I have "taken up" golf. I think the last time I played was during summer school in 1960! That's a long time between swings . . . and I'm having fun.

Some other classmates are having fun, even while they are working. **Fred Carter**, BS Ag '63, for example, lives in Atlanta, GA, but spends half his time selling pension plans in Puerto Rico, where there's sun, water, and good weather. As he says, "It's a tough life, but someone's got to do it!" Dr. **Don Rubell** also spends time in the sun. Although a New Yorker, his family recently opened their second Florida hotel on South Beach. It's the Albién Hotel, and "all Cornellians are more than welcome."

Las Cruces, NM, is home to **Al Galves** and wife Nancy. Al is about to get a PhD in clinical psychology, and begin work as a psychotherapist. His theory: "Might as well get some benefit out of all those hours and dollars spent in therapy!"

And now for the foreign connections. **Phil Cook** is leaving Buffalo, NY, for Yunnan Province, China. He's on a four-year consulting assignment to improve water and waste utilities. **Arthur Tasker**, BS Eng '62, and Lucia are back in Forest Hills, NY, after ten days in Bologna, Italy. They are setting up a new venture at the annual international book fair. Arthur says that it's a very modest beginning, but promises at least one annual deluxe trip to

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Europe for several weeks, for business and pleasure. In the meantime, they're off to Los Angeles to visit daughter **Alex '90**. **Ellie Rubin Charwat** and husband Martin spent two weeks on a Global Volunteers program, teaching conversational English in Iraklion, on the Island of Crete. Global Volunteers offers opportunities like this throughout the world. It's an interesting alternative to a standard vacation.

Some rewarding news for **Deanna Spitzer-Nass**, who was recently included in *Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare, 1997-98*. She was recognized for her cumulative academic and professional achievements during her 36-year career. She has written grants and published books about counseling, and was director of counseling services at CUNY, College of Staten Island. She's planning retirement to her interest in the arts, writing, and researching full-time. **Ellie Browner Greco** will have retired from teaching by the time this is read, with plans for boating along the Eastern seacoast with husband Bill.

**James Rather**, BA '62, has become the first person battling ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) to become a board member of the Greater New York ALS chapter. Jim is a founding partner of the Long Island law firm of McMillan, Rather, Bennet & Rigano, PC. Although Jim knew of his diagnosis in 1991, he kept it to himself for two years, wanting to maintain a normal life for his wife and children as long as possible. In December 1994, he decided to continue life with the aid of a ventilator, and he has written a series of articles for the ALS magazine. He continues to live a productive life, writing and speaking via computer. He works on cases at his firm, runs an ALS support group and has raised significant funds for research and patient support. He communicates daily on the Internet with hundreds of other ALS patients, and was instrumental in getting Mayor Guiliani to proclaim May as ALS Awareness Month in a moving ceremony at City Hall, with four New York Yankees players in attendance. Jim personifies the truth of the Georgia O'Keefe quotation, "Where I was born and where and how I lived is unimportant. It is what I have done with where I have been that should be of importance."

**Emily Tall**, Amherst, NY, published a new book, *Let's Talk About Life: An Integrated Approach to Russian Conversation*. And **Sam Greenblatt**, MD '66, after six years, published *A History of Neurosurgery in Its Scientific and Professional Contexts*. Sam and **Judith (Shapiro) '62** live in Providence, RI. **Barbara "Bobbie" Horowitz** is still hard at work producing a musical, *The Betrayal of Nora Blake*. Class President **Frank Cuzzi**, MBA '64, attended a recent reading and a backers' audition is scheduled at 21. (New Yorkers know that's a top restaurant!) Bobbie's son **David Slone '90**, JD '94, is appearing in *The Revengers Tragedy* at the Expanded Arts Theater. Seems to run in the family!

Let's hear from classmates who have not sent news in the past three years. Catch up! ♦ **Joyce Berger** Goldman, 5 Roosevelt Pl., Montclair, NJ 07042; tel., (201) 782-5196.

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Summer is almost gone and fall is upon us! The countdown to our 35th Reunion has begun. Start planning now! **Ed Slisky**, BEE '64, MBA '65, is now a support specialist with Synon Inc. in Larkspur, CA. He had retired earlier from IBM, after 30 years. **Mark Spitzer**, BArch '64, has been executive director of Environmental Works, a community design center, non-profit architectural firm in Seattle. He has initiated a merger with **Jan Gleason Robinson '70** and her staff, which includes **Sally Knodell '82**, BArch '84. Along with helping low-income people and communities, they are working on a Street of Realities affordable-housing project and eco-tourism ideas for the Mt. Rainier area. **Jo Musicus Ashworth**, MPA '64, has retired from New York State and is trying to start a consulting firm specializing in change management and related areas. Her daughter is a middle school teacher at a Bronx alternative school. Her son is looking for a position as a graphic designer-art director with a website building company. One stepson is in Army military intelligence and the other works with NAPA. **Joan Travers** Barist still runs her Joan Barist Primitive Art Gallery in Short Hills, NJ. She has recently expanded to a New York City location at 24 Fifth Avenue. She welcomes Comellian visitors.

I received a note from **E. R.** "Ned" and **Suzie Young Allen** too late for the last issue—it was announcing a summer full of Ned's new race-boat campaign across the country. The boat is an unlimited light hydroplane, sponsored by Alamo Rental Cars and owned by Ned. The driver was to be National Champion Mike Mammano. Hope the season went well! **Allan "Gus" Keysor**, BA '65, changed jobs and is now vice president and general counsel for Curative Health Services Inc. in Setauket, Long Island, NY. Son Ted graduated from Colby College with a BS in biology. Dwight is a sophomore at Brown and plays lacrosse. Son John is in eighth grade, an honor student playing lacrosse and soccer. Gus's wife, Nan, is a paralegal and a substitute teacher. A regular column contributor is **Madeleine Leston Meehan**. She keeps very busy in the art world—an exhibit at Bienale of Caribbean and Central American Paintings at MOMA/Santo Domingo. She is returning to Spoleto/Charleston Ballet Theater and Coleman Fine Art, as well as the Eastern Music Festival in Greensboro, NC, and had a nice trip home to Havana in February.

**Steven Salinger** has had a varied 34 years since our graduation. After earning an MFA from Iowa Writers' Workshop he moved to the Virgin Islands, where he was a college professor, gold dealer, magazine publisher, and newspaper columnist. In 1982 he and wife Gretel moved to NYC, where he launched Physicians' Travel and Meeting Guide. When this was purchased, he started writing—look for his first novel "Behold the Fire," to be published this fall by Warner Books. Gretel is in nursing administration in NYC. Daughter Allyson is a sophomore at Skidmore and son David is in ninth grade.

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# MATTERS

## THE FRANK H. T. RHODES EXEMPLARY ALUMNI SERVICE AWARDS

### "MAKING A DIFFERENCE IS A WAY OF LIFE"

SIX ALUMNI WHO HAVE provided exceptional service to the university will be honored by the Cornell Alumni Federation during Homecoming Weekend at an awards reception and banquet in Ithaca on Saturday, September 27.

The selection committee includes presidents of the Alumni Federation and the Association

#### *Cornellians Honored for Their Years of Voluntarism*

BY DONNA FORSMAN '63

of Class Officers, chairs of the University Council and the Trustee Subcommittee on Alumni Affairs, the immediate past chair of the Committee on Alumni Trustee Nominations, and the director of alumni affairs. Criteria are length and quality of leadership

and service to Cornell.

The award is named in honor of Frank H. T. Rhodes, ninth president of the university, 1977-95. The first awards were made the year of his retirement. "I am honored to have my name associated with the Federation's Ex-

emplary Alumni Service Award," says Rhodes. "I have had the good fortune to work with people for whom making a difference is a way of life. Indeed, it is this principle that seems to be the guiding force for many Cornell alumni." This year's honorees helped strengthen Cornell and can inspire other alumni to become more involved.

#### **Edward F. "Ned" Arps '55, BCE '56, MBA '57**

Not least among Ned Arps's contributions are his fundraising efforts. He is vice president/Cornell Fund representative of the Class of '55, heading his class's last four reunion campaigns. He launched his Cornell fundraising career



Arps

in 1965 during the Centennial Fund Campaign. He co-chaired the recent Houston Capital Campaign and is Houston Tower Club chair.

Ned served on the University Council for five terms and on the Planned Giving Committee, and chaired the Corporate Matching Gifts Program. He is a past president of the Cornell Club of Boston and was president of the Alumni Association of Greater Houston for eight years. He

served on the Engineering and Johnson Graduate School of Management alumni councils and is on the executive committee of the Cornell Rowing Association. An Exxon retiree, Ned lives in Houston and is a member of the board of the College of Biblical Studies—Houston.

#### **Dorothy "Dottie" Clark Free, BS HE '53**

Dottie Free has served on the board of the Cornell Club of Northern California for twenty-five years and was the first woman president of its combined men's and women's club. She chaired and organized the first visit to northern California by then President Rhodes, hosted dinners, organized regional faculty symposia, and held receptions for new stu-

dents. She organized the first Cornell phonathon in Menlo Park in the 1960s and worked on the 125th Anniversary Celebration in San Francisco in 1991.

In 1988, Dottie received the Dean's Award for Service to the College of Human Ecology. She was vice chair of the University Council for one year and a member of its administrative board for six, chairing its International Programs Committee and the Annual Meeting Planning Committee. She became a life member in 1996. Dottie has been a docent at the Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco for twenty years.



Free

#### **L. William "Bill" Kay II, BS ILR '51**

Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, resident Bill Kay is prominent among Cornellians in greater Philadelphia. In 1992, Bill received the G. Ruhland Rebmann Jr. Award from the Cornell Club of Greater Philadelphia for long-term devoted service. In 1993 he co-chaired CU in Philadelphia, commemorating the 100th Penn/Cornell football game. A life member of the University Council and co-founder of the Cornell Real Estate Council, Bill served on the ILR advisory council and was the original Founders Fund chair.



Kay

During the recent Cornell Campaign, he co-chaired the ILR National Campaign Committee

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## CAF to Award \$50,000 in Grants to Alumni Organizations

The Cornell Alumni Federation (CAF) has established a grant program using credit card royalties generated by the new CAF/First USA Cornell Visa Card. A total of \$50,000 will be available in 1998. The CAF invites constituent organizations in good standing to submit proposals describing creative initiatives that will engage alumni, increase alumni participation, and benefit alumni and the university. First-round proposals due Dec. 1, '97, grants awarded Jan. 15, '98. Second-round proposals due June 1, '98, grants awarded July 15, '98. For more information call Donna Carl, (607) 255-3517.

## Statement of Outgoing Alumni-Elected Trustees

**Eleanor Applewhaite '59:** "Thank you, fellow alumni/ae, for the opportunity to serve as a trustee. It is impossible to report that I have "represented" the diverse interests of alumni body, but I have served to the best of my ability. I urge you to continue to include among those you elect alumni/ae whose career paths or other life choices would not make them likely candidates for nomination. The university is healthier because of the presence of individuals whose paths to the board are varied.

The highlight of my term was the change of administrations upon the retirement of President Rhodes. I believe that Hunter Rawlings has what it takes to run Cornell; I wish him good luck! I was deeply moved each of my four years participating in the PhD recognition ceremony and commencement weekend. To see the faces of the graduates and their families confirms that the effort is worthwhile.

When I sought election to the board, I was committed to improving understanding among groups on campus. I pursued this goal as a member of the Committee on Academic Affairs and Campus Life and in meetings with students and faculty. Though there has not been any discernible change, the issue is high on both the board's and the administration's agenda. As we know, change is often unpleasant in the short term, even as it results in long-term improvement. Cornell will need alumni support as it enters a period of change. Cornell deserves your support."

**J. Thomas Clark '63, MBA '64 (continuing service):** "During my term I have participated in perhaps the largest leadership change in the history of Cornell—president, provost, vice presidents, and seven deans. Cornell's leadership is strong and is attacking challenges such as SUNY funding cuts, the need for competitive faculty and staff salaries, productivity improvements through new technology, and the elimination of overlapping programs. These changes will hold down the rate of tuition increases, while maintaining funding for needs-blind admissions.

As an alumni-elected trustee, I have become more knowledgeable of the efforts alumni make on behalf of Cornell. Through the University Council, CACO, club and Alumni Association activities, the Giving Clubs, Secondary School Committees, and more, alumni work hard for Cornell.

As our alumni population grows, it is essential that we maintain our giving participation levels. It concerns me that the number of alumni giving to Cornell is only around 34 percent, significantly below our peer institutions. A strong Cornell depends both on effective management of the university's resources and increasing alumni support.

I have learned a lot about Cornell during my last four years as a trustee. It takes strong commitment and dedication—particularly in terms of time—to be an effective trustee. During my next term, I look forward to representing alumni, students, and faculty in the quest for ever greater Cornell achievement."

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 15 - NOVEMBER 15

For updated information on Cornell Club events, call the Office of Alumni Affairs, (607) 255-3517.

### ITHACA

**Alumni Affairs, Sept. 26-28**—Homecoming Weekend. Call Margaret Gallo '81, (607) 255-7085.

**Alumni Affairs, Sept. 27**—Homecoming Lunch, Lynah Rink parking lot. Call Margaret Gallo '81, (607) 255-7085.

**Alumni Affairs, Sept. 27**—All-Alumni Postgame Gathering, Schoellkopf House Hall of Fame Room. Call Margaret Gallo '81, (607) 255-7085.

**Alumni Affairs, Sept. 27**—Young Alumni Postgame Gathering at Lynah Rink. Call Margaret Gallo '81, (607) 255-7085.

**Alumni Affairs, Sept. 27**—Big Red Barn Postgame Bash, with music by Johnny Russo. Call Margaret Gallo '81, (607) 255-7085.

**Alumni Affairs, Sept. 27**—Glee Club Fall Concert, 8:00 p.m. Call Margaret Gallo '81, (607) 255-7085.

**Trustee/Council Weekend, Oct. 16-18**—Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees and University Council. Contact Mary Faber, (607) 254-7104.

### METRO NEW YORK

**CAA/Princeton, Sept. 20**—Women's field hockey game, tailgate, and men's soccer game. Call Nancy Gross Osborn '75, (609) 275-0737.

**Hotel School, Sept. 22**—Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Celebration at Windows on the World. Call Mike Schiff '87, (201) 560-8953.

**CAAAN/New York, Oct. 6**—Fall information meeting, Cornell Club—New York. Call Keri Reitman, (212) 692-1381.

**CC/Northern New Jersey, Oct. 15**—Countyside bike trip. Call Kristina Schneider Holman '89, (973) 539-9787.

### NEW YORK/ONTARIO

**CC/Genesee-Orleans, Sept. 27**—Homecoming, discount group ticket rates. Call Elaine Bont Wendt '84, (716) 589-5561.

**CAA/Central New York, Nov. 1**—Volunteer with CAACNY and perform community service beautifying our adopted

stretch of I-81. Call Holly Hertel Heitzman '96, (607) 254-7181.

### NORTHEAST

**PCCW, Sept. 19-21**—Fall 1997 Conference, Boston area. Call Kathy Loehr-Balada '78, (607) 255-6624.

**CAIG/Western Massachusetts, Oct. 4**—Carpool with Pioneer Valley Cornellians to Hanover, NH, for the Cornell-Dartmouth football game. Call Chris Mendrykowski Felton '90, (413) 599-1939.

### MID-ATLANTIC

**CC/Washington, Sept. 20**—Old Rag XXIV, the annual fall hike. Call John Hedlund '91, (607) 255-3516.

### MIDWEST

**Hotel School, Oct. 25**—Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Celebration at the Chicago Historical Society. Call Amy Unell '94, (312) 856-3663.

### WESTERN

**CC/Orange County, Sept. 17**—Micro-Brewery Tour, Laguna Beach Brewing Co. Call Peter E. Lee '63, (415) 438-7980.

**CC/Oregon, Sept. 18**—Faculty Speaker: Agriculture Dean Daryl Lund. Call Martha Northam Schrader '75, (503) 266-2432.

**CC/W. Washington, Sept. 19**—Faculty Speaker: Agriculture Dean Daryl Lund. Call Leslie Scheidt Redd '89, (206) 545-1514.

**CC/N. California, Oct. 30**—Pumpkin Carving. Call Peter E. Lee '63, (415) 438-7980.

**Hotel School, Nov. 1**—Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Celebration at Westin St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco. Call Ken Kuchman '82, (415) 421-5378.

### INTERNATIONAL

**Alumni Affairs, Oct. 16**—Spirit of Zinck's Night. Join Cornellians in more than 80 cities around the world as they celebrate. Call John Hedlund '91, (607) 255-3516, or Lorie Dalola Hine '82, (607) 255-3517 or see the website, [www.alumni.cornell.edu](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu).

## New Directors Chosen for the CAF Board

BY DONNA FORSMAN '63

AT ITS JANUARY 24, 1997 meeting, the full Federation board unanimously endorsed the Nominations Committee's slate of candidates for six at-large and eight director-from-the-region positions to serve for two years beginning in May 1997.

New directors-at-large include: Andreas D. Baxevanis '84, Herbert M. Fontecilla '66, ME '67, Donna L. Forsman '63, BFA

'64, Sanford M. Gibbs '64, Ruthanne Kurtyka '70, JD '73, and Jennifer L. Herskowitz '88. Retiring directors-at-large whose terms ended in April are: Cathy Cosentini Bonczek '81 and Michael Gerling '76, MBA '77.

Beginning new terms as directors from the regions were: Merle Kramer Mermelstein '82 (North Central); Christine Mendrykowski Felton '90 (Northeast); Jon P. Vollmer, MBA '81 (Southeast); Kenneth A. Portnoy '70, B Arch '71 (Southwest/Mountain); and Alan T.

Beimfohr '66 (Western). Beginning second terms were: Deanne Gebell Gitner '66 (Metro-New York); Muriel Bertenthal Kuhs '61 (Midwest); and Dorothy Preisner Valachovic '71 (New York/Ontario). Outgoing directors-from-the-regions included: Roger Carroll '76 (North Central); Janis McManus '76 (Northeast); Diana Heywood Calby '54 (Southeast); Edward Roach '80 (Southwest/Mountain); and Francis Dawson '72 (Western).

At its May 17, 1997 meeting, the Federation board unanimously ap-

proved the following slate of 1997-1999 officers presented by its Nominations Committee: Jeffrey S. Estabrook '80, JD '83 (president); Donna L. Forsman '63, BFA '64 (vice president); Jane Longley-Cook '69 (vice president); Gene D. Resnick '70, MD '74 (vice president); Martha Slye Sherman '73, MPS '75 (vice president); and Sharon Heggerty Williams '65 (vice president). Director of Alumni Affairs Mary F. Berens '74 continues as secretary/treasurer.

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and worked on the Major Gifts Campaign Committee. A past-president of his class, Bill is co-chair of the Frederick George Marcham Scholarship Fund and a Friend of the Rare and Manuscript Collections. He is also funding the History of Cornell Project, which will extend the published history of the university from the 1950s through President Emeritus Rhodes's retirement in 1995.

### Lawrence "Larry" Lowenstein, BA '43

Larry Lowenstein, a life member of the University Council, chaired the Secondary School Admissions volunteer program (now Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network—CAAAN), and was a director of the CACO and Federation of Cornell Clubs boards.



Lowenstein

He chaired the 50th Reunion Campaign for the Class of '43 and was his class's Cornell Fund representative for more than twenty-five years. During the recent campaign, he contributed time and energy to the Arts and Sciences Campaign Committee and the New York City Personal Solicitation Team for the Classes of

the '40s. A native New Yorker, Larry was president of the Alumni Association of New York City, whose Lowenstein Tradition Fellowship is named in his honor.

### Margaret Newell Mitchell, BS HE '47

A dedicated alumna of the College of Human Ecology, Margaret is a former member of its advisory council. She received

the Dean's Award for Service to the college in 1995. She is a life member of the University Council and co-chaired both the Cayuga Society and Planned Giving Committee. Margaret is a former president of the Class of '47, and was



Mitchell

the first woman president of the Cornell Club of Northeastern Ohio. She is secretary-treasurer of Even Cut Abrasive Company and serves on the boards of several organizations in the Cleveland area.

### William M. "Bill" Vanneman '31

Bill Vanneman has been active in class and alumni affairs since his first (Dix Plan) reunion in 1933. He has been president and class correspondent for the Class of '31 for years. A resident of South Yarmouth, Massachusetts, he was a founding member, a long-time board member, and an officer of the Cornell Club of Fairfield County, Connecticut. He was an interviewer on its Secondary School Committee, a liaison for athletic staff recruiting efforts, and a volunteer for the Cornell Fund.



Vanneman

He has chaired the Committee on Alumni Trustee Nominations. Bill retired from law book publishing in 1974. President Emeritus Rhodes has cited him for "extraordinary devotion to Cornell," and President Rawlings calls him "an exceptionally active Cornell volunteer; a driving force behind [his] class campaign."

## Our Way of Saying "Thanks"

Nancy McAfee '63

HOW CAN I GET AN AWARD FOR SOMETHING THAT HAS been so much fun?" quipped a winner of the 1997 Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award. His response was typical: all winners regarded their service to Cornell as a life-enriching activity that kept them involved with friends.

Who are these winners? One was president of her local Cornell Club, a life member of the Cornell Council, a CAAAN interviewer, and active on the alumni board of the architecture college. Another was a longtime volunteer for the Cornell Fund, vice president and treasurer of the Class of '49, and a university trustee. There are hundreds of loyal Cornellians without whom the university could never be as effective as it is in the world of higher education. Do we value their service? You bet we do!

In 1994, the Cornell Alumni Federation established the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award to honor up to six alumni per year who have taken leadership roles and made contributions to Cornell. Financial gifts are not among the criteria used to select honorees, and active university trustees are not eligible for consideration.

These awards are the Federation's way of saying "thank you" to dedicated alumni who have provided exceptional service to Cornell—and who think they don't need to be thanked!

*Nancy McAfee was president of the Cornell Alumni Federation, 1995-97.*

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The highlight of 1996 for **Gloria Fuss Kurzrok** was the graduation of daughter **Shari Kurzrok '96**. This past January, Gloria and her husband became grandparents, by daughter Marnie and her husband. Son Mike is in NYC working with his father in the stock market. Had a nice note from **Valerie French**, BA '64, who has just had a wonderful sabbatical year devoting herself to research and writing. This fall she returns to full-time teaching after

## “Joel Perlman says he enjoys being ‘a first-time father at age 53.’”

— FLORENCE DOUGLAS BANK '65

ten years in administration. Valerie's summer was filled with travel. She visited daughter **Signe Allen Linscott '84**, BA '89, and husband Mark, who are living in Geneva, Switzerland. Plans were also to go to Italy and Sicily and the Peloponnese.

**Kandis Vengris** Scott has left law school teaching for service in the Peace Corps in Romania. **John J. Schumacher** is proud of the 30th year for his company, Schumacher Landscaping Inc., as the dominant landscaper in the New England area. John and Judy are also celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary this year. Two of their children are involved in the business—son David, (Dartmouth '95) is in new business development. Daughter Jennifer (Connecticut College '91) is controller for the maintenance division. Son Michael (Princeton '90) is in Boston real estate development.

**Karen Randlev** Smith has gone from full-time employment to 60 percent as part of the ninth-grade program that she helped write and develop for Albany High School in Mill Valley, CA. She will also be teaching a senior English writing course which she really loves. Karen's son, Ralph Donnelly III, lives in Boston with his wife. Ralph is a post doc at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center working on a telescope to be launched into space next year. Daughter Julie is an administrator in Wellesley. Karen sees her Alpha Phi friends regularly.

Several classmates enjoyed Adult University (CAU) last winter. **William Miller**, MD '67, went to Tortola and the British Virgin Islands. **Marvin** and **Greta Zalman** experienced the natural life of the Florida Everglades. That's all for this issue! Keep those news cards coming. ♦ **Nancy Bierds** Icke, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; tel., (414) 681-7990.

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Lotsa dues and news came in—so there's lots to report. Here goes, beginning with some exciting new jobs: **Jill Waxman** Polymeropoulos (85 Donaldson St., Highland Park, NJ) is now senior vice president, director of research service, for Ronin Corp. of Princeton, NJ, a management consulting and marketing research firm for

high-tech and telecommunications companies. **Albert Jerome** also has a new calling: he's president and CEO of KCET, Public Television for Southern and Central California. Al says of his new job: "For 26 years, I was in commercial television. Having made the transition to public television, I have learned the importance of fundraising in keeping PBS viable in today's more competitive media landscape . . . Please support it through your local PBS station." Al and wife Michelle live at

31755 W. Blue Meadow Lane, Westlake Village, CA. And **Fred Peelen** has been promoted to president-Americas for Inter-Continental Hotels and Resorts, overseeing 32 locations. Fred previously was executive vice president of Inter-Continental's nine North American operations. Fred provides his business address: 1120 Ave. of the Americas, NYC.

**Edward Hamilton**, a design engineer and executive with Chrysler Corp., is trying for a new job: governor of Michigan. Ed's attempt to emulate the late George Romney is evident in his being the only (so far) "conservative" Democratic Party candidate for next year's primary. Last year, Ed was his party's standard bearer for Oakland County executive. Ed and wife Silvia, who recently traveled to both Europe and Asia, live at 1745 McManus Dr., Troy, MI, with their son and daughter. Ed says: "See y'all [at our 35th Reunion] in 1999!"

**Charles Hartquist**, BME '65, MBA '66, decided to retire in January ". . . and enjoy the good life!" Charles and wife Barbara, who live at 304 Mount Shasta Dr., San Rafael, CA, plan to spend their time traveling and enjoying sports. They took a trip to Bermuda in June and next month will go on safari in Kenya. The same goes for engineer **Carl "Kim" Ahlers**, BS Eng and ME Ch '66, who reports being "just in the process of retiring." Kim and wife Sandra plan to return to the US this autumn from their new home, 1 Waters Edge, Marlow Bridge Lane, Marlow, Bucks, United Kingdom. In his spare time, he has been rowing on the Thames. Also retired is **Henry Logan**, B Ch E '65, ME Ch '66, who with wife Donna lives at 506 Rothbury Rd., Wilmington, DE. Henry enjoys woodworking and reports seeing another retiree—**Ed Dealy**, B Ch E '65, MBA '66—and Ed's wife, Lynne.

**Nancy Dunhoff Mills** and son **Kevin '93**, both writers, just got an advance for their book, "Help! My Apartment Has a Dining Room," the sequel to their, *Help! My Apartment Has a Kitchen*, published last year by Chapters Publishing and now in its fourth printing. Nancy and husband **Bart** still live at 563 29th St., Manhattan Beach, CA.

Addresses to report: the Rev. **Douglas Garland**, BA '65, an ordained minister, gives his address as 23 Church St., Transfer, PA. Dr. **Ada Dot Hayes** has moved to 266 Lake Terrace Dr., Hendersonville, TN, from New Jersey. **Elizabeth Moll**, an educational technology planner with Erie/BOCES, has moved with husband Robert Thill to 5329 Broadway, Lancaster, NY. **Jane Fennelly**, an attorney, recently moved from California with husband Jay Brent to 10241 E. Palo Brea Dr., Scottsdale, AZ. She took a job there with the law firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey and is enjoying the golfing around Scottsdale. **M. John Sterba**, B Ch E '65, ME Ch '68, gives a new address of 489 W. 22nd St., NYC. John also reports attending the wedding last March of the daughter of **Rick '65** and Class Treasurer **Linda Cohen Meltzer**. **Janet Spencer King**; **Larry** and **Roberta Matthews Monat**; **Ed '63**, **BEE '64**, **MS '65**, and **Nancy Taylor Butler**; **John '62**, **BEE '63**, and **Carolyn Chauncey Neuman** were also there, as were **Steve '63** and **Joan Elstein Rogow '65**, and **Alice Katz Berglas '66**.

**Robert Gontram**, 6231 Rosebury, #3, St. Louis, MO, last year opened a new restaurant in St. Louis called "Harvest," which the community newspaper *Riverfront Times* anointed the city's Best New Restaurant for last year. Bob's son is its chef. And if he's looking for wines to stock it with, Bob might contact **John Brahm** (6259 Hawks Rd., Naples, NY), whose winery, Arbor Hill, became the first in the US to offer the new grape variety Traminette in a 1994 wine. The variety was released and named by Cornell at the Geneva Agricultural Experiment Station in the spring of 1996.

**R. Wayne Mezitt**, MBA '66, owner of Weston Nurseries, has been elected director of the American Assn. of Nurserymen, his industry's national trade organization. Wayne and wife **A. Elizabeth (Pickering) '65** live at 25 Phillips St., Hopkinton, MA. Their son joined the firm last year as the nursery's wholesale yard manager. **Richard Hecht** sent an update of his doings (I had only his address and occupation for the last column). A CPA, he has been named managing partner of his accounting firm and is also vice president of the New York Society of Certified Public Accountants. Ed enjoys tennis, running and golf. He and wife Susan have two sons in college and live at 6 Mileview Ave., White Plains, NY.

**Keng Bin "Pat" Lee**, BS Ag '65, received a Distinguished Service Award from Rotary International—and was also knighted by the Finnish Government for service as their honorable consul in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Pat owns his own peat production company and is on the board of directors of several family businesses. An active Rotarian, Pat asks: "I would like to find out how many of our classmates are involved in Rotary Club activities in their communities. This can further strengthen our fellowship. I invite them to communicate with me so that we can explore what the Cornell Class of '64 can do internationally." Pat and wife **Chua Jin-Eng** live at 2 Jalan 2/2 Taman Tar, Ampang Jaya, 68000 Kuala Lumpur.

**Mary Cline** Harris (16 Country Fair



Lane., St. Louis, MO), a high school science teacher, is a 1996-97 "Polymer Ambassador," giving workshops for teachers, students, and others interested in knowing more about the chemistry of polymers and their role in everyday life. She asks you to contact her if you wish more information. **Hiroshi Kohda**, general manager of the Hotel New Otani in Osaka, Japan, reports being "busy, busy, busy!" So busy, he reports, that his hobby of painting pastels has had to wait for his non-existent free time. Hiroshi is president of the Kansai chapter of the Cornell Society of Hotelmen. In June, he attended the society's Asia Pacific regional meeting in Tokyo.

Attorney **John Ohlweiler** (535 E. 86th St., NYC) reports he and wife Joan's younger daughter, **Jane '98**, is in Engineering. Their two older children are married.

**Arthur Birnkrant**, a dermatologist/inter-nist, founded the Rumson Lacrosse Club and also enjoys sailing and fishing. Art and wife Karen still live at 45 Washington Ave., Rumson, NJ.

That's it for now. Keep the news 'n dues coming. ♦ **Bev Johns Lamont**, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; email, 72760.2224@compuserve.com or blamont@tribune.com.

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Congratulations to all members of the Class of '65 with children who are 1997 graduates! We hope to hear from you soon about their accomplishments. We also want to hear from all classmates with children presently at Cornell, so we can include their names in our future columns. To begin on a personal note, **Richard Bank '63**, JD '66, and I returned from Ithaca in May, where we watched with great pride as our son **Brian Bank, MBA '97**, carried the Johnson Graduate School of Management banner into Schoellkopf Field for Cornell's 129th Commencement. Later, at the Bailey Hall ceremony, as his class's vice president for fundraising, Brian presented Dean Dyckman with the gift of \$103,000 in pledges and cash (the largest-ever Johnson school class gift) and also received the A. Donald Kelso Award from the faculty. It was exciting for us to see Brian continue our family tradition as a third-generation Cornellian (his grandfather was Dr. **Albert H. Douglas, MD '29**) with such success.

Congratulations to Dr. **Michael A. Gimbrone Jr.**, who was elected to the National Academy of Sciences this year, one of the highest honors that can be accorded an American scientist or engineer. He is director of the vascular research division and a pathologist at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, and the Elsie T. Friedman professor of pathology at Harvard medical school in Boston, MA. "His research is concerned with the cellular and molecular mechanisms of vascular diseases such as atherosclerosis and inflammation." Another academic, **Gordon Hirsch**, writes that he is in his eighth year as director of the honors program in the college of liberal arts at the U. of Minnesota, where he has been on the faculty since 1970. Together with his spouse, Lou, who earned her second doctorate three years ago in counseling psychology, he resides in St. Paul, MN.

We received lots of Cornell family news from **David Roitman**, who is class Tower Club chairman and a University Council member. David and wife **Linda (Lomazoff) '66** are proud of their legacies: **Brian '90**, who earned an MBA from Columbia's business school and his wife, **Sonia (Lees) '90**, who started an internship in clinical psychology at Yale Psychiatric Inst.; **Mitchell '92** and his wife, Jamie (Donahy), who reside in Seattle, where they are both PhD candidates in neurobiology and behavior at the U. of Washington; and **Ari '98**, who is a psychology major. David and Linda reside in Cherry Hill, NJ, where David spends his free time tutoring former Soviet senior citizens in English in preparation for their citizenship exams.

**J. Murfree Butler** informs us from Boca Raton, FL, that daughter Vivian is to be a freshman on campus this fall and son **Jim '96** graduated from the Hotel school. Son Chris graduated from Dartmouth in 1997. He continues, "most significant news is that I've 'moved on' after a great 30-year career with W.R. Grace. My new venture—JMB Global Associates—is a consulting venture focusing on business interests in Latin America, and strategic restructuring."

Kudos to **Joel Perlman**, who informs us that he was "commissioned by Cornell to do a sculpture, *Dynamis*, for the new Kane Sports Complex. Joel goes on to say that he is enjoying being "a first-time father at the age of 53!" Joel and wife Nancy Skluth reside in Manhattan with their son, Jack David. The following request comes from **Marjorie Rubin Brody**, "I am currently seeking help to find a literary agent who could connect me with the 'right' publisher to endorse my non-fictional 16-chapter book about surviving a stroke from a personal philosophy and social work perspective. Can anyone give me some leads, please?" Marjorie, who lives with husband Leslie in Acton, MA, tells us that she is a consultant to non-profit companies in the realm of stress management, working effectively with people and fundraising. She mentions children Jenny, 24, a counseling psychotherapist; Jon, 20, a student at Northland College in Wisconsin; and David, 16, a high school junior.

Reunion Co-Chair **Penny Skitol Haitkin** sent me the following news, "Classmates have always appreciated **R. E. "Bob" Kessler's** writing and editing skills—as editor-in-chief our senior year of *The Cornell Daily Sun*, as editor-in-chief of our 25th Reunion Yearbook, and as editor, writer, and publisher of the class newsletter. This year, Bob's many talents were appreciated by others, as well. He is the recipient of a Pulitzer Prize for on-site reporting of the TWA crash on Long Island. I met Bob at the *Cornell Daily Sun* alumni reunion in New York City. Also attending was **Nicholas Kass**." Penny also met **Kathleen Gaffney**, MD '69, at a Cornell event on Long Island, where Kathleen is commissioner of health for Nassau County. Penny says that she promised Kathleen a "Cornell Cake" for our 35th Reunion in June 2000. Adding that this is the only request thus far for this "millennium event," Penny asks that you mail suggestions to her at 38

Sycamore Dr., Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458 or send e-mail to psh3@cornell.edu.

We are happy to report that some "missing classmates" have been located: **Carol Hammel Habig** is at 910 Sunset Hollow Rd., West Chester, PA; Dr. **Barbara Geesey** Mayleas Valanis, BS Nurs, is with Kaiser Permanente in Oregon; and **Marie Tosti** Monaco is at Children's Hospital, Cincinnati, OH.

Finally, with great sorrow, we announce the passing of **Fredric Stewart Fay** on March 18, '97 in Worcester, MA, and extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife, **Madeline (Levine) '66**, whose address is 29 Otsego Rd., in Worcester. ♦ **Florence Douglas Bank**, 6420 Goldleaf Dr., Bethesda, MD 20817.

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I hope you all had a good summer. Many of you seem to have reached that time in your lives where you are changing jobs, creating jobs, improving your job status, or retiring and deciding what to do now. **Mary Ann Klein** Becker recently earned her MS in nursing from the U. of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and will become a licensed nurse practitioner. She was elected to Sigma Theta Tau honorary nursing society. **Martin Schwartz**, ME Ch '67, runs Southwall Technologies Inc. which involves travel to Europe and Asia. He is married to **Roberta (Berstein) '68**. Their son **Bryan '94** worked in Costa Rica this summer and is headed to law school. Son **Kevin '97** spent his junior year at Ben Gurion U. in Israel. Marty says he missed reunion due to travel conflicts. **Peter**, MBA '68, and **Ruth Dritch Salinger '67** celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary by traveling to Scotland and Maine. **David Hanlon** moved to Las Vegas in the last year. He is chief operations officer of Rio Hotel Casino, which was rated by Zagat as the best place in Las Vegas. You can contact David at 7174 Durango St., Las Vegas, NV.

**Paul Anderson** had an interesting year in 1996. As a retail business consultant he advised the President's Committee for Purchase of Services of Individuals Who are Blind or Severely Disabled on contract costs for shelf stocking and janitorial services at the defense department's military commissaries. On the other side of his business life, Paul owns the Poure House Bed and Breakfast on Cape Cod which had its best year ever in spite of poor weather in 1996. **Ted Mandigo** is now vice president of the Illinois CPA Society. Another move was reported by **Perry Convery** Krakora. After four years in Hong Kong, she and husband Herb have returned to the states and are living in their newly expanded and winterized beach house at 10 E. 26th St., PO Box 729, Barnegat Light, NJ. Herb is retiring from W. R. Grace. Son Tim (Bowdoin '91) is finishing his master's in environmental science at Antioch in New Hampshire.

**Charlie Rappaport** is working, and occasionally fishing, while raising his daughters. One is at the Boston Conservatory of Music studying musical theater and her younger sister is doing schooling on a home-based curriculum. **James Greene** began Greene and Com-

pany last January, in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, where he has about 20 employees. James's son competes in intercollegiate gymnastics for the U. of Vermont. **Joyce Morgenroth** finds Cornell not a fond memory but a daily reality. She has been teaching dance for almost 20 years in the recently re-named Department of Theater, Film, and Dance. Joyce dances, choreographs, and teaches freshmen how to write about "The Body in Motion." This past summer she taught "Dance in the 20th Century" at Adult University (CAU). **Joan Ratner** is now director of business development for interiors at Morse Diesel International, construction management.

**Steve Krich**, PhD '72, had a strong cycling year in 1996. He spent five weeks cycling in Africa, hiked Mt. Kilimanjaro, and back home biked the Boston to New York AIDS ride, raising \$3,100. Steven would love to hear from classmates in the Boston area who share an interest in cycling. Professionally, he runs a signal processing group at Lincoln Laboratories. Son Jacob is at Swarthmore, daughter Abigail is in high school and in the past year helped run a Jewish day camp in the Ukraine, visited in England, and traveled to Israel and Bermuda. Steven's wife, **Laura (Purnell) '69**, MA '71, spent some time in 1996 at the College of the Atlantic refining her taxidermy skills and stuffed a grouse. She teaches seventh-grade science.

**George Stark** writes from Texas that he is chairing the business conduct committee this year for the National Assn. of Securities Dealers, District #6. **Randy Sherman** is head of the litigation department and executive committee member at the law firm of Kaye, Scholer in New York City, where he has been a partner for 21 years. **Judith Harvey** has moved to a house in Brandywine Valley, Chester County, PA, where the first "Judith Harvey" settled in 1713. **Neil Chafetz** and wife Karin are busy in Southern California raising three young children. Neil is an orthopedic radiologist. He sees the changing demographics of Cornell's student body from the applicants he interviews. The father of one Cornell student mentioned to Neil that his daughter is impressed with the serious scholarship at Cornell and was relieved because Cornell didn't have the level of drinking and drug use prevalent at other Ivies.

**Thomas Shostak** is dean of Lifelong Learning at Ohio U. and lives on a farm in a small town outside Athens, OH. **Judith Burke Stephenson** is still a prosecutor in the Cambridge, MA, district attorney's office. Her husband, Scott Harshbarger, pending potential primary results, is planning to run for governor of Massachusetts. He is currently the attorney general in Massachusetts and was one of the first attorneys general to sue the tobacco companies to recover state costs for Medicaid patients suffering from tobacco-related diseases. Judith's oldest daughter finished law school, middle daughter graduated from Stanford and teaches in Los Angeles inner city for "Teach for America," and their youngest is at Harvard.

Bear with us as we continue to adjust to the bi-monthly format. It is vital that you send

news on a regular basis to keep us in business. ♦ **Susan Rockford Bittker**, 424 Pea Pond Rd., Katonah, NY 10536; e-mail, lady science@aol.com.

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Hope you've had a great summer. **John Dentes**, MBA '69, has been appointed vice president for finance at the Boyce Thompson Inst. for plant research at Cornell. John has worked at the institute since 1992, starting as controller. **Naomi Weinstein Berman** lives in Plainview, NY. **Carol Hotchkiss** Thissell lives in Apalachin, NY. **Adele Diamond** Thompson, BS Nurs '70, lives in Portland, OR.

**Jeff Parmet**, BA '69, is a management consultant with Price Waterhouse in Bethesda, MD. **Marian Bordt** Patterson is a neuropsychologist at Case Western Reserve U. in Cleveland. **Priscilla Noetzel-Wilson**, BArch '69, is director of facility development at Cornell Medical College in New York City. **David Olmsted** is a machinist in Bangor, ME. **Jack Eisenberg** is an attorney with Harter Secrest & Emery in Rochester, NY. **Corinne Ertel** lives in Newton, MA, and is a pediatrician in Weston, MA (where I live). **Jim Gutman** owns a firm that publishes subscription newsletters on managed health care and related services. Jim and wife Kathy live in Laurel, MD.

**Bernardo Mendez**, MEE '69, is president of an electrical distribution company in San Jose, Costa Rica, where he lives. **Michael Melamed** is principal of the MacArthur Elementary School in Binghamton, NY. **Jim Montanari**, BA '69, works for Cushman & Wakefield in New York City. **Luis Muniz-Arguelles** is a professor of law and lives in San Juan, PR. **David McGee** is a document coder with Quorum Litigation Services in Bloomington, MN. **Joan Weinstein Pettis**, BS HE '69, is at Nutrition Services Administration in Albany, NY. **Albert Bensley**, MEE '69, lives in Honeoye Falls, NY. **Jack Shonkoff** is dean of the Heller School at Brandeis U. The word I hear from people there indicates Jack is doing a super job. Jack and wife **Fredi Gaberman** live in W. Newton, MA. **Elliott Sackler**, MS Hotel '75, lives in Las Vegas.

**Robert Stuebing** lives in Cincinnati. He previously lived in Malaysia, where he taught vertebrate systematics and ecology at three Malaysian universities. He met wife Ping at one of the universities. Robert spent 12 years in East Malaysia. **Marilyn Gubin** Smallman lives in Villa Park, CA. **Alice Brooks** Singleton lives in Birmingham, AL.

**Merille Ruben Siegel** is an associate professor at Passaic County College in Patterson, NJ. Merille's daughter **Erica Siegel '96** graduated from the Arts college as a history major. She will continue at Cornell with the Masters of Public Administration program. Merille's younger daughter, Jennifer, attends Dartmouth. **Elliott Sleight**, MBA '70, lives in Chapel Hill, NC.

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**Herb Scherzer** is a physician in Saint Louis, MO. **John Stambaugh**, MEE '69, lives in El Toro, CA. **John Seligman** lives in Scarsdale, NY.

**Art Tenner**, MS '70, reports "Turning the corner at age 50 hasn't been all that bad." Art's been working on the design and development of a management system to help Exxon maintain its overseas refineries. This has led to winter breaks in the Alps, summers in Portofino, Italy, a month in Malaysia, and other time in Japan. When not traveling, Art lives in Englewood, NJ. **Frank Tworecke** works in retailing with Jos. A. Bank in Baltimore. (I've bought their clothes.)

**Don Stein**, MEM '69, works for Hamilton Standard in Windsor Locks, CT. **Rick Simon** is a Consulting Engineer with GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc. in Newton, MA. Rich has been at the company for 19 years. He's in charge of certain building and transportation projects and also manages the company's insurance, contracts, and litigation defense efforts which he describes as "a broad and interesting challenge." Rick regularly sees **Charlie Kohn**, BEE '69, **Jim Philip**, MEE '69, and **Les Hirsch**, DVM '70, all of whom live in the Boston area.

**Perry Odak** has been appointed chief executive of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream. (His favorite flavor is butter pecan.) Perry was raised on a dairy farm in Rhinebeck, NY, and has had a diverse business career since Cornell. This includes recent work as a turnaround consultant, managing buyout and mergers of several large dairy companies, terms as chief operating officer of US Repeating Arms Co. and as president of the consumer products group of Atari Inc. Perry and wife Rosalie have three children. Look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, Putnam Investments, 1 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109.

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While I'm experiencing my first fall season in 20 years (now that I'm settled in Colorado, see address below), it's back to school and those oh-so-crowded schedules once again!

From Harvard, MA, **Mike Dorf** writes that after many years of working for large companies, he was appointed vice president and general manager of Quadrax Advanced Materials, a small public company headquartered in Portsmouth, RI, that specializes in the development and manufacture of sporting goods. Mike and wife Peggy have children Jon, 24, and Becky, 20. **Norman Coe** retired from First Pioneer Farm Credit in 1995 and spends his time traveling, and doing volunteer work. **Bonnie Cooper Carroll** lives in Oak Ridge, TN, and was planning to celebrate her 50th birthday in October with **Barbara Levitz** Lindheim in NYC.

**Barbara Bessey** is a principal research scientist with American Inst. for Research in Palo Alto, CA. Last year, she and her husband took a trip to the Arctic, starting in Norway and heading north. She writes, "The land of the midnight sun was marvelous to experi-

ence. Although I understood the concept, it is still amazing to see bright sunshine at 3 a.m.!" **Cathie Ogorzaly Lehrberg** also lives in Palo Alto, where she volunteers in the college center at her children's high school. She and her family have traveled to Japan (after the children took Japanese in school), Turkey, and Brazil. Cathie has also visited **Liz Levy Carp '72** in Santa Fe, NM.

**John Anderson** is a professor at Xavier U. in Cincinnati, OH. His daughter, **Rachel '98**, is a senior in Arts with a double major in Russian and psychology. Charles was to begin his freshman year in college. **Gloria Lang** lives in Cresskill, NJ. After 25 years climbing the corporate ladder, she has changed direction and is consulting part-time while enjoying son Andrew and serving as meeting planning chair for the President's Council of Cornell Women.

**Robert Schwarting**, BS Eng '71, MEC '76, '76-81 Grad, moved to Syracuse last year and recently remarried. **John D. Welch Jr.** is a restaurateur with Growth Restaurants and lives in Bernardsville, NJ. He and **Alan "Jeff" Beers** operate three in Somerset County: The Store, Willie's Tavern, and the Thirsty Turtle. **Art Phillips** is an environmental consultant with his own business that is heavily involved in Colorado River experimental flood studies. He lives in Flagstaff, AZ, with wife Dede.

**Joseph Titone**, BS Eng '70, works on software for infrared camera systems for the early detection of breast cancer for Titronics and lives in Iowa City, IA, with wife Marvel. Joe restores military vehicles and generators as a hobby. **Gordon Kent**, MEE '70, is with Citibank in NYC, where he is responsible for computer banking for small business. The product is called Business Access. His son, **Mitchell '98**, is a senior in ILR. **Maxine Kahn Lerman** is a registered dietitian with Blue Hills Hospital in Hartford, CT, and lives in Manchester with husband **Manuel, PhD '68**, daughter Sharon, and son Elliot.

Sorry to end with sad news, but I have been notified that **Reed W. Taylor** died Mar. 4, '96, leaving widow Niki Snow Taylor. **Patricia Olin** Voss died Apr. 4, '97, and is survived by Dr. Justin Voss. Please note my new address. Since I am writing this several months before you read it, no new e-mail address as yet. Look for it next time! ♦ **Suzu Sacks** Zeide PO Box 2589 Breckenridge, CO 80424.

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Yet another summer drawn to a close and I've got "new news" for you! Dr. **Jonathan Lawrence** (28571 Paseo Zorro, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675; e-mail, JonLawrence@compuserve.com) is still practicing emergency medicine 90 percent of the time and law the other 10 percent. Jon and wife Elisabeth's son **Stefan '99** has chosen English as his major. Daughter Marika, 15, is setting her sights on Cornell, as well, so there could be a clean sweep! In May, Dr. **Don Deprez** (65 Richards Ave., Paxton, MA 01612) attended his 20th reunion at Tufts U.

medical school. In August, Don celebrated his 29th wedding anniversary with wife Lynda. He has completed 16 years in private solo practice in obstetrics and gynecology in the Worcester, MA, area. Their children are James, 17, Julie, 15, and Jennifer, 11.

**Winston Gayler**, MEE '71, (1706 Belleair Forest Dr., #328, Belleair, FL 34616; e-mail, winston-gayler@jabil.com) has re-

diatrician, married to Henry Lesnick, and they have two teenage boys. She is living a never-a-dull-moment "women's lib" life in Westchester County, NY!

**Larry Eisner** (5852 NW 23 Terr., Boca Raton, FL 33496; e-mail, eisner.l.s.@worldnet.att.net) is working full-time at developing new pharmaceutical therapies for neuropsychiatric disorders, particularly Alz-

## “Steve Krich spent five weeks cycling in Africa, hiked Mt. Kilimanjaro, and biked the Boston to New York AIDS ride.”

— SUSAN ROCKFORD BITTKER '66

cently joined Jabil Circuit in St. Petersburg, FL, as senior development engineer. Jabil is one of the country's largest contract manufacturers of circuit board assemblies. Win is designing entertainment products, which is a departure from his previous work in telecommunications. Win reports that the Tampa Bay region has great opportunities for singles. His favorite combines a walk on Clearwater Beach, a seafood dinner, and a view of the sun setting over the Gulf of Mexico! **Merry "Dd" Bloch** Jones (e-mail, jonesmb@aol.com) has written her fifth book, *Please Don't Kiss Me at the Bus Stop*, which is out this fall. Her others are: *I Love Him, But . . . ; I Love Her, But . . . ; Birthmothers*; and *Stepmothers*. Merry has daughters, ages 11 and 8.

**Bob**, PhD '81, and Fatimah **Linda Collier Jackson '72**, PhD '81, (2808 Falling Rock Terr., Adelphi, MD 20783-1452; e-mail, rj36@umail.umd.edu) are both on the faculty of the U. of Maryland at College Park. They have six children; three are adults in college or professional schools. Since graduating from Cornell in 1981, they have both traveled extensively in Africa and the Middle East. Bob is an international nutritionist and is a 1997-98 senior research Fulbright Scholar in Kuwait. Earlier, Fatimah, who is a biological anthropologist, was in Egypt as a senior research Fulbright Scholar. Bob recently had e-mail contact with Dr. **William Stallworth**, who is a professor of law at Chapman U. in California. Bob and Bill were undergrad roommates and are glad to have re-established contact after 27 years.

Dr. **Bob Gordon** (office: 86 Ramapo Valley Rd., Oakland, NJ 07436; home: 18 Teak Rd., Wayne, NJ 07470; e-mail, gordon1@compuserve.com) is now serving as president of New Jersey Veterinary Medical Assn. and the secretary of the American Veterinary Medical Foundation. His oldest child, daughter Meredith, has decided to enroll at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, PA, in the Class of 2001. Bob continues to enjoy doing undergrad admissions interviews for Cornell. He wonders if anyone has heard from and/or knows the whereabouts of classmate **Marc Cohen**, DVM '80, in Australia? **Bella Pace**, MD '74, (e-mail, bella.pace@kp.org) is a pe-

heimer's disease and depression. He is at Baumel-Eisner Neuromedical Inst. in Miami Beach, Ft. Lauderdale, and Boca Raton. The institute has the country's most prolific investigational new drug clinical trials site for dementia. Larry and wife Gail have two children. Daughter Randi was to join Cornell's Class of 2001, the first class of the new millennium. Son Adam is a senior at the U. of Pennsylvania and is working on his law school applications! **Ian** and **Pat Gallagher Orr** live in Belle Mead, NJ (100 West St., 0852) with their daughter Stacy, 16. Ian and Bob Stockman (Harvard '74) were coaches for Stacey's championship hockey (ice?) team, the Princeton Tiger Lilies. In April they went to the national competitions in Marlborough, MA, and finished tied for sixth in the US at the "midget" level. Their team had players from 13-19 years and all the others were 16-19-year-olds. Next year the Tiger Lilies will really rock!

**John and Jane Gegenheimer St. John** (e-mail, 74034.674@compuserve.com) of Blue Jay, CA, are busy! Daughter Rachel turned 21 in May and has graduated from Stanford in three years with history honors, Phi Beta Kappa! She will be taking a much-deserved year off. Son Jeff is the lead guitar in "008" band, based in San Francisco. Twins Laura and Liz are 13 and continue playing soccer. Jane is still on their local school board, but will be running for re-election in the fall (donations welcomed!), John travels a lot and when in New York City stays at Cornell Club—New York, where he sees **William "Tom" Inglis**. **Debbie French** Peverill and **Judy Mustille** recently spent a long weekend with the St. John crew in Southern California.

Have a wonderful and healthy autumn. Please note that I have included addresses that differ from those in our Class Directory, circa 1990. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355.

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Desperately seeking news of classmates as the days dwindled down to a mid-June deadline, your cyber-correspondent made like the Beach Boys an era ago—and went Surfin' USA! Many thanks to the Cornell '71 reconnection team, headed by

Class President **Rick Furbush**, for providing the alumni Web site address in the June dues mailing. For those of you who missed it, that address is [www.alumni.cornell.edu](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu) and it's well worth calling up. Many of the web sites quoted here are linked to that location.

Back in March, I got an e-mail from **Judy Gruber**, who was searching for **Pat Yuan Zuroski**, a classmate had also been president of Judy's high school graduating class. Although Judy found Pat without my aid by using Cornell's web site, I had to visit U. of California, Berkeley electronically to find out more about Judy, an associate professor in their political science department. Following up her Cornell degree with a Yale PhD, Judy specializes in American politics, urban politics, and public policy. She has published widely in journals on such issues as environmental management and controlling bureaucratic tendencies in government.

A classmate on the sometimes razor-wired front lines of US public policy is **Joanne Trifilo**, an immigration attorney in Phoenix and partner in the California-based law firm of Hirson, Kaplan, Perl & Stark. Majoring in English and Spanish at Cornell, Joanne, who can also speak Italian and French, later earned an MA in English, which she taught before earning her law degree at Arizona State U. According to her firm's web page, since 1986, "many of her clients are high-tech companies with the need for foreign specialized employ-

ees and managers."

In Florida, **Marilyn Blumberg Cane** is professor of law at Nova U.'s Shepard-Broad Law Center in Fort Lauderdale. Marilyn earned her JD in 1974 at Boston College. She has published widely on various aspects of business law, including class actions, litigation, partnerships and arbitration.

"Webbing" from Palo Alto is **Avron Barr**, co-principal with Shirley Tessler in Aldo Ventures, a software industry consulting firm with a client list that includes Texas Instruments, IBM, and Sun Microsystems. A current major project is the interdisciplinary, multi-year Stanford computer industry project software study. Avron has been a recognized software technology expert since 1981 and has edited a four-volume *Handbook of Artificial Intelligence*, an undertaking that undoubtedly would have been impossible without the "real" kind.

Web pages are exhausting to find though fun to read, so personal e-mail is always a pleasure. The latest electronic missive from our former *Sun* Editor-in-Chief **Howard Rodman** finds him just returned to Los Angeles from a month in Montreal with this news: "I directed an episode of the Showtime anthology series, *The Hunger* . . . exhilarating, exhausting, transforming. Shooting five or six pages a day is reminiscent of nothing so much as the *Sun*. More than once, as rain and overtime threatened, I heard a

voice in my head, decades old, which intoned, 'this is a daily, not a weekly.'" Director Rodman's episode in this new series, premiering on Showtime in July, is to air sometime this fall. As they say, check your local listings.

If, like I do, you live "up North," this column has probably seemed annoyingly populated by people living in the so-called "Sunbelt." (But let us not forget that **J. Kirkpatrick Sale**, also an erstwhile *Sun* editor-in-chief, was an early theorist of the Sunbelt, popularizing the concept more than 20 years ago.) So it was a delight to come upon web pages for **Richard D. Jones '69**, BS Ag '71, PhD '78, who lives in the Albany, NY, region, and **Scott McKee**, who resides in Seattle.

Dick is an 18-year veteran of the NY State Education Dept. where he is coordinator for regional school services. He and wife Kathy have three children. Their eldest, Stephanie, has been accepted early decision at Cornell. Kristofer is 15 and Jennifer is 13. Dick calls golf his "consuming recreational passion." Take that, Sunbelt! Scott, an English major in his Cornell days, has an elaborate and visually rich home page. The link that caught my particular attention was "Nepal." In March 1996, Scott and wife Alex trekked the Khumbu region of Nepal, staying with their Sherpa guides and taking many photographs with a camera borrowed from a *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* friend and staff photographer. Bidding farewell to Snickers bars and regular hot showers, the McKees paid special attention to religious inscriptions and local customs and behaviors encountered along the trail. They took what Scott called "the obligatory picture of Mt. Everest," but did not try to scale the world's highest peak.

When next we "meet," **Joel Moss** and I hope to be up to our eyeballs in annual class membership renewal notes, featuring the convenient new postcards. Just keep those cards and letters, as well as those bytes and pixels, coming in. ♦ **Marsha Ackermann**, 1612 Waltham Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103; e-mail, [mackerma@umich.edu](mailto:mackerma@umich.edu); **Joel Y. Moss**, 110 Barnard Pl., NW, Atlanta, GA 30328; e-mail, [jmoss5849@aol.com](mailto:jmoss5849@aol.com); tel., (404) 255-2234; fax, (404) 255-0955.

**73** I had to find speakers for a conference in May and made a cold call to someone who was recommended to me because he was a member of National Science Foundation biological advisory board. The speaker sent me his bio and I finally read it a few days before the conference so I could prepare an introduction. As I read his vitae I discovered that **Greg Florant** was a classmate. When I called him up to confirm final details, we quickly discovered who we knew in common. Since leaving Cornell, where he was a University Scholar, Greg earned his doctorate at Stanford. He's presently a zoology professor at Colorado State U. He is married to **Tracy (Haefele) '84** and has a daughter, 8, and a son, 4. Greg was also named a distinguished minority alumnus of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences in 1980. In addition to being a very good speaker, he's a gourmet chef and

## Hey You, '72!

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wine connoisseur. We had a great time catching up with one another and I would recommend finding speakers to anyone after this experience!

News from the alumni office tells us that **Judith Miller** has been appointed full professor of biology and biotechnology at Worcester Polytechnic Inst. She earned her doctorate at Case Western Reserve U. and her research and teaching interests are in educational innovation and fermentation microbiology. A newspaper clipping on **Norman Greig**, BS '75, arrived, too. He runs a thriving 140-acre apple orchard and fruit and vegetable "pick your own" business in Red Hook, NY. Norman's farm attracts an average of 100,000 customers a year from an area that extends from New York City to Albany. In addition, he's a former Dutchess County legislator.

News on the cards you sent includes this from **Mona Deutsch Miller**, who lives in Los Angeles, CA, with her husband Steve and daughter Thais Helene, 9. Mona met her husband in law school at Stanford, where both graduated in 1977. When she's not practicing law, Mona writes screenplays and short fiction. She's looking for a "simpatico agent" . . . anyone out there?

**Colleen Colbert** writes from the opposite coast. She and her husband, **Joel Carreiro '71**, live in Nyack, NY, with their son, Lucas, 4. Joel is an associate professor of art at Hunter College. Colleen is a psychologist in private practice and a school psychologist. They like to visit Ithaca, their hometown, and they worked to bring a Bosnian student to Cornell through a scholarship program they organized.

**Rodney Lee** writes that Singapore is a fairly active bunch of Cornellians. Rodney lives there with his wife, Vivien, and their children, Bryan, 15, Sheralyn, 14, and Jeremy, 9. Rodney helps to run the family business interests in manufacturing, property developments, and investments. He hopes **Ed Schechter**, MBA '74, will "keep up the good work." **William Britz**, MEC '74, sends news of wife Maureen and their children from Gaithersburg, MD. Maureen is president of the National Paralegal Assn. Daughter Jessica is a senior at the U. of Florida, daughter Jennifer is attending the U. of South Carolina on a track scholarship. Daughter Amy is a senior in high school, son Chris lives for basketball, and son Mike is in middle school. William is a program manager with Raytheon working on the FAA air traffic control upgrade contract valued at \$1.6 billion. (Whew!)

**Matt**, MD '77, and **Pat Marchese Mauro**, MD '77, wrote from Chapel Hill, NC. Their daughter Lauren is a junior high school field hockey champion. Son David is in the eighth grade. **Norma Reiss** lives in Seattle, WA, where she enjoys life as a business coach and trainer, as well as salsa dancing. **Sue Tannenbaum** Margolies chairs the Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAN) committee this year for her area in Hewlett, NY. **Robert Douglas** is on her committee. Sue's daughter **Nancy Margolies '98** is in Human Ecology, and son Neil is a senior in high school. **Louis "Dusty" Profumo**, MBA '74, sends

news from Atlanta, GA, where he stays in touch with **Mark Bromberg**, MBA '74.

**Bill Homa** writes from his new home in Cape Elizabeth, ME, "the way life should be." Bill is the chief information officer for Hannaford Brothers Co. of Scarborough, ME. **Mark Evans** lives in Madison, WI, where he is section chief for technical service for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. His personal passions continue to be entomology, camping, and gardening. Wife Robin is employed by the city of Madison and Mark has stepchildren Lauren, a sophomore at the U. of Wisconsin, Madison, and Gabriel, a senior in high school. Mark continues his annual efforts to donate additional material to Cornell's insect collection.

**Marcia Clark** Arem lives in Merion Station, PA, with husband Larry, an attorney, and children, Nat, 14, Hannah, 12, and Jacob, 7. Marcia is a pediatrician and pediatric hematologist. **Thomas C. Martin** lives in Antigua and practices medicine. His wife, Judith, is a counselor. They have children Nikki, 8, and Lauren, 6, who experienced Disney World for the first time this year. "Forty-three square miles and they loved every inch." Thomas also had the chance to meet Eric Clapton in Antigua when Eric was there to plan a drug rehabilitation center for the island.

As I write this, our 25th Reunion is less than a year away. It's not too soon to make plans to meet friends there! In the meantime, send your news. ♦ **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, 1531 Woodside Dr., E. Lansing, MI 48823; e-mail, grummonp@msu.edu.

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**Stephen Glick** writes from E. Amherst, NY, that he joined Hebel Corp. in February 1997 as chief operating officer. Hebel manufactures engineered process equipment marketed to the chemical, pharmaceutical, cryogenic, food, and power generation industries worldwide. Stephen was previously employed by Praxair Inc. for 20 years in several management positions.

**Susan Niner** Janes is writing her third children's craft book since September 1996. She juggles the fun assignments with general editorial freelance work. **Bob Baldini's** son Ryan is playing for the Reston (VA) Raiders Hockey Clubs with hopes of playing for the Big Red. Bob is a senior vice president for Ruby Tuesdays. The family resides in Oakton, VA. In Bristol, CT, is **Steve Wilson**, who is with Associated Spring-Barnes Group Inc.

Working for one of my kids' favorite restaurant chains is **Walter Tyree**. Walter is COO, vice president of Boston Market. He and wife **Teresa (Barrett)** live in the Houston, TX, area. I received dues but no news from: **David Woods**, Geneseo, NY; **Janet Blick McKinley**, San Francisco; **Christine Cobaugh-Harrington**, Newport, RI; **Richard S. Cohen**, Scarsdale, NY; **Douglas Fitzgerald**, La Porte, IN; and **William Quain**, Orlando, FL.

**Junichi Tsuji** is CEO of his own man-

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agement firm. Junichi and wife Eiko live in Seattle. **Henry Webb** writes from Turkey, where he is the labor attache/political officer for the American Embassy. This is the third time in Turkey for Henry and wife **Jean (Dunlap)**, PhD '78. Henry first arrived in Turkey with the Peace Corps (1964-66) and then as second consulate general (1982-84). In addition to a labor portfolio, Henry is also responsible for Turkish-Greek relations.

**Koka Hayashi** works in Playa Del Ray, CA, with HUMAX WEST INC. A very important event in the lives of **Linda Klein** Lipshutz's family took place in June. Linda's son David celebrated his bar mitzvah. Linda and family live in Oyster Bay Cove, NY. **Sylvain Palmer** is a doctor practicing in Mission Viejo, CA. Sylvain and wife Rosemary reside in Laguna Beach. **Carolyn Gregg** Will writes that daughter Erin was to enter Cornell this August. Carolyn is currently working on her instrument flight rating for becoming a private pilot. She says she continues "to throw people from 70-foot bungee towers, drop them from 120-foot swings, and encourage them to ride around in circles in various amusement vehicles." Carolyn lives in Sevierville, TN.

Located in Pasadena, CA, is **Robert Toaz**, who is in the science data-processing-systems section of Jet Propulsion Laboratory. **John E. Alexander** is president of CBORD Management Systems, located in Ithaca. **Arthur Leonard** is a professor at New York Law School. **Thomas Lopez** is a veterinarian with the Wellsville (NY) Veterinary Hospital. **Susan Gelan Fox** wrote that she is the associate executive director of the Shorefront YM-YWHA in Brighton Beach (Brooklyn) which serves a predominantly Russian-speaking community. Husband **Marty '73** is an ophthalmologist in private practice. Daughter Jessica, 18, is a freshman at MIT while siblings Greg, 16, Doug, 14, and Lindsay, 12, are all in school in Great Neck.

**A. B. "Toni" Ianniello** is a partner in the Washington, DC, law firm of Steptoe and Johnson, specializing in litigation. She is married to George Chuzi, another attorney, and they have daughters Sarah, 11, and Amanda, 6. **David B. Schwartz** was happy to be visiting Cornell and son **Jason '00** on freshman family weekend last fall. David also has daughter Amy, 17. David is still married to college sweetheart, Abby, and practicing ob-gyn in Cincinnati, OH.

**Patricia Weckesser Eldredge** completed her MA in gerontology in 1994. She is currently executive director of a Red Cross chapter in Connecticut. Patricia and husband **Chris '80** live in Winsted, CT. **Douglas Foy** belatedly announces the birth of his daughter, Lauren Hui-Yee, in December 1995. Douglas and wife Nancy live in Singapore.

Congratulations to **Wendy Cooper** Singer who, after 23 years, has rekindled a Cornell romance with **Nick Seay '72**. Wendy and Nick reside in Madison, WI, where Nick is a partner in the law firm Quarles

# Divine Design

CAROL ANN NELSON '76

After helping to restore such famed estates as The Breakers in Newport, Carol Ann Nelson has a higher calling. As facilities manager for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island, she is responsible for more than 150 churches, from tiny summer chapels to the 2,000-seat Diocesan Cathedral.

Her most memorable career experience has been the restoration of Grace Episcopal Church in New Bedford, Massachusetts, which was damaged in a 1987 fire. "It's like arriving at the scene of an accident and being faced with a majorly disfigured victim," she says. "I had to do triage, deciding whether or not this building could be saved." Thanks to Nelson, the church survived.



—Ariane L. Oettinger '97

clude **Rosemarie Cannata Mondani**, MPS HA '75, who works as a registered nurse and lives in Cromwell, CT; **Stuart Kirchner**, a consultant, who lives in Boston, MA; **Ken Kirschner**, a lawyer with Kelley Drye & Warren in NYC; **Marinos "Marc" Grivas**, who moved from Ocean City, NJ to Highland Ranch, CO; **Rebecca Langan Fialk**, who lives in Scarsdale, NY; and **Richard Eichner**, who lives in Alexandria, VA.

In the absence of more news, I am providing a list of a group of "missing" classmates for whom we have no address. If you know where any of them are, please send us news and/or addresses: **Marc Abraham**, **James Baier**, **Frank Calzone**, **Frederic Daams**, **Richard Elliott**, **Peter Fairhurst**, **Pamela Gang**, BA '76, **David Hadland**, **Cheryl Galeano** Ingram, **Michael Jackson**, **Karl Kagarise**, **Carl Lagoze**, **Jane Vanfossen** MacDonald, **John Nakao**, **Brian O'Connor**, **John Paine**, BA '76, **Martin Quigley**, **Julie Racino**, **Thomas Saichek**, **Clifford Taubes**, **Mark Ueberwasser**, **Linda Valjaots**, **Margery Wadkins**, BA '78, **Christine Yannello**, **Madelaine Zadik**.

We need more news from classmates. Please send news of yourselves (and any classmates) to any of our class correspondents (we pass along notes to each other) or send it directly to *Cornell Magazine* and they will get it to us. In addition, I would welcome any news coming directly to me. I have a new job at Bloomberg Financial Markets in NYC and I finally have an internet address, so there is no excuse for not sending a quick note to me via e-mail. ♦ **Deborah Gellman**, MBA '82, 330 E. 79th St. Apt 8G, NYC 10021; e-mail, dgellman@bloomberg.com; **Joan Pease**, 6335 Hillary Ct., Alexandria, VA 22315; **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, 49 Fuller Ave., Chatham, NJ 07928; **Michael D. Parkinson**, 5139 Heritage Lane, Alexandria, VA 22311; **Mitch Frank**, 6613 Crenshaw Dr., Orlando, FL 32835; **Barbara Foote** Shingleton, 1218 Main St., Lynnfield, MA 01940; **Amy Cohen** Banker, 50 E. 89th St., Apt. 24-D, NYC 10128.

and Brady. Nick practices intellectual property law. Wendy is a nursing school graduate, currently unemployed. Between them they boast children Amanda Singer, 16, Nate Saey, 11, Jared Singer, 10, and Alex Saey, 8.

I spent the spring semester at Saddleback College attending classes for my certificate program for interior design. During this time I also worked many hours as a student designer for the 1997 Philharmonic House of Design which was held in San Juan Capistrano in cooperation with the American Society of Interior Designers of Orange County. ♦ **Linda Meyers** Geyer, 25926 Monte Carlo Way, Mission Viejo, CA 92692.

**75** Hello everyone from Reunion Weekend in Ithaca! Although our 25th is three years away, I was able to enjoy reunion this year with other members of my Johnson school Class of '82. Campus was lush and green (especially after the rainy spring they had this year) and all was beautiful. I went on one of those walking tours of the buildings built during the first 25 years of Cornell's existence. The student guide was entertaining and informative and made me realize that there are more activities at Cornell that I will have to take in when we all return in the year 2000! I was also amazed at how many families came. There were strollers, toddlers, and children of all ages all over the place. So plan to bring yours; there is plenty for them to do.

On Friday night, I saw **Brian Dawson** at the tents. Brian, **William "Buck" Briggs** '76, **Howie Borkan** '81, and several other Phi Psi

brothers have joined the CRC (Continuous Reunion Club) and make the annual pilgrimage to Ithaca to enjoy the festivities. Brian lives in Bel Air, MD, with wife Patty and 3-1/2-year-old daughter Sydney and is an attorney for Aetna. Saturday night, I saw **Rich Marin**, MBA '76, wife Carol, and son Thomas, 2. Rich lives in New York City and runs the private banking group at Bankers Trust.

**Leslie Hudson** and **John Halloran**, BS '76, were married February 16 of this year in Hawaii. They were joined by a great group of Cornellians, who came early and stayed on to see the sights. In attendance: Hillary and **Steve Hudson** '77, and their kids, Alison and Peter; **Jim Seeley**, BS HE '76, JD '79, and **Beth Wright-Seeley** '76; **Mark and Christine "Ting" Magill Kamon**; **Steve Bigalow**; Kim and **Mark Dewey**; **Don** '76, MBA '79, and **Karin Krinsky Sussman** '76 with sons Joel, Kenny, and Lloyd; Mary Ann and **Frank Tataseo** '76 and kids.

**John Schabowski** '74, ME E '75 and **Debbie (Yelverton)** '74 spent part of their recent honeymoon in Hawaii and were able to visit with Leslie and John. In addition, on a recent trip to California, they visited with **Cathy Baldwin** '76, her husband, Ed Kit, and daughter Cassandra, 1-1/2. **Joe Laquatra** '74, Ph D '84, spent a year away from Human Ecology's design and environmental analysis department to work at the Home Builders Inst. in Washington, DC.

A news release from Onbank & Trust, announces that **William McDonnell** was promoted to vice president, residential lending. Bill lives in Tully, NY. Recent duespayers in-

**76** Greetings, classmates: I hope that all of you had wonderful summers, and as this column is written in June, I hope as I read it in print, that I can also say the same. I'm returning to our bygone days and am going back to sleep-away camp with my three boys for eight weeks. Tennis counselor. No AC, no TV, no accessible fridge, insect repellent; it should be very interesting! On to the news. Dr. **Adrienne Weiss-Harrison** writes that she is very happy with her job as medical director of school health in the New Rochelle City School District. It is a combination of pediatrics and public health and she says there is always something interesting happening. Her son Mark had his bar mitzvah in May 1995, and it was a great occasion. Mark is now in high school and daughter Rachel will be a seventh grader. Adrienne and husband Andy are active in community service, especially at their Temple, where Andy is executive vice president and

Adrienne serves on the religious school board.

**Peter Solazzo** is pleased to announce that he married Marny Lundy, Esq. on Aug. 24, '96. He notes that the romantics out there will be interested to know that he rented a helicopter to make her head spin (and get the answer he wanted when he proposed) and he was absolutely ecstatic when she said yes over Central Park.

**Sonia Richards** reports that after graduation she went to the U. of Pennsylvania medical school. She did a residency in internal medicine at UCLA and a fellowship in infectious diseases at U. of Southern California from 1989 to 1991. Sonia currently has a solo infectious disease practice in Northridge, CA. She lives in Northridge and suffered through the Northridge earthquake in 1994 with severe damage to her home and tremendous losses, but, luckily, no personal harm. Things are almost back to normal. Sonia is unmarried and has no kids (yet!).

The partnership of the international law firm Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCoy has named **Ellen Werther** a partner in the firm's bankruptcy group. Ellen specializes in the areas of corporate restructurings and Chapter 11 workouts. Prior to joining Milbank, Ellen was a founding partner of the New York office of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, where she acted as legal counsel to Apollo Advisors and Western Union. Milbank provides a full range of services to many of the world's leading financial, industrial, and commercial enterprises as well as governments, institutions, and individuals. **Carol Ann Nelson**, AIA, has recently been appointed facilities manager for the building commission of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island. She is responsible for the property, facility, and project management for the diocese and its agencies, and will assist in serving parish needs as well. Carol Ann is a registered architect with over 20 years of diversified public and private sector experience in building restoration and renovation throughout New England. [In the piece on page 92, the photo of Nelson was taken in June 1996 when she graduated from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.—Ed.]

I recently saw **Jim Someck** at our Great Neck High School reunion and though he didn't finish up at Cornell he has many fond memories of his Sperry Hall freshman year. He sends his regards to those who were lucky enough (my characterization) to know him and I can tell you he's still a free spirit, and a very successful one. Look for him at his "Jimbos" health food supermarkets out in the San Diego area.

Well, that's what's up! Please, if you've never done so or haven't done so recently, let us know about you—someone out there is truly interested to know. Be well. ♦ **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, 29 Margaret Ct., Great Neck, NY 11024.

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It's hard to believe, but our 20th Reunion is less than a year away! There will be many fun events and it will be a great time to catch up with old friends. So mark

your calendars for the weekend of June 4-7, '98 and make plans to be there. If you would like to help out, please call **Ken Mogil** at (212) 252-7100 (work).

**Paul Andreassen** writes that he gave up teaching psychology at Harvard and MIT and is now doing strategic planning for a private firm and living in Miami Beach. Life is good. **Scott Baker** has moved out to Portland, OR, where he is working as an ASIC design engineer at Intel Corp. He can't wait to make his first trip back to Cornell for the 20th Reunion. **Janet Friend** Berman, who lives in Mercer Island, WA, is currently semi-retired from nursing and raising her two sons. Also living in the Portland area are **Mark Kramer** and **Lois Orner** and their two boys. Mark is a lawyer with his own private practice focusing on family law, civil rights work, ACLU, and anti-death-penalty work. Lois is doing medical social work and she has also developed a small jewelry business.

**Laura Day Ayers**, living in Chester, NJ, writes that for her 40th birthday, she and husband **Dave '80** took a wonderful cruise to Alaska and the Northwest. She looks forward to our 20th and hopes for an impressive showing from Delta Gamma sorority. **David Bielawski** has recently left the semi-tropical island of the Terceira in the Azores and has moved to Anchorage, Alaska. He is managing Air Force construction contracts for MCC Construction Co.

**Richard Brogman** writes that he recently opened his own investment advisory firm, called MJB Asset Management, in New York City. In Princeton, NJ we find **Ilene Kliegman** Chunko, who is a vice president with Lucent Technologies in the finance department. She's been married for 19 years and has two wonderful children. **George Corneil** writes from Toronto, Ont., Canada, that he is spending lots of time at hockey arenas and soccer fields with his two children.

**Douglas Haslett** writes that after spending almost 23 years at sea with the Navy and seeing the world, he is ready to come home to his farm in Greene, NY. **Victoria Proctor** Hulick, in Edgewood, MD, is a senior staff accountant with the US Securities and Exchange Commission, where she conducts inspections of mutual funds. Victoria and her husband are into power boating, jet skiing, and the Baltimore Orioles.

On May 25, '96, **Stephen Kesselman**, JD '81, married Dr. Alison Schecter in New York City. Classmates in attendance were **Amy Gordon**, **Ellen Haas** Sternberg, **Judy Kunreuther** Beneroff and Zeta Beta Tau fraternity brothers **Ronald Frier**, **Brian Ochs**, and **William Sternberg**. Also getting married: **Saul Fishman** and Kira Belkin, on Long Island. **Paul-Michael Klein** (Professor Pablo) reports from Miami that he is still at St. Thomas U. and has also joined Lodging and Hospitality Realty as an associate. He is project director for the Acantilados del Caribe, Honduras, which he says is the world's next great, undiscovered destination. Pablo would like to

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hear from all grads in Central America.

Finally, I've been really busy having been elected selectman in the town of Duxbury, MA. It's a lot of fun, but a lot of work. I hope to see lots of you at the 20th Reunion. ♦ **Andre Martecchini**, 110 Heritage Lane, Duxbury, MA 02332; e-mail, (amartecchini@ammwhit.com); **Lori Wasserman** Karbel, 20 Northfield Gate, Pittsford, NY, 14534; **Pepi Leids**, 7021 Boot Jack Rd., Bath, NY 14810; **Eilleen Brill** Wagner, 4649 W. Carla Vista Dr., Chandler, AZ, 85226; **Henry Farber**, 6435 289th Ave. SE, Issaquah, WA, 98027; **Sharon Palatnik** Simoncini, 310 Vesta Ct., Ridgewood, NJ 07450.

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The call of the glorious Rocky Mountains has enticed a few of our classmates in recent years. **Will Pestalozzi** and family moved to Poncha Springs, CO, in August 1996. They had been living in southern New Jersey and report that all are very happy with the more enjoyable pace of life, different recreational opportunities, great people and fabulous skiing. **Lynda Black** moved to Denver, CO, six years ago. She received her MBA from Northwestern and currently works in the telecommunications industry. She enjoys skiing and biking and welcomes classmates who want to visit and enjoy the many sports opportunities available.

Also located in the lands of snow and skiing is **Kevin Bruns**. Kevin and family have relocated from Bethesda, MD to Edina, MN. Kevin's new telephone number is (612) 926-0317 and his e-mail address is bantell@aol.com. **Jon Wardner**, MD is living in Ann Arbor, MI, where he is busy keeping the Big Red spirit healthy and alive while serving as the president of the Cornell Club of Michigan for 1996-97. The club has a monthly happy hour for Cornellians in Ann Arbor and Jon hopes some '79ers will join in the fun.

**Russell F. Stahl**, MD, has taken a new job in the Scranton/Wilkes Barre, PA, area, where he is a cardiothoracic surgeon. Russell can be reached at Community Medical Center in Scranton, or at his office in Wilkes-Barre. He would like to meet Cornellians in the area. **Jeffrey Ganeles**, DMD, has been living in Boca Raton, FL, for the last seven years. He has children Caryn, 8-1/2, and Steven, 5-1/2. He is practicing periodontics and dental implantology, and was recently named director of implantology for graduate periodontics at Nova Southeastern U. dental college. Jeff is also an active member of the International Team of Oral Implantology, an international research, development and educational group of 200 industry and academic implant users based in Switzerland.

Planning a major move in November 1996 were **Michelle Sens Novo**, husband **Robert**, and their two daughters. The Novos were moving from Connecticut to Singapore and looking forward to meeting Cornellians when they arrived. **Signe Carlson** Huff has moved into a new house with husband John and children Hayley, 6, and John, 3. Signe is still working at The Sands in Atlantic City and

after 17 years is the senior vice president of hotel operations. **Patrick Culligan**, president of The Hospitality Consulting Group Inc., recently completed a comprehensive study of the extended-stay lodging segment and for the third time participated in the development of a new lodging branch. Pat has been married to wife Barbara for 15 years and they have potential Cornellians Patrick, Cailan, and Libby.

**Murphy Wilson** is also getting ready to embark on a new career. She finished her last semester of an MBA program in finance at Pace U. and is looking for a job in investment banking.

**Lisa K. Fernow** joined the Cartoon Network in September 1996 as senior vice president of global marketing and strategy. This was just in time for the Turner Broadcasting parent to merge with Time Warner. Lisa finds working in Ted Turner's organization to be a riotous experience. She spends her time traveling between Atlanta, Miami, Hong Kong, and Los Angeles and enjoys being a citizen of the world.

**Colin E. Ogle** holds "an MA in sociolinguistics and TESOL from Columbia U." and works in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, for the consultancy firm of Booz-Allen & Hamilton, where he is a senior consultant and English instructor. He also chairs the firm's Jeddah-based quality assurance committee and is coordinator of professional development workshops.

**Allie Altman** and **Carl Drisko** live in Bedford, MA, with children Jasper, 8, and Arielle, 3. Both children attend a Montessori School where Allie is a trustee and very involved with fundraising. Carl is a principal with CSC Consulting in Newton, MA. Allie is director of finance and administration for Infinite Possibilities in Sudbury, MA. Practicing environmental law in Chicago, IL, keeps **Vicki O'Meara** busy. She chairs the practice group for Jones, Say, Reavis, and Pogue. She is also mom to sons Joe O'Meara Masterson, 6, and Nick Reisinger O'Meara, 3.

**Douglas Wyly** is a senior attorney with Jacobowitz, Garginkel, and Lesman in NYC.

their quality. Libby still works in New Orleans for Shell as an asset leader for subsea wells and floating production systems in the deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico. In her spare time she enjoys rollerblading and playing tennis. **Laurie Netter** Sprayregen is mom to terrific kids Jimmy, 7, and Dale, 4. She chairs the board of Ittleson Center, a school for disturbed children in Riverdale, NY. The children are 5 to 12 years old and suffer from schizophrenia, psychosis, or severe attention deficit disorder.

**Carla Bach** has a small private practice as an educational therapist in San Francisco, CA. She consults at two independent schools and spends the rest of her time with her husband, a son, 9, and a daughter, 7.

Please keep in touch by regular mail or by using the class e-mail address, CU79@aol.com. The Class of '79's World Wide Web page can be accessed through <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1979>.

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Writing a timely column is difficult when the news items we receive on the class dues forms are several months old and the deadlines are several months ahead of the publication. In the past, we received news forms after alumni affairs staff had processed the dues and updated the class list. This situation should improve; this year's dues form is separate from the class news mail-in card, which I hope you have completed and sent in. Of course the most efficient way of getting your news to us is by e-mail. With that in mind, I obtained a dues form dated April 1996 on which **Susan Levitan Strabo** provided news about her family, ironically noting how "time flies." I was unsuccessful in contacting Sue (who is diligently serving as our class president) but was lucky enough to speak to her daughter Jennifer, who provided an update on behalf of her family. According to Jennifer,

“Along the way I picked up two dogs, three cats, one husband, and a horse (not in that order).”

— CAROL BUTLER '80

He and wife Virginia, also an attorney, have daughter Patrice, 10. The family lives in Huntington Station, NY. After 15 years, **Sharon Rowe** Freeman is still employed at North Carolina State U. She is a research unit manager there and conducts animal/forage research. **Francesco J. DeMayo**, PhD, is an associate professor in the cell biology department at Baylor's medical college.

**Libby Bush** Bollich writes that she and her husband are almost done with building a barn from scratch without experience or help. Local contractors admit that they can't match

her father **David** is still selling flower bulbs as vice president of Langeveld Bulb Co.; her mom gets to stay at home. Brother Jason is 17 and spent three weeks last summer at Cornell. He is a high school senior. Jennifer is now 14 and in the ninth grade. (Thanks, Jennifer!)

**Bruce Burger** wrote, "Just saw my news in the May/June issue. Now I have more news: I was married on June 29, '96 in Seattle. It was meant to be, since her name is Cheri Cornell. (She didn't go to Cornell, though—she went to Pacific Lutheran U.) Cheri is a native Seattleite and a lawyer here. **Jim Savitt**

was in the wedding party; guests included **Sandra Wolf**, **Lewis M. Clark** and his wife **Alice Wu '82**, MS '86, and **Mark Sundt**. Unfortunately, **Jim Blum**, ME E '82, MBA '82, couldn't make it because he was getting married in NYC on the same day! Our service combined Jewish and Lutheran elements—Jim Savitt blessed the challah and Cheri's sister, a pastor, helped to officiate—and the reception was held on a retired ferryboat with lots of ethnic food as befits my job running International Dining Adventures.”

**Sharon Key** Beals reports, "Donny and the kids (Rachel, 4, as of the recent Cinco de Mayo, and Nick, 2, as of this past January) and the boys (down to three dogs from our all-time high of four), have now been in Sioux City a year this past March. I am still working for IBP as head of the quality assurance department for their consumer products division (processed meats), still adjusting to Iowa and forever working on my golf swing. With regard to the Cornell stuff... **Beverly DiTarranti** Tramontelli and her children Michael, 7, and Susie, 5, are headed out this way in June to spend a long weekend. (No Springsteen concert in sight, but we're hopeful!) Beverly's husband, Angelo Tramontelli, is staying home in NYC to keep my mother's portfolio growing. Beverly has recently been named chief quality officer at General Re in Stamford, CT—rumor has it Bruce graces a wall in her office. My brother, **Eric Key '77**, PhD '83 (fondly remembered by U-Hall 3 denizens for his calculus pre-prelim sessions), will be here in July with wife **Judy Martel '78** and their daughters, Malka and Hanna. If we get ambitious, we might drive out to Custer to see the work-in-progress carving of Chief Crazy Horse.”

**Renee Bayha** Gossett, DVM '86, lives in S. Salem, NY, with husband Thomas, who owns a nursery, landscaping, and excavation business. They have a son, Billy, 2, and a daughter, Elizabeth, who was to turn 1 in August. Renee is working part-time as a small animal veterinarian at a clinic in Pound Ridge.

Dr. **Susan Weinberger** Lehmann, MD '84, and her husband, **Richard Lehmann**, have been happily living in Baltimore for the past 13 years. Richard is an attorney specializing in commercial real estate law and Susan is a geriatric psychiatrist. They are the proud (and busy) parents of four children, Rachel, 11, Jeremy, 8, Micah, 5 and Ilana, 3. Susan noted, "We keep in close touch with classmates **Miriam Alexander Hurewitz**, MD '84, and **Josh**, MBA '89, who live about a mile away, and also with **Alan** and **Erica Schwartz Edelman '81**, who live in Silver Spring. Alan and Erica's daughter, Leah, and our daughter, Rachel, have both already decided they want to go to Cornell and plan to be roommates!" Susan questioned how she might locate **Kathleen Hall**, whom Susan had not heard from in years. A search through the class list located Kathleen Hall Wilford (our records are alphabetized by last name, not maiden name, which makes locating married women slightly more difficult). We are happy to report that Kathleen lives in New Jersey and is teaching part-time in the freshman writing program at



Rutgers U. Her husband **Paul Wilford '78**, ME E '79 is working on high-definition television for Lucent Technologies. They have sons Justin, 8, and Andrew, 2.

**David Karlin** and wife Arlene live in Colorado with children, Drew, 5, and Taylor, 3. David is still working at Hewlett-Packard, where he enjoys the fast-paced computer world. When leisure time is available, the mountains provide plenty of outdoor activities, including hiking, skiing and riding their horses.

Dr. **Michael Millenson** is still working in Philadelphia as director of hematology at Fox Chase Cancer Center. His daughter, Marisa, turned 3 in August. He and the family are hoping to make the annual pilgrimage to Ithaca this summer.

**Susan Mazel Brody** moved down to Florida last year with her husband, Andy, and their daughters, Samantha, 5, and Pamela, 2. Susan was relocated with her company, CPC International. She is now director of marketing for the Southeast market area of the CPC baking business. She manages Entemann's cakes, Arnold breads, and Thomas's English muffins. Andy is a CPA who graduated from law school in New York and recently passed the Florida Bar exam. Susan still keeps in touch with and sees **Mary Armstrong** Meduski, **Shari Casper**, **Kathy (Puliafito)** and husband **C. W. "Connie" Colao**, and **Cathy Davis Miles**.

After graduating in ag engineering, **Carol Butler** moved to Ohio, worked as an engineer for a year, then quit her job, borrowed MORE money, and went back to school. Carol ended up in veterinary school at Ohio State and ran across a few old Cornell friends (**Eva Bostek-Brady '83**, **Sallie Cosgrove**, **Jim Hartke**, **Holly Ernest** and **G. W. "Jerry" Hartung**). Carol is practicing veterinary medicine in a large group practice in Pittsburgh. She writes, "I don't make it back to Ithaca very often but always enjoy visiting Cornell's campus when I have a chance. I still keep in touch with **Pat Kenney Clark**, DVM '85, and **Jerry Hartung** (who is also a vet in the Pittsburgh area). Along the way I picked up two dogs, three cats, one husband, and a horse (not in that order); no kids."

To get your news into the January/February 1998 issue, send it to **Eric Meren** by Oct. 15, '97. ♦ **Carolyn Louie**, 606 Magnolia St., Windermere, FL 34786; e-mail, calouie@msn.com; **Eric Meren**, 50 Sutton Pl., S., NYC 10022; e-mail, eric\_meren@pc.abn.com; **Brian Myers**, 2679 Amesbury Rd., Winston-Salem, NC 27103; e-mail, bpmcu80@aol.com, **Jodi Diehl** Nestle, 80 Talamora Trail, Brockport, NY 14420; e-mail nestlej@frontiernet.net.

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Some new and not-so-new information to report to all of you . . . I saw some classmates at the Association of Class Officers (CACO) meeting in New York City last January—**Heidi Fleischman**, MS '83, **Wendy Rosenthal Gellman**, **Robin Rosenberg**, and **Fred Cohen**. And, lo and behold, our **Diane Haggblom** Crispell, an *American*

*Demographics* editor, spoke on "Priorities: A Generational Perspective." It was great to see so many Cornellians in one place. Also, you'll be happy to know that **Eyal Oren '98**, an Arts and Sciences student, received the Class of '81 Memorial Cornell Traditional Fellowship. Congrats!

**Susan Feinstein** had a baby girl, Sara Jenny, on Feb. 7, '97, weighing in at seven pounds, four ounces. Susan is a vice president in the health care group at Ruder Finn Public Relations in NYC. **Rhea Floersheimer** Kaston has also had her first child, Jeremy Bryan, on Mar. 6, '97. She has returned to her job as director of human resources/general counsel at Time Warner Cable on Staten Island, NY. Also in the Big Apple, **Marty Jacobsen** is a managing associate with a strategy consulting firm of CSC. He runs into **David Lesser '87**, MBA '88, and **Dave Heller** in town.

On the wedding front, **Barbara Giuffre** married Richard Raushenbush. (As Barb says, "A great guy, but no improvement over my former last name, so I struggle along.") In June 1996. Guests at the event were: **Stephen B. Flash**, JD '85, **Cathy Ode** and husband **John Martersteck**, **Ellen Oppenheimer**, **Nancy Koch '80**, and **Lori Giuffre '91** (Barb's younger sister). Barb and Rich live in Piedmont, CA, with his sons Nicholas, 11, and Sam, 6. Barb has a solo law practice concentrating on sexual harassment and employment matters.

**Karen Osofsky** is busy riding and raising money for AIDS through the Twin Cities to Chicago via bicycle. Go get 'em, Karen! **Dolores Gebhardt** missed our 15th Reunion for a good reason—she gave birth to her second daughter, Jennifer Berger, on May 23, '96. Dolores is a senior attorney at Sabin, Bermant & Gould in NYC. She recently advised a client who needed some environmental testing done—the managing engineer is **Cheryl Cundall '83** of O'Brien & Gere in Syracuse. Small world.

**Jan Albanese** is practicing law in Orlando, FL. She recently got married, which suddenly made her a stepmother of three! **Pamela Bulcroft** married Chris Moore (Ithaca College '80) and has children Reilly, 8, and Jake, 5. She became a partner in 1996 at Littler Mendelson, the largest labor and employment law firm in the nation. She is responsible for the Morristown, NJ, office. **Duncan McCurrach** is relocating back to Sullivan & Cromwell's NYC office after eight years in the Melbourne, Australia, office. He will be living with his wife and three children in Ridge-wood, NJ, and is dreading the commute.

**Heidi (Grasberger)** married Scott Scharfman (Princeton '86) and gave birth to their first child, Olivia Helen. She is looking for **Brad Pollak** and **Niki Kuckes**—anyone know where they are? In November 1995, **Ian Brodrick**, MD '85, married Laurie Wright, a friend for more than 20 years known from summer escapes to Tennesse Lake, Roscoe, NY. Sounds like the movie, *When Harry Met Sally*. That's great!

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**Ken Johnson** saw **Ken Sargent**, **Howie Borkan**, and **Heather Nichols '80**, BS HE '82, at the ECAC finals in Lake Placid in March. He also regularly sees **Jim Hauslein**, MBA '84. **Jon Lindstrom** is currently working on a post-doctorate at Purdue in plant molecular biology. **Karl Armbrust** lives in Omaha, NE, and is proud to announce the birth of his first son, Tobin Elijah, in March 1997.

On the West Coast—**Debbie Hirsch** Ewing lives in Irvine, CA, and has children Sean Tyler (born September 1996) and Kristen, 3. **Lori Balton** is in Venice, CA, scouting for the "City of Angels" with Nicholas Cage and Meg Ryan and finished working on *Face-Off* with John Travolta and Nicholas Cage. She also has daughter Sarah, 4, keeping her very busy. **Chris Sorrentino** is a manager of business, planning, and analysis at Silgan Containers in Woodland Hills, CA. He is also in a writing program at UCLA, where he has written two scripts. Maybe Lori can help you?

**Scott Livingston** is a single father and Little League coach for sons Andrew, 10, and Alex, 8, while he is a partner at the law firm of Marcus and Shapiro in Pittsburgh, PA. I am newly employed with Trylon Communications (public relations firm) in NYC, specializing in new media companies. Some of the clients include MSNBC, Showtime—anyone need any public relations work related to technology, let me know! Please send any of us your news and lots of information—we could use it! ♦ **Betsy Silverfine**, 1601 Third Ave., Apt. 4E, NYC 10128-3452; **Jennifer Read** Campbell, 14824 Hunting Path Pl., Centreville, VA 22020; **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, 114 Harrington Rd., Waltham, MA 02154.

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His wife of two years thought some people out there were wondering whatever happened to **Alec Schramm**.

After earning his PhD in physics at Duke U., he stayed on as a lecturer for several years. In 1992 Alec accepted a position at Occidental College in Los Angeles, where he received tenure this spring and is pursuing his research in theoretical particle physics. After 14 years, **Carolyn Bristor Hintlian**, MS '86, is sending some news about herself. She and husband **Jamie '82**, MBA '86, had a daughter, Katherine Margaret, in November 1996, who joins brother James III, 2.

**Alyssa Quinn** Feeney lives in Vermont with husband Paul and sons Connor, 4, and Kevin, 2. She works at IBM in Burlington. Taking a break from her career in human resources to raise her sons is **Gail Greenzeig** Matos. The family, including chef/father Jean-Michel, currently lives in Houston. Also putting her career on hold, this one in law, is **Stephanie Malcolm** O'Donnell. Stephanie brought son Matthew to work at first, but after relocating to Schenectady with husband Tom, she decided to concentrate her efforts on motherhood.

**Timothy Cole**, MBA '84, is now living in Puerto Rico, where he is vice president and general manager of Rio Mar Country Club. He has a son William, 2. Married and living in

Burt, NY, is **Nancy Wenger** Pestinger, a licensed animal health technician, wildlife rehabilitator, and licensed falconer. **Janet Walker** Robertson celebrated the birth of her second daughter, Lauren, 1-1/2 years ago. Daughter Leigh is now 3-1/2 and the family lives in Ft. Myers, FL. Writing from Rochester is **Audrey Jezsik** Lynch. She teaches GMAT, GRE, and SAT test prep classes and lives with her family: husband Steve, very active daughter Allison, and Fraser, the Newfoundland dog. **Rodney Nenner** of Lawrence, NY, is hoping sons Michael Stewart and Jonathan Taylor will be graduates of the Classes of 2013 and 2016, respectively.

**Ruth Diaz** Rojas is currently a lab technologist in chemistry, mother of Alyssa and Rolando, and wife of a minister. She is also creator/writer of a puppet ministry which presents in the community and the local children's church in their Bronx neighborhood. **Ira** and **Sari Glass Langstein** both wrote from their Virginia Beach home. (It's amazing how similar a married couple's handwriting becomes.) They have two children, Ira is still playing guitar like the old days at the Nines, and Sari is doing legal research and has become quite the gourmet chef. **Amy Apfeldorf** Pressler is living in New Jersey with her husband of five years and two daughters. She works in Manhattan as sales director for a fast-growing telecommunications company, MFS Communications. She would also love to know how **Dave Winterling** is doing.

Biology teacher **Patricia Gnaou** Graham has a daughter Susan, 1-1/2. She is setting up aquaculture ponds on their farm in Otselic, NY. **Terry Sky Glendenning** earned her PhD last year and now lives in Milford, OH. **Ellen Ilivicky** Siegman was happy to inform us of a special event, son Reuben Ilan's birth last year. She lives with him and husband Ira in Florida and teaches law at a local college. Also in Florida is one of my former roommates, **Dan Mackler**, and his wife Cindy, and sons David, 8, and Matthew, 3-1/2. Dan is an attorney in the Ft. Lauderdale office of Gunster, Yoakley, Valdes-Fauli & Stewart. **John Davis** was promoted last year to associate professor of art history at Smith College. He has also had two books published on 19th century American art. In Chicago, **Robert Cima** is manager of the Ritz Carlton Hotel. **Tara Lynne Messmore** of Houston is employed with US Customs Service. Before Houston, T.L. was at JFK Airport, where she had started in 1991. **Lillian Lam Chu** is married to **Eric '78**. Their sons—Wesley, 5, and Winston, 3—both had a great year in nursery school. **Tracy Salornites** Grant of New Paltz, NY, has a little girl, Megan, 1-1/2. She reports that **Nancy Olsen-Harbich**, a Cornell Cooperative Extension agent in Suffolk County, was chosen for a leadership training program within the Extension Service. Nancy's husband is **Richard Harbich**. **Paul West** is a member of the Puget Ridge Co-Housing Community in W. Seattle. He continues to work as an urban forester for the city of Seattle.

**Dave Rumsey** is living in good old Ithaca and attends Syracuse U. law school.

Wife Lydelle is a member of the physical therapy department at Cornell's Gannett Health Center and sons Gregory, 8, and Christopher, 2, are just having fun. He reports that **Bill Hsu**, MPS Hotel '83, is now an assistant professor at Hong Kong Polytech in the hotel program after having a career in multinational hotel development. **Robert Meyncke** of Clifton, NJ, has been married to wife Judy for 14 years. They have daughter Jacqueline, 4-1/2. Robert is director of marketing with Standard and Poor's and has been with the company for nine years. **Larry Goodman** and wife Cathy Margolis have daughter Hannah, 2, and live in Haddonfield, NJ. **Robert Greenway** works for 3Com in Boxborough, MA, and has daughter Sarina Kay, about to turn 2. Robert informs us that **Andrew Wang** is living in Allentown, PA, and **Rick Crum** is developing real estate in Denver. **Blair Vago**, MPS '83, is living and working in Bermuda at the Hospitality and Culinary Inst. there. **Liz Meller Alderman** of New Rochelle is proud of her listing as Best Pediatrics Primary Care Physician in *New York Magazine's* "Best Doctors in New York". Liz's husband is **Eric '81**. **Beth Grupp**, BA '84, has left her position as finance director for Sen. Ted Kennedy after almost ten years. She worked last year on the successful election campaign of Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR). **Yvonne Brouard Altman** and husband **Robert '84** had a second son, David Morgan, last summer. **Amy Gepes**-Wiener has moved to Wilton, CT, with husband Rich and daughter Alysia. **Mary Jane Curry** is enrolled in the U. of Wisconsin's doctoral program in curriculum and instruction. She earned her MA in teaching English as a second language in May 1994 from U. of Massachusetts, Boston.

**David Bialer** is director of product management for Philips Mobile Computing, a division of Philips Electronics. As for myself, by the time this comes out I'll be out of Disney and back at HOK in Santa Monica. I'm also very involved in Cuisine Sur la Mer, a little cooking store in Manhattan Beach, as coordinator of the cooking school. Stop by if you're in the area, we make the best oatmeal raisin cookies this side of the Mississippi, maybe both sides. ♦ **Matthew Tager**, 14055 Tahiti Way, #208, Marina del Rey, CA 90292; e-mail, mltager@aol.com; **Nancy Schlie** Knowles, 1613 Suffolk Ave., Portage, MI 49024; tel., (616) 329-3210.

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In August of 1996, **Larry Delhagen** gave up his 12-year Fortune 500 career and his position as an employment manager at Ocean Spray to pursue a new career as a stockbroker and financial planner with his uncle's firm of Gruntal & Co. in Allentown, PA. He reports that wife Kathy and daughters Nicole and Allissa are very happy with their new home, schools, etc. Fellow ILRies and Delta Phis wishing to catch up with Larry should write to 1015 N. 7th St., Emmaus, PA 18049.

**Kate Thatcher** Barnwell and husband Nick (Colgate '84) had a baby boy, William

Whitfield, in August 1995. He is the grandson of **Rich '60** and **Susan Jobs Thatcher '60** and is loads of joy and fun. Kate regularly sees **Sandra Staudt-Killea** and her daughters, Carolyn and Allison. **Donna Bardell** has been working in the organizational development and training fields for Harris Corp. in Melbourne, FL, for 11 years. She has a son Evan, 5.

**Kevin Cook** is a high-yield bond salesman at Merrill Lynch in New York City. He lives with his wife **Therese "Tami" (Bitter)** and four children in Manhasset, NY. Son Christopher, 5, daughter Caitlin, 3-1/2, and 1-year-old twins keep them busy day and night. Tami's architecture career is on hold until things settle down a bit. **Laura Davidson** gave birth to her first child, a daughter named Samantha Rose Davis, in January 1996. After taking five months off, Laura went back to work full-time at Squadron, Ellenoff, Plesent & Sheinfeld, LLP.

**Christine Eng** has spent the last few years seeking out more balance in life by spending no more than 50 hours per week at work. A large chunk of time that had been spent at work is now devoted to family and volunteer work. **Maryam Golnaraghi** is married to **A. Hossein Farman-Farmaian '83** and working as a research scientist. She has seen **Zahra Maher '82**, ME '84, **Ana Pinczuk**, MS '85, and **Beatriz Boccalandro '85**, BS '86, in NYC and Washington, DC. After 12 years with the Federal Milk Market Administrator, **Edward W. Gallagher** decided it was time to broaden his work background by becoming director of planning and regulatory policy for Dairy Lea Cooperative Inc., which he calls the most progressive dairy cooperative in the Northeast. His new job gives him the opportunity to work with **Lowell Smith '66**, **Jamie Zimmerman '82**, and **Craig Buckhout '79**.

**Jonathan Klein** made partner at the NYC law firm of Gordon, Altma and Botowsky, where he practices corporate and securities law. **Jon Kimball** was married in August 1996 to Janie Burma of Washington State. Lots of Cornellians attended the wedding and Jon's brother **Louis** was the best man. Jon and Janie honeymooned in Bora Bora. Jon has seen **Linda Zell** Randall and Sue Hersberger in San Francisco.

**Bill J. Lee** was recently made an officer at State Street Bank and Trust. He works on product development in the information technology division. **Jeff Maschi** has been employed with Rutgers U. as an employee relations specialist since October 1993. He is slowly working towards a master's in labor studies. In his spare time, he is trying to make the jump from amateur to professional actor. **Joel Melby** left the Air Force in 1995 and started working at a computer company that October. He is now director of digital broadcast products for Advanced Modular Solutions in Boxboro, MA. He works with **Scott Bempkins '80** and **Dave Nisbet '62**. Dr. **Walter Parker "W.P." Moore** is expanding his medical practice and opening an office in Kingwood, TX. His wife, Sarah, is also a doctor. Their son, Walter P. Moore IV, was born

in August 1994. W.P. went sailing with **Mike Dubeck** in the Caribbean.

**Lisa Thomson** Plageman married husband Philippe in 1993. She is currently very happily employed at MIT as assistant director for science and engineering news at the MIT news office. Lisa has been at MIT for 12 years now. She and Philippe traveled to France in the summer of 1995.

**Leo Redmond** and wife **Nancy Sherlock** had another son, Samuel Rohr Redmond, in March 1996. Nancy has been launching an interdisciplinary arts and technology initiative at Stanford, exploring the interface of recent technologies and the arts. **Herb Riband** accepted a new position in Heublein (IDV Americas) as senior counsel. In January 1996, Herb and wife **Jeanine (Thomas)** relocated to Connecticut from Madrid, Spain, where Jeanine had been working for Procter & Gamble. They have children Daniel, 5, and Michelle, 3.

**Linda Zell** Randall spends a lot of time traveling. Last year she went to South Florida, Arizona, Bali, Singapore, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Washington, DC, New York City, New Orleans, and San Francisco. In San Francisco, Linda visited with several Cornell friends: Jon and Janie Kimball, Louis Kimball, **Jerry Bugas '87**, and **Robin Drucker Blakely** and **Bruce '83** and their daughter Rachel, 4. **Beverly Bull** Springer and husband Gary had their first child, a daughter, Diana Renee Springer, born in March 1995. Beverly has her own law practice in the Atlanta area, specializing in wills, estates, and small business.

**Jeffrey Sherman** has made a career change from horticulture to family medicine and is currently a medical student. He traveled to Syria and Jordan with the U. of Pennsylvania Museum of Anthropology and Archeology. He saw **Edward Martinez**, who is working for Oxford Health Plans in Connecticut. Jeffrey reports that **Gail Williams Hoefler** and husband **Brian '82** of Anchorage, AK, added baby Sara to the family in April 1996.

**Carolyn Gusoff** Turk is working as a television reporter for WNBC in NY. Husband John is a facial plastic surgeon. Son Graham turned 2 this past July. Carolyn and Graham enjoy frequent playdates with fellow Alpha Epsilon Phis: **Lisa Hoffer** Matlin and daughter Olivia, **Amy Lippman** and daughter Eliza Mitnick, and **H. C. "Lainie" Aronson** Winer and daughter Madeline.

**Beth Butlien** Ayres has children Benjamin, 4-1/2, and A. J., 2-1/2. They spend a lot of time at their vacation home at Lake Winnepesaukee, NH. Beth has been running in five-kilometer races. She reports that she saw Tim and **Eileen Moroney** Joyce on a visit to NYC. Their baby son is Christopher.

**Kristopher Bagwell** and wife Lisa adopted a baby boy in March 1996—their first. Congratulations! They've seen **Richard Hirschland '83** and **Jim Ackles '83**, MBA '84. Dr. **Beth Jo Berkowitz** graduated from Duke U. medical school in May 1996. She is now a pediatric resident at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago. She spent one month

studying in Oxford, England, and two months in Spain at the Canary Islands and Seville. Dr.

**Jancy McPhee** married Stanley Love in June 1995. They have been traveling a lot: Virgin Islands, Alaska, Hawaii, and many other US states on the East and West coasts. Dr. **Ayal Willner** and wife **Gila (Meidonick) '85**, along with their two children, Yael, 5, and

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— KARLA SIEVERS MCMANUS '84

Sigal, 3-1/2, moved to sunny California last year. Ayal joined a private practice in pediatric ear, nose, and throat in the Long Beach/Orange County area. They would love to hear from other Cornellians in the area. They live in Huntington Beach.

Classmate **Alex Singer** died on his 25th birthday while defending Israel. A book in celebration of his life was published in 1996. [See *January/February 1997 Cornell Magazine*, page 51.—Ed.] It's called, *Alex, Building a Life: The Story of an American who Fell Defending Israel*. This book is made up of his letters, journals, and drawings where he explores the question of how to shape a meaningful life. It sounds inspiring. ♦ **Karla Sievers McManus**, 1465 Hooksett Rd., #299, Hooksett, NH 03106; email, klorax@aol.com; also, **Guy Donatiello**, 321 N. Ithaca Ave., Rosemont, PA 19010-1622; email, gdonatello@aol.com.

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Class President **Jenifer Steig** filled me in on her news when we “did lunch” recently. Jen is vice president of The Cheshire Group, a real estate investment company in Manhattan, specializing in the restructuring of cooperative apartment loans and the acquisition of unsold real property. Jen keeps in touch with **Mark Boyland**, who has returned to his home state of New Jersey after a stint at the Department of Justice in Washington, DC. Mark, now working at the New York City office of Weil, Gotschal & Manges, and wife Sonya are proud parents of Christina and Danielle. In November 1995, Jen attended the wedding of **Michelle Gubar** and Leslie Lindenstrauss which she likened to a mini-Cornell reunion. **Stephanie Cahn**, **Bev Schwartz** Fox, **Peter** and **Wendy Silverstein** Goldstein, **Donna Bruder** Hellman, **Amy Groden** Katz, **Michele Payne** Koch, **Michele Adelman '86**, **Karen Loew** Brew '84, **Leora Halpern** Lanz, and Jen were among the 40-plus who posed for the “Cornellians and significant others” group photo.

Leora Lanz, who also sent in news, reports that she and husband Alain recently moved to a house in Huntington, Long Island, to accommodate the addition of daughter Jordana to their family. Leora is the public relations and advertising director for Sheraton Hotels in the

New York area (which includes a brand-new hotel Sheraton is building in Atlantic City). How about a Class of '85 event there, folks?

If you have an interest in attending and/or helping to plan an event at the new Sheraton in Atlantic City, to be held some time in 1998, contact **Leslie Nydick** at Leslieruth@webtv.net, or at 23 W. 73rd St., NYC 10023-3104.

Leslie had tons of news about herself and fellow classmates. She graduated with a major in facility planning and management and has been working in that field for 12 years. In addition, Leslie is now building her own real estate portfolio, so that she can manage her own properties instead of those belonging to corporate America. She is general chair of NYC's Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and enjoys the demanding but rewarding opportunity it has given her to establish friendships with Cornellians of different generations. Leslie also reports that her brother **Jay Nydick '86** recently eloped with Jackie Barth. Leslie, **Ira Sheres '86**, **Jeff Horowitz '86**, and **Erica Prager '86** attended the party held at the Rainbow Room in NYC in celebration of the nuptials. Leslie advises that **Scott '84** and **Ginny Scarola Sidman** live in Reading, MA, with Leslie's adopted nieces, Melanie and Julia; **Patrick** and **Lauren Miller Collins** live in Pennsylvania with children Ryan and Samantha; and **Stacy Kushner** wed Renato Ghica in Niagara Falls in May 1995. Leslie, **Ian Rowe**, and **Sam Moore '84** attended the wedding of Melanie and **Derrick Tandy** in the summer of 1995. She also wanted to let classmates know she has reunited with long-lost best friend **Michael P. Smith '84**, who is doing well and living in Syracuse with his three terrific sons.

**Bill Heyen** writes that he is working for Kodak in Rochester, NY, trying to keep the film you see in the theaters running smoothly, and giving you good-looking results on the screen. You can e-mail Bill at whyeen2@aol.com. **Jeanne Varney** reports that she works with **Curt Cornelissen** at Landauer Associates Inc. Jeanne keeps in touch with **Maryellen Fisher** Magee, who works for the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, DC; **Cheryl Nolan** Wendel, who works for Double Tree Hotels in Chapel Hill, NC; and **Elizabeth Nichols** Mikkelsen '84 who lives in Houston and is the mother of twins.

Career changes abound for many Cornellians. **Michelle Kwintner** was a graduate student, and now she says she's a real person. Michelle teaches ancient Greek at Duke U. during the academic year, and at the Latin Greek Inst. of CUNY during the summer. Michelle keeps in touch with **Laura Osofsky**

# Down on the Farm

BILL '86 AND  
DEBBIE SPAMPINATO WICKHAM '85

**T**hough the three-generation family farm was sold the same year he earned his Cornell degree, Bill Wickham '86 still keeps his hands in the dirt. In 1993, he and wife Debbie, shown here with their

children, launched Rainbow Communications and produced the video "VRRROOMMM—Farming for Kids."

"We can't shake farming," says Bill. "The video is our way to share our enthusiasm about agriculture with people off the farm. We love

the lifestyle, and for kids, there's no better place to grow up." Filmed on a Kendall, New York, family vegetable farm, the video gives kids a tractor-seat view from planting to harvest.

At first, the Wickhams juggled separate careers and filled video orders in the evening from their basement. Now, busy marketing their second video, "Dairy Farming for Kids," Bill is a full-time Rainbow Communications employee.

—Norman Farwell '93



Rabinowitz, a pathologist and mother of two in Cleveland. **Dawn Viapiano** Bierschwal was promoted from senior purchasing manager to associate director of purchases at Procter & Gamble. Dawn's family expanded last year, with the birth of son Nicholas.

**Katia Facchetti** was working at Kraft/General Foods, but is now at Nabisco as vice president of marketing. Katia reports that she loves her new job but has to commute from Connecticut to New Jersey every day. Katia loves to sail and crewed a 60-foot sailboat with four other people, from Newport, RI to Bermuda, then on to St. Maarten. The entire excursion took two weeks and Katia has now been "squalled and lived." **Jeannie Engel** Kohn reports that she was formerly a clinic assistant and public health policy analyst, but now has her own business, acting as a management consultant for non-profit organizations. Jeannie further reports that **Debbie Grossman** is living in Israel and doing international consulting; and that Bev Schwartz Fox is a successful business woman with two sons.

**R. Scott Penza** traded in his publicist job in order to become a partner/co-executive producer of Brentwood-based Too Nuts Productions. The partnership focuses on children's audio-books and interactive CD-ROMs. Luckily, Scott writes, **Phil Otis** and wife Carol gave birth to Diana Alexandra, who is not only adorable, but provides him with an instant focus group to test market his series of

"Toad Pizza" children's audio-books. He enjoys writing poems and songs for the woman he loves. "She's an emergency medicine doctor and her 36-hour shifts are perfect opportunities for completing potential hits," he explains. R. Scott keeps in touch with **Debbi Clawson**, a professor at Catholic U. in Washington, DC; **Nina Patterson**, a physical therapist in Oakland, CA; and **Doug and Susan Schaefer Kliman**, who are in Tucson—"Be sure to ask about the camel," R. Scott writes. Doug and Susan, please clarify this for the rest of us!

**Dan Grooms** just finished his PhD in veterinary preventative medicine at Ohio State U. and started a new position at Michigan State U. as assistant professor in the large animal clinical sciences department. Dan keeps in touch with **Stan Hunter**, **Andy Watters**, and **Tracy Clippinger**. **Laura Nina Friedman** had a solo exhibition of her paintings and drawings at a gallery in NYC this summer. The exhibition included portraits and still lifes painted in oil, charcoal drawings, and a series of anatomical and botanical studies in pencil. Laura's work is in collections throughout NYC, as well as in New England, Britain, and the Dominican Republic.

**Kenneth Goldberg** opened his own law practice in Midtown Manhattan focusing on the representation of employees in labor and employment law matters. **Jill Gaydosh** Kafua was working as a salesperson on Wall Street

when she and her husband quit their jobs and traveled around the world for six months. Jill is back in the States and is the deputy director of the Patrons Program, a not-for-profit program that raises money for inner-city elementary schools to improve the educational experience of the children. Jill chats with **Betsy Daniels** by e-mail. Betsy, who is in Tokyo, is climbing up the corporate ladder at Morgan Stanley. Jill reports that **Ann Ginsburg** just returned to NYC after a three-year stint in Mexico City and is an economist for a Mexican bank. **Jim Rosecrans** was involved in real estate finance but is now a bond trader at a hedge fund, Paloma Partners, in Greenwich, CT.

**Joan M. Hoppe** married Chris Spink in 1995. The Hoppe-Spinks live in Philadelphia, where they are both graduate students at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Joan is also studying for an MBA in economic development at Eastern College. **Richard Cary** reports that he and wife **Pamela (Schmitt) '86** have not changed jobs since they graduated from Cornell. Richard has been with Ernst & Young LLP in Chicago, and is currently a senior manager in the insurance group. Pam is a corporate buyer for Aldi Inc., a supermarket chain based in the Midwest.

Keep us informed of all of the changes in your life. ♦ **Lisa M. Bluestein**, 5 Sun Valley Hgts Rd., N. Salem, NY 10560; e-mail lawfoot@aol.com; **Linda M. Messinger**, DVM '90, 2401 S. Downing St., Denver, CO 80210-5811; e-mail lmmderm@aol.com.

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Come along with me on an around-the-world tour, courtesy of some very adventurous classmates. **Elizabeth "Bette"**

**Molloy** e-mailed from San Juan, Puerto Rico, where she recently joined Casiano Communications, the largest Hispanic publisher in the US and the pioneer of telemarketing in Puerto Rico, as sales manager for the bilingual telemarketing department. Elizabeth has been living in Puerto Rico for over two years now, after moving from Mexico City, where she lived after graduating with honors from the American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird) with a master of international management (MIM) degree in December 1994.

Physicians **Gregory** and **Amy Coene Bales**, MD '90, recently joined the faculty of the U. of Chicago/Pritzker medical school; she as a part-time cardiologist, and Greg as an assistant professor of urology. Last year, Greg completed a fellowship at the University Hospital of Wales and, while overseas, they visited the pyramids of Egypt, among other sights. Back at home, daughter Cayla Elizabeth was born Feb. 6, '97.

**Mark "Brad" Feinknopf** is a professional photographer specializing in corporate, architectural, and portraiture photography. From his base in Columbus, OH, he has traveled widely and had photography shoots in New York City, Philadelphia, Chicago, New Orleans, Orlando, Dallas, and many other locations. "The year 1997 looks to become an equally busy year with travel plans in all direc-

tions." In 1996, Brad had a photographic show of black and white landscapes, called *Spiritual Places*, hanging at the Karlsruher Companies Gallery space in Columbus, OH, featuring mostly images of Ithaca—Taughannock State Park, Robert Treman State Park, Cayuga Lake, and others—taken from 1994 to 1996 during our 10th Reunion and other visits. Even more important, Brad writes, was the December 25 birth of son Jackson McCamic Feinknopf.

Last September, **Melissa Lea** married Ira Hart, a hardware engineer she met while in law school in Boston. This wasn't the first time the two had traded glances, however: both attended Stuyvesant High School in New York City, where he graduated a year before she did. "Although Ira and I each knew who the other was, we never dated—actually, I dated one of his friends." The wedding was in the Berkshires at Egremont, attended by **Sharon Longaker Vibert '87**, who lives in Paris with husband Eric; **Margaret Anne Tockarschewsky**; and **Dan Clark '85**. **Dianne Goto Sod '87** and **Earl, PhD '89**, who are living in Cincinnati, also attended. The Sods recently bought a motorcycle with a side-car (for Earl). He works with Procter & Gamble and Dianne, who earned her PhD in biochemistry from UCLA, is teaching and taking drawing classes. **Shakil Rahman '85** was invited, but was finalizing a business deal in Bangladesh and couldn't attend. He has since moved back to Santa Monica, CA. Previously he had worked as an attorney with Skadden Arps in Los Angeles for several years, moving to Bangladesh to become chief financial officer of an import-export company. The Harts honeymooned in New Zealand and Australia.

Melissa is vice president of marketing of Arnold Communications, where she focuses on new business and strategic development. She had the opportunity to guest-lecture, in the Ag college's introduction to business management class, to about 550 students. "I spent the whole night worrying about whether my computer presentation was going to work! It did!" In fact, it went to so well that she has been asked to lecture again.

**Alex Hsia** and wife Janelle Whitcomb also honeymooned in New Zealand and Australia after their March 29, '97 wedding. "We tried to see as much of New Zealand as possible, so that meant we spent a good part of the time on the road," Alex writes. "Of course it was interesting learning how to drive on the 'wrong' side of the road, and to shift with my left hand. I can't tell you how many times I accidentally turned on the windshield wipers when I was trying to signal a turn!" Alex and Janelle had a wonderful time exploring, lounging on the beach, swimming with dolphins, and "black water rafting," which involves going down cave streams with headlamps in an inner tube. Awesome!

Last year, **Julie Bick** Weed and husband Roger left Microsoft to take a year off and travel, do some charity work, and take up the hobbies they never had time for during their five years at Microsoft. Not that the time there

wasn't well spent—Julie parlayed her tenure at the company into a book, *All I Really Need to Know in Business I Learned at Microsoft* published by Simon and Schuster this past summer. The book uses behind-the-scenes stories to illustrate Microsoft's secrets to success in a way that people can apply to their own job or career. "Sort of a *People Magazine* meets Harvard Business School," she says. The book is to be published in the UK, Germany, Japan, and Korea, as well. Julie's other "project," son Aidan, debuted Dec. 8, '96. Julie invites classmates to write her at JulieW@msn.com.

Trying to balance work and home life? **Lisa D'Annolfo** Levey has dedicated her life to it, "a major career change from investment management," she writes. At present she is a consultant with WFD Consulting in Boston, a firm that specializes in issues of employee commitment and work-life balance. Lisa assists organizations, primarily Fortune 500 companies, developing strategies to respond to the work-life issues of employees. "Speaking of work-life balance, I am about to begin facing the visceral tug between career demands and family demands on a personal basis. On March 20, '97, I gave birth to my first child, Skylar Gerrit Levey."

Lisa was disappointed to have missed our class's 10th Reunion, but was on an extended European vacation at the time. She and her husband spent nearly a year planning and saving for the trip, then took a six-week leave of absence from their jobs to travel. "It was our last great adventure before starting a family." They spent a week and a half in Athens and the Greek islands of Corfu and Santorini before taking the boat to Italy and spending the balance of the time touring the country from top to bottom—major stops were the Amalfi Coast, Rome, Florence, and Venice, Tuscany, and the Italian Alps.

Boston-area Cornellians Lisa sees on a regular basis include **Merrie Horte** Risk, who was married in October 1996, **Alexandra Thomas Taussig** and husband **Bill, Roberta Goldman** Wilkinson, and **Allison Kaplan** Romantz, who was married in January 1997.

As for major career switches, **Jay Coburn** (Jhscoburn@aol.com) wants to be the first member of Cornell's Class of '86 to report a mid-life crisis. "After 12 years in the nation's capital working on AIDS issues, most recently as a lobbyist for AIDS Action Council, I'm bailing out." Jay and his partner, John Guerra, both quit their jobs (John was in the Foreign Service) and moved to Provincetown, MA, at the tip of Cape Cod, "to pursue a more sane and civilized life." They undertook a substantial renovation on a house they bought a couple of years ago. Meanwhile, Jay is doing consulting work in AIDS program and policy development and enjoying being his own boss and having more time for travel and walks on the beach with his dogs. Long-term plans are for a restaurant in P-town. "Now I wish I had gone to the Hotel school!"

It's always fun to finish up these columns with baby news, and last spring was full of new

blooms. **Mike Beller** and wife Sue of Little Silver, NJ, are now outnumbered by their children, with Noah joining daughter Ilana and son Ari on March 5, '97. **Esther Pearl** Rubin, husband Larry, and daughter Alyssa of Southington, CT, welcomed Aaron David on Apr. 28, '97. Esther says the biggest challenge of mothering two so far "is having time to talk with Larry before we both fall asleep!"

I'm a bit jet-lagged from this column, so I'll sign off. Please keep the news coming, from wherever your adventures are leading you. ♦ **Hilory Federgreen** Wagner, 43 Jambard Rd., Hollis, NH 03049; e-mail, hilwag@aol.com.



It's hard to believe the Class of '88 graduated from Cornell almost ten years ago! Perhaps nothing demonstrates more how far we have come since graduating than the marriages, births, career accomplishments, and academic achievements we have experienced in recent years! Read on!

**Corrine Orts** Gunkle may summarize the thoughts of several classmates best: "We are enjoying parenthood immensely!" Corrine and husband Glenn had son Gavin Shaw, born on May 31, '96, at nine pounds, 5-1/2 ounces and 21 inches long. **Dave Thomas** and wife Tara are sharing the joys of parenthood. Dave says, "It's great being a dad!" Daughter Regan was born on Dec. 11, '96. Daniel James was welcomed into the family of Dan and **Tracy Sebastiano** Patracuolla. **Deborah Simon** Cabrita's son, Jason Andrew Cabrita, was born on Mar. 3, '97. **Mike Texido** writes that **Brent Felitto** and wife Sue have a daughter, Justine. **Christina Pierce** writes, "Our family was blessed with a baby girl, Danielle Rae, on April 8, '97. She was eight pounds, 15 ounces, and 21-1/2 inches long." Christina has been employed by Zeneca in Wilmington, DE, for nine years. Kyle Michael Fein was born on Mar. 12, '97, to **Lori Drucker** Fein. **Jennifer Dell**-Ernstrom and her husband welcomed son Emil in July 1996. On Apr. 4, '97, **Dave Rogers** and wife Carolyn had a daughter, Caitlin Marie. Dave says of parenthood, "It reminds me of how little sleep I got back on the Hill."

**Carla Koppell** "married wonderful Giuseppe Topa of Sassari, Italy, in June 1996." They live in Washington, DC. **Elizabeth Joyce** married Stephen Popper (Swarthmore '87) on May 6, '95 in Elk, CA, along the Pacific Coast. **Wendy Fenner** Holmes writes that she is "married with two golden retrievers. We're busy renovating a 90-year-old craftsman bungalow just outside of Atlanta, GA." Wendy is a health communications specialist at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

**Helene Finegold** and John Conti Gammon were married in November 1997 in Pittsburgh, PA. Helene is an anesthesiologist in Pittsburgh. **Alex Espalin** and **Deanna Chiang '89** were married at Harvard U.'s Memorial Church. The bride and groom met at Harvard, where Deanna was pursuing a master's degree in education and Alex was at-

tending the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

U. of Michigan law school classmates **Jane (Gorham)** and Joshua Ditelberg were wed Nov. 9, '96. **Karen Carlucci** and Daniel Keating exchanged wedding vows on Dec. 28, '96 in Warsaw, NY. Karen's attendants included **Pamela Andrellos**, **Kristin Matanle Venden**, and **Denise Filler Strauss**. **Mark Unger** and **Lisa Beth Stern**, PhD '91, were married Apr. 14, '96. **Cliff Simon '86**, **Karen Simon '86**, **Jeff Weinthal '86**, **Sandra Lithgow Ramirez '90**, **Douglas '91** and **Kristen Blau Krohn '91**, and **John Nishijima '71** attended the wedding. Mark is a commercial real estate lender in Westchester, NY. **Tatia Mays** and Royce Russell were married on Aug. 31, '96. Cornellians in their wedding party included **Linda Gadsby** and **Tanya Curry**.

**Laura (Magid)** married **Darryl Lapidus '89** on Oct. 8, '95. Guests attending the nuptials included: **Karen Leshowitz '89**, **Michael Schmitt '90**, **Kenneth '90** and **Barbara Drugan Held '89**, **David Harap '89**, **Rob Chodock '89**, **Debbie Schneider Toy '89**, **Steven Teitelbaum '84**, **Elliot '72**, **JD '75**, and wife **Mariane Beck Carlin '73**, **PhD '78**, **Riva Lapidus, JD '95**, and **Dianne Nersesian '89**. **Lee Goldberg** wed **Debra (Klugherz) '87**. When he wrote, Lee was completing his fellowship in cardiology at Massachusetts General Hospital and finishing a, MPH in clinical epidemiology at Harvard.

On Aug. 20, '94, **Jennie (Kelly)** married Robert Lee Buckland Jr. Jennie's matron of honor was **Elizabeth Jackson Luce**. Guests included **Mike Cohen** and **Rob Vanderlan**. Jennie is an assistant staff judge advocate (attorney) in the US Air Force, stationed in Alaska. She is also an adjunct professor of history at the U. of Alaska. **Christine Schluter Bizarro** accepted a job with Pepsi Cola in Roanoke, VA; Christine's husband, Joe, is staying home with daughter Kayleigh. Christine also wrote that **Tracy Petruso** married Bill DeAllaume.

**Jill (Lundin)** married Ken Mellquist (U. of California, Berkeley and U. of Colorado grad) at Phillips Exeter Academy in September 1996. **Deb Brown** and **Kristin Crowe '87** came to the wedding. Jill is a forecaster with **Leslie Howard Hopkins '87** at Levi Strauss & Co.

**Jay Dubowsky** is a fellow in cardiology at Long Island Jewish Medical Center and was elected to the board of directors of the Human Ecology Alumni Association. **Jennifer Krasnoff** is a dermatologist and living in Montreal. **Lisa Widmier-Dowd** accepted a position as vice president with Koll Investment Management. **Susan Sosnow** is working as the program assistant of the Center for Jewish Studies at the U. of Florida, Gainesville.

**Deborah B. Smith**, PhD '96, earned her degrees in human development and family studies and is now an assistant sociology professor at U. of Missouri, Kansas City. **Matt Rotelli** completed a PhD in statistics at Virginia Polytechnical Inst. and is a senior statistician at Eli Lilly and Co. **Harold Fraleigh** is a PhD student at the graduate degree program in ecology at Colorado State U. **Brad Mehl** fin-

ished his MBA in Europe on a program through New York U. and "started a terrific new job as a director of marketing."

**Victor Seidel** wonders, "Are there any awards for alumni inertia? I've been with IBM in Burlington, VT, since graduation." Victor manages a department which develops business plans for the semiconductor product line. **Catherine McCarthy** is managing solid waste programs for Solano County, just north of the San Francisco Bay area. **Rebekah Adler Kaufman** is "nesting happily" with husband of eight years Marc and black lab Barney. Rebekah travels the country selling custom exhibitry. **Anh Hoang** is a marketing manager with AT&T in Irvine, CA. **Glen Shannon** is the head of a Web services team at a small graphics company in San Francisco. Keep those cards, letters, and e-mails coming! ♦ **Wendy Myers** Cambor, 205 W. End Ave., Apt. 29S, NYC 10023; e-mail, camborw@ms.com; **Alison Minton**, 333 E. 56th St., Apt. 11B, NYC 10022; **Diane Weisbrot** Wing, 727 Anita St., Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

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As other Cornellians met for reunion in Ithaca, a bunch of classmates gathered on a boat in New York Harbor to celebrate a happy event. **Andy Paterson** and **Jenny Lim** (U. of Pennsylvania '91) were married June 7, '97, aboard the *Mariner III*, departing from Chelsea Piers and saying their vows near the Statue of Liberty. Guests included **Carol (Chen) '91** and **Barry Barnett '91**, **Bryan Decker** (with wife Jennifer Gavin), **Drew Doblal** (with wife Christine), **Eric Jason "Rick" Foster**, **Seth Johnson** (with wife Scheleen), **Cynthia Charatz Litt**, **Jon '88** and **Juliana Kelly May**, **Jim Murphy**, **Stephanie Gebel** and husband **Adam Silverstein '88**, and myself and my husband, **John Treadwell**, who served as a groomsmen. A fabulous 11-course Chinese banquet at the Nice Restaurant followed the ceremony. Andy and Jenny honeymooned in Hawaii and make their home in Manhattan, where Andy is a producer with MSNBC.

Hawaii was the setting for **Joy Higa's** Dec. 29, '96 wedding to Chris Tuffli. They were married at the Royal Hawaiian hotel (the pink one in Waikiki) and honeymooned on the "Big Island." **Sarah Soder** wrote that she had the great honor of being Joy's maid of honor and raved that "the weather was gorgeous, the bride was beautiful, and the friends so special." Guests included **Kelly Ruscitti**, **Gina Sucato**, **Dave Price '87**, **Karen Lawrence** Seaman, **Kelly Lawrence**, **Kelly Canady**, **Elizabeth Payne** (now a famous actress with her appearance on "Nash Bridges" last fall), and **Katherine McGee** Strella.

Fellow freshman-year U-Hall 4 residents will be happy to finally hear what **Pamela Timm** Seeberg is up to—she hadn't sent any news in all these years (and, yes, it's been eight!). Pam married husband Donald in Williston Park, NY, on June 10, '95, and reports, "After seven years in San Francisco, we up and moved to Northampton, MA, a town

of 30,000 on the Connecticut River in western Massachusetts."

Several classmates read the baby announcements in my last column and wrote with their own good news: **Dina Wisch Gold** and **Peter '85** welcomed their first child, Theodore Louis "Louie" Gold, on Nov. 22, '96. Dina is a fourth-year associate at the Washington, DC office of Hunton & Williams, where she practices management-side labor and employment law. The Golds bought their first home two years ago and have recently finished remodeling. Dina wrote: "The end result is beautiful, but we don't recommend doing it in the first weeks that you bring a baby home from the hospital, as we did!"

**Anne VanLieshout** Woods e-mailed that she and husband Art had their first baby, Amelia VanLieshout Woods, on Dec. 4, '96. They live in Jacksonville, NC, where Art is an officer in the Marine Corps. **Melinda Hammer** Lehman e-mailed, "I hope you're loving being a parent as much as we are!" She and husband Steve welcomed Matthew Henry Lehman on Nov. 24, '96, and pronounce him "an absolute doll." After practicing law, doing a stint of production work in the garment district, and some free-lance publication work, Melinda says she's opting for the full-time job of motherhood for the next couple of years.

A couple of news items were spotted, clipped, and passed on to me by the alumni office. **Michael S. Blustein** joined his father's law firm as a partner. The firm is now known as Blustein & Blustein and is located in Middletown, NY. Michael earned his JD from Benjamin Cardozo law school in 1992 and worked as an assistant district attorney in Orange County, NY. **Benson S. Farb** married Anne Marie "Amie" Wilkinson in December 1996 in Chicago. Benson earned a PhD in mathematics from Princeton and is an assistant professor of mathematics and a National Science Foundation postdoctoral fellow at the U. of Chicago.

A big pile of unusually chatty news and dues forms yielded the following: **Marne Platt**, DVM, wrote, "My allergies to my patients finally got the best of me. I have left veterinary practice and joined Novartis Animal Health, US (the makers of Program, the "flea pill," among other animal health care products). My official title is Northeast regional technical manager and I travel all over the Northeast."

**Brian Krabak** wonders if there are any other Cornellians hanging out in Rochester, MN, where he recently moved to complete a sports medicine fellowship at the Mayo Clinic. **Ilyse Levine** and David Weinstein welcomed a son, Benjamin Aviv Levine Weinstein in April 1997, a few weeks before Ilyse graduated from law school. According to Ilyse, "childbirth is definitely more grueling than law school." **Gina M. Marrero**, MD, completed her residency at Brown U. in June and is beginning a fellowship in dermatologic surgery at Columbia.

**Helen Pfister** graduated from law school ("magna cum laude, imagine that!") in May 1996, spent the summer studying for the New

York Bar exam, and then went on a post-exam trip through Asia—Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, and Hong Kong. She is living in Manhattan working as an associate in the mergers and acquisitions practice at the law firm of Skadden Arps Slate Meagher and Flom. Helen also supplied updates on some of her friends: **Ji Young Lee** is a PhD student in biology at Johns Hopkins. **Carla Grayson** is a PhD student in psychology at the U. of Michigan. **Sharon Hunter** lives in Middletown and works for Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services. **Scott Shapiro** finished his residency and lives in Manhattan, where he's a doctor on Long Island. **Rob Fogel** and wife Joann had a baby girl, Olivia, earlier this year, and are living in Boston, where Rob is doing a fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital.

**Jill (Ruderman)** wrote that she married Donald Sandford in June 1995. They live in White Plains, NY. Jill is an assistant attorney general for New York State, serving as a section chief in the Bureau of Consumer Frauds and Protection. **Joelle Maher** was promoted last year to vice president/divisional director of planning for Macy's East, a division of Federated Department Stores. She still lives in New York City and travels for work to "hot spots like Maine, New Hampshire, Atlanta, and Miami." Joelle also works in the Ag college's Career Alumni Network to help college students pursuing careers in NYC. I loved **Andrew Poe's** response to the tell-us-what-you're-up-to request on the dues form: "Not much, I'm afraid. Still researching and dissertating for an eventual PhD. Still singing in my spare time. Still leading the bass section in my church choir. Starting to write a book in my spare time, but still in the 'thinking about it' stage. I grew my hair out long; does that count?"

Lots of you wrote of upcoming weddings and expected births—exciting news, but per *Cornell Magazine* policy, please provide me with details AFTER your happy event (note my new address and e-mail address below). Thanks! ♦ **Anne Czaplinski Treadwell**, 105 Overlake Park, Burlington, VT 05401; e-mail, jatreadd@ix.netcom.com.

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Howdy, y'all! I'm back in Los Angeles after April and May training in Dallas. I was disappointed that I couldn't see a Cowboys game, but cheering for the Stars' **Joe Nieuwendyk '88** during the NHL playoffs more than made up for missing Troy Aikman in the flesh. As Regina mentioned in the last column, I started a new position with ITOCHU Cotton. The good news is I am still reachable by e-mail. The bad news is the e-mail address (see below) is a bear (Big Red's cousin, perhaps?).

Many of you have noticed that items appearing in the column are often not so new anymore. The quickest and surest way to see your news reported is by e-mailing either Regina (see below) or me. Don't worry that your e-mail is going to the wrong person; Regina and I will send each other news items as appropriate. For those classmates not on-line, I can be reached by fax at (213)

623-4005. Remember, we cannot report engagements or impending new additions to the family . . . please drop us a note AFTER the happy occasion.

**Andy Ollis** sent in news about his wedding to Wendy Hahn, a fellow William and Mary law school student. **Alex Gasser** acted as best man at the Williamsburg, VA, ceremony

May/June, but fellow New York City resident Laurie Israel mentioned that **Marc Persily** is hard at work as a lawyer at Proskauer, Getz, Rose and Mendleson, while Dr. **Mike Bernstein** is busy in Philadelphia adjusting to life as a newlywed.

Joy reported that **Jeannine Facht** was "living the best of social lives in Suriname as

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— ILYSE LEVINE '89

last October. **David Pastel**, **Jeff Lammers**, **Beth Lalik**, **Bob Roth '91**, **Beth Moon '91**, and **Mark Ollis '92** were also present.

More wedding news arrived from maids of honor. **Tara Corvo** had the honor at the Sage Chapel wedding of **Amy Johnson** to Derek Vogt in October 1996. Joining Tara in the wedding party was **Elizabeth Franzino**, matron of honor. **Michelle Mock**, MS '96, a sales engineer at Pall Corp. in E. Hills, NY, was maid of honor at **Michelle Allen** and Chong Vando's wedding.

So how was Labor Day? Some '90ers out there celebrated labor day of a different sort—childbirth! **Allen '87**, BS '89, and **Stacy Strassberg Wright** had their second son, Trevor Henry, in February. Big brother Jared turned 2 in April. Another Wright doesn't make a wrong! In March, Clayton Henry Wright joined his brother Taylor Jr. as a prospective third-generation Cornellian. Their parents are Taylor and **Lindsey Strouce Wright**. Clayton's grandfather is **Richard Strouce '55** and he has an Aunt **Courtney Strouce Blundin '93**.

**Laura Calvert** Richardson became Chelsea Ann's mom in August 1996. Laura's sister **Ann Calvert '88** gave birth to Jason Joseph Rayle in April 1997. Laura, a project manager with Regions Limited in New Jersey, caught up with **Jenny Ritter** Kelly during a winter vacation in Florida. Another new mom in New Jersey is **Rachel Plafker** Esrig, DVM. Son Eli arrived in January.

Dr. **Tracy Burl** is daddy to Jessica, 4, and Daniel, 19 months. Tracy earned his DVM from the U. of Tennessee and works at N. Franklin Veterinarian Services in Chateaugay, NY. Another daddy on toddler patrol is **Philip Krajieski**. His son, Stephen, was born on June 1, '95, Philip's 27th birthday. The Krajieskis will be relocating to southern California early next year. Rounding out the baby report is Caleb, who will be celebrating his first birthday in November. Caleb and his parents, **Kai** and **Phyllis Chung Kwok**, live in Bellaire, TX.

It was a sneaky way to get news for the column, but my April Fool's Day Spring Sweepstakes brought news and jokes from **Gary Weinstein**, **Joy Nichols** Macon, **Laurie Israel**, and **Kevin Kozak**, who were each rewarded with a Cornell bumper sticker and a Big Red note pad. There was no new news from Gary since Regina's column in

chef to the Dutch ambassador." She added that **Sam Flowers** left his job at Disney for a new position at MGM Studios in Los Angeles. **Marc Bloomstein '91** finished his MBA at Babson and is job hunting in Boston, while **Linda Doerrer** is finishing her studies at Oxford. Joy and husband Mark are buying a house in Delaware, where Joy is director of human resources for a Wilmington-based eatertainment company with concepts called Kahunaville ("Dave and Buster's meets Rainforest Cafe") and Bugaboo Creek Steak House. The company is expanding and there is "excellent growth potential for the right Cornellians." Why not stop in and interview with Joy? She's at the volcano off I-95, Exit 6, in Delaware.

Kevin Kozak, our newest class council member, is also a new daddy. He and wife Judy became the proud parents of Cassandra in January. His ability to balance fatherhood, business trips to Europe and Japan, and a part-time MBA program must come from the time management skills he learned at Cornell. Kevin reported that **Christina "Kiki" Smith** and husband Chris German welcomed Sean Richard German as a Christmas present to each other; Lt. **Dan Taylor** is enrolled in Navy department head school in Newport, RI, while Lt. **Iver Larson** is pursuing an MBA at San Diego State U.; **Mike Zeitlin** and **Jocelyn Giezendanner** Lofstrom are former Navy officers who have returned to civilian life; **Michael** and **Lan Elliot Rosenblatt** are living in Annapolis, MD, and fraternity brother **Jim Ward** passed the NY State Bar exam. Kevin also ran into **Brian** and **Pelin Gurkan Wood** at International Spirit of Zinck's Night in 1996 in San Diego. **Bryan Kimura** is also in San Diego. He tracked down Kevin at work after reading a class column last summer.

Reuniting classmates is just one of the many pleasures we class correspondents occasionally enjoy in the course of our work. Kevin Kozak is helping me to get the class on-line so that we can all find lost friends and get back in touch. Of course we are always happy to have more volunteers, especially those who are computer whizzes. Stay tuned to the class column for details about the Class of 1990 Web page and e-mail list. Enjoy the fall foliage! ♦ **Rose Tanasugarn**, 5419 La Mirada Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90029; tel., (213)

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I'm writing this column in June with memories of hot days, cool nights, and refreshing dips in Ithaca's gorges. Although June 1997 did not mark a reunion year on the Hill for the Class of '91 many classmates devised their own mini-reunions both in- and outside of Ithaca. Class of '91 alumni have been extremely busy this month, and I've got tons of news, so let's get ready to rumble . . .

Our congratulations go out to **Robyn (Lipsky)** and **Jeff Weintraub**, MD '95, who were joined in marriage on April 5, '97. One of the highlights of the wedding occurred when all 38 Cornellians in attendance sang the "Alma Mater" standing together on the dance floor. Celebrating the big day with the couple were **Amy Lipetz Sundet**, **Susan Cohen Moldow**, **Barbara Wilinsky**, **Doug Geiser '90**, BA '92, **Jim Conti '88**, MBA '89, **Cathy Allen '89** with husband **Adam DeGarmo '90**, **Sanjeev Dhawan**, **Larry Dobrow '92**, **Marc Goldman '90**, **Ellen Goode**, **Adam Greene '92**, **Marshall Kohen '90**, **Melisa Levitt**, **Susan Lipetz**, **Greg Long '93**, **Steve Lipsky '95**, **Tony Magnano**, **Arik Marks**, **Dustin Moskowitz**, **Carla Nastro '90**, **Karen Paul**, **Mike Reading**, ME M '92, **Troy Resch**, **Jeff Richmond '92**, MD '96, **Michael "Joe" Riordan**, MEI '92, **Kevin Rugg**, **Dorine (Colabella)** and **David Scher '89**, **Brian Schilling**, **Karen Schmeidler**, **Jeffrey Schwartz '90**, MD '94, **Stephen Turner**, **Wendy Werblin '92**, **Gary Wojcik**, and **David Youngren '90**. Once again, our infamous Reunion Co-Chair Jeffrey Weintraub was successful in bringing classmates together, although this time it was far above Delaware's waters!

Wedding bells were ringing in Nashville on Sept. 28, '96 when **Kimberly L. Oliver** married Russell W. Brothers III. Her sister **Carrie Oliver '94** was the maid of honor and **Lisaanne Lutz '92** was a bridesmaid. In addition to her father, **Rick Oliver '69**, other Cornellians in attendance were **Harold "Bill" Oliver '64** and wife **Carol (Elliott) '64**, **Jill Oliver '88**, **Julie Katz '90**, BS '91, **Amy Miller Moore '93**, **Jill Weisman '91** and **Eric Keller '72**. Kim is currently the president of Interactive Multimedia Associates in Nashville.

**Keith F. Lender** exchanged vows with Vardit Gilor on Dec. 29, '96 at Teddy Hall at the International Convention Center in Jerusalem. Vardit is a graduate of Ben Gurion U. in Beersheba and is studying for a master's degree in communications and journalism at Bar-Ilan U. in Tel Aviv. Keith is completing a master's degree in marketing at Northwestern U. The name Lender is no coincidence—Keith's father is the founder and former president of Lenders Bagel Bakery in W. Haven, CT. Congratulations go out to all of the happy newlyweds!

A news release from Washington U. in St.

Louis, MO, announced **Matthew C. Hammond** as a 1997 student award recipient. Matthew graduated with a JD from Washington U.'s law school in May and was appointed to The Order of the Coif for academic excellence with the distinction of graduating at the top 10 percent of his class. Congratulations!

**Jeremy Schwartz, MA '91**, was ordained as a rabbi by the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College (RRC) on June 1, '97 in suburban Philadelphia, and also earned a master's degree in Hebrew letters. Rabbi Schwartz holds a BA in economics from the U. of Wisconsin, Madison. Jeremy worked on the forthcoming Reconstructionist High Holiday Prayer Book, served as student rabbi at the Reconstructionist Congregation Mayhim Rabin in Minneapolis and as an intern in the RRC Bet Midrash, where students assist fellow students in their text. Congratulations go out to Rabbi Schwartz and his family.

**J. Scott Berniker** called to tell us that he has graduated from the Wharton School and has accepted a position in New York City with the consulting firm Booz, Allen and Hamilton. Scott will be working as an entertainment consultant for the firm. Also in the world of business and banking, **Mark Cisz** received an offer he could not refuse from the investment banking firm J.P. Morgan. Mark has been very busy at Morgan, traveling frequently, and playing the links as much as possible. Look out, Tiger Woods! Mark recently met up with **Joseph Moran** for lunch on Wall Street at the Bull Run Restaurant and Pub to celebrate Joe's new job with the Allied Irish Bank in mid-town Manhattan. Mark and Joe, both former Aggies, are rumored to have taught the Wall Street bartenders how to make an infamous Dunbar's Combat and had the crowd at the bar singing "Hail to Cornell" before returning to work.

**Timothy Todd Reed** graduated from the Ohio State U. medical school this past June and will be headed to the Cleveland Clinic after graduation. **Rachel Teck** sends word from Massachusetts and reports she has been traveling to schools in Pennsylvania, New York, and New England as a Pilgrim. She was to start graduate work at George Washington U. in museum education in June 1997. She visited **S. Deniz Bucak** and **Michael Doyle** for a small reunion in Pennsylvania. **Ines Hwang** sends news from Taiwan, where she has been working since graduation. All is well and she would like to send her best to classmates. She looks forward to attending our 10th Reunion and seeing Jamie Norwoodthomas playing at the Haunt! (Jeffrey Weintraub, currently back from his honeymoon, is actively working on making our 10th Reunion even more successful than our 5th!)

Well, that's all the news for now! We look forward to hearing from you soon . . . Keep the news flowing! We hope everyone enjoyed the sun, sand, and beaches this summer! To all of those classmates who returned to the Hill at reunion time, drop a line to let us know who you bumped into! Please write with news of

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graduations, future plans, marriages, and new additions to the family! See you at the tailgate outside of the Homecoming football game! GO BIG RED! ♦ **Linda Moerck**, 264 Carpenter Ave., Sea Cliff, NY 11579.

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Can you believe our 5th Reunion is less than a year away? I hope everyone is making plans to join us all in Ithaca, June 4-7, '98. It is sure to be a great time: just read about this year's reunion elsewhere in this issue. I am sure this is the first of many notifications from Cornell and our class that you will get about the upcoming festivities.

Here's the news: **Jeffrey Taylor** earned the doctor of podiatric medicine degree from William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine. Dr. Taylor is now in residency training at John Peter Smith training program in Texas. **Philip Yuan** recently graduated from the U. of Michigan's medical school and will be moving to San Diego, CA, to begin his residency in orthopaedic surgery. **Yu-Hsin Wu** recently graduated from the New Jersey College of Medicine and will be moving to Baltimore to begin her residency in obstetrics and gynecology. **Amy Chizk** is teaching at the Texas School For The Deaf.

**Jennifer Schwartz** and **Ian Brown** were married on Long Island on July 21, '96. Cornellians in attendance included **Melanie Bennett Blanchard '89**, **Neil Cantor '94**, **Wan Chen '94**, Grad, **Greg Gordon '94**, **Joy Kleinmaier**, **Jolee Rosenau** and **Seth Klugherz '94**, **Rehan "Ray" Mirza '92**, **Garry Schwartz '89**, and **Julie Solomon Wolfson '84**. **Miriam Plavin** and **Jonathan Lobell** were married in August 1996 at the Yale Club in NYC. Guests at the wedding included **Michael '94** and **Jenna Saidel Lebowich '94**, **Matt Zimmer '94**, **Devin Cheema, MA '94**, **Kathy Fleming**, **Irene Herman**, **Jocelyn Spielman**, **Josh Wells**, **Brett Stein**, **Paul** and **Ellen Lefkowitz Sprinsky '92**, **Scott Goldstein '92**, **Toby Millman '92**, **Val Gurney '92**, **Matt Daniel '92**, **Dave Coyne '90**, **Russell Ruthen '88**, **Robert Lobell '85**, **Susan Plavin Braverman '58**, and **Gerald Ruthen '57**. After their honeymoon in France, Miriam started school at the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth. She is working for Andersen Consulting in NYC as a summer associate. Jonathan works as an associate at Cambridge Strategic Management Group, a management consulting firm in Cambridge, MA. **Vikram Kumar Datta** is in the middle of a six-month deployment with the Navy in the Mediterranean Sea aboard a guided missile cruiser.

**Whitney "Whit" Watson**, former sports director at 93.5 FM WVBR, was hired away from his production and on-air duties for the Orlando Magic to be the newest anchor on ESPNNews (and on ESPN2 and ESPN, eventually) in Connecticut. His on-air duties began on May 8, '97. Tune in to see a classmate and catch up on the scores and highlights!

**Will Andersen** has been in Europe, visiting Sweden and Denmark, and is now working for a firm in Fairfield, CT, while he studies



for the landscape architecture exam. Will reports that **Ianthina** "Tina" **Thung** has moved to Virginia, **Kim Ashton** is working in Washington, DC, **Cheng Lee** is working as a lab assistant in cancer research while applying to medical schools, and **Vincent Cheng** is working for an investment banking firm in San Francisco. **Kim Powell Sendelbach** and husband **Matt '92** are fixing up the house they bought in Wappingers Falls, NY. Another world traveler is **Leon Perkowski**, who traveled to Poland and Belarus in August 1996 with his father and brother, **Paul '90**, where they met many of their relatives for the first time. **Chris Fenton** and **John Strauss** are living on Hollywood Blvd. Chris is a talent agent specializing in writers and producers. He is currently looking for a publisher for his first book, "My Ivy Walls."

I have changed jobs and now have reliable e-mail service at work. Please keep in touch and let us know what you have been doing. ♦ **Alyssa Frantz**, MRP '94, 116 Washington St. #64, Brighton, MA 02135, e-mail: alyssa.frantz@ey.com.

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First off, "The Beantown Chronicles." For some reason, our Boston area alums were generous with their

news this time around. **Antonio Zuniga**, MEE '95, an employee at Lucent Technologies, wrote, "The second year in Boston is going great and I'm quickly becoming a New Englander." He reported on newcomers **Peter Fidler** and **Sonja Plesset**, who are both studying at Harvard. As of May, **Elizabeth Klose** was slated to finish her second year at the Boston U. School of Social Work and stay in New England as a school social worker. **Christopher W. Brown**, a consultant for GSI Net Solutions in Cambridge, reported that he and **Stew Whitman '93** live and work in Boston. Other area residents are **Robin Sacco**, an engineer at Digital Equipment Corp., and **Michael Vest**, who works at Global Competitiveness Corp. in Boston, but commutes from Rhode Island. One of the area's new arrivals is **Paul Yackinous**, ME C '95, a technology consultant at Andersen Consulting. He wrote, "Boston is a fun and friendly town. I'm enjoying life."

Our very own alumni class council president, **Seth Klugherz**, and his wife, **Jolee (Rosenau)**, moved to the Boston area last March, where Seth is an account executive with Procter & Gamble in customer business development. Jolee is earning her master's in art education. Wrote Seth, "I greatly enjoy my job, and get to visit Cornell several times a year for recruiting." Perhaps seasoned Bostonians could give newcomer **Orlee LaPushin**, ME I '95, some tips. Currently at KPMG Peat Marwick, she wrote that she is "still finding Boston a bit overwhelming. Any suggestions of where to go for fun in Boston?" She can be reached at olapushin@kpmg.com.

Wedding bells rang on a partly cloudy March day for **Sarah Ong** and **Eric Ortman** in W. Orange, NJ. Wrote Sarah, "It was a small wedding, so no one really went buck

## Luck of the Draw

MICAH GAREN '94

**F**or Micah Garen, doodling in class has paid off. As an Ag college independent major, Garen combined an interest in Near Eastern studies and landscape architecture, and often drew cartoons during lectures—especially in Professor Munther Younes's Arabic language class. Responding to a posting in Sibley Hall, Garen began providing illustrations for Younes's 1995 Arabic textbook. "I was stuck in a rut drawing Middle Eastern scenes," Garen explains, "so it was a perfect fit."

Currently, Garen and Younes are working on a second volume, devoted to Arabian folktales, expected to reach bookstores this fall. "He has a deep understanding of Arab and Middle Eastern characters," says Younes. "His drawings look accurate and authentic and are also very humorous."

—Amanda K. Berke '97



wild or anything. I did, however, manage to hurl my bouquet into the chandelier. I remember someone warning me that the ceiling was low and next thing I know, I hear something crash into the glass (fortunately, it didn't break). It was definitely a do-over." Cornellians in attendance were **Tammi Miller**, **Sharon Tepper**, **Jim Fu**, **Vicky Shneyberg**, and **Daniel Chernin**. Another wedding this past spring: **Mario Lee** and **Ann Oh** were married in the company of **Min-Jung "Gloria" Kim**, **Larry Kang**, **John Chul Hyun '95**, **Albert Lee**, **Soo Kang**, and **Nathan Buchek '96**. I wish they all could be Californian. **Kai-Wen Kevin Chiu**, MC CH '95, moved from Japan to Santa Clara, CA, for training (prior to a move to Gresham, OR). If you watched your MTV this past year, you might have seen Los Angeles resident **Jessica O'Toole** in the music video "Lakini's Juice," by Live. **Eric Lewis** works at a company that runs Kaplan's Educational Centers. He wrote, "San Fran is great—you can't walk down the street without bumping into another Cornellian and more are moving here every day!" He might very well have bumped into **Allison Fishman**, who recently moved to San Francisco to work as a producer at CNET. She wrote, "In just a few weeks, I met up with many more East Coast transplants: **Anika Trancik**, **Tina Lee**, **Mark Gally**, **Gus Warren**. Lots of Cornellians moving West!"

In other West Coast news, **Janet Kim** is a software test engineer at Xerox in El Segundo, CA. **Tara Roth** is a content manager for Infoseek, where she works with **Andy Blacker**. Tara wrote, "I just ran my first marathon and

finished smiling and sprinting, all in under four hours!" Must be something in the Pacific air...

Last fall, **Sara Gur** returned from Israel, where she earned a MS degree in immunology at the Weizmann Inst. of Science. Sara is now a researcher at the National Cancer Inst. in Bethesda, MD. Another Cornellian who traveled to the Middle East is **Lou Bergholz**, who wrote a wonderfully detailed letter about his three years out of Cornell. After graduation, he volunteered for Project Oztma in Israel: "Basically, it's like Israel's version of the Peace Corps—three months on a kibbutz doing an intensive Hebrew immersion program and then seven months working in different settings around Israel." In August 1995, Lou taught in Maine and New Mexico before returning to Israel as field liaison for Project Oztma. He wrote, "Over Passover I was able to complete a cycling trip covering the length of Israel—from the top of Mt. Hermon in the Golan to Eilat on the Red Sea—530 kilometers."

More far-flung locales: **Tyler Felgenhauer** worked for the National Democratic Inst. in Baku, Azerbaijan, before beginning work on an MPA in international relations at the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton U. Higher education is also in store for **Chris Hanscom**, who is starting his MA in Korean language and culture at UCLA. **Jennifer Allison Archbold**, a graduate of the law school at the U. of Miami, is at Marine Basic School this fall.

A little closer to home, there is the usual round of New York news: **Mike Banino**, BA '95, works at Azimuth Multimedia Pro-

ductions in Peekskill. In addition to designing multimedia, Mike published a college textbook to accompany a CD-ROM he worked on. Wrote Mike, "I'm living in the lovely town/ghetto of Peekskill—a decent combination of the convenience of NYC and access to actual trees." **Marcia Firestone**, perhaps in search of similar trees and lower rent, has made the interborough leap to Queens. In March, she was promoted to the rank of financial officer at US Trust Co.

## “That’s a lot of weddings. People, stop it, please! You’re scaring me.”

— ALISON M. TORRILLO '95

of NY. She reported on the doings of classmates **Ellen Tessler**, who had been in Israel, and **Dave Goetzl**, who is currently at Columbia's journalism school. Other Manhattan news: **Seth Stuhl**, after seven weeks in Greece, will be starting a job at Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton. **Darren Silver**, a graduate of New York U. law school, is working for Cahill, Gordon and Reindel. **Liao Chien-Hsun** is in his second year at NYU's Stern School. Last winter he worked on a management consulting project in Taiwan. Also at Stern is **Joseph Basralian**, who studies for his MBA while working at Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette as an equities strategist. He reported on fellow Stern student **Sanket Sant**, who worked for Lehman Brothers this past summer.

I hope that everyone had a thrilling, wonderful summer. Congratulations to all the recent graduates, recent job-finders and newly-weds. As you all know, our five-year reunion is not too far away. Feel free to contact me with suggestions for reunion events that would interest you, and, as always, keep the news coming. ♦ **Dika Lam**, 108 E. 38th St., Apt 1205, NYC 10016; e-mail, esme71@aol.com.

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As I write this installment from my desk in the nation's capital, the weather is warm (bordering on just a bit too humid) and wedding bells are ringing like mad!

In Harrods Creek, KY, last February 7, **Sarah Bradbury**, a manager at the TriBeCa Grill in New York City, married **Keith Robbins** '86, owner of the Wyatt Group, an environmental consulting company. Prior to the wedding, Sarah was living in Manhattan with roommates **Natalia Martorell**, **Kristen Stucchio** (who works in the Cornell New York Regional Alumni Affairs and Development Office), and **Jennifer Tsai**, an analyst with the Hotel Partners Capital Group, who also wrote, proud to report that she and **Lisa Mullan** both completed the New York City Marathon.

**Leigh Alford**, a graduate student in oceanography at Texas A & M, writes that **Gretchen De Raat** married **Chris Pers-**

**backer** on Oct. 12, '96, and that **Susan Hunnewell** married Eric Morin on July 20, '96. Out in Michigan, **Jonathan Barnes**, a product development engineer with the Ford Motor Co., sends word that he, along with **Todd Bickford** and **Reuben Richmonds** '96, attended the October 1996 wedding of **Sandy (Lean)** '94 and **Don Patterson** '94, MEng '95.

More recently, on June 28, '97, **Brian Barnes**, a merchandise analyst at Lord and Taylor in NYC, married Kelly Bloomfield

(Ithaca College '97). And the previous week, on June 21, **Millard Brown** and **Katie Goldener** were married in Denmark, ME. Mill is currently finishing his second year at Temple medical school, while Katie teaches seventh-grade science and coaches lacrosse at Episcopal Academy in Philadelphia. But the question remains: did this "key" couple sing at their own wedding? They didn't tell me.

One wedding which I especially regretted being unable to attend was that of former housemate **Karen Skibitsky** to Frank Jacobsen on July 5. The wedding took place in Sage Chapel in Karen's native Ithaca. Sorry I missed it, guys, but I wish you all the best, as I do to all the couples mentioned here!

Good wishes must have worked their magic well for **Emily Adams**, a student at the U. of Missouri, and **Bob Wleklinski** '93, MEng '94. She writes that the couple, now residing in Kansas City, is celebrating a year of wedded bliss. Emily and Bob tied the knot June 22, '96, in the presence of **Wendy Breckenridge**, maid of honor, **Christine Kohnert**, bridesmaid, **John Fuller** '93, groomsman, **Joel Roach** '93, reader, and guests **Alla Vekshina**, **Allison Gilman** (who works for Nickelodeon in NYC), **Marjorie Portnoy**, **Jenni Wernli**, **Bob Kline**, M Chem E '96, **Melanie Lieber**, and **Alie Shaper**, BS '96 (who is still out in California), among others.

And **Sebastien Korner**, a graduate student in atmospheric sciences at the U. of Wisconsin (who is "not in a hurry to try and find a real job"), e-mails me that he and **Lisa Orlandi**, MS '95, Grad, also recently celebrated their first wedding anniversary. They were married on June 15, '96, in Detroit, with groomsmen **Michael Koh** and **Dan Balda** '96 in attendance.

Whew! That's a lot of weddings. People, stop it, please! You're scaring me.

Anyway, also from e-mail, but in a totally different vein is news from **Greg Heilmann**, who works for Luckman Interactive in downtown Los Angeles and writes that he recently launched his own Web design/consulting business—Web One Communications (www.web-1.net). "Any Cornellians need help setting up their business on the Web?" he wants

to know, "I am offering discounts to alums..."

Speaking of entrepreneurs on the 'Net, **Steven Conine** and **Niraj Shah** run a Cambridge, MA-based company called Spinners (www.spinners.com), which maintains, among other things, YEA.Spinners.com, a Cornell entrepreneurs network site. And in Westbrook, MA, **Antonetta Cuccaro**, an employee at the Meditech computer software company, has branched out into a completely different field and is running a small cake decorating business from her home, making wedding, birthday, shower, and anniversary cakes for friends, family, and co-workers. (Maybe some of our brides and grooms-to-be in her area might want to check it out...)

**Chauncy Maddox**, upon returning from her high school reunion (talk about scary!) in Houston, informed me that fellow Texan **Andrew Slocum** (who had been working as a commodity merchant for Cargill in Iowa) was planning to open a brew pub/restaurant in Ithaca along with **Matthew Snider** and some of his other football buddies. Chauncy, a systems administrator for JDJ & Co. in NYC, who was last seen trying to find a reasonable apartment in Gramercy Park (e-mail address is chauncy@juno.com, if anyone has any suggestions for her), joins me in wishing the guys luck and in asking to keep us all posted as to the grand opening...

Also looking for some help from her friends is **Abra Benson** who, after earning her master's in transportation at Northwestern, went to work as an analyst for Northwest Airlines in ground operations. While happy that, as a result, she gets free flights worldwide, she bemoans the downfall—living in Minnesota. "Being an East Coaster, this is a tough change," she writes. "Are there any Cornellians out here?"

Also in the displaced Easterner category, **Jessica Shevitz**, whom I last saw on Manhattan's Upper East Side heading downtown on the 6 train, writes that she has moved with her company, Galaxy Systems Inc., to a new location: Indianapolis, Indiana.

Still toughing it out in the Big Apple Jess left behind are: **William Ferri**, a public relations account executive for Trimedia; **Vincent Nicoletta**, a student at St. John's law school; **Troy Barsky**, a law student at Cardozo, who recently made Law Review; **Dunston Almeida**, an investment banker at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette; **Mindy Goodman**, a consultant with Arthur Andersen; **Jonathan Stern**, an actuary with Coopers & Lybrand; **Andrew Smart**, an account executive with AT&T; **Daniel Taylor**, who works for Sotheby's Financial Services; **Frederick Alcantara**, a lab technician at Columbia, where he completed his master's in human nutrition (a program which classmates **Jenny Tu** and **Yoon Kim** also recently finished); and **Jennifer Bergman**, who is working on her master's in public health at Columbia and is employed at a nursing home.

Finally, a few reminders. First, keep an eye on the bottom of my column. I may have a new address soon (yes, again!). Hopefully, I will be able to give it to some of you at Home-

coming on September 27. If I make it up there, that is. Ever notice how it gets more and more difficult to do each year? Especially now that they closed the Colletgetown Motor Lodge . . . wherever will we all stay? (I don't know about you all, but at least I have a brother who just started Cornell . . . although the idea of sleeping in the U-Halls (oops, sorry, "Class Halls," as they're called now) again is just a bit frightening to me . . .) More importantly, though, whether you make it back for Homecoming or not, don't forget that the International Spirit of Zinck's Night across the country is Thurs., October 16! Hope to see you there and stay tuned for updates from both! ♦ **Alison M. Torrillo**, 8201 16th St., Apt. 709, Silver Spring, MD 20910; e-mail, AMTsf@aol.com.

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I believe it was a well-respected deity who once professed "When news does not reach you down South, you must sojourn North to seek it." So, by way of ancient Japanese car, with fully loaded Pentax in tow, this roving reporter hit the long road for a fact-finding mission in America's Northeast. (Mind you, this was a no-expenses-paid trip, all of you who are salivating over the thought that *Cornell Magazine* would pay for you to go visit your friends . . .)

First stop—New York City: Ithaca South, where you could trip over someone we graduated with while taking in the skyline. I bumped into **Elan Irom** coming out of the subway, clad in full power-lunch attire, after a productive day at Solomon Brothers. **Dave Stein**, **Tim Whelan**, and **Mary "Brice" Woods** were galavanting on the Upper East Side, somewhat miffed that their choices have broadened from the offerings on College Ave. and Dryden Rd. Dave is doing research at New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center, and now calls The City (that's not a typo) home. He is joined at Cornell Med by **Asaf Savir**, also researching and living in NYC. **Marc Turner** is enjoying a leisurely summer before starting a new job in Westchester as a food service coordinator. Keeping the Yankee Stadium bleachers rowdy this summer are **Paul O'Connor**, **Cary Segall**, **Greg Swenson**, and **Nick Ditrio**.

**Mary Philip** spent the past year working in a doctor's office in her native Long Island, and will be attending medical school at SUNY, Stony Brook in the fall. And, after all my chiding about the Midwest, **Seth Schneider** has decided to bite the bullet and become an official New Yorker—license and all. Seth is working for Malcolm Pirnie, an environmental engineering firm in White Plains, and is asking the ultimate question—Yankees or Mets season tickets?

Second Stop: Our nation's capital for our nation's birthday. Joining me for the road trip up North were **Ben Rubin** and **Andy Brief**. Ben just completed his first year of graduate school in race-car driving (which is his new euphemism for neurobiology) at Duke, and is planning his own excursion up North, making a stop on the Hill

for some Chariot corn nuggets and a romp in the gorge. Andy is spending the summer in Durham, doing orthopedic research, before returning to Einstein medical school for his second year. Somewhat dazed by the eerily similar Slope Day ambiance on the Mall, my class columnist heart went pitter-patter when I perused the veritable throng of Cornellians parked in front of the Washington Monument. Attending the festivities were **Patti Jette**, who is working in television production in Virginia, and was in full force with the Polaroid. **Joanna Citron**, Arnold and Porter paralegal by day, Georgetown fixture by night, is to be commended on her sleuthing skills, finding me at the Museum of American "Culture," and locating **Kristi Kim**, BA '95, on the Mall. Kristi came down from NYC, where she has recently changed positions and offices at Prudential, and found the easiest way to explain this to this non-business-oriented correspondent was, "I used to be on the buy side . . . now I'm on the sell side." In her spare time, when she's not selling, Kris is trying her luck at ice sculpture. D.C. **Deborah Moll** played hostess to **Michelle Lauer**, **Liz Rand**, **Becca Schader**, and **Pat Newman**. Pat also shared that, yes, there might be a '96er in Atlanta that I haven't hunted down and gotten some news from—**Walter Leddy** is down in Dixie, as well. **Sue Kim** spent one of her last weekends in DC; she was leaving to attend Boston College law school in the fall. **Pete Maxfield** and **Adam Lorenz** came down from Boston, to enjoy a weekend of revelry and rafting.

**Jeff Ullman** took a break from his PhD studies at Duke to make a stop in DC, before continuing on to his native Ohio, where he plans to stop by for a visit with **Katie Diehl**, a first-year vet student at Ohio State U. **Bryan Olthof** is spending the summer at the National Academy of Sciences, on break from chemical engineering and public policy studies at U. of California, Berkeley, and, hey, if the future political climate isn't to Bryan's liking, there's always that guest appearance on "Saturday Night Live . . ." **Katie Butler**, working for the Advisory Board, enjoyed an impromptu mini-reunion as the city was deluged with former residents of the fourth floor of Class of '28 Hall. **Gail Rosenberg**, oft mistaken for a character from "Swingers," took a break for the weekend from her new place in NYC and life at ABC News. She came to visit with **Kerry Iseman**, who is working for a medical PR firm in Union Square, **Henry Quinn**, who, when not providing the masses with actuarial figures, or introducing new traditions at Yankee Stadium, is virtually writing the book on "How to Have Fun in the Office." Gail also saw **Andrea Fuhr**, an advertising account exec living the charmed life, traveling to Miami and Bermuda for business. **Karen Schnelwar** and **Alexis Farrell** also made the trip down, revisiting old haunts from their semester at Cornell in Washington, seemingly a long time ago.

**Howie Kramer**, **Dave Epstein**, and

**Mike Kelly** are all breathing a huge sigh of relief after completing their first year of med school, and if the MD thing doesn't work out, are considering becoming professional table-acquirers at Friday's. **Jose Siri** will be bidding adieu to the East Coast, starting medical school at U. of Michigan in the fall. **Laura Kornegay** managed to make time for the ol' roomates while family-reunioning it in DC. **Dave Greenberger** made it out of the Georgetown law library to enjoy the fireworks over the Reflecting Pool. And, heard about, but not seen, were **Hootan Yaghoobzadeh**, working for DLJ in NYC, and **Yuly Lyandres**, who just completed his first year at New York U. medical school.

The post-graduation travel thang is in full effect this summer. **Lora Levy**, on summer break from Teach for America, is taking a well-deserved soiree in Europe. (It sounds REAL GOOD to be in education right about now!) **Rob Revzan**, BArch '97, who went the distance and finished his BArch last May, is touring all the places he learned about during those long hours in Rand. **Michelle Cram**, Big Red Book poster girl, is teaching in Europe this summer, before working for McKinsey Consulting in DC. **Andrea Jackson** spent the first year of her master's degree program in Bologna, Italy, is working at the American Embassy in Bulgaria this summer, and will be joined by partner-in-crime **Alison Conlin**, who just completed her public health degree at Boston U. And will resume her studies in international affairs at Johns Hopkins in the fall.

**Herman Yang**, ME E '97, is heading out to Los Angeles to work for TRW. **Josh Babbitt** also expected to finish graduate studies on the Hill, and will be relocating to Hoboken. **Carrie Ortiz** opted for another year in Ithaca, and moved up Triphammer Rd. to Lansing. **Jesse Gerber**, BA '97, is remaining a fixture in Ithaca for a duration, managing Stella's. **Stephanie Cockerl** has landed a job as a web-page master. And, hotelie-cum-political-commentator **Amy Johnston** made an appearance on the 11 o'clock news in Atlanta, sharing her thoughts about Georgia's latest political scandal. Said financial software writer and roommate **Joanne Koch**, "We were screaming so loud, we had negative idea what she said."

Someone recently remarked to me, "I never met people as attached to their school as you guys are to Cornell." Maybe that's because we were stuck in Ithaca for four long arduous years, and couldn't help but find beauty in snowstorms, humor in Chem 208 prelims, entertainment at Trillium, and glory at hockey games. Cornell didn't end when you tossed your mortarboard up in the air at Schoellkopf. So, keep writing, e-mailing, calling. Don't be shy about seeing your name in the back of the mag (and, by the way, don't run for dear life when you find out that **Allie Cahill**, **Courtney Rubin**, and I are your class correspondents). ♦ **Sheryl Magzamen**, 2402C Dunwoody Crossing, Atlanta, GA 30338; e-mail, smagzam@sph.emory.edu.

Now that our first fall away from Ithaca is upon us, I trust that joining your local Cornell Club as an alumni member is one of the steps you've taken to help ease your transition. I know how it hurts to kiss the perks of studenthood goodbye and actually have to cough up membership fees, but the sting is cushioned by pride in our hard-earned paychecks and blossoming independence.

The biggest step I expect you to take is to join us as we celebrate Homecoming 1997 on September 27, our first alumni bash. There isn't a better time to come catch up, while you still have friends at school (and can seek out their couches to crash on) and your connections to Cornellians are strong (as are your lungs to cheer on the football team as we smother Colgate, and your stomach, to manage the weekend's revelry). Gather up your pals and help us set a precedent for years to come!

**Staci Satsky**, a consultant at Price Waterhouse in New York City, updated me on several of our classmates, many of whom are part of a veritable mini-Cornell Club at PW, including **Dara Spiess** and **Sharon Loy**; **Vin Birardi** is a professional assistant. Elsewhere, **Megan Lynam** is an information technology consultant for PW in Boston, and **Leticia Rubio** has an offer from PW's Miami office once she finishes grad school in May 1998. **Sarah DeSantis** is in management consulting in Washington, DC.

Add to the NYC list **Grace Sundaram**, as an analyst in Morgan Stanley's office of de-

A sizable number of classmates have landed in the Northeast, concentrating themselves in Beantown. **Chris Vaeth** is pursuing a master's degree in theology at Harvard divinity school, but assures us his heart remains with Cornell. Also at Harvard are **Emily Loriso**, enrolled in the Kennedy School of Government's master's program in public policy; and **Heather Rauf**, who has begun work for her master's in education. **Kenneth K. Lee** and **Joshua Stein** joined our classmates at Harvard law school. (We trust your loyalty lies in Ithaca, as well.)

**Kristin Powers** is working in Cambridge for Arthur D. Little. **Colleen Zampier** is a regular at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford, MA, while she conducts a dietetics internship. **Pamela Whitehead** accepted a position as a human resource administrator with Johnson & Johnson in Raynham, MA. **Lindsay Rich** attends Springfield College, Springfield, MA, for an MS in occupational therapy. **Karen Galinsky** is an insurance client services representative for Cigna and **Michael Hild** is a financial analyst. A PhD in chemistry from the U. of Connecticut is **Michael Hwang's** goal. **Karen DeGroat** spent her summer working at Shoals Marine Lab.

On the academic front, graduation was a minor milestone for some classmates as they continue to climb the ladder of higher education. Several people are pursuing master's degrees: **David Whitehead**, meteorology, Florida State U., Tallahassee; **Taraneh Tehrani**, international health, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health; **Rebecca Montero**, public administration, in New

the design division. At the U. of Rochester, **David J. Orbach** is working on his PhD in biomedical engineering. A couple of engineers do have jobs: **Jeffrey Pelham** is a chemical engineer at International Paper in Charleston, SC; **Woody Maynard** is a rotation engineer for Motorola in Austin, TX; **Mei Lee Gallagher** is a design engineer for cardiovascular medical devices with Gore (of Gore-Tex) in Arizona.

I've been told medical school is cake once you've served time at Cornell—our future MDs are just getting their first taste. **Andrea Wong** is at the Robert Wood Johnson medical school, New Brunswick, NJ; **Amanda Levine** is enrolled at the U. of Oklahoma medical school. After traveling with **Aaron Hutman** in Europe, **David Rodin** was ready to begin medical school at Albert Einstein in the Bronx, NY. You may see **Laura Yang** sitting with the Penn fans, now that she's at medical school there. The U. of Illinois, Chicago medical school is where **Seanna Thompson** works toward an MD/MPH. Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Missouri is **Neha Patel's** new challenge. **Matt Hartman** took a year off to do volunteer church work in California before joining **Jessie Collwill** at Pitt's medical school.

While many of us (we feel very badly for those whose work demands beckoned them early) made our way to Graceland and the Grand Canyon, Piazza San Marco, and Piccadilly Circus, others made exotic horizons a permanent backdrop. Before starting at SUNY, Stony Brook dental school, **Ian Silver-Smith** traveled in Chile and skied the Andes. **Amy Kornbluth** teaches English as a second language in Ethiopia as a member of the Peace Corps; **Heather Storrud** is doing her service in Jamaica. **Paul San Gemino** is an English language teacher in Japan. Finally, **Mark Leonard** is going to see it all: he's seizing this opportunity to travel around the world!

My apologies if this reads a little like a shopping list—you have lots of news and I am trying to squeeze as much into each column as I can. There's so much to share that updates you're watching for may be bumped back and, due to the bi-monthly publication schedule, delays pile up fast. (This is all part of my thinly veiled plan to turn you into a regular reader, and help make your decision to renew your subscription as a class duespayer a no-brainer when the time comes . . .) Keep reading and, more importantly, keep sending your news so you give each other good stuff to read. Visit our ever-changing website ([www.classof97.cornell.edu](http://www.classof97.cornell.edu)) to learn about activities awaiting you at Homecoming. Also, if you have an e-mail address, you can include it with your news and I'll share it with everyone. Don't forget to keep your address current and have your e-mail forwarded! See you at Homecoming! ♦ **Erica Broennle** 1641 Hunters Cir., W. Chester, PA 19380-6658; e-mail, [broennle@email.chop.edu](mailto:broennle@email.chop.edu).

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— ERICA BROENNLE '97

velopment, and **A. Hunt Doering**, in investment banking. **Caryn Feinberg** and **Lisa Field** are investment bankers with Chase Manhattan Bank. **Joshua Norek** works as an assistant publicist for Shore Fire Media, a music publicity firm. He is representing several Latin rock bands, as well as a few jazz and hip-hop artists. **Alison Weick** does strategic management consulting for Mitchell-Madison Group. McKinsey is the new home of **Robin Ebenstein**. **Maren Siegel**, **Michelle Eichler** and **Lisa Schwartz** have also moved to the city. **Matthew Perrone** planned to work in a sales position. **Grace Kang** is an assistant buyer for Bloomingdale's. At Digital Network Associates Inc., **Emily Chang** is an account manager.

Hitting the books in the Big Apple are **Allegra Grossman** and **Virna Lisi** and **Maria Lisi**, students at New York U. medical school. Studying law at NYU is **Marci Klein**; at Fordham, **Melissa LaRocca**.

York City. **Michael Black** is working on his master's in marine biology/vertebrate behavior at Arizona State U., Tempe, with a PhD to follow. He studies the neurobiology and behavior of blue banded gobies at Catalina Island. At Iowa State U., Ames, **Beth Winters** accompanies her graduate work with a research assistantship in plant physiology. Finally, **Sergey Blok** is continuing his study of cognitive psychology through a research assistantship at Northwestern. He promises his plans to start a free love colony are merely on hold.

Engineers seem to have a particular penchant for endless schooling. **Eushuan Tran** is a graduate student at Carnegie Mellon; **Diogo Bustani**, **Robertus Prajogi**, **Pete Karakelian**, and **Jacob Spinner** are back in Ithaca for their master's degrees. What does **Ben Tarbell** have in common with Chelsea Clinton? They are both first-years at Stanford, but he's working on his MS in mechanical engineering, in

# ALUMNI DEATHS

'17 ME—**Wilson F. De Groat** of Ventura, CA, formerly of San Diego, Jan. 8, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Theta Chi.

'18 BS HE—**Edith Rulifson Dilts** (Mrs. Douglas S.) of Newtown, PA, formerly of Pennington, NJ, Jan. 19, 1997; retired Extension employee; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'18 BS HE—**Maxine Montgomery Musser** (Mrs. George D.) of Bradenton, FL, Oct. 23, 1996.

'20 BS AE, ME '28—**Loraine Van Wageningen Foster** (Mrs. Fred P.) of Bainbridge, NY, Dec. 4, 1996; former professor of nutrition and chemistry, State University of New York Ag and Tech College, Canton; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'21 JD—**Rosalie Ulrich Rosenberger** of Rockville Center, NY, Nov. 24, 1996; public interest lawyer and housing advocate; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'22 A Chem—**Marguerite Billheimer Smith** of Costa Mesa, CA, Nov. 12, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'23, BA '24—**Dorothy Fellows Hensley** (Mrs. John D.) of Hackettstown, NJ, Jan. 26, 1997; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'23 BA—**Jerold S. Meyer** of North Lima, OH, Jan. 2, 1997; retired president and general manager, May Company Department Stores; business and merchandising instructor, Youngstown College; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Wife, Raenette (Purdy) '27.

'24 BA, MA '28—**Caroline A. Lester** of Indianapolis, IN, Dec. 29, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'24 BA—**George R. Pfann** of Ithaca, NY, Dec. 17, 1996; retired attorney, formerly with GLF (now Agway); veteran; university trustee emeritus; active in community and alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Wife, Louise (McDermott) '38.

'24 MS—**Louis F. Warrick** of Kensington, MD, Dec. 28, 1996; retired technical services

chief, US Public Health Service's water pollution control division; active in professional and religious affairs.

'25 BA—**Henry J. Angelbeck** of Orchard Park, NY, formerly of Deerfield Beach, FL, June 3, 1995.

'25 B Chem—**Linn B. Bowman** of Rochester, NY, Nov. 13, 1996; retired president, Rochester Gas and Electric; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'25 BA, JD '26—**Mary Brown MacDonald** (Mrs. John W.) of Ithaca, NY, Jan. 9, 1997; retired attorney; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'25 BA—**Robert L. Doty** of Washington, DC, Aug. 15, 1996; Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'25 BA—**Anne Shamroy Hamburger** (Mrs. Max J.) of Easton, MD, formerly of Los Angeles, CA, Apr. 8, 1994; active in alumni affairs.

'25—**Abraham L. Stoller** of Fullerton, CA, formerly of Garden Grove, Nov. 11, 1996; retired engineer and draftsman. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'26—**George M. Hotchkiss** of Peoria, IL, Dec. 4, 1996; retired engineer.

'26 BS HE—**Marjorie Van Order Kienzle** (Mrs. Lester C.) of Fayetteville, NY, Aug. 21, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'27 BS HE—**Marjorie Elizabeth Burr** of Oakland, CA, formerly of Ukiah, Dec. 7, 1996; retired dietitian and public health nutritionist.

'27 BA, MA '28—**Vincent Cioffari** of Waban, MA, Feb. 8, 1997; languages professor emeritus, Boston University; World War II War Department consultant; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'27, BA '28—**Elizabeth Wilson French** (Mrs. Walter H.) of Clemson, SC, Dec. 29, 1996.

'27-28 SpAg—**Elspeth Grant Huxley** (Mrs. Gervas) of Malmesbury, England, Jan. 10, 1997; journalist and author of 30 books including *The Flame Trees of Thika*; Commander of the British Empire; active in community affairs.

'27 BS HE—**Dorothy Peck Sampson** (Mrs. Harry O.) of Southampton, PA, formerly of Clarks Summit, Nov. 28, 1996; owner, Dorothy H. Peck Interiors, Scranton; active in alumni affairs.

'27 EE—**William R. Saxe** of Sun City, AZ, Nov. 16, 1996; retired AT&T. Theta Chi.

'27 BA—**Toini Pasto Stanat** (Mrs. Arthur E.) of Manlius, NY, formerly of Washington, DC, Feb. 13, 1997; active in religious, community, and alumni affairs.

'28 BS Ag—**Kenneth H. Fisher** of Shrewsbury, MA, Dec. 6, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'28, ME '29—**W. Alexander Simms** of Dayton, OH, Sept. 15, 1996; real estate developer; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Chi Psi.

'28—**Charles K. Stover Jr.** of Binghamton, NY, formerly of Seminole, FL, July 24, 1996. Sigma Pi.

'28 BA—**Francis E. Washer** of Bethesda, MD, Nov. 19, 1996; retired physicist, National Bureau of Standards.

'29 BS Ag—**Louisa Tyler Benson** (Mrs. Horace H.) of Irving, TX, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Nov. 13, 1996; retired teacher, Newfield Elementary School; active in community affairs. Husband, Horace H. Benson '29.

'29—**Margaret Oldland Fremin** (Mrs. Sterling J.) of New Iberia, LA, Dec. 16, 1996.

'29—**Albert E. Keller** of Rhinebeck, NY, and Pompano, FL, Dec. 14, 1996. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'29 BA, JD '31—**Dorothy Smith Marsland** (Mrs. Lathrop D.) of Livonia, NY, Jan. 6, 1997; active in alumni affairs.

'29 BA—**Eula Croissant Noyes** (Mrs. Richard W.) of Sherrill, NY, formerly of Oneida, NY, Dec. 21, 1996; active in religious and alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'29 B Chem—**Thurman C. Warren Jr.** of Chappaqua, NY, Nov. 14, 1996; retired executive, International Paper Company, Glens Falls and Manhattan; active in community affairs. Wife, Laura (Myers) '30.

'30 BS HE—**Ida Harrison Knack** (Mrs. Wallace) of Grand Rapids, MI, formerly of Rochester, NY, July 13, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'30 BS HE—**Hazel E. Reed** of Ithaca, NY, Jan. 4, 1997; retired Cornell Cooperative Extension administrator and former Extension professor in Human Ecology; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'30 BS Ag—**Donald B. Saunders** of Devon, PA, formerly of Maplewood, NJ, Feb. 2, 1997; active in alumni affairs. Theta Delta Chi.

**"Through our great good fortune, in our youth our hearts were touched with fire. It was given to us to learn at the outset that life is a profound and passionate thing."**

— *Oliver Wendell Holmes*



**Clara H. Rosevear '38 &  
Robert A. Rosevear '37**

Clara H. Rosevear '38 and Robert A. Rosevear '37 were touched by that fire at Cornell: Clara's father, class of 1914, founded the School of Chemical Engineering; Bob's father, brother, and sister-in-law were all Cornellians. So are the couple's son and daughter-in-law.

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'30 BA, MD '33—**William J. Sullivan** of Bronxville, NY, Dec. 30, 1996; retired cardiologist; formerly chief of medicine, Lawrence Hospital; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'31 CE—**E. A. Courtney** of Hammond, LA, July 20, 1996; petroleum geologist, Gas Gathering Corporation; active in alumni affairs.

'31 BA—**Mary Sloan Dohan** (Mrs. Paul D.) of New Hope, PA, formerly of Wynnwood, Jan. 14, 1997; retired medical secretary; active in alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'31 EE—**Lester A. Eggleston** of Bulverde, TX, Nov. 26, 1996; retired engineer; active in alumni affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'31, BChem '32—**Birny Mason Jr.** of Rye, NY, Jan. 5, 1997; retired chairman and chief executive officer, Union Carbide; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Alpha Delta Phi.

'31—**Mary Jones Smith** (Mrs. Paul G.) of Ithaca, NY, Jan. 2, 1997; retired teacher, Cayuga Heights School; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'32 EE—**Richard R. Brainard** of Schenectady, NY, Nov. 19, 1996; retired patent attorney, General Electric Co.; active in professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Tau Beta Phi.

'32 BS Ag, MS Ed '37—**Ward R. Ellsworth** of Clearwater, FL, formerly of West Winfield, NY, Feb. 19, 1997; retired agriculture and science teacher, Brookfield (NY) Central Schools; retired owner/president, Oneida National Bank; active in alumni affairs.

'32 BA—**Caius M. Hoffman** of Delancey, NY, Dec. 31, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Delta Chi.

'32 BA—**Albert J. Hoole** of Vero Beach, FL, formerly of Stuart, FL, and Franklin, NC, Nov. 29, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'32 Grad—**Ferdinand P. Mehrlich** of Wellesley, MA, Jan. 30, 1997; food scientist, US Department of Defense; active in community and professional affairs.

'32 BA—**Louis Rosenbloom** of Miami, FL, Jan. 1, 1995. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'33 ME—**Joseph R. Burritt** of Littleton, CO, formerly of Denver, and Ithaca, NY, Jan. 4, 1997; retired, US Air Force; active in alumni affairs. Pi Kappa Phi.

'33—**Robert W. Case** of Canandaigua, NY, Nov. 15, 1996. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'33—**Franklin B. Durland** of Watkins Glen, NY, Feb. 2, 1997; retired executive, Watkins

Salt Company; veteran; active in community affairs. Chi Phi.

'33 BA, PhD '47—**Allan S. Hurlburt** of Seven Lakes, NC, formerly of Pinehurst, Nov. 13, 1996; retired professor who formerly chaired the education department at Duke University; active in community and religious affairs. Wife, Gratia (Salisbury) '31.

'33 ME—**H. Griffith Jones Jr.** of Vero Beach, FL, formerly of Ft. Pierce, FL, Jan. 23, 1997; vice president, Thiokol Chemical Corp.; veteran; active in religious and alumni affairs.

'33-34 Grad—**Harold E. Kubly** of Madison, WI, June 10, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'33 BA—**Alfred J. Nadler** of Miami, FL, Dec. 3, 1996; active in religious affairs.

'33—**Charles R. Ransom** of New Orleans, LA, Nov. 12, 1996; former president, W. A. Ransom Lumber Co.; active in community and professional affairs.

'33—**John H. Roy** of New Smyrna Beach, FL, formerly of Elmira Heights, NY, Aug. 28, 1995; Alpha Sigma Phi.

'33 BS HE—**Helen Belding Smith** (Mrs. Henry P. '36) of Washington, DC, Dec. 17, 1996; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'33—**Lawrence R. Whitney** of Newport, NH, June 3, 1996. Alpha Tau Omega.

'34 MD—**George N. Ballentine** of Muncy, PA, Jan. 15, 1997; noted gynecologist; inventor of the Ballentine hysterectomy clamp; active in professional affairs.

'34 BS HE—**Mayda B. Gill** of Limestone, TN, Dec. 1, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'34—**Gladys Crissey Grover** (Mrs. Robert S.) of Ithaca, NY, Feb. 14, 1997; active in community affairs.

'34 BA—**Roseline Nadel Gussman** (Mrs. Herbert) of Tulsa, OK, formerly of NY, NY, Dec. 1, 1996; active in community and religious affairs; University Benefactor; Alpha Epsilon Phi. Husband, Herbert Gussman '33.

'34-37 SpAg—**Philip T. King** of Groton, NY, Nov. 20, 1996.

'34—**Howard E. Lee** of West Orange, NJ, Nov. 19, 1996. Phi Sigma Delta.

'34 DVM—**Robert B. McClelland** of Buffalo, NY, Dec. 14, 1996; veterinarian; veterinary consultant, Buffalo Zoo; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'34—**Eleanor Shapiro** Rappaport (Mrs. Herbert R.) of Brooklyn, NY, Oct. 25, 1996.

- '34 BA—**Charlotte Crane Stilwell** (Mrs. Andrew O.) of Naples, FL, and Orchard Park, NY, Jan. 29, 1997; former president, Orchard Park School Board; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Husband, Andrew O. Stilwell '33.
- '34 EE—**Horace W. Symonds** of Charlottesville, VA, Nov. 30, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Theta Delta Chi.
- '34 CE—**Theodor G. Wallace** of East Longmeadow, MA, Dec. 12, 1996; retired construction company co-owner, West Springfield; active in alumni affairs. Chi Epsilon.
- '34 BS Ag, MS Ag '35—**Richard Warren** of Barrington, NH, Jan. 14, 1997; professor emeritus, poultry science, University of New Hampshire; farmer; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.
- '34 BS Ag—**Mark H. Wotiz Jr.** of West Orange, NJ, Nov. 18, 1996. Zeta Beta Tau.
- '35 BS AE M—**Wilson P. Burns** of Springfield, MO, formerly of Homosassa, FL, Dec. 14, 1996; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Alpha.
- '35 BA, JD '37—**Douglas V. Lewis** of Port Washington, NY, Jan. 13, 1997; retired partner, Donovan Leisure Newton & Irvine law firm after 53 years; active in alumni affairs. Theta Chi.
- '35 BA—**Elizabeth Puglisi Molella** (Mrs. Isaac) of Ellicott City, MD, formerly of Binghamton, NY, Nov. 15, 1996; retired, General Electric.
- '35 BA—**Seymour B. Robinson** of Ocala, FL, formerly of Armonk, NY, Dec. 2, 1996; managing partner, Cosmopolitan Associates, Yonkers; active in alumni affairs. Beta Sigma Rho.
- '35 BA—**David E. Stalter III** of Seattle, WA, Dec. 1, 1996; active in community affairs.
- '36 BA—**William M. Abbott** of Forest Hills, NY, formerly of Astoria, Dec. 19, 1996.
- '36 MA—**Nathalie Moulton Fisher** (Mrs. Richard) of Concord, NH, May 10, 1995.
- '36—**Amy Bogart Perry** of Sayre, PA, and Ithaca, NY, Dec. 26, 1996.
- '36—**Ralph J. Thornton** of Clearwater, FL, May 11, 1996.
- '36 DVM—**John A. Ward** of Melbourne, FL, and Staten Island, NY, Nov. 15, 1996; first veterinarian of the Staten Island Zoo; active in professional and alumni affairs. Wife, Maryclare (Capewell) '37.
- '36 BA—**Wallace D. Wood** of Rochester, NY, Aug. 19, 1996.
- '37 MEng—**Edwin H. Atwood Jr.** of Rochester, NY, Nov. 14, 1996. Kappa Alpha.
- '37—**Robert S. Dixon** of Niantic, CT, formerly of New Haven, Jan. 23, 1993.
- '37, BA '38—**William G. Roundey** of Las Vegas, NV, Dec. 5, 1996; attorney. Chi Phi.
- '37-38 Grad—**Bergliot Quiller Werenkiold** (Mrs. Werner) of Sandvika, Norway, Dec. 26, 1996; former director, Norwegian State Institute of Consumer Research.
- '37 MD—**S. Mouchly Small** of Buffalo, NY, Dec. 20, 1996; professor emeritus, psychiatry, State University at Buffalo School of Medicine; past president, Muscular Dystrophy Association; active in professional and alumni affairs.
- '38 BS Ag—**Geraldine Spencer Kruger** of Silver Spring, MD, formerly of Lambertville, NJ, Dec. 9, 1996; former social worker and school counselor; active in community affairs. Chi Omega.
- '38 ME—**Jack W. Lozier** of Toms River, NJ, formerly of Westfield, June 19, 1996; engineer, The Trane Co., Livingston. Phi Kappa Tau.
- '38 BA—**C. Orvis Sowerwine** of Summit, NJ, Dec. 4, 1996; active in alumni affairs.
- '38 BS Ag—**A. Dean Sumner** of New Smyrna Beach, FL, Sept. 24, 1995; Alpha Zeta.
- '38, BS Ag '41—**A. Howard Thompson** of Interlaken, NY, and Ft. Pierce, FL, Dec. 16, 1996; retired owner and operator, Hower Del Manor Dairy Farm, Thompson Music Studio, School Band Instrument Service, and the A. Howard Thompson Construction Company; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.
- '39 BS Ag, MS '51—**John M. Haluska** of Milton, NY, Dec. 5, 1996; active in alumni affairs.
- '39—**Charles N. Smith** of Sterling, IL, Jan. 11, 1997; active in alumni affairs. Theta Xi.
- '39 MS—**Robert Traub** of Bethesda, MD, Dec. 21, 1996; medical microbiologist, University of Maryland medical school; honorary curator of fleas, Smithsonian Institution; retired Army colonel; active in professional affairs.
- '40 BS HE—**Frances Kimble Dietz** (Mrs. James W.) of Buffalo, NY, formerly of Kenmore, Dec. 3, 1996; retired social science professor.
- '40 BA—**Richard B. Drooz** of New York City, Jan. 24, 1997; psychoanalyst and psychiatrist.
- '40 BS Ag—**Ray A. Kingsley** of Honeoye Falls, NY, Mar. 16, 1992.
- '40—**Sally Walter Place** (Mrs. John D.) of Cortland, NY, Jan. 12, 1997; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Omicron Pi.
- '40 BA, MD '44—**B. Leonard Snider** of Erie, PA, Nov. 22, 1996; dermatologist; active in alumni affairs.
- '40 BS Ag—**Earl A. Westervelt** of Albany, NY, and Ft. Myers, FL, formerly of Clarksville, NY, Dec. 13, 1996; retired assistant director, Division of Educational Services, Youth Conservation Education Camps; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Acacia.
- '41 BS Ag—**Nathan W. Bass** of Mitchellville, MD, formerly of Cleveland, OH, Dec. 17, 1996; retired, Brush Wellman Inc.; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.
- '41, BS Ag '59—**Carlos E. Galavis** of Caracas, Venezuela, exact date unknown. Zeta Psi.
- '41 BA—**Henry H. Henline** of Palatine, IL, Aug. 8, 1996; pilot, Trans-World Airlines Inc., Jamaica, NY; active in alumni affairs. Phi Delta Theta.
- '41 BA—**Lenore Price Howell** of San Diego, CA, Dec. 2, 1996; active in alumni affairs.
- '41 BS AE M—**Robert E. Kilian** of Ridgefield, CT, formerly of Elmsford, NY, Jan. 18, 1997; retired president, Kilian Steel Ball Corp., Syracuse, NY; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Alpha.
- '41 DVM—**Henry Maxwell** of Newtonville, MA, Dec. 21, 1996; retired from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health; veteran.
- '41 BEE—**Charles G. Reiter** of Sarasota, FL, Nov. 26, 1996; retired vice president, Formica, Inc., Cincinnati, OH. Alpha Chi Rho.
- '41 BS AE C—**Paul C. Simmons Jr.** of St. Louis, MO, Feb. 9, 1997; owner, Simpact Point of Sales; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Tau Delta.
- '42—**Richard G. Hall** of Amsterdam, NY, Feb. 13, 1993.
- '42—**Bruce R. Lane** of West Hartford, CT, Apr. 29, 1996; Wife, Priscilla (Denton) '43.
- '42—**Jean Gluck Markson** of Springfield, MA, Mar. 28, 1995. Alpha Epsilon Phi.
- '42 BS AE M—**Russell W. Munkenbeck** of Schenectady, NY, Dec. 16, 1996. Sigma Pi.
- '42, BS AE E '43—**John B. Nairn** of

Stuart, FL, Jan. 24, 1997; retired aircraft engineer, Pan American World Airways Inc., Miami; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Chi. Wife, Beverly (Frost) '42.

'42 DVM—**Harold C. Phelps** of Owego, NY, Nov. 19, 1996. Alpha Psi.

'42—**Peter S. Sculos** of Framingham, MA, Dec. 23, 1996; president, Maridor Inc.; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'42—**John C. Ward III** of Granbury, TX, Apr. 2, 1996. Alpha Chi Rho.

'42 BA—**Budd G. Wolfsie** of New Rochelle, NY, Jan. 19, 1997; sales manager, American School and University Magazine, New York City.

'43 MS—**Eleanor Schrader** Skinner (Mrs. Edgar C.) of Buffalo, NY, Jan. 17, 1997; retired teacher, Elmwood-Franklin School; volunteer, Lutheran Campus Ministry; active in religious affairs.

'43—**John G. Vonetes** of St. Petersburg, VA, Dec. 29, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'43, BEE '47—**Wells S. Workman** of Bogota, Colombia, Oct. 19, 1993. Sigma Pi.

'44, BS Ag '45—**George W. Briggs** of Pawling, NY, Oct. 31, 1996; retired history and economics teacher, Harrison High School, Westchester County; active in community and alumni affairs.

'44, BA '46—**Jeannette Fruit** Brooke (Mrs. Philip S. Jr.) of Spokane, WA, Jan. 15, 1997; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Delta.

'44—**Thomas B. Johnson** of Binghamton, NY, Jan. 23, 1997. Wife, Barbara (Larrabee) '43.

'44, BME '46—**Francis G. Paul** of Vestal, NY, formerly of Endwell, NY, Dec. 4, 1996; retired executive, IBM Corporation, Binghamton; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'44, JD '44—**John F. Sullivan** of Nichols, NY, formerly of Owego, NY, Dec. 31, 1996; retired legal council, Tioga County Department of Social Services; active in community affairs.

'44 BS CE—**Paul L. Troast** of Harvey Cedars, NJ, formerly of Upper Montclair, NJ, Jan. 4, 1997; retired president, Mahony-Troast Construction Company; active in alumni affairs. Theta Xi.

'44—**Charles Keene Ward** of Candor, NY, Jan. 1, 1997; president, Ward & Vanscoy Inc.; director, Board of Cooperative Feed Dealers; veteran.

'45—**Bertrand L. Buck** of Groton, NY, Dec. 24, 1996; retired truck driver and farmer and Guernsey cattle breeder; active in community, agricultural, and religious affairs.

'45, BS HE '44—**Catherine Corbally** Gartland (Mrs. John) of Poughkeepsie, NY, Dec. 22, 1996.

'45—**C. Gordon Heiss** of Santa Fe, NM, Jan. 19, 1997; executive director, Santa Fe Dining, Inc.; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Sigma Chi.

'45—**Warren E. Rosati** of East Longmeadow, MA, Feb. 22, 1996; employed by General Offset Printing Company, Springfield. Zeta Psi.

'46 B Chem E—**Ernest C. Biglow Jr.** of Saint Louis, MO, formerly of Summit, NJ, Dec. 15, 1996; retired executive director, National Accounts Marketing Association, NYC. Chi Psi.

'46 BS Ag—**Sophie Zahakos** Ford (Mrs. Peter K.) of Ithaca, NY, formerly of Ballwin, MD, Jan. 16, 1997; active in religious affairs.

'46—**William L. Gaines** of Baltimore, MD, Oct. 28, 1995; Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'46, BS Ag '49, MS '61—**Gordon C. Perry** of Weedsport, NY, formerly of Bedford Hills and Clifton Park, Dec. 12, 1996; manager, New York Conference of Mayors, Albany. Wife, Edith (Palmer) '48.

'47—**C. Henri Champeau** of Palm Harbor, FL, formerly of Clearwater, FL, Jan. 2, 1997.

'47 BS Ag—**Frederick P. Howe** of Hamilton, NY, Dec. 4, 1996.

'47 MS Ed—**Florence Deyoe** Judy of Belmont, MA, formerly of Cambridge, MA, Jan. 14, 1997.

'48 MD—**Robert C. Hardy** of San Antonio, TX, Dec. 9, 1996; neurosurgeon; active in professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'48 CE—**Alfred E. Ignaszak** of Williamsville, NY, formerly of Buffalo, NY, Jan. 25, 1997; retired executive vice president, Cowper Construction Company; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Phi Omega.

'48 BS Ag—**Richard A. Keough** of Tempe, AZ, Sept. 19, 1996; supply store manager, United Dairyman of Arizona; lay pastor, Grace Community Church; active in community and religious affairs.

'48 BEE—**C. Douglas Repp** of Emmaus, PA, Nov. 11, 1996; registered professional engineer, Pennsylvania Power and Light Co., Allentown; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'48, BA '49—**John W. Sterett Jr.** of Pompano Beach, FL, Nov. 19, 1995; Phi Gamma Delta.

'48 BChem E—**Dewitt S. Stillman Jr.** of Hinsdale, IL, Nov. 10, 1996; retired manager, Illinois Tool Works Inc.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'48 BS Hotel—**William J. Young** of Shelby, NC, formerly of Ithaca, NY, and Waverly, NY, Dec. 28, 1996; vice president, Medical Engineering Lab Inc., Shelby; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'49 JD—**Hewitt A. Conway** of Palm Beach, FL, Dec. 28, 1996; attorney, Donovan, Leisure, Newton, & Irvine.

'49 BS Ag—**John W. Gillard** of Vestal, NY, July 10, 1996; retired guidance department chair, Vestal Central School System; veteran. Seal & Serpent.

'49 BS Ag, MBA '50—**Michael Serven** of Incline Village, NV, formerly of New Canaan, CT, Dec. 22, 1996; retired vice president, Chemical Bank of New York; active in alumni affairs.

'49 BS Hotel—**David S. Smith** of Toronto, Ont., Canada, formerly of Rolling Meadows, IL, and Houston, TX, Aug. 9, 1994.

'49 BA—**Harold M. Warendorf** of New York City, formerly of Bay Head, NJ, Jan. 13, 1997; senior vice president, Smith Barney/Harris Upham and Company; active in alumni affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'49 PhD—**Ellis H. Whitaker** of South Dartmouth, MA, Nov. 28, 1996; biology professor, South East Massachusetts University; active in alumni affairs.

'50 BCE—**Frank B. Bradshaw Jr.** of Atlanta, GA, July 30, 1996; owner, Bradco. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'50 BEE—**Milton Collins** of Boca Raton, FL, formerly of Lincoln, MA, and Northbrook, IL, Aug. 28, 1996.

'50 BA, JD '53—**Lynn P. "Pete" Dorset** of Cortland, NY, Feb. 2, 1997; retired city court judge; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'50—**Alice Tarbell** Egan of North Bangor, NY, Dec. 12, 1996; owner, North Country Eggs; longtime 4-H leader and dairy industry spokesperson; active in community and professional affairs.

'50 BS Ag—**Harry H. Goldschmidt** of Binghamton, NY, Nov. 24, 1996.

'50—**Robert L. Sherman** of Palm Bay, FL, Aug. 12, 1996; physician, Brevard Behavioral



Medicine, Melbourne, FL.

'50, BS Ag '49—**Norman J. Smith** of Vineland, NJ, Dec. 26, 1996; professor emeritus of agricultural science, Rutgers University; retired agricultural agent for Cumberland County; active in professional affairs.

'50 BA—**William F. Usher** of Interlaken, NY, Jan. 13, 1997; retired banker, Interlaken Branch, First National Bank of Waterloo; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'51 MS—**Alice J. Davey** of Nineveh, NY, formerly of Ithaca, Jan. 27, 1997; professor emeritus of consumer economics and housing, Human Ecology; active in alumni affairs.

'52 ME Ed—**Garfield P. Burnham** of Fly Creek, NY, Nov. 24, 1996; retired industrial arts teacher, Liberty High School; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'52 BArch—**Alfred L. Della-Paolera** of Watertown, MA, Jan. 14, 1996.

'52 MBA, JD '55—**Murray F. Lewis** of Ithaca, NY, Nov. 21, 1996; attorney. Wife, Carol (Penn) '55.

'53, BME '56—**Edward B. Koch** of Placentia, CA, Dec. 8, 1996. Delta Chi.

'53 MS—**Hannssen Schenker** of Freedom, NH, Sept. 2, 1996.

'54 PhD—**Daniel J. Paolucci** of Largo, FL, Nov. 29, 1996.

'54 DVM—**Warren A. Robinson** of Bowie, MD, Aug. 14, 1996. Alpha Psi.

'55 BS HE—**Nancy Paine Grant** (Mrs. John A.) of Plattsburgh, NY, Dec. 2, 1996; administrator, State University of New York College, Plattsburgh; active in community affairs.

'55-56 Grad—**Anne Lutz** of Medford, NJ, formerly of Ramsey, Aug. 30, 1996.

'55, BS Nurs '56—**Helen Allhusen North** (Mrs. Ralph M. III) of Waukesha, WI, June 20, 1995; nurse, Waukesha County Department of Health.

'56 MD—**C. Elton Cahow Jr.** of New Haven, CT, Jan. 9, 1997; professor of surgery at Yale University medical school; former chief of surgery, Yale University Health Services. Wife, Joy (Cushman) '54.

'56 MPA—**Peter L. Cheney** of Stuart, FL, formerly of Boynton Beach, Jan. 12, 1997; administrator, Martin County; formerly city manager, Boynton Beach.

'56 BA, MD '62—**Edwin E. Dean** of Naples, FL, Jan. 16, 1997; physician, Naples Medical Center; active in community and

professional affairs. Kappa Sigma.

'56 JD—**Eugene Kaplan** of Laurel, MD, Feb. 21, 1997; retired senior trial attorney, Federal Trade Commission; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'56 BA—**Sandra Adler Lent** (Mrs. Richard H.) of Tempe, AZ, formerly of Glastonbury, CT, Nov. 17, 1996; therapist; active in professional and religious affairs.

'56 MA—**Richard E. Shaper** of Baltimore, MD, formerly of Lido Beach, NY, Jan. 20, 1997; retired high school economics and social studies teacher, Bellmore; active in religious affairs.

'57, BA '59—**Jay M. Perlman** of Armonk, NY, formerly of San Francisco, CA, September 1993.

'57, BArch '58—**Fred H. Thomas** of Edgartown, MA, formerly of Ithaca, NY, Feb. 9, 1997; retired principal, Thomas Associates Architects and Engineers; professional cartoonist; active in alumni affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'58 PhD—**James E. McCune** of Wakefield, MA, Dec. 13, 1996; professor emeritus of aeronautics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge.

'58 BA—**Sara Snyder Ostergren** (Mrs. Neil) of New York City, June 10, 1996; active in community affairs.

'59-60 SpAg—**Hugh G. Healy** of Johnstown, NY, July 12, 1994.

'60, BS Nurs '61—**Ann Sullivan Baker** (Mrs. Richard A.) of Waban, MA, Dec. 12, 1996; associate professor of medicine, Massachusetts General Hospital, director of Infectious Disease Service, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

'60 BS Ag—**Jane Zautner Potter** (Mrs. Willard H.) of Truxton, NY, Dec. 26, 1996; manager, Milkland Farms; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Husband, Willard H. Potter '53.

'60 MA—**Herta Ladenheim Seidman** (Mrs. Samuel N.) of New York City, Jan. 3, 1997; chaired the East-West Management Institute, and Soros Management Training Programs; also chaired the board of Tradenet Corporation.

'61 BA—**Ralph W. Haumacher** of El Segundo, CA, July 13, 1996; active in alumni affairs.

'62 BS Ag—**Roy C. Brondum** of Avon, CT, Feb. 14, 1997; vice president, City Beef Corporation, Hartford; active in religious and alumni affairs.

'62-63 Grad—**Tom Van Dorp** of Godal-

ming, England, exact date unknown; lawyer, Air Products Ltd., Surrey.

'66 BA—**Roger C. Bransford** of Atlanta, GA, Jan. 9, 1997; managing director, Watson Wyatt; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'67 BS Ag—**Denis D. Hutchinson** of Akron, NY, Dec. 3, 1996; secondary school teacher, Depew Public Schools.

'67, BA '68—**Richard H. Peiser** of Glen Ellyn, IL, Feb. 19, 1996; librarian, Northwest Educational Cooperative Library.

'67, BS Ag '67—**Donald E. Ruff** of New Kingston, NY, Sept. 27, 1996.

'67—**Elizabeth Adams Teo** (Mrs. Wesley) of Grand Rapids, MI, formerly of Palos Hills, IL, Feb. 13, 1996.

'69 BS ILR—**Ronald J. Fitzgerald** of Spencer, NY, Nov. 23, 1996; attorney; active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Donna (Ferguson) '69.

'69 BEE, MEE '71—**Jonathan A. Humphry** of Oceanside, CA, formerly of Playa Del Ray, Sept. 17, 1996; president, Vivid Technology Corp., Vista. Sigma Pi.

'69 BS Ag, PhD '81—**David J. Rindos** of Perth, Australia, formerly of Trumansburg, NY, Dec. 8, 1996.

'71 MS Ag—**Max W. Hammond** of Ephrata, WA, Oct. 24, 1996; analyst, Cenex Supply and Marketing.

'71—**Roger B. VanHorn** of Alfred, NY, Sept. 24, 1996; owner, San Publishing Co.

'77—**Manuel Gomez** of Brooklyn, NY, Feb. 21, 1996.

'84-86 Grad—**Daniel A. Sumberaz** of Honolulu, HI, Dec. 9, 1996; accountant, The Proper Perspective, CPA.

'86 BS Ag—**Andrea Malmendier Shortt** (Mrs. Gary W.) of Boiling Springs, PA, formerly of Glenwood Lake, NY, Dec. 11, 1996; research chemist, Integrated Analytical Labs; Husband, Gary R. Shortt '86.

'88 BA—**Sergio A. Tufó** of Richmond Hill, NJ, Nov. 16, 1996.

'89 MS ILR—**Patricia A. Banasiak** of Dallas, TX, and Diamondhead, MS, Jan. 1, 1997; manager, aircraft manufacturing, LTV Corporation, Dallas.

'90 MS Ag—**Dwight W. Herren** of Bainbridge Island, WA, Jan. 19, 1997.

'96 MS CS—**Elena Y. Bobrovnikova** of Ithaca, NY, formerly of Moscow, Russia, Nov. 28, 1996.



## CORNELLIANA



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**A**s P.T. Barnum observed, there's a sucker born every minute. A certain number of them, then, must matriculate at Cornell, where they fall victim to some of the finest pranks ever to inflate a whoopee cushion. The new crop of freshmen should be grateful *not* to have entered in 1980, when a bevy of wits slipped fliers labeled "Course and Room Roster Corrections" under

every door on West Campus. The next morning, scores of freshmen tried to cram into tiny classrooms on the hinterlands of campus. Though no one claimed credit, some suspected the staff of the aptly named *Cornell Lunatic*.

East Hill has long been a hotbed of satirists and smart alecks. Those on campus in the spring of 1952 may remember the night when, in the midst of the Korean War, two dozen students highjacked WVBR and announced that Russian bombers had been spotted over the Maine coast, prompting wor-

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The undisputed crown prince of pranks, of course, was Hugh Troy '26. Troy set the standard for tomfoolery—on campus, in Manhattan, even in the Army. He perpetrated such legendary Cornell japes as the Beebe Lake rhinoceros, the Arts Quad footprints, and the architecture "freshman photo" soaking. (They still fall for it.) Never mind that Troy was a talented muralist who decorated New York hotspots as well as Willard Straight Hall's foyer and Ivy

Room. He's best remembered as a joker, once employing his artistic talent to fool a professor into thinking his classroom ceiling was about to collapse. Troy painted a *trompe l'oeil* of a gaping hole and crumbling plaster; by the time the old man returned with repairmen, Troy had cleaned it up. The professor thought he was losing his mind.

To placate Cornellians who had been rejected by that other Ivy League school, Troy once circulated a petition to change Cornell's name to Harvard College; the *Crimson* declared itself "appalled." And then there was that letter President Harding got from the *Daily Sun* naming him honorary editor. The anti-Harding *Sun* was not amused. Troy was—particularly since he'd stolen a batch of newspaper stationery. "People," he once said, "should be mystified more often than they are."

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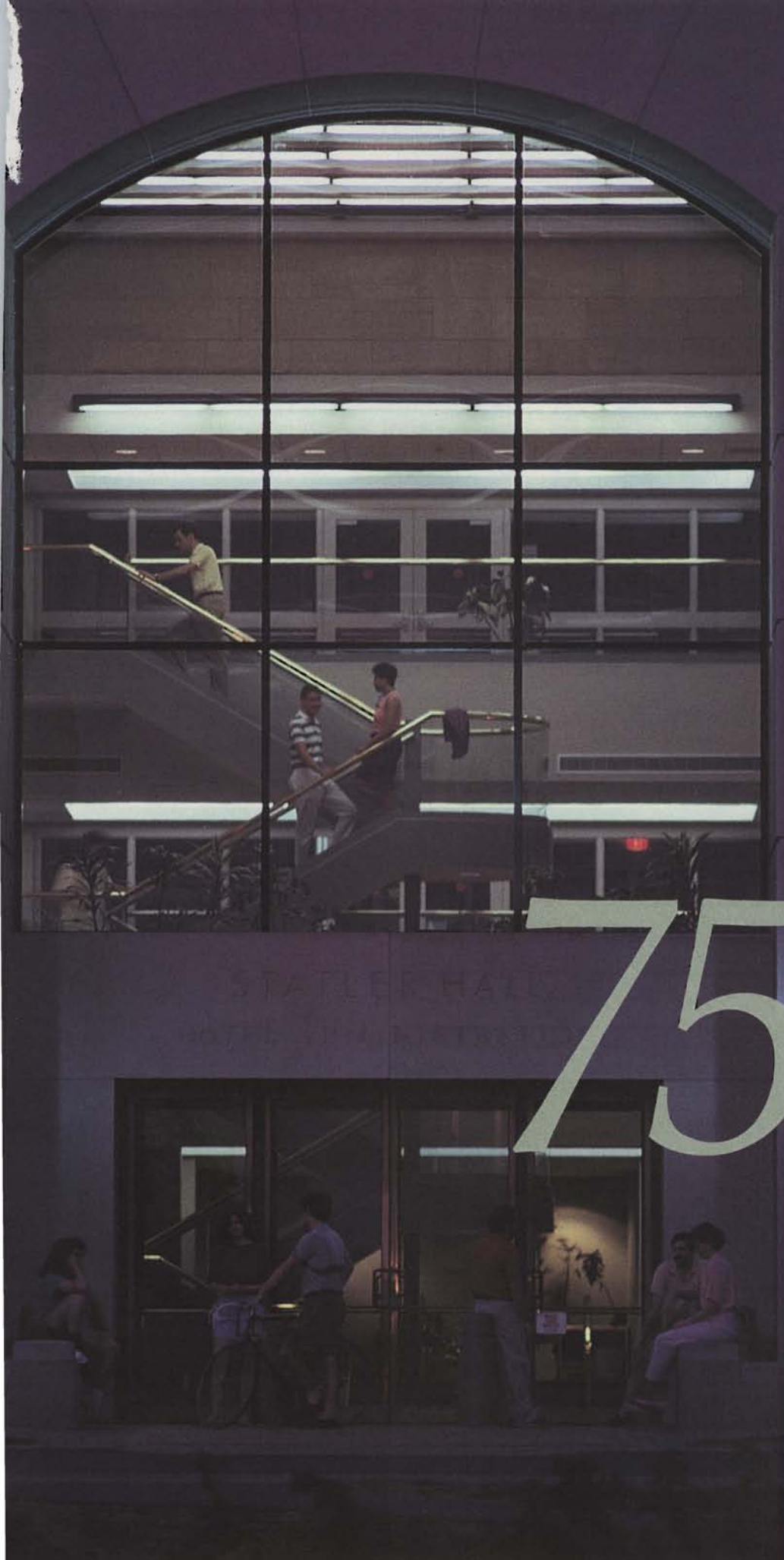
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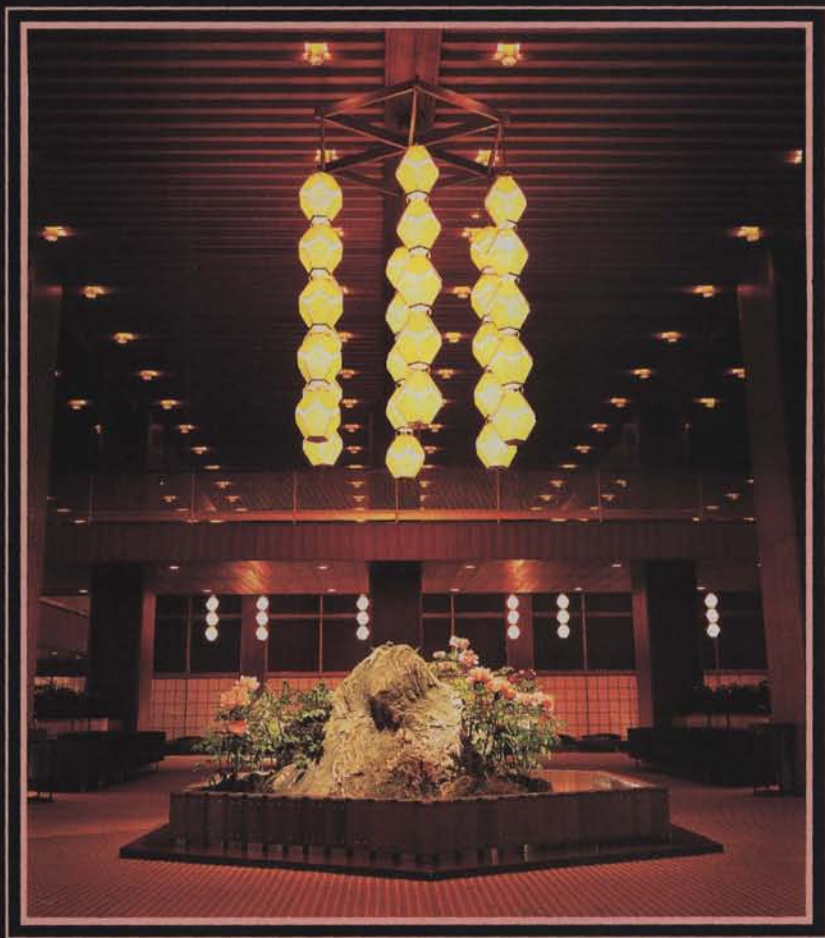
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**W**ELCOME to the Statler, the four-star hotel that's a living classroom for hundreds of Cornell Hotel school students each year. On-the-job training was a vital part of the curriculum when the nation's first school of hotel administration was founded seventy-five years ago, and the hands-on approach is still going strong. "I view the Statler as an integral teaching lab of the Hotel school," says Dean David Dittman. "Of

course, it provides food and lodging, and I have a philosophy that it should run as an independent hotel. But the real reason for having a hotel in the center of campus is to train our students."

Expanding front-line education was one of Dittman's priorities when he became the Hotel school's fourth dean in the summer of 1990. Since Dittman took office, the number of students working at the Statler has risen from fifty to more than five times that number; last year, there were an unprecedented eight student managers at the Statler, positions of prestige akin to commanding a corps of cadets.

That experience, on top of the required 800 hours of work in the hospitality industry, is a major reason why Hotel school grads continue to have bright career prospects: three weeks



*A Statler kitchen—living classroom for Cornellians.*

before graduation, 99 percent of the Class of '97 had jobs, with an average of more than three offers per student. "Our students get to see living case studies every day," Dittman says. "When they make a management decision, they see the result of it."

The education Hotel students get at Cornell is in some ways dizzyingly different from what their trailblazing counterparts studied three-quarters of a century ago—and in other ways, fundamentally the same. Back when the

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school was founded as part of the Ag college's School of Home Economics, students learned how to solder pipes. (If you managed an isolated Adirondack resort, you'd better know how to keep the hot water coming.) These days, Hotelies study complicated issues of real estate, finance, computing, economics, marketing, and human resources. They don't learn how to *repair* high-tech air-control systems, but they know enough to deal with a hotel's staff engineers.

"Our mission is to prepare the leaders of the global hospitality industry for the twenty-first century," Dittman says. "It's a simple statement, but it says a lot about what we do."

Sitting in his office on the first floor of Statler Hall, sipping a rare second cup of coffee after kicking the caffeine habit, Dittman deconstructs his own sentence. "Preparing leaders," he says, means attracting the best students, and retaining the best faculty to teach them. "Global" refers to the fact that although the Hotel school was once focused on the way things were done in America—or, more specifically, in New York—the hospitality industry

now has a worldwide perspective, and graduates have to be able to compete in it. And "twenty-first century"? That means that as the field continues to grow and change, so will the Hotel school.

"We view our mission as being very broad," Dittman says, describing the school's four educational gateways. There's the basic Bachelor of Science degree; the Master of Management in Hospitality, an MBA-equivalent program; the PhD, to train future Hotel professors; and an ever-expanding executive education program. The latter comprises management enrichment courses at Cornell and around the world, such as a restaurant man-

agement program for PepsiCo of Malaysia and a wines course sponsored by the Hong Kong chamber of commerce.

Widening the school's global focus is another of Dittman's priorities; by early in the next decade, he hopes to require that every undergrad do an internship abroad. The school is seeking peer educational partners around the world—admittedly not an easy task when you're Number One—and Ditt-



Dean David Dittman

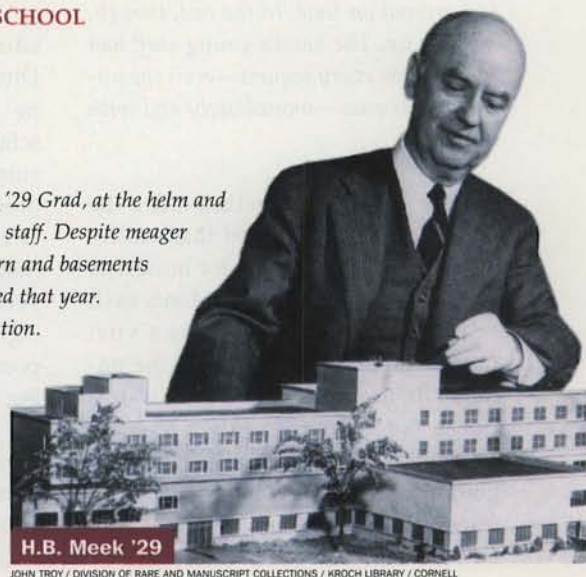
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## Looking Back ON 75 YEARS OF THE HOTEL SCHOOL

### 1922

*The Hotel Program opens with H. B. Meek, '29 Grad, at the helm and Frank Randolph '17 as the sole professor on staff. Despite meager funding, a scant curriculum, and only a barn and basements for classrooms, twenty students matriculated that year.*

*The school was the first of its kind in the nation.*



H.B. Meek '29

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man hopes to promote more student exchanges, akin to the one now in place with the École Supérieur des Sciences Économiques in Paris.

**A**NOTHER watchword for the next century, of course, is technology. The art of greeting guests and managing housekeeping crises may be much the same as it was seventy-five years ago. But how could the school's Founding Dean H. B. Meek have envisioned keyless doors, or a system where front desks are run by card-reading computers instead of desk clerks? "Technology is going to be a major player in the hospitality industry," Dittman says. "Some of the things we take for granted—for instance, checking in and checking out—are going to be completely replaced."

Executive-in-Residence Richard C. Nelson '57 remembers that when he was an undergrad, the school was just beginning to experiment with computerized reservation systems, meaning old-fashioned punch cards. "As the industry has changed," he says, "the Hotel school has evolved along with it." Nelson, vice president emeritus and consultant to Hyatt Hotels and Resorts, is president of the Cornell Society of Hotelmen. The

8,000-member alumni group celebrates its own seventy-fifth birthday in 2003. But Nelson notes that although much has changed on campus, the society's mission has always been the same. "We have the common goal of helping one another out in business," he says,



*Herakles guards the Statler courtyard.*

"and helping the school out at the same time."

**Hotel school alumni are invited to contact Phil Miller '83, director of alumni affairs, for a complete listing of events planned in celebration of the school's seventy-fifth anniversary. Phil may be reached by phone, (607) 255-3565, or email, pm20@cornell.edu.**

**1927**

Ellsworth Statler is a reluctant guest at the second Hotel Ezra Cornell. Although a long-time skeptic of hotelier education, Statler was so impressed by the Cornell students working the event that he pledged his financial support that very evening. Statler went on to be the school's greatest early benefactor.



**E. M. Statler**

**1928**

John Crandall and John Courtney, both of the Class of '25, found the Cornell Society of Hotelmen. The alumni group united graduates at smokers and receptions at national hotel shows and assisted students through scholarships and loans. The society would eventually grow to have sixty-one chapters worldwide, including a collegiate chapter at Cornell.

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# HEROES OF HOSPITALITY

**W**HEN **Ellsworth Statler** was thirteen, the son of an itinerant preacher from Wheeling, West Virginia, he became a bellboy at the McLure Hotel. Within a few years, he'd worked his way to head clerk, and by 1901, at the age of thirty-eight, the self-taught entrepreneur had created a temporary hotel at the Pan American Exposition. While the exposition was a financial failure, Statler's venture was a success. The Buffalo Statler, a prototype for the modern commercial hotel, complete with private baths, opened in 1908, and by 1920 Statler was the most powerful man in the hotel industry. As a guest at Hotel Ezra Cornell in 1927, students so impressed the millionaire that he even asked for their asparagus recipe. And when he died less than a year later, he left a \$100,000 endowment for the purpose of

**Crandall & Courtney**



"research work for the benefit of the hotel industry." Hotel students still benefit from Mr. Statler's generosity, and as alumni have been making a name for their alma mater ever since.

In 1928, **John Courtney '25** and **John M. Crandall '25**, graduates of Cornell's first class of Hotelies, established the Cornell Society of Hotelmen. Courtney served as secretary-treasurer and Crandall was president. The CSH soon became far more than a social organization, hosting major industry gatherings, helping Hotel school graduates find jobs, and publishing its quarterly *Bulletin*. Local chapters of the CSH may be found in

Asia, Africa, Europe, and North and South America.

After World War II, when the swanky Greenbrier Hotel was reeling from its recent stint as a military hospital and the firing of four managers in as many years, the late **E. Truman Wright '34** stepped in as resident manager, and within a year had netted a \$17,000 profit. Wright retired as the Greenbrier's president in 1974, having overseen the largest expansion in the resort's history. Wright's son, **Edward T. "Ted" Wright Jr. '58**, is managing director of The Cloister, a resort on Sea Island, Georgia.



**E. Truman Wright '34**

Theme restaurants, the brainchild of **Joseph H. Baum '43**, president of Restaurant Associates, have changed the face of dining out in the twentieth century. Baum is best known for Windows on the World, recently re-opened in the New York City's World Trade Center, and the renovated Rainbow Room in Rockefeller Center. Baum got his start with his own restaurant, Aurora; other successes have included The Four Seasons and Forum of the XII Caesars.

With an Insta-Burger machine purchased from a man in a pink Cadillac, **James McLamore '47** and **David R. Edgerton '48** hoped to turn around their recently purchased restaurant chain. Despite mechanical foibles which led the machine to consistently char burgers, the two entrepreneurs didn't lose heart. With some tinkering, the machine became a

out in the twentieth century. Baum is best known for Windows on the World, recently re-opened in the New York City's World Trade Center, and the renovated Rainbow Room in Rockefeller Center. Baum got his start with his own restaurant, Aurora; other successes have included The Four Seasons and Forum of the XII Caesars.



**Joseph H. Baum '43**

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**1949**

*Alice Seidler Statler, Ellsworth Statler's widow, lays the cornerstone of Statler Hall and Statler Inn, the first building for the Hotel school's exclusive use. Dean Meek had solidified plans for its construction eight years earlier, but building was delayed until after World War II.*



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**1953**

*An all-star team of vintners heads the pilot lecture of Introduction to Wines. Julius Wile, Lee Knowles, Charles Fournier, Tony Doherty, George Lawrence, and John Longwell preached their bacchanalian lore to 106 Hotelies that year; seventy-five years later, 872 Cornellians are taking the class.*



**James McLamore '47**

flame-broiler and within a year McLamore and Edgerton had introduced the 29-cent Whopper, the crown jewel of their new empire—Burger King.

By 1990, **Richard D. Fors '59**, **Manuel A. Garcia '65**, and **Charles J. Mund '51** were among the largest Burger King franchisees.

When **Judith Kellner Rushmore '65** met her future husband, Hotelier **Stephen '67**, she pegged him for a nerd. "But a nice nerd," she adds. Thirty years later,

**The Rushmores**



Judy's family includes two more Hoteliers—daughter **Cynthia '93** and son **Stephen '96**. Steve Senior is founder and president of Hospitality Valuation Service  
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**1974**

*Graham Kerr, host of "The Galloping Gourmet," teaches a cooking class to more than 1,000 students in Bailey Hall, becoming one of a long string of famous visitors to the Hotel school. Other celebrity guests have included Robin Leach, Jacques Pepin, and Julia Child.*



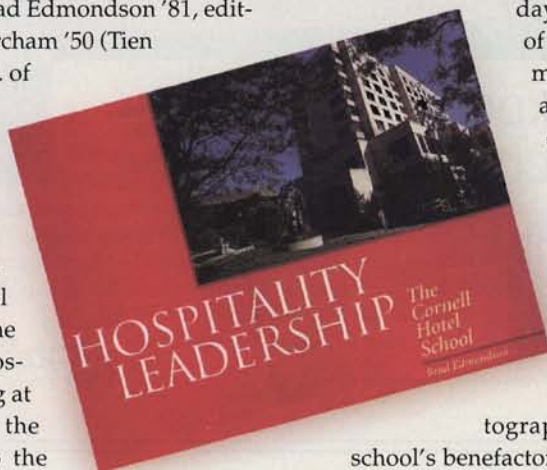
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# Living History

## A Hardcover Chronicle of the Hotel School's Growth

**W**HEN Hotelies decided to celebrate their roots, volunteers around the world took up the challenge. An alumni committee, chaired by Michael Chiu '66, spearheaded the effort by finding subscribers to fund the project. The result is *Hospitality Leadership, the Cornell Hotel School* by Brad Edmondson '81, edited by John Marcham '50 (Tien Wah Press, Ltd. of Singapore). With 224 full-color, oversized pages, the coffee-table history of the Hotel school traces the progress of hospitality training at Cornell from the early 1900s to the present. Edmondson and Marcham include alumni recollections and profiles, anecdotes of student life throughout the years, and photographs drawn from the universi-



ty archives and alumni collections in each chapter. They detail the fund-raising campaigns which have fostered the school's success, chronicle the changing curriculum of the school over time, and document the myriad contributions of alumni. Sidebars detail the attitudes of Hotelies during Prohibition days, the pursuits of alumni and administrators, and special events—such as the farewell “Meekbake” for Founding Dean H. B. Meek. The book is illustrated with photographs of the school's benefactors, early classes in the Ag college, and contemporary students. *Hospitality Leadership* is available through the Cornell University Resource Center [Tel: (607) 255-7660; Fax: (607) 255-9946].

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(HVS) International, a leader in the hotel appraisal business, and Judy, who earned her degree from Home Economics (now Human Ecology) in human nutrition, is president of HVS Licensing Corporation. Cynthia is founder and president of HVS Eco Services, an environmental consulting firm.



Jennie Chua '71

One of Singapore's spokespersons for tourism is none other than **Jennie Chua '71**, the first Singaporean woman to graduate from the Hotel school. She is now general manager of one of Asia's famous hotels, Singapore's Raffles. Between 1977 and 1988 Chua headed the Singapore Convention Bureau. During that time, Singapore emerged as a premier convention city, regionally and internationally. For her contribution, Chua was awarded the

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### 1986

Drowning out the din of cheering Hotelies, the wrecking ball takes its first swing at Statler Hall and Statler Inn, initiating Dean Jack Clark's plans for renovation. The building reopens on April 10, 1989 complete with state-of-the-art lab and lecture technology, and 150 additional guest rooms.



### 1991

Hotelies dream big dreams: on October 26, Hotel school students contended for their spot in the Guinness Book of World Records by making the world's biggest lasagna. The 63-by-7-foot Italian treat weighed 3,477 pounds when fully cooked, and raised more than \$1,200 for Ithaca's Southside Community Center.



Singapore National Day Public Service Silver Medal. Famous for its tiffin curry, high tea, and the Singapore Sling highball, Raffles has been designated a national monument by the Singapore government and has won numerous regional and international awards.

**Curtis Nelson '86** started his meteoric rise in the hotel industry in the dishroom of one of his grandfather's Country Kitchen restaurants. Now he's president of the family firm, and on the path to becoming CEO of Carlson Hospitality Worldwide. The thirty-three-year-old has made a name for himself by being "a team player," working hard, and listening to his elders. Nelson has been instrumental in the 400 percent growth of Carlson's Country Inns & Suites and the acquisition of the Regent hotel brand, which thrust Carlson Hospitality into the luxury segment of the industry.



**Curtis Nelson '86**



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**W**ITH more than 8,000 members worldwide, the Cornell Society of Hotelmen will celebrate its own seventy-fifth birthday in 2003. Here's a look at this year's alumni association leaders:

Richard C. Nelson '57, President of the Society of Hotelmen, became the vice president of Hyatt Hotels & Resorts after a fifteen-year career with Hilton Hotels. Forty years after graduation, Nelson still reaps the benefits of having studied at Cornell. "Everything I took at the Hotel school has helped me out in one way or the other," he

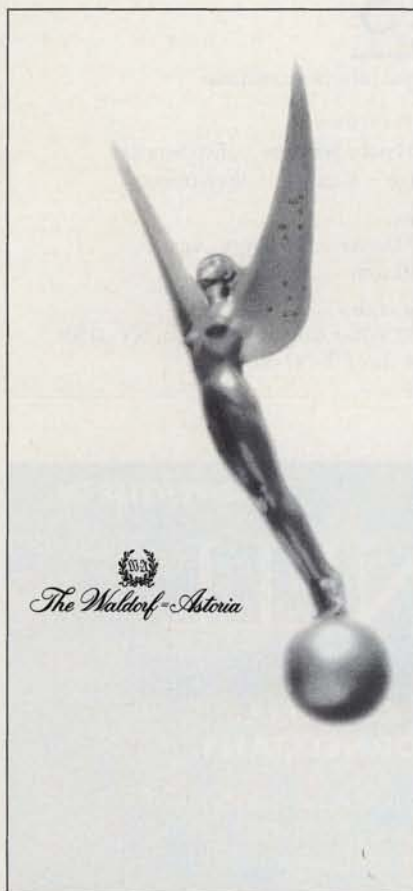


Richard C. Nelson '57

*"[The CSH] allows me to keep close ties to the university, an institution for which I have very deep feelings."*

— Michael Sansbury '74

says. Nelson was named the 1994 "Leader of the Year" by the Greater Washington Board of Trade and the 1988 "Y-Guy of the Year" for his fundraising efforts on behalf of the YMCA Partner with Youth Program. He has even been honored by the City of Washington, D.C., for his contributions to tourism and quality of life with "Richard Nelson Day," celebrated each year on February 7th.



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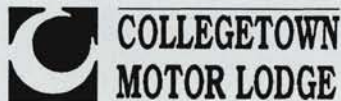
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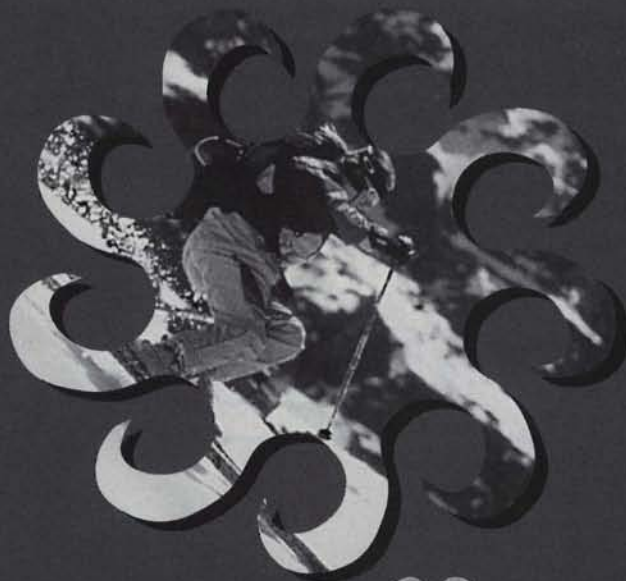
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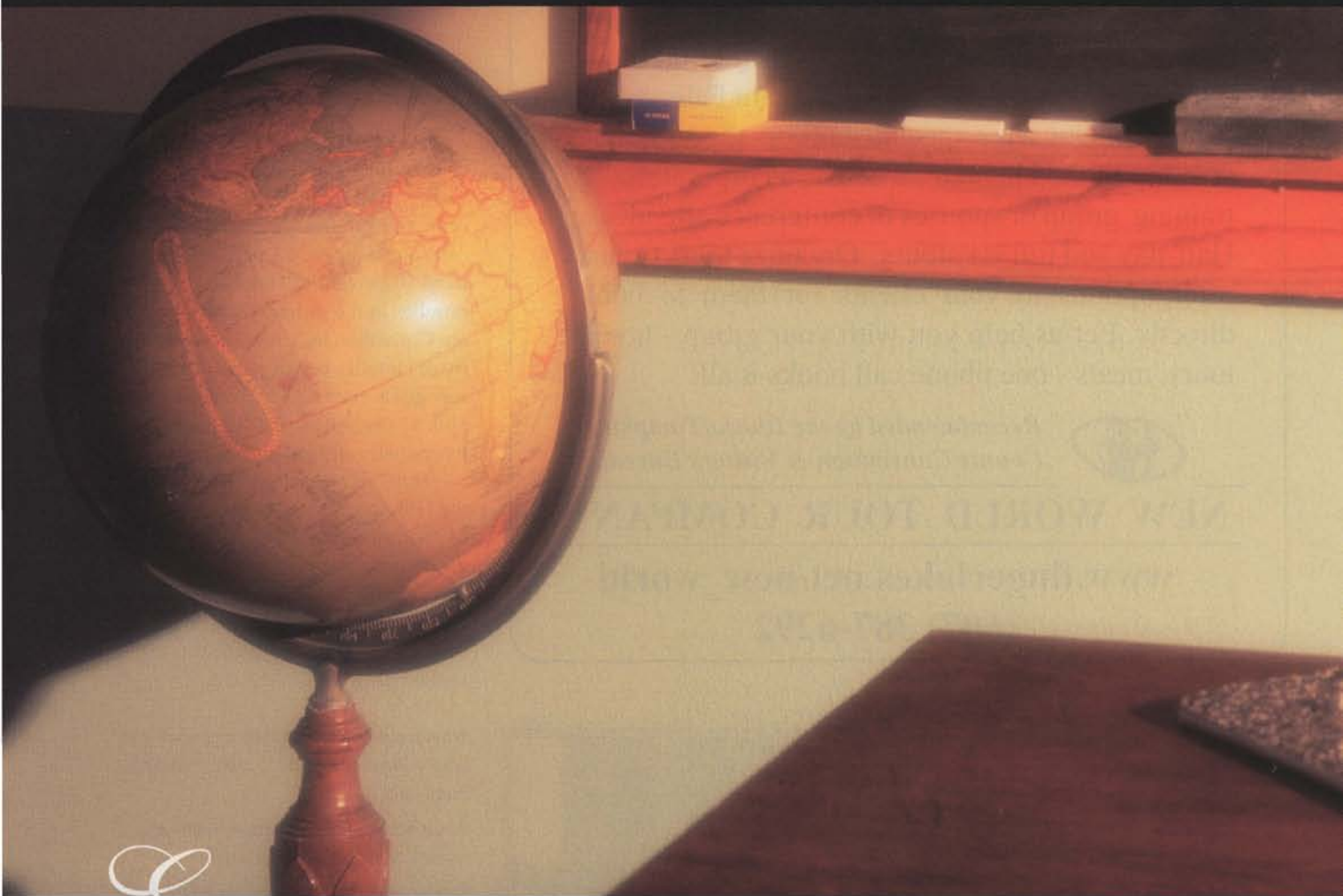
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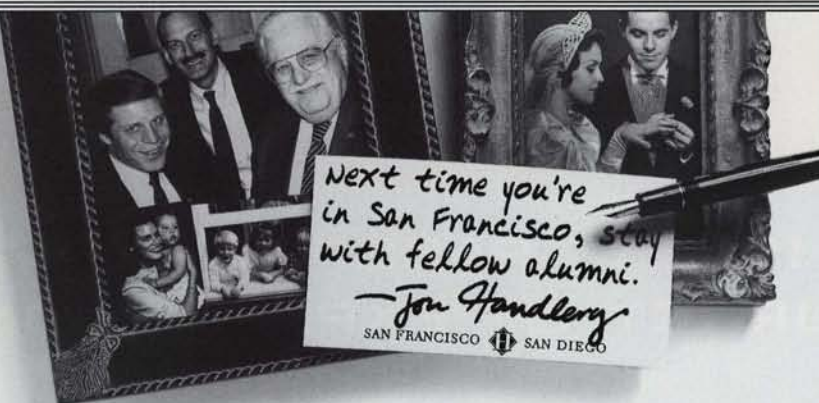
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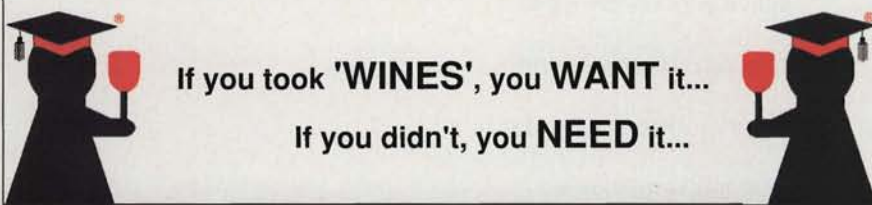
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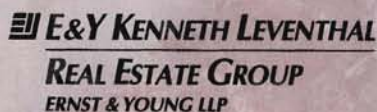
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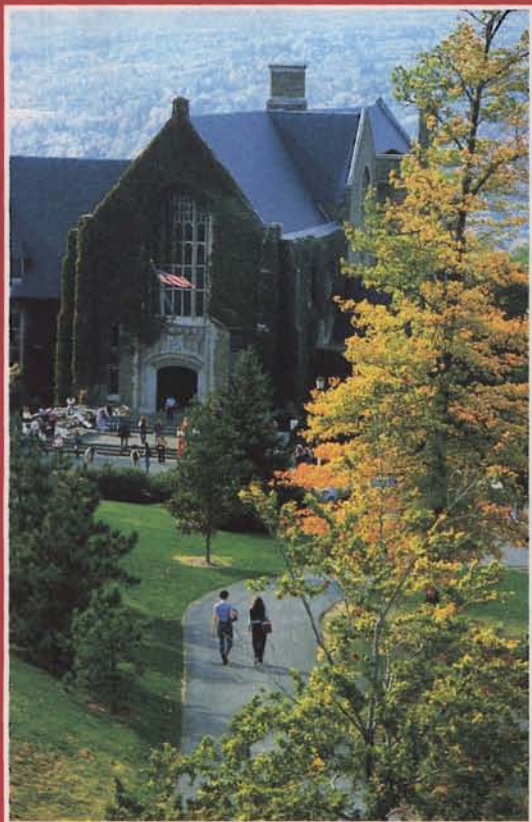
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