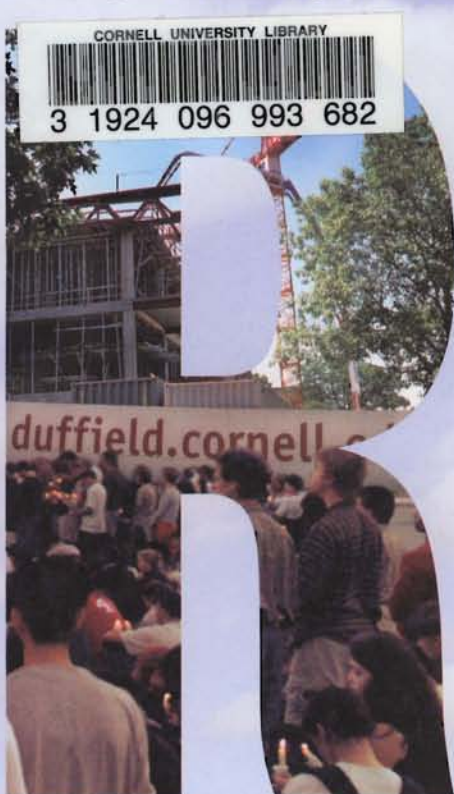
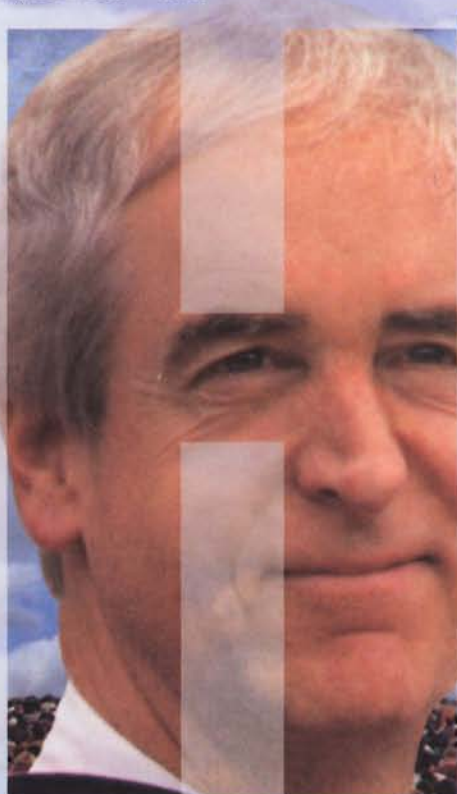


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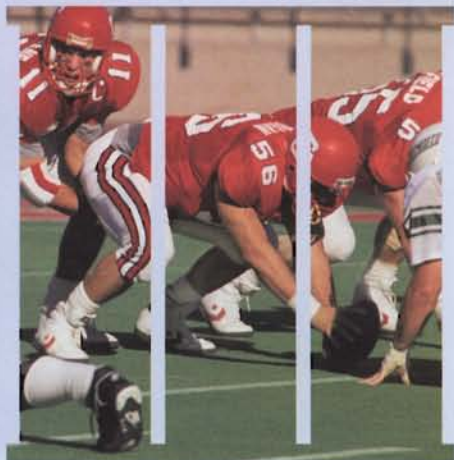
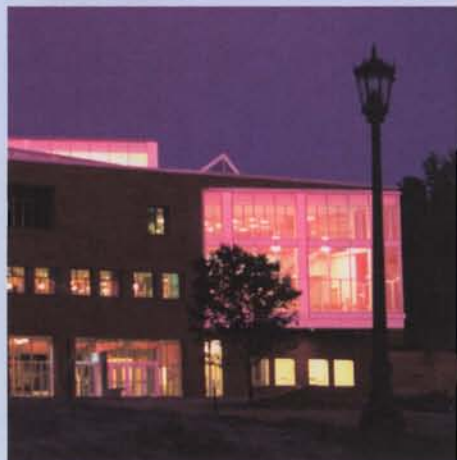
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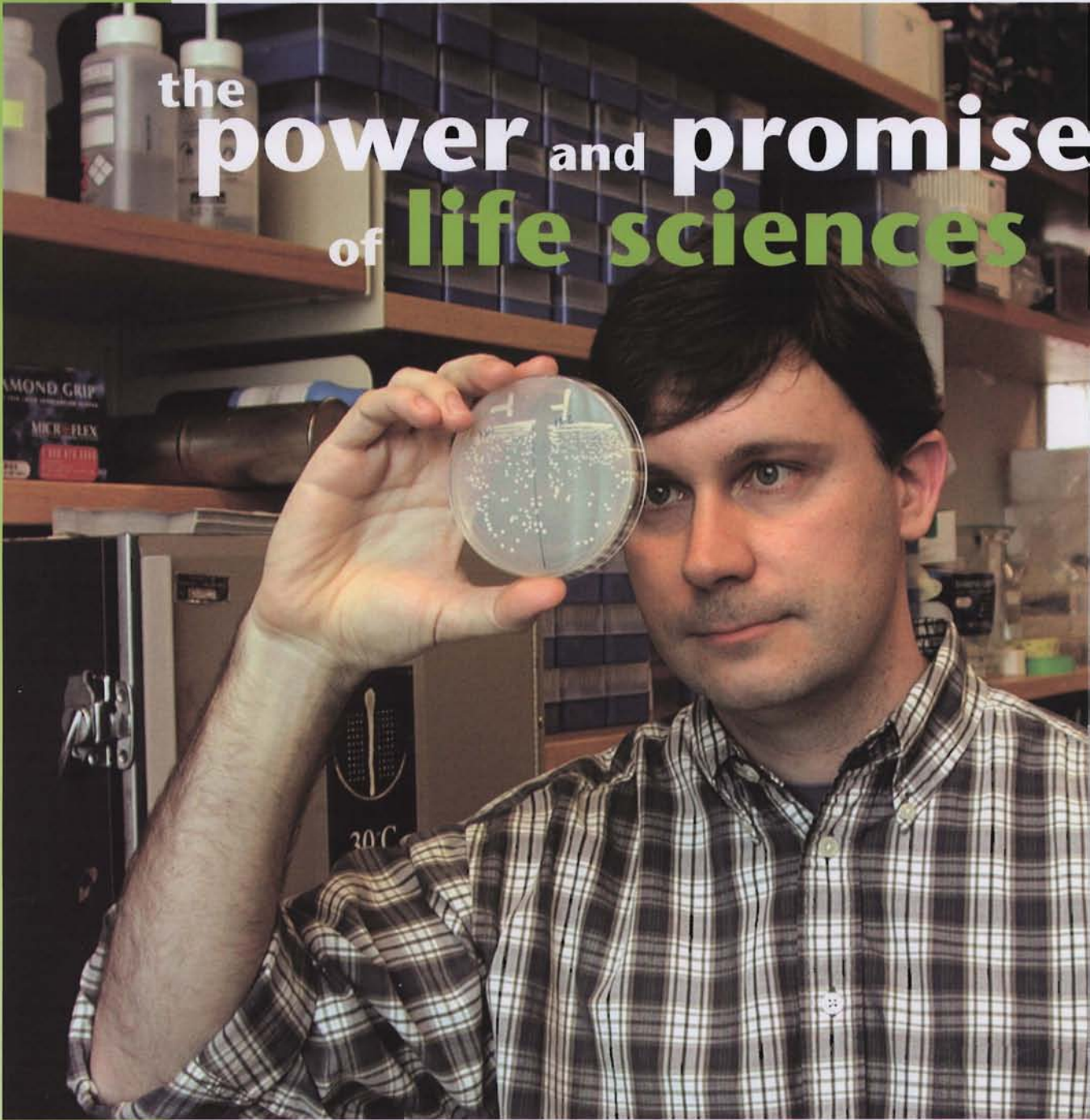


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# End of Another Era

ASSOCIATE EDITOR BETH SAULNIER MOVES ON

**T**HIS SUMMER MARKS THE END OF AN ERA, ONE defined by the presidency of Hunter Rawlings. Here at *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, another era is ending—one that has generated fewer headlines in the local press, perhaps, but is every bit as significant for those of us who work in this office.

After seven years on the magazine's staff, associate editor Beth Saulnier is departing for a new life in New York City. We're all happy that she will soon be married (to a Cornellian) and living in a stylish Manhattan apartment. And we're glad that she'll have more time to write novels—Beth is the author of the "Alex Bernier" mystery series published by Warner Books—and pursue other writing opportunities. Those will include more articles for this magazine, because she's agreed to remain on the masthead as a contributing editor.

But Beth won't be a presence in our office any longer, where her skillful writing, editing, reporting, and critiquing skills have been essential to this magazine's editorial excellence. I've worked with quite a few writers over the years, some of them highly talented, but I've never seen one who could consistently produce as much high-quality work under deadline pressure as Beth. She has also been a mentor to her fellow editors and to dozens of undergraduate interns who've learned all about ledes and nut grafs under Beth's watchful eye.

A graduate of Vassar, Beth came to Ithaca in 1991 to pursue a master's degree at Cornell. Her graduate-school stay lasted, she says, "about two weeks," and soon she was working for the *Ithaca Journal* as a reporter and movie critic. She began contributing to *Cornell Magazine*, too—her first byline was in the December 1994 issue—and when a staff job opened up, she was recruited by then-associate editor Paul Cody, MFA '87. But she almost didn't get the job.

Stephen Madden '86, the editor from 1991 to 1996, tells the

story: "I knew in the winter of 1995–96 that I would be leaving, and I wanted to hire a senior editor who could take over my job after learning the ropes for a couple of months. We ran an ad in the *New York Times*, hoping to attract some big-city talent, but the best candidates were all in Ithaca. As they came through the office, each of them told me, unbidden, how they someday hoped to run the magazine. Beth offered no indication of any such ambition, so I told her I was looking for somebody who would, sooner or later, steer the ship. She was horrified. 'I'd never want your job,' she said. 'You're an administrator.' Now, I've been

called lots of things in my life—but Beth's epithet cut to my heart. I stormed around the office, cursing the big-mouthed, small-town movie critic who'd called me an 'administrator.' Then I went to a meeting. And another meeting. And then I read some memos for some committees I was on. Beth started a couple of weeks later."

When Madden left, the role of "administrator" was taken over by David Gibson. "Beth is the writer every editor wants on staff, and she's the editor every writer needs," says Gibson. "Her range served a place like Cornell well, too. She could write about Arcibo, Collegetown culture, and Alison Lurie in the same issue—and she could quote Shakespeare and Homer Simpson in the same sentence."

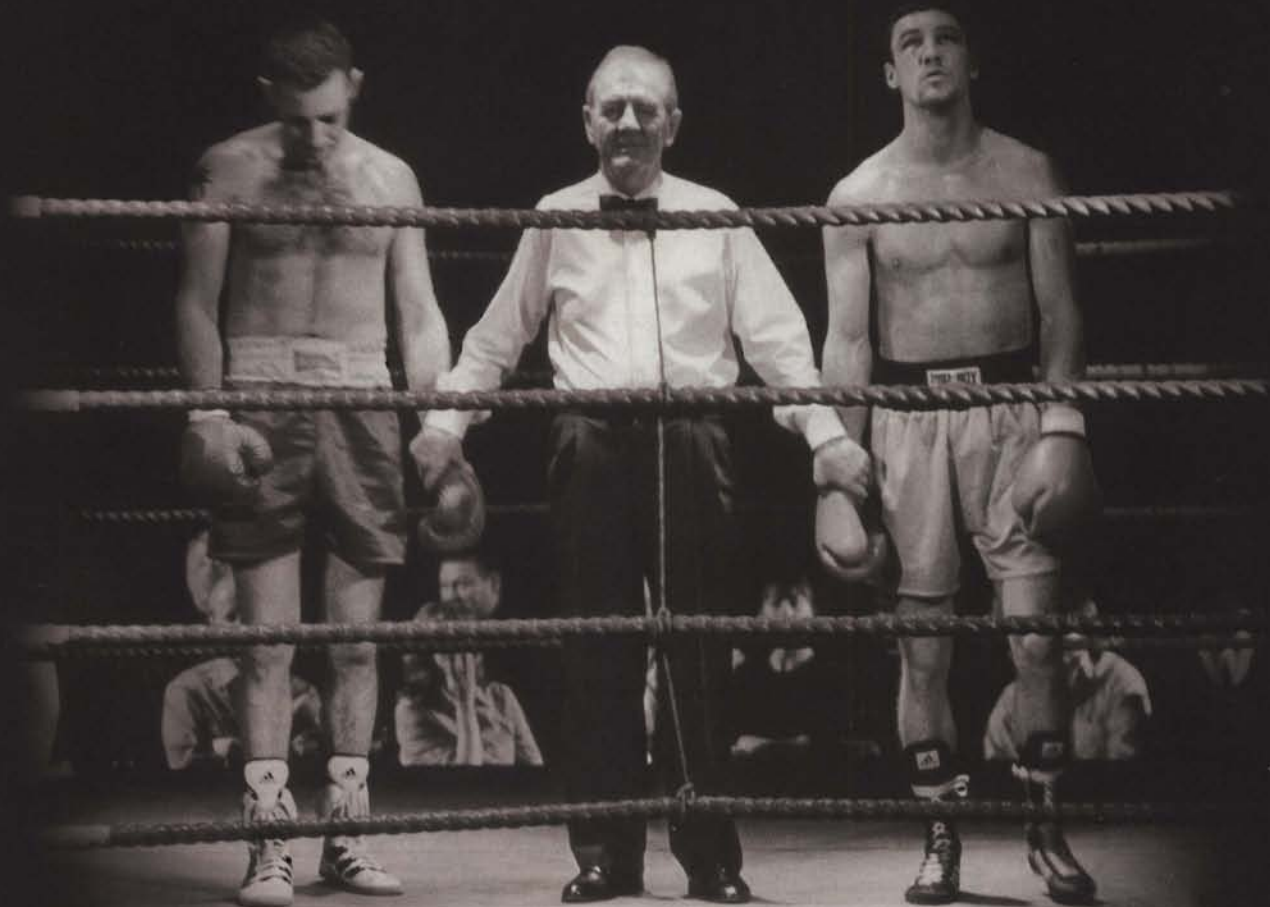
When I joined the magazine in the summer of 2000, I quickly learned what a pleasure it was to work with Beth. A good part of my job as editor in the first few months consisted of staying out of her way. I also learned that if I wrote something that wasn't well-organized and clearly expressed, I'd find her pencil marks all over the page. And she'd be right. I've learned a lot working with her, and I'll miss her wit, her energy, and her baked goods. Fortunately, I'll still be able to enjoy her writing skills—even if I won't be able to poke my head into her office and ask, "Beth? Would you take a look at this?"

— Jim Roberts



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## Correspondence

# In the Affirmative

## DEBATING ADMISSIONS PREFERENCES

I AM COMPELLED TO RESPOND to the letter from Alan Eade '69 and Lauren Eade '01, who indicated they will not be making donations to our alma mater because of President-Elect Jeffrey Lehman's support of affirmative action (Correspondence, March/April 2003). I am proud to have an alumnus with his wisdom and commitment leading our university.

Affirmative action provides an advantage to minority applicants in much the same way being a child or grandchild of a Cornell alumnus does. I'm confident Lauren Eade took full advantage of her status as a legacy to gain admission. I'm also certain some highly qualified applicant was denied admission because of Lauren's legacy status. How unfair that another student was denied the opportunity to be admitted, simply because Lauren was a legacy. If Cornell stops supporting affirmative action programs, the university should end all preferential admissions practices, including the factoring of legacy status into selection.

*Marcia McPeak '86, MPS '93  
Palm Desert, California*

### To Park or Not to Park

KATE LUNDE '84 STATES THAT A COALITION of students, residents, and alumni has been encouraging the university to consider underground parking on West Campus (Letter from Ithaca, March/April 2003). If the university is opposed to this because of the cost, why not ask alumni to make donations specific to an under-

ground garage, or to restrict a larger gift to the West Campus project only if it includes parking? When donations are restricted, it affects university decisions—especially if the gift is large enough. I would make such a restricted gift, and it is possible that many other alumni would.

*Everette Phillips '82  
Newport Beach, California*

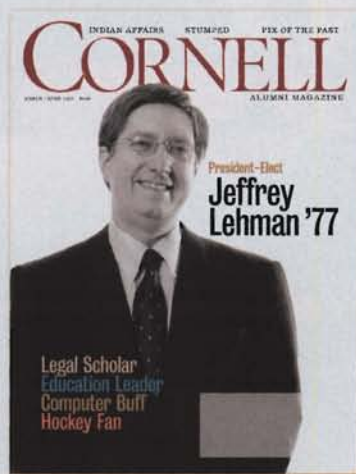
### Then ... As It Really Was

IN YOUR FEATURE EXCERPT FROM *Cornell Then & Now*, the caption on page 52 is wrong (March/April 2003). Miss Lua Minns (not Minn) was an early instructor in horticulture. The garden named in her honor was originally on the current site of Malott Hall. When that building was constructed, the garden was moved to Tower Road, in front of Plant Science, where it still is—not adjacent to the A.D. White House. The caption is also misleading, since the garden never was on the front lawn of Bailey Hall. The parking

area visible in the second photo is obscured in the older photo by the small building that overlooked Minns Garden. This structure was built as a model schoolhouse, then became the location of radio station WHCU.

*Jane Hardy '53  
Ithaca, New York*

THE PHOTO CAPTION ON PAGES 50-51 refers to the "Big Four" of Stone, Roberts, East Roberts, and Kennedy halls. At that time, there was no Kennedy Hall—only Roberts, East Roberts, and Stone. These were demolished before the construction





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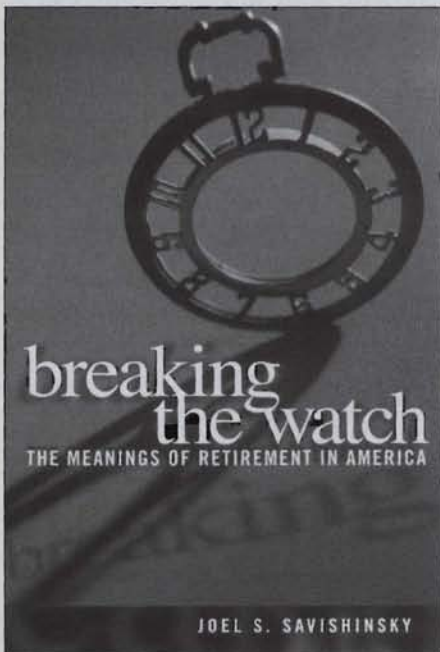
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*Associate Dean of the Ag College, 1982-92*

IN THE PHOTO ON PAGE 50, THE building in the background, to the left, was originally used by Home Economics (before Martha Van was built), named Comstock Hall and more recently the Computing & Communications Center.

*John Marcham '50*  
*Ithaca, New York*  
*Editor of the Cornell Alumni News,*  
*1961-1964 and 1967-1991*

### Still Leaning Left

A LETTER FROM SETH KROMHOLZ '98, MEng '99, suggests that the reason such a large percentage of Cornell professors are liberal is that they represent a more intelligent segment of the population than conservatives (Correspondence, March/April 2002). This is a very arrogant position and one which cannot be supported.

Certainly our faculty is well above average in intelligence, but the liberal bias is more likely from other causes. Faculty members have, for the most part, little or no experience in the business world and have never had to meet a payroll, make a sale, or please a boss. Tenure means you cannot get fired, get a raise, or get a promotion based on personal performance. Also, relatively few American workers are union members—but school teachers certainly are. This exposure to liberal views from grade school through post-graduate education must have some effect on a person's viewpoint. I suspect that college professors, like everyone else, are products of their environments, with strengths and weaknesses. These weaknesses just might include a one-sided view of the world.

Two Arts college faculty members have told me that, in their opinion, a young professor could not get tenure if he or she expressed conservative leanings. I don't know if this is true, but it indicates disapproval of non-leftist political views.

*Kenneth Ackley '60*  
*Rochester, New York*

### Post-Mortem

AFTER READING ABOUT "C.S.I." WRITER-producer Naren Shankar '84, we wanted you to know that our former roommate, Carol Mendelsohn '73, is an executive



producer for "C.S.I." and "C.S.I.: Miami" (Currents, March/April 2003). She cut her teeth on such well-known shows as "Melrose Place" and "China Beach." Back in our days in a cramped Collegetown apartment, while we were slaving away at our books, Carol was plugged in via headphones to the TV, studying soap-opera dialogue. She told us thirty years ago that her goal was to be a Hollywood writer.

*Ilene Greenberg '74*

*Brookline, Massachusetts*

*Ann Gollon Glennon '74*

*Yarmouth, Maine*

*Suzie Bussmann Ramey '73*

*Redmond, Washington*

### Military Presence

FRANKLIN CRAWFORD'S "MARCHING Orders: Students as Soldiers" was an interesting insight into today's ROTC programs at Cornell (January/February 2003). I was an Army ROTC cadet at Cornell from 1969 through 1971. I was able to afford Cornell because I was awarded one of the 400 nationwide four-year scholarships available in 1969. After graduation, I served four years on active duty.

Vice president for student and academic services Susan Murphy '73 told Crawford, "I don't remember seeing any [ROTC cadets] wearing a uniform on campus" during the Vietnam era. At that time, all cadets were required to be in uniform for weekly drill practice. Thus, we were highly visible throughout the campus, even if other students couldn't recognize us from our short military haircuts and lack of moustaches and beards in an era of tie-dye, bell-bottoms, and shoulder-length hair. It was a challenging time, and we were taunted and reviled by vocal opponents of the Vietnam War while we held to our belief in defending democracy and the freedom of people to dissent from the views we held. It's good to see a change of atmosphere regarding ROTC.

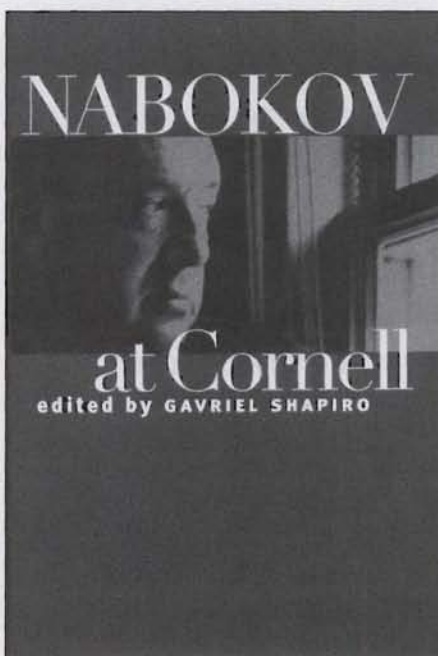
I wish the current cadets success and greater respect and tolerance than we received from the Cornell community.

*P.A. Vars Smith '71*

*Camillus, New York*

### Rocky Rhodes

I SEE THAT TWO CORNELLIANs HAVE been chosen Rhodes Scholars (From the Hill, March/April 2003). This award has been subverted by professors who, now and when I was an undergraduate, used



Vladimir Nabokov taught at Cornell University from 1948 to 1959. At Cornell, he composed *Lolita* and *Pnin* and conceived *Pale Fire*, delivered highly acclaimed lectures on literature, continued his research on lepidoptera, wrote the English and Russian versions of his autobiography, and prepared annotated translations of two pinnacles of Russian literature: *The Song of Igor's Campaign* and *Eugene Onegin*.

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scholarship alone (tinged with favoritism) to select Rhodes Scholars. When this award was instituted by Cecil Rhodes, he wanted exceptional scholars who also excelled in sports. What were the sports records of Brian Finucane and Somjen Frazer?

*John Hooley '38, MD '42*  
*Merritt Island, Florida*

*Brian Finucane '03 replies:* As a freshman, I set a course record rowing for Cornell in a quad at the Head of the Fish Regatta. I'm also involved in physically rigorous activities such as horse training, mountaineering, high-altitude archaeology, and firefighting.

*Somjen Frazer '03 replies:* When the Rhodes committee began to consider the applications of women, they expanded the definition of sport to accommodate the fact that (especially at that time) women had fewer opportunities to participate in organized varsity athletics. Rhodes Scholars have to show that we're healthy and vigorous (as I do in my dance career and as an outdoorswoman), but not necessarily that we are talented at traditional sporting activity.

## A Proud Day in Cambridge

I JUST GOT BACK FROM THE ANNUAL Cornell vs. Harvard hockey game in Cambridge [on February 15], and my feeling is a big Wow! Why? Because there were clearly more Cornellians in the stands than rooters for the home team. It looked, sounded, and felt like a game at Lynah. It also felt like a reunion because so many alumni were in the stands alongside students from Ithaca. And all were proudly wearing their Cornell colors. It's great to see that Cornell's school spirit is so healthy—and the Big Red won, 4-3.

*Pat Zimmer '73*  
*Cos Cob, Connecticut*

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### Week of July 6-12, 2003

Wall Street 2003: Investment in a Year of Flux and Opportunity *Hal Bierman and faculty of the Johnson Graduate School of Management* • Un-Natural History: A Voyage to the Genomic Frontier *J. B. Heiser and colleagues* • Boccaccio's Decameron *Marilyn Migjel* • Memoir Writing Workshop *Lydia Fakundiny* • The Eclectic Ethnic: A Culinary Workshop *Shelley Gould* • Alabaster Carving Studio *Roberto Bertoia* • Perfect Plants for the Perfect Garden *Mary Hirshfeld and Irene Lekstutis* • Field Ornithology *Charles R. Smith* • Outdoor Skills and Thrills *David Moriah* • The Tennis Clinic *Barry Schoonmaker* • CAU Youth College for youngsters age 3-16

### Week of July 13-19, 2003

Great Battles Past and Present *Barry Strauss and colleagues* • Antiques and Antiquing in the Finger Lakes Region *Nancy Green* • The Holocaust and Literary Imagination *Dan Schwarz* • Travel Writing Workshop *Lynda Bogel* • Italian Cookery *Shelley Gould* • Landscape Design Workshop *Marv Adleman* • Gorgeous Gorges of the Finger Lakes *Verne Rockcastle* • Tarzan Meets Gandhi: Outdoor Leadership Seminar *David Moriah* • Swing and Ballroom Dance Workshop *J. Ellen Gainor and David Faulkner* • CAU Youth College for youngsters age 3-16

### Week of July 20-26, 2003

Whose Promised Land? The Middle East Struggle in Our Times *Ross Brann and colleagues* • The Birth of Rock 'n' Roll *Steve Pond* • St. Augustine's Confessions *Scott MacDonald* • The Personal Essay: Writing Workshop *Kenneth McClane* • Landscape Drawing Studio *Buzz Spector* • Web Page Design Workshop *Barry Perlus* • Insects in their Natural World *Cole Gilbert and Rick Hoebecke* • Outdoor Thrills and Skills for Parents and Teens *David Moriah* • The Personal Fitness Clinic *Tom Howley* • CAU Youth College for youngsters age 3-16

### Week of July 27-August 2, 2003

Great American Trials *Glenn Altschuler and Faust Rossi* • Great Moments—and Great Lapses—in Architecture and Planning *Roberta Moudry and Christian Otto* • Hamlet *Bruce Levitt* • History of the Book *Katherine Reagan* • Culinary Workshop *Shelley Gould* • The Wine Class *Abby Nash* • Cayuga Lake Archaeology and Paleobiology *John Chiment* • Introduction to Fly-fishing *Verne Rockcastle and Fred Warner* • The Golf Clinic *Matt Baughan* • CAU Youth College for youngsters age 3-16

## Off-campus Seminars, Study Tours, & Cruises

Created and led by many of Cornell's finest teachers, CAU seminars and study tours have become a habit-forming solution for Cornellians seeking something more than a traditional vacation. We hope you'll join us soon!

### Dinosaur National Monument and Colorado's Green River:

#### A Rafting Expedition May 26-June 2, 2003

With CAU favorite John Chiment, you'll explore the real "Jurassic Park" and enjoy a terrific camping and rafting expedition. For novices and experienced trekkers alike, the scenery and active explorations will delight your senses.

### The Western Front and World War I

#### June 2-11, 2003

Join historians Joel Silbey and David Silbey in England, Belgium, and France to examine the strategies and explore the battlefields of "the war to end all wars." This program has a waiting list; let us know if you're interested. Late openings do occur.

### The Shaw Festival: Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada

#### August 12-16, 2003

The Shaw Festival offers superb theatre in a wonderful location. Led by CAU favorites Glenn Altschuler and Alain Seznec, we will attend and discuss four performances: *Misalliance*, *Three Sisters*, *The Plough and Stars*, and *Happy End*. Our home will be the Queen's Landing Hotel in the heart of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario.

### Dudes and Dinosaurs: A Wyoming Family Ranch Vacation

#### August 16-23 and August 23-30, 2003

Explore the American West with paleontologist John Chiment. Our base will be 7D Ranch, near historic Cody, Wyoming, surrounded by vistas of the Rocky Mountains. Youngsters age 8 and older are welcome to attend accompanied by an adult.



**Water, Life, and Landscapes of Southern Africa**

**August 22-September 7, 2003**

With John B. Heiser, we'll explore Namibia and Botswana in southern Africa's driest and wettest regions. From the Namib Desert and Etosha National Park to the lush Okavango Delta, it is certain to be a memorable safari.

**Landscapes of the Adirondacks: An Expedition**

**Blue Mountain Lake, New York**

**August 24-27, 2003**

With Bob Budliger and Charlie Smith, we'll prowl forests, lakeshores, and bogs of New York's Adirondack Park. Our weekend home, Minnowbrook Lodge, is located on the shores of Blue Mountain Lake.

**Digging Gotham: A New York Paleontology Weekend for Adults and Teens**

**October 9-12, 2003**

With paleobiologist John Chiment, we will search for fossils in the canyons of New York City. Our base camp will be the Excelsior Hotel; our explorations will take us to the American Museum of Natural History and Staten Island's rich fossil beds. Youngsters age 13 and older are welcome to attend accompanied by an adult.

**An Island in Time: Landscapes of Martha's Vineyard**

**October 9-13, 2003**

Known as a trendy summer spot, there is another side to Martha's Vineyard. Led by Mary Beth Norton and John B. Heiser, we'll uncover nature's shaping of the island and examine its history and habitats. Our home will be the historic Colonial Inn, located in Edgartown.

**The Devil and Dr. Einstein: The Western Tradition and Its Foes Sanderling Resort, North Carolina's Outer Banks**

**November 6-9, 2003**

Religious fundamentalists abroad believe that the devil inspires Western values and intellectual traditions. Moreover, millions of Americans have deep suspicions about "radical" elements in Western thought. Barry Adams, Yervant Terzian, and Ross Brann will examine our intellectual heritage and the doubts and suspicions it arouses. Our weekend home will be the Sanderling Resort and Spa on the Outer Banks.

**Mysteries and Treasures of Costa Rica: A Family Expedition**

**December 26, 2003-January 4, 2004**

With master of the rain forest John B. Heiser, we'll hike, talk, and be dazzled by the stunning animal, bird, and plant life of Costa Rica. We'll visit Poas Volcano, Monteverde Cloud Forest, Carara Biological Reserve, and Manuel Antonio Park. Youngsters age 10 and older are welcome to attend accompanied by an adult.

**Study Tour and Cruise to Antarctica, South Georgia, and the Falkland Islands**

**December 28, 2003-January 16, 2004**

A voyage to Antarctica is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Join geologist and past Cornell President Frank H.T. Rhodes and zoologist non-pareil Howard Evans for our third CAU expedition, aboard the *Peregrine Voyager*.



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# From the Hill



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## Revival Building Revived

### BAILEY CLOSES FOR RENOVATIONS

FOLLOWING THIS YEAR'S REUNION FESTIVITIES, BAILEY Hall will close its doors—not to open again until the fall of 2005 at the earliest. The building, a classical revival structure that seats about 1,900, will undergo the first significant renovation since it was built in 1912. "For the most part, it's being gutted and refurbished," says project manager Jim Kazda. Work will include an addition at the back of the building, near Savage Hall, that will house a green room, dressing room, and rehearsal space. During construction, arts events normally housed in Bailey will be shifted to alternate venues, including Barton Hall and the State Theatre downtown. The \$13.7 million renovation is funded by \$10.6 million from the state, \$600,000 from the university, and a \$2.5 million gift from the late George Cornell and his wife, Harriet.

## Head of the Class

### WALCOTT TO LEAD FACULTY

CHARLES WALCOTT, WHO HAS TAUGHT NEUROBIOLOGY and behavior on the Hill for twenty-two years, was elected dean of the faculty in March. An associate dean for the past three years, Walcott takes office on July 1. He succeeds biological and environmental engineering professor J. Robert Cooke, who has served in the post since 1998. "Cornell is unique among universities in providing for its faculty leader and spokesperson to be chosen by direct vote, rather than by appointment," Cooke says. "This autonomy makes it possible for the faculty to protect academic freedom while encouraging high intellectual standards."



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## An 'Extraordinary Educator'

AIDS ACTIVIST MATHEW KLEINER, 31

MATHEW KLEINER '93, A LONGTIME ADVOCATE FOR people with HIV and AIDS, died February 27. He was thirty-one. A hemophiliac, Kleiner was infected with HIV from a blood transfusion he received as a teenager. Although he initially concealed his status on campus, during his junior year he decided to come forward. He conducted workshops, trained peer counselors and RAs, wrote for the *Daily Sun*, and served as a teaching assistant for "AIDS and Society."



Kleiner with wife Jennifer

"His comedian's timing, sex-educator's frankness, counselor's sensitivity, insider's knowledge of Cornell student life, and occasional well-placed impatience made him an extraordinary educator," Gannett associate director Sharon Dittman wrote in a tribute letter. "He also refused to allow his audience the distance, comfort, or pity that might have come with casting him as 'innocent victim' and often was intentionally ambiguous about his sexual orientation and the source of his infection."

After graduation, Kleiner attended NYU law school and worked as a prosecutor in Manhattan while continuing his advocacy efforts. He is survived by his wife, Jennifer Butler Kleiner '93, and their triplets, Abigail, Samuel, and Megan, born on New Year's Day.

Landing party: Recruiters disembark at Ithaca airport.

NICOLA MOUNTOUPE / UP

## First in Flight

### JOHNSON SCHOOL SHOWS SAVVY

THE TWO DOZEN CORPORATE RECRUITERS WHO INTERVIEWED MBA students at the Johnson School on March 28 didn't have to fly commercial; they were transported on one of four jets provided by the school under its new Just About Jobs program. Three of the planes were paid for by Sam Johnson '51, the school's benefactor, in an effort to give Cornell MBAs a boost in the tight job market and compensate for Ithaca's isolated location; the fourth was supplied by Charlie Lynch '90, MBA '95, owner of the NetJets corporate aviation firm, when demand exceeded the capacity of the three planes Johnson had pledged.

Recruiters were flown in from New York, Boston, and Chicago under the program, thought to be the first of its kind. "This is a great opportunity for larger firms—under economic pressure to cut the number of core recruiting schools—to hire a Johnson School MBA with no additional cost to the recruiting

budget," the school said in a statement. "It is also a great opportunity for smaller and medium-sized companies that do not have formal MBA recruiting programs to attract quality talent."

## Decking the Halls

### CLASS HALLS TO FALL AS 'HOUSES' RISE

THE WEST CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL INITIATIVE, INTENDED TO create a living-learning environment for sophomores and juniors, broke ground in March. Work is under way on the \$40 million Phase One, consisting of a dorm (planners refer to it as a "house") and dining hall with room for 360 students. Each subsequent house will also have its own dedicated dining facility. "An important part of the program is that all the members of each house will sit down and dine together once a week," says facilities project leader John Kiefer.

Construction on the first house is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2004, with occupancy the following fall. Once the first building is done, the first two Class Halls set for demolition ('22 and '28) will be torn down. Work will then begin on the second of five phases, with construction continuing until 2010. In addition to the five houses—some of which will be con-

nected to the existing gothic dorms—West Campus will boast a community and recreation center with fitness rooms, a basketball court, a convenience store, and a café, to be built during the third phase. The new buildings will be designed to echo the architecture of the gothic structures (built in the Teens and Twenties), with sloped roofs, stone accents, and ventilation shafts resembling chimneys. "The gothic halls are going to stay—they're great buildings and we love them," Kiefer says. "But the Class Halls are going away."

The project hit a snag this winter when plans to site a parking lot in a historic district on University Avenue met with stiff resistance from local residents. (Some student parking places formerly located in a lot at the corner of Stewart and University were moved to a temporary lot on the West Avenue tennis courts; others went to the Morrison lot near Schoellkopf field.) After Ithaca's planning board rejected the University Avenue site, Cornell filed suit in state Supreme Court to force the city to give its approval on the grounds that the project met all zoning requirements. The suit is pending.





**Signs of the season:** In mid-March, a James Bond-themed dragon was accompanied down East Avenue by costumed undergraduates.

## Online Oops

### ADMISSIONS MAKES E-MAIL BLUNDER

IT WAS AN E-MAIL THAT HUNDREDS OF ASPIRING CORNELLIANS hoped to get: a note from the admissions office welcoming them into the Class of 2007. But the message, distributed to about 1,700 early decision applicants in late February, wasn't just sent to the 1,128 high school seniors who had been accepted. It also went to more than 550 who'd already received rejection letters. The e-mail had been intended as an update for the admitted students; for the students who received it in error, it raised false hopes that they'd gotten in after all. The mistake drew widespread media attention, with the *Chronicle of Higher Education* describing a student who called his parents in Korea with the good news, only to be heartbroken when he got a follow-up e-mail two hours later explaining the blunder. The admissions office issued a statement apologizing for the mistake and pledging to review its procedures to prevent such errors from happening in the future.



**Tseng**



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**Margelefsky**



**Parker**



**Shanbhag**



**Cooper**

## Honor Roll

### STUDENTS WIN BIG-NAME GRANTS

IN ADDITION TO THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS TWO SENIORS won in December, Cornell undergrads have cleaned up in the annual awarding of major academic grants. A roundup:

- Biological and environmental engineering major Yolanda Tseng '03 won a Winston Churchill Scholarship for a year of study at Cambridge University.
- Four students won \$7,500 Goldwater Scholarships, the nation's most prestigious award for undergrads in science, math, and engineering. The winners are ecology and environmental biology major Mark Laidre '04, chemical engineering major Eric Margelefsky '04, materials science major Sara Parker '04, and biology major Niraj Shanbhag '05.
- ILR student Betsy Cooper '04 won a \$30,000 Truman Scholarship, open to juniors planning careers in public service.

## Give My Regards To . . .

These Cornellians in the News

**S. Georgia Nugent, PhD '80**, named president of Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio.

**Tara Habig McHugh '89**, a food scientist with the USDA's Agricultural Research Service, named the agency's Outstanding Early Career Research Scientist of 2002.

Civil and environmental engineering professor **Katerina Papoulia**, awarded a \$400,000 Faculty Early Career Development grant from the National Science Foundation.

**Eric Edelman '72**, named ambassador to Turkey by President Bush.

**Wendy Libby '72, MBA '77**, named president of Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri.



## Oedipus Complex

FRESHMEN TO READ  
*ANTIGONE*

THE FINAL PLAY IN SOPHOCLES'S Oedipus Cycle, *Antigone*, is required summer reading for more than 3,500 incoming Cornell freshmen. The play is the third entry in the university's First Year Reading Project; previous titles were *Guns, Germs, and Steel* and *Frankenstein*. "It is a timeless text that raises timely issues," says Vice Provost Isaac Kramnick, who notes that the choice is also a nod to outgoing President Hunter Rawlings, a classicist.

Intended to bring newly arrived freshmen together through intellectual debate of a common text, the reading project includes faculty-led discussions during orientation and in writing seminars. This fall, the Schwartz Center will mount a production of *Antigone*, which chronicles the ill-fated efforts of Oedipus's daughter to bury the body of her brother—against the orders of her uncle Creon, the king of Thebes. "*Antigone* urges us to confront the tensions inherent in our competing obligations to family and community, to religion and the state, and to individual freedom versus national security," Rawlings says. "It has much to teach all of us about ourselves and the choices we still confront in the twenty-first century."

## Double-Digit Hike

STATUTORY TUITION  
RISES

FACING SEVERE CUTS IN STATE SUPPORT, university trustees in March approved a 10.3 percent tuition increase for New York residents, to \$14,500. Newly enrolling nonresident students will see rates rise 9.8 percent, to \$25,800, while continuing students face a 5.8 percent hike, to \$24,680. Despite the tuition increase, the statutory schools still face budgetary shortfalls in the millions of dollars; President Rawlings has said that cuts in programs and services are likely, and layoffs are possible.

## Trustees Named

ALUMNI JOIN BOARD

IN APRIL, MARTHA COULTRAP '71 and Marcus Loo '77, MD '81, were elected to the Board of Trustees. Their terms of service begin this summer.

Coultrap, a partner with the New York City-based Emmett, Marvin, and Martin, LLP, has served as president of the Cornell Association of Class Officers and as chair of the President's Council of Cornell Women.

Loo, a urology professor at Weill Cornell, has served on the medical college's admissions committee and its Board of Overseers, and was a founding member of the Cornell Asian Alumni Association. He emphasized alumni participation, undergraduate research, and financial aid in his candidacy.

## Brewer & Benefactor

JOSEPH COORS, 85

JOSEPH COORS '39, THE RETIRED chief operating officer of the Adolph Coors brewing company and a longtime supporter of conservative political causes, died March 15. He was eighty-five. A founder of the Heritage Foundation, Coors helped shepherd Ronald Reagan from the California governorship to the White House. Trained as a chemical engineer, he worked alongside his brother, Bill, to create a cold-filtered beer manufacturing system. The brewery, founded by Coors's grandfather, is now the third-largest in the U.S. Coors is survived by his wife, Anne Drotning Coors '54, five sons, including Jeffrey '67, ME '68, and Peter '69, twenty-seven grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

## R&D

More information on campus research is available  
at [www.news.cornell.edu](http://www.news.cornell.edu).

A topical microbicide has been shown to prevent HIV infection in monkeys exposed to the virus. Weill Cornell immunology professor John Moore found that the microbicide reduced the infection rate to 25 percent.

Thanks to a \$600,000 software donation from Lectra Systems Inc., students of textiles and apparel professor Susan Ashdown, MS '89, will be the first in the country to learn to create clothing using scanned 3-D body images.

By observing infants in the Cornell Baby Lab, psychologist Scott Johnson and colleagues have found that infants as young as four months can fill in "perceptual

gaps"—they're able to understand that an object disappearing and reappearing is the same object.

Botox may cause new wrinkles to form as other muscles compensate for the numbing effects of the original injection, says Weill Cornell dermatologist David Becker.

A study by Cornell librarian Philip Davis shows that students are more likely to seek scholarly sources—rather than dubious websites—if professors set research guidelines and deduct points for incorrect citations.

Americans value their civil liberties despite post-September 11 fears, says communication

professor Dietram Scheufele, whose study found that more than 60 percent of people oppose phone taps as part of the war on terrorism.

Neurobiology professor Howard Howland, PhD '68, has shown that the eye is self-correcting, able to compensate for defects in its own structure.

Low-paying jobs with long, inflexible hours can lead to bad eating habits for the whole family, Cornell nutritionists have found. Study participants said they cope with exhaustion and time constraints by serving fast food to their children, skipping meals, and eating too much junk food.



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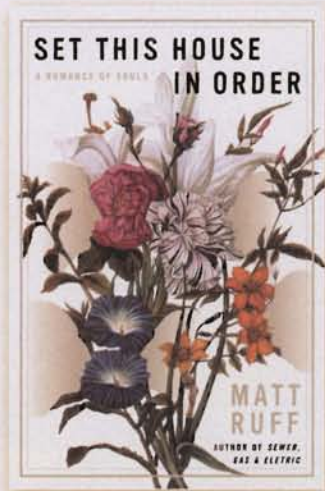
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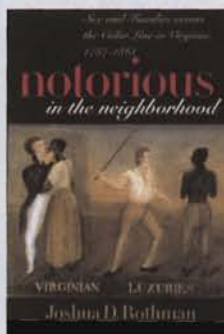


## In Brief

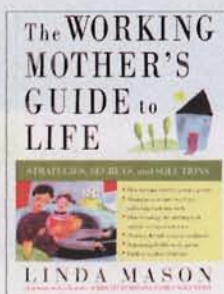
**SET THIS HOUSE IN ORDER** by Matt Ruff '87 (HarperCollins).

In a novel subtitled “A Romance of Souls,” the author of *Fool on the Hill* and *Sewer, Gas & Electric* tells the story of a grown man who was “born” two years earlier. Andy Gage, as it turns out, is one facet of a multiple personality. He becomes involved with a woman named Penny—herself a multiple—and they work together to uncover a potentially destructive secret that Andy has been keeping from himself.

**NOTORIOUS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD** by Joshua Rothman '94 (University of North Carolina). A history professor at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, examines interracial sexual relationships under slavery. Although such relationships were forbidden by law and cultural norms, he writes, they were ubiquitous in cities, towns, and plantation communities throughout Virginia. Topics include the affair between Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings, prostitution in Richmond, and the exploitation of female slaves.



**THE WORKING MOTHER'S GUIDE TO LIFE** by Linda Mason '76 (Three Rivers). Using interviews with more than 100 working moms, Mason offers tips on balancing career and family. She addresses such practical subjects as finding top-notch daycare and managing a household, along with more esoteric concerns. (How do you separate from your child without feeling guilty? How can you create a strong family culture?) Mason, a mother of three, is chairwoman and co-founder of Bright Horizons, the world's largest provider of workplace child care.



## Recently Published

### Children's

**PRINCESS PARTY** and **FAIRY FRIENDS** by Michelle Knudsen '95, illustrated by Bethann Thornburgh (Little Simon). Two rhyming books printed on foil-covered pages.

**SHELL'S GOLD** by Michael Strickland '87 & Lisa Bahlinger (Perfection Learning). The story of a girl who transfers from private to public school.

### Fiction

**SAMARITAN** by Richard Price '71 (Knopf). The author of *Freedomland* and *Clockers* follows a white TV writer who is attacked in a black neighborhood.

### Non-fiction

**ECOAGRICULTURE** by Sara Scherr, PhD '83 & Jeffrey McNeely (Island). A look at strategies to feed the world while preserving biodiversity.

**WHAT'S IN THE AIR?** by Gillian Shepherd & Marian Betancourt (Pocket). Shepherd, a professor at Weill Cornell Medical College, co-authors a guide to airborne allergies.

**AGAINST THE ODDS** edited by Benjamin Bowser, PhD '76 & Louis Kushnick (University of Massachusetts). A look at scholars who challenged racism during the twentieth century.

**THE IMPORTANCE OF SPECIES** edited by Peter Kareiva, PhD '81 & Simon Levin (Princeton University). A discussion of whether some animal species may be expendable.

**MENTAL HEALTH AND PRODUCTIVITY IN THE WORKPLACE** edited by Jeffrey Kahn & Alan Langlieb (Jossey-Bass/Wiley). A new edition of a handbook for organizations and clinicians. Kahn is a psychiatry professor at Weill Cornell.

**THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE [A NURSING] HOME** by Karen Sommer Shoff '64 (Invisible Ink). Tips on long-term financial planning to avoid entering a nursing home from a social worker and gerontologist.

**LUNG CANCER** by Claudia Henschke, Peggy McCarthy & Sarah Wernick (W.W. Norton). Henschke, chief of the division of chest imaging at Weill Cornell, co-authors a look at “myth, facts, choices, and hope” about the disease.



**SPEAK ENGLISH LIKE AN AMERICAN** by Amy Gillett, MBA '99 (Language Success). A conversational guide and audio CD.

**VIRAL DISEASES OF CATTLE** by Robert Kahrs, DVM '54, PhD '65 (Iowa State). A compendium of symptoms, diagnoses, prevention efforts, and more.

**SYNC** by Steve Strogatz (Hyperion). A Cornell engineering professor offers a general-audience book on "the emerging science of spontaneous order," affecting everything from fireflies to heart cells to the Global Positioning System.

**WINDOW ON FREEDOM** edited by Brenda Gayle Plummer, PhD '81 (University of North Carolina). A history professor at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, edits a look at links between international affairs and the U.S. civil rights movement from 1935 to 1960.

**THE DANA GUIDE TO BRAIN HEALTH** edited by Flint Beal, Floyd Bloom & David Kupfer (Dana Press). A home reference volume covering such topics as Alzheimer's, stroke, and traumatic brain injury. Beal is chairman of neurology and neuroscience at Weill Cornell.

**THE FIRE OF HIS GENIUS** by Kirkpatrick Sale '58 (Touchstone). A biography of steamboat inventor Robert Fulton.

**AN ARCHIVE OF FEELINGS** by Ann Cvetkovich, PhD '88 (Duke University). An English professor at the University of Texas, Austin, examines the role of sexual trauma in lesbian identity.

**IT'S ABOUT TIME** edited by Phyllis Moen (Cornell University). The Ferris Family Professor of Life Course Studies at Cornell edits a look at couples and careers.

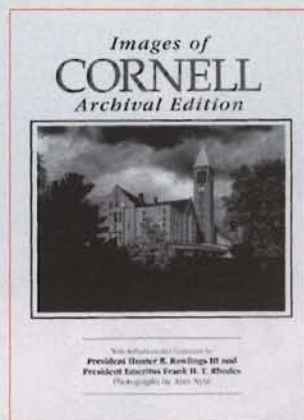
**SAVING THE MAIL** by Rick Geddes (American Enterprise Institute). A Cornell professor of policy analysis and management argues for the privatization of the U.S. Postal Service.

**LE DÉCOR DE THÉÂTRE À L'ÉPOQUE ROMANTIQUE** by Barry Daniels, PhD '73 (Bibliothèque National de France). A study of the Comédie Française's scenery from 1799 to 1848.

**CONVERSOS, INQUISITION, AND THE EXPULSION OF JEWS FROM SPAIN** by Norman Roth, PhD '78 (University of Wisconsin). A professor of Hebrew and Semitic studies at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, explains how and why Jews were expelled from Spain in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, despite the fact that their community there had thrived for 1,000 years.

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# That Championship Season

## MEN'S ICERS HAVE A RECORD-BREAKING YEAR

**M**ARCH 22: WITH THIRTY-EIGHT SECONDS TO GO in the ECAC championship game, one of the greatest seasons in Cornell hockey history is in jeopardy. Despite winning the Ivy title, compiling the best ECAC regular-season record, and holding a number two national ranking, Cornell trails Harvard 2-1. The Big Red net is empty, as Coach Mike Schafer has pulled goalie David LeNeveu '05 for an extra attacker.

A year before, the Cornell icers had also gone into the ECAC championship game with the best record. And they had fallen, in double overtime, to Harvard. The game winner was scored by Tyler Kolarik, the same Crimson forward who had just deflected a puck past LeNeveu, with only 3:46 left in the third period, to give his team the lead. The crowd in Albany's Pepsi Arena—overwhelmingly clad in Cornell colors—cheers frantically as the players line up for a faceoff. “*Let’s Go Red! Let’s Go Red!*”

Ryan Vesce '04 wins the draw, directing the puck to teammate Mark McRae '03. He looks across ice to defenseman Doug Murray '03, positioning himself to launch his powerful slap shot. But Harvard's Dominic Moore has anticipated the play; he moves toward Murray, ready to intercept. McRae reacts quickly, skating into the slot behind a screen of Cornell players. He spots an open-

ing—and shoots. The fans erupt as the red light goes on. Tie score. Overtime.

This year, the extra period is short. Harvard comes out on the attack, firing three quick shots. LeNeveu directs the last to Mark McRae, who passes to winger Sam Paolini '03. Paolini races up ice along the boards, eludes a Harvard defenseman, and fires a shot. It sails past the outstretched glove of Crimson goalie Dov Grumet-Morris and into the net at 1:23 of overtime. Cornell wins, 3-2.

**T**HE BIG RED'S ECAC VICTORY, COMBINED WITH A LOSS by then-number one Colorado College in the WCHA tournament, vaulted Cornell to number one in the national polls for the first time. It also gave Cornell the top seed in the NCAA tournament.

In the first game of the NCAA East Regional at Providence the next weekend, the Big Red topped Minnesota State, Mankato, 5-2. Up next was Boston College, and the contest proved to be even more nerve-wracking than the ECAC final. Tied 1-1 after regulation, it remained deadlocked through the first overtime period, despite good scoring opportunities for both sides. Then,



early in the second overtime, forward Matt McRae '03 broke in over the blue line, moved up the right side, and fired a hard-angle shot toward B.C. goalie Matti Kaltiainen. Somehow, the puck found an opening and landed in the goal. The Big Red would advance to the Frozen Four for the first time since 1980.

Cornell's opponent in the semifinal, held at Buffalo's HSBC Arena on April 10, was the University of New Hampshire, the same squad that had eliminated them from the tournament in 2002. Once again, the game was tight. Cornell appeared to take the lead on a goal by Shane Palahicky '03, only to have it taken away after a video replay showed it was struck with a high stick. UNH then jumped ahead 3-0. The Big Red battled back, scoring two goals and dominating play until the final seconds, when a spectacular save by UNH goalie Mike Ayers turned away a potential game-tying shot by Stephen Bábý '03. It was a disappointing end to the season, but it did not

diminish what this team had accomplished.

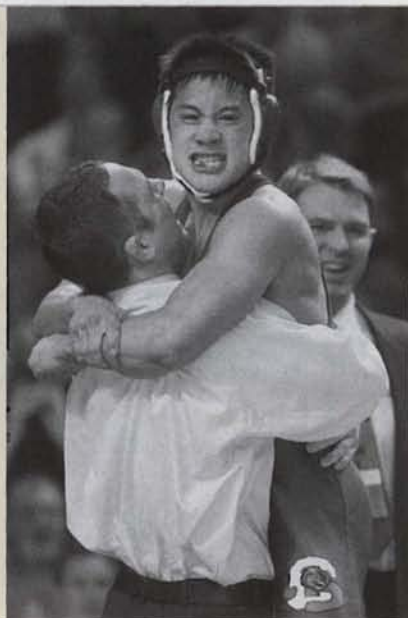
In addition to the banners to be hung in the Lynah rafters, the team brought home a truckload of individual awards.

Mike Schafer '86 was named ECAC Coach of the Year for the second time in a row—the only coach ever to win back-to-back—and ECAC honors also went to

## Big Game

March 23, 2003

Sophomore wrestler **Travis Lee** won the NCAA championship at 125 pounds, defeating Purdue's Chris Fleeger in a hard-fought 6-4 match. The top-seeded Fleeger hadn't lost a match all year until he ran into Lee in the finals. "It was a heck of a tournament for Travis," said Big Red coach Rob Koll. "There were so many good kids in his weight class, and he had extremely tough matches from the quarters on." Cornell finished tenth overall in the competition; along with Lee, **Clint Wattenberg '03** (184 pounds) and **Dustin Manotti '06** (149 pounds) were named All-Americans.



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Murray, Defensive Defenseman of the Year; Bábý, Defensive Forward of the Year; and LeNeveu, Ken Dryden Award (best goalie), Co-Player of the Year, and tournament MVP. LeNeveu, Murray, and Vesce were named first team All-Ivy, and LeNeveu was the Ivy League Player of the Year. All-ECAC recognition went to LeNeveu and Murray (first team) and Bábý and Vesce (second team). Murray and LeNeveu were first-team All-Americans, and Bábý was named to the second team. Paolini was recognized for his community involvement—including a “Power Play for



Sam Paolini '03

Prevention” fund-raiser that netted \$11,000 for the Ithaca Breast Cancer Alliance—by being named winner of the Humanitarian Award.

LeNeveu had a season for the ages. In addition to the honors already noted, he was one of three finalists for the Hobey Baker Award, college hockey’s highest individual award. He recorded nine shutouts on the year, breaking the Cornell record of six set by the legendary Ken Dryden '69 and falling only one short of the NCAA record. As the starting goalie, he compiled a 28-3-1 record and his goals-against average of 1.20 was the lowest ever in the history of college hockey, shattering a record that had stood for almost 50 years.

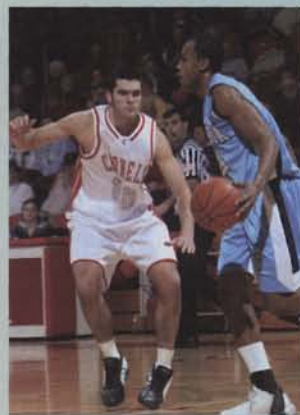
The Big Red ended the season with a 30-5-1 record, the most wins ever by a Cornell hockey team. They posted a perfect 15-0 mark at Lynah and were the top defensive team in the nation. “When our players look back, they can’t doubt their work ethic or their performance,” said Schafer after the season-ending loss. “We had our opportunities, we went for it, and that’s the definition of success.”

— Jim Roberts

## Sports Shorts

**BACK ON TRACK** After going twenty-five years without winning the Heptagonal Indoor Men’s Track and Field Championship, the Big Red didn’t mind sweating out the final seconds before taking the 2003 crown and giving Cornell a sweep of the men’s and women’s titles. The Big Red trailed five-time defending champion Princeton going into the meet’s final event, the 1,600-meter relay, and had to beat the Tigers by two or more places to win the championship. The Big Red relay team of **Michael Nanaszko '04**, **Mike Kiselycznyk '03**, **Kenan Goggins '05**, and **Brian Eremita '05** answered the call by finishing first in 3:16.65, nearly four seconds—and three spots—ahead of Princeton’s team. Shortly after the meet, men’s track and field and cross-country coach **Nathan Taylor** was named the Mondo Indoor Track and Field Northeast Region Coach of the Year. The women had to come from behind to claim their second straight Heps title, beating Yale by 15 points. **Katie Jay '03** won the 400 meters in 55.70 seconds and anchored the winning 1,600-meter relay team.

**FRESHMAN FINESSE** Forward **Lenny Collins '06** was named the Ivy League men’s basketball Rookie of the Year for 2002-03, becoming the first Cornell player in ten years to earn the honor. Collins led the league’s rookies in scoring, with 8.2 points per game, and rebounds, with 5.1 per game, while helping Cornell nearly double its win total with a 9-18 record. He was named Ivy Rookie of the Week seven times during the season, one short of the league record. Collins is the fourth Big Red player to post Rookie of the Year honors, joining **Mike Davis '80**, **John Bajusz '87**, and **Pax Whitehead '96**. **Ka’Ron Barnes '03** joined Collins on the post-season honor roll with second-team all-league honors. Barnes, the first Cornell player to earn All-Ivy honors in three years, was fourth in the league in scoring with 14.0 points per game and set a school record with 13 assists in an 80-73 win over Lafayette.



Lenny Collins '06

**ON THE MAT** The men’s wrestling team took advantage of familiar settings to take second place in the 99th annual Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association championship, held in Barton Hall in March. **Travis Lee '05** was Cornell’s lone champion, earning the crown with a late takedown in the title match at 125 pounds. Four other Big Red wrestlers—**Alejandro Alvarez '04** at 133, **Gabe Webster '03** at 157, **Clint Wattenberg '03** at 184, and **Matt Greenberg '03** at 197—reached the finals and finished as runners-up. Cornell went 13-5 during the regular season and won its 24th Ivy League title with a 5-0 mark.

**SWORD PLAY** **Meghan Phair '06** became only the second Big Red fencer to earn first-team All-Ivy status after going 11-4 in the épée during league competition. (**Christine Hamori '85** was Cornell’s initial first-team All-Ivy fencer in 1985.) Phair finished second in the East region championship and fourth in the Intercollegiate Fencing Association championships. She was also the top regional qualifier for the NCAA Fencing Championships.

**MAGNUM FORCE** **Karen Force '04** made Big Red women’s basketball history when she was named first-team All-Ivy, the first Cornell junior to be so honored. Force led the team in scoring with 15.1 points per game, as well as assists, steals, and three-pointers. She also set a school record with 139 successful free throws. Force was an honorable mention All-Ivy pick in 2002 and was named to the Ivy League All-Rookie team in 2001. **Lynell Davis '03** was named to the All-Ivy second team after averaging 11.6 points per game. Davis finished her career as Cornell’s all-time leader in blocked shots with 147 and fourth in rebounds with 607.

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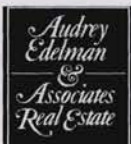
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## ‘Quest for Truth’

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**a**T THE END OF EVERY HOME HOCKEY VICTORY, THE Lynah Faithful chant “Winning team!”—and point to the Big Red. Then comes “Losing team!”—with a gesture toward the opposition. During the February 7 win over Dartmouth, fans added a third verse: “Janet Reno!”

The former attorney general, a 1960 grad, was seated high above the rink in Section C. She’d been on campus all week as a Frank H.T. Rhodes Class of ’56 University Professor, giving lectures, meeting with students, and sitting in on classes.

The atmosphere had been considerably more genteel a few days earlier at Reno’s first event, in the wood-paneled rooms of the A.D. White House. Sharing a catered Mexican dinner with thirty women grad students, she discussed everything from affirmative action to her favorite campus cuisine (apples from the Noyes Lodge vending machine). “It’s exciting to be back,” she said, “and it’s a joy to listen to students with the perspective of time.”

Early one chilly morning later in the week, clad in a gray suit and snow boots, Reno reminisced with student journalists from five campus publications. She recalled the aura of hope that prevailed on campus when she arrived in 1956, and her penchant for “staying up all night and discussing everything under the sun.” In addition to earning a degree in chemistry, Reno was president of the now-defunct Women’s Self-Government Association and worked as a uniformed waitress in Clara Dickson Hall. Now, after forty years as a lawyer (twenty-five of them in public service), the longest-serving attorney general since the Civil War said she looks forward to unwinding. “I want to read, write, perfect my kayak roll, or get in my red truck and travel the country.”

Reno’s eleven-day visit featured a meeting with Law school students, a forum with human development faculty, and a visit with students from feminist historian Joan Jacobs Brumberg’s Women in the Professions class, where she was quizzed on everything from her



undergraduate experiences to the Supreme Court's stance on abortion. (She also sang a rousing solo rendition of "Give My Regards to Davy.") In several public lectures given to overflow crowds, Reno spoke in favor of universal health insurance, improved child care, and DNA testing that could exonerate death-row inmates. Dozens were turned away from her speech on campaign ethics, held in a packed auditorium in Goldwin Smith; her talk on "Truth and How We Seek It" also drew throngs of admirers to Alice Statler Auditorium. "I can't believe I'm talking to you," one male student gushed during the question-and-answer session. "God bless America."

At the Statler lecture—the centerpiece of Reno's visit—she told the audience that her "quest for truth" began on a childhood trip to Germany, where she visited the Dachau concentration camp. When she asked her hosts how the Holocaust could have happened, she said, they told her that Germans "just stood by." "I vowed," she said, "never to just stand by." Reno called herself an idealist, but one with a pragmatic bent. Despite the evils of the world—she cited Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh as an example—she said she has faith in the good of mankind. "If we don't try hard to address the problems of society, they will just get worse," she said. "We can use the law to increase freedom and invest in the magnificence of the human spirit."

In addition to pondering weighty issues like gay and lesbian adoption rights and the protection of civil liberties, Reno showed some of the lighter side she'd displayed during her appearance on "Saturday Night Live" and the much-publicized Miami fund-raiser for her failed Florida gubernatorial bid, when she boogied the night away in a South Beach nightclub. She offered her stress-management technique of finding a big chair to sit down in, dangling her arms and legs over the edges, taking a deep breath, and "just wiggling for a while." "It's good to laugh at ourselves," she told the Statler crowd. "Even little old lady Republicans said they loved me on 'Saturday Night Live.'"

— Rachel Einschlag '04

## Opening Lines

## WEBSITE HIGHLIGHTS FAMOUS FIRSTS

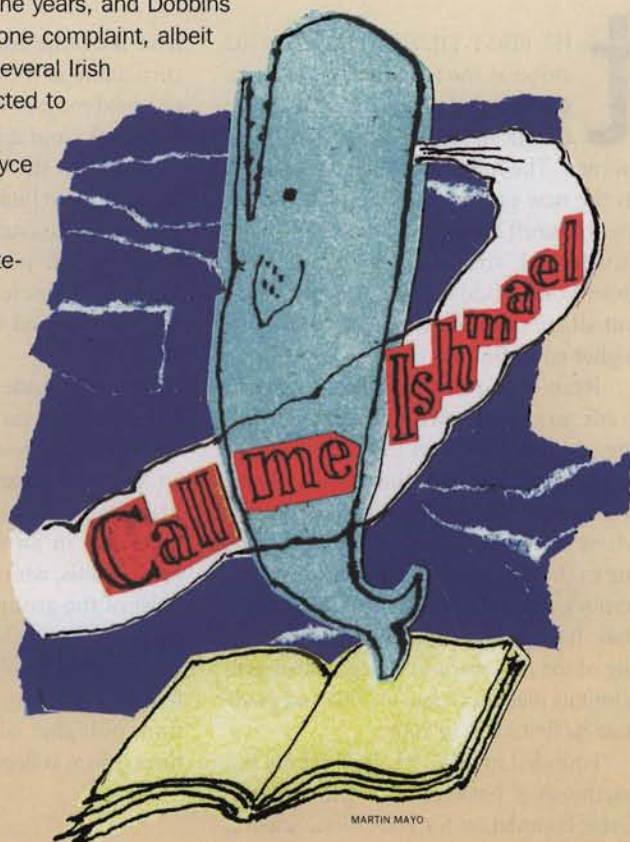
**a**ll children, except one, grow up."  
"It was Wang Lung's marriage day."  
"Ships at a distance have every man's wish on board."

Fiction fans who recognize the above sentences—the openers to *Peter Pan*, *The Good Earth*, and *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, respectively—might want to log on to "First Lines," a website created by Cornell electronics engineer John Dobbins. The site, at [www.people.cornell.edu/pages/jad22](http://www.people.cornell.edu/pages/jad22), challenges readers to name a book's title given only its first sentence. Visitors can choose from twenty-two whimsically named categories ranging from children's stories in "Books I Read at Recess" to long-winded authors in "Periods are for Sissies."

The site, begun in 1997, was inspired by a trivia game that Dobbins and Mann reference librarian Mary Anderson Ochs '79 devised for a New Year's Eve party; it now boasts 308 first lines, as well as a forum for visitors' queries, and gets about 1,000 hits a month. Netscape once named the site a "pick of the week," and the *New York Times* ran a short feature on it in September. "There are books that appear on the site because everyone knows them," says Dobbins, who works in Newman Lab, "and there are others that are there simply because they had a fun first line."

Tens of thousands of Web surfers have visited the site over the years, and Dobbins has received only one complaint, albeit more than once: several Irish readers have objected to his placement of Dubliner James Joyce in the "English Lit" section. Dobbins, who based the category on high school curricula, has no plans to change it.

— Heather Schroeder '03



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# House Call

## RECENT GRADS ASSIST PRE-MED STUDENTS IN QATAR

**T**HE FIRST TIME KELLY RYAN '02 stood at the front of a classroom, she saw a sea of black abayas, the traditional head scarves of Muslim women. The majority of Ryan's students in the new pre-medical program of the Weill Cornell Medical College in Qatar are female. Half are Qatari citizens, half are from other Middle Eastern countries—but all are encountering American-style higher education for the first time.

Ryan is one of three recent Cornell grads serving as teaching assistants with the pre-med program in Qatar, a small, oil-rich country on the Persian Gulf. Along with Debi Mitra '01 and Justin Matis '02, she has been living and teaching in the capital city of Doha since September. Each day on their way to work they drive past the immense construction site of the new medical college, which will admit its inaugural class in 2004 and graduate its first MDs in 2008.

Founded in 2001, the med school is a partnership between Cornell and the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science, and Community Development. It will

have the same admission standards and curriculum as the Manhattan campus; the pre-med program was created to prepare potential candidates with two years of classes from the Cornell undergraduate curriculum in biology, chemistry, physics, and more. Recruited via e-mail for the one-year TA posts, Ryan, Mitra, and Matis—who were taking time off before applying to med school—jumped at the chance.

Raised outside Philadelphia, Ryan had never traveled farther east than Europe, and she didn't want to spend her year in an American research lab. Mitra, who was living in Boston, wanted to try teaching, especially in an international environment. Matis, who seems to be the sociologist of the group, was intrigued by the project's role in the Education City being built by the Qatari government, a complex that will someday be home to six institutions of higher education in addition to the medical college.

Despite the unusual setting and goals of the program, the three Cornellians are doing the same work as TAs everywhere: grading papers, holding office hours, helping with labs. Their students are rising to the challenge of Cornell courses, and, according to Ryan, the TAs and faculty have been impressed with their progress. Even with a better background in the sciences, though, the students' transition to med school won't be easy. "Because there are so few students this year, they've received a lot of individual attention, and the atmosphere has been more like high school—we're always available, the professors are always available," Ryan says. "It might be a shock to them when they encounter medical school."

The program has also been influenced by the religious and cultural backgrounds of its Muslim students. The course schedule has been planned so students have time for prayers, and during the Ramadan fast the TAs were warned that their students would be tired and hungry. It's harder to evaluate the role that traditional notions of gender play in the classroom. The TAs say they haven't noticed their female students having problems in the educational setting, and medicine is an accepted profession for women in many Middle Eastern countries. "The women are more serious students," says Matis, "because this is their way of getting respect."

However, the three note that male and female students automatically sit on opposite sides of the room, and when a TV news crew recently filmed a segment about the school, the women all moved so they wouldn't be on camera. "Men and women definitely have different social spheres here," says Mitra. "Sometimes I feel that I'm breaking unspoken rules, but I also think that the culture is in flux and the norms are changing."

The lingering influence of tradition also means that the students aren't having the social experience of American college life. Because the school is so new, extracurricular activities are limited, and few students live in the dorms. Most return home to their families each night.

**Basic science: TA Debi Mitra works with students in the biology lab.**



Even so, students have formed tight connections—"They're not as competitive as American pre-med students," Mitra laughs—and they often hang out at school on weekends.

Social life is limited for the TAs, too, which Ryan says is their biggest complaint. They've attended a Qatari wedding, and government-sponsored cultural festivals regularly draw big-name performers like Luciano Pavarotti, but the only real opportunity for socializing with other young people is at the upscale hotels, where the TAs have met an international crowd. "A Westerner is not a strange sight, since there are a lot of foreigners working in the oil industry here," Matis says. "When people learn you're American, the common response is 'I hate Bush, but you are welcome.'"

The TAs' arrival last fall coincided with the escalation of tensions between the U.S. and Iraq, which is separated from Qatar by several hundred miles of Saudi Arabian and Kuwaiti coastline, but they say that the war hasn't worried them much. Their families, though, are another story. "I've been able to make my parents a little less worried by describing all the things that they find familiar, like the huge mall and the grocery store down the road," says Ryan. "It's a pretty normal existence, by American standards."

Although Mitra's parents were also opposed to her plans at first, a visit to Qatar calmed their fears. Mitra actually found a recent trip home to be more nerve-racking. "As I passed through different airports and got closer to the United States, there was more and more security,"

she says. "And on the way back, it was reversed—everyone was more relaxed. A friend of mine who lives in D.C. called and said that all the bottled water was sold out at the grocery store, and I told her, 'Wow, your level of anxiety is at least double what we're experiencing.'"

With the first year of the program almost done, the students have acquired some of the basics they'll need to survive in medical school, says Ryan. She's measuring the influence of the program in ways that won't appear on a transcript, though. "The students' abayas used to be all black," she says. "Now they're wearing color, patterns. They're more comfortable with each other and with us. I think we're watching traditions changing right in front of us."

— C.A. Carlson '93, MFA '96

## 'Nicer Than Cows'

## CHEMIST BRINGS WATER BUFFALO TO VERMONT

**W**hen David Muller, PhD '81, first tried buffalo mozzarella, he figured the name had nothing to do with the animal it came from. After all, he thought, "buffalo wings" come from chicken; they're just named after the city where they were invented. But buffalo cheese does come from buffalo—water buffalo, to be exact.

Muller has turned his love of the gourmet treat into a business venture by founding Star Hill Dairy on a Vermont farm he bought three years ago. In March, he began producing buffalo yogurt, a thick, fluffy concoction that more closely resembles cheesecake than conventional yogurt. And this summer, he'll begin making fresh buffalo mozzarella, which he calls far smoother and creamier than the "rubbery, stringy" cheese derived from cow's milk. "In Italy, unless it's made with buffalo milk, it can't be called mozzarella," says Muller, whose products will be sold through a New Jersey distributor that has pledged to buy as much as he can produce.

Buffalo milk products aren't cheap; the cheese costs \$16 to \$18 a pound, and the yogurt is 25 percent more expensive than the regular kind. That's good news for the dairy industry in Vermont, where depressed prices for cow's milk threaten to put producers out of business. Muller hopes others will follow his lead and start milking water buffalo, whose temperament he compares to dogs. "They're a lot nicer than cows," he says, "because they have brains and personality."

Muller, who studied physical chemistry at Cornell and earned an MBA from Wharton, started his business by buying 135 buffalo from Arkansas and Florida. The animals, indige-



nous to the Asian subcontinent, were shipped to his dairy fifty at a time via double-decker trucks. "It was a pretty big day when they arrived," Muller says. "They were the first water buffalo in Vermont."

— Heather Schroeder '03



# From Fireflies to Footsteps

SYNC BRINGS ORDER OUT OF CHAOS

**T**HE AWESOME POWER OF MATH first struck a teenaged Steve Strogatz on the second day of Mr. diCurcio's Science I class. Assigned to measure how long it took a pendulum to swing depending on its length, the high school freshman recorded his findings on graph paper. The result was a parabola—which Strogatz was already studying in Algebra II. "I remember having this very creepy sensation, like there was someone standing behind me in the room," he recalls. "It was like the pendulum *knew algebra*. How could that be? In a flash, I understood what people meant about 'laws of nature'—that there are rules, but they're invisible, and you can't know them unless you know math."

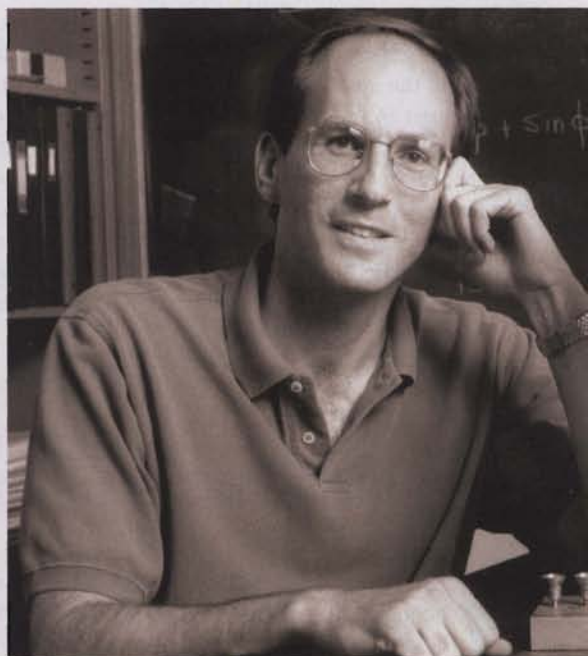
Three decades later, Strogatz is a professor of theoretical and applied mechanics in the Engineering college. Having "never fully recovered" from that gee-whiz moment at the Loomis Chaffee School, he's still trying to use math to understand nature. Strogatz is best known for his work on the so-called Six Degrees of Separation theory, having helped crack the math behind the idea that everyone on Earth is connected through an average of five intermediaries. That work, with former grad student Duncan Watts, PhD '97, focused on the study of networks, showing how "strangers" are actually closely connected even within large groups; it forms a chapter in his first general-audience book, *Sync*, published by Hyperion in March.

Aimed at readers who put titles like James Gleick's *Chaos* at the top of best-seller lists, *Sync* describes an emerging field: synchrony, or the science of spontaneous order. Combining math, physics, and biology, synchrony studies how cycles come into unison—everything from why Malaysian fireflies flash at the same time to how the "pacemaker" cells in the

human heart fire together. (The field overlaps with Strogatz's previous studies of networks; in order for individuals—be they people, fireflies, or cells—to sync up with each other, they have to be connected.) Synchrony, Strogatz notes, is distinct from rhythm. A single thing can have a rhythm, while synchrony demands two or more elements. Furthermore, sync doesn't *require* rhythm; two modern dancers can perform to an arrhythmic beat, but as long as their motions match, they're in sync.

In the book—which *Publisher's Weekly* called "a delightful excursion into science"—Strogatz traces synchrony's origin back to 1665, when Dutch physicist Christiaan Huygens, lying sick in bed, noticed that the pendulums of his two clocks eventually lined up with each other, even if he started them at different times. Through a series of experiments, he concluded that they must be communicating through tiny vibrations in a support beam. Centuries later, scientists would define such phenomena as "coupled oscillators": entities that affect each other's cycles through some physical or chemical process, like the relationship between the Earth and the Moon. And when the coupling causes both oscillators to move as one, you get sync. "Sometimes synchrony is undesirable," says Strogatz. "If your brain cells start synchronizing, that's epilepsy. And sometimes, synchrony is just weird, like the case of women roommates who find that their menstrual periods occur on the same day."

Another example of undesirable sync



HARRINGTON

Scholar of synchrony: Steve Strogatz

came in summer 2000, when London unveiled its \$27 million Millennium Bridge over the Thames. The world's flattest suspension bridge, the 320-meter-long structure welcomed 2,000 pedestrians on June 10—and almost immediately began to twist violently. After extensive review, engineers concluded that there hadn't been any structural problems per se; for a variety of reasons, the visitors had unconsciously synched up their steps, causing a huge magnification of the natural sideways force of a human footfall.

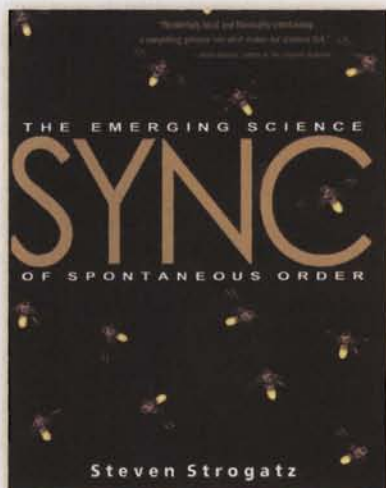
On the positive side, consider the laser—a technology that has revolutionized everything from weaponry to eye surgery, thanks to the power of sync. "The atoms in an overhead light are to laser atoms as a cacophony is to a chorus," Strogatz says, pointing up at the fluorescent bulb in his Kimball Hall office. "Those atoms are totally disorganized—they're



radiating light at different frequencies and different times. But in a laser, all the atoms are pulsing at the same time, with the same frequency, emitting the same color."

The list of ways in which sync affects the universe, Strogatz says, is all but endless. Studies of highway traffic, the workings of the Global Positioning System, the causes of fads and riots, how audiences clap, the firing of neurons that regulate breathing, even the reason why hundreds of Japanese children had seizures while watching a "Pokémon" cartoon on TV—sync affects it all. But Strogatz isn't just intrigued by the mechanics of it; he's also fascinated by what appears to be the universe's innate craving for order, which he calls a "philosophically, almost theologically interesting point." Sync, he says, is hardwired in our DNA.

"It gives us pleasure to dance in unison," he says. "We like to sing in a choir.



But we also get chills when we see Nazis goose-stepping—that kind of mechanical group behavior is very creepy. So there's something primal about synchrony. I find it confusing to think about, because on one hand it represents our highest forms of artistry, like the sync in a symphony orchestra. People say 'our hearts are in sync,' so it has something to do with human connection and love. It's a very elevated thing, but it can also be base and brutal."

Strogatz's long-time mentor in the field was Arthur Winfree '64, an idiosyncratic biologist whom Strogatz first encountered when he ran across his book *The Geometry of Biological Time* as a Marshall Scholar in Cambridge, seeking relief from creaky physics and math problems. Winfree's use of math to understand biology echoed Strogatz's own senior thesis at Princeton, and he wound up spending a

summer working for the professor at Purdue. "Everyone knows that math is the language of physics; people tend to go into biology because they like science, but they don't like math," Strogatz says. "But when people ask, 'Why could you put a man on the Moon but not cure the common cold?' the answer has to do with the fact that biology involves intricate systems of nested feedback loops, millions of interactions happening simultaneously. Dealing with these complex systems is a problem of math, and it's at the frontier of science."

Winfrey, who earned a degree in engineering physics on the Hill, was one of a handful of scientists exploring the nexus of math and biology; when Strogatz first read his book, which explored synchrony in biological systems, he says, "I could see my life starting to unfold." *Sync* is dedicated to his mentor, a MacArthur "genius grant" recipient who succumbed to a brain tumor at the age of sixty, four months before Strogatz's book was published. "I used to say, 'Don't die until my book comes out, because you're the hero of it,'" Strogatz says. "He couldn't make it—but his family told me they were reading it to him even when he was unconscious, and it seemed to comfort him."

— Beth Saulnier

## Tip Off

### A GUIDE TO GREATER GRATUITIES



**T**he waiter who earns the biggest tips may not be the one who brings the food the fastest, recommends the best dishes, or even gets the orders right. It's the one who draws a smiley face on the back of the check. "Establishing a social connection with the customer has an impact on the size of the tip," says Hotel professor Michael Lynn, who has been studying tipping ever since he worked as a waiter during grad school. "The customer starts to think of the server as a friend."

U.S. diners spend \$23 billion a year tipping their servers, most offering 15 to 20 percent of the bill. Lynn's research has found that waiters and waitresses can encourage patrons to dig deeper into their pockets through such tactics as touching the customer, crouching next to the table, smiling, and introducing themselves by name. "The strongest motivation for tipping is the desire for social approval," he says. "Approval from the server and the people they're dining with, as well as self-approval." Quality of service, however, impacts tips by only 0.2 percent. That's about how much they're affected by the weather, with sunny skies translating into bigger gratuities. "The public attitude towards tipping is divided—a third to a half of customers say they don't like the idea," says Lynn. "Tipping is an unusual situation. People give away money when they don't have to."

— Rachel Einschlag '04



# Got Game

COLLEGETOWN ARCADE DRAWS THRONGS  
WITH VINTAGE VIDEO

**W**ALKING PAST COLLEGETOWN'S myriad bars, pizza joints, and cafés, it's easy to pass the small alley that leads to a funky storefront—and into a time warp. An orange, green, and pink mural outside the single-story brick building at 107 1/2 Dryden Road features a blonde with a Farrah Fawcett coiffure wielding an Atari joystick. Inside are four couches upholstered in a psychedelic print, where customers can play the home versions of a host of classic video games: Pac Man, Super Mario Brothers, Duck Hunt, and more. "Arcades are definitely in again," says Human Ecology alumna Alicia McFarren '02, observing the action from a nearby stool. "Kids aren't afraid it's dorky anymore. They're coming to have good, clean fun."

Called "Play," the arcade is the brainchild of three Engineering grads from the Class of 2000: Martin Roth, Charles Parry,

and Phil Yuen. Big fans of video games in their student days, the trio teamed up to give Cornellians and local residents a place to hang out. Opened in May 2002, the arcade features dozens of modern PlayStation 2 titles, from Grand Theft Auto to Devil May Cry, as well as games on the classic Nintendo and Sega systems—all played on four widescreen TVs with surround-sound speakers. (A dollar buys four game tokens, or fifteen minutes on PlayStation 2; on Wednesday nights, everything is half-price.)

Play also offers pool, air hockey, and Foosball, plus a snack bar with milkshakes, grilled cheese sandwiches, nachos, pretzels, popcorn, and soda, including Tab in a can. "We wanted to capture the vintage aura that's at the root of the video era," says Parry, a software engineer for eCornell. "It was important to us to have a good blend of new games, what the cus-

tomers expect, and the old stuff we loved." One thing the arcade doesn't have, though, is alcohol. "There are a lot of side effects we considered regarding a liquor license, like spilled beer and unruly customers," he says. "And we don't want to alienate our high school crowd."

While flashing lights and music abound at Play, a \$5,000 machine called Dance Dance Revolution is the arcade's centerpiece. It consists of a motion-sensitive mat that players stand on and a screen that tells them where to place their feet; the faster the music, the crazier the choreography. Says Parry: "When you're really down with it, it's kind of like break-dancing." The arcade has one employee, Buffalo native Ed Nowicki, who's on duty whenever Play is open (evenings and late nights, Tuesday through Sunday). "It's not a very hard job, to tell you the truth," Nowicki says. "Once people start playing, they pretty much take care of themselves."

Most of the arcade's games—even a scaled-down version of Dance Dance Revolution—are available to home users. So why would customers pay to play something they may already own? According to Parry, it's because the gaming world is evolving. "It's no longer a matter of squirreling up in your room and playing alone," he says. "Now people want to go out and meet others who are interested in the same types of things." Furthermore, he says, video games—which now have movie-style content ratings and price tags as high as \$150—aren't just for kids anymore. "People who had Atari and Nintendo are still playing today," he says. "Games have grown up along with the people who played them. That's why it's a \$6 billion industry."

On a typical Thursday night, juniors Jason Lin and Stephen Horowitz are camped out on one of the couches, annihilating monsters in a PlayStation 2 game called Dragon Ball Z. "This is a fun, non-alcohol place," Lin says, "and there aren't many of those in Collegetown." Lin has just finished a computer science prelim, and the two friends decided it was time to unwind. "We're definitely regulars," Horowitz says. "Wait, I mean . . . not if my parents are going to read this."

— Signe Pike '03

**Game face:** Two graffiti artists regularly revise the back-alley arcade's thematic exterior.

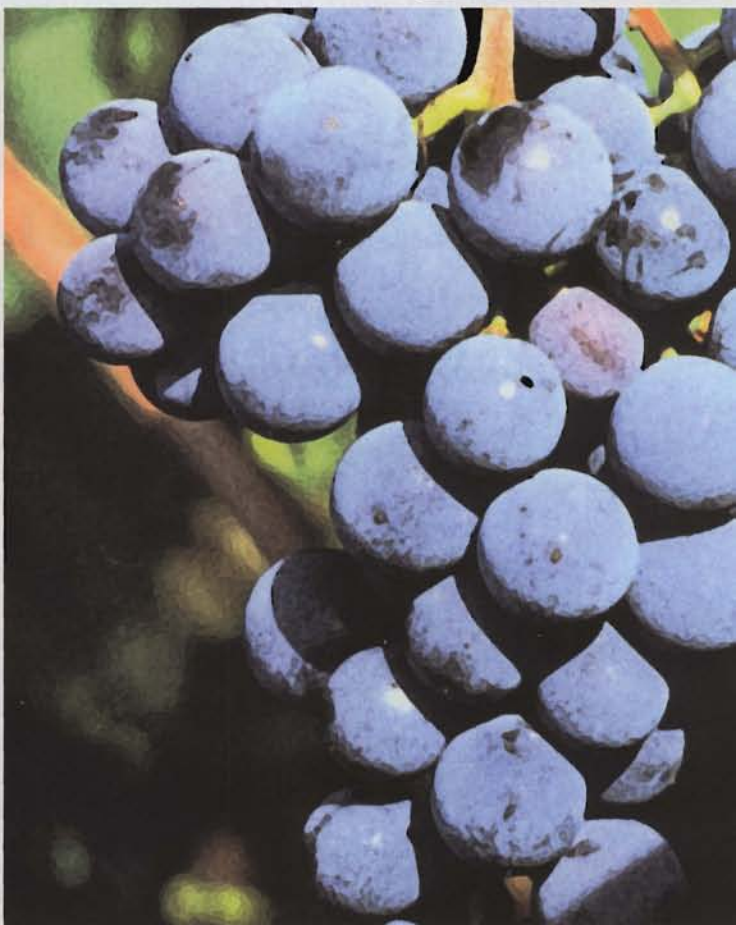






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## NEW YORK'S TWO CLIMATES FOR WINE

BY JAMES TREZISE

In 1975 there were nineteen wineries in New York State. Today there are 169. In the early 1980s New York's wine industry was in an economic crisis. Today it is booming. Not long ago New York wines were shunned by wine aficionados. Today they win gold medals in international competitions.

What explains this dramatic turnaround? New York's two climates for wine—one meteorological, the other economic.

To make good wine you need good grapes, and to grow good grapes you

Experiment Station has been internationally recognized as one of the world's leading research facilities for viticulture and enology, including the development of such promising new grape varieties as Cayuga, Chardonnay, and Traminette. (For more on the Experiment Station, see page 12.)

As a result of this intensive research, New York now produces a broader selection of fine wines than almost any other wine-producing region in the U.S. And it's no longer the Rodney Dangerfield of the wine world.

New York's business climate has played an equally vital role in advancing the industry. Just as you need good weather to grow good grapes, you need a good business climate to grow an industry. New York has that—but some key challenges still lie ahead.

The Farm Winery Act of 1976 was the first major impetus for industry



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need a good climate. New York's wine regions—the Finger Lakes, the Hudson Valley, eastern Long Island, and Lake Erie—each offer different but hospitable weather conditions and soils for vineyards. Making the most of those resources is where people come in, including the many Cornellians who play important roles in the New York wine industry.

What grape varieties are best suited to a particular site? Does the soil pH need to be adjusted? What type of trellis is ideal? Is irrigation necessary? These and myriad other questions can be answered satisfactorily only through research. For decades, Cornell's Geneva

growth, championed by John Dyson '65, who at that time was New York's agricultural commissioner. (For more on Dyson, see page 6.) This law made it economically feasible to operate a small "farm" winery in New York by allowing such operations to sell directly to consumers, restaurants, and retailers.

A comprehensive package of legislation passed in 1984 and 1985 accelerated the industry's growth by permitting wine cooler sales in grocery stores, eliminating burdensome regulations, creating new marketing opportunities, allowing wine tastings in liquor stores, and forming the New York Wine & Grape Foundation to coordinate pro-



motion and research for the industry. Nearly every year since then, one or two new bills have been passed to further enhance the industry's growth.

Since 1985 more than 100 new wineries have been established, production has increased by 65 percent to over 200 million bottles, the number of tourists visiting wineries each year has jumped to more than three million, and jobs at wineries have increased ten-fold. Wine is a major catalyst for the state's economic development. Still, some key issues remain unresolved. They involve direct shipment to consumers, sales of wine on Sunday, and sales of wine in grocery stores.

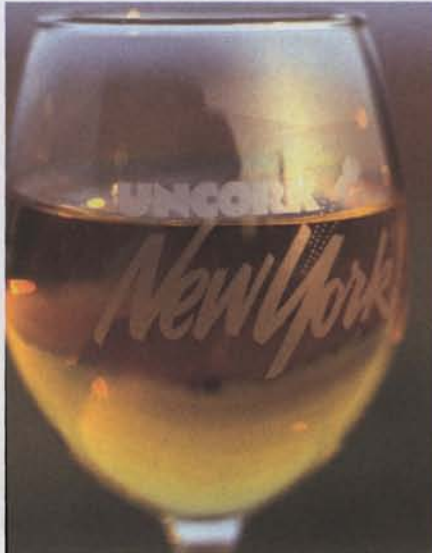
The vast majority of New York's wineries are relatively small, high-quality operations that may attract thousands of visitors each year but do not produce enough wine to warrant broad distribution. Many out-of-state visitors want to purchase New York wines directly from the wineries after they return home, but the wineries have to say no, due to laws that are the legacy of Prohibition.

New York law allows the state's wineries to ship anywhere as long as they comply with the laws of the receiving state or country, but (here's the catch) other states generally don't allow such shipments unless there's reciprocity—letting that state's wineries ship to New York consumers. New York's wineries have no problem with this, but powerful wholesalers have so far convinced the New York State Legislature not to pass a reciprocity bill. A recent court decision declaring New York's law unconstitutional may change that and open up new marketing opportunities for the state's wineries.

Ironically, Sunday sales of wine in liquor stores is opposed by the store owners themselves—who want a legislated day off. But since it could mean increased consumer convenience and \$20–30 million in new revenues, state officials are considering it seriously.

Wine is sold in grocery stores in thirty-six states, including the major wine-producing states of California, Washington, and Oregon—but not New York. Changing that could net the state's coffers more than \$150 million during a time of budget crisis, create

new opportunities for the sale of New York grapes and wine, and offer New Yorkers the basic convenience that most other states' consumers have enjoyed for decades. But this will be the battle royale in the legislature. Even though the number of New York liquor stores has declined by 27 percent in the past fifteen years, from 3,403 to 2,476



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(serving a population of more than thirteen million adults), the liquor lobby remains powerful in Albany and will resist this measure to the end.

A couple of decades ago, New York was clearly the number two grape and wine state (behind California), but it has been far surpassed by Washington, which began to allow wine sales in grocery stores in 1970. If New York's public officials can summon up the vision and courage for bold measures, perhaps the Empire State can regain its lost position.

The overall goal of the New York Wine & Grape Foundation, a trade association that represents grape growers and wineries, is quite simple: "To have the New York grape and wine industry recognized as a world leader in quality, productivity, and social responsibility." Whether that happens could well depend on the many Cornellians associated with this industry who conduct vital research, make and sell world-class wines, and are helping to shape the business climate of the future. ♥

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# TALKING WITH JOHN DYSON



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BY JAMES TREZISE

**N**ew York State wines have no better friend—or more passionate advocate—than John Dyson '65. Perhaps best known as the creator of the famous “I ♥ NY” campaign, Dyson has had a long and distinguished career as an entrepreneur, politician, and government official, including stints as the New York State commerce commissioner and New York City deputy mayor for economic development. He has also owned and operated the Millbrook winery in the Hudson Valley for more than twenty years.

*What first attracted you to wine and the wine industry?*

At Cornell, I had no taste for the beer served at my fraternity, Alpha Delta Phi, so one night I bought some wine for me and my date—it was a gallon jug of Almaden white. Well, everyone else’s date wanted the wine instead of beer, and we had to send out for reinforcements. From there we organized Friday wine tastings before dinner, which benefited from the help of the professor in charge of the Hotel school’s wine program.

*When did you decide to become a winemaker?*

The world of wine is engaging and one thing leads to the other—eventually, you want to try your hand at making wine yourself. So, in 1979, I planted one acre as an experiment on our farm in Millbrook. The plants and the inspiration came from Dr. Konstantin Frank, who was already a legend in the Finger Lakes. The grapes were made into wine in 1982 during the gubernatorial campaign of Mario Cuomo. Both turned out okay. I decided to plant another five acres in 1983, and from there we went on to 10,000 cases per year.

*You were a key figure in the passage of the Farm Winery Act. How did that come about?*

That was the easiest bill to pass I have ever dealt with. Both Upstate Republicans and Downstate Democrats wanted to help the agricultural indus-

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tries, so it was a natural. Mark Miller of the Benmarl Winery in Ulster County brought the idea to me in 1975 when I was Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Assembly Democrats were enthusiastic about passing it. Not everything has been that easy, and I have also learned more than I anticipated about the negative effects of government regulation on an industry. It can be suffocating, and it shows the wisdom of avoiding the socialist-type control over industry that Europe has in general and the U.S. has for alcoholic beverages. To the extent we can get the government out of the way, this industry can be successful, too.

*How do New York wines compare with others?*

New York can make world-class wines that go well with food. We will never be known for "monsters," but for wines that enhance life and the culinary experience, we are as good as any place in the world. We've had to overcome the governmental restrictions on wineries and sales, but there have been many positive changes since 1976 to open the market and make winemaking easier. We've also had to overcome the sweet wine and "grapey" wine reputation with our newer European-style wines. We've made a lot of progress on both fronts, but there's much more to do.

*What's ahead for the New York wine industry?*

I think the next great challenge is to further open markets via supermarket sales, optional Sunday opening of liquor stores, and—especially for small wineries like Millbrook—direct shipment of wines. There is no reason, as the Federal District Court in Manhattan ruled last December, to restrict adults from buying wines from anywhere in the U.S. for use at home. I have spent and will continue to spend time and resources to break down the remaining barriers, which are leftovers from the Prohibition era. I hope this year will be the one when New York State tears down this last wall and helps our wine industry grow. If that happens, I think the future is very bright. ♥



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## PROFILE: FREDERICK FRANK

As president of Dr. Konstantin Frank Vinifera Wine Cellars in Hammondsport for the last ten years, Frederick Frank '79 has shouldered the burden of maintaining a tradition of excellence forged by his Ukrainian-born grandfather, Konstantin, and his father, Willy, the winery's chairman. But despite his lineage, Fred's path to his current position overseeing one of the most highly regarded wineries in the Finger Lakes region was surprisingly circuitous.

Fred was born in Jamaica, Queens, grew up in Valley Stream on Long Island, and majored in business management in the Ag college. (He is currently the district director for the CALS alumni association.) "There's an old European proverb," Fred says, "that you should learn to shave on another man's beard"—so he went to work after graduation as a sales representative for Banfi Vintners, the prominent Long Island-based wine importer. He was promoted to state sales manager after six months.

Fred's sales assignment ended two years later when he returned to school, this time at the Geisenheim research institute in Germany, where he spent two semesters in 1982–83 studying enology and viticulture. Then it was back to Banfi, where he became managing director, a position he would hold for ten years before taking charge of his family's 50,000-case operation.

The winery's seventy acres of *vinifera* vines include Riesling, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Rkatsiteli, Gewürztraminer, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Pinot Gris—the backbone of the Dr. Konstantin Frank wines. For the Salmon Run line, grapes are purchased from several vineyards on Seneca Lake. As if all this weren't enough, neighboring Château Frank, utilizing the famed "Champagne method," consistently turns out some of the finest sparkling wines in the U.S. The winery also has a strong nursery business, each year producing about 20,000 grafted vines that are sold throughout the Northeast and Midwest.

However multifarious the production, Fred insists that the winery's philosophy is "to produce the highest quality wines possible" at all times. That excellence has been confirmed in many competitions. To name just one example, Dr.

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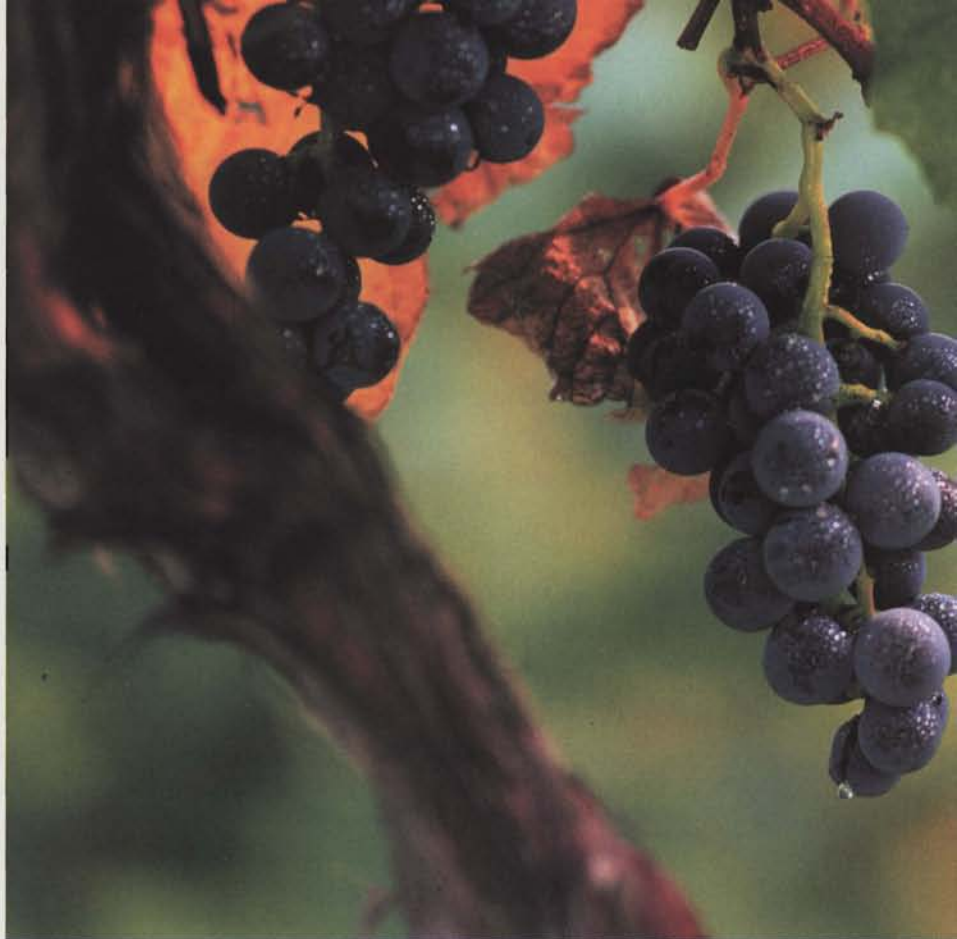


Konstantin Frank Vinifera Wine Cellars was named Winery of the Year at the 2001 New York Wine & Food Classic. (Four years earlier, the winery's 1995 Riesling Ice Wine took home the coveted Governor's Cup.)

In tandem with their desire to continue the growth of the winery, Fred and his wife, Maryclaire, hope their three children "might continue the operations of the winery through its fourth generation." No doubt the many fans of Dr. Konstantin Frank wines feel the same way. 🍷

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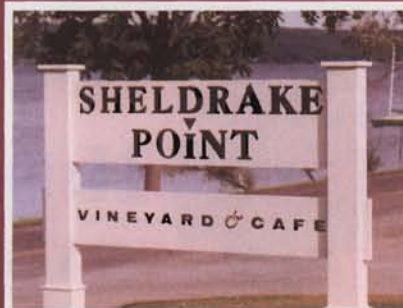
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## PROFILE: JIM HAZLITT

In the Finger Lakes region, the 1980s and '90s witnessed the production of an unprecedented quantity of fine wine made from *vinifera* (European) grape varieties. Though this never would have happened without the pioneering work of Dr. Konstantin Frank and Charles Fournier, whose *vinifera* experiments began in the 1950s, it was the passage of the New York State Farm Winery Act in 1976 that utterly transformed the New York wine industry. Before long, wineries were springing up all over the region.

Enter grape grower Jim Hazlitt '60 and his son Eric of Sawmill Creek Vineyards in Hector. With seventy-nine acres of vineyards extending westward from Route 414 in Hector all the way to Seneca Lake, Jim has played a vital role in the burgeoning Finger Lakes wine trade.

Sawmill Creek Vineyards traces its history back to the mid-1800s, when Hazlitt Farms began growing fruit. After Jim graduated from Cornell with a BS in pomology, he began running the farm, selling Concord grapes to Great Western Winery in Hammondsport and to the Welch's grape juice cooperative in Westfield. In 1968, Hazlitt Farms became Hazlitt Vineyards Inc.

But the New York grape market collapsed in the 1980s, after the state's largest wineries curtailed their purchases of local fruit in favor of California bulk wine. "In 1983," Jim recalls, "grape prices were so low my brother Jerry and I split our farm... [and] Jerry started Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards. We mortgaged our lakefront property to raise the capital." Jim wisely replaced the native grapes with *vinifera*—a process that had begun in 1977 with the planting of Riesling and Chardonnay—and in 1995 he changed the name of his operation to Sawmill Creek Vineyards to avoid confusion



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with his brother Jerry's winery.

Today, eighteen wineries (including two from the Hudson Valley) purchase Jim Hazlitt's grapes, with two top-drawer Finger Lakes wineries, Swedish Hill Vineyard in Romulus and Red Newt Wine Cellars in Hector, being his biggest customers. In addition to five hybrids, Jim grows no fewer than fourteen grape varieties—not an easy job given the amount of hands-on work required to induce the likes of Pinot Noir, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Sangiovese, and

Syrah to ripen properly and remain rot-free. "The best fertilizer," Jim says with a smile, "is the owner's foot-prints." He also grows and sells pick-your-own cherries.

Jim is currently on a committee to support instruction in enology and viticulture at Cornell, and he serves on a research committee to review grape projects at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station. He lives on his farm on the eastern shore of Seneca Lake with his wife, Sue. 

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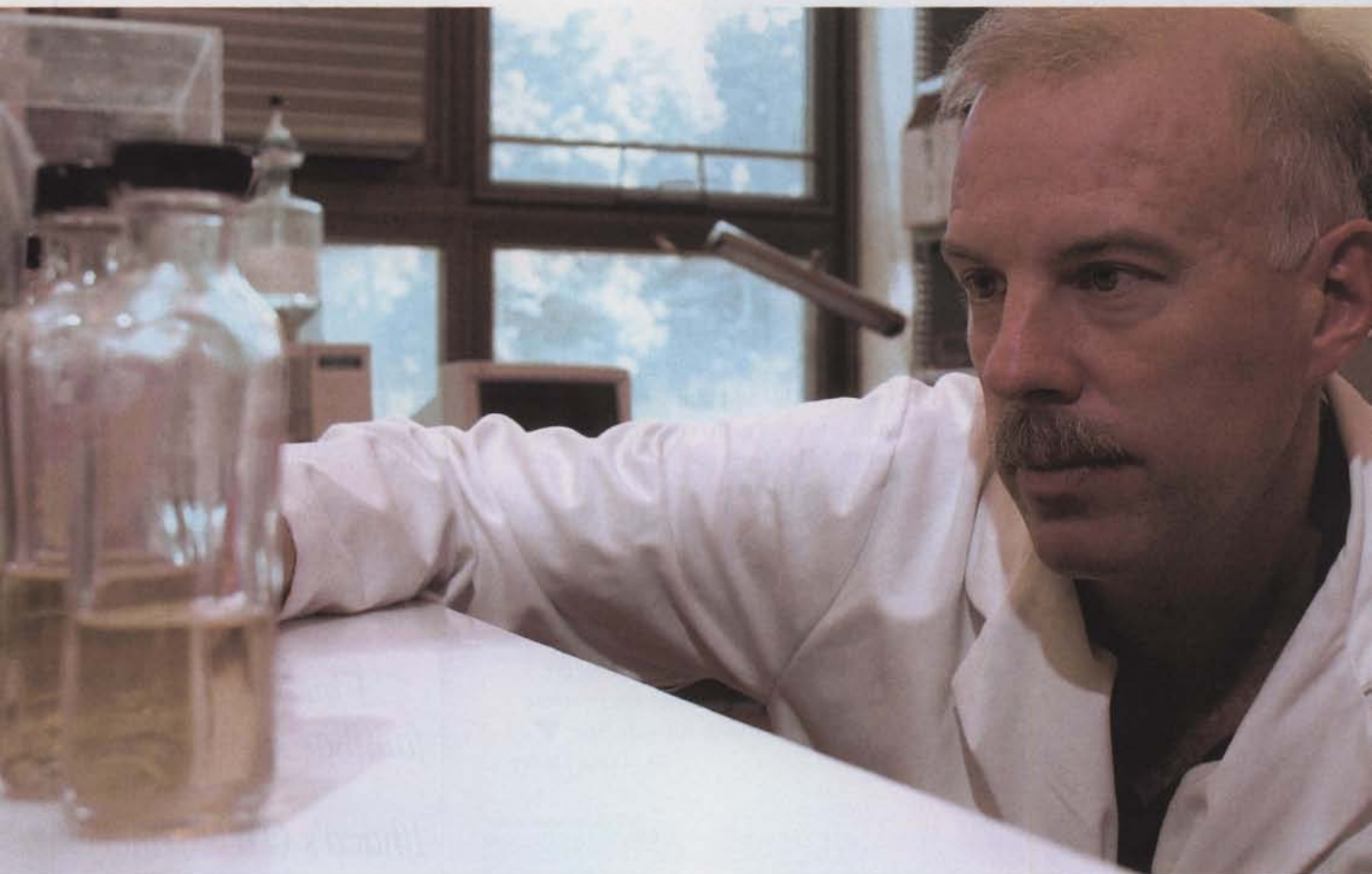
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BY DAVE POHL



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**I**n recent years there has been a huge increase in respect for New York State wines. Noticeable improvements in the quality and distinction of the Empire State's products have finally caught the attention of wine drinkers and judges far beyond its borders. Jim Trezise, head of the New York Wine & Grape Foundation, attributes the improved quality to two primary factors: collegial competition among the wineries and the availability of "sound science."

"The sound science," Trezise writes in the March 2003 issue of *Beverage Media*, "comes from Cornell University, and specifically the Vinification and Brewing Laboratory directed by Thomas Henick-Kling." The lab is one of the latest developments at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva. Created in 1880 by the New York State Legislature, the station was charged with conducting agricultural research to benefit the state's consumers and producers of agricultural products. It became part of Cornell in 1923. After World War II, all animal research moved to the Ithaca campus, and the Geneva Station focused on fruit and vegetable products.

Research on wine grapes has been a major part of the station's work, especially since they can be difficult to grow in the sometimes harsh climate of Upstate New York. One response has been the creation of several hybridized grape varieties,

**Research and development: Ben Gavin (above) checks wine samples in the Geneva lab. Grape breeder Bruce Reisch (right) displays the fruit of his labors.**



capable of early ripening in a relatively short growing season. The wines produced from some of these varieties—such as Cayuga, Melody, and Traminette—have become familiar on the shelves of New York wine shops. And just this year, Cornell researcher Bruce Reisch released a new grape called Geneva Red 7. The sixth wine grape the station has developed, it is a productive and winter-hardy variety that Reisch has dubbed “the working-man’s red.” At a press conference announcing its release, station director James Hunter called the grape “a good example of the continuing relevance of the fruit-breeding programs at the Experiment Station for New York State agriculture.”

With the increased demand for imported and California wines in the early 1970s, many New York growers who had been selling their grapes to big firms like Taylor and Gold Seal found that the companies wanted fewer grapes at lower prices. Relief arrived in the form of the New York State Farm Winery Act, passed in 1976, which provided tax breaks that made it much more feasible to start a winery—especially if you were already growing grapes.

In the late 1970s and through the '80s, many grape growers started

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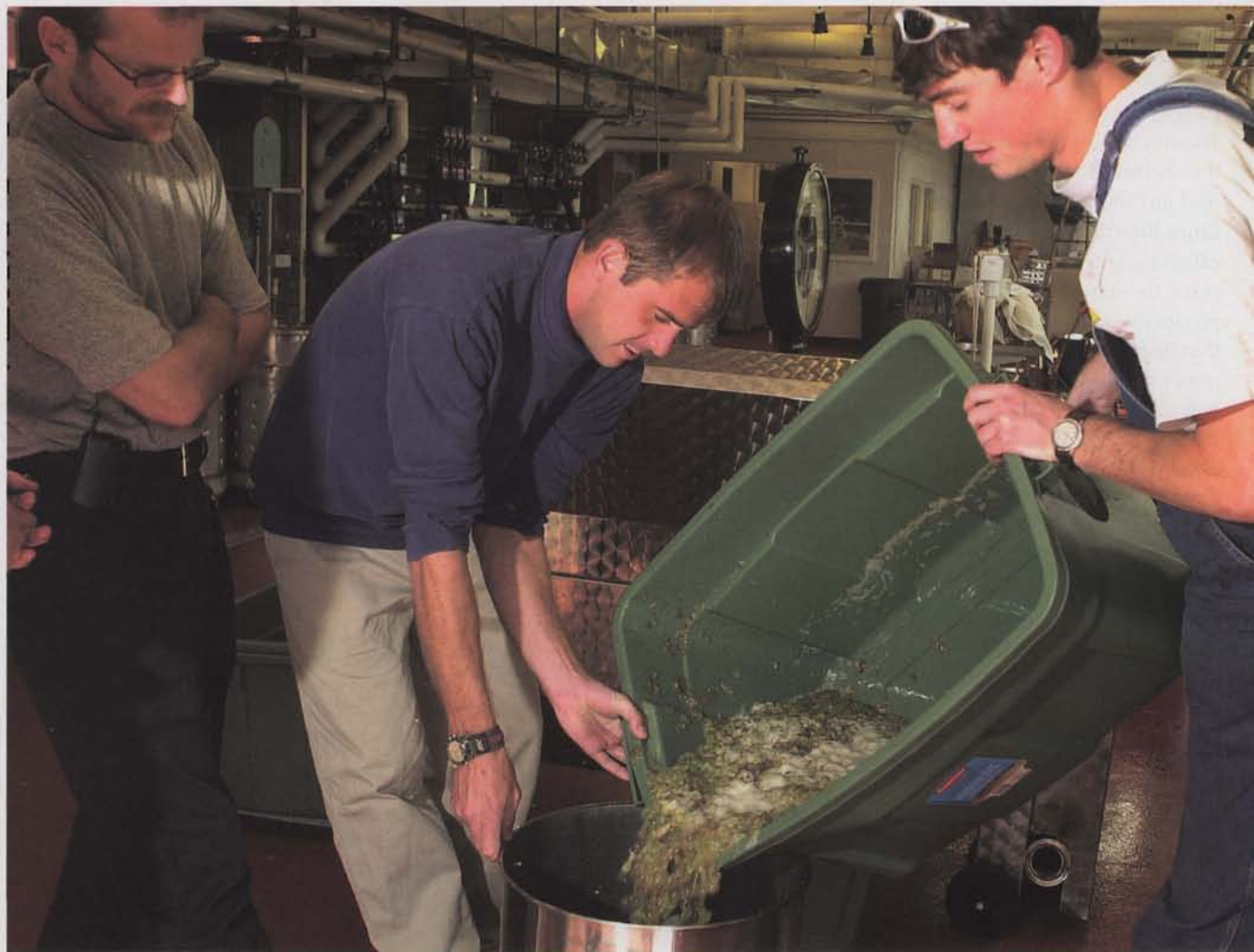
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wineries. These operations relied heavily on advice from the Geneva Station through Cornell Cooperative Extension. What grape varieties should they grow to sell in a very competitive marketplace? Should they try *vinifera* grapes like Riesling and Chardonnay or rely on the hardier native varieties? What were the best ways to plant and nurture their vines?

**T**he quality and diversity of New York wines increased steadily throughout the 1980s, but prospects were still uncertain. Too many wines were badly made, prices had to be kept low, and the reputation of New York wines was still questionable. The tide began to turn with the establishment of an official enology (winemaking) position at the Geneva Station. In 1987, Thomas Henick-Kling, a German-born microbiologist, was hired to take over the reins of the New York State Analytical Laboratory, which provides juice and wine analysis to help producers deal with quality-control issues and improve their products. By 2001 four dozen wineries were taking advantage of these services—and the number continues to grow.

Henick-Kling's years at the Geneva Station have seen greater emphasis on winemaking analysis and studies related to enology, in addition to the historic focus on grape breed-




ing and viticulture. In the last ten years, the station has done valuable work determining which clones of particular varieties are best suited to New York's soils and climate, as well as fine-tuning the process of vineyard site selection. Through its outreach to the New York wine industry, the Geneva Station is fostering a business climate that focuses on improving all aspects of vineyard management and winery operations.

Because lack of trained personnel is frequently cited as a problem in the wine and grape industry in the eastern United States, Cornell has announced plans to establish an undergraduate program in viticulture and enology; this was scheduled to begin in the fall of 2003 but has been delayed due to budget constraints.

**Wine testing: Thomas Henick-Kling checks the "nose" of a sample (bottom left) and views the result of a crush (above). White wine grapes are prepared for a test batch (below).**

One of the more exciting new developments in wine research at Geneva has been the creation of the Vinification and Brewing Technology Laboratory. This new lab allows researchers and winemakers to experiment using full-size equipment instead of scaled-down models that often don't work the same way as real facilities. "The lab will support our research and extension projects, as well as student research and training," says Henick-Kling. "It will play a fundamental role in our new enology program." Wineries will also be able to rent space for their own experiments.

At a time when New York State wines are poised to reach a new level of excellence, the creation of the lab—partially funded by the wineries themselves—bodes well for the industry. It represents the strong commitment that both vintners and Cornell have made to ensure a bright future for this once-struggling sector of the state's economy. 

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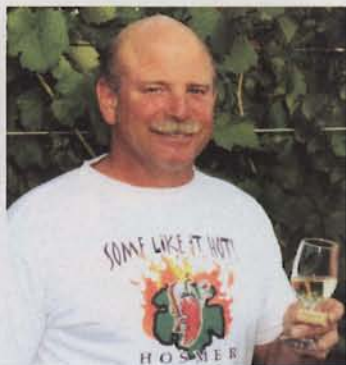


“Our most meaningful award? Easy question. We received

the 2002 Governor’s Cup for our 2001 Dry Riesling,” says Cameron “Tunker” Hosmer ’76. Once his Riesling took home the award, which is presented at the New York Wine & Food Classic to the best wine in the state, “the phone never stopped ringing,” Hosmer says. “Unfortunately we had a limited supply and sold out in two days.” For the 8,500-case Hosmer Winery, located on Route 89 in Ovid, winning the Governor’s Cup underscores a simple fact: this Cayuga Lake winery is turning out some of its best wines ever, and it is now one of the hottest producers in the Finger Lakes.

Tunker (which everyone seems to call him), Hosmer’s owner and winemaker, graduated from Cornell with a degree in pomology. His education was augmented during his junior year by studies in enology at Fresno State University in California. Even as a youngster, he says, he liked to work outside growing things, and he also possessed a predilection for science and machinery. Recognizing this, his parents wisely guided him in the direction of viticulture and enology.

After Cornell, Tunker went straight to work at the family vineyard, which at that time was supplying grapes to the Taylor Wine Company in Hammondsport. By the early 1980s, growing grapes for large wineries was not nearly as profitable as it once had been; in response, the family launched Hosmer Winery in 1985. “We produced mostly hybrid



PEGGY HAINE

wines in the first few years, with a little Chardonnay, Riesling, and Pinot Noir to round out the mix,” Tunker says, adding that he was always an ardent proponent of Riesling, even when Finger Lakes Riesling was far from fashionable.

Times have changed, and today Hosmer Winery has incorporated into its fifty-three acres of vineyards other *vinifera* varieties such as Cabernet Franc, Pinot Gris, and Lemberger. And it’s worth noting that Hosmer consistently makes one of the finest Cabernet Franc wines in the region—a dry, medium-bodied red wine possessing the dark berry fruit so often encountered in Merlot- and Cabernet Sauvignon-based wines.

The success of a winery, says Tunker, originates in the vineyard. “It’s all about balance. Too big a crop is sure to make lesser quality wines; too small and you run into other problems, such as excessive vigor and disease.” When it comes to winemaking, he adheres to the dictum, “If it isn’t broken, don’t try to fix it.” Tunker sums up his noninterven-

## PROFILE: CAMERON HOSMER

tionist approach by saying, “Start with good raw material and just guide it along”—easier said than done, as any experienced winemaker knows.

But where did the name “Tunker” come from? It turns out that when Cameron was born, the family’s dog was also named Cameron. Consequently, every time one of his family members said his name, the dog would show up. “Hence, I got a nickname,” recalls Cameron. “Why ‘Tunker,’ though, is still a mystery.”

These days, Tunker works closely with the Geneva Experiment Station, assisting educational programs and wine tastings. He’s also a member of the Cornell Cooperative Extension Viticultural Advisory Board. ♥

— Dana Malley

Upon reviewing the professional life of John F. Mariani Jr., chairman and CEO of Banfi

Vintners and its vineyard estate, Castello Banfi in Montalcino, Italy, it’s difficult not to be a bit awestruck. John graduated from Cornell in 1954 and spent two years studying winemaking in Europe. During his four-country, nine-region learning excursion, he met Italian winemaker Cavaliere Ezio Rivella, and over a bottle of wine they exchanged ideas about the trade. This meeting proved to be the precursor of the “impossible dream”—the founding of Castello Banfi.

After returning home, John did graduate work at New York University in marketing and advertising, and then joined his father in the family wine-importing business. His brother Harry, currently Banfi’s president, came on board after his graduation from Colgate in 1959, and in 1964 the two assumed control of the forty-five-year-old company. The Banfi portfolio expanded and—thanks to studies in Napa and Sonoma wine country—so did John’s knowledge of wine.

In the fall of 1967 John and his brother, aware of America’s taste for fruit juice and soft drinks, imported from Italy 100 cases of Lambrusco labeled “Riunite.” As anyone even remotely familiar with the wine business knows, the slightly sweet and faintly fizzy (*frizzante*) Riunite Lambrusco was a huge hit in the U.S. Annual sales eventually reached millions of cases, and it became America’s number one wine import for nearly two and a half decades.

Behind John’s remarkable business acumen, there is also a profound degree of foresight. In Tuscany’s premier wine town, Montalcino, his company made what one Italian business journal described as “the most important foreign investment ever made in Italian wine,” and Castello Banfi, a 7,100-acre estate, became a reality. His old friend Rivello, whose credentials include his recent position as president of Italy’s National D.O.C. Committee, was placed in charge of the project. Planting of vines, of which there are now 2,400 acres, began in 1977, and the \$100 million estate opened in

## PROFILE: JOHN F. MARIANI JR.



1984. Castello Banfi is now considered by many to be a driving force behind the market expansion for fine Brunello di Montalcino.

More business successes followed, perhaps most notably the 1988 acquisition of Excelsior Wine & Spirits, giving Banfi exclusive rights to import Concha y Toro wines just as Chilean wines were catching on in the U.S. By 2000, Concha y Toro had surpassed Riunite as America's top-selling imported wine.

The Banfi world headquarters are located in a sixty-room Elizabethan-style manor house, purchased in 1979, in Old Brookville on Long Island. Fittingly, the 127-acre estate has a Chardonnay vineyard. Just as appropriately, one of John's two daughters, Cristina, is the executive vice president of global marketing for Castello Banfi.

John has garnered a lengthy list of honors over the years. In addition to being a Cornell trustee fellow, he was named Man of the Year 2000 by the



Order of Sons of Italy in America. He has also established a record of generosity to his alma mater, including the endowment of a chair for food and beverage management in the Hotel school and the underwriting of the Statler Hotel restaurant that bears the Banfi name. ♥

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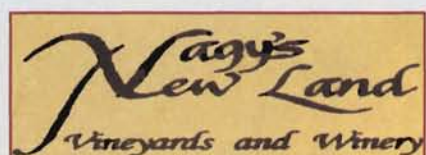
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## PROFILE: THE JOHNSON FAMILY

It's helpful to view Johnson Estate Winery, located in the so-called "grape belt" of Western New York, in terms of threes. For one thing, it's now owned by a third generation of Johnsons, one of whom is a third-generation Frederick. For another, the ownership is split among three siblings: Frederick (Fred) Johnson Jr. '75, MBA '77, Elizabeth (Lilla) Johnson '76, and Anthony (Tony) Johnson '80. And the winery is about to embark on what could be considered the third phase in its long history.

The first Frederick Johnson 1901 (1877–1960), who was born in England, purchased his Westfield farm in 1908. The acquisition included Freelings Creek, which runs into Lake Erie, and a historic brick house built in 1822, in which the Johnsons still reside. In addition to apples, cherries, and peaches, Mr. Johnson grew and marketed grapes—all native varieties and mostly Concord. The Prohibition years marked the unofficial start of Johnson Estate as a winery when, according to family lore, he made wine from home-grown grapes—despite the protests of his teetotaling wife.

His son Frederick Spencer Johnson '43 (1921–1998) grew up on the farm and graduated from Cornell in 1946. His college years were interrupted by military service as a torpedo bomber flying off the U.S.S. *Yorktown*. Frederick Spencer's ensuing career took him all over the world, including to Venezuela, where he



Winery founder Frederick Johnson (in carriage)



Lilla Johnson

Tony (left) and Fred Johnson



managed Nelson Rockefeller's rice and cattle farms. Returning to the Johnson farm with his family upon his father's death in 1960 (and still working occasionally as an international agricultural consultant), he began planting French-American hybrid grapes—Aurora, Cascade, Vidal, Seyval, Chancellor, Chambourcin, and Marechal Foch. Johnson Estate's bottled-wine business, marking the farm's second era, began in 1961, and by 2002 the winery was producing 21,000 cases from its 140 acres of vines.

Frederick Spencer Johnson's children, the current generation of Johnson Estate ownership, bring a wealth of diverse experience to the

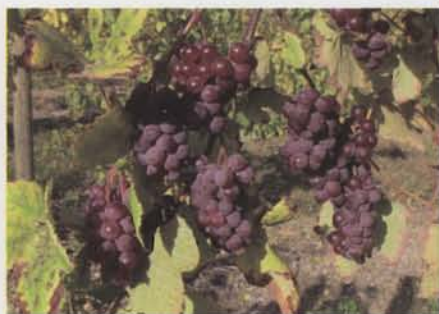


winery. Fred Jr., for example, has spent the last twenty-five years in the international food industry and is now president of Desert Glory, the largest grower and marketer of greenhouse tomatoes in North America. He's married to Jennifer Schroeder Johnson, MBA '78, whom he met at Cornell and who is also involved in the family business.


Lilla, the winery's artist and graphic designer, worked in marketing for both General Foods and 7-Up Foods after earning her MBA at the University of Virginia. She then spent seven years in the antique and fine arts industries.



Frederick Spencer Johnson (above) and a young Fred Johnson '75 harvesting grapes.



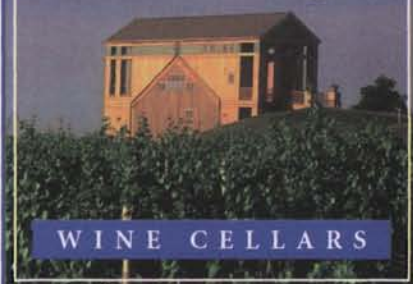
Tony, who devoted seven years to coaching in Cornell's rowing program (he was a member of the U.S. national lightweight rowing team that competed in Montreal in 1984), has owned and managed Alphabet Soup, a children's store in Ithaca, for the last fourteen years. A member of Alpha Delta Phi, as was his father, Tony continues to host the fraternity's annual Reunion cocktail party.

And so we reach the third stage of Johnson Estate Winery's history: this year, the Johnsons will launch a new label, Freelings Creek. A departure from previous releases, Freelings Creek wines will be made from *vinifera* (European) grape varieties, not hybrids or natives. Though *vinifera* varieties were planted in 2001, the wines will at first be made from purchased Chardonnay, Riesling, Merlot, and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes until their own grapes are ready. Freelings Creek represents a break with tradition—but not with family ties. 

—Dana Malley



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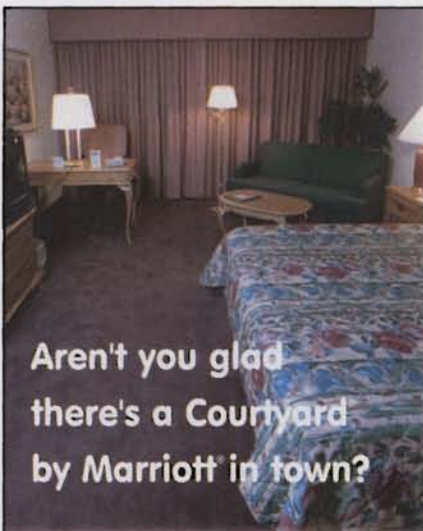
Chuck grew up in Wilton, Connecticut, near Westport, where his family’s travel business, Tauck World Discovery, is based. After graduating from the University of Vermont with a BS in marketing, he went on to earn his MPS from the Hotel school in

## PROFILE: CHUCK TAUCK

1994. Chuck returned to work in the family business, implementing a formal succession plan for his father and siblings. Meanwhile, interested in the tourism and horticulture of the Finger Lakes region, Chuck and his wife, Fran Littin, set their sights on Ithaca.

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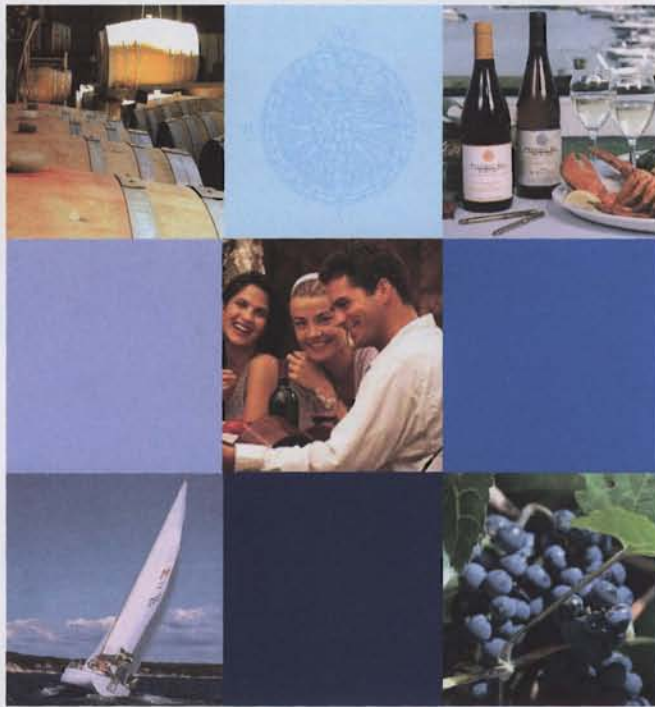




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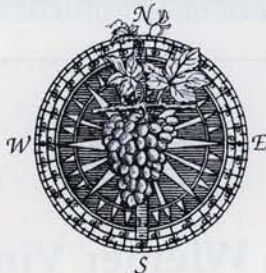
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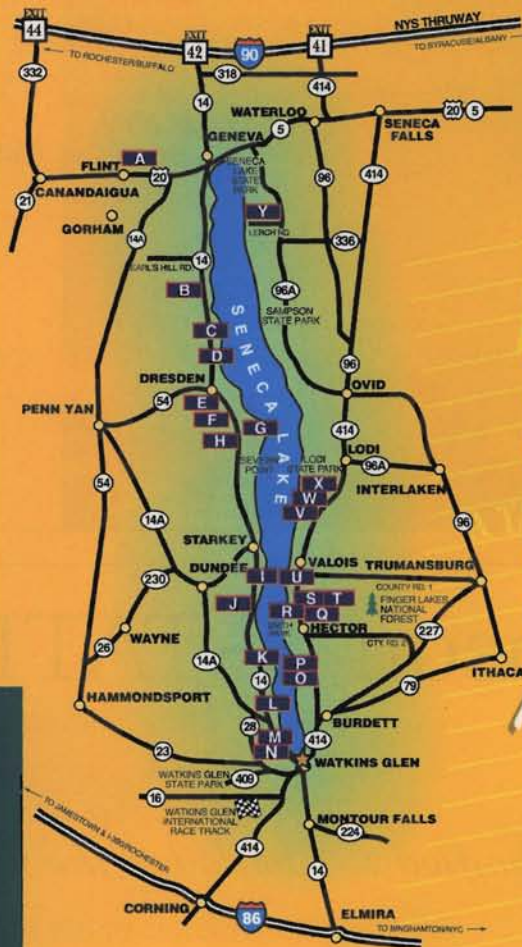
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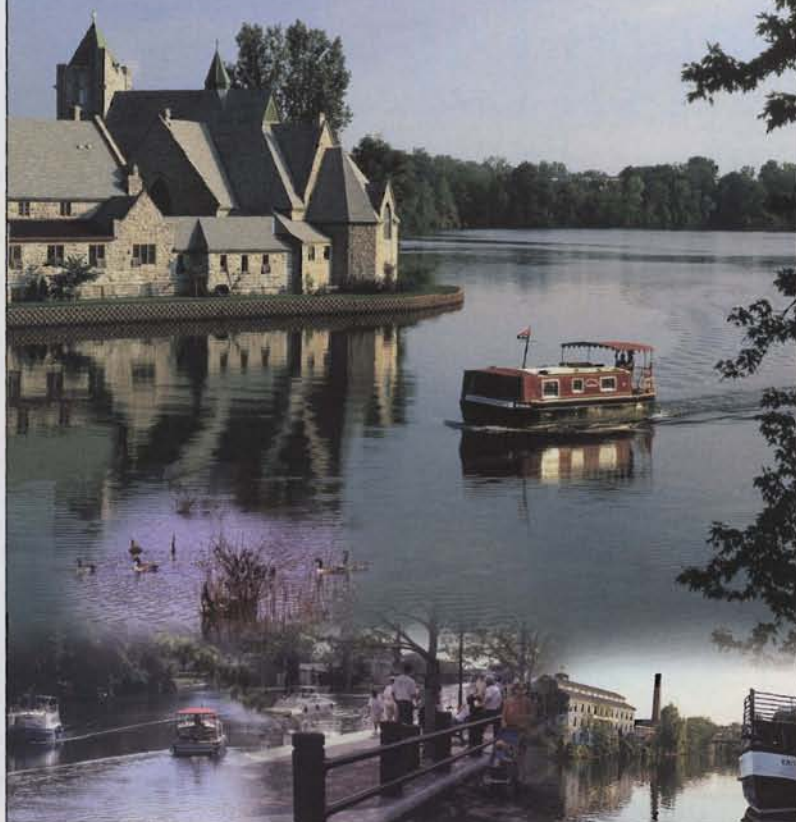
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# Putting & Penal Law

HUSBAND AND WIFE MAKE THEIR MARK IN BHUTAN

**R**ICK LIPSEY '89 KNOWS THE NUMBER-ONE RULE OF teaching golf: hit down on the ball, and it'll go up. But when he coached a student last fall to "hit it down to China," he did a double take. "As the crow flies, we were about thirty miles from China," he recalls. "So I said, 'No, let's hit it down to *New York*.'"

Lipsey had traveled halfway around the world to teach golf in Bhutan, a Buddhist kingdom high in the Himalayas that's known as the Land of the Thunder Dragon. For three months, he coached members of an exclusive golf club at a nine-hole course in Thimphu, the nation's capital. "That's the biggest course they have—and it's the only 'real' one in terms of having grass everywhere," says Lipsey, a writer for *Sports Illustrated* and former Cornell golf team captain. "Some of them are really Spartan and rough-hewn."

Golf was introduced in Bhutan thirty years ago, but it has recently begun to grow in popularity. The Royal Thimphu Golf Club, which has about 100 members, is located next to the capital's *dzong*, or center of government and religion. "I taught everybody at the club but the king," Lipsey says. "They're just like golfers in the U.S.—obsessed with trying to hit the ball farther." He also introduced the sport to hundreds of children by establishing the Bhutan Youth Golf Association, running a clinic in a stadium "five times as big as Schoellkopf" and taking the better players to the club on weekends.

While he coached, his wife, Carrie Cohen '89, an assistant attorney general in New York's civil rights bureau, wrote the country's evidence and penal codes. (The Lipseys traveled with their infant daughter, Claudia Jill, who was cared for by a Nepalese nanny.) Working under the chief justice of Bhutan's high court, Cohen wove together U.S. laws and Bhutanese customs to carve out a system of statutes for a nation that had a "master code" but no detailed legal system. "Disputes were settled at the local level, by the village leader or the town leader," she says, "so they didn't have a lot of litigation." But she notes that with changing times—and the king's decision to relinquish power in favor of a constitutional democracy—Bhutan needs specific rules to address such issues as divorce, inheritance, land use, and crime. "It's fascinating to watch the tension between moving forward and keeping the culture," Cohen says. "Bhutan is at a crossroads. It has access to Western things, but at the same time it's trying to maintain its rich traditional culture rooted in Buddhism."

The country, which joined the United Nations in 1971, has only had a formal education system for forty years. At the king's behest, classes are taught in English, so most Bhutanese speak the



High-altitude links: Rick Lipsey tees off in the Himalayas.

language fluently. Thimphu is even home to several Internet cafes; television was introduced in 1999, and the city gets both local shows and foreign broadcasts. "The most popular thing there is the World Wrestling Federation," Lipsey says. "It's on every day at five-thirty."

As a fund-raiser for the youth golf association, Lipsey will return to Bhutan this fall to lead a group golfing trip. The excursion will include a stop at what he calls the world's highest course—a series of holes he designed in an empty field 15,000 feet above sea level, at the base camp of Bhutan's most sacred mountain. Cohen may accompany him to continue her work with the chief justice. "What I did golf-wise is nice," Lipsey says, "but what Carrie did is serious stuff. She's basically the James Madison of Bhutan."

— Heather Schroeder '03



# Shuttle Diplomacy

CU & SU ENGINEERS COLLABORATE  
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**Next generation: Students are helping to design the space shuttle's successor.**

**a** TEAM OF FIVE AEROSPACE engineers huddles around a conference table. Their task: designing the thermal protection system for a

second-generation space shuttle. "Say we didn't want the honeycomb down here," says one engineer, sketching a cross-section of the proposed multi-layered heat insulation on the back of a piece of scrap paper. "All we have to do is increase these three layers."

"But we have to minimize weight, too," says another. A brief discussion of budgetary considerations ensues; the first engineer shakes his head. "A cost analysis isn't practical at this stage anyway." More sketching, more scrap paper. The team is on the clock: they have to prepare a detailed outline of their design proposal in a few days, and there's a lot of work to do.

Plus, it's almost spring break.

The five engineers are Cornell seniors, and they're participating in the Advanced Interactive Discovery Environment (AIDE) Project, a unique engineering design course offered jointly by Cornell and Syracuse University and taught collaboratively by faculty from both schools. Funded in part by NASA's Langley Research Center, the course was prompted by NASA's desire to improve the tools for long-distance collaboration among its own, often far-flung engineers. The fifteen students enrolled in the course at each school have been divided into groups and assigned to design subsystems for a future reusable launch vehicle, a potential successor to the existing space shuttle. The trick is, the Cornell students have to collaborate with their Syracuse teammates from afar using a battery of experimental computer-aided tools.

Lectures are given to the two campuses simultaneously in each institution's video-equipped distance learning classroom, and the student teams interact with each other via a complex Web-based hub of bulletin boards, e-mail, and real-time video conferencing software that allows students to communicate "face to face." The challenge is not unlike what NASA's own engineers encounter as they communicate among the giant space agency's geographically separate centers. The course, therefore, is about more than just engineering—it's about changing the culture of collaboration and developing better ways for engineers and scientists to talk to each other.

The five seniors gathered around a small Hollister Hall conference room—



Bryan Rivard, Josh Guerard, Junjie Zhou, Joshua Hong, and Melissa Pomales—have worked together only briefly; the students are constantly reorganized into variously sized groupings throughout the year-long course. Though AIDE faculty Scott Jones and Alan Zehnder occasionally poke their heads into the room to monitor progress, the meeting is informal and largely self-directed as the students wrestle with the results of a recent heating test simulation and divvy up assignments for the outline they'll need to produce next week. They may be undergraduates, but they clearly understand the mock theatrics of engineer-speak. "Can you give us the test data tonight?" Guerard asks Hong and Pomales. "It doesn't have to look pretty." Hong looks aggrieved. "You're only asking for the impossible," he says gravely. "But, for you, we'll do it."

In essence, the course simulates the working conditions of actual aerospace engineers. "We tell them they have a sub-contractor relationship with NASA," says Cornell civil and environmental engineering professor Tony Ingrassia, co-principal investigator on the project. NASA supplies reference materials, and guest lecturers from the space agency make remote appearances via teleconferencing. "The association with NASA is real sexy for [the students]," says Zehnder. "They know they're working on real problems, not something that was conjured out of a textbook."

Those problems seemed all the more relevant on February 1, when the space shuttle *Columbia* burned up on re-entry after experiencing a still-unexplained catastrophic failure of its thermal protection system. In 2001, when heat shielding for the second-generation shuttle was chosen for the course's design premise, Ingrassia says, "little did we know then that 'thermal protection system' would become a household expression."

In the class held immediately following the *Columbia* disaster, Zehnder says, the professors abandoned their usual lecture format and "just let the students speak." They found that the accident had, if anything, only sharpened the course's relevance. "We asked them whether, since this thing happened, they were more interested in aerospace engineering. The

answer was almost unanimously yes."

After the student group breaks up, Josh Guerard and Bryan Rivard head upstairs to the design studio, a small room packed with camera-equipped PCs, to review some test data for the heat insulation they designed. They log on to the course's bustling website and enter their design team's virtual "room," where members remotely file their contributions. This is the second year of the three-year project, and early versions of the design environment—created with a hodgepodge of off-the-shelf business software—apparently left much to be desired. Slow and unstable, its unwieldy early incarnation frustrated Web-savvy students, who quickly turned back to familiar tools like AOL's Instant Messaging. Real-time collaboration software is still in its technical infancy, says Ingrassia, and part of the project's goal is figuring out what doesn't work, and why. "We're talking about the holy grail of collaboration," he says. "Nobody's there yet."

On the screen, Rivard and Guerard study a computer animation of their heat transfer simulation, watching as the layers of thermal insulation flare from blue to yellow to red. A few keystrokes to change the material's properties, and the pattern changes. For these students, distance collaboration poses an additional burden to the course's engineering challenge, but it's one that they know will be a part of their working lives; the days of sketching on scrap paper are fading fast. For proof, they need only follow the headlines from the ongoing *Columbia* investigation, as e-mail from NASA engineers is parsed for clues and the agency's communication structure is investigated for critical breakdowns.

While working on the design for his team's heat shield, Rivard referenced documents that showed NASA engineers grappling with some of the same problems he was, and he came away with a renewed understanding of the compromises that engineers face—and the high stakes of their decisions. "We can sympathize with the situation that the engineers at NASA are in right now," says Rivard. "You can't model for every possible situation. There's always a point where your analysis doesn't work."

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# Secret's Out

SPHINX HEAD GOES CO-ED

**M**OST CORNELLIANs will never know what weird rituals and clandestine activities transpired inside the Sphinx Head tomb, that curious-looking Egyptian-revival structure perched on the rim of Fall Creek Gorge near the Stewart Avenue bridge. Although the honor society no longer owns the building, Sphinx Head has retained an aura of mystery throughout its 113-year history on campus. And while it still holds some closely guarded secrets and traditions, a few of its long-held customs—including its status as an all-male organization—were jettisoned during a recent overhaul.

Established as an all-male senior fellowship modeled after Yale's notorious Skull & Bones and other secret societies, Sphinx Head had survived the years substantially intact, counting among its ranks Willard Straight 1903 and Samuel Curtis Johnson '50, whose family has funded several campus buildings. But in 2001 the society's executive committee—recognizing that Sphinx Head had developed a reputation for nepotism (much of its membership was drawn from a few fraternities and sports teams) and for imbibing to excess—decided to shut it down and regroup. The most noteworthy results of that year-long hiatus were the acceptance of women and the creation of a more diverse membership comprising seniors who are recognized campus leaders. "We needed a new identity," says Jack Krieger '49, president of the Sphinx Head alumni association. "It had become a drinking society—a social organization rather than an honor society."

Efforts to reimagine Sphinx Head began a decade ago, when Krieger and fellow alumni John Skawski '48, EdD '57, and Richard Ramin '51 proposed more open enrollment, as well as a plan for the society to return to its roots as a leadership



COURTESY OF JACK KRIEGER '49

organization. There was stiff resistance from some alumni, who were adamant about retaining the all-male tradition, but in the end a revised constitution was approved. The "new" Sphinx Head has twenty-nine members, inducted in the spring and fall of 2002; half are women, and all embrace the new philosophy.

Hotelie Zachary Conine '03, managing director of Hotel Ezra Cornell, points out that the current Sphinx Head includes such members as Big Red hockey forward Sam Paolini '03, who has raised funds for breast cancer awareness and runs a skating program for developmentally challenged children. Among the first female initiates is Tamara Crepet '03, an officer in Pi Beta Phi sorority and a dancer. "We're all in this together," she says, "working to establish a different organization." Acknowledging the resistance to adding female members, Crepet says, "I think it's bizarre that there was a society on campus that did not admit women. It took an appallingly long time to recognize women as leaders."

Sphinx Head is no Skull & Bones, whose members have been subjected to such rituals as lying in a coffin and confessing the intimate details of their sex lives. (Andrew Dickson White, Cornell's first president, was a Skull; so were several Rockefellers and both presidents Bush.) While there's an obscure reference in the Sphinx Head archives to candidates being wrapped like mummies during the initiation ritual, none of the current members is prepared to divulge details of swearing-in ceremonies.

Cornell is also home to another secret society, Quill & Dagger, established in 1893 as an offshoot of Sphinx Head. (The two organizations have been rivals ever since, vying for members among prime candidates in each senior class.) If their roles on campus aren't well known, it's because the organizations prefer anonymity. Yet they do their fair share of good works: offering scholarships to students on financial aid, participating in public service projects, and advocating for the student body in dealings with the administration. Quill & Dagger raised funds for the World War I memorial on West Campus and still meets in a tower there. Most recently, Sphinx Head (which convenes in a classroom at the Johnson School) has turned its attention to Slope Day, in the hope of turning the annual bacchanal into a safer and more sober celebration. "Our goal is to nurture an array of campus leaders who, through their connections, can do more for the university as a group than they can as individuals," says Sphinx Head president Yujin Chung '03, an electrical and computer engineering student and a member of the Acacia fraternity. "For the past ten years the organization has had the same types of members, and the goal now is diversity. We needed fresh blood."

— Jay Wrolstad



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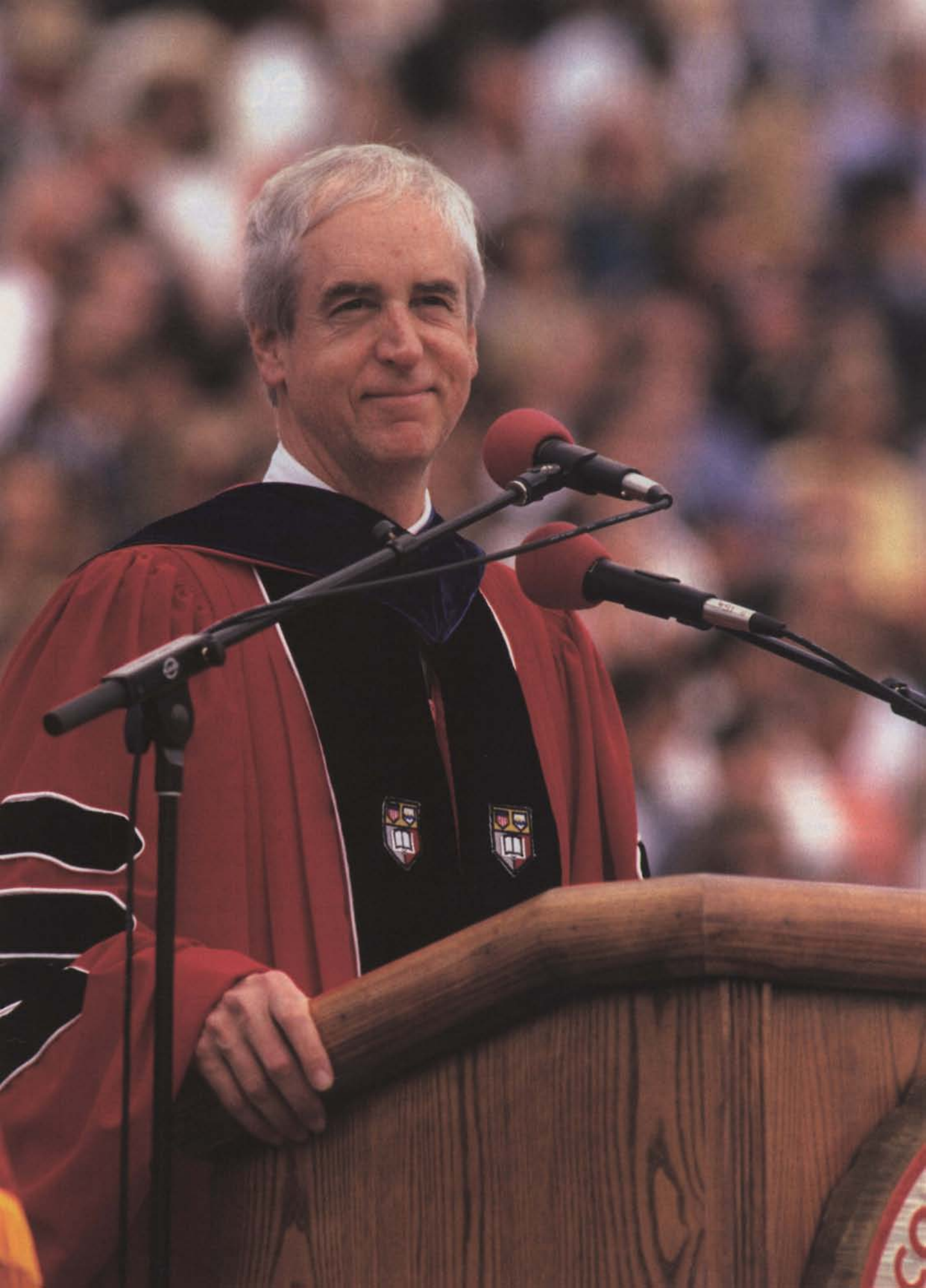


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# Standing Tall

By the CAM Staff

Faculty, staff, and students look back at the triumphs and troubles of President Hunter Rawlings's eight years on the Hill

At the end of the day on June 30, Hunter Ripley Rawlings III will depart his spacious presidential office and prepare to work in more modest quarters. "As much as I will miss him in 300 Day Hall," says his predecessor, President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes, "he's going back to an even more important room in the university, which is the classroom, and he's going to do great things there."

There's no question that Rhodes was a hard act to follow. Then the longest-sitting president in the Ivy League, he had led Cornell for eighteen years when he stepped down in 1995. Beloved by students and alumni, a silver-tongued orator whose British accent made even the most mundane university business sound like "Masterpiece Theatre," Rhodes had become the Hill's paterfamilias. Many on campus, even long-tenured professors, could barely picture Cornell without Rhodes at the helm.

So when Rawlings, a graduate of Haverford and Princeton, was inaugurated Cornell's tenth president on an unexpectedly balmy day in October, he had some rather enormous shoes to fill. Plainspoken in comparison to Rhodes, he impressed the crowds at his inaugural address in Barton Hall with a condemnation of the "high emotions and low rhetoric" of national debate, with an Emily Dickinson poem about the brain, and with his height: at six-foot-seven, he towered above the procession of berobed academics.

Eight years later, it's Rawlings's turn to hand off the reins of power—to Jeffrey Lehman '77, who will be the first Cornellian to lead the university. Rawlings, an authority on the Greek his-

torian Thucydides, will become a professor in the classics department.

Rawlings came to Cornell from the University of Iowa, where he had served as president from 1988 to 1995. Previously, he'd been a vice president and dean at the University of Colorado, Boulder, where he'd taught in the classics department since 1970. (Rawlings's love affair with the classics began at age ten, when his mother gave him a copy of *The Iliad*.) After being tapped for the Cornell presidency, he praised Ezra's university for its academic excellence and commitment to public service, calling it one of a handful of schools with worldwide influence. "Cornell University," he said, "represents an extraordinary opportunity for leadership."

The years since Rawlings's inauguration have been a time of remarkable growth for the university. He oversaw the completion of a record-setting \$1.5 billion capital campaign, raised faculty salaries, smoothed relations between town and gown, supervised a campus building boom, reinforced the university's commitment to need-blind admissions, and articulated a new vision for undergraduate life on the Hill. "Hunter Rawlings," says outgoing dean of the faculty J. Robert Cooke, "has been a president of enormous energy and brash activism while serving in a truly daunting role."

Praised by his senior staff as a decisive and inspirational leader, Rawlings nevertheless has come under fire for what some have described as an autocratic administrative style. On one hand, vice provost and government professor Isaac Kramnick lauds him for his "irrepressible optimism, electric excitement about the university, and the wonderfully warm conversational





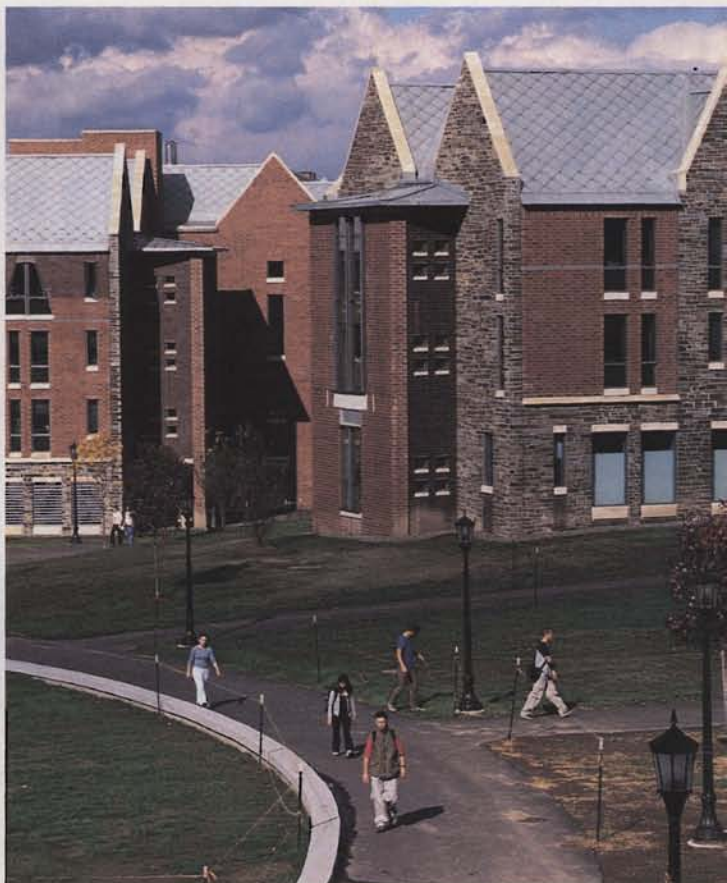
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**Campus controversy: Rawlings's vision for a common freshman experience sparked protests, a visit from the Reverend Al Sharpton, and a revision of the president's proposal. The result, a \$65 million residential complex on North Campus, opened in 2001.**

style in which he engages you on any subject under the sun." But some have found him aloof, more inclined to achieve results through executive fiat than by building consensus.

Laments about the administration's tendency to dictate policy without consulting the faculty have been heard regularly at faculty meetings almost from the beginning of the president's term. But even those criticisms have their flip-side: Rawlings's supporters see his strong opinions and surety of vision as his strongest assets. "In this incredible environment of needs, how do you set priorities and have people understand you can't be all things to all people?" asks vice president for student and academic affairs Susan Murphy '73, PhD '94. "Frankly, I think one of Hunter's strengths is his willingness to make tough calls, but that sometimes has a downside. I wouldn't call him abrasive, personally, but I wouldn't disagree that there's a top-down leadership approach. He is not afraid to make tough decisions, and I think that's a strength. It can also be a source of controversy, because not all choices are win-win."

Practically from his first day on campus, Rawlings has set a bold path and stuck to it—whether the topic at hand was undergraduate life, athletics, the life sciences, the Greek system, budgetary crises, or the role of the humanities at a research uni-



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versity. And though future Cornellians may recognize Rawlings's name only from a plaque on his official portrait, the legacy of his presidency will be felt for decades to come. "Following Frank Rhodes was almost an impossible task, and he succeeded in making the transition," says Ron Ehrenberg, a labor economics professor who served as vice president for academic programs, planning, and budgeting for the first three years of the Rawlings administration. "He has a *Field of Dreams* type of vision for running universities. He doesn't take resources as being an absolute constraint. He has the vision that if you propose a good idea, the resources will show up."

Rawlings's first initiative—good idea though it may have been—proved to be a textbook case of how the road to hell can, indeed, be paved with good intentions. In 1996, shortly after his arrival on the Hill, he began his quest to provide freshmen with a "common experience." Operating on the premise that one's college career is heavily influenced by the quality of the freshman year, he wanted to have all first-year students live on the same corner of campus and share common activities. One means to that end: banning freshmen from "program houses," residences that have a central organizing principle. Some are dedicated to themes like music, foreign language, and ecology, but the most prominent ones (such as Ujamaa, the African-American residence, and Akwe:kon, the Native American house), are race-based. And since the residences rely on





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## A Defining Moment

If ever Cornellians looked to their president for help in making sense of the world, it was in the days following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. At a candlelight vigil on the Arts Quad that first night, Hunter Rawlings said, "We join here to express not only our sorrow, but also our conviction that our community and other communities throughout the world will withstand these assaults upon humanity, decency, and reason, and will respond to them with renewed commitment to democratic values, respect for human life, and peaceful resolution to conflict." Many found his remarks reassuring at a time of profound distress—and they have taken on even more resonance in light of recent world events.

On Friday, September 14, Rawlings joined a crowd of 12,000 gathered on the Arts Quad to mark the national day of remembrance. There were prayers and songs and speeches—Rawlings spoke of academic freedom as "the best response to terrorism"—and a campus of diverse and often conflicting interests was drawn together in a rare moment of solidarity. "It was," Rawlings says, "an enormous outpouring from the Cornell community. It had a somber but very communal feeling. I thought Cornell responded as well as any institution, in terms of people wanting to help, people wanting to express their feelings in a public setting. I was very moved by that."





freshman housing fees to stay open, Rawlings's effort to ban first-years was almost instantly equated with a desire to destroy the houses. The new president soon found himself on the receiving end of charges of racism, with the Reverend Al Sharpton excoriating him in front of Day Hall.

The situation was eventually resolved through a compromise: freshmen would be allowed to remain, but only in houses located on North Campus, the site of Rawlings's \$65 million freshman residential project. The houses would continue to thrive, and life on North Campus would become a rite of passage for Cornell freshmen. But the controversy had given Rawlings a taste of how quickly conflicts can escalate on a campus whose history of racial unrest has as its defining image the Pulitzer Prize-winning photograph of an armed activist exiting Willard Straight Hall after the 1969 takeover.

For Ehrenberg, the outcome of the program house debate was a testament to Rawlings's political savvy. It showed, he says, that the president could roll with the punches, integrating the views of different constituencies while keeping an eye on his original goal. "He was able to say, 'There's so much political resistance—how can I reshape the proposal to create what I really was concerned about in the first place, which was a uniform freshman experience?' I think that was very creative," Ehrenberg says. "He's a very optimistic person. He doesn't get discouraged when things go wrong, but instead tries to figure out what the next-best solution will be." Ehrenberg also points to the program house situation as an example of Rawlings's ability to stick to his vision, even in the face of severe criticism. "It illustrates that he's a very decisive person who has certain basic beliefs and will move forcefully on those beliefs," he says. "At Iowa, he came out for not allowing freshmen to play football, which was politically not a good decision—but it was something he believed in, so he pushed for it."

Another fierce debate erupted in 1999, in the midst of the dot-com boom, when Day Hall proposed that Cornell create its own for-profit distance-learning operation. Dubbed eCornell, the company was supposed to take its place among such ambitious ventures as Columbia University's fathom.com. Hopes were sky-high in those heady days; the Internet would change

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the face of education, and the Cornell name would bring in millions of dollars from eager students all over the globe.

It hasn't worked out that way—eCornell has become primarily a venue for executive education, while many other distance-learning ventures, including fathom.com, have been shut down—but the plan's questionable commercial viability was



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**Reading group: Rawlings leads a discussion of *Guns, Germs, and Steel*, the first pick for the freshman reading project. Subsequent titles in the series have been *Frankenstein* and *Antigone*, a nod to the president's passion for the classics.**

only one reason some on campus opposed it. Faculty objected to what they perceived as the commercialization of academia and worried about ownership of their lectures and coursework. Above all, professors decried the administration's intention to rush ahead with eCornell without their blessing; one of Rawlings's colleagues in the classics department compared it to "trying to jump aboard the missile that's already been launched." It didn't help that the project's finances were declared confidential, with officials acknowledging only that they planned to finance it with millions in outside funds. After faculty voiced even louder objections to the idea of soliciting venture capital, the start-up funds were drawn from Cornell's own endowment.

Rawlings's tenure has also seen internal administrative upheavals, including the replacement of several deans—and a public furor over the ouster of one, the Arts college's Philip Lewis, whose forced resignation was widely considered to be the result of his conflicts with the president and his inner circle. And then there was last year's proposal to dissolve the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning on the grounds that its three departments don't collaborate well enough; hundreds of outraged AA&P alumni sent letters of protest. While Day Hall has stressed that the proposal was just that—a jumping-off point for discussion—some wondered about the manner in which it was announced. "He has a tendency to command," one professor says, "when he should persuade."

Despite such controversies, many on campus praise Rawlings for doing an excellent job in an intensely difficult role: leading a university as diverse as Cornell, with its unusual public-private make-up and its over-arching mission to allow "any person to find instruction in any study." In practical terms, that has meant juggling two vastly different revenue sources,



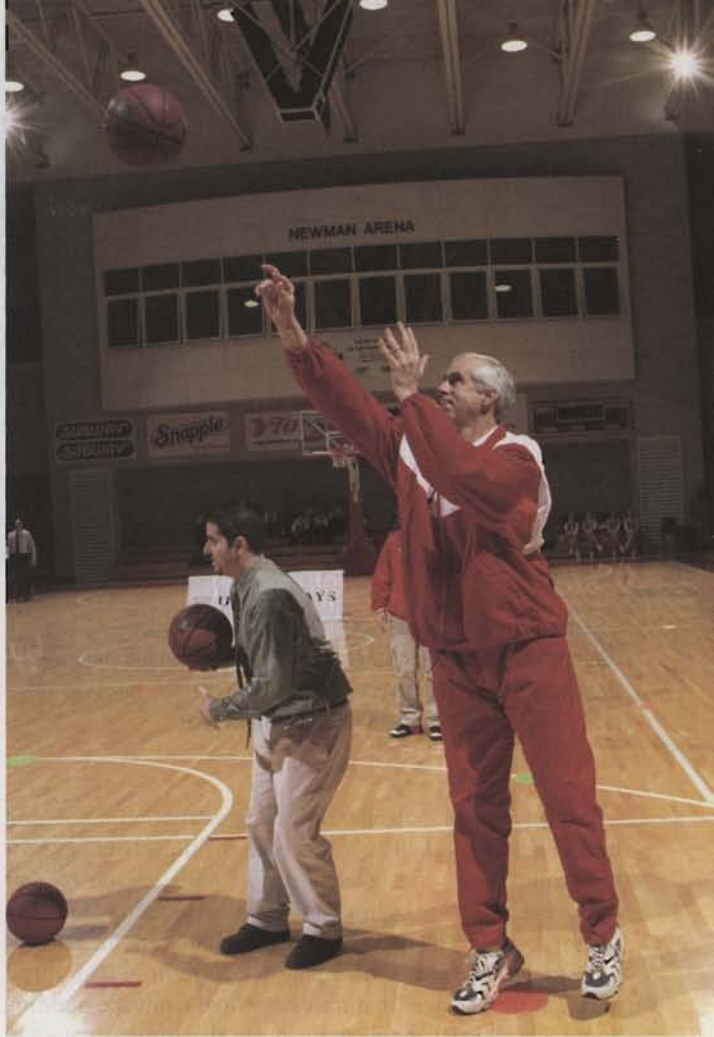
both of which have shrunk in recent years: the statutory schools' state funds, dragged down by New York's economic crisis, and the private colleges' endowment, suffering as the stock market has faltered.

One of Rawlings's tactics for addressing budgetary problems has been to prioritize carefully, committing resources to Cornell's strongest areas through such plans as the Life Sciences Initiative, which could cost as much as \$500 million. (Other targeted areas include materials science and computation.) He has also advocated cost savings through regrouping of professors and courses in such areas as biology and statistics, which historically had been taught in disparate locations across the university. "We never use the verb 'centralize,' because it's a dirty word at Cornell and at other universities that prize their collegiate autonomy," Rawlings says with a smile. "But we would like to be sure that there's more collaboration across lines, more opportunity for research and teaching, and that we gain the most benefit from the presence of faculty members in different colleges, rather than duplicating resources."

The university has experienced its share of belt-tightening over the last eight years, including staff layoffs, departmental closings, and freezes on hiring new personnel without special authorization. Mary Opperman, vice president for human resources, notes that since more than 60 percent of the university's operating costs come from pay and benefits—and since there are about 8,000 staff on campus, compared with 1,800 tenured or tenure-track faculty—the staff inevitably bears the brunt of cost reductions. But, she says, Rawlings has always seen layoffs as a last resort. "He presses us all the time to find non-personnel savings, and he has been very vocal about making sure that we use attrition whenever possible. The fact that he made human resources a direct report to him is evidence that he really values the staff, the faculty, and the human dynamics on campus," says Opperman, who goes on to praise Rawlings for his willingness to participate in staff activities. "He comes and serves chicken pretty much every year at Employee Family Day and Winter Sports Night," she says. "Those sorts of high-visibility events could be orchestrated, but he comes because he wants to. He doesn't just breeze in, make an appearance, and leave."

In addition to cultivating a good rapport with staff, Rawlings has worked hard to mend fences between town and gown. That relationship, made even more thorny by Cornell's status as the county's largest employer, has been much less problematic under Rawlings than it was for some of his predecessors. He has also benefited from more cooperative leadership in the city. (Former Ithaca mayor Ben Nichols '41, BEE '46, MEE '49, often took a combative stance in dealing with the university; the business-minded Alan Cohen '81, BS Ag '86, has had a more collegial relationship with Day Hall.) Rawlings's tenure saw the creation of the \$58 million Lake Source Cooling system, which provides air-conditioning to Ithaca High School as well as to the Cornell campus, and plans are under way for construction of a Cornell office building downtown, which will bring needed revenue to Ithaca's business district.

Beth Herskovits '03, former editor-in-chief of the *Sun*, calls Rawlings "a great initiator"—a sentiment reinforced by



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**High visibility:** Rawlings has been a fixture at campus events including Employee Family Day, above, and Reunion, below. "He doesn't just breeze in, make an appearance, and leave," says vice president for human resources Mary Opperman.



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**Construction zone: Rawlings has overseen facilities projects such as Duffield Hall, above, and Lincoln Hall, right. Improved relations with Ithaca mayor Alan Cohen, far right, have led to plans for a university office building downtown.**

a tour of campus, now dotted with construction fences and heavy equipment. During his tenure, the university has broken ground on Duffield Hall, the \$53.5 million nanotechnology center on the Engineering Quad, and plans are being finalized for the \$80 million, 240,000-square-foot life sciences building, to be located on a corner of Alumni Field. But it isn't just the sciences that have benefited from the building boom. Lincoln Hall, home to the music department, got a \$19 million facelift, and White Hall, the second-oldest building on the Arts Quad, was completely overhauled at a cost of \$12 million and now houses government and Near Eastern stud-



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them into context for society. "Over the last twenty-five years or so there's been more emphasis on careerism among undergraduate students, more focus on the business world," Rawlings says. "The humanities have suffered somewhat from that—there are fewer majors and so much money goes to science. So what we try to do is make sure the humanities have a strong place here."

Kramnick recalls that not long after Rawlings took office, he and American studies professor Larry Moore were invited to have lunch with the president to discuss their book, *The Godless Constitution*, which addresses the separation of church and state at the nation's founding. "Over tuna fish sandwiches out of the inevitable plastic container," Kramnick says, they debated the book for an hour and a half. "He was very interested in Madison, which is something of an intellectual passion for him, and he wanted to contest some of our claims about the greater importance of Jefferson over Madison in establishing church-state beliefs in America. It was really quite something for a president to involve himself in that kind of faculty give-and-take. You could say that it's not at all surprising that he's going back to the faculty now, because it seems that he's always been a professor in his heart of hearts."

Indeed, Rawlings has maintained a presence in the classroom throughout his term. While president, he mentored undergraduate advisees and was a fixture at lectures and seminars. "He involved himself eagerly in academic life," Kramnick says. "You'd go to hear a talk, and you'd turn around and the president would be sitting there." Rawlings also taught three classics courses over the past three years, the first time in recent memory that a sitting president took on a teaching load. "Being in the classroom is hard to beat," Rawlings says. "I know that isn't the central role of a president, but for me it's a very moving experience to be among students pursuing an intellectual

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ies. Improvements to the statutory schools have included extensive renovations at ILR and Mann Library, and a new west wing for Human Ecology's Martha Van Rensselaer Hall. (The joy over the MVR expansion was tempered by the discovery that the north wing, built in 1968, had serious structural defects and would have to be razed.)

Rawlings's recognition of the importance of liberal arts disciplines—and the fact that most of his closest advisers were drawn from the Arts college—reflect his status as a humanist. (He is, in fact, the first Cornell president to come from the humanities since James Perkins, who served from 1963 to 1969.) Throughout Rawlings's tenure, he has stressed the value of a well-rounded education, emphasizing that even the greatest scientific advancements require the humanities to put





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agenda. And it gives me a strong sense of where undergraduates come from, what their interests are, and what their hours of sleep are—a different time zone from mine.”

Infusing greater intellectualism into undergraduate life was a clear priority for Rawlings, a strong advocate of undergraduate research. One goal of the freshman residential initiative is to unite the class through shared intellectual experiences, such as the discussion of a common text. And he believes that residence halls shouldn't just be a place to sleep—they should also be a place to learn. “It was a visionary idea,” says Cornell Alumni Federation president Micki Bertenthal Kuhs '61 of the housing plan. “You'll wind up with a more cohesive class group than when the students were separated geographically.” And Rawlings's vision for West Campus, a \$200 million project that will offer another housing option for sophomores and upperclassmen, is as a living-learning center in which resident faculty will mingle with students, whose social and intellectual lives will thus be integrated—a distinct shift from studying on campus and cutting loose in Collegetown. (The project was jump-started by a \$100 million gift from an anonymous donor, and construction began in March.)

Although Rawlings acknowledges that West Campus will compete with fraternities and sororities for student members, Murphy stresses that he has consistently advocated “raising the bar on the Greek system,” placing more emphasis on community service and less on partying. “Unlike some other institutions, we have not taken a negative approach to fraternities and sororities,” Rawlings says. “In fact, we've been working to enhance Greek life—to upgrade the houses, to raise money for them, to provide more computer access, to make them a better-connected part of the Cornell undergraduate experience.”

Athletics, too, have been a focus of interest for Rawlings, who played basketball and baseball at Haverford and is often

seen cheering on Big Red teams. In response to a 1999 report by a trustee task force charged with finding ways to improve Cornell's performance on the field of play, Rawlings launched a \$100 million fund-raising campaign to endow teams and improve facilities. “On the intercollegiate side, the [task force's] conclusion was that we had been mediocre at best in our competitive results,” Murphy says. “While students were having good experiences, the sense was that if you're going to be in intercollegiate competition, you ought to at least try to set some priority areas—with a recognition that you can't be all things to all people when you're supporting a thirty-six-team program. But, on the other hand, we had years when we hadn't won a single Ivy title.” The results of this campaign, like those of the residential initiative, will take many years to play out—but substantial improvements in the win-loss records of some Big Red teams are already apparent.

Rawlings leaves behind a strong record as a successful fundraiser. During his tenure, a “mini-campaign” for undergraduate scholarships netted more than \$200 million, and Cornell received a number of spectacular gifts, including \$100 million given by Sanford Weill '55 to endow the Medical college. Last year, Rawlings notes with obvious pride, Cornell led the nation in the amount of alumni giving, netting \$158 million. Much of this success is attributable to the president's tireless efforts in meeting with key donors and enlisting them to support his vision of the university. “The image he had was as a president who was always doing work and getting things done,” says the *Sun's* Herskovits, “going to New York, fund-raising, working with alumni.”

Despite his reputation as a go-getter, Herskovits says that students have sometimes felt Rawlings was inaccessible, out of touch with their day-to-day needs—particularly when the campus was coping with a series of racially motivated incidents in the late Nineties. “I know that a lot of students were frustrated with him,” she says, “but I've always felt that he was responsive, at least to the concerns of the *Sun*. He was a big advocate of meetings with student editors, and he definitely had a lot of student meetings—even though people were sometimes frustrated with the results. In his defense, when you're dealing with issues like diversity, you're not going to revamp the entire campus in a matter of eight years.”

Universities do move slowly, so any true evaluation of Rawlings's presidency will require more distance. Alumni from the Class of 2033 will be in a better position to judge his legacy than anyone on campus today. For those future Cornellians, Duffield Hall will appear in need of renovation, the residential college system will be a well-established tradition, and the location of freshmen on North Campus will seem like Ezra's own inspiration. They'll likely have no idea, then, how a Virginia-born classicist changed life on the Hill by painting a bold new image of undergraduate education in broad strokes. “We've been very lucky with our presidents,” says Micki Kuhs. “Frank Rhodes was stupendous, and Hunter Rawlings was equally stupendous in what he brought to the table. It takes real courage to come into any situation and say, ‘This is good, but I have a very different idea of how to make it better.’”



**With labs, a library, an expanded Fuertes Room, and a repository for thousands of animal sounds, the new ornithology center is a mecca for tourists and scientists alike.**

# bird's-eye

By Dan Higgins

## view

**I**nside the Lab of Ornithology's new Imogene Powers Johnson Center for Birds and Biodiversity, a flagstone entryway opens into a spacious room with a roaring fire, cherry bookshelves, and a thirty-foot-tall, eighty-four-foot-long picture window that looks out onto a duck pond. Speakers attached to outdoor microphones pipe in quacks and chirps, while scopes and binoculars allow for a closer look at the birds of Sapsucker Woods. "We really don't know how many visitors to expect," associate director Scott Sutcliffe '75 says of the new center, named for a 1952 graduate who is married to the benefactor of the Johnson Graduate School of Management. "I guess this will put us on the map as a 'destination,' but we never really advertised before. You know, we had only one restroom."









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**Outside in:** Vast, two-story windows let natural light flood the observation area, which also features piped-in bird sounds and a fireplace.



The \$27 million facility, which opened to the public in March and will host a series of inaugural celebrations throughout the month of June, dwarfs the former lab, a fifty-year-old building down the street that's slated for demolition. Just ask the hundred or so staff members who moved into the sleek new space at the end of February. "There are places to read and get away from the phone," marvels Michael Burger, director of bird conservation for Audubon New York, who had worked out of a modular trailer since 2000. "There are even showers for people who want to go for a run on their lunch break."

The 86,000-square-foot building on the eastern edge of Sapsucker Woods is the product of two decades of dreaming, four years of serious planning, and about a year of construction, says Sutcliffe. "This is something we've been wanting to do for a long time," he says. "It's good for us, and it's good for the birds." Sutcliffe has been one of the principal cheerleaders for the new facility, which he says will impress visitors, allow for meaningful collaborations among colleagues, and let undergraduates and grad students tackle more serious research projects. In addition, Burger notes that in the new facility scientists of all stripes will be separated only by hallways and lab walls, instead of spread out for miles at locations all around Ithaca. "It's so

important in conservation to be able to collaborate with your colleagues," says Burger, "even to share ideas around the coffeepot." Burger and his co-workers manage bird conservation in New York by identifying threatened species and habitats and recommending plans to save them. Now he's working with three years' worth of data to write management recommendations for landowners interested in preserving habitats. "Having everybody under one roof helps generate ideas," he says. "Things get done faster and better."



**View from the pond: A rendering of the building, complete with landscaping**

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alking through the building in February, just as construction crews are moving out and staff is beginning to move in, it's easy to see where the \$27 million went. Aside from the stone floor and cherry finish on everything

from the stairs to the new bookshelves, many of the chairs are handmade, carved with a heron motif by a local artisan. Space

for small, museum-style theaters will house state-of-the-art sound systems and big-screen TVs for educational films. A small nook just off the lobby will provide a soundproof space where visitors can access the lab's 5,000 bird sounds. A gift shop, run by Wild Birds Unlimited, offers everything from species-specific seed blends to whirling squirrel-proof feeders.

Made of natural materials including locally quarried Llenroc stone and textured cedar siding, the building was designed to be unobtrusive, even to vanish from some angles. (At two stories, the low-profile lab doesn't rise above the treeline.) The second floor houses a heating and air conditioning room, so the units don't have to be placed on the roof—creating a smoother silhouette. From above, the structure's footprint is meant to evoke the lab's stylized bird logo, with visitors entering through the "beak." "The Board of Trustees impressed on us that it was very

important the new building blend in," Sutcliffe says.

From perches at the picture windows, visitors observe the many birds—including sharp-shinned hawks, warblers, and hooded mergansers—that live in the young forest. About fifty years ago, Sapsucker Woods was a sheep pasture. Most of it has since gone "wild," replaced with man-made wetlands. To erect the new building, planners had to shift some of the lab's

own handiwork, draining about an acre of wetlands. That acre was replaced with another about a mile to the north on the edge of Sapsucker Woods, under an agreement with the state Department of Environmental Conservation and the Army Corps of Engineers, both of whom must sign off on building plans that include draining wetlands. The 220-acre woods will also have improved trails, including handicap-accessible walkways that will take people over wetlands.

The lab features an expanded version of the previous facility's popular Fuertes Room, which housed works by famed wildlife painter Louis Agassiz Fuertes 1897. The paintings—along with others by the artist that have sat in storage for decades due to lack of space—will hang in a room with oak floors and teak paneling, along with some modern touches like video projectors.

Some birding enthusiasts questioned the lab's inclusion of the large picture window, which they fear will amount to an avian deathtrap. But Sutcliffe stresses that in addition to the netting that deterred collisions with the old lab's windows, the new expanse has other design features intended to be bird-friendly. The glass





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is broken up visually by steel girders running vertically at irregular intervals, and outside posts add a third dimension—warning birds that here lies a window, not an open doorway.

**O**ne of the facility’s best-known inhabitants is the Bioacoustics Research Program, whose researchers specialize in recording and analyzing animal sounds, from the chirps and songs of whales to the subsonic calls of elephants. They’re also the keepers of the Macaulay Library of Natural Sounds, a collection of 5,000 recordings, primarily of birds. The audio collection, which has been used for everything from academic research to movies like *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, will be stored in the new lab in a “digital jukebox.” The current collection, much of it on slowly corroding audiotape, is being transferred to an all-digital format; it will be available at study carrels and editing suites around the building, as well as via the World Wide Web.

Also important to researchers will be the lab’s vertebrate collection, which will be moving to the new building from its “temporary” housing, a concrete warehouse where 1.5 million specimens have been kept since the 1940s. “We never had any room before,” curator Kimberly Bostwick ’92 says of the collection’s 1.5 million jars, skins, and skeletons. For instance, there was inad-

quate room for preparation, which Bostwick refers to as “the gooky process.” “Now we have room for it, and it’s separate from the dry [already prepared] specimens,” which prevents contamination and damage.

**‘It’s so important in conservation to be able to collaborate with your colleagues, even to share ideas around the coffeepot.’**

Although staff aren’t sure how many birding enthusiasts will visit the new facility, communications and outreach director Allison Wells, MFA ’91, estimates that numbers could be as high as 100,000 a year, compared with present rates of 10,000–20,000. But, she says, any increase will be a boon to the scientists and volunteers spreading their conservation message. “We hope,” she says, “that more people will be inspired to become stewards of birds in their natural habitats.” ☺

**Research and relaxation: The lab’s second-floor library looks onto the viewing area. A glassed-in nook, nicknamed the “Tree House,” offers a cozy break spot with a view of the pond below.**







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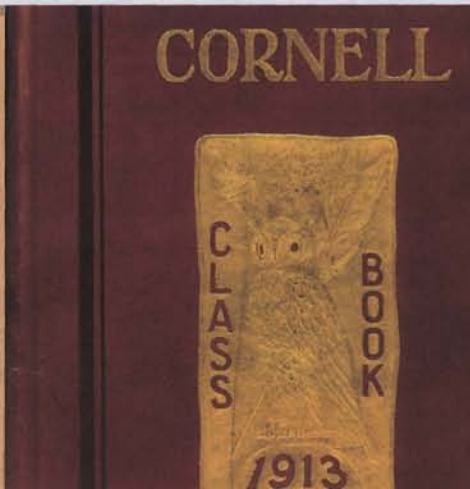
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# great grads

**A sneak peek at**  
*The 100 Most Notable Cornellians*





In compiling their list of the 100 most notable Cornellians, professors Glenn Altschuler, Isaac Kramnick, and Larry Moore had one basic rule: all of the candidates had to have earned undergraduate degrees from the university. That excluded some of the Hill's most famous faces—faculty like astronomer Carl Sagan, graduate school alumni like former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop, MD '41, not-quite-grads like novelist Kurt Vonnegut '44. But Cornell's undergraduate alumni body was a rich hunting ground, and the final list includes “architects, artists, athletes, biologists, business leaders, chemists, engineers, inventors, journalists, judges, labor leaders, movie stars, winners of Nobel and Pulitzer prizes, philanthropists, photographers, physicians, physicists, politicians, psychiatrists, psychologists, reformers, religious leaders, senators, service workers, singers, TV personalities, university presidents, veterinarians, and writers.”

Inspired by a morning racquetball game at the local YMCA (where one of the notables was mentioned in the newsletter), the book required extensive research by the authors and a team of student helpers. Sources included biographical encyclopedias and who's whos, the University Archives, and the pages of the *Cornell Alumni News*. Many of the one hundred were obvious, the authors say; for example, they decided to include all Nobel laureates.

When they disagreed on a candidate, they decided by majority rule. “We recognize that, at bottom, our choices represent our subjective preferences,” they write, “including a desire to reflect the wide diversity of distinction that has characterized Cornell since the first class matriculated in 1868.”

In the introduction to the book, to be published in May by Cornell University Press, the authors explain their use of the word “notable.” The one hundred, they say, have accomplished things that are worthy of notice, leaving their mark on their various fields. “We decided against using the term ‘great’ [in order] to emphasize that our choices are, as our social science colleagues say, ‘value free,’” they write. “In the overwhelming number of cases, but not in every one, the imprint left by our notables has been positive.”

Here are two of those notables—one a football coach, the other a social activist.

## glenn scobey warner 1894

During the 1920s, two coaches and their different game styles dominated American college football—Knut Rockne of Notre Dame and the older Glenn Scobey Warner, better known as Pop. Pop Warner graduated from Cornell's School of Law in 1894 when it was still an undergraduate program. Many years later, during a visit to Cornell, he was introduced as “the inventor of the single wing, the double wing, and Jim Thorpe.” It was almost true.

Warner was born in Springville, New York, on April 5,



1871, the son of William Henry Warner and Adeline Scobey Warner. His hometown is now appropriately the site of the Pop Warner Museum, but Warner spent much of his youth on a cattle ranch near Wichita Falls, Texas. That fact perhaps explained Warner's physical bulk, which impressed everyone when he arrived at Cornell in 1891 after graduating from Griffith Institute in Springville. Cornell's football coach noticed the 200-pound six-footer as Warner stood on the sidelines watching a practice session. The coach asked him whether he had ever played football. Warner not only had not played the game but he had never seen it played. No matter. The same inexperience characterized the players already on the team. Warner was suited up, placed at left guard, and thrust into action on the winning side in a football game against Syracuse the next day.

From his teammates, Warner acquired the nickname "Pop" because at twenty-one he was older than the others. Cornell's newly founded School of Law required only one year of high school and granted degrees after two years of study. Although Warner received his bachelor of laws degree in 1894, he played a third year of Cornell football while enrolled as a graduate student in law during the academic year 1894-95. American college football in those early years was a slow and brutal game. The offensive side massed its players behind the line of scrimmage and charged its opponents with the intention of inflicting as much injury as possible while moving the ball a few yards toward the goal line. It was a game that Warner helped to transform, though not yet. At Cornell, Warner also played baseball, participated in the hammer throw and the shot put, wrestled, and earned heavyweight boxing honors. On graduation, he gained entrance to the New York Bar and for a few brief months hung out a shingle in Buffalo.

Whatever drew him to football coaching, it was not the money. He coached for one summer at Iowa State Agricultural College for \$150 and then at the University of Georgia for a weekly salary of \$34. Cornell hired him as coach in 1897 for \$600 per year. He roomed with Frank Gannett, then writing for the *Cornell Sun*, who later recalled that Warner thought about football twenty-four hours a day. In 1899, when he married Tibb Loraine Smith, his partner until he died, he had scant prospect of being either rich or famous.

The prospect, in fact, diminished in 1899 when Warner became the athletic director and the coach of football, baseball, track, and boxing at Carlisle Indian School in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Financed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Carlisle was a coeducational school with one thousand students and little money to spend on athletic programs. Yet in his years at Carlisle,

from 1899 to 1914 (he returned to Cornell in 1904 for two seasons), Warner gained a reputation for innovation that marked the rest of his career. In 1906 the rules of football changed, in part because of President Theodore Roosevelt's criticism of the large number of injuries associated with the sport. Among other things, these changes legalized the forward pass and required seven members of the offensive team to be on the line of scrimmage at the beginning of a play. Warner's inventive mind saw endless possibilities in the new rules, and he had swift, nimble players who moved the game into a new era of faster competition. His teams regularly destroyed the eastern powerhouse teams of Harvard and Yale and in 1907 beat Amos Stagg's strong University of Chicago eleven. The most famous of Warner's players was the twice All-American halfback Jim Thorpe, whose pentathlon and decathlon gold medals in the 1912 Olympics Games in Sweden won him the title "greatest athlete in the world."



Warner was one of the first coaches to use the single-wing attack, although he later became more closely identified with his double-wing formation. The offensive maneuvers he created included the mouse-trap play, the screen pass, the reverse play (single and double), fake passes and runs, rolling blocks, and unbalanced lines. He introduced to the game numbered jerseys, dummy scrimmaging, and the three-point

"crouch" for linemen. Not all of Warner's strategies lasted. When he had his players stuff the ball under the jersey of one of their teammates who then carried the ball undetected across the goal line, rule makers saw fit to make the "hidden ball" play illegal. Nor were rule makers happy when Warner tried to confuse his opponents by sewing images of footballs on the jerseys of all his Carlisle players. One way or the other, what Warner did set the boundaries for how the game of football came to be played.

At Carlisle, Warner won 109 games, lost 42, and tied 8. However, with the government planning to close the school, Warner decided in 1915 to move to the University of Pittsburgh. His Panthers were undefeated in three consecutive seasons and won thirty-one straight games. In 1923, Warner moved again, this time to Stanford where he coached the All-American fullback Ernie Nevers, the only player Warner placed in the same category of greatness as Thorpe. Beginning in 1925, Warner took Stanford to three consecutive Rose Bowls, although in the first of those contests, Stanford suffered a resounding loss (27-0) to Knute Rockne and his famous backfield, which was dubbed the Notre Dame Four Horsemen.

By the early 1930s, Warner's Stanford teams had won 71 games, lost 17, and tied 8. But the 1932 season was disappointing, and Warner, in a move he later called his worst mistake, accepted the job of head football coach at Temple University. His 1934 Temple team won the Sugar Bowl, but the spotlight had shifted to other football coaches. Warner retired in 1939, after forty-four years as a head football coach, with a career

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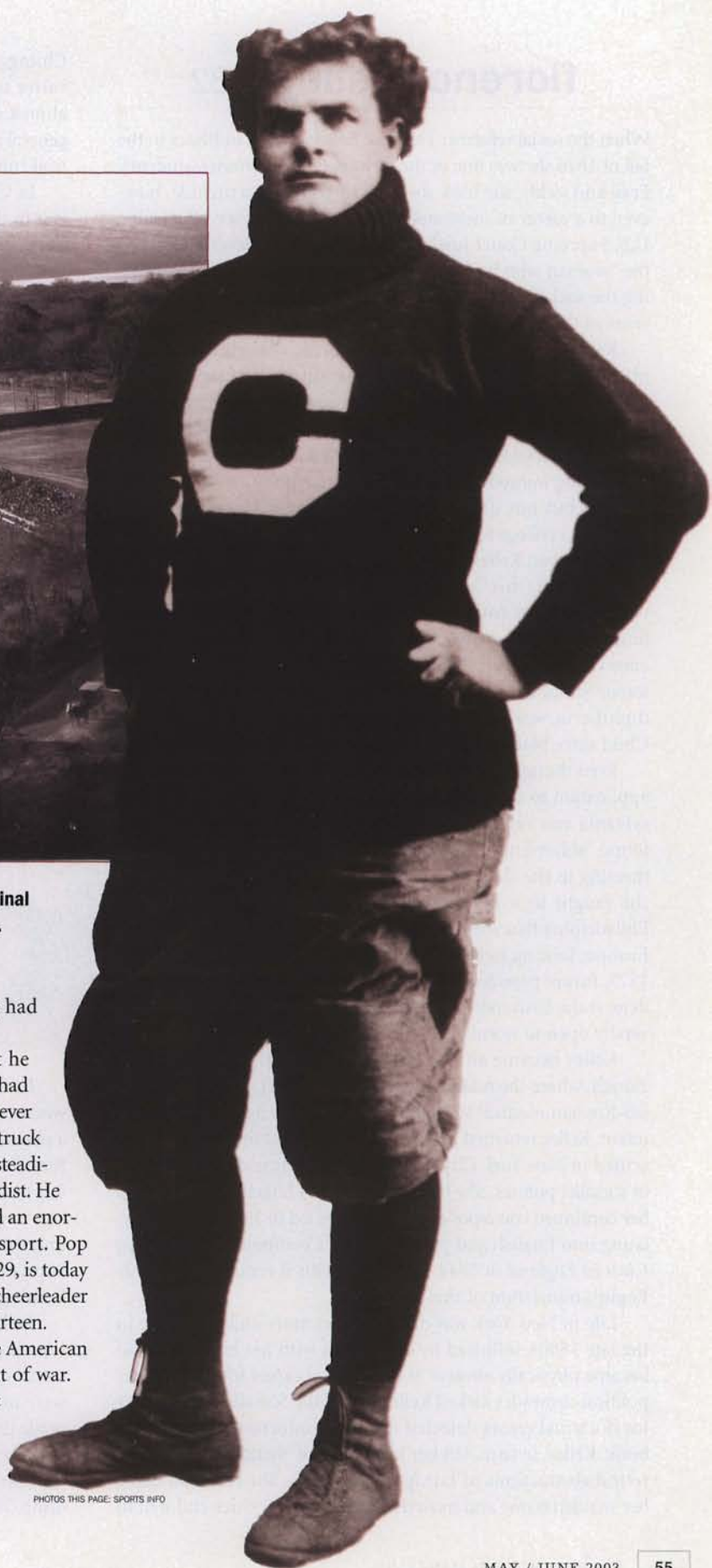


**Gridiron guru: Warner in uniform, and Percy Field, the original home of Big Red football. It's now the site of Ithaca High.**

record of 312 wins, 104 losses, and 32 ties. Only Stagg had more victories.

Warner returned to Palo Alto where in retirement he served as an advisory coach to San Jose State College. He had time to paint, one of his lifetime avocations. Warner had never been a flashy man, although the force of his personality struck everyone he influenced. His personal life was marked by steadiness. He was a staunch Republican and a staunch Methodist. He died of throat cancer on September 7, 1954, having played an enormous role in turning football into a major spectator sport. Pop Warner Football, locally organized in Philadelphia in 1929, is today a national youth organization sponsoring football and cheerleader training for 300,000 kids ranging in age from eight to thirteen.

Warner's male-centered view of athletics recalled the American philosopher William James's call for a moral equivalent of war. "Love of sports" is normal, he said; distaste for athletic competition is abnormal. "The youth who doesn't thrill to the strain of struggle and the joy of victory isn't much of a lad." Football for Warner was quite simply a ritualized expression of the American Creed.



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## florence kelley 1882

When the social reformer Florence Kelley arrived in Ithaca in the fall of 1876 she was one of the university's first women students. Frail and sickly, she took six years to graduate, a prelude, however, to a career of inestimable power and influence. Years later, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter described her as the "woman who had probably the largest single share in shaping the social history of the United States during the first thirty years of this [twentieth] century."

Kelley grew up in an influential Quaker family in Philadelphia. Her father, William, one of the founders of the Republican Party in the 1850s, served fifteen consecutive terms in Congress from 1860 to 1890. She chose Cornell because it was then the only eastern university to accept women. Ezra Cornell and A.D. White wanted a university where anybody could study any subject, but not until 1872, two years after Henry Sage had endowed a college for women, did Cornell enroll its first woman student. When Kelley arrived four years later she was proud, she wrote, to join this "serious self-conscious body of pioneers," which by 1876 totaled seventy-six women. At Cornell she founded the university's first sociopolitical club, the Social Science Club, but even more anticipatory of her life's calling, her senior thesis, written after a two-year leave when she was ill with diphtheria, was on "Some Changes in the Legal Status of the Child since Blackstone."

Even though that thesis was published immediately, Kelley's application to the law school of the University of Pennsylvania was rejected because, as an official wrote, he found "abhorrent the thought of young men and women meeting in the classroom." For a while after graduation she taught in a night school for working women in Philadelphia that she had helped start. Then she went to Europe, joining her Cornell friend, M. Carey Thomas 1877, future president of Bryn Mawr, as a graduate student at the University of Zurich, the first European university open to women.

Kelley became an ardent socialist while studying in Zurich, where she married Lazare Wischnewetzky, a Jewish Polish-Russian medical student. With her husband and a year-old infant, Kelley returned to America in 1886 and the three of them settled in New York City, where Kelley became deeply involved in socialist politics. She had met Friedrich Engels in Europe and her continued correspondence with him led in 1887 to her translating into English and publishing his *Condition of the Working Class in England in 1844*. Until the 1950s it remained the only English translation of this classic text.

Life in New York was difficult. Two more children came in the late 1880s, followed by difficulties with her husband, who became physically abusive as his medical career foundered. Her political comrades kicked Kelley out of the Socialist Labor Party for doctrinal errors detected in the introduction to the Engels book. Kelley, in turn, left her husband and abandoned the theoretical abstractions of European socialism. She resumed using her maiden name and moved in 1891 with her three children to

Chicago, where she took up residence in Hull-House, the innovative settlement house presided over by Jane Addams. Kelley almost single-handedly changed Hull-House's direction from general philanthropy to, as Addams put it, "interest in the industrial conditions all about us."

In Chicago Kelley turned from the grand theories of socialism to the concrete realities of industrial workers' lives, and in particular to a lifelong effort to improve the conditions of the women and children who worked in factories and sweatshops. Her strategy was to master the factual and statistical evidence of industrial exploitation. Emotional revulsion against the harsh inhumanity of factory life was not enough, she believed. Accumulating the factual details, the objective data, was the essential first step in changing society. "Investigate, educate, legislate" was how social reform worked in a democratic society, she never tired of preaching throughout her long career as a social activist.

Kelley practiced her creed. As a special agent of the Illinois Bureau of Labor Statistics, she visited and interviewed, first at work and then at home, more than a thousand Chicago women making sweaters for the garment industry in the early 1890s. She spoke frequently at huge rallies protesting sweatshop conditions, and her report and recommendations were embodied in a bill passed by the Illinois Legislature in 1893 that limited the working hours of women and children to eight a day and prohibited commercial production in tenement houses. For the next several years she served as chief factory inspector for the State of Illinois with a staff of twelve (six of them women, as required by law) that supervised the enforcement of the law.



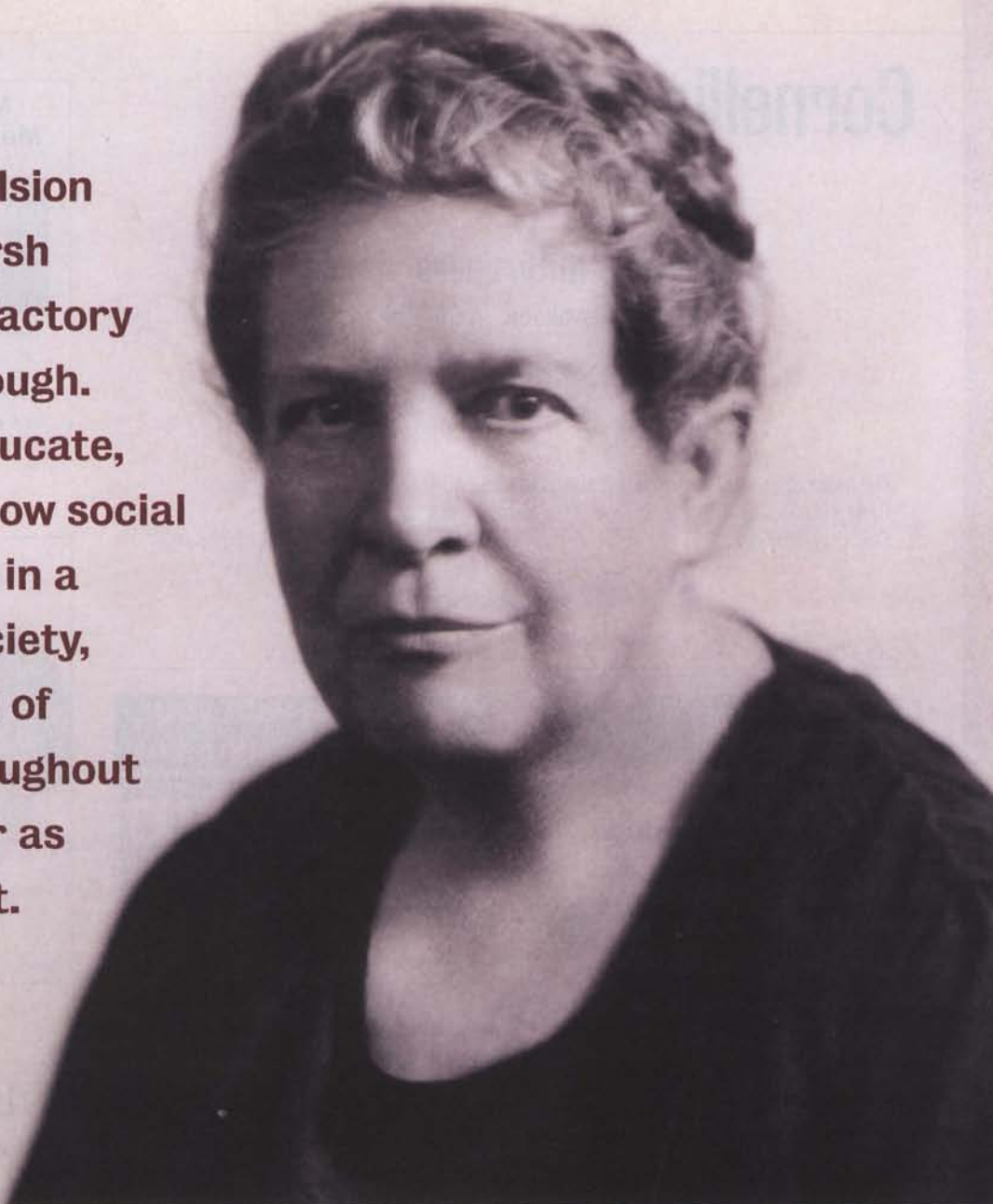
elley headed the Chicago team working for the U.S. Department of Labor in its "Special Investigation of the Slums of Great Cities." She and her investigators visited and collected data from every house, tenement building, and room in Chicago's nineteenth ward, where Hull-House was located. The result was a pathbreaking sociological study, *The Hull-House Maps and Papers* (1895), one of the earliest urban occupational and nationality studies in America.

In Chicago Kelley also found time to study law at Northwestern University. Although she never practiced law, she earned a place in American legal history by working closely with Louis Brandeis, the future Supreme Court justice, then a Boston lawyer, in preparing the famous "Brandeis brief," which established the legal right to use sociological data as evidence in court, most importantly in the case of *Muller v. Oregon* (1908) in which the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of state legislation limiting the working hours of women.

Kelley moved to New York City in 1899, accepting the position of general secretary in the New York-based National Consumers League, committed then to seeing that consumer goods were made and sold under proper working conditions. Kelley made the League, which had sixty-four chapters in twenty states, into the country's leading promoter of protective labor legislation for women and children, remaining as its head until her death. From her New York home in Lillian Wald's famous Henry



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Street Settlement House, the hot-tempered Kelley—always dressed in black, with a “flute-like” voice—went out and stumped across America, speaking to governors, congressmen, and trade union women, in lecture halls, factories, and universities, tirelessly advocating the elimination of child labor and the creation of a minimum wage. Her greatest achievement was the passage of the Sheppard-Towner Maternity and Infancy Protection Act in 1921, the first-ever allocation of federal funds to health care, in a program administered by the Children’s Bureau to combat infant and maternal mortality.

In the Red Scare that swept across America after the Russian Revolution, Kelley was denounced and dismissed as a socialist. Her tireless and ultimately unsuccessful work for an anti-child-labor amendment to the Constitution led one U.S. senator to smear the proposal as “part of the Engels-Kelley program derived straight from the fundamental *Communist Manifesto* of 1848.” Kelley was not silenced. When the conservative Supreme Court ruled unconstitutional one after another of the legislative reforms she had championed, she shot back: “No woman par-

ticipated in the recent decision. Sooner or later women must be added to the Court. The monopoly of the interpretation and administration of the law by men alone can never again be accepted without protest.”

It can be no surprise, then, that Kelley was an ardent champion of women’s suffrage. She was also one of the founders in 1909 of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and a lifelong friend of W.E.B. DuBois. A pacifist opponent of U.S. entrance into World War I, Kelley was a founder of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom. In the constant political involvement that was her life, Kelley still raised three children and wrote countless pamphlets and several books, often while giving talks three or four times a day, even as her energy waned in her 70s. She died in 1932, before the New Deal’s social legislation enacted the reforms she had fought for all her life. The frail Quaker girl who had come to Cornell because it took women, would be remembered, as one of her mourners put it, as a “guerrilla warrior in the wilderness of industrial wrongs.” ●

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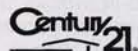


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## New Directors

### CAF ANNOUNCES NEW LEADERS

**T**HE CORNELL ALUMNI FEDERATION'S NOMINATIONS Committee presented slates of candidates for seven director-at-large and twelve director-from-the-region positions to the full Federation board at its January 24, 2003 meeting. Unanimously endorsed to begin terms in April 2003 as directors-at-large were: Laurie Berke-Weiss '71, Natalie Cornell '79, Cynthia Froggatt, MS '85, Robert Ramin '82, MBA '85, and Ruby Saake '85. With this appointment, Christine Mendrykowski Felton '90 and Robert Stelletello '83 begin their second terms on the Federation board. Directors-at-large represent the alumni body as a whole and serve two-year terms.

Retiring directors-at-large, whose terms ended in April, were: Jeffrey Goldstein '90, Lisa Jones '84, Christine Miller '84, MBA '89, and William Rusitzky, ME I '90, MBA '90.

Approved by the board to serve two-year terms as directors-from-the-region were: Howard Sobel '66 (Metro New York), Mary Wilensky Kahn '79 (Mid-Atlantic), Lawrence Taylor '73 (Midwest), Saunders Wilson Jr. '69 (New York/Ontario), Meredith Rosenberg '92 (Northeast), Martha Slye Sherman '73, MPS '75 (Northeast), and Stephanie Keene Fox '89 (Southwest/Mountain). With this appointment, Mark Mayrsohn '77 (Southeast), J. Roger O'Neil, MBA '61 (International), Natalie Teich '65 (International), Andrew Traum '85 (Western), and Annie Wong '77 (Metro New York) begin their second terms on the Federation board.

In all, there are eighteen directors-from-the-region, representing Cornell Clubs and Alumni Associations from nine regions across the globe.

Outgoing directors-from-the-region are: Herbert

Fontecilla '66, ME '67 (Mid-Atlantic), Natalie Cornell '79 (Midwest), Brent Taggart '84 (Midwest), Frederick Antil '55 (New York/Ontario), Suzanne Furry-Irish '76 (Northeast), Karen Sehl '76 (Northeast), and Michael Greenberg '82, MBA '83 (Southwest/Mountain).

The Board also unanimously approved the following slate of 2003-2005 officers presented by its Nominations Committee: Muriel Bertenthal Kuhs '61 (president); Rolf Frantz '66, ME '67 (vice president); Jeffrey Goldstein '90 (vice president); Robert Metcalf, MBA '61 (vice president); Christine Miller '84, MBA '89 (vice president), and Ginger So '79 (vice president). Director of Alumni Affairs Mary Berens '74 continues as secretary/treasurer.

Officers whose terms ended in April are: Deanne Gebell Gitner '66, Meredith Rosenberg '92, Marjorie Greenberg Smith '67, and Dennis Williams '73.

## Women Building Networks

### ALUMNAE & STUDENTS GATHER TO BREAK BREAD

**B**REAKING INTO THE PROFESSIONAL WORLD is difficult, especially if you have just recently graduated from college. To make the transition from education to career easier, the Cornell Alumnae Council holds annual dinners and brunches at the homes of alumnae for juniors and seniors, as well as for local alumnae. The Council, now chaired by Judy Wesalo-Temel '75, was created more than twenty years ago in New York City. It all began in 1981 when Cornell's then Metro NY Regional Office Director, Jean Emery, MA '54,

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# Calendar of Events

May 15 - July 15

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## NY/Ontario

CAA/Mid-Hudson, May 17—CAF speaker Rita Calvo, Senior Lecturer, Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics. RSVP Jon Wechsler, [jfwechsler@prodigy.net](mailto:jfwechsler@prodigy.net) or (845) 266-8943.

CC/the Greater Capital District, May 20—CAF speaker and professor of Jewish studies Gary A. Rendsburg on "Egypt: A Trip up the Nile." RSVP Kevin Jack, [kevin\\_jack@yahoo.com](mailto:kevin_jack@yahoo.com), or (518) 434-6220.

CWC/Cortland, May 20—History of The Glen Haven School with Glen Haven Historical Society vice president Charles Jermy and former student Barbara Jermy. RSVP Judy Riehlman, (607) 749-4292.

CAA/Greater Rochester, May 21—Book club at Barnes & Noble, Pittsford. RSVP Kristen Hallagan, (716) 242-0199.

CAA/Central New York, June 6—First Friday at the Syracuse Suds Factory. Free appetizers, cash bar. RSVP Michael Wirtheim, [michaelwirtheim@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelwirtheim@hotmail.com) or (315) 635-9656.

CWC/Syracuse, June 9—Plant sale and Cornell-recipe BBQ chicken in Tully. Cost, \$5. RSVP by June 6, Janet Fallon '76, [jbf28@cornell.edu](mailto:jbf28@cornell.edu) or (315) 696-0167.

CWC/Cortland County, June 17—Bakers Acres gardens and greenhouses tour and chicken BBQ. Cost, \$14.50. RSVP by June 6, Judy Riehlman, (607) 749-4292.

## Northeast

CC/Boston, May 15—Young Alumni All Ivy Plus Happy Hour. RSVP Tom Pasniewski, [thp1@cornell.edu](mailto:thp1@cornell.edu) or (617) 731-9771.

CC/Boston, May 20—Traveling gourmet. RSVP Tom Pasniewski, [thp1@cornell.edu](mailto:thp1@cornell.edu), or (617) 731-9771.

CC/Boston, May 21—Kevin Lemanowicz of Fox25 speaks on "The Business of Meteorology." RSVP Paul Hayre '91 at [PNH4@cornell.edu](mailto:PNH4@cornell.edu) or (781) 772-1778.

CC/Boston, May 26—Ivy-plus single alumni bike ride. RSVP Merle Adelmam, [ivyplusalumni@yahoo.com](mailto:ivyplusalumni@yahoo.com) or (978) 251-9739.

CC/Boston, May 29—Annual meeting and wine tasting. RSVP Contact Tom Pasniewski, [thp1@cornell.edu](mailto:thp1@cornell.edu) or (617) 731-9771.

CC/Cape Cod, June 11—Board meeting. RSVP Dick Urban, [rjurban3@aol.com](mailto:rjurban3@aol.com) or (508) 548-4424.

CC/Boston, June 12—Young alumni happy hour. RSVP Meagan Ballard, [lbi2@cornell.edu](mailto:lbi2@cornell.edu) or (617) 557-4168.

CC/Cape Cod, June 22—Hyannis Harbor cruise and supper at Spanky's Clam Shack owned by Jeff Spilman. RSVP Baron George, [kcbg53@aol.com](mailto:kcbg53@aol.com) or (508) 564-6191.

CC/Boston, June 27—Harbor cruise, dinner, and

dance for alumni of all generations. RSVP Zuania Pomaies, [zip1@cornell.edu](mailto:zip1@cornell.edu) or (617) 987-8488.

CC/Boston, July 10—Young alumni happy hour. RSVP Jen Scarpati & Christina Hughes, [lbi2@cornell.edu](mailto:lbi2@cornell.edu) or (617) 557-4168.

## MidAtlantic

CC/Washington (DC), May 24—Dragonboat Festival. RSVP Bob Day, [dayhaven@starpower.net](mailto:dayhaven@starpower.net) or (302) 438-7755.

CC/Central Virginia, May 30—Cornell University Chorus concert in Williamsburg. Details: [chorus@cornell.edu](mailto:chorus@cornell.edu) or (607) 255-2324.

CC/Delaware, June 2—Board Meeting. RSVP Meg Tallman, (302) 836-6254.

CC/Lancaster, June 17—Annual golf outing at York Country Club, York. Dinner to follow. RSVP John Richards, (717) 845-1600.

## Southeast

CAA/Blue Ridge Mountains, May 17—Luncheon with President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes and Rosa Rhodes. RSVP LaVoy Spooner, (828) 628-1631.

CAA/Southwest Florida, June 12—Thursday lunch club at the Audubon Country Club, Naples. RSVP Mary LeDuc, (239) 649-3110.

## Midwest

CC/Mid-America, May 17—Docent-led tour of the Kansas City Zoo. Call Mary Jones, (816) 584-9367.

CC/Michigan, May 17—Tailgate luncheon with engineering dean Kent Fuchs and the 2001 and 2002 championship Formula SAE team. RSVP Kathy Kraus, [klk22@cornell.edu](mailto:klk22@cornell.edu) or (312) 236-7962.

CC/Minnesota, May 20—Reading group at Amore Coffee, St. Paul. *Falling Leaves: The Memoir of an Unwanted Chinese Daughter*. RSVP Judy Morgan, [morganj@juno.com](mailto:morganj@juno.com) or (651) 225-0743.

CC/Pittsburgh, May 27—Monthly luncheon at the Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania. RSVP Mady Bauer, [mab79@cornell.edu](mailto:mab79@cornell.edu).

CC/Minnesota, June 17—Reading group at Amore Coffee, St. Paul. *Tortilla Flat* by John Steinbeck. RSVP Judy Morgan, [morganj@juno.com](mailto:morganj@juno.com) or (651) 225-0743.

CC/Pittsburgh, June 27—Monthly luncheon at the Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania. RSVP Mady Bauer, [mab79@cornell.edu](mailto:mab79@cornell.edu).

CC/Minnesota, July 15—Reading Group at Amore Coffee, St. Paul. *All the Pretty Horses* by Cormac McCarthy. RSVP Judy Morgan, [morganj@juno.com](mailto:morganj@juno.com) or (651) 225-0743.

## Southwest

CAA/Greater Houston, May 17—Zoological Expedi-

tion at the Houston Zoo. RSVP Dave Martin, [dcm1@cornell.edu](mailto:dcm1@cornell.edu) or (713) 528-9587.

CC/Austin, May 17—Family bowling. All ages and abilities welcome. RSVP Cathy Chang Cocco '85, [coocco@austin.rr.com](mailto:coocco@austin.rr.com) or (512) 838-0659.

CC/Austin, May 31—Freshman sendoff luncheon at the County Line. RSVP Pat Ko, [pk53@cornell.edu](mailto:pk53@cornell.edu) or (512) 491-5090.

CAA/Greater Houston, June 15—Houston Ballet night at Wortham Theater. RSVP Dave Martin, [dcm1@cornell.edu](mailto:dcm1@cornell.edu) or (713) 528-9587.

## Western

CAA/Northern California, May 17—San Francisco Giants vs. New York Mets at Pac Bell Park. Group rates available to CAANC members. E-mail Alex Barna, [abarna@mail.arc.nasa.gov](mailto:abarna@mail.arc.nasa.gov).

CC/Arizona, Inc., May 18—Second Annual Arizona Diamondbacks Outing vs. Pittsburgh at Bank One Ballpark. Cost, \$22. RSVP Bob Hayoz, [bhayoz@cox.net](mailto:bhayoz@cox.net) or (602) 250-2730.

CC/San Diego, May 21—San Diego Opera's *Madam Butterfly* and reception. RSVP by May 7, Ed Wilensky, [Edward.Wilensky@sdopera.com](mailto:Edward.Wilensky@sdopera.com) or (619) 232-7636 x248.

CC/Los Angeles, June 1—CAF speaker and psychology prof. Thomas Gilovich. Barton Mills, [bam38@cornell.edu](mailto:bam38@cornell.edu) or (310) 545-3321.

CAA/Northern California, June 7—Save the Bay restoration and clean-up at Martin Luther King Jr. Shoreline, followed by lunch. RSVP Rob Peterson, (510) 558-7128.

CC/Los Angeles, June 14—Ivy singles baseball. RSVP Barton Mills, [bam38@cornell.edu](mailto:bam38@cornell.edu) or (310) 545-3321.

CAA/Orange County, June 14—Camp Pendleton Mud Run. Combat boots and camouflage gear optional. Cost, \$40. Usama Abdali, [usama.abdali@skyworksinc.com](mailto:usama.abdali@skyworksinc.com) or (714) 751-1774.

CC/Western Washington, June 19—Happy hour at the Virginia Inn, Seattle. RSVP Greg Balet, [gjb14@yahoo.com](mailto:gjb14@yahoo.com).

CC/San Diego, June 19—CAF speaker, architect, and dean of students Kent Hubbell. RSVP Lisa Stewart, [lbr7@cornell.edu](mailto:lbr7@cornell.edu) or (619) 464-7211.

CAA/Northern California, June 19—CAF speaker, architect, and dean of students Kent Hubbell. RSVP Kristen Bole, [kab76@cornell.edu](mailto:kab76@cornell.edu) or (415) 221-2102.

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## WOMEN BUILDING NETWORKS

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had lunch with Dr. Ruth Burns Cowan '53 and Patricia Carry Stewart '50. At this time, the idea was conceived to link Cornell alumnae with women students to help them with the transition between university and workplace. Early on, these remarkable alumnae were integral in lifting the alumnae series off the ground: Lilyan Affinito '53, Shelley Epstein Akabas '51, Phyllis Bosworth '56, Felice Burns '53, Gail Kittenplan, Judy Lowry '56, and Margaret Osmer-McQuade '60.

At the start, all the coordination for alumnae and student attendees was done through Cornell Career Services. Now, Nancy Law '84 at the University Career Center coordinates the student participation in this program while Regional Directors in the various cities coordinate the alumnae involvement. In addition to the significant staff effort, several essential alumnae have dedicated extraordinary amounts of time and effort to this program as chairs of Cornell Alumnae Council: '83-84 Ruth Cowan and Pat Stewart; '85-86 Margaret Gaffney Graf, JD '73; '86-88 Judith Monson '69; '88-90 Hon. Debra James '75; '90-91 Celia Rodee '81; '91-96 Karen Rupert Keating '76,

'96-98 Karen and Judy Wesalo-Temel '75, and now Judy has chaired it solo since 1998.

While the program began in 1983 with only two dinners in Manhattan, it now boasts events in Washington, DC, Boston, Philadelphia, Miami, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. This year, the Metro New York area held ten events in one week.

At these events, conversation centers around building a career and life after college. Topics include strategies for finding a job in a down economy, how to find other opportunities beyond those recruiting on the Cornell campus, job satisfaction, tips for networking, and how a Cornell degree is perceived in the workplace. The goal of the events is to offer a safe place for students to ask all of the questions that they have always wanted to ask but never knew how, while at the same time connecting hundreds of Cornell alumnae to each other. "Because it is held in someone's home, there is a welcoming atmosphere, and that's what makes it unique. It is Cornell women opening up their homes to students, and that gives it a special, warm quality," said Wesalo-Temel. In addition, alumnae hostesses of the dinners have a

co-hostess whose job is to moderate the discussions, and a student hostess whose job is to recruit current Cornell students to partake in the events. Currently the whole program has over 300 dedicated alumnae and 200 students involved in it.

There is much to be gained from these events for both students and alumnae. In a comfortable environment, the students are able to learn about the vastly different experiences of the alumnae attendees, and the alumnae have an opportunity to reconnect with Cornell and connect with each other. "This is something that the alums feel strongly about for three reasons. It allows them to pass on the benefit of their experience to younger Cornell graduates. Second, it keeps the alums updated with what is happening on campus, and third, it strengthens the ties among the alums themselves and with Cornell," said Wesalo-Temel.

For more information on this program, contact Rachel Peris '99 at the Metro NY Regional Office at (212) 986-7202 or Nancy Law '844 in University Career Services at Barnes Hall at (607) 255-9046.



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**28** There is still time to register for Reunion 2003, June 5-8—the 75th Reunion for the Class of '28. Return to the beautiful Cornell campus, and enjoy comfortable and convenient accommodations at the Statler Hotel. Shuttle buses and private vans will be readily available for transportation to Reunion and Class events. For questions or for more information, call Deanna Quvus at Class and Reunion Programs, (607) 255-7085. Look for complete coverage of Reunion 2003 in the September/October issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*.

All classmates are encouraged to send news, remembrances, and greetings to Cornell friends for the class column at any time. We were happy to hear from several '28ers and will include their news in this and future columns. **Margaret Bradley** Klauss, MA '35, and her husband Ken live in Webster, NY. She writes: "Our sons and their families (from Los Angeles and Pittsburgh) come in August to visit us. From November till Easter we are in Florida, where Ken plays golf and races his remote-controlled model sailboat. We play bridge at the clubhouse." Unfortunately, Margaret fell and broke her hip in January, but does keep walking—cautiously! She says she was in Ithaca as recently as last summer—just to look around.

**Katharina Geyer** Butterfield says she won't be able to attend reunion, but that life in her retirement home is pleasant and stimulating. "For recreation there are word games, sing-alongs, and conversation with others among the 70 residents. I am in good health, but a lack of energy is what limits my activities. For exercise I walk around the loop (garden) five times a day. The fresh air always feels so good."

**Raymond Fehr**, a graduate of the Ag college, thinks that the last time he was in Ithaca was for meetings or conferences in 1957. He writes: "It has been 75 years since I lived in the beautiful communities of Cornell and Ithaca, skated and tobogganed on Beebe Lake, canoed on Cayuga Lake, crossed the condemned suspension bridge, rode the trolleys, attended class, and worked in many buildings. I wonder how it all is today, but can't get there to find out." He continues, "I joined GLF Exchange Inc., headquartered in Ithaca, in 1930 and worked for them for 38 years at many places and at various things. I did not accomplish anything to brag about, but I did a good job. I worked four years in Frederick, MD, an area rich in the nation's history." Raymond retired to Carlsbad, NM, in 1973. He has three sons, five grandkids, and two great-grands. "I am old, weak, and wobbly, but take care of myself and enjoy good health."

Thank you all for writing. Stay tuned to this space for news of **Jesse Keshin**, **Howard Levie**, JD '30, and **Ludolph Welanetz**, PhD '38, as well as other classmates we look forward to hearing from soon. Send news to ♣ Class of '28, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

**31** "Where were you when *Columbia* disintegrated in space?" With all the TV heads talking "terrorism," will this be another major defining moment like Pearl Harbor, Kennedy's assassination, or the fall of the Twin Towers? Or another minor one like the *Challenger* explosion? Either way, my answer will have to be: "Starting to compose the 1931 Class Notes column." As I reported to you in the recent 2002-03 News and Dues letter, I have run out of Notes from you '31ers, so I was already "challenged" for subject matter. This terrible distraction does not help, except that it sets the tone for what items I do have:

1) A touching, loving, and proud tribute from **Carl Hoffman**, JD '33's daughter **Patricia Hoffman** Axelrod '63, reporting his death on Sept. 23, '02.

2) Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) report on the "Class of '31 Giving History." For the 70th Reunion campaigns, we stood 11th out of the 12 classes from 1920 to 1931 in "total dollars" (\$374,520) and "average dollars/donor" (\$8,142). For your information, the highest class in those categories in this group was the Class of 1929, with \$9,856,008 and \$10,800, respectively . . . a very puzzling commentary on our 1931 persistent "Depression Class psychosis." How come '29 has so many more multi-digit donors?

3) In the same report, a "lifetime giving" figure for our class of \$6,697,980—a respectable appearing amount, but there is no indication of where we stand in relation to other classes, Depression or boom.

4) Failing memory symptoms: Somehow, faithful correspondent **Myrtle "Toots" Uetz** Felton (1024 E. Cushmore Rd., Southampton, PA 18966) and I became involved in a discussion of the songs that used to be sung in the dining halls on the Hill in our day. I complained that though I could remember the titles, tunes, and a few words of many, I couldn't remember the words all the way through of any of them. Toots came up with all the words to "Don't Send my Son to Harvard, the Dying Mother Said," but all I was able to dredge up was "In Bohemia Hall," the lyrics of the one about "Michael Finnegan who grew whiskers on his chinagin," and some of the lines about the young lady who wished she were "fascinatin'" so "we'd all be rich." I wonder if







Walking tour: The six-mile Liberty Hyde Bailey Loop links Cascadilla Falls downtown with green spaces across campus, including the Tower Road entrance to the azalea garden.



they sing the same songs today. If not, what do they sing? Rap?

Now, do you see the challenge to send in some good news? ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, 237 N. Main St., #250, South Yarmouth, MA 02664-2088.

**32** **William R. Bagby**, who died at his home in Lexington, KY, on December 28, 2002, is one of a handful of our classmates who said they were going to write a book and actually did it. I received a notice from a publisher that Bill had written *Tax Einstein Squeals*. I sent for it and found it a great read. Bill's career was largely focused on tax matters, first on the staff of the Treasury Dept., and, later, in private practice. Usually I do not find publications about taxes to be page turners, but this is different. It is full of interesting and sometimes startling stories about cases in which over-zealous IRS agents hounded persons mercilessly, an example of a dishonest accountant and an equally sleazy lawyer who nearly ruined a man, and a gent who claimed that he had received a sum of money in the 1920s and stored it in a safe deposit vault until the 1940s. He overlooked the fact that currency printed before 1928 was larger than that subsequently circulated; the bills that surfaced in the 1940s were of more recent origin. When Bill asked the miscreant how this might have happened the fellow said, "I didn't think of that." My copy is now in the hands of a second borrower and still has a long way to go.

Among the recollections which **Peggy Wilkinson Smith Schenck** was kind enough to send me is the following, which I present verbatim: "All the chimemasters wanted to go home for Thanksgiving and couldn't if no one was left to play. It was my freshman year and when [**Phil Stone '29**, the chimemaster] called me to ask if I would do it I was, of course, thrilled. I just had to play the 6 p.m. ring and didn't have to play the "Jennie McGraw Rag." Problem was I had been a Girl Scout on the Lake and loved Taps wafting over the lake in the evening, so I waited for the p.m. bell to ring and then I played Taps. When Phil got back he called me in great dis-

who was to enter Cornell that fall, climbed the tower. Playing the chimes is apparently a strenuous business, requiring the use of both hands to press the mechanism that actuates the clappers and one foot if a third note is wanted. This calls for a lot of jumping around, so Peggy took off the jacket of her suit and finally her blouse. By current standards she was still modestly dressed. When she received the signal that the ceremony was over she started playing Felix Mendelsohn's lively "Wedding March" and was doing her stuff when two young men, having taken advantage of the fact that the door at the base of the tower had not been closed and latched, appeared and before Prof. Wilkinson could shoo them away, stood there grinning. The embarrassed musician could not stop her labors until the number had been completed.

Peggy thought this anecdote a mite risqué for this staid publication and suggested that I consult my wife. I did so and she agreed that this item would probably not cause any of you liberated subscribers to cancel your subscriptions.

♦ **Jim Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.

**33** Our plans ought to be made by now to attend REUNION 2003, our 70th anniversary viewed from a 90-year-old perspective! We'll never have *that* again. See you in June! From **Eugenia "Gene" Gould Huntoon**: "Only about seven months to wait before reunion! May they go peacefully and quickly—I can hardly wait! PLEASE, everybody who can travel, make the effort while you can. It will be worth it."

**Beatrice Alexander Weingart** writes: "Our reservations have been made and my family and I will arrive Friday night, June 6, and leave Sunday morning, June 8. We are driving to Niagara Falls and then to Toronto. We decided not to go to Europe while things are so uncertain. Will fly home from Toronto. It will be fun showing my granddaughter the campus. Her graduation from the U. of Arizona will be three weeks before reunion. I had hoped that we would have about 100 classmates. Beat the drum and get the

pancy to a beautiful retirement community cottage with many amenities and activities—only 200 yards from our former home. We have no stairs to climb and our garage is adjacent to the kitchen. We have a large sunroom with TV and VCR where we spend a lot of our leisure time." 4031 Kennett Pike, #62, Wilmington, DE 19807-2033.

**Lucille Seitzick Rosen Schein**: "I mourn the death of my dear friend **Jane Kauffman Schwartz**, but continue to correspond with **Ethel Bonan Hoefler '34** of Sarasota, FL, and **Dorothy Katzin Greenfield**. We were all AEPH sisters and lived at the sorority house on Fall Creek Dr. I have been a social worker and teacher, but mostly I have been an activist for peace. I have been active in WILPF (Women's International League for Peace and Freedom) and chaired the Social Action Committee. With the possibility of another war I feel my life has been for nothing. Do other '33ers feel as I do?" 500 Village Green D319, Palm Springs, FL 33461.

**Richard L. Marks**: "I spent 53 years as a pediatrician; retired 12 years ago. Now am 91 years old. I have not been back to Cornell since I left there in 1933. I still have a clean picture in my mind of the beautiful campus and of the lake. I have a daughter, 43, and a son, 35. Park Ridge is a suburb on the northwest edge of Chicago." 700 Austin Ave., Park Ridge, IL 60068. **Isabel "Izzie" Guthrie Russell**: "We have two children, a boy and a girl; four grandchildren, two boys and two girls; and eight great-grandchildren, four boys and four girls. In Sun City Center, FL, we resided in an assisted living facility. It was lovely, but our son wanted to have us near him and his wife here in the assisted living facility five miles from Hot Springs Village, AR. We love being here and near them. I have macular degeneration and am going to have acupuncture treatment this Thursday and Friday. Please say a prayer for me. Hope to see all of you at reunion in June." 131 Cortez Rd., Hot Springs Village, AR 71909-6130.

**Dorothy Katzin Greenfield** writes: "I want to express my appreciation for the many years of effort that **Charles Tracy** expended for the benefit of all our Class of '33 classmates! [From voices all over the land: THREE CHEERS FOR CHARLES TRACY!] I passed my 90th birthday and my fourth year of residence at Winchester Gardens last spring. We like it very much—I am lucky to be in the same town still—after 58 years in Maplewood, and my two sons and families live nearby. My health is reasonably good except for an arthritic hip. Prospects for reunion are iffy. Dr. **Shigeo Kondo '43**, another resident here, has promised to drive me to Ithaca, but I'm not sure. Of course, I'd love to be at reunion. Regards to all." 333 Elmwood Ave., #1425, Maplewood, NJ 07040.

From Cincinnati, **Francis "Fran" Rosevear**, PhD '37, writes: "For me and 13 other family members, the big event of 2002 was a reunion in the Adirondacks to celebrate my 90th birthday. The gathering was the idea of one of the granddaughters who wanted her own daughters to enjoy some scenes of her earlier days. Four

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truss. He had had a call from the president of the university who wanted to know who died. He had been inundated with calls ever since. I also got the first check I ever earned. It was from the university and was for about 50 cents as I remember. I was going to have it framed but somehow never got around to it."

Another incident from Peggy's treasury of memories has to do with her agreeing to play the chimes after the wedding ceremony of a friend's sister. It was a hot day in late August and Peggy, accompanied by her father and a cousin

blood stirred. See you in June—hopefully." 13452 Debby St., Valley Glen, CA 91401. **John F. "Jack" Wager Jr.** hopes to be well enough to make the 70th Reunion in June. 5139 Frederick Ave., La Crescenta, CA 91214-1130.

**William E. "Bill" Neff**: "We plan to attend my 70th Reunion in June 2003. The spirit and body are both willing now—I hope the body is still willing in June. I am recovering nicely from somewhat complicated open-heart surgery in Jan. 2001. Judy and I then moved from our four-bedroom house of 45 years' occu-



generations enjoyed mild hiking and climbing and a bit of rafting. Our son (Earlham College '60) came from California; the others came from Connecticut, Long Island, and Manhattan. Out here in Cincinnati, the same saxophonist who marched in the original 'ten-square' Cornell band in our day is playing in a Wednesday night concert band and helping to shape up for our reunion trio in June 2003! Best regards from Fran and **Ruth (Fisher) '36**. Send news to ♦ Rev. **Henry E. Horn**, 47-1 Trowbridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138.

**34** Isn't it great! Here we are at 90 years and still there are so many alert and willing to fill out the "News" card so I have something to write about! **Alice Goulding Herrmann**, who was our correspondent for many years, somehow finds that outlasting old friends has its drawbacks. True, but it was nice for me to hear from you!

**Dorothy Sonn** Dutky is living on the island next to the Assateague National Seashore. Her address is 6263 Clark St., Chincoteague, VA 23336. She finds the clean beaches and ocean view inspiring. **Sophie "Honey" Jacobs** sounds marvelously active with her travel agency and local activities. She has five children, 12 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. All of that can really keep her busy!

**Lucy Boldt** Shull has moved to 4540 Bee Ridge Rd., Villa 2, Sarasota, FL 34233. **Ellen** (Elizabeth) **Bell** Powell has moved to 307 Forest Park, Victor, NY 14564. She left warm Florida for, right now, frigid New York.

There are a few more news letters here, but I must save them for next time. Hopefully you have had a good winter and are happy to have warm weather.

I am still at Brooklyn Botanic Garden, sowing seeds and creating plants for showing at the Garden, etc. Till next time. ♦ **Eleanor "Dickie" Mirsky** Bloom, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209.

As I put these class notes together, New Hampshire continues its severe winter—lots of snow and cold weather steadily since before Christmas (mid-February now!). To look at the bright side, it's good for the ski resorts—they are flourishing! Wonder how many '34s are still actively downhill skiing?

**Paul Clark** from Hilton Head, SC, not only sent in his dues, as usual, but he sent me a copy of a letter he wrote the editors of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. He was protesting an article appearing in the Nov/Dec issue which suggested using caretakers rather than parents to rear children. Paul had good reasons for objecting in his letter. Proud of you for speaking up! I know I shuddered as I read that rather ridiculous article!

A nice note from **Richard Wilcox**, Col. USAF (Ret.) written from his retirement home in Florida. He had a long career in the service. He is now enjoying life in the sunny south, but unfortunately having trouble with his eyesight. Thanks for writing, Dick. Good to hear from **Bob Reich**, PhD '42, in Baton Rouge, LA. He had

a fine European trip through the British Isles and Scandinavian countries with an LSU alumni group, and reported good company and great scenery. Bob teaches one course in landscaping at Louisiana State U., is active in his church, and swims regularly. Sounds like a good formula for remaining healthy. Keep it up, Bob.

**Jacob Shacter**, Col. US Army (Ret.) will be 90 when we read this. He lives with Ruth, his wife of 61 years, in Atlanta, GA. The Shacters were back for our 65th Reunion in 1999 and they plan on being with us for our 70th in June 2004. (Remember, all '34s, that is only a little over a year away. We have big plans for this fine event. Start planning now for it!) Jake says they both enjoy good health and leisure time with their two great-grandchildren, 8 and 4.

As for the Robertsons—Anne and myself—we celebrated our 65th anniversary late last fall and are enjoying our retirement here at Rivermead. We are both showing signs of aging and slowing down, but this is to be expected, I guess. Until the next column, keep well and enjoy! ♦ **William R. Robertson**, 143 Rivermead Rd., Peterborough, NH 03458; tel., (603) 924-8654.

**35** As I write this column, we are definitely in the throes of the "old-fashioned winter" that we were promised. Nine degrees this a.m., but as you read it you will be enjoying the gentle zephyrs of spring. A number of you have raised a question about the "Cornell ID #" which appears at the top of the Class News form. It is the six-digit number that appears above or beside your name on the outside of any Cornell mailing that you may receive. I am sorry to say that this column will be shorter than we are permitted because of a dearth of News items. Please respond to the next request for News, which you should be receiving soon or may have received by now. We want to hear about whatever you wish to share with us.

The university received word that **George Hawley Jr.** of Jamesville, NY, died in December 2002. He had written us earlier that year from the independent living section of the Nottingham. George had two unique hobbies that kept him very busy: a 10,000-item postcard collection and 12 ocean liner models that he displayed. **Bethel Caster** has been retired since 1979 as professor emeritus at Texas Women's U. and enjoys life at The Vintage in Denton, TX. She has many new friends with whom she tries to live each day as fully as she can. She keeps in touch by mail and phone with old friends **Margaret Sturm** Conner and **Katherine Morris** Lockwood, both classmates, and **Dorothy Ticknor** Van Ness '36. **Frances Parker** Kohberger of Tully, NY, vacations at her camp in Alpine, NY, from June to November, with her large family of three children, nine grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

**Ruth Clements** of Liberty, NY, keeps busy with churchwork and community volunteer activities. **Eleanore Smith Allen**, whose husband and classmate **Henry Jr.** died in 1974, writes from Albuquerque, NM, that she has four adult

children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. **Annette Baker** Tulipan is retired and living in Wake Robin, a continuing care community in Shelburne, VT. She has a daughter, two granddaughters, and two great-grandchildren. **Theodore Woodruff** of Watertown, NY, has three children, eight grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

I hope that you will all have a pleasant summer and not forget to send in your Class Dues and News items. ♦ **Albert G. Preston Jr.**, 252 Overlook Dr., Greenwich, CT 06830; e-mail, davada35@aol.com.

**36** Hi, folks. As I write this on February 12 (remember when it was a holiday?) I can't help but wonder what our country, and indeed the world, will be like when you read it a few short months from now. I tend to be an optimist, but other feelings seem to prevail at the moment. You and I have seen and experienced a considerable amount of turbulence since we first met those many years ago—three major wars, booming and failing economies, great technological advances, continuing social change—and we have survived. One would think, therefore, as we look into the future that our attitude would be, "Don't worry, it always seems to turn out OK." But now things are different. We are on the brink of starting a justifiable war with vicious enemies, some of whom we can identify and others we cannot, without the help of some longtime allies but with support from others and in a fragile economy, which for the first time raises the question whether we can afford a prolonged war. I can only hope and pray that when you read this our worst fears will be behind us and once again we can feel that "it will turn out OK."

Now to the news, which is rather sparse this time. **Elsa Meltzer** Bronstein writes as follows from her home in Oakland, CA: "We love California and—equally—our summer months in Monterey, MA. We are active and busy with both our homes. Life is good . . . along with the usual aging aches. Both our children are nearby—an extra bonus!" **Maurice Tomlinson** tells us that he spends October to April in his home in Richmond, VA, and the rest of the year in Adams, NY. **Frank Read** does about the same, living at Knollwood Village, Southern Pines, NC, in the winter and Bloomfield Hills, MI, in the summer. **Elizabeth Tierney** Nation, who lives in Wantagh, NY, says, "Still making my home with my younger son, John Meadows. Although quite disabled by osteoarthritis, I still get to church and the hairdresser and take wonderful drives along the island from Jones Beach east. It lifts my spirits."

And once again we are happy to hear from **Herb Kling**, MS Ag '40. He writes as follows, and though he may prefer that I not repeat some of it, I will do so, as I think it serves a purpose: "Traveled to Calgary, Alberta, Canada, in July to attend the annual meeting of the International Assn. of Milk Control Agencies as a speaker and then to the 40th anniversary meeting of the NYS Dairy Inspectors School at Cor-



nell. Recently visited the campus, had a tour of the entire campus with **Anne DiGiacomo Benedict '80**, and saw my name chiseled in the Uris Terrace wall next to the Library. Had dinner with her and Janet McCue, Mann librarian. The Preservation Room of the Mann Library bears my name. I am very hesitant to give you this information. It may be good for the record, I guess, but probably not so good for the *Alumni News*. As I'm sure you know, the recognition is in response to substantial donations to the Mann Library and the Food Science Dept. The State, in my opinion, has been very 'chintzy' in monies provided for operating costs and maintaining the College's unmatched reputation. I do believe alumni who can should build an endowment fund. Of the 35,000 or so alumni, there are some of us who are in a position to show our appreciation. Without the education I received I might be living from SS check to SS check. Thanks to College, I 'ain't.'" Congratulations, Herb, on a life well lived, on your recognition of Cornell's part in it, and for your contributions to Cornell in return.

In my last column I mentioned that we have a problem in that the News Form accompanying the Class Dues notice has a box for one's name and a place for winter and summer addresses, but if you don't fill in the box with your name and then you write "same" for your addresses (when there has been no change), I haven't a clue who you are. As you can understand, this can be frustrating when you send us some news about yourself. We were able to figure out one mystery classmate with the help of the staff at the alumni magazine. **Robert Gorrell**, PhD '39, writes: "I have been retired since 1980 as emeritus and academic vice president of U. of Nevada. My wife Joie and I have just returned from a trip to Rome and a cruise to Malta. Recent books are *Murder at the Rose*, a mystery, Black Rock Press, and *What's in a Word?*, U. of Nevada Press." ♦ **Bill Hoyt**, 8090 Oakmont Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95409; e-mail, subilhoyt@aol.com.

**37** After plodding through one of the coldest winters ever and I hope a fairly decent spring, we should at least be entitled to a pleasant May and June. These days we are not being offered anything "definite"! As long as our health is adequate and we have the means of keeping occupied mentally, we will be just fine!

In line with keeping busy, **Willia Percival** informs us that in August 2001 she went up to Putney, VT, and to Hudson, NY, to photograph two weddings. She is writing for a newsletter and photographing people, dogs, cats, birds, and orchids. She also exhibited her black and white and color photos taken in Spain (1966), Ecuador (1983), Greece (1949), Kenya (1981), North Dakota (1999), and Glacier Park and Yosemite (1992-1999). Willa also writes that she has annual exhibits of her photos and sells prints of China from a museum exhibit she curated at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, DC, in 1981.

**Grace Gale** Paris is involved with civic

activities at St. John's Episcopal Church, Melbourne, FL. Her son Col. William F. Paris was at the Pentagon near the wall which collapsed on 9/11; he suffered from amnesia for quite a while afterward. **Dorothy McCormack** Grady works with the Committee for Restoration of Bethel Town Hall. Her newest great-grandchild, Miranda Newman, lives in Norfolk, VA. **Theda Backalenick** Frank is now living at a retirement residence where she volunteers in its library and convenience store. Her last vacation was to Santa Fe, NM. As a proud grandmother, she lists Erica Hoffman, 29, a fourth grade teacher; Ryan Hoffman, 27, a hydrologist/geologist; Vanessa Frank Garcia, 26, a third-year student at Stanford Law School; and Richard Edwards, 18, a first-year college student.

**Winifred Drake** Sayer enjoyed her last vacation in August 2002 at Mainewoods Dance Camp, which is involved with international folk dancing. Her grandchild, Anna Sayer Coldham, is working in environmental economics in Washington, DC, and her second grandchild, Leah, is a senior at McGill U. majoring in international development. We have a new address for **Madge Jopson** Graae Wells, 34 Quicks Lane, Katonah, NY 10536; tel., (914) 232-2009. Her sons are Stephen, Flemming, and Christoffer, and her grandchildren are Joshua, a scientist; Soren, a scientist; twins Michael and Celine; and Jessica, a singer.

Thank you for sending your many replies about children and grandchildren. Now it's time to go back to trips, activities, and more thoughts about our fortunate senior years and how to engage in them. Enjoy a pleasant summer and continue to send your interesting news. ♦ **Selma Block** Green, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583; tel., (914) 472-0535.

**Charles Greif** is back home at 14 Birch Meadow Rd., Brunswick, ME 04011. He had tried an assisted living home in Michigan for six months last year, but decided the Maine way of life, although he's slowed down now, is more enjoyable—and he can walk his Scottie and drive. A special thrill was the birth of his tenth great-grandson on his 87th birthday. The extended Greif clan includes four daughters, two sons, 13 grandchildren, four great-granddaughters, and the other nine great-grandsons.

**Ted Acton** is obviously trying to live up to his motto, "Keep moving." At home in Freedom, VT, he may be zipping downhill on skis, or enjoying a Friday evening tennis game, and has been known for white-water rafting. In his 1979 Airstream motorhome he has been to Nova Scotia and Florida during the past year. Before coming to reunion he was on a three-week canal boat cruise from Amsterdam to Vienna and Prague. There are three Acton great-grandchildren and seven grandchildren, including Cornell sophomore **Charles Acton**. Ted has taken on the job of class correspondent for his Phillips Exeter Academy class of '33.

In the Flint Hills of Kansas, **Everett Palmer** raises beefmaster cattle and commutes monthly from home in Pasadena, CA, to keep an eye on things at Palmer Ranch. Ev is still active in the

Pacific Asia Museum, of which he was the founding president. The Palmers have three sons, a daughter, and ten grandchildren. Last year two of the grandchildren were married, one in the Palmers' yard.

The Christmas card showed **John** and **Ann Hough** at a mosque in Muscat, Oman. The wide-ranging couple were on yet another trip around the world, this time to Japan, China (John's 15th visit!), Hong Kong, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Dubai, Oman, France, and Spain. It's what John calls "part-time involvement" with Hufcor. ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd. N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

**38** In September, **James W. Moyer** moved permanently from Ames, IA, to Ellenton, FL, "after dispatching half of household effects to children in North and South Carolina, New York, Arizona, and California. To escape the summer heat we may spend a month or two in the North! Swimming and golf here year-round! Lots of 'culcha' with opera, ballet, and symphony in nearby Sarasota. Baseball in Bradenton. Lots of good fish. Downside: will miss northern corn, apples, and Herkimer cheese (available in some stores). Taxes are much less, but due to hurricanes and such, home insurance is higher. Except for too many alligators, Florida is nice for us old geezers! Will really miss Cornell and Ithaca High classmate Fred Hillegas."

**Richard Goodwin** (Kensington, MD): "Vision improved with two cataract operations. Subsequent driving trips to the Outer Banks; Michigan, Sault St. Marie, Canada, and east across Canada to the Thousand Islands; and Cape Cod. Occasional golf. We celebrated our seventh wedding anniversary on Veterans Day, Nov. 11 (both of us veterans of first marriages)." **Edward B. Lanman** (Gibsonburg, OH): "In my long life I have done many things. As a young man I worked for a firm that built sailboats. During the War in Europe I worked in Elmira, NY, with fire trucks. Later, I worked 16 years for a company that manufactured shovels and drag lines. In the '60s Rosemarie and I moved to Beaverton, OR. In the '80s I organized my company, Eyeball Marine, and was a sales rep for Advance Thermal Products Inc. in Santa Ana, CA, for 20 years. In 2001 we retired to Gibsonburg, OH."

**Sherwood "Woody" Clow** (Payson, AZ): "My wife **Eleanor (Little)**, passed away Nov. 10, 2001 of Alzheimer's. I have since remarried. My new wife is Nina Warwick. At 86 years young, I have nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. My son Bruce and daughter Karen both live back East. I live in Arizona to get away from the humidity. It works, although we overdid it the last two years with very little rain. Payson is a small town of 15,000 at 5,000 ft. Very pleasant."

**Robert Shaw** (Delmar, NY) says, "If you can call living at the same old address for about 45 years news, that's it! During that time the family grew by the addition of nine grandchildren. We have enjoyed summers in the vicinity of Lake George, NY. Winters we spend at home occasionally testing the efficiency of a 30-year-old



snow blower. Physical activity to keep the blood flowing consists of walking and bicycling and raising a fork to one's mouth at regular intervals. Other activities include checking the *Alumni News* to see who left this vale of tears, and the financial news to see if we can still pay the bills and taxes! It seems to get a bit more difficult each year. Advice to classmates: hang in there. We hope to see you at reunion." ♦ Class of '38, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

**Ruth Lowry Lee** (Asheville, NC): "This area of North Carolina is proving to be an ideal climate for anyone (like me) still getting outdoors to enjoy the pine woods that surround this retirement community of Deerfield. Am happy to report—healthwise—I've twice been briefly hospitalized but am now back to as normal as an 86-year-old widow can expect!" **Sylvia Gluck Grossman** (Roslyn, NY) updated us on her recent activities: executive board member of the Visiting Nurse Assn. of Long Island; member, Board of Ethics of the town of North Hempstead; and in 2001, received award as volunteer of the year at Ronald McDonald House of LI. "Have given up tennis but am still at the bridge table. Just spoke to **Lucy Howard Jarvis** and we expect to attend reunion together again. I see **Herb Polk**, LLB '40, at our tennis club every now and then. Have stopped traveling the world—getting to New York City is enough of a challenge!"

**Margaret Brown Coryell** (Barefoot Bay, FL): "Chet '36 and I were married 64 years when he died of Alzheimer's on October 24, 2001. As a result, I have done volunteer work, attended classes, and tried to help with this dreadful problem affecting so many families these days. I also volunteer at our local hospital. I do needlepoint, and I also write verses and make cards. I am active at church in the contemporary service that is attended by the young families. We have a large group of young people. They put on skits and musicals, and I take part when they have a spot for a granny. I look forward to seeing some of my classmates in June."

From Davis, CA, **Patricia Prescott Kleps Hok** writes that her hobby is trying to save energy! "I live in a solar house (no furnace, no air conditioner—and I'm very comfortable) and drive a hybrid half-gas/half-electric car, a Toyota Prius (50 miles to the gallon). I spend a lot of energy writing and calling public officials trying to get them to do the right thing. My kids and grandkids live mostly in Oregon. My daughter and her family live in Nevada, so I don't see them as often as I'd like, but we do keep in close touch. I'm an ardent Elderhosteler and love going to the Ashland Shakespeare Festival."

**Margaret Sullivan** Davis lives in Melbourne, FL, from November to May, and is at home in Ithaca during the other months. "Daughter Beth lives nearby in Viera, FL, in winter and in Union Springs on Cayuga Lake in summer. Other daughter Anne lives in Boca Raton and I see her often. I am blessed! Granddaughter JoEllen lives in Rochester. Also blessed with stepson **Richard '64**, BEE '66, and his wife **Martha Maxson Davis**, MA IN T '66, who live nearby on Merritt

Island and are wonderfully kind to me. I still play some golf when I get a chance—even got new clubs at 85 years!"

Thanks for all your news! Stay tuned for more in the coming issues. Send updates anytime to ♦ Class of '38, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

**39** When you read this it will be May, with forsythia hanging down the wall on University Ave. and bulbs everywhere, but right now we are enduring one of the worst winters we've had in Ithaca in years. I'm still thinking of our freshman year and toasted peanut butter and jelly sandwiches at the Straight (only 10 cents). The snow was above our knees then, and it is again. Where is the global warming everyone is talking about?

Many of you are reporting 85th birthdays, with reasonably good health and warm and loving families surrounding you. How wonderful! At this rate, we should have a terrific group for our 65th Reunion in 2004. This was a winter for falls. **Russ Martin**, MS Ag '41, seriously damaged himself falling down a flight of stairs while visiting family at Christmastime in Rochester, and is still recuperating. **Jean Linklater Payne**, after a series of falls, was hospitalized at the end of October, and is still inching her way back. She's presently at Lakeside Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 1229 Trumansburg Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850, and is working hard at getting back on her feet. Jean has many friends in the class, and I know she'd love to hear from you.

**Bill '42** and **Elizabeth Luxford Webster** are still very busy, driving to both Vermont and Wyoming to visit family, and playing indoor tennis, as well as keeping up their monthly Sing-Alongs. No more flying, though. They live in the Buffalo area, so we can exchange ghastly snow stories galore this year. **Ethel Piness Abrams** has

ness of life, too. ♦ **Ruth Gold Goodman**, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; e-mail, bg11@cornell.edu.

As *Ruth Gold Goodman* mentioned above, *Russ Martin* is still recuperating from a fall at Christmastime. The following was submitted by Russ earlier in the year.—Ed.

Talk about memories! **Bernard Schuman** reminds me that during my sabbatical leave in Nigeria during the 1960s, my wife and I had dinner at their home in a suburb of Lagos. I do remember it. Thanks for reminding me of a very pleasant evening. After living for 15 years in Israel and West Africa and traveling to 40 countries and 49 states, they have enough memories to keep them talking to each other for many years. In 1937 and '38, Ben was a member of Nicky Bawlf's lacrosse team, playing with a defense who were affectionately known by the endearing title of "Muscle Heads." Ben apologized for his writing, having lost his vision ten years ago, and now reads and writes by using a closed circuit TV system which magnifies. No apologies needed, Ben.

Life is pretty full for **Al Foster**, PhD '46, and wife **Grace (Kuchler) '41**. Al celebrated his 90th birthday with friends and relatives from hither and yon. Grace grew up in New York State, and she and Al met at Cornell. The first time they got together was at a roller skating party, probably at the Old Armory. Grace fell, and old gallant Al walked her to the Infirmary to get her elbow X-rayed. The next day he gave her a most beautiful, hand-made elbow protector. That was the beginning. They were married in 1941. In addition to their children, Al and Grace have five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

**Lee Frair** retired in 1979 as superintendent of schools in Portville, NY, where he also served for 14 years with the county legislature. He is still active in community and church projects. Lee

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recovered from cardiac surgery and resumed a full schedule. She mourns the death of “Doddie” (**Mary Dodds Phillips**), as do we all, saying we were fortunate to have known and loved her. Piness is an avid observer of the world of politics and gamesmanship, and wonders what will have happened by the time you read this.

**Barbara Gay Ringholm** sends a joyous note: “Still in good shape (two artificial knees and one hip). Still in my log home, still acting as teacher in our one-room school when kids come on field trips, still square-dancing, still volunteering at local theater, still gardening, still spinning. I sound like a broken record! I sure do enjoy living.” We should nominate her for the “Inspiration of the Year.” Good for you, Barbara! And to all of you out there, may you all enjoy the rich-

made education his lifetime career: 35 years, 14 as a teacher and 21 in administrative work. Swimming a half-mile each day helps keep **Grant Stemmermann** in shape for his ten-hour days as a professor of pathology at the U. of Cincinnati. Grant's tentative retirement date is 2007, but if his papers on cancer research continue to be well received, he will probably renew his contract. Says he still enjoys working.

If you happen to be in England, stop in to see **Peter Kendzior** at 5 Highfield, Lymington, Hampshire SO41 9GB. He is still taking lodgers and recommends it as a way of keeping abreast of today's ideas and changes in society. To aid in his pursuit of knowledge he has a son in New York State and a daughter in California to keep him posted. He joins a host of other '39ers who dread



the thought of another war. **Bob**, MS '42, and **Ruth Phelps Latimer** '45, MS '46, had a busy season with graduations from coast to coast. First was a grandson graduating from the ILR school. Then came another grandson graduating from high school in California. They are enjoying their retirement in Mt. Dora, FL, and especially enjoyed the annual Cornell picnic in Florida.

And, finally, this happy story from **Arnold Allison**. During his undergraduate years, Arnold went steady with a Syracuse coed, but broke up with her in 1940. Soon after, he married his wife of 58 years. When she passed away two years ago, he received a note of condolence from his Syracuse friend. After a 62-year hiatus they are together again, "living in sin," but loving it.

*Tidbit:* Think twice before you speak, especially if you intend to say what you think. ♦ **Russ Martin**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-1103.

**40** It was 10 degrees below zero here this morning. Enough! Two sisters, **Elizabeth Muensch** De Velbiss from Berkeley, CA, and **Joanne Muensch** Droppers '53 from Arlington, VA, spent a week at Adult University (CAU). Elizabeth studied Understanding the Science of Everyday Things, and Joanne's was Living by Words. While there they had a special visit to the Cornell Plantations and the Botany Dept. Herbarium. They were shown a mounted plant specimen their father had collected and pressed. With the company of more of her family Elizabeth spent time in England for a few weeks. Her daughter Virginia and her two sons had arranged a house swap with the curate of St. Paul's Church. At home, Virginia is a part-time fourth grade teacher's aide.

**Janet Greenwood** Cooper is still a volunteer for senior activities in many helpful ways (Meals on Wheels, hospital work, blood drawings, and church work). She has five grandchildren who also occupy her time and energy. She lives in

## 'Frank Burgess had a new park named for him in Geneva, IL.'

CAROLYN EVANS FINNERAN '42

Burlington, VT. **John Weiner** (White Plains) is a very active fellow! He can beat his great-grandson, age 7, in tennis. Really, John, how long has the youngster been playing? I love tennis, too. He recently borrowed a pickup truck for a trip of 4,500 miles cross-country from Arizona to Maine. Back home he works to prevent homelessness in Westchester. He continues to write memories of World War II and has gotten to June 25, '41 so far. He has a busy life and we hope to see him in Ithaca in June 2005.

**James Trousdell**, MD '43, lives his retired life in Oyster Bay and summers in Townsend, VT. He stays close to his family of four children, many granddaughters, and one great-grandson.

**Willard Ossont** has been retired since 1976. He has good health and continues his interest in coin collecting. He is also the family historian and has nine generations of family pictures. He is a charter member of the Lions Club in New Hartford, near Utica. He and wife Lorraine celebrated 62 years of marriage recently. Has anyone else had such a long marriage? Write me! Much of Willard's time is spent on maintenance of their home and a camp on Canandaigua Lake. He and his wife have six great-grandchildren. Let me know if anyone has more than this.

♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; tel., (518) 632-5237.

**41** Christmas cards often bring us news of dear friends of college days. We may not be able to travel as much as we used to and visit each other, but the Christmas greetings keep our connections alive. **Marge Lee** Treadwell reports she and husband Don are both active. Although she had arthroscopic knee surgery earlier in the year, she is now back to tennis and golf. Marge has started reading with kindergartners, and her husband and she both lead book discussions. They have two homes, Naples, FL, in winter and Grosse Ile, MI, in summer.

**Betty Carpenter** Block still lives in Great Valley, NY, keeping busy at home with social activities in the Music Club and DAR. Luckily their two daughters live nearby for family celebrations. **Shirley Richards** Darmer explains their living pattern that includes renting a mobile home in Punta Gorda, FL, in the winter and spending 54 days at their Northville, NY, cottage with visits from family and friends in the other months. Shirley still volunteers in the senior orchestra, choir, and church activities, and also participates in a "Total Fitness Program" at the high school in Delmar, NY, where they live the rest of the year. **Mary Munson** Benson and husband Clarence have decided to give up traveling in their motor home, which they began doing 30 years ago. This

winter will find them in Lansing, NY, instead of in the South. They have children living nearby, and one son continues to run their large farm.

**Jane Webb Acton** has recovered nicely from a mild stroke and now drives around Kendal at Ithaca in her electric scooter. Jane's husband of 61 years, **Chuck**, died at Kendal on Jan. 27, '03 after a long illness. **Dot Talbert Wiggins**'s husband of 61-1/2 years, **Bob**, died at Kendal on Feb. 1, '03 of an acute stroke. Both men, class of '40, had enjoyed sports at Cornell and companionship at Kendal so many years later. ♦ **Dorothy Talbert Wiggins**, 358 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850-6504; tel., (607) 266-7629; e-mail, flower@localnet.com.

As I write, classmate news from the 2003 Dues mailing hasn't arrived yet, so here are some recollections from our past. Think of all the changes that recorded music has gone through and the many ways it has been played. In our freshman year, there was a very breakable 78 rpm single recording, then 45 rpm records with a one-inch hole in the center. Later, 33-1/3 rpm records played many songs on a single disc. Better methods of recording were invented. Cassette tapes were developed that played, at the start, up to 30 minutes on each of two sides. Now we have CDs that can play over an hour. Next?

Sports. Basketball games were played on the balcony end of Barton Hall, where there were bleachers on both sides of the court, as well as seats in the balcony. Later, higher bleachers were erected on the south side, and the court ran east to west. Barton was also where indoor track meets were held on a flat, 1/8-mile track. Sprints and hurdles had a 60-yard, diagonal straight-away inside the oval track. In the 1940s, the Indoor Heptagonals were the highlight of the indoor season. Prof. **Charles L. "Bull" Durham**, PhD 1899, dressed in tails and top hat, was the presiding official at these track meets and was respected by all.

In the last edition of the Hotel school news, **Bart Bartholomew** wrote a fine article on our most enjoyable Junior Weekend tradition between the end of first semester and the start of second semester. Nowadays, the first semester starts in late August and ends before the Christmas holidays. We add to the demise of the Junior Weekend that our popular Big Bands faded out.

In the November 1971 issue, Bart included excerpts from an Associated Press article about campus police. One officer, James Eisenberg, was an honorary '41 classmate at our 30th Reunion. Eisenberg was issued a weapon but never carried it. He also said he'd rather walk than be in a patrol car—he could use his experience as a boxing coach.

Sad news with a peaceful family ending. **Jack McNamara**'s six children gathered at his home to enjoy Christmas. A longtime nursing home patient, he was happy to see his children and passed away peacefully on Dec. 26, '02. Jack was a member of Kappa Alpha. A veteran of WWII, he served as a captain in the 13th Armored Division in Europe. Prior to retirement he was personnel director of Sloan Kettering in New York City. He was married to Eileen Kane, sister of former Cornell Athletic Director **Bob Kane** '34.

**Lou Conti** well remembers Spring Weekend. "I recall during that celebration that a guy came to class with a cup of milk punch taped to his wrist." **Swifty** (John W.) **Borhman** was our milk punch chef. As the years went by, that 40-qt. milk can at reunion got heavier and heavier! ♦ **Ralph Antell**, 7015 Carnation St., Apt. 408, Richmond, VA 23225.

**42** Pres. **Liz Schlamm** Eddy says it is very important to send pictures of yourself doing interesting things or attending Cornell events to make our '42 Web page interesting.



Liz's address: 420 E. 55th St., #6B, NYC 10022. Also, if you had an interesting entrepreneurial life, please let me know by e- or snail mail. Many in our class had successful careers the others are unaware of. It is a mark of pride in our class that we acknowledge those who engaged in starting a business or successfully running a company or enterprise. Please send me notice of any awards you have received also. Several examples can be found below.

Update from Web Chair **Lynn Timmerman** (Boynton Beach, FL): "Our Class of '42 website is online with lots of info and pictures, so tune in to the following: <http://Classof42.alumni.cornell.edu>." Lynn and Helen enjoyed a great cruise on the *Crystal Symphony*. They flew to Rome for sightseeing and then departed for Pompeii, Malta, Sicily, and Monaco; thence to Majorca and Barcelona and a 25-hour flight home. They'd do it all again. **Frank Burgess** (Batavia, IL), '42 basketball varsity captain, had a new park named for him in Geneva, IL, on the occasion of his 60th wedding anniversary. Founder of the Park District in '52, he served as an elected director for 27 years, the last 19 as president. He continues his membership in the Cornell Basketball Club and travels only to the hospital and doctor's appointments. Last year he ruptured his right Achilles tendon but has started driving again and is thinking of going back to golf. He keeps in touch with **Bill Webster** (Little Rock, AR) and enjoys ten grands and four great-grandsons.

**John Weikart '41** sent an interesting item about **Lee Hollowell** (Chem E), both of Hockessin, DE. Lee invented Corfam, an imitation leather product that DuPont advertised in 1965 as the "long-awaited breakthrough in shoe-making." Corfam mimicked nylon as a research success. Although 75 million pairs of shoes were sold by 1969, the company suffered losses. DuPont sold the rights to a buyer in Poland and gave the patents to Hollowell in 1971. Lee is proud of Corfam, which later helped Japan develop ultrasuede and the shoes he still wears, saying, "Just because it is dead now doesn't mean it won't have some kind of value in the future." The story is told in the recent 200-year history, "DuPont: From the Banks of the Brandywine to Miracles of Science." **Walter '43** and **Ruth Wiggins Kreidler** (Grand Junction, CO) traveled to Spain and Portugal. She is retired from teaching in New York State and from 22 years of managing a book store in Florida. Happy to be in Colorado, she volunteers at museums and enjoys high desert gardening, reading, puzzles, and hiking the Colorado River paths. **George** and **Barbara Crohurst Howell** (Oak Brook, IL) really enjoyed their Adult University (CAU) White Nights Baltic Cruise from Stockholm to Helsinki, St. Petersburg, Estonia, Latvia, and Copenhagen. **John**, MBA '48, and **Alice Sanderson Rivoire '41**, MS HE '48 (Ithaca) were also aboard. **Sally Rudolph Drachman** (Mamaroneck, NY) participated in the CAU Midterm Elections Seminar.

**Delano "Buck" Proctor**, DVM '42 (DRDL@inf.net; Lexington, KY) co-chaired the Vet college's '42 Class Reunion with Dr. **Larry**

**Leveson**. He teaches word processing at U. of Kentucky, and visited Little Cayman Island for scuba diving. He is proud of his six grands. The oldest has a 4.0 average, captains the football team, and was third in his weight class in the state wrestling meet. **Gerry Backus Berg** and husband Harold (Hbergberg@aol.com; Eden, NY) spend a lot of time in church activities and loved the 60th Reunion. All 24 members of their family spent a special Christmas at the Chau-tauqua Inst.

Sadly, deaths occur more frequently. **Joe Littleton** (Hammonsport, NY), director emeritus of Corning Inc., community leader, inventor (two patents), musician, gardener, and outdoorsman, passed away recently. At Cornell he was Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling champion and captain of the team, and in '79 was the first inductee in the wrestling category of the Corning-Painted Post Hall of Fame. A member of the French horn section of the Cornell Symphony Orchestra, he was president of the Corning Philharmonic Society and played in numerous community bands and the Sterling Brass Quintet and enjoyed playing on the *Keuka Maid* tour boat. He also served on numerous city boards, notably on the Keuka Watershed Improvement Cooperative, leading to his becoming the 2001 recipient of the Merton Plaisted Keuka Lake Watershed Award. He will be missed by all. We will also miss hotelier and musician **Frank Eldredge** (Auburn, NY), who played in the Cornell Band and Symphony Orchestra and attended our 60th Reunion.

The West Hartford, CT, Town Council dedicated the Starkel Road/Bishop's Corner bus stop to the late **Sholom Bloom**. Sholom was one of the founders of the Bishop's Corner Neighborhood Group and its first chairman. He was also first executive director of the Connecticut State Dept. of Aging, and founder of the Geriatric Center in Portland, as well as being a gerontologist and psychologist assisting in the care of the aged. On the State Comm. for End of Life Care, he saw it as one of the new frontiers in the service of aging. His widow Edythe is an honorary member of our class.

Thanks again to **Ken Hubbard**, BS Ag '48 (Ft. Myers, FL) for the delicious grapefruit and oranges. Looking forward to hearing from all of you ASAP. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 8815 46th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; tel., (253) 265-6618; e-mail, Ceefinn@Juno.com.

**43** See you at the Statler. Any day now. June 5 works for me. And a host of others. As we go to press—it's mid-February, mind you—signed up are more than 100 classmates (a few of them first-time reuners), 21 stay-tuned, and assorted spouses/companions/friends/relatives. Not to mention—comes with the territory—the occasional walker. In my case, the occasional ear trumpet.

"Can you believe it?" asks **Kent Lawson**, Oneonta, NY. "Here I am, writing you for the very first time. Wow!" "Wow!" yourself, Kent. More like: "For shame! Where ya been?" "Let's see," he continues, ignoring our snit, "where do

I begin? Perhaps with my Edux Program. Designed to overcome rampant hyper-rationalism, it turned out to evoke the best in people, making them greatly more aware, creative, helpful, and joyful. Favorable responses have echoed for several decades and prompted me to introduce the program on the Internet: distance learning with groups that might carry on Edux ad infinitum. Do I go on to tell you about my PhD in physics, or about being named distinguished professor, or an Outstanding Educator of America, or about my times at Rensselaer, Bennington, Princeton, Harvard, and Oneonta? Nah! I won't add to all that puffery, but instead I invite you to contact me at [lawsnk@oneonta.edu](mailto:lawsnk@oneonta.edu). Please do."

Another human heard from after decades of deafening silence, this from **Miriam "Posy" Freund** Hurewitz: "We have sold our Westport, CT, escape hatch and consolidated in New York City. In our 80s, we are still hale, still hearty, but find it easier to live in just one place. I still freelance for New York and Connecticut book and newsletter publishers. Jay, who is emeritus professor and former director of Columbia's Middle East Inst. (he taught one year at Cornell), is still busy conducting seminars and writing. Our two daughters and granddaughter are well and happy in their chosen occupations: Barbara at WHO in Geneva, Annie at EEC in NY, and Yael at ECF in Tel-Aviv." Acronyms? Alphabet soup?

**Pat Rider** Huber, Cape May, NJ, writes: "The Statler! '43 is getting some respect at last! See 'ya all there. Took a trip to Alaska last summer. Enjoyed every minute of it. Beautiful country with trees, wildlife, mountains, streams, lakes, and glaciers. Definitely the last frontier. If you haven't been, do make it your next trip." One-time 150-pound football fullback **Ted Zimmerman**, DVM '43, writes: "I look forward to our 60th and visiting with my Vet school classmates. Breast cancer took Elaine, my wife of 54 years; then I met—for the first time—**Sylvia Margolis Kaufman '41**, who not only helped end my mourning, but became my significant other."

**Barbara Prescott** Arnold, Hillsborough, CA: "Looking forward to Reunion. My sister, **Pat Prescott Hok '38**, is coming, too. Hope to see my Theta friends and roommates **Jean Hammersmith** Wright, **Peggy Clark** Salisbury '44, and **Anne Patterson** Cochrane." You'll regale us one more time, won't you, Barbara, with your rousing "Bad, Bad Leroy Brown"? **Lillian Kornblum** Sachs, Long Beach, CA: "Enjoyed a five-day visit with **Jean Lewinson** Guttman, who is a great friend, world traveler, and fellow cross-word enthusiast. Phone calls to **Bernie**, DVM '43, and **Muriel Blum Lipman** who, like Bernard and I, are less dedicated globe hoppers. The friendships we made at Cornell are worthy and enduring. Best to all who keep the connect-edness flourishing." Amen.

**Ellis DeGroff** writes: "I left Cornell in January 1942 to join the Army Air Force; served 3-1/2 years as fighter bomber pilot. Flew 79 missions starting on D-Day; was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and 15 Air Medals. Married the beautiful Freda Harris while stationed in Orlando in 1943. Returned in 1945 to



civilian life and a sales career with NCR. Took early retirement and started my own venture, sales and service of business machines. Sold it in 1993. Since retirement we've spent summers in the Blue Ridge Mountains and winters at Singer Island, FL."

**Bill McLaughlin**, Philadelphia, PA: "Patent #2002/0082120A1 was issued for my invention of an 'infra-red laser mechanism and method for locating lost golf balls.' I hope to live long enough to market the device which saves the golfer two strokes." Three years ago, constant readers may remember, **Dick Tynan**, Vista, CA, sent us a copy of patent #5,906,547 for a golf simulation system he designed. It combined television and computer technology to permit participants to play a realistic round from tee to green. In the sketch it appeared to be about the size of my sock drawer. Any chance, Bill, you can apply a dash of nanotechnology here?

From Glendale, CA, **Bob Dedlow** writes: "We were able, not that long ago, to visit with **Bill Candler '41**, BME '43, and his wife in their splendid retreat in Santa Fe, NM." (For those who weren't paying attention, Bill won the Moakley Award in '41.) "Our 50th Reunion was great. We're going to hang in there for this next one, where we hope to find many fellow survivors."

**Hugh Brown**, Savannah, GA: "I will not be coming to reunion this year; trip is too much. I'll miss the Inlet with **Jes Dall**, **Dave Belt**, MBA '50, et al., but my back won't let me row nowadays. We moved to The Landings, a golfing community with six courses, to a pleasant one-story frame house, screened porch, lots of sunshine, lots of sliding glass doors. Bought a pedalator; works fine—sit down and ride the bike. Wish you all a great turnout." We looked up "pedalator" on Google; found a crouched, straining biker pedalatoring his way through the Alps. Didn't look to us like no sit-down *jour à la plage*. ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.

**44** Looking out at seven inches of snow-covered ground I'm thinking spring—and of our former classmates. **Don Crandall**, BS Ag '47, of Medina, NY, writes of a farming family—grandparents, parents (father **Daniel 1915**), siblings, and himself. Three sons, however, have broken the tradition. **Cal DeGolyer**, BS Ag '43, and Bunny still live on the farm in Castile, NY, but give no unsolicited advice. "Thank God for family, friends, and good health." **Barbara Palmer Stewart**, MS HE '48, says they still have independent lives on the farm in Bath, NY, and enjoy a big garden. **Ruth Russell Shriver** and her husband operate a dairy farm in Westminster, MD, with "too much to do, what with an antiquated farmhouse, animals to feed, etc., while our friends are enjoying retirement, going to Florida, or actively pursuing some hobby."

Then there are those others not retired. **Ralph Benson**, JD '45, after 55 years, still practices law in Beverly Hills, CA, and **Margaret McCaffrey** Kappa superintends housekeeping at

Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island each summer. She reports the sale of Anderson House in Wabasha, MN, owned by her family for four generations. "New owners will keep Pennsylvania Dutch cooking and cats for guests who request same one they had last visit." Her sister wrote four cookbooks featuring more than a thousand recipes. Margaret is serving a third generation of Grand Hotel owners. **Marion Fear Moon** finally finished writing a book and a play, both started in 1961.

**Arthur Widmer**, BS Eng '47, spends his time mediating for the Better Business Bureau and organizing golf tournaments and smaller projects for the Lions Club he has been active in for 40 years. **William Bigham**, BS Ag '48, trustee of the Finger Lakes Community College in Canandaigua, NY, since 1979, was reappointed to a fourth term to expire in 2011. He believes community colleges are most important in our higher education system. **Robert Reidy** and Jean have lived in Somers, NY, for 46 years, raising a family and planning for and getting support for a town library. Jean has been a library trustee for 38 years. They were most successful. Bob has also been involved with veterans groups and oil painting as a hobby. **Madeleine King Short** of Cincinnati volunteers as a teacher of ESL and an "usher at theaters all over town." She visits a son with four grandchildren in Italy, other offspring in New Jersey and Cleveland. She claims Cincinnati is "a great place to live in spite of what you may read." **Wells** and **Sara Storm Shoemaker**, BS HE '43, after turning 80, decided to tackle renovation of a 1740 tavern near Gettysburg. Sara contributes to the landscaping; Wells consults on filtration. Work to be done includes roof, well, addition, partitions change, redecorating, tree removal, driveways, etc. They sold their home in Shippensburg and moved in to supervise the work.

Reports of surgeries roll in; many include a return to a golf course. **Addison Lincoln**, BS AE '47, recovered from a multiple bypass and was back playing the game. **William Kaegebein** had a number of surgeries, but plays golf twice a week and works on Habitat House construction projects—no more square dancing, though. **Robert F. Miller**, PhD '51, had successful surgery to correct a back problem and is back on the course and doing yard work. However, he stays near home to care for his wife Paula, who is quite ill. **Turner Wilson** of Wilmette, IL, writes, "After a hip joint replacement, a knee joint replacement, and a coronary bypass, I am still swinging strong, but the ball doesn't go as far as it once did!"

Travel we do—some more, some less. **Alan Lederman**, BA '48, wins the "most-traveled" title. He says they're either traveling or planning same. Last September they attended four Elderhostel programs in Canada; in January they visited the Seychelle Islands via Paris, spending a few weeks cruising and snorkeling, then settling on an island for a month. **Inez Johnston** Murdoch's home is Palm Desert, CA, but summers are spent at Mammoth Lakes, CA, with side trips to Oregon and Washington. **Herbert Eskwitt** thrives in the Berkshires, particularly

enjoying senior citizens' education programs, but spends February and March in Palm Desert. **George** and **Jean Zenner Kaelber** of Austin, TX, have said "Aloha" to Maui after 33 stays and "Hello" to Arizona in January and February. They have four grandchildren in college. **Joseph MEE '49**, and **Jean Neubecker Logue**, DVM '44, sold their winter home of 34 years on Crooked Island, Bahamas. They're looking forward to grandson **Patrick Logue's** receiving his EE degree from Cornell in June '03, as did Grandpa Joe in '44.

**Frederick "Ted" Watkins**, BCE '47, and Peg attended a granddaughter's wedding last June at the U. of Virginia chapel and visited with Ann and **Bill Brown**, BME '47, whose home is in Charlottesville. "We have dissolved the corporation and are looking forward to retirement." **Charley Weiss** of Norwich, CT, San Diego, CA, and Boca Raton, FL, was one of only 15 elected into the Norwich Academy Hall of Fame for the past century. He is in the Cornell Hall of Fame, Class of 1944, and in the Connecticut Hall of Fame for '38 and '39. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski Rundell**, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir. #4404, Sterling, VA 20165; tel., (703) 404-9494.

**45** New York City's Grand Hyatt Hotel (remember the Hotel Commodore on 42nd Street, connected to Grand Central?) was the scene of the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) on January 24-25. The '45 delegation included Class co-Presidents **Maxine Katz** Morse (New Castle, NH) and **Tod Knowles**, BS Chem E '47, MBA '49 (Annapolis, MD), Secretary **Ann Lynch** Pape, BS HE '44 (Garden City, NY), Reunion Co-Chair **Gloria Urban** (Maspeth, NY), Treasurer **Mort Eydenberg** (NYC), Minette Leister (Monroe Twp., NJ), and yours truly.

A few months ago my fellow inmate of Atlantic Shores Old Folks Home (aka retirement community) **Trevor Wright Jr. '43**, BA '42, who retired from a long career as a DuPont chemist, gave me his copy of the "Class of '43 Compendium of Memoirs." We thought that a similar project might be good for our class, as reported here in the Sep/Oct issue. After the Friday CACO meeting, Max, Tod, Ann, Mort, and I dined at the Cornell Club with Adele Durham Robinette, our faithful *Cornell Alumni Magazine* editor and niece of our own late lamented **Rod Dusenberre**, MD '47, as well as **S. Miller Harris** (Spinnerstown, PA) '43, class correspondent and editor of their book. We decided on a name, "The Class of '45 Reminisces," and to proceed with finding funds and including a preliminary request for assistance in the class mailing, which you should have received by now. Please respond!

After again observing the energy and drive of our co-President Maxine, it came as no surprise to learn that she will be one of the six recipients of the 2003 Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award, which will be presented at a banquet during Homecoming weekend. The awards recognize leadership in alumni activities and unique contributions by the recipient, not including financial contributions or



non-Cornell achievements and service. Max also showed up in Charlottesville, VA, last October for CAU's weekend seminar on the Wall of Separation between church and state, as did **William Berley**, BS Ag '48 (NYC). Bill must have detoured on his way home, as the following week he joined Dr. **Robert Harwick**, MD '47 (Wyncote, PA) and **Gloria Marti** (NYC), all captivated by a CAU session on Midterm Elections. Bill also tripped to London a year ago for CAU's week on London Theatre, along with **Marguerite O'Neill** Conan, BA '44 (Dewitt, NY) and **Caroline Rattelman** Esperson, BA '44 (East Falmouth, MA).

Max's fellow Granite Stater, our distinguished engineering dean **Edmund Cranch**, PhD '51, left Amherst, NH, to attend the NCAA semifinals hockey tournament in Worcester, MA, last year. Despite winning the first game and the cheering of Ed and Virginia, Cornell lost an exciting crucial one, 4-3, to U. of New Hampshire. That must have caused some mixed emotions, as Ed was formerly a distinguished Granite State professor. Since he has finally retired, he and Virginia were able to go visit their daughter for Christmas in Germany, followed by some sightseeing. **Ann Buchholz Alden** and husband **John** '43 (Delmar, NY) agree that "there's always more to learn" and enjoy Elderhostels rather than CAU. In 2001, following one in Tunisia, they had chosen to attend one more in Syria, Jordan, and Egypt. It was canceled, but they went to Egypt and Jordan anyway. A year ago another session took them to Iceland.

From Albuquerque, NM, where daughter Ramsey is a local artist, **Nancy Nixdorf** Rose reports improving her duplicate bridge by frequent playing, following her retirement from real estate sales. She also volunteers at the V.A. hospital and does some traveling, including visits to Laughlin, NV, San Diego, western Canada, and Connecticut to visit her other daughter, Nancy, who operates the Boxcar Cantina in Greenwich. Family interests also occupy **Henrietta Burgott** Gehshan, BS HE '44, widow of **Nicholas** '47, MS '48 (Southampton, PA); their daughter **Michele** '76, married a PhD from U. of Pennsylvania and lives in Bethesda, MD, while working with the National Conference of State Legislators in Washington, DC. Other daughter **Virginia** '74 is principal of a Philadelphia graphic arts design firm she started in 1985. Hank's grandson is a junior at Penn, where he's on the varsity golf squad. She has fun discussing the merits of the two old rivals, as well as checking on scores and outcomes, and says that, although her allegiances are divided, she still has the old Cornell spirit. Her spare time is occupied by fund-raising for scholarships, helping to prepare meals for shut-ins and the disabled, and as PR chair of the Pennsylvania Assn. of School Retirees. At the other end of Pennsylvania, **Elizabeth Lind** Everett (Pittsburgh) keeps busy with donating artwork to "Picatso," an organization that helps cats. When the cold sets in she sneaks south to Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, and participates in many Cornell activities.

Two of our class are members of the prestigious Hoover Medal Board of Award. The board meets annually to award the medal (named after President Herbert Hoover, who was also a mining engineer who performed humanitarian work after World War I) to an engineer for outstanding civic or humanitarian service. Since 1930, 60

the golf course. Of course, it's a 9-hole par three course.

**William** and Carol **Papsco** (Windsor, CA; capwilly@aol.com) live at their remote, aging Kirkwood ski lodge in the Sierras while their Windsor home is being remodeled. Bill reported, "When our food disposer failed recently, my old

## 'Jerry Finch stays healthy by eating junk food.'

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gold medals have been awarded. The board consists of 15 voting members and 15 alternate members appointed by five engineering societies: ASCE (civil), AIME (mining), AICHE (chemical), ASME (mechanical), and IEEE (electric and electronic). **Robert Olmsted** (Jackson Heights, NY) represents the American Society of Civil Engineers, and **Gerald Schiller**, B Chem E '44 (NYC) the American Inst. of Chemical Engineers. ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; e-mail, CescoVA@aol.com. Our class Home Page: <http://hometown.aol.com/CescoVA/CU1945.html>.

**46** **Sam Miller**, our class president, the man who pulled together a class fragmented by World War II, suffered a stroke last summer. He's showing improvement and I'm sure he and Pat would love hearing from old friends and classmates. Their address is 3100 Adams Way, Ambler, PA 19002-3753. **Harvey Simpson** (Old Westbury, NY) retired as vice chairman of NAB Construction of College Pt., NY. Since then, he was elected to fill his wife's former seat on the Old Westbury Board of Trustees. Eleanor was mayor for ten years and trustee for an additional 25 years. Harvey is proud to state, "Eleanor, in 1976, was the first woman elected mayor of a Long Island municipality."

**Paul**, BS '45, and **Louise van Nederyn** **Atteridge** '48 (Granby, CO; platter@rkytmnhi.com) returned from a month-long drive to a reunion near Omaha, then on to the Houston area and their twin daughters by way of North Dakota. There they followed the Lewis and Clark Trail. They expect to see **John**, PhD '49, and **Martha Parce Fraser**, MS '48, shortly and hope to reestablish contact with **Chet Knowles**, BS '45.

**Paul Levine**, BS AE '49 (San Carlos, CA; pblevine@juno.com) has added another monthly deadline as correspondent for the San Mateo/Redwood City Contract Bridge Unit to the ACBL Western Conference. Paul also had an article published, including his and Lois's photo, in ACBL's international "Bridge Bulletin" for September 2002. The gist of "Grandpa Returns to the Bridge Tables" is how Lois and Paul gave up playing bridge together to save their marriage 49 years ago, and what's happened since his return some four years ago. Incidentally, Paul is now shooting less than his 48-year-old son's age on

body was flexible enough to twist and bend to install it beneath the kitchen sink. We had a good summer visiting Scotland, England, and the Loire Valley. I was told Scottish and English food is boiled to operating room sterility. No longer. I'll return for another taste of the lamb shanks. Our English friend's home was built in the 1300s. Even I had to duck through the doors. Their church, even older, was built around a watchtower in the 1100s. We still spend four to five months a year at our place in Maui. I hope any of you that visit Maui will call to redeem your free Mai Tai at our home."

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Thanks for remembering me while I was in the hospital with my stroke. I'm going three times a week for PT and speech therapy. Here are some gleanings from our Christmas and Get Well cards: **Charlotte Cooper** Gill (Hurley, NY) wrote to say husband Jack joined the gang with an 80th birthday. He had been on the town board for 25 years, so they had a retirement party for him. Also from my AOPi sisters, **Ann McGloin Stevens** and **Orrie**, JD '48 (Wyndmoor, PA) wrote that their oldest grandson starts college in the fall. "Guess we are past middle life."

**Bill** and **Nancy Augier** Beveridge (Staten Island) are busy watching the grandchildren (four grandsons and two granddaughters) play sports—basketball, swimming, cross country, gymnastics, soccer, and karate. Three are college students at SUNY Oneonta, U. of Delaware, and SUNY New Paltz; the youngest is 6 years old. Nancy and Bill managed a Caribbean cruise in the spring between going to sporting events.

News received from the Alumni Office: **Dorothy Sells** Miller, BA '45 (Floral Park, NY) wrote that two of her grandchildren joined the Cornell family: **Miriam Post** '99, Arts and Sciences, and **Arielle Kurzweil** '05, Human Ecology. **June Cronig** Kapell (summer Vineyard Haven, MA) wrote, "We had our seventh Cornell on the Vineyard last summer with 40-50 in attendance. Entertainment by the Hangovers." If you're planning to be in the vicinity the first or



second Tuesday in August, call her.

**Hilda Spodheim** Debacker, BA '45 (Charleston, SC) lost husband Rene in March 1997; she retired in 1990 from the Medical U. of South Carolina as professor emeritus. Hilda divides her time between her house in town and her place in Folly Beach, 30 minutes away. "I keep in touch by e-mail with classmates **Irene Roth** Pipes and **Ruth Marcus** Gussen and would love to hear from more."

At Christmas Anne and **Jerry Finch**, BME '48 (Bluffton, SC) wrote. Anne is delighted to be related to my husband; they are both into genealogy and discovered the link at our last reunion. She also gave us an "organ recital" (health). Anne has a pacemaker, but Jerry stays healthy by eating junk food. He is active in a bike club, wood working, volunteer safety patrol, and computer club. They belong to a Civil War Round Table. ♦ **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607; tel., (610) 777-4938.

**47** Your Dynamic Duo is back! Arlie thinks she can think, but knows she needs Pete to do the work.

Last month our space was limited, so we gave a brief report on our Class of 1947 Tradition Fellowship. The fellowship, which enables five outstanding students to study at Cornell, was established in 1995 for our 50th Reunion class gift. In December 2002 its book value was \$261,000 and growing through your generosity and support. Our 55th Reunion class gift went to the Tradition Fellowship also. Here are the requirements applicants must meet to qualify for our Tradition scholarship: need financial assistance, maintain a high scholastic average, do community service, and demonstrate leadership skills. Here are their reports:

**Justin Gatwood**, senior, Arts and Sciences, Economics major: "Your support of this program makes it possible for students like me to enjoy the rich academic environment and the excellent opportunities for which this university is so well known." Justin is a captain of the varsity golf team, serves as the team's representative for the Student-Athletic Advisory Council, served as supervisor for the intramural sports program, and is an ambassador for the College of Arts and Sciences. At home he volunteers at

the Medical College of Ohio. At school he joined the Helping Hands program, which offers assistance to emeritus professors when the time comes to prepare for the winter months.

**Katrina del Pilar '05**, College of Human Ecology, studying Human Development: "Your generosity has allowed me to attend Cornell without concentrating exclusively on the financial implications of attending this incredible institution. This allows me to concentrate more on academics and other campus activities." In her freshman year Katrina was a Resident Hall rep and became vice president of the hall council. This year she is a resident advisor and works as a receptionist at the Dean of Students Office. She hosts prospective freshmen through the Red Carpet Society and shows future Cornellians what she loves most about Cornell. For community service she helps at the Greater Ithaca Activities Center teaching kids cultural harmony.

**Paloma Loya '05**, Industrial and Labor Relations: "Your kindness, generosity, and support of students like me through the Cornell Tradition program is greatly appreciated. Without you, many young minds would be left unchallenged and countless dreams would be left unfulfilled." Paloma has a part-time job at the college. She is a host for prospective students and is active in the Minorities in the ILR Student Organization. During winter break she volunteered as a teacher's aid at a parochial elementary school. Her hobbies include dancing and she is a member of Sabor Latino, a Latin dance ensemble.

**John Tauzel**, senior, Ag college: "Thank you for your continued support of the Cornell Tradition Program. As a four-year Tradition Fellow I am extremely grateful to the program for having so enriched my Cornell experience." John rows in the men's lightweight crew, is a student assistant in the CALS Public Affairs office, serves as an alumni liaison for CALS Agriculture Ambassadors, and is involved in a new campus organization called "Bread for the World." This nationwide organization initiates letter-writing campaigns to lawmakers in support of legislation actions against hunger. He concludes, "The most important lesson I have learned in my four years at Cornell is that with the right attitude any goal can be accomplished."

**Christopher DelGiorno**, a senior in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations, volunteers for Habitat for Humanity, tutors in the Cornell Intensive English Program, and substitutes as a teaching assistant at BOCES. He enjoys rugby, wrestling, water sports, jazz trumpet, and politics. He plans to attend law school.

**Lauraine Serra Warfield**, BS HE '46, and husband **George**, PhD '50, celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary and had a family reunion of 12 in a British Trust Monastery near Tivoli (20 minutes outside Rome by train). She writes, "Was all set to come to the big reunion when a stress test showed a heart problem. In April I had a quad bypass. Four months later I can do most of the things I've done in the past except pull the giant weeds in the flowerbeds. All this down time has enabled me to work on one of the many quilts I have in progress. George still plans all our trips, helps on the sheep farm, and does volunteer jobs like Meals on Wheels, Hospice, etc. We feel we have a good life. **Enid Levine** Alpern keeps me informed of the activities on the Hill." Arlie remembers Lauraine from Curtis High School on Staten Island and wonders how a New York City girl ends up on a sheep farm in Vermont.

We've heard from **Kit Kennedy** Brinkman. She and her husband have two children, and four granddaughters, with another expected in March. Kit keeps in touch with **Carl** and **Connie Foley Ferris**. **Teddy Liebman** Marten, BS HE '46, reports, "A few years ago **Ruth Barrow** Resnick joined a bridge group I was in and we discovered we were both in the Class of '47. We see each other often and share some pleasant memories of our Cornell years." Teddy and her husband have two children. Their daughter is a counselor in a women's center for victims of domestic violence, and their son is the 100th president of the Bar Assn. of Nassau County.

I am recovering slowly and intend to heal completely. So many people have been kind and I am very appreciative. I particularly thank Pete! Send news! ♦ **Arlie Williamson** Anderson, 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610-1329, e-mail, arlie47@aol.com; (assisted by **Peter D. Schwarz**, pschwarz@rochester.rr.com); Class Web page, [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1947/](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1947/).

**48** **James H. Smith**, Sacramento, CA: "I'm still executive director of Western Journalism Center, little time for much else except 'lotsa' reading. Began restoring as an Internet news site the 'Oldest Daily West of the Mississippi,' the *Sacramento Union*, which closed down in 1994 (may have to have a private stock issue to finance the 'Sacramento Union On-line'). My FBI son is working against terrorism. My FBI daughter-in-law is helping to catalog and store evidence from the conflict in Afghanistan. About to take a trip to Italy with wife Audrey to attend the marriage of her daughter. Had lunch with **Bill Gibson**. He and I are helping **Bill Copeland** plan our 55th Reunion, June 5-8. World's problem is possible destruction of Western Civilization or all mankind. Requires diligent attention to elimination of terrorism and tyrants who

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would destroy their fellow man."

**Claire Girard** Peterson, Sunnyvale, CA: "Husband deceased. Retired five years. Living on pension and Social Security. Travel when and where I can afford; lunch with friends." **Girard Haviland**, New Brunswick, ME: "Moved from Naples, ME, where I was active in many civic and environmental organizations, to retirement living in Brunswick. Meaning of life is love!" **John Haughwout**, Pittsburgh, PA: "Day job is painting watercolors. After hours I play violin (not on my head anymore). Traveled to southern Europe for a watercolor workshop. Recently moved to condo. My problem is to avoid sodium. Wife Cecilia helps a lot. World's problem is how to live ecumenically. Solution? I'm getting old. Time to worship God and enjoy life." **Ham Miller**, Longview, TX: "Cutting out and painting small cars for children in the women's center and in our two hospitals."

**Bill Gibson**, Danville, CA: "Retired from IBM; working on 'Honey-Do list.' Taking classes at local Junior College and trying to keep up with questions from Number 3 grandson, who is an engineering student at UC Davis. Visited granddaughter at UC Santa Cruz and reunited with Southern California friends in Las Vegas. Plan to attend 55th Reunion and have fun! Number 2 grandson, Michael Samuels, graduated *cum laude* from San Diego State." **Ray and Peg Wilharm Tuttle**, Hilton Head Island, SC: "Just returned from a 22-day WW II Pacific cruise from Honolulu to Midway, Majuro, Guadalcanal, Guam, Saipan, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Hiroshima, and Osaka, Japan. Ray was in the occupation forces there. 'Twas a long flight home. Hope we can come back for the 55th."

**John Kent**, Yardley, PA: "Dedi, my wife of 45 years, passed away Sept. 5, '02 from acute leukemia. I hope to be at our 55th Reunion." **John Agathon**, Charlotte, NC: "Present job is avoiding 'Honey-Dos,' playing golf and tennis, and enjoying four children, their families, and our friends. I'm a business partner in an outsourcing management consulting firm, and I operate my own 'Covenant Consulting Group LLC.' We plan careers and do job searches. A year ago I was trying to decide what retirement was and found out it included volunteer work with 'SCORE,' Small Business Administration/Government. I volunteer assisting clients at area job-seekers workshops. Celebrated 49th wedding anniversary on Sept. 8, '02. My idea of a noble death is getting shot at age 88 by a jealous husband, but I need help training for this event."

**Prentice Troup**, Wolfsboro, NH: "Still searching for the perfect martini and sweating out the stock market since moving here from North Carolina. Would rather be shooting in the low 80s again. Celebrated 50th at Outer Banks with entire family (15) and plan to stay alive and out of trouble and moving the 'old bod.'" **John Van Zandt**, Winston-Salem, NC: "Retired from New Jersey Dept. of Agriculture in 1990. Presently practice getting to bed early enough so I can get up each morning. Elderhosteled to Georgia in January. Volunteer helping kids at inner-city elementary school. We married in 1946—can't believe Martha B. kept me this long.

Keeping peace is world's most pressing problem. Solution: God, family, patriotism."

**Shirley Dusingberre** Durham, Rochester, NY: "I'm an author, artist/illustrator and found a publisher for my book, *Mr. Ryder's Trophy!* Busy with book signings and radio interviews (would rather be attending Ryder Cup match in UK). There are some scenes of Cornell that have amused some of my fans, so buy the book. My foremost problem is my golf swing. The world's problem is its entropic destiny. The only solution is the one explained in *Mr. Ryder's Trophy*. Life: reciprocal maintenance of the universe." (Ed. note: The above Shirley is not completely Cornell '48. She started as Smith '48 and is the mother of my boss, Adele Durham Robinette, class notes editor and business manager for this publication. You can bet I am going to buy the book! Also, only a girl from Northampton would ever coin the phrase 'entropic destiny' to describe where the world is headed. It's way over our Cornell heads.)

**Richard Rundell**, Hudson, OH: "I'm on City of Hudson Planning Commission; otherwise retired. Mary Lou and I had a great reunion with four children and their families at Carolina Beach, NC, last June." **Constantine "Custer" Rockas**, Winchester, MA: "Big problem: war with Iraq; don't know solution. Last year enjoyed visiting daughter Diane Leary in Fairfax Station, VA, and more recently spent two weeks at Ocean City, MD. Right now, would rather be driving cross-country. My present activity is getting wife Thelma healthy again since she fractured her hip. Solution is time and plenty of physical activities. Meaning of life is good health, good family relationships, and living life to its fullest one day at a time." **John Lillich**, West Lafayette, IN: "Professor emeritus, Purdue. Do arbitration in AAA cases and mediation in teacher union/school board cases and in farm debt cases. Plan to continue working on conflict resolution problems in our community. We have to work with our allies to solve this Iraq problem." ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; tel. and fax, (516) 767-1776.

**49** Congratulations and welcome back to **Jeffrey Lehman '77**, Cornell's new president. Our classmate **Leonard Lehman** writes: "At the time of our 50th Reunion, my spouse Imogene and I were well into our retirements from our respective law practices. Since then we have been indulging in many travels, domestically and abroad, that we were never able to do together during our working years (in earlier years raising five children also seemed to take some time). This past December we had a rare treat. We were able to visit Cornell to join our grandson **Jacob Lehman '06** at the luncheon where our son Jeff accepted his appointment as the 11th President of Cornell University. 'Nuff said . . ."

**John Darley** has written a book about his life and says that he has been told by people he respects (and even some he doesn't) that it is pretty darn good. It has a lot of genealogy and pictures! **Marty Pancoast** Grafton is working on a book sequel telling the fascinating and hope-

fully meaningful and inspiring story of women's community service accomplishments in Miami-Dade County. Marty is president of Herstory of Florida. (I promised not to mention the F state in this column, but just couldn't keep it!)

On the move: **Helen Osborne Jenkins and Jerry '51** will move into a brand new retirement home soon; **William Craver**, MD '52, now at 123 Ferris Hills, Canandaigua, NY; **Jean Mac Collom** Morris to Ormond Beach, FL (PO Box 1597); **Sandra Gassman** Wright moved to NYC over five years ago, works for Bergdorf Goodman, and loves city life; and **Dorothy Mulhofer** Solow is living on the outskirts of Utica in New Hartford, NY, with her daughter, who is a general surgeon. She's glad to be close to Cornell for the continuous reunions, and has visited **Renee Shaw** Carpenter, her former roommate, in Bethesda, MD.

A couple of 50-plus anniversaries are **Robert and Georgia "Betsy" Ganson Engelbert '47**, and **Dick and Estelle "Jan" Palezny Callaghan**. Dick is busy as ever mediating and arbitrating engineering and construction-related disputes. Jan often cares for three of their ten grandchildren and they travel to see the rest.

Any more Sigma Chi reunions since 2001? Twenty-eight from '43-53 attended. "The first time we had seen each other in 50 years," writes **Jan Rus**. **Joe Van Poppelen** did the ground work. Other '49ers there were **Neil James** and **Phil O'Rourke**.

Not everyone is retired. **William Feinberg** still practices law, writes for outdoor publications, and sits on several nonprofit boards. It's his 36th year of interviewing and 38th year of fund-raising for Cornell. His two sons, plus about 20 others in his family, are Cornellians! A record? Number one hobby is fishing with wife Joan, who must be very adept at the sport. He gets asked, "Are you the man whose wife caught that big fish?" **S. Alan Stewart** is semi-retired, solving problems of all types and playing tennis. He really "appreciates the contribution a Cornell education has made to enjoyment of work and life." **Elaine "Toby" Tobkin** Pelavin and husband Al are consultants. Al is a lawyer and Toby teaches at Stanford. She says fortune has really smiled upon them! Then there is **Vladimir Kenn**, who after a ten-year retirement from the aerospace industry is considering going back to work! And I quote, "I've been contacted by the following to serve as their CEO: Enron, Andersen, WorldCom, Tyco, and Adelpia. Also gotten calls from Martha Stewart, but my wife hangs up on her." HO-HO-HO!

Among our many retirees are: **Donald Webster**, DVM '49, a former veterinarian; **Bud Siverson**, busy with neighborhood activities, including beautifying a local park; **John Cornelius**, enjoying reading, travel, and consulting after 50 years with State Farm Ins. Co.; and **Howard Lemelson**, retired but consulting with his old firm in marketing and administration. He saw **Irwin Sitkin '52** and his wife in Florida and attended an art exhibit on Staten Island where **Philip Steinman '50** exhibited one of his works. **Jack Sheinkman**, JD '52, retired from his union and its bank after 49 years.



**Tom Baldwin** is chairman of the board for Reliable Contracting Co. Inc. in Millersville, MD, after 50 years of working to make it the county's largest highway and site work construction company. Upon the election of his son Jay as president, Tom said, "This is a tremendous step for the company; fewer than 12 percent of family-owned companies nationwide achieve third-generation leadership."

A quick resume from **Bert Singleton**: "Drafted from Cornell Grad School (Chem) into US Army Chem. Corps in '53, joined Merck and Co. in '55, married **Diane (Danziger) '53**, worked in Argentina and Brazil starting up pharmaceutical plants, returned to Rahway, NJ, and retired in 1990. Activities: tennis, piano, travel, and local rescue squad." **Richard Schreiber** is mighty proud of his son, who was art director for the opening ceremonies at the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake. He couldn't attend but did get a "goodie pack"—fleece jacket, flashlight, and hand-warming packet. **Martin** and **Roberta Horowitz Greenfield** attended the Wall of Separation seminar last October in Charlottesville, VA.

Enjoying life: **Louise Newberg** Sugarman and Robert continue to travel and winter on Marco Island, FL. "We call it a big Elderhostel or Senior Camp, attending lectures, seminars, concerts, and continuing ed courses." **Helen Hoffman** Casey travels, volunteers, and loves being with her family and two cats. **Bette McGrew** Benedict produces, publicizes, and often acts in local theater. She was Miss Prism in Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, which she thinks is probably the funniest comedy ever. "I'm a happy Cornellian and looking forward to our 55th."

I had a nice chat with **Doug Thropp** on the phone. Did you cruise the Caribbean, Doug? I did last December—snorkled in rough, running seas (glug) and parasailed in a wicked wind with rain drops a-falling. Oh, my! So have you had any firsts—new adventures—learned any fascinating facts that you can remember? ♦ **Mary Heisler** Allison, 1812 Puerto Bello Dr., Lady Lake, FL 32159; tel., (352) 259-0203.

**50** I write this in very cold East Coast weather, realizing that you will read it on a warm spring day in May. I have just returned from New York City and the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting, with 600 Cornellians in attendance. We had a productive '50 class meeting with our President **Cooly Williams**, MD '54, Vice Presidents **Stan Rodwin** and **Jo Kessel** Buyske, and yours truly, **Midge**. Joining us were **Marion Steinmann** and **John Marcham**. We gave class officer status to both visitors. Marion will search for the almost 180 lost classmates listed on our website. If you have any information, call or e-mail us. John will head up communications in preparation for Reunion 2005. We are particularly pleased that Stan and Jo will again be reunion chairs. In addition, Stan's son Brian has agreed again to help with reunion. Plan now to be in Ithaca in early June 2005. **Bruce Davis**, MBA '52, has

been asked to bring our directory up to date for reunion as well.

On Saturday evening, Jan. 25, about 20 of our class met in the cozy library of the Cornell Club for dinner. All of the above mentioned classmates were there except for John Marcham, who had to hurry back to Ithaca. Two new folks came who have not attended before, **Alex Richardson** (Livingston, NJ), who, you recall, set up the EZ-Pass system on the East Coast, and Dr. **Richard Silver**, MD '53 (NY), who is head of the leukemia department at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. **Jules '45**, DVM '46, and **Mary Holcomb Haberman** came from Arizona. We couldn't imagine leaving Arizona for frigid NYC. We have devoted classmates! Then we learned they are planning to move to Maine, having purchased land near Portland.

We were sad to learn that Bruce Davis lost his wife to cancer last year. Seeing him in person gave us a chance to express our sympathy. Others present were **Bob** and **Jane Post** (Mantoloking, NJ), **Pat Fritz** Bowers, newly retired, **Dave** and **Susan Dingle**, all of NYC, and **Bob Fite** (Cape May, NJ). In other news, **Bill Atkinson** (Weston, MA), tells us he has a website, [www.atkinsoph.com](http://www.atkinsoph.com), with info on rowing (how it really works), mountaineering, American Alpine Club, and engineering software downloads. Check it out. He made two trips to France to walk the footsteps of his parents, who were there in 1918-19 during World War I. Both parents, **Kerr Atkinson '12** and **Elsie (Church) '18**, were children of former Cornell professors, also Cornellians. Bill has a long Cornell history. **Allen Strack** (Saratoga Springs, NY) writes that he has survived a "medical year," with surgeries for knee, cataract, aneurysm, and prostate. He has been looking forward to a fantastic 2003, and he is enjoying his new house, some golf ability, and a great life. We're pleased he is so upbeat.

Great news from **Polly Armstrong** Shedd, now Polly Armstrong Sherk. She was married on Sept. 21, '02 in Kauai, HI, to the Rev. Grant Sherk. It is the third marriage for both of them. "Our family has grown to 13 children, 26 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild, and we are living happily in a lovely retirement community in Palm Beach Gardens, FL. My husband is a retired Episcopal priest who still assists at services nearby." **Thomas Bryant**, JD '53 (Bend, OR) retired in January 2002 after 30 years as a general practitioner in law. He had 19 previous years on Wall Street and as a US attorney in Washington, DC, during the Watergate year 1972. He and his wife have completed a Cornell cruise in Europe and a 7,500-mile cross-country motor home tour through 25 states and DC.

**Dottie Patterson** Dodds (Willsboro, NY) surprised us all by taking a round-the-world cruise Semester at Sea in the spring of 2001. She audited classes with U. of Pittsburgh students, some on land and some as "floaters." She felt privileged to be one of the 25 adults among about 650 students. **Howard Heinsius** (Shrewsbury, NJ), is among those still working, but he has moved his office as executive VP of P & B Advertising into his new townhouse and only commutes to NYC once or twice a week. Yes, he

is still singing and trying to play golf. He has his third great-grandchild and wonders if any in the class can match him. Let us know. Our sympathy goes to **Art Brundage**, still living in Alaska, who informed us that he lost his wife Helen in May 2001. Art is retired as a professor of Animal Science at the U. of Alaska, Fairbanks. ♦ **Ruth "Midge" Downey** Kreitz, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; e-mail, [rdk12@cornell.edu](mailto:rdk12@cornell.edu); **Paul H. Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA 50131; e-mail, [phj4@cornell.edu](mailto:phj4@cornell.edu).

**51** New Class Council members added in 2002: **Dick**, MS '55, and **Joan Koelsch Ehni**, Washington, DC; **Bill** (Truman W.) **Eustis III**, Riverside, CT; **Joan Ruby Hanpeter**, Franklin, MI; **Sheldon Kimmelman**, Dallas, TX; **Joan Singer** Rosner, BA '50, New York; **Keith Seegmiller**, Sacramento, CA; **Trev** (Guy T.) **Warfield III**, Baltimore, MD; and **Barbara Burke** Whitman, Lebanon, NH.

Our 50th Reunion, in addition to leaving us with loads of fond memories, also left behind an unexpected bonus: a fund balance of \$15,000. A surprising sum, and for this we must thank our diligent reunion co-chairs, **Bob Matyas**, BArch '52, and **Peg Healy** McNulty, and their many talented committee workers, who managed to wine, dine, and entertain us so royally on a shoe-string budget.

What to do with this windfall? First, the '51 Class Council members decided to set aside \$5,000 as seed money for our next reunion in June 2006 (save the date!). As for the remaining \$10,000, rather than trying to refund \$23 apiece to all 440 reuners, Council decided to scout the possibilities of a tangible gift to the university. An Ad Hoc Committee (**Bob Matyas**, **Jack Ostrom**, and **Jane Haskins** Marcham) looked, among other places, at the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, where our Class of 1951 Contemporary Print Collection has been much appreciated. As it happened, the museum was in the process of raising \$17,000 to buy an unusual portfolio of etchings and poetry, and our \$10,000 gift would be welcomed with open arms. It seemed appropriate for our class, too, since the artists and writers had assembled the portfolio in the 1950s—a project said to have been inspired by Dylan Thomas. Council agreed.

Museum Director Frank Robinson wrote the following to us: "I can't tell you how excited we are by your gift. This portfolio is simply superb; the 21 prints are by some of the most important post-war artists of Europe and America, and they are paired with poems by equally important writers of the time. It is a fascinating, and rare, example of a synthesis of the arts . . . Bless you all, and the Class of '51, for keeping on with your Class Print Collection and with helping this wonderful museum; generation after generation of Cornell students will be delighted by it and learn from it."

Nancy Green, senior curator at the Johnson, said five examples from the portfolio were on display during the "Visually Speaking" show in 2002, and another sampling will be displayed among "Recent Acquisitions" in the summer of



2003 (June 21-August 3). The portfolio also is being used by students in writing, English literature, and contemporary art classes.

Since retiring six years ago from the NY State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities as a research scientist, **Stephen Cohen**, PhD '56, has embarked on a second career composing classical music. As a chemical engineer with a doctorate in physical chemistry, Cohen conducted fundamental research in biochemistry and physiology. Now he has CDs of his piano music and of a concert of some of his music for piano, voice, unaccompanied flute, and unaccompanied cello. The performers are mostly professionals (seven of ten in the concert).

**Walt Dean**, aging gracefully in Marietta, GA, writes that he is still a consultant with Prudential Georgia Realty and volunteers in church outreach to the homeless and those with HIV. **Arthur Johanson** reports in from Shalimar, FL. **Theodora "Toddy" Frizzell Frick**, who does part-time nursing in Charlotte, NC, and husband Thomas celebrated 20 years of marriage last year. Her daughter Pat Duncan married Dr. Peter Raven, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden, at the Japanese Garden in June 2001.

**Helen "Susy" Brown Entenman**, Fort Myers, FL, volunteers at the downtown Fort Myers Library two days a week. She reports lunch with **Don Sutherland '49** and his wife and brother. Sutherland was the April speaker at the Southwest Florida Cornell Club in Naples. She describes his underwater photographs as fabulous and recommends viewing them on his website, donsutherland.com. [We agree.] **Sue Pickwick Ray**, La Canada, CA, visited Cornell friends in Chappaquiddick last Fall. Her year started with a trip to Hawaii (a week in a time-share on Kauai) with her daughter's family from England. Son Peter minds the house and dog and restores his '69 Ford F100 in the garage while she's gone. She is still involved in fiscal work with a school for handicapped toddlers and infants and a counseling center.

**Art Bingham**, West Tisbury, MA, and several other Cornellians have all been serving on the Admissions Committee at Harvard, i.e., the Harvard Inst. for Learning in Retirement. **Marty Palmer Leape**, **Jerry Silver '47**, **Bernice Broyde '61**, **MS '63**, and **Elliott Stone '53** are the others involved in HILR. **Nancy Carver Shene** writes from Morrisonville, NY, that she enjoyed sharing 2001's reunion with pals **Marian Roberts Woodhead**, Lake Jackson, TX, and **Elisabeth Macaraeg Heine**, Sonoma, CA. She continues to read on the radio for the visually handicapped, writes scripts for the RSVP players, and is on the local Democratic Committee. A skit on elder abuse won a NY State award.

I am sorry to report that **Bar Dee Stirland Bond** died of pancreatic cancer on March 3. Please send your news to ♦ **Brad Bond**, 101 Hillside Way, Marietta, OH 45750; tel., (740) 374-6715; e-mail, bbond@ee.net. The Class of '51 Web page, courtesy of **Barry Nolin**, BME '53, is [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1951.html](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1951.html).

**52** What a splendid surprise on a gray February Sunday to find, laughing out at me from the *New York Times* wedding announcements, a classmate. **Stephen Michelman**, television and film actor, widower and retired lawyer, married Margaret Simon Scott on February 8 at First Presbyterian Church in New York. Joy to them both.

First the mail bag, then news from the class meeting in January. **Jack Carpenter** is a semi-retired CPA in Ithaca. He's also our class treasurer and baritone horn player in the Ithaca Concert Band. His daughter, Cathy Pace, is registrar for the School of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions at Cornell. **John Gordon**, Reston, VA, announced the Apr. 21, '02 birth of grandson Ralph Henry. **Donald Henn**, Huntington, NY, had a fifth grandchild, a boy, born March 2002. In February, he had cruised in the Lesser Antilles with **Robert '53** and **Gloria Maloney**.

**Joan Schoof Hoffman**, Bogart, GA, sent sad news. Her husband **Paul**, DVM '53, died New Year's Eve 2002. She says, "This year has been a learning experience. Muddling my way through it fairly well." She was hoping to travel and had worked on a campaign to elect a superior court judge. She says, "Fun, hard work, and enlightening enough that I probably won't ever get involved again." **Fred Howell**, listed as "lost" in the directory, lives with wife Susan in Merritt Island, FL. He has two sons far from there and two grandchildren. He had traveled to Scotland, Paris, and Amsterdam, and hoped to get to China this spring. He's "sort of retired, but in business with **Jeff Mahlstedt '56**, designing and building solar-powered fans and other hi/lo tech devices." Apart from that, he loves to travel Florida and occasionally swings north.

**Herb McCarter**, also in Florida, had a family reunion in Cocoa Beach in November. Last summer he traveled the Pennsylvania-New York area with an Ohio sojourn for the annual AWS pig roast. His leisure activities are tennis and ballroom dance. He lists USABDA, so I suspect

lap swimming. He was in New Zealand 29 days in the fall of 2001 and spent summer 2002 closer to home at Myrtle Beach, and in the Charleston area. **MaryAnne Cranston** Sovocool lives in LeRoy. She enjoyed reunion and, like many of us, can't believe it's been 50 years since we were students. Her grandchildren, **Lewis** and **Kristin**, are fourth-generation Cornellians. Their fathers, **Wayne** and **John**, are identical twins from the Class of '78. MaryAnne asks, "How do our kids get older and we don't?" Anyone out there know the answer?

**Carolyn Ross** Taylor and husband J. David live in a private lake community in Athens, NY. "Not a retirement community," says she. They have families of all ages who visit in the summer. Spring, winter, and fall the Taylors travel. Their leisure activities include water sports, music, theater, bridge, book club, and dining with friends. David works with literacy volunteers and delivers Meals on Wheels. Carolyn is active with the Kappa Delta alumni group. **Pierre Tonachel**, who exhibited at our reunion, writes that "over 100 visitors viewed (and a few purchased) my recent landscape paintings at the 195 Chrystie Street Open Studio Show in November. . . a promising revival of a painting career that started at Cornell in 1948. Among the visitors was **Harley Frank**."

Some of the latest news came in a self-mailer with an open-ended request for news. I'd like to know what you users thought of it. The responses were free and unstructured.

In New York, our class joined with '51-'54 for an excellent dinner at the Cornell Club on January 25. At our meetings that day, **Bruce Wilkins**, PhD '67, volunteered to try to find classmates listed as lost in our directory. Let him know if you can locate any. **Gordon Williams** volunteered to help organize and coordinate regional events such as those held in Boston and Philadelphia. If you'd like to think about one for your area, statewide or multi-state depending on geography, please contact Gordon. Other business was conducted and, at the behest of the university, a class constitution

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MARYANNE CRANSTON SOVOCOL '52

he's good. In his spare time he's developing a ballroom dance music library. **Bill Morrissey** in Advance, NC, has retired from North Carolina State U. He has enjoyed cruises to Alaska, the Panama Canal, and the Caribbean. His long list of leisure activities includes dog training, genealogy, photography, and keeping all their computers running.

**J. David Pfeiffer** and wife **Sherley (Bouck) '53** have lived in the same house in Hudson Heights, QC, for 30 years. David has obtained patent #15 on his Alkaline Battery Recharger with automatic operation and is looking for a new licensee. **Richard C. Smith** in Moore, SC, is rehabbing two knee replacements and a fused ankle with YMCA workouts, pool workouts, and

was adopted. It, timely news, and photos can be found on our class Web page: [classof52.alumni.cornell.edu](http://classof52.alumni.cornell.edu). Check it out.

An announcement came today from the university that the eight 2003 Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award winners included two from our class: **Robert Bitz** and **Imogene Powers** Johnson. Interesting to note that the award is strictly on length and quality of service to Cornell. Personal financial contributions, business or professional achievements, and outside community service are not among the qualifications considered. Thanks and congratulations to you both. ♦ **Joan Boffa Gaul**, 7 Colonial Pl., Pittsburgh PA 15232; e-mail, [jgcomm@aol.com](mailto:jgcomm@aol.com).



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Friendly reunion chairfolk **Jane Little Hardy** and **Dick Halberstadt** expect a cast of thousands in Ithaca on June 5-8 to celebrate our first half-century of alumhood with, as President Hunter R. Rawlings III said, others "who used to be your age." Fear not if you haven't gotten around to signing up yet. It's never too late. Not until June 9, when that one-per-50-years-to-a-customer convocation will be but a fond memory. There will be people there whom you know.

Dick and Jane braved a well and truly frozen Big Apple to report reunion progress to the '53 contingent at the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) far above E. 42nd St. in January. The dozen classmates in attendance seemed to concur that it looks like a don't-miss extravaganza, from the panel featuring President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes to the late night gathering around the piano. Retired pediatrician **Don Lathrop**, MD '57, says he's looking eagerly forward to nightly appearances at the keyboard, as at reunions past.

A Hyatt roundtable of Dick and Jane, **Clark** and Prez Emerita-to-be **Claire Moran Ford**, **Caroline Mulford** Owens, **Mort Bunis**, JD '55, **Lilyan Affinito**, **Nikki Schwartz** Kirsch, **Jim Blackwood**, **Judy Resnik** Chabon, **Joyce Wisbaum** Underberg, BS HE '52, and *moi* mulled reunion plans and the future of '53, including a class constitution at last, during the CACO meetings. **Ann Woolley** Banks, **Joe**, JD '55, and **Phyllis Larue Hinsey** '56, **Anne Buck** Coyne, the **Bob Dilatushes**, and the **Avery Yungs** joined most of the above at a '51-52-53-54 dinner bash at the

**Bob Ashton** sailed home to NYC a while back after a ten-year cruise around the world in his 40-foot fiberglass sloop. There were stopovers along the way, like a year each in the Caribbean, South Africa, New Zealand, and Australia. It was a long way from Procter & Gamble, from which he had retired after 36 years, and he recommends all that salt air, along with a seaworthy crew, for ancient, hale, and hearty mariners. One of the first things he did when he got his land legs after that long voyage home was to trek back to Ithaca, like Ulysses, for a session of Adult University (CAU) last summer. So did **Jay Brett**, **Joanne Muensch** Droppers, **Pepper '55** and **Linda Schaumann Marts**, and **Ira** and **Barbara Mestel** Schaeffer. Ithacans **Bill**, MBA '58, **JD '59**, and **Nancy Bellamy** were day students. **Bill Hammond**, **Fred Buhendorf**, **Pauline** "Mickie" **Symonds** Eschweiler, the **Bob Rutishausers**, **Bill Gratz**, and the **Bern Wests**, JD '55, made CAU study tours last year.

**John** and **Nancy Egan Webster** (Madison, WI) plan to come east for reunion, then head much farther east for a family reunion in China. Prof. John teaches biomedical instrumentation and design at the U. of Wisconsin, along with research on cardiac ablation and, using similar methods, curing liver cancer by heating or freezing the tumors. John spoke on his field of expertise in Bangkok and South Korea last year, and the Websters saw Khmer temples on the Cambodian border, visited Italy for art appreciation, saw 5,000-year-old tombs in Ireland and funeral pyres along the Ganges, and dug jazz in Savanna. Nancy is busy with volunteer work. There are

the handsome yearbook-directory fashioned by **Roz Zalutsky** Baron, **Jim Blackwood**, **Mike Milmo** and family, and **Dave Gatti**. So. On to June re-uning. And Homecoming, Oct. 24. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

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Some of the usual suspects were among the missing at the class dinner in New York City on January 25, but stalwarts **Mitzi Sutton** Russekoff and **Chick Trayford**, MBA '60, were there, joined this year by **William** and **Celeste Thurber**, **Bill** and **Joanie Pinchbeck**, and **Robert F. Morrison** down from Stamford, CT. Hopefully the missing will reappear next January in preparation for our 50th Reunion in June of 2004.

**Bill Pinchbeck** wrote a lovely note last summer telling of his marriage to **Joanie Kilton** in September 2001. They met at their 50th high school reunion, found they both had been widowed, and the rest is a happy-ever-after story. In 2001 **Bill** was nominated for Outstanding Trustee for his work in guiding the Guilford Free Library through their expansion planning. With his retirement from the family rose business **Bill** and **Joanie** will be able to divide their time between homes in Montpelier, VT, and Guilford, CT. This is a reverse migration—they winter in Vermont.

**Lucinda Noble** and **Dave**, PhD '60, and **Mary Gentry Call** have moved to Kendal, joining **Peggy Hill**, who has been there for several years. **Lucinda**, **Peggy**, and **Phil '52** and **Barbara Schickler Hankins** all traveled with Adult University (CAU) last August on the White Nights: Baltic cruise. Good reports all around. Actually, I have never heard a discouraging word about any CAU trip. When not volunteering with the College of Human Ecology or the Day Care Council of Tompkins County or Cornell Extension, **Cindy** enjoys a round of golf on the Robert Trent Jones course. The Calls winter in Florida, where golfing does not compete with snow, and fish in Alaska and other points to the north. When in Ithaca, they resume their volunteer work.

I've asked **Robert Friedman** if he would keep us informed on his research projects and he has been gracious enough to do so. He was honored recently for his supervision and contributions to a 20-year Indo-Department of Pathology, Uniformed Service Medical School (USUHS) collaboration. Together they have participated in the training of young Indian undergraduate, doctoral, and post-doc scientists; organized and taught several one- or two-week courses in India on various aspects of current medical research; and carried out a series of collaborative research projects in areas of research, such as treatment of malaria and the effects of herbal products on wound healing and cancer, that are of common interest to the USUHS and various Indian universities and research institutions.

The list of classmates residing either full- or part-time in Florida keeps growing. **Lynn** and **Jane Gregory Wilson** have been residents of Sun City Center for several years, leaving each year for a cruise and trips to the north where visits with grandkids and Cornell friends are the order

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LESLIE PAPANFUS REED '54

Cornell Club-New York, complete with wine and song. **Tom Foulkes** '52 and **Dave Dingle** '50 tickled the ivories and the revelers. Salud to organizer **Muriel** "Mitzi" **Sutton** Russekoff '54, and thanks in advance: "Let's make this combination an annual affair," saith she. Agreed.

Party animal **Chuck West**, MBA '56 (Carolina Beach, NC) considers Carnival in Rio a mightier blast than even a '50s Phi Tau house party, citing nudity (don't recall much of that over Junior Week) and, even more, "constant, driving DANCING to a very fast eight-count beat of the samba for hours on end, all fueled by a suitable pre-conditioning of liquid refreshment." **John** and **Lea Paxton Nixon** checked out Madrid, Barcelona, and Mallorca via Elderhostel with **Jim** and **Recie Miller** Scott, and celebrated the golden wedding anniversary of **Dayton** '51 and **Ann Smyers Livingston** with **Ed '50** and **Jonnie Gravel Hoenicke** in Oberlin, OH. **Jonnie**, summering in New Hampshire, says she supported the economy with heavy use of the Dartmouth-Hitchcock medical facility. No details given.

seven grandkids, four of them in college.

**Louis Pradt** (Wausau, WI): "Daughter **Sarah** '84, PhD '96, has been awarded a Chinese baby girl and a Fulbright scholarship." Speaking of grandlings, it's not new but is noteworthy that old *Daily Sun* versifier **Bob Solomon** and spouse **Isabelle** (White Plains) became grandparents for the first time—a while back—in the same year when their identical twin daughters both had baby boys within three months of each other. Retired lawyer **Larry Ginsburg**, BS ILR '57 (Atlanta) claims he's an active library-and-archive rat, and is author of *Israelites in Blue and Gray: Unchronicled Tale of Two Cities*. Sir Martin Gilbert said, "The important thing that this author has done is to give our Jewish heritage and achievement its proper place in one of the regions of history where it is usually neglected."

The cyberliterate among us may want to contact old buddies about reunion via the online Cornell Alumni Directory, <http://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>. If you don't have access to the Net or have questions, call (607) 255-2390. Or you could find potential-co-reuners in



of the day. **Dick Harley** of North Hutchinson Island, FL, enjoys his retirement filled with golf, boating, and fishing. While permanent residents of Coral Gables, the **Will Wheelers** have bought a home on Lake Winnepesaukee, NH, where the summers are cooler. **Stan Worton**, retired from his radiology practice in Miami Beach, left the heat behind last year and opted to spend time visiting Aspen, CO, and Lenox, MA, and taking a cruise that dropped anchor in the Hawaiian Islands, as well as the Society Islands: Bora Bora, Moorea, and Tahiti. **Allen Hale**, BME '56, from further up the East Coast in Lake Mary, reports that he purchased his first house last year, has recovered from his fifth coronary artery stent implantation, works part-time, and finds ample time to sail the Indian River.

Plamondon Companies, under the able leadership of **Peter Plamondon's** sons **Peter Jr. '81** and **Jim**, have expanded to include a Residence Inn by Marriott in Frederick, MD, and have also acquired the trademark for Roy Rogers restaurants, once owned by the Marriott Corp. With the family company running smoothly, **Peter and Lorraine (Pietryka) '55** manage trips out of the country to Lourdes and the Provence region of France. Their home in Vero Beach has become home to the annual golf outing of the fun bunch. Peter graciously welcomes all that are interested to join them.

**Maxine Siegel Wagner** has retired after 30 years in two major careers: teaching high school chemistry for 15, then 15 years as an editor in science/math and managing editor in juvenile books. Along the way she wrote four science books. **Jay '53** has retired from orthopedic surgery, but continues work as a consultant. **Leon Peltz** retired from his practice of internal medicine and gastroenterology at the end of 2001. After an adjustment of two minutes he settled into his new life with gusto, finding a great deal to do in New York now that work doesn't interfere. He and **Barbara (Loreto) '55** are now able to spend more time at their home in Sag Harbor and do a bit of testing the Floridian environment via trips to see their daughter. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, ljreed@speakeasy.net. Class website, [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954).

**55** Further update on our busy classmate **Philip Merrill**: In December, after being nominated by President Bush to the post of president and chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States and confirmed by the Senate, Phil was sworn in by Vice President Dick Cheney. Ex-Im Bank is an independent US government agency that helps finance the sale of US exports by providing loans, guarantees, and insurance. **Gordon White** and **Paul Hyman** and their wives were on hand to cheer at the swearing-in ceremony. Congratulations to you, Phil, on this singular honor.

**Dave West**, PhD '59, has been busy since he retired five years ago. He's been taking voice lessons, which led last June to his first recital (Schubert and Vaughan Williams). Dave also had a book published this spring, *Fritz Muller, a Nat-*

*uralist in Brazil*, the biography of a 19th-century Darwinian who pioneered in the forest of southern Brazil. "I am planning a book tour," Dave adds, "and might even consider singing for my supper, if someone can provide an accompanist!" Thank you, **Len Ladin**, for forwarding **Leslie Patrick's** current address. Cornell has now updated its database.

The following is an example of the excellent press reviews that appeared following the publication of **Anne Morrissy Merick's** book, *War Torn*, written with eight other women war correspondents who went to Vietnam to report on the war. "[It was thought] the women would go to Vietnam and return quickly, unable to endure the hardships of covering warfare. But they didn't come back; they stayed and lived and loved and worried and watched a country imploding and wrote about it. They brought a different lens to the war." Anne and her fellow authors kicked off their book tour in Martha's Vineyard last August and continued to New York and Washington, doing "nonstop interviews for newspapers, magazines, and radio and TV shows." Now they await word on movie rights. Good job, Anne.

Your class officers and members of the class council got together in New York City in January for the annual Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting. 1955 was represented by the usual suspects: co-presidents **Joan Steiner Stone** and **Otto Schneider**, co-reunion chairmen **Dick Estey**, MBA '60, and **Phil Harvey**, plus **Mike Avery**, **Nancy Eisenberg** Grabow, **Ginny Wallace-Panzer**, **Nancy Livingston Hopkins**, **Eva Konig Ray**, **Janet Kahn Marcus**, **Barbara Loreto Peltz**, **Nancy Savage Petrie**, and **Mike Sena**. Also spotted in the crowd were **Gil Schlerf** and **Barbara Gavin** Fauntleroy. It was a heartwarming experience to join with 600-plus other class officers in applauding outgoing President Hunter Rawlings and singing the Alma Mater.

**Pat Van Mater** Wheeler writes that they enjoyed an extended family Thanksgiving with 25 relatives and were looking forward to a big family Christmas as well. Pat's husband Bill teaches advertising at Champlain College in Burlington. Our sympathy goes to **Ann Gardner** New on the loss of her husband Paul, a noted neuroradiologist, a serious ocean racer, and a big game hunter. Ann lives in Marblehead, MA.

A recent article in the *Christian Science Monitor* brought news of **Louise Laylin**, now Mrs. Nancy Firouz. Louise first traveled to the Middle East during her junior year abroad, and met her Iranian husband-to-be at the American U. in Beirut. She presently operates adventure horse-treks in northern Iran, which have been listed by *The Times* of London as among the top ten rides in the world. "After spending more than half her life in Iran," says the *Monitor*, "this horse breeder from Great Falls, VA, embodies the seemingly contradictory feelings that many Iranians here share: admiration for the freedom the US represents, juxtaposed with disgust over hypocrisy and imperial attitudes emanating from its government."

**Alden Hathaway** is Bishop in Residence at St. John's Episcopal Church in Tallahassee during the winter, and he continues as founding

president of Solar Light for Africa. He also leads American and Ugandan youth committed to installing solar equipment in rural church facilities in East Africa. **Elaine Rose Cerny** and her husband **Lawrence**, GR '52-55, continue their work in developing artificial blood substitutes and decontaminants for nerve gases. Elaine also stays in touch with her Chi Omega sisters **Charlene Vickery Campisi**, **Barbara Ramsey Adsit**, **Jean Crighton Eckert**, and **Mary Jane Kent MacGregor**, as well as Father Mike Mahler of the Cornell Catholic Community.

Hope the Chi Os are planning to see each other in June 2005 at our Fabulous 50th Reunion! We're planning a reunion website, where you can check to see who's already signed up. Stay tuned, and we'll keep you posted. ♦ **Nancy Savage Petrie**, 6 Inkberry St., East Hampton, NY 11937; e-mail, [nsm55@juno.com](mailto:nsm55@juno.com). Class website, [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1955](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1955).

**56** I am writing this column in the middle of the blizzard of '03, though this will not appear until the springtime. We have been sneaking down to Florida more than ever, but I am still trying to keep the stock market up! More and more of our Midwest and East Coast classmates are becoming snowbirds. **Leo** and **Alison Convery** are in Fort Lauderdale, and **Tom** and **Marilyn Way Merryweather '57** are sunning themselves in Tucson. If you have a winter address, send it in so we can see one another.

Speaking of Florida, we had a Palm Beach reunion with **Dan** and **Linda Silverberg**, **Keith Johnson** (who was staying with us), and **Ernie** and **Barbara Lang Stern**. Barbara is a fine equestrian and is having a great winter with her riding. Ernie just retired from his job at Thales Corp., where he has worked for 41 years. He was given a retirement party in France, where the company is based. You can bet that our friend Ernie will continue to be active in many areas. Before the above dinner, we were pleased to have **Pamela** and **Curtis Reis** stay with us a few weeks earlier in New York. For dinner, we had surprise guests, as **Jerry** and **Nonnie Tarr** came down from Rutland. They both looked great and we all had a lot of laughs.

Another person who is feeling the "Florida bug" is **Lenore Palefski** Shulman of Hillsdale, NJ. She and her husband have been looking for a place to play their winter golf for a long time! Periodically, they visit Israel, where her mother has lived for the past 30 years. **Lenore Spiewak Feldman** is also spending the winter in Florida. We were sorry to learn about the death of her husband of 45 years, **George**. Lenore has four married children and 14 grandchildren. She has moved to Manhattan.

My dear friends **Gerry** and **Penny Cunningham**, MBA '60, are Palm Springs residents when it gets cold in the East. I was pleased to attend the dinner honoring Gerry, when he received the William Cullen Bryant award for distinguished leadership from the New York Medical College in Valhalla. He travels a lot, and in the past year played golf in Ireland with a group that included his son Peter. He and Penny



took a cruise to Scandinavia and then went to see the Ryder Cup matches in England. The Cunninghams live in New Rochelle, NY. **Sharon King** Fernandez-Cavada writes from Madrid where she lives at Residencial Montelar 11, 10 Dcha, Urbanizacion Los Robles, Torreledones, Madrid, Spain 28250. Now that we have gotten past her address, Sharon tells us that she has five grandchildren and she hosts a lot of friends from the States who all love Spain. She still speaks to **Mary Berens** '74 and **Barlow Ware** '47 and loves to spend time with her family.

**Betty Specht** Rossiter of San Marino, CA, has not much to say except that she and her husband love retirement and had a wonderful trip to Europe in October. They also have visited their grandchildren in Seattle and Memphis (**Laurie Rossiter Herzog** '84). **Robert Bradford Jr.** has moved to his new home in Ft. Myers, FL, from Ohio to be closer to his daughter and grandchildren. He is an executive consultant working with executives in transition between jobs. **Syrell Rogovin** Leahy, Tenafly, NJ, is, as we speak, launching a new mystery series with her first book, *Murder in Hell's Kitchen*. Her next book is "The Bar Mitzvah Murder," based on her experiences in Israel. We wish her tons of luck.

Probably the most interesting note I have gotten lately is from **Don Woolfenden** of Monmouth Beach, NJ. Don has been a resident of Australia for the past 40 years, where he worked as Mining Titles Manager for the Australian government, granting all titles in the Northern Territory of Australia. He is a Freemason 28 degree and a member of the Honorable Order of Colonels. Last year, he and his wife were in Chile and Tierra del Fuego, the 97th country they have visited. They lived in Indonesia two years and in the Philippines.

I was happy to visit my daughter and son-in-law **Amy (Kittenplan)** '88 and **Josh Hubbard** '89 over Presidents' Weekend in Boston. We saw the Cornell-Harvard hockey game, which Cornell won 4-3. I visited with our athletic director Andy Noel and his fiancée, and was surprised to learn that Josh had been on the Cornell wrestling team under Andy a number of years ago. A fine time was had by all. Keep your notes coming. **Phyllis Bosworth** and I will try to publish them all. ♦ **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., NYC 10128; e-mail, catplan@aol.com.

**57** Among the photos passed around at the annual class meeting in January in New York City was one of Andreas Dean Bump, the newest grandchild of **Sharon Flynn**. **Martha Ballard** Lacy, our new class historian, also had photos—in the Class of '57 album she has been organizing, which should make quite an archive for our 50th. Martie would like any of you who have snapshots of the 40th and/or 45th Reunion to submit them to her. (You can find Martie's address in the class directory.) And if you come across some Cornell memorabilia as you clean out the homestead before moving off to that retirement place, don't toss it, send it to Martie. Our class dinner the night before the meeting was well attended, but among the "regulars" who

missed this year's was **Mollie Turner**. Mollie is making slow but steady progress after undergoing major surgery early last year.

**M.O.** "Bus" '54 and **Carmen Lovre Ryan** are finding that time really does go fast. Their granddaughter is a sophomore at Indiana U. The Ryans live in Marietta, GA, near their three kids, and spend summers enjoying Lake Toxaway in North Carolina. A number of classmates head for Hilton Head, SC, in the winter, among them Kevin and **Betty Ann Rice** Keane, and Bob and **Marcia Wishengrad Metzger**, JD '60. **Joan Jeremiah** Reusswig left her snow-blower behind last November when she moved from Connecticut to Sun City in Bluffton, SC. **Connie Engelke** Skov and her husband still maintain Roseacre Farm near Waldoboro, ME, where Highland beef, lambs, and oven-ready geese can be found. The Skovs have three sons, one of whom is a professional carver and is currently turning out chairs for Maine's governor's mansion.

**Bill and Jan Charles Lutz** spent most of last month on a canal trip in northern France, a trip they planned themselves using the Internet. Jan writes, "Our last few trips have been ones where all the arrangements were made for us. I'd forgotten how much work it is to research and organize one on our own." Last October the Alumni Federation sponsored a trip to Burgundy, France, and classmates who made the trip were **Paula Wright** Corwin, **Lou Fredd**, **Bob and Marj Nelson Smart**, **Bob Menger**, MBA '59, **Joan Reinberg** Macmillan, **Dave Riebel**, and **Leroy Blakeslee**. Another alumni trip last year was to Alaska with **Joe** '56, MBA '58, and **Sue DeRosay Henninger** as participants.

**Lyn Nehrbas** Alexander is part of the organizing group for her 50th high school reunion this month on Long Island and is looking forward to getting together with people she hasn't seen in 50 years. That sounds like an experience that many of us will be having in the next few months. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave. #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.

**Bob and Ruth Lerner** and daughter Deborah and family traveled from their home in Santa Monica to attend the wedding of son Michael in Madrid. Both bride and groom hold master's degrees from Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs, and will continue to live in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, where Michael has a fellowship with Oxfam America. **Dick**, BEE '59, and **Dale Reis Johnson** '58, also living in California (Rancho Palos Verdes), report that classmate **Tom Criswell**, recently widowed, has moved from the San Fernando Valley to within a stone's throw of them. Dick mentions that their grandson is guilty of being adorable and brilliant at the ripe old age of 6 months. Dale has her 45th Reunion this spring.

**Ed**, MBA '58, and **Peggy Mihm** had a great time at OUR 45th last year. They also reside in California (San Francisco), but travel often to Miami, where son Jeff and his wife have two boys, both of whom we trust have the above characteristics. I wonder if they see **Pinky** (Myron F.) **Green** up the coast in Boca Raton,

who reports that he can once again leap tall buildings after recovering from his heart attack two years ago. He and Brooke will have been married 43 years in September. Son Jason lives in Atlanta and son Jordan in New York City. Across the state in Naples (isn't the flow wonderful), **Howie Greenstein** and family held a reunion in December to celebrate, among other things, his marriage of 45 years to **Lenore (Brotman)** '56. He serves as rabbi to the congregation of Marco Island and summers in the Berkshires.

Heading north, **Lawrence**, MS '60, and **Ann Wiltsey Moran** '60 have moved to Michigan to be nearer family, and **George Whitney**, having retired from INA USA after 33 years, is happy to have **Jay** and Nancy **Schabacker** living nearby, the latter having moved to Lexington, SC, just outside Columbia, from the Washington area. I know that **Sam Waxman** is a doctor, because his writing is like the scrawl on the prescriptions my doctor writes for me. I'm certain I've gotten the cure for some ailment not contemplated, but I think I can decipher that Sam returned from Shanghai last year, where he became an honorary professor at the Shanghai Medical U., and has been involved in research on two drugs that have been instrumental in treating leukemia. Home is NYC, with weekends in East Hampton—retirement not in sight. Same for **Lewis Bettman**, who continues to work for Prudential Securities, but who plays a lot of tennis and went to a fantasy baseball camp a few years ago. Kudos to **John Burton**, professor in the Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations, who is the president of the Industrial Relations Research Assn. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; e-mail, Suitcase2@aol.com.

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This is the last column before our big 45th Reunion, and I urge you all to consider going. It's great fun to reflect on our life experiences, see faces almost forgotten, and relive a little of the past! June 5-8 are the dates! I had an e-mail from **Jo Ann Odell** Lovell and she's hoping to attend. She is still working with Mitretek Systems. The current contract is with DC to continue upgrading an Internet-based Employment Services/Work Force Investment Act software. She has a sailboat with a partner, and for 11 weekends a year gets to frolic on Chesapeake Bay. Last summer she spent over two weeks in Spain, driving down the eastern coast to Costa Tropicale, a glorious area beside the Mediterranean.

**Sandra Mosher** Dwork writes some sad news. Her daughter Melissa Baker died very suddenly in November 2001. She had a heart problem. Sandy and her husband like to go on several cruises a year and have recently bought a lovely home in North Carolina. She loves to garden, but says the grounds are such that they need a full-time gardener. **Marilyn Gleber** Wagner had a wonderful trip to Germany last fall, by train and car, that included Berlin and Travenmunde (a great beach resort on the Baltic). Marilyn is still practicing law for a sharply reduced number of clients.

**Jack Meakem**, MBA '61, writes, "We are up to nine grandchildren!" Keep it up, Jack. Chuck



and I have 13 little ones! Jack and wife **Diane (Baillet) '61** travel to various company board meetings from California to Europe. He now spends three months each winter in Jupiter, FL. **Dick Stormont** sold his company, Stormont Trice Management Corp., and has started a new one with his nephew. They do developing, consulting, project management, and asset management of fine hotels, resorts, and conference centers. His youngest grandchild is now 14 and all his kids are living in Atlanta. He says, "Friends and family are the joys of our lives, so please send my best to our extended, but not forgotten '58 friends."

**Ann Gaffey Coyne** lost husband **Dermot, PhD '58**, in April 2002, from complications of autoimmune hepatitis. Their daughter adopted an 18-month-old Nicaraguan girl. Ann continues to teach social work at the U. of Nebraska, Omaha. **Betty Fong** Zuzolo had her annual Chinese New Year dinner. Ninety people attended a ten-course banquet with cocktails before and wonderful desserts afterwards. **Carol Boeckle** Welch escaped the New York winter by spending January 2002 in Australia and New Zealand. Her proudest accomplishment, however, is a trip she made in the Grand Canyon—she backpacked down the north rim to Phantom Ranch and out the south rim!

**Bonnie Casey** Buckley writes about a wonderful evening reunion she had in NYC with **Marsha Gratz Perry '59** and husband and **David Williams, MBA '59**, and wife **Ardith (Anderson) '59**. They ate Chinese takeout and had a great time. Marsha's daughter Margaret Perry has her own theater in lower Manhattan and is a producer of off-Broadway plays. Currently she is directing *3 o'clock in Brooklyn!* Hope to see a bunch of you at reunion! ♦ **Jan Arps** Jarvie, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75254; e-mail, jjarvie386@aol.com; **Richard Haggard**, 1207 Nash Dr., Ft. Washington, PA 19034; e-mail, rhaggard@voicenet.com. Class website: <http://classof58.alumni.cornell.edu>.

**59** At the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting in January, 16 class officers discussed plans for our 45th Reunion. Present were **Chuck and Nancy Sterling Brown, Bill Day, Dave Dunlop, Gwen Woodson Frazee, Fred Harwood, Diane Dogan Hilliard, Bill Kingston, Marian Fay Levitt, Al Rosenthal, George and Bobbie Greig Schneider, Stefanie Lipsit** Tashkovich, M Ed '64, **Dick Vincent, Gail Stanton** Willis, and yours truly.

We have some new and exciting ideas that you will be hearing about in future columns and class mailings beginning in September. Meanwhile, we are looking for volunteers to be affinity group leaders and reunion event managers. We also would like to produce a video of the 45th Reunion that could be used to promote our 50th Reunion, and we need some volunteers skilled in filming and editing. Please contact Gwen ([gwenwrite@aol.com](mailto:gwenwrite@aol.com)) or Fred ([fharrowood@attbi.com](mailto:fharrowood@attbi.com)), our reunion co-chairs, if you can help in these areas. "It will only take a few hours of your time and you will have a lot of fun working as part of

our 45th Reunion team," says Fred.

The class officers present at the CACO meeting also approved a new class constitution that updates class officer responsibilities and other items. And there was a request to encourage all classmates to check the "missing classmates" section of our class website, in hopes that we can renew communications with these individuals.

On January 26, a dream came true for Cornell wrestling as the university celebrated the dedication of the Friedman Wrestling Center, the first arena in the nation built solely for the sport. The facility is named in honor of **Steve and Barbara Benioff Friedman**, who made the lead gift toward the building. In addition to Steve and Barbara, the dedication was attended by **Ron Demer**, Dick Vincent, and Dave Dunlop. Dave notes: "In honoring Steve and Barbara, President Rawlings explained that their gift for the wrestling facility was only the most recent of their many gifts to Cornell. Previously they made gifts in support of scholarships, the Arts and Sciences Dean's Fund, the Stephen and Barbara Friedman Professorship of International Economics, and the Friedman Strength and Conditioning Center, as well as a major gift made just last year to the Weill Cornell Medical College to strengthen the pediatrics department.

"President Rawlings also noted Barbara's extraordinary service to the university on the Weill Cornell Medical College Board of Overseers, the President's Council of Cornell Women, the College of Arts and Sciences Advisory Council, the Cornell Board of Trustees (where she currently is vice chair), and the search committee for Cornell's 11th president. President Rawlings recounted Steve's success as a wrestler: Eastern Collegiate finalist in three consecutive seasons and champion at 157 pounds in his senior year, gold medalist at the 1960 Maccabiah Games, and an AAU Freestyle National Champion in 1961. He went on to describe Steve's extraordinary achievements at Goldman Sachs and Marsh & McLennan, his service as a trustee and chairman of the board of trustees at Columbia U., and his service now as chief economic advisor to President Bush and head of the National Economic Council.

"When Steve was given the opportunity to speak he explained that he was not particularly disciplined or focused as a student at Cornell, except in his sport, wrestling. He noted that it was wrestling that taught him the kind of focus, discipline, and dedication needed to realize one's full potential in any endeavor. Because wrestling played such an important part in helping prepare him for his future, he and Barbara wanted to recognize and support the value of athletics at Cornell."

Nice profile of **Stan Lomax, JD '62**, in a recent issue of the U. of South Carolina's *Moore Business*. Stan is completing his third year as distinguished lecturer in management at the Moore School of Business, teaching students enrolled in the Master of Human Resources and Professional MBA programs. He tells the article's author, "This job is a wonderful opportunity for me to reflect on my 30 years of experience [as a human resources executive]. And people actually listen!"

"Aiming at Hearts, Not Wallets," in the February 16 *New York Times*, profiles advertising genius **Gene Case**, who "disappeared from politics 25 years ago to focus on commercial ads." Now he has returned to politics with his agency, Avenging Angels, which creates campaigns for liberal causes. He told Patricia Winters Lauro: "It's the greatest feeling to get up in the morning knowing what I'm doing is important. You don't get that working on Tums." (He created the "Tum-te-tum-Tums" campaign and, for Mennen Skin Bracer, the memorable "Thanks, I needed that!") In addition to ads opposing war in Iraq, Avenging Angels has done advertising for *The Nation*, the National Council of Churches, the Nuclear Information and Resource Service, and Riverkeeper, the environmental group that wants to close the Indian Point nuclear power plant on the Hudson River north of New York City.

Via an Ithaca grapevine: **Jim Day** writes that he's planning on being at our 50th Reunion. And the 45th, too, we hope! He notes that **Jay Cavanaugh** is "playing golf and tooling around in his '50s Plymouth in Naples, FL," and **Hardy Eshbaugh**, a renowned expert on chilies and a member of the board of the National Audubon Society, "is traveling all over the world, but most often to the Amazon in search of birds." ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, [jet24@cornell.edu](mailto:jet24@cornell.edu).

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**60** A high point in the spring semester was former Attorney General **Janet Reno's** visit to the Cornell campus as a Frank H. T. Rhodes Class of '56 University Professor. She gave public lectures on Truth and How We Seek It, and Collaboration between Law and Public Health, and participated in a student forum on Ethics of the Modern Campaign. At the latter event, reported the *Cornell Daily Sun*, after saying that Cornell "has given me so much, an education, friendships, understanding," Janet offered thoughtful commentary on topics ranging from campaign finance reform to the death penalty to welfare. She also sounded sanguine about her recent experience as a candidate in the 2002 Florida gubernatorial election, telling her audience, "If you pursue a career in public service, don't be afraid to lose." Reportedly, Janet's immediate plans include perfecting her kayaking maneuvers, especially the "Eskimo Roll," on a forthcoming trip to Costa Rica.

Another classmate who returned to campus in recent months to share his expertise was **Robert Tobin** of Woodbridge, CT, retired chairman of Ahold USA, who participated in a November 2002 symposium on business, sponsored by the Dept. of Applied Economics and Management. President of the supermarket chain Stop and Shop for several years before assuming the leadership of Ahold, Robert addressed the issue of security as it related to food industry management.

In fall 2001, **Carrie Warnow** Makover became the chair of the board of trustees of the Conway School of Landscape Design, a specialized graduate school located in Conway, MA, and is now working hard on the institution's capital campaign. A resident of Fairfield, CT, Carrie retired from the Westport Planning and

that, although it's been a long time since his student days in Ithaca, "the past few years I have had the pleasure of revisiting the campus since my children decided to go to Cornell." His daughter **Lauren** graduated in '01, son **Tanner** is a member of the class of '04, and his youngest child, Jacqueline, has been accepted into the class of '07. Gerry says he thought of retiring, "but that seems to be out of the question until Jacqueline graduates." He began his career as an army helicopter pilot, worked for IBM for five years, then started his own businesses, the most recent of which, Cerand & Company, designs computer systems to control parking revenue at airports. "We have designed systems for at least 35 airports over the past 28 years of the company's existence," says Gerry.

On a brutally cold winter day in January, I heard from **Paul Auchter**, JD '64, happily ensconced in his winter getaway in Florida's Key Biscayne, that he had been "out on Biscayne Bay all day watching J-24 races. It's beautiful weather for sailing!" Paul and Floss spend their summers in Egg Harbor Township, NJ, and Paul still works part-time as a real estate attorney. "Six grandchildren, good life so far," says Paul, who plans to attend his 40th law school reunion in Ithaca in June. Another Floridian, **Alan Ruf**, wrote from Lauderdale-by-the-Sea that he enjoyed reading about **Jim Morgan**, BME '62, MBA '63, recently featured in a *Business Week* article about "The Good CEO." Alan, an attorney, says Jim lived across the hall from him their freshman year in U-Hall 6. I was about to express amazement that Alan recalls exactly where he lived in 1956-57, but I suspect that for most of us those memories are vivid ones.

**Bob and Fran Michaels Malina** recently moved to Los Angeles "after spending almost all of our post-Cornell years in Westchester County

Dowds' three children live in the mid-part of the country: daughter Debbie teaches eighth grade science in Waterloo, IL, is married to a veterinarian, and has two school-age children; son Ken works for Exxon-Mobil in Houston, is married, and has three sons, including 1-year-old twins; and son Matt, also married and also the parent of twin sons, is teaching and completing a PhD at Indiana's Notre Dame.

Send news, either via the class website or directly to me. ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jw275@cornell.edu or jwittenberg@attbi.com.

**61** Dr. **Pauline Sutta** Degenfelder has joined United Health Group, the country's largest health care provider, as executive director, North-east Ohio. In her new position, Pauline oversees the provision of care to persons over 50 with chronic illnesses and disabilities. Dr. **Helen Chilton Kiefer** is providing emergency/trauma medicine in Oak Park, IL, through her own company, Caremore Emergency Services. She has also produced *Barntasia*, a film collage, with "astonishing music," detailing America's historical barns. Another of her film documentaries, *Cathedrals on Our Landscape*, has been edited for cable broadcast. If this is not enough, she writes both fiction and non-fiction, is very involved with her three children (two adults and a 5-year-old), and is already developing plans to start a medical facility in Santa Fe (which she intends to be her retirement home).

After nearly a decade of living in a Malibu mountaintop home overlooking the ocean, **Mark Fleischman** has adapted to his new lifestyle. He hikes and bikes in the Santa Monica Mountains and kayaks off Malibu Beach. Once the owner of the famed Studio 54 and Tatou Supper Club, both in NYC, Mark now runs The Century Club, one of L.A.'s largest supper and dance clubs. **Jim Goell**, PhD '65, a victim of the Telecom meltdown, refuses to retire. Jim is VP of engineering for OmniGuide Communications, a Cambridge, MA-based developer of a new type of optical fiber. He and **Tammy (Greenberg)**, M Ed '63, now have five grandchildren, and are living in Lexington, MA.

**Ed Robbins** retired as chief actuary of Zurich Life and moved to a farm in northern Illinois. He now works part-time for Allstate Life in Northbrook and is serving a two-year term as VP of the Society of Actuaries. **Stephan Minikes** is serving as US Ambassador to the Organization for Security and Cooperation based in Vienna. Calling his assignment "one of the best jobs of my life," Stephan is dealing with security issues, economic development, and human rights in an area spanning Vancouver to Vladivostok. Currently, the OSCE is focusing its resources on Central Asia in the campaign against terrorism. According to Stephan, "Dede and I feel deeply honored to once again be serving our country."

From his home office, **Morris Mellion** has a glorious view of the Jackson Hole Ski Area. Morris is a part-time consultant to Blue Cross; he and wife Irene live in Teton Village. **Donald Stiller** is a shopping center developer in the Boca

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Zoning department and now works as a planning consultant and as Website Project Manager for the Town of Westport. She is also, I'm happy to report, putting her talents to use as one of our class webmasters.

A card arrived in my mail the other day featuring a striking new painting by **Jill Weber** of Brookline, MA, which was featured in a Boston exhibition in January-February entitled "New Art 2003: A National Juried Competition for Emerging Artists." Overseen by the Curator of American Art at the Fogg Art Museum of Harvard, the competition included entrants from fifteen states. Since retiring from the architectural firm of Jung Brannen, Jill has studied at the Museum School and obviously deserves congratulations for her recent emergence as a painter who has gained favorable critical recognition.

**Gerry Cerand** writes from Potomac, MD,

and Manhattan," says Fran. "We moved here because our three children and two grandchildren live in California. We are enjoying the weather and playing with the grandkids, but we will probably always feel like New Yorkers!" Fran reports that their son Joshua is now a regular cast member of the television series "The West Wing," playing Will Bailey, a new member of the President's staff. "So you know where we can be found on Wednesday evenings!"

Getting ready for retirement and a major move are **Jim and Betty Abraham Dowd**. Jim will retire in June, having completed 40 years in the parish ministry. The Dowds' plans at this point are to spend the warm months at their lake home in Dowagiac, MI, and the winter months in an apartment in St. Louis. Betty says she "has begun the awesome task of sorting through 40 years of accumulated 'stuff.'" The



Raton area. With his two daughters running the family business in Bridgeport, NY, **George Sarkus** has time to winter in Anguilla and on the Isles of Capri near Naples, FL. Last summer, George spent some time fly-fishing in Montana with **Garry King '64** (Garry's a pro, George reports), and swapped old stories with **Ken Blanchard**, PhD '67, at a "cigar smoker" on Skaneateles Lake. **Ronald Beck** and wife Carol have eight grandchildren and enjoy traveling by RV, hunting, and fishing. Last year, they were in New Brunswick, Canada, Cape Cod, Wyoming, the Florida Keys, and the Adirondacks.

In recognition of his notable career as a law professor at NYU, **Burt Neuborne** was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Founded in 1780, the Academy is a learned society composed of the world's leading scientists, scholars, artists, and public leaders. Burt is the lead settlement counsel in the Swiss Bank Holocaust Litigation (settled for \$1.5 billion) and the US representative on the German Foundation established by German industry to compensate Holocaust victims. Arthur and **Barbara Lester Margolin** are spending more time on cruises since one of their daughters, **Julie '99**, became a manager for Royal Caribbean. Other vacation destinations for the Margolins include London and New Orleans, where they belong to time-share clubs.

For the first time, **Frank Cuzzi**, MBA '64, is visiting the campus as a Cornell parent. He believes that he and **Steve Wexler** are the only two '61 parents of freshmen. **Alexandra Cuzzi '06** made sure to get season hockey tickets for her father's campus visits. **Larry Hoard** returned to campus last fall for a sentimental sing-along with former Glee Club members under Tom Sokol's direction. They reminisced about the old Club tours, including one in the '50s when the group refused to stay in segregated accommodations. **Marco Minasso** was in Ithaca last year for the "Great First Fraternity Reunion" sponsored by the now-defunct Alpha Phi Delta. **Carol Moore** Durell's idea for a great vacation was to gather her stepchildren and grandchild together at a ranch in Colorado. Back home in Worthington, OH, she renovated an historic (1818) downtown building, converting it into a nonprofit community art gallery.

Retirements: **Dave Munson** from Sun Chemical (working on his golf game); **Anne Lasher** Mihalisin from teaching (moving from Pennsylvania to Washington State); **Janet Balantyne**, PhD '76, from USAID (now Group VP for Int'l Programs for ABT Associates); and **Gerit White** from real estate and investment banking (he and Elizabeth married off two daughters last year, one in Newport, RI, and the other in Florence, Italy).

A class tour and luncheon at the Bronx Botanical Gardens will be held on May 17. If you would like to join us, and did not receive a notice, send me an e-mail. **Judith Berman** Brandenburg, a dean at Columbia U. and a valued class advisor, died in January. A notice in the Alumni Deaths column appears in this issue of the magazine. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, 288 Lexington Ave., NYC 10016; e-mail, dsk15@cornell.edu.

**62** Cayuga Hospitality Advisors counts **Charles Ilvento**, MBA '63 (ilvento@fiu.edu) among its members. It is an international consulting group of Cornell alumni, offering services through members and referrals. Charles works with many Cornell Hotelies at Florida International U. School of Hospitality Management: **Fritz Hagenmeyer '68**, MPS HA '78, **Val Darby '71**, **Peter Goffe '73**, MPS HA '74, **Rocco Angelo '58**, **Bill Quain '74**, and the dean, **Joe West '74**. Charles and wife Dr. Garnet Reynolds live in Bal Harbor, FL. Hotelie **Thomas Zeisel** (tzeisel@cordillera-vail.com) has moved from Florida to Colorado, where he manages the Lodge and Spa at Cordillera in the Vail Valley. **Carol Coopersmith** Daly (cdaly@umn.edu) works with the U. of Minnesota's Vital Aging Initiative, whose modest goal is "to change the way society underestimates, patronizes, and marginalizes adults over 55. 'Retired' and 'senior citizen' are out! Any ideas for replacements?" Carol lives in downtown Minneapolis and has "seven smart happy grandkids, three terrific sons, and three perfect daughters-in-law. Lucky me!"

From **Jane Brody** Engquist (janeengquist@juno.com): "In April of 2000, this mother of twin boys, now 33, became the grandmother of twin boys. Another grandson arrived last May. I have revived a collegiate pastime, knitting, and have learned to crochet. Semi-retirement is great. I 'vacate' whenever I want to (hiking in Tucson, biking in New Zealand). Between times, I write health and biology for the *New York Times* and lecture on taking charge of one's health. Cornell experts feature prominently in my writings. My husband Richard, an erstwhile lyricist for the musical theater, had an off-off-Broadway hit last year, *Little Horn*, which is currently off-Broadway. Life is good!" **John F. Burns**, BEE '64 (JohnBurns211@comcast.net) married Helen Hibbard in 1996. They live in Silver Spring, MD, when not traveling.

Other retirees include **Marion Balsam**, who retired as a rear admiral in the Navy's Medical Corps. She lives in Bethesda, MD, and enjoys time spent with her four children and two grandchildren. **Stephen Schmal** (schmals@erols.com) retired from the federal government last year (GAO), but began working again six months later. He's an employee relations consultant at the National Inst. of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and lives in Chevy Chase, MD.

A grand time was had at the Cape last spring when **Sam** and **Nancy Fleming**, Karen and **Bob Williams '60**, **Dan Bidwell '60**, MBA '61, Linda and **Carl Volckmann '60**, and **George Agle** reunited. George (gagle@stonebridgebank.com) is chairman and CEO of Stonebridge Financial Corp. Stonebridge is a start-up in the Philadelphia market, headquartered in West Chester, and is top-rated by Bankrate.com. **Don Juran** (donjuran@crosslink.net) is consulting with the FBI, working an ideal schedule of three days per week. He played the judge in *The Chalk Garden* last winter, and is now rehearsing as Nestor in *Troilus and Cressida*. Besides singing (with wife Carol) in the synagogue choir, he sings with chamber choruses Carmina and

Convivium and, with the former, starred as the evil King Marmorinus in the 12th-century church play "Filius Getronis" (sung in Latin). In that ecumenical context, he completed two choral compositions, one each for Easter and Rosh Hashanah, and has begun a Hanukkah piece. He plays in five senior softball leagues in spring/summer and two in autumn. Don remains active in the C & O Canal Assn. in Washington, DC.

"Farmer **Bill**" and Skip **Brozowski** (txfarmerbill@yahoo.com) have been enjoying travel from their home base in McAllen, TX: South America, Panama, Alaska, Maine, Newfoundland, Montreal, and several European stops. He works in produce procurement. They see **Dan** and **Kay Kopp**, who have retired to Sandia, TX, near Corpus Christi. "Grandchildren, a fun law practice, and lots of ski time in Colorado" fill **Bruce Rogers**'s days (brogers@rogersmulhoorn.com). He and Coralie live in Piermont, NY. **Sasha** "Suzan" **Nudelman Ferrer** (sashaferer@aol.com) is a writer and works in television from her home in Sherman Oaks, CA. She's become a lifecoach, specializing in counseling cancer patients and survivors. She has recently seen **Ken Iscol '60** and **Adina Cohen**. **Laurie Medine** Alexander (lauriealex@hotmail.com) moved to West Palm Beach, FL, two years ago. She and her husband live in a golf community and also enjoy bridge, painting, and just relaxing. Laurie spent 18 years in real estate. I can relate to the appeal of the "relaxing" part!

The class officers met at the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting in New York in January. You have three new officers: **Ruth Holzapfel** Fortkamp is the Cornell Fund rep, **Katie Simmons** Kaufman replaces **Myra Maloney** Hart on Class Council, and **Chuck Bunting** is our new webmaster. Chuck is looking for input/suggestions for the site. Contact him at cbbunting@yahoo.com. It was also noted that our first recipient of the Cornell Tradition Fellowship, **Lowell Frank '99**, is a Rhodes scholar. ♦ **Jan McClayton** Crites, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97034-6721; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

**R 63** Fortieth Reunion here we come! It is hard to imagine that our reunion is so close, and I really hope many of you have sent in your reservations. According to **Richard McKee**, reunion chair, "the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting brought together class officers, fund-raisers, and reunion planners—often the same people wearing several Cornell hats. Class president **Carol Bagdasarian** Aslanian, Cornell Fund representatives **Dick**, BME '65, and **Betty Card Lynham**, fund-raiser **Pat Podolec** Fontecchio (accompanied by husband Dick), and **Peter Lee** joined reunion planners **Donna Forsman**, BFA '64, **Paula Trested** Laholt-Oeste, and me to discuss reunion details. There will be a Class Forum with speakers on topics important in our lives now. A video presentation on '63 architects and artists, created by **Phil Handler '62**, MArch '65, will feature such supernovas as **Bob Fox**, BArch '65, **Alan Chi-**



**macoff**, BArch '64, **Madeleine Leston Meehan**, and **Donna Forsman**. A reception at the renovated Lincoln Hall, barbecue at the Big Red Barn, and fajita fiesta Saturday night are on the schedule. For entertainment: the Sherwoods, a pianist Friday evening, and one or two undergraduate harmony groups will perform. Despite many university events also planned, there will be lots of time to find a corner at our headquarters at [newly refurbished] Risley Hall or elsewhere, to catch up with old friends and make new ones—what Reunion is all about!"

News from **Madeleine Leston Meehan** at Christmas, who is ever on the road: US Virgin Islands, USCG Staten Island, satellite radio training in California, and Spoleto USA and other music festivals in Maryland and on Long Island. She is exhibiting in East Hampton, St. Thomas, as she says, "past, presently, and post-reunion." College of Art, Architecture and Planning is including her as featured professional artist/Cornell grad at reunion. **Phil and Maddy Gell Handler '65** came down from Connecticut to her East Hampton studio for a videotaped interview. It will be made into a six-minute video for showing at Sibley and will be part of a panel discussion at reunion. **Madeleine's** husband **Jim Welker** signed on for another four years in the Homeland Security's Coast Guard base in Key West, FL.

**Richard Thackaberry**, DVM '65, is contemplating retirement and loves to sail, fish, dive, and snorkel. His son received a PhD from the U. of Wisconsin, Madison. Dick spent a week at his Grand Cayman home with **Betty and Frank Quirk '62**, MBA '64. **James Fusco** opened an office in New York City where he manages real estate investments, develops new investment opportunities, and does specialized build-to-suit for special projects. **Marsha Wineburgh** has her PhD from Yeshiva U., NYC, after only seven years. Her dissertation concerned managed care's impact on outpatient psychotherapy. She reports that **Joan Albin**, MD, is happily remarried, to Tom Bird, and is living in Larchmont, NY. **Janet Stein** Davis is remarried and living in Westport, CT.

Our reunion chair **Richard McKee** is executive director, DACOR Inc./DACOR Bacon House Foundation, a combined social club for active and retired Foreign Service officers, plus an educational/welfare foundation that supports US foreign policy and career foreign service. Thank goodness he has had time to chair our reunion so ably as well. **Joan Travers** Barist writes that daughter **Jessica '92** is living in Beijing and works for Ogilvy Mather. She was married last July. Daughter **Alexis**, MBA '02, received her degree at the Johnson School last June and will continue on to get an MA in organizational behavior. **Art and Rita Padnick Sussman** are grandparents; Art now works for the MacArthur Foundation. **Vicki Fielding** Maxant married Stan Murphy several years ago. She retired from Raytheon in October 2001 and now does housesitting, some of it in Hawaii. She and Stan took a Cornell-sponsored cruise on the Strait of Magellan and Beagle Channel to Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego in 2001. Vicki's

daughter, **Diana (Maxant) '94** and husband **Jonathan Simon '92** live in Washington, DC.

**Jim**, MD '69, and **Christine Newton Dauber** live in Pittsburgh where they own and run Restaurant LePommier. Chris was the chef for many years and is now working in the dining room. Chris and Jim had a mini-reunion dinner with **Chuck Skinner**, ME M '69, last year. Their son Jim is at the U. of Pittsburgh School of Medicine where he heads up a new program in interstitial lung disease. **Emalene Rodeffer** Gingrich and husband William live in Philadelphia. Emalene is involved with music, church activities, and tutoring. Her husband recently retired. Their oldest son is married and is a park ranger guide in Independence Park in Philadelphia. Daughter Danielle is involved with the U. of Pennsylvania Orchestra, works with special children, and spends summers as Blue Lakes Fine Arts Camp unit director.

**Dennis Crawford** is a retired judge. He practiced law in Monmouth County, NJ. He likes to ski, golf, and play platform tennis. Last year he and wife Margaret went to Telluride in March, Hilton Head in April, and France in June. Stephen Novak wrote that his wife **Elaine Wiener** Novak passed away Feb. 7, '02. Her husband, eight children, and eleven grandchildren survive her. Our condolences to the family. **Jeff Kahn** reports that he retired last year as English department chairman in the Westchester County school system after 38 years.

That's all for now. See you at Reunion, June 5-8! ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke**, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, [icke@execpc.com](mailto:icke@execpc.com).

**64** Happy springtime! And after an unusually cold winter (for many of us), here is warm news of your classmates. But first, an announcement. Beginning this coming autumn, Adult University (CAU) will eliminate all user fees for Cornellians and Cornell applicants who take part in CyberTower, the recently-introduced online program series. You are encouraged to take a look at this high-tech way to contact leading faculty members and observe and participate in forums and studies. Give it a shot. Here's the URL: <http://cybertower.cornell.edu>.

While we're at it cyber-wise, don't forget that our class has its own website: <http://classof64.alumni.cornell.edu>. One of its features is the e-mail addresses of classmates. **Luis Gutierrez**, for one, would like to receive e-mails from friends he knew on campus but has lost contact with. **Bob Friedenson**, PhD '69, is our current webmaster; you can send him your comments and suggestions at [rafl4@cornell.edu](mailto:rafl4@cornell.edu).

Speaking of CAU, **Steve and Nancy Lore Einhorn** attended That Wall of Separation: Church and State in American Thought, Politics and Law, a weekend seminar last summer in Charlottesville, VA. **Judy Mabel**, a registered dietitian and licensed nutritionist in private practice, has her own website, [www.nutritionboston.com](http://www.nutritionboston.com), that is interesting and informative. She reports that her younger son, **Josh Christensen**, transferred and is now a Cornell junior studying nutrition and biological sciences in

Human Ecology, "so we can discuss trans fats and our fast food nation at the dinner table!" Home is still in Brookline, MA.

**Virginia Van Wynen** Baeckler, MA '67, has been selected by the New Jersey General Assembly to join the ranks of "Women of Achievement." Jinny, director of the Plainsboro (NJ) Library and the author of numerous books, was cited for her energy, creativity, and enthusiasm for instigating many innovative programs at the library. Her efforts have made the library one of the more unusual anywhere because of her nationally recognized beliefs on what makes for a "lively" library. Jinny has been with the library 12 years, yet she says her proudest year remains her first as director (1993) when she more than doubled the number of books in circulation. She was hired largely because of the first of her four books for the library trade, the 1976 *Go, Pep and Pop: 250 Tested Ideas for a Lively Library*. Jinny also spearheaded construction of the new library building (ten times the size of the old), and her project, "Eureka! Science in the Public Library," won the library a \$10,000 grant from the American Library Assn. She also helped organize Contact Science, a nonprofit organization working with the Minnesota Museum of Science on how best to package science-related projects at libraries. She says, "I am not a scientist, but I have a love of it." Love of science is a family thing. She recruited her father, **Kenneth Van Wynen '25**, as science editor for her latest book, *Storytime Science: Have You Clanged Your Hangar Banger Today*, published in 1986. Cornell is another family thing; her two siblings are also grads. When not at work, Jinny enjoys painting, canoeing, kayaking, and gardening. She and husband Bill live in Hopewell, NJ, and have a grown son and daughter.

**Judie Pink** Gorra, a school psychologist, took two "wonderful" trips to Turkey with her Energy Healing School class and plans future such trips to Peru's Machu Picchu and the Galapagos Islands. Judie should be fit for the climbing in Peru, as she also took a one-day, 100-mile bicycle ride along California's Lake Tahoe to raise money for the Leukemia-Lymphoma Society, which she describes as "a challenge that took months of training and was well worth the effort. The scenery, the patients, the families battling these blood cancers, and my fellow riders were inspiring." Judie lives in Southbury, CT. Two of her three sons are Cornellians: **Michael**, DVM '97, and **Matthew**, JD '99.

**Roland Ruhl**, PhD '70, president of his own 25-member firm, Ruhl Forensic Inc., that investigates vehicular and machinery accidents nationally, is also on the go, having visited Germany and Italy a couple of times a year to study cases and do vehicular testing with his European counterparts. Roland and wife **Mary (Enstrom)**, MA '68, live in Champaign, IL, and have three grown children. **Richard Reed** sends word that his and wife Sharon's youngest daughter, **Susannah '06**, is now in her freshman year at Cornell. The Reeds still live in Bellaire, TX. **Alice Schwartz** Chabora-Tobias, PhD '67, has retired from a career as an orthodontist, joining husband **Jerry Tobias '60**, DVM '62, in retirement. She writes: "We are busy



with traveling, having grandchildren, and helping, and having as much fun as possible. We play a lot of bridge and tennis, and ski whenever possible. Life is good." Home is Bayside, Queens, although they now winter in Scottsdale, AZ. They'll return to campus next month for Jerry's 40th Vet college reunion.

Finally, special thanks to the 17 classmates who last year paid class dues for the first time. That said, please excuse this month's short (by our standards) column, but I simply don't have any more news. So please hurry and send your dues and news! ♦ **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com.

**65** For the second time in less than two years we have had tragedies that we will all remember for the rest of our lives. I'm writing this column on February 2 (our deadlines are well in advance of the column's publication in the alumni magazine). Yesterday morning I was watching the morning news when, at shortly after 9:00 Eastern time, I saw the image on the television screen of space shuttle *Columbia* breaking apart more than 200,000 feet above the earth over central Texas. That image, and the associated loss in life, brought back to me the graphic image of what occurred slightly more than 16 months earlier on September 11.

Normally, the class column brings us good news about our classmates and their families. This is especially true as more and more of us report on our retirement, our children's marriages and becoming grandparents, and our moves to new homes in areas with a more favorable climate. But sometimes the news is not always positive. I'm sorry to inform the class that our classmate **Dick Gursky**, ME E '66, unexpectedly passed away early last December. Dick, who is survived by his wife Karen, lived in Columbus, OH, for over 20 years. He worked for American Electric Power and its spin-off, Southwest Power Pool. In addition to his work, one of Dick's greatest interests was Habitat for Humanity. He devoted most of his spare time to this organization. During his association with Habitat, Dick worked on three Jimmy Carter builds, received the "Helping Dreams Come True" Award for volunteerism, and served on the board from 1994 to 2000. Habitat honored Dick's memory by naming and dedicating the Faith House built last January to him. Those wishing to make a donation in Dick's memory can send it to Habitat for Humanity, 3529 Cleveland Ave., Columbus, OH 43224.

From back in Ithaca we got news regarding the activities of **Virginia Schein**, presently a professor of management at Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania. This past summer Virginia was elected to the presidency of the Division of Work and Organizational Psychology at the XXVI International Congress of Applied Psychology in Singapore. Since leaving Cornell she received a PhD from New York U. in Industrial Psychology and has taught at the Wharton School and City U. of New York, and served as head of personnel research at Metropolitan Life

Insurance Company. To quote the news release, Virginia "is recognized internationally for her research on sex role stereotypes and requisite management characteristics, on the issues enhancing women's opportunities in the workplace, and on organizational change."

**Michael Fritz** has some news to pass along. After retiring from NASA's Ames Research Center in California at the end of 1998, he is now working in Washington, DC, on a contract supporting NASA's headquarters. Mike, who lives in La Plata, MD, spends his spare time golfing, traveling, and attending family activities. While the news is late, and we are sorry, **Ed Kelman** reports that his son **Matthew '93**, JD '97, was married to Karen McGloat. They celebrated their first anniversary in March. In his spare time Ed, who has an active entertainment law practice in New York City, enjoys golf, music, and theater. Additional news from NYC comes from Bob and **Phyllis Weiss** Haserot, MRP '67. Phyllis's consulting and coaching firm, Practice Development Counsel ([www.pdcounsel.com](http://www.pdcounsel.com)), is now focusing on work/life excellence. The Haserots' son Zane is working for ABC Sports in NYC. Phyllis was elected to the board of directors of the Broadway Theater Inst. and is a member of the President's Council of Cornell Women.

**Kathleen Gaffney**, MD '69, retired from Nassau County in the fall of 2000 after 28 years. She enjoys volunteer work and a little teaching at the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia U. Having lost two siblings in the last few years, Kathy is now having more involvement with nieces, nephews, and their children. Now that she has more free time she exercises six times a week and has returned to downhill skiing after a lapse of 13 years. From Morristown, NJ, **Rona Brooks Dollinger** reports that she and husband **Martin '63**, JD '66, are spending less time in the office and spending more time playing golf, riding bikes, and enjoying themselves. Rona reports that they are able to spend lots of time with their children, who live

number. Go to <http://directory.alumni.cornell.edu> for more information and instructions.

We need to hear from you to keep your classmates informed. Please send your news to one of our correspondents. ♦ **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Ct., West Bloomfield, MI 48322; tel. (248) 788-3397; e-mail, rsh28@cornell.edu; **Dennis Norfleet**, 3187 State Rte. 48, Oswego, NY 13126; tel. (315) 342-0457; e-mail, dpn5@cornell.edu; and **Joan Elstein** Rogow, 9 Mason Farm Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822; tel. (908) 782-7028.

**66** Hello, people. I am writing this column after attending the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting, which was held in New York City, as usual, for the simple and predictable reason that Ithaca had 18 inches of snow on the ground, with more coming down steadily. There was a great discussion about just where our class is going over the next three years, getting ready for our Big 40th (have you made your reservations yet?). It really isn't that long until June 2006, even though there will be one leap year included! The class officers, especially **Alice Katz** Berglas (akb88@aol.com), are beginning to solicit ideas for our next class gift. Others at the class meeting included **Andrew Berger**, JD '69, **Diane Stein** Dobrow, **Herbert Fontecilla**, ME Nu '67, **Rolf Frantz**, ME AESP '67, **Susan Stern** Korn, BS HE '65, **Mary Loosbrock** Miers, **Wendy Richman**, **Betsy Bierds** Schenkel, **Bill Schenkel**, and **Susan Maldon** Stregack. A lively and interesting discussion followed concerning everything from a class constitution (we don't have one—yet), as well as the upcoming gift noted above.

At the meeting of class correspondents, with me and **Susan Rockford** Bittker in attendance, we were told that street addresses take up a lot of space and can involve issues of personal privacy. E-mail addresses probably should suffice unless there is a specific need to include home addresses. So, '66ers, be sure to include your e-

‘For Virginia Van Wynen Baeckler, love of science is a family thing. Cornell is another.’

BEV JOHNS LAMONT '64

nearby, and grandchildren AJ, Hailey, and Avi. The Dollingers are in Boca Raton, FL, in the winter months. Another resident of the Garden State, **David Ansel** and wife Anne live in Morristown. Their daughter recently moved to Ithaca after being named assistant professor of violin at Ithaca College.

In closing, I'm borrowing something I saw in another class column in the Jan/Feb 2003 issue that I believe should be shared with my classmates. Cornell's Alumni Directory is now online. Check it out, make sure you keep your data up to date, and use it as a way to contact your friends from Cornell on the Internet. It's simple to access. You just need your Cornell ID

mail address whenever possible. Rolf has forwarded me some material from you, and we would like to have more, more, more!

**Joe Polacco** (Polacco@missouri.edu) has three kids and a grandson on the West Coast. He is in the biochem department of the U. of Missouri, and had a seven-month sabbatical in Madrid. He reports, "My Cornell-in-Honduras experience kind of imprinted me, and now I'm on the board of the MU Hispanic and Latin American Faculty Assn. Hey, the parties are great!" **Peter Leech** (pcelech@earthlink.net) lives in Mad River, CA (population 35), and has been retired since 2001. He is working in his woodshop, remodeling, and practicing/playing with a



# The Parent Trap

ALVIN ROSENFELD '66

**S**chool, band practice, soccer, ballet, volunteering at the animal shelter—and then homework. It's a typical day for some kids, but Alvin Rosenfeld wants to lighten the load. A child psychologist, Rosenfeld has mounted a crusade against what he calls "hyper-parenting," in which kids are burdened by too many activities and excessively high expectations. "Parents have become convinced there's no limit to what they have to do to raise successful kids," says Rosenfeld, who has co-authored two books on the subject. "They stuff in every last bit of enrichment they can."

In *The Overscheduled Child*, published by St. Martin's in 2001, Rosenfeld advises parents to limit extracurricular activities and focus on building character and strengthening family bonds, despite intense social pressure for children to be high



achievers. Hyper-parenting, he says, can lead to substance abuse and feelings of inadequacy and resentment. "I'm not against ambition," says Rosenfeld, who has offices in Manhattan and Stamford, Connecticut. "I'm against the pressure that's being placed on our children."

— Leonor Guariguata '03

local country rock band. "Never been happier!"

**Nancy Emerson** Lombardo (nemerson@rcn.com) is now at both the Boston U. School of Social Work and the Bedford V.A. Hospital. Her specialty is clinical research related to improving life for people with early stage Alzheimer's disease. She has a small pilot project called "Brain Enhancement Strengthening Treatment," which is an early intervention to help slow cognitive decline and even regain some lost capacity, as well as to learn how to negotiate social situations related to the lack of short-term memory. "I am feeling blessed about how everything is falling into place for me, after I put my life and work into God's hands, and am having a fun and fulfilling life."

**Barbara Lawrence** (whitespirit3@earthlink.net) notes, "I have lost 24 lbs. with no dieting—exercise and fewer acid foods—and am on my healing path: learning about tuning forks (frequency) for healing." **Judy Payne** Getto (Gettopc@aol.com) writes from San Francisco that she "enjoyed a visit with **Mike and Paula Haimila Levy '67**; they were on their way to Mike's 40th high school reunion." **Martha Hor-**

**ton Klipec** (Marty@klipec.com) is practicing family medicine at Hartville (Ohio) Family Physicians and has five grandchildren, including a new set of twins.

**Alvin Rosenfeld** (ARosen45@aol.com) has written *The Over-Scheduled Child: Avoiding the Hyper-Parenting Trap* (see [www.hyper-parenting.com](http://www.hyper-parenting.com)) (he also has a new book entitled "Raising the September 11 Generation"). It had a lengthy review in the *Chicago Tribune*, where it was noted that he is promoting Family Night, one night when there is no school work, no activities, and no civic meetings. This is time for families to be together for walks, board games, or just talking. See [www.familynightamonth.org](http://www.familynightamonth.org).

Final plea for the month: please send YOUR news, and be sure to look at the Class of '66 Web page, located at <http://classof66.alumni.cornell.edu>. **Roy Troxel** really does good stuff! ♦ **John Miers**, 5510 Huntington Pkwy., Bethesda, MD 20814; e-mail, [John\\_Miers@nih.gov](mailto:John_Miers@nih.gov); **Bill Blockton**, 18 Leatherstocking Lane, Mamaroneck, NY 10543; e-mail, [rbsfabrics@aol.com](mailto:rbsfabrics@aol.com); **Susan Rockford** Bittker, 424 Pea Pond Rd., Katonah, NY 10536; e-mail, [ladyscienc@aol.com](mailto:ladyscienc@aol.com).

**67** **Nancy Keusch** Mayers (Austin, TX; [wowmom53@aol.com](mailto:wowmom53@aol.com)) reports: "Our family has just opened a new restaurant in Austin called Manny Hattan's New York Delicatessen. When in town visit us for the best corned beef sandwich served with a Texas attitude! This is keeping us very busy, but I still find time for my pottery." **Judy Limouze** Price (Rochester, NY; [JLP18@cornell.edu](mailto:JLP18@cornell.edu)) retired from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Monroe County on Apr. 1, '02 [no joke, she notes] after 18 years. "I still have a contract with the Division of Nutritional Science in Hum Ec at Cornell to serve as a food preservation expert/resource for the NYS extension system." Judy and husband David welcomed two new grandchildren last year. She adds, "I'm still playing in a handbell choir at my church, volunteering, and really enjoying the fact that the alarm clock has been permanently shut off."

**Lou Giancola** (Providence, RI; [lgiancola@schospital.com](mailto:lgiancola@schospital.com)) is president and CEO of South County Hospital in Wakefield, RI, a 100-bed community hospital. "We still live on the east side of Providence, very close to Brown U., where my wife Pam is a developmental/behavioral pediatrician." Daughter Jennie is an assistant director and worked on *Yaya Sisterhood*, Zoe is a social worker, Anthony is a junior at NYU majoring in film, and Liz is a high school junior. **Paul Schweikher** (Phoenix, AZ; [pschweik@peds.org](mailto:pschweik@peds.org)) "remains director of college counseling at Phoenix Country Day School." He and wife Mary have children Erich, 24, and Claire, 19. **Jay Moses**, DVM '70 (Mill River, MA; [jthomoses@mindspring.com](mailto:jthomoses@mindspring.com)) writes that he's "unretired after two years" and won five silver medals at various World Masters competitions. He and wife Jan Thompson have children Abby, 23, and Joanna, 20.

**Margaret Meyer** Rich (Ewing, NJ; [stuartandmeg@aol.com](mailto:stuartandmeg@aol.com)) advises that she has moved into a house and is now using the new married name Rich. "Son Mike married Ann Lawrence in August 2001 in Paris and teaches at the Lycée Internationale de St. Germain-en-Laye. Have organized a day-long 'Everest Anniversary Conference' at Princeton this spring." **Susan Plessner** Brenner of Stevenson, MD, informs us that she and husband Joel became grandparents of Jacob Dylan Rose in February 2002.

**John Macaluso** (Newport Beach, CA; [johnmac@cornellgroup.biz](mailto:johnmac@cornellgroup.biz)) was inducted into "La Confrerie des Chevaliers du Tastevin" at Clos de Vougeot in Burgundy. "I've sold all my restaurants in the past few years and formed a consulting group last year," he adds. **Jane Price** Brof (Brooklyn, NY) continues to teach mathematics at the Borough of Manhattan Community College and NYC College of Technology, both parts of CUNY. She also teaches at LIU where she was promoted to adjunct assistant professor. Daughter **Julie '92** married Michael Mayer in Washington, DC, last October 26. "They recently moved to Seattle where both are attorneys."

From **Phyllis Bell** Jonas (Atlantic Beach, NY; [phyllisbj@aol.com](mailto:phyllisbj@aol.com)): "Still teaching pre-K at the Brandeis School in Lawrence and loving it—it's



my 21st year there. After more than 30 years of trying to find **Carol Levine**, we finally accomplished the impossible through the efforts of **Toby Tucker** Hecht and Bronx HS of Science alumni! I met Carol (now Carol Levine Lewis) in Florida in mid-October last year. It was wonderful catching up and renewing our friendship. The oddest part is that Carol lives about 15 minutes away from my Florida apartment!" ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St. NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

**68** By the time you read this, I hope the breezes of spring will encourage you to think of REUNION! Remember the dates: our 35th Reunion, June 5-8 in Ithaca! The Reunion Committee has done an outstanding job planning a memorable weekend, but the most important ingredient is you. Think about who you would like to be there, and the committee will help you find them. E-mail **Helen Karel Dorman**, at hkd4@cornell.edu or **Susan Harrison Berger** at shb55@aol.com. You can also go to the Cornell Alumni Directory at <http://directory.alumni.cornell.edu> or call 607-255-2390. Find details and online registration at the class website, <http://classof68alumni.cornell.edu>.

Reminder: If you have an interesting story or other information you would like to share with the class, let the committee know and they will save space for you at the Class of '68 Exhibition at Reunion Headquarters at Cascadilla Hall. E-mail Helen for details. Hope to see you in Ithaca on June 5-8.

Turning to some regular class news, **Perry Odak** is president and CEO of Wild Oats Markets. He participated in a program at Cornell to celebrate the accreditation of an undergraduate business program. **Herb Fuller** lives in Somerville, MA, and recently published a novel titled *It's A Wrap*. A description of the book read as follows: "It puts the reader right in Boston's seamy Combat Zone at midnight, with nothing but blind luck for company. The action is fast, the sex and food descriptions savory, and the movie-making scenes fascinating." Herb works as an administrator at Harvard. While at Cornell he was in the writing program and served on the editorial board of the *Trojan Horse*.

**Steve Unger**, ME C '70, and wife Gail met **Michael Schenker**, JD '74, and wife Susie in Tuscan last fall. They rented a villa in the Lucca Hills and went on day trips to Florence and adjacent areas. When they returned they got together with **Dave Muntner** and wife Sally and **Larry Kahn**, DVM '70, and wife **Clara (Tauber)**; they also see **Hal Sasnowitz**. **William DeCou**, BS Ag '70, lives in Missoula, MT, and manages rental property. Last year he and wife **Nancy (Schweinsberger)** '70 went on a trek to the base of Mt. Everest, but he developed high altitude pulmonary problems and was helicopter evacuated. Nancy works for the U. of Montana and is director of administrative systems within the computer and information services department.

**Michael Platzer**, JD/MA '71, and his wife live in Austria. Mike is an official with the United

Nations. After three years as the UN representative for the International Drug Control Program for the Caribbean Region, Mike returned to his former job as chief of the operations branch at the UN Center for International Crime Prevention in Vienna. This department concentrates on combating organized crime, corruption, trafficking of human beings, and terrorism, as well as reforming criminal justice systems and developing international standards. The Platzers live in a turn-of-the-century apartment near the city center of Vienna and enjoy life in Austria.

**Eric Orkin** lives in Dover, NH. He reports that after completing a transition following the acquisition of his company he settled into a pattern of consulting, vacationing, and taking time to smell the roses. Eric is nationally recognized for his work in hotel systems, including sales, catering, and reservation systems. **Ken Miller** lives in Costa Mesa, CA, and is president of Pegasus Research, a manufacturer of respiratory products. His daughter **Tamara '02** graduated from the College of Human Ecology. **Susan Berger** Sabreen lives in Stamford, CT, and is a lawyer and TV producer. Susan is currently executive producer of a TV show about children's health, "Keeping Kids Healthy." It runs two times a week on Channel 13 in New York City. Her husband Rich is executive vice president and global head of media for Reuters, based in New York.

**Doni Kwolek Kobus** has taken early retirement from her teaching job and teaches only spring semesters at CalState, Stockton. She enjoys serving on the board of directors of the National Gardening Assn., located in Burlington, VT. It's a nonprofit organization that promotes gardening, and she is involved in a research project regarding youth gardening programs. Her husband Paul retired from the U. of Southern California and enjoys his avocation of falconry. They live in a wooded retreat in Nevada City, CA, an historic gold mining town in the Sierra foothills northeast of Sacramento. Doni and Paul see **David Botwinik** and wife Flis when they come east.

**Lynne Holliday** Beller and husband Jim live in Snyder, NY. Lynne retired from teaching two years ago and is enjoying the freedom and flexibility of retirement. A note from **Joel Negrin** reports that son **Noah** is a freshman in the ILR school; Noah rooms with **Matt Weinberg**, a freshman in the Arts college, who is the son of Joel's Cornell roommate **Rick Weinberg '69**. Joel and wife **Linda (Schwartz) '69** met at Cornell, and Rick Weinberg met wife **Barbara (Gross) '69** at Cornell as well. Joel reports seeing some other '68 roommates with spouses in Las Vegas, including **Jerry Fox** and wife **Ronnie**, **Jeff Gorwit** and wife **Linda**, **Jack Eisenberg** and wife **Sue**, and **Lenny Rappe** and wife **Rona**. Jerry Fox is retired after a distinguished career at IBM. Jeff Gorwit is a cardiologist in California, and Jack Eisenberg is a labor lawyer. Lenny Rappe retired from internal audit work and is now doing financial planning. Joel is also in contact with **Nancy Garlock Edmonds '69**.

That's all for now. I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at reunion in June. ♦

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**69** "At last check I have been married to the same person, Dorothy, for 29 years and have lived and practiced medicine in the same town for 24 years—a testament to much luck and little imagination!" writes **John Berkoben**. Another classmate with a long happy marriage, **Carolyn Rose** Greene plans to celebrate her 30th anniversary in Italy. She and husband Barry recently settled into a new home in Boca Raton, FL, while their children are both living in Manhattan. Jordin graduated from Duke in '97, and Brian is a '01 graduate of the U. of Pennsylvania.

**Penny Smith Austin** writes to us from Erie, PA, where she is a guidance counselor at Erie Day School. Her husband **Cle '68** is the fourth generation to own and manage the family construction business. Now the fifth generation has gotten involved, with the addition of their son **Peter '00**. The Austins' daughter Jessica was married in June 2002 and makes her home in Santa Monica, CA, where she is an assistant producer in the field of made-for-TV films. Their older son Bob lives in Pittsburgh with his wife and two children. Penny is glad to report that Bob's business-to-business dot-com company has survived.

Both children of **Steven La Rocca**, BArch '70, seem to be following in his footsteps. An architect, Steven was involved in the design of a new school in New York City that received awards for design in a historic district. His son Jason is pursuing a graduate degree in architecture at Rice U., and **Jonathan '03** is studying environmental design in the College of Human Ecology. Steven also tells us that he attended a conference on "green" buildings where he ran into **Bill Marston**, BArch '70. It is too soon to tell what field **George Bubrick's** offspring will pursue. He writes, "At 52 I had my first son, George Abraham. He is now well on his way to Cornell (third year of preschool)." He also made a second lifestyle change. After a brief retirement, he acquired a major nurse staffing company and a technology start-up specializing in the same field. With a national shortage of 126,000 nurses, George sees a significant need. Retired from Kodak after 30 years, **Keith Reece** accepted a new position as vice president of project management for BE&K, an engineering and construction firm. He has now settled in Kennett Square, PA. **Robert Rogers** has recently relocated to Nashville, TN.

**Bob (Robert J.) Katz** writes to say that his sister **Alice Katz Berglas '66**, received the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award for 2002. Bob also writes, "I have survived two tours on the Cornell University Council and currently am a member of the Arts and Sciences Advisory Council. I was elected to the Cornell U. Board of Trustees in June 2002." When not involved with Cornell, Bob is special counsel and an advisory director of Goldman Sachs. This follows 13 years as general counsel and a partner/managing director. Bob's two children are



both attending Brown U. Another classmate with strong Cornell ties, **Douglas Marcus** has son **Joshua '02**, who majored in government, and a daughter **Rebecca '05**, who is studying in the College of Human Ecology like her mother **Judith (Feinstein) '70**. Douglas's father, **Bernard Marcus '36**, is also a Cornellian. **Laura Muggleton Higgins, MS '71**, is proud to tell us that her son **Edgar "Gar" '06** is a freshman.

**Don and Maddy Bluefield Richenthal** have son Dan in his first year at Harvard Law School. During the summer he worked at Bain and Co. following graduation from Amherst College. Their son Matt graduated from Colgate U. in June and entered the master's program at Boston U.'s school of journalism. Don and Maddy have a younger daughter in the seventh grade. More news about children: **Kent Nadbornik** writes from Helsinki, Finland. His first child is in Israel working at a kibbutz, the second is in Canada as an exchange student, the third is working for the Hilton Hotel chain in Helsinki, and the fourth has his own sportswear business. ♦ **Arda Coyle Boucher, 21** Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031; e-mail, aboucher@airmar.com.

**70** **Joan Wiswell Yamaguchi** (yam@aloha.net) continues to live in Kilauea, HI. Her hobbies are dancing and playing oboe in the local community college band and orchestra. In the spring of 2002 she played in the band for the island-wide high school production of *Oklahoma* on Kauai. On May 31, '02, her son Ty graduated from Kapaa High School and spent the summer studying Spanish in Barcelona. He is now attending American U. in Washington, DC. For close to four years, her daughter Laura, a licensed civil engineer, has been working for a structural engineering firm in Berkeley, CA.

**Suzanne Grisez Martin** (sgmnc@aol.com) and husband David live in Cranbury, NJ. Suzanne is celebrating ten years of owning her successful management consulting business with health care organizations in NY/NJ. Her children **Stephanie (Williams '95)** and **Douglas (Brown '00)** are both actors living in New York City. She also enjoyed a day in New York with her roommate **Margo Williams Pollak**, who was in town on business. Margo is the owner of several Papyrus fine paper goods stores in the Midwest.

**Barbara Schmid Coombs Lee** lives in Portland, OR. She is president of Compassion in Dying Federation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to expanding and protecting the rights of the terminally ill. She practiced as a nurse and physician's assistant for 25 years before beginning a career in law and health policy. Barbara is devoted to individual choice and empowerment in health care. She works toward this goal as a private attorney, as counsel to the Oregon State Senate, as a managed care executive, and as a chief petitioner for Oregon's Death with Dignity Act. Barbara has championed initiatives that enable individuals to consider a full range of choices and be full participants in their health-care decisions.

The university sends news that **Roy Baldwin**

was elected on Nov. 5, '02 to the Pennsylvania House, representing the affluent 97th District. A very popular candidate, Roy unseated the seven-time incumbent in the Republican primary earlier in the fall, then took 95 percent of the vote for a landslide victory. Roy will be someone to watch in government in the future. Congratulations! For 15 years, **David Sebesta** has lived on the Big Island in Hawaii, currently in Pepeekeo. He says he cannot even conceive of an Ithaca winter! Late in 2002 two songs he wrote were produced by Hilltop Records in Hollywood, CA. "I Am No Stranger," a rock tune, and "Buzz Buzz," a reggae tune, are on Hilltop's "America" album for 2002. David reminds us that he was one of the originators of "Little Larry and the Limitations" that played all the local Ithaca bars in 1981-82. He says aloha!

**Scott Reichlin** continues to be active in community theater in Salem, OR. This year he played Aguecheek in *Twelfth Night* and he is currently vocal director for a somewhat obscure musical version of the silent film *Metropolis*. He sings tenor in the Willamette master chorus. His sons Max and Abe are in college, Whitman and Linfield, respectively. And he is trying to get his handicap down! Scott's e-mail is sreichlin@aol.com. In December 2002 Inter Corp. appointed **Justin Rattner**, ME E '72, to the newly created position of Intel senior fellow. The Intel Fellow program began in 1980, and the new position recognizes the most senior and influential members who are continually innovative and make outstanding contributions to Intel. Justin was an electrical engineering undergrad, earned his MS in computer science in 1972, and joined Intel in 1973. He is now director of the microprocessor research, enterprise platforms group, and is responsible for advanced circuit, microarchitecture, architecture, and programming systems research, as well as the prototyping and analysis of future computer applications and workloads.

**Robert Langer** is the Kenneth J. Germeshausen Professor of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering at MIT, where he earned his Doctor of Science degree. He has won over 100 awards, including the 2002 Charles Stark Draper Prize, a \$500,000 award and gold medallion often referred to as "engineering's Nobel Prize." He was honored for inventing medical drug delivery technologies that prolong lives and ease the suffering of millions every year. He has also received the Lemelson-MIT Prize for Invention and Innovation for being one of history's most prolific inventors in medicine. And he is the only active elected member of all three US National Academies: the National Academy of Engineering, the National Academy of Sciences, and the Institute of Medicine. Robert's many research interests include the development of biomaterials, one of which has led to a new treatment for brain cancer.

He and his team are also studying drug-delivery systems in the body and new enzyme-based therapies. He has co-authored a study of a plastic material that can be made to tie itself into a knot, thus showing promise for use as a surgical thread and for some implants. The

material is made of thermoplastic polymers that can be absorbed by the body. It can be engineered to retain a memory of a specific shape and then to transform itself into that shape when warmed to body temperature. So this plastic could be used to make implants or bone screws that are not much bigger than a piece of string when they are inserted into the body, but when warmed change to form the appropriate implant. Amazing! ♦ **Connie Ferris Meyer, 16** James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, conimae2@aol.com.

**71** What seemed to be the longest, coldest northeastern winter in recent memory will be just that when you read this column. What made the New York area 2002-03 winter feel even grimmer than the cold and ice were a languishing local economy badly damaged by the Trade Center attack over 18 months ago and the seemingly ever-present alerts to new terror attacks. Despite the prevailing conditions—or perhaps the result of—nearly 25 classmates gathered at a Manhattan restaurant last January 24 for a warm and collegial evening of good cheer and good friends. It was our now annual reconnect cocktail party and dinner, once again ably chaired by **Dale Cohen**, held on the weekend of the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting. Also that weekend, we heard the exciting news that **Martha Coultrap** was on the ballot as candidate for the university Board of Trustees. Martha's efforts as a class officer and Cornell Fund rep made her a very visible member of the greater Cornell community.

It may take a while, but we do get to all the news sooner or later. First, here is some mail that reached us between September and late October 2002. **Rosalie Hornblower** (rosaliecat@attbi.com) reported that she had remarried and lives in Cambridge, MA. Her husband Will Sawyer extended her family of four young women with two young men and two grandchildren. Her goal is to "work at a non-stress nursing job and retire at 60." **Lynne Jillson Brown** (brown\_lj@suu.edu) wants to take time off to spend with her dogs and grandson. She is regional president for US Department of Education TRIO programs. She lives in Cedar City, UT. Together with husband Harry, the couple has four children and seven grandkids. **Bill McGrath** of Chandler, AZ (wfm3@cornell.edu), an avid motorcyclist, took a weeklong motorcycle tour of the Grand Canyon last summer. His personal goals are to spend more time scuba diving in the South Pacific, have his photography published in *National Geographic*, and ride his motorcycle to Yellowstone, Northwest Territory, for the summer solstice. If you happen to attend an event at Colorado College in Colorado Springs, CO, look for Event Coordinator **Kathleen Ellison Lindeman** (klindeman@coloradocollege.edu). Kathy says she and husband **Ted, PhD '79**, "hope to survive the empty nest for the first time—both kids in college." **David Bradt** of Bethesda, MD (david.bradt@wealth-tax.com) says he "left Andersen after 28 years to form Wealth & Tax advisory services with 25 partners and 200 em-



ployees in seven cities."

Weston, CT, resident **Mary Kurlansik** Sloane (marsloane@aol.com) says she's writing children's stories and cartoons and trying to get published. "We just completed a fund-raising event for the Vet college at the Hotel Pierre last September." **Bill Spindler** (spindle@attglobal.net) has been engineering power plants from Ohio to California. He lives in Ironton, OH. A postcard from **Jay Erstling**, JD '74 (jay.erstling@wipo.int) reached us from Geneva, Switzerland. Jay, wife Pixie, and 9-year-old son moved there in August 2002. Jay took a post as director of the Patent Cooperation Treaty at the World Intellectual Property Organization. Jay's daughter stayed behind to finish medical school.

Finally, a long and newsy e-mail arrived in my inbox from **Craig Ewing**, MBA '72 (cse7@cornell.edu). Craig writes, "It's hard to believe it's been [30 years] since we graduated. I stayed at Cornell for my fifth year to finish my MBA before joining IBM as a salesperson that summer. **Scott Lawrence** and I made a spontaneous road trip to Cornell for Reunion Week in June 2002. We stopped at the Roscoe Diner along the way for old times sake. We visited with Stephania and **Jay Branegan** '72, as well as **Frank Ruiz** '72 while visiting the 1972 dinner on Friday night. I took advantage of IBM's latest resource action to leave last July with a golden parachute, protected retirement, and a big check. It was a good run for me at IBM, and I left feeling like I was at the top of my career. I took much of the summer to be with the girls whenever they were home, to build the pond (complete with the waterfall that I have always wanted), and to reclaim more of the backyard for colorful gardens. Now I am starting a new career with Ewing Consulting (www.EwingConsulting.com), a marketing consulting firm specializing in using the Internet and other leading-edge initiatives to improve customer relationships. I hope all is well with you and your family."

And to all Cornell '71ers, here's hoping things are well with you and your families. Please send news of yourself and any Cornellians with whom you are in touch. Your e-mail and snail mail are welcome. When you get your dues mailing, please send in your payment with a note for our class column. *Cornell Alumni Magazine* is not funded by the university and not paid for by gifts to Cornell. Subscription fees and ads pay their bills. The best way to receive this magazine is to subscribe through your class dues. ♦ **Matt Silverman**, mes62@cornell.edu; **Linda Germaine-Miller**, linda\_germaine-miller@vmed.org.

**72** As I write this column in February, thousands of men and women of the National Guard are being mobilized and sent to the Persian Gulf, preparing for imminent war. The United Nations disagrees with the US and wants to give its inspectors more time to search Iraq for weapons of mass destruction. Last weekend millions of people around the world marched in peace protests. **Wes Schulz** and wife Diane received a phone call from daughter Amy, who

was in front of the Texas State Capital building marching in a protest for peace. Diane says it was déjà vu, except a generation ago the war was in Vietnam. The Homeland Security Agency raises the terrorist threat level to "high" and tells everyone to buy duct tape and plastic sheeting. The Dow is dropping as fast as gas prices are rising, North Korea has missiles that can carry a nuclear weapon to the West Coast, and the space shuttle *Columbia* breaks apart on reentry, killing seven brave astronauts. No, it has not been a good month. We hope by the time you read this that the world situation has improved and everyone is able to enjoy the summer.

**William Moeckel** has been named president of Chechessee Creek Realty LLC, a real estate

Robert and wife Melinda have three other children (15, 11, and 9). They live in Bethesda, MD, and Robert has been at Shaw Pittman, a Washington, DC, law firm, since 1976. He keeps in touch in the DC area with many Cornellians, including his Cornell debate partner **John Sturc**, **Art Spitzer** '71, **Bruce Turnbull** '73, **Al Miller** '71 and his wife **Sue O'Hara**, BA '71, and (by e-mail) with **Kate Waits**, now a law professor in Tulsa.

**Bill Trommer** writes from the great state of Maine that last August his daughter Heather married Matthew Beardslee in Mount Pleasant, MI. Bill and wife Pat took ballroom dancing lessons before the wedding, so they could have fun at the reception with all of the young guests. (I remember dancing at Bill and Pat's wedding

'Robert Robbins sat in that same hall taking that same course from the same professor more than 30 years ago.'

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sales, marketing, and property management company organized to market the Callawassie and Spring Island coastal island development projects in South Carolina. Bill is also marketing affiliated real estate projects, including Balsam Mountain Preserve near Asheville, NC, the Roaring Fork Club south of Aspen, CO, and the Chechessee Creek Club in Okatie, SC. He has extensive experience in private real estate investment and remains a general partner with Thayer Hotel Investors, a prominent investment group in the hotel industry. **Steve Kane**, MBA '73, is active in alumni affairs in Northern California. In addition to helping the Tower Club campaigns, Steve and spouse Jacqueline attend many of the group sporting events that are sponsored by the Cornell Alumni Association of Northern California. Steve and Jacqui joined 140 alumni and friends last summer at Pacific Bell Park and watched the San Francisco Giants defeat the Arizona Diamondbacks on the way to the National League pennant. In February, the Kanes journeyed to Oakland with 40 alumni and guests to see the Golden State Warriors battle the New York Knicks.

**Robert Robbins** sent an e-mail to proudly inform us that his oldest daughter, Julia, was accepted early decision to Cornell Arts and Sciences. When she spent a weekend in Ithaca with the Cornell women's crew team, she attended a Psych 101 lecture by **James Maas**, PhD '66, in Bailey Hall. Robert told his daughter that he sat in that same hall taking that same course from the same professor more than 30 years ago. I'm sure all of us who took Psych 101 have great memories of the outstanding lectures by Prof. Maas. Robert was also proud that the women's crew team was recruiting Julia. He had to admit that the Cornell debate team had not flown him to Ithaca for a weekend, on the strength of his debating skills, when he was a high school senior.

reception 30 years ago.) The Trommers had such a good time that now they go to dances and take lessons just for the fun of it. Heather is finishing her master's degree in English. Younger daughter Leah is a senior at Northland College in Minnesota and will graduate with a degree in Outdoor Education. Last fall she studied off-campus at the Audubon Center of the North Woods in Sandstone, MN. Last summer Leah was in rural Alaska, teaching swimming to native Alaskan children in remote villages along the Yukon River. She was flown into the villages by bush plane to set up the swimming and other programs for the kids. Bill still walks 1.6 miles to work each day, except for winter months when he gets out the skis and skis to work. He finds it a very pleasant way to start and end each day, as his route takes him through fields and woods.

A previous issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine* featured an article about the publication by Stone Bridge of *The Art of Setting Stones* by **Marc Keane** '79. It turns out that the publisher is none other than classmate **Peter Goodman**. Peter's interest in Japan started back at Cornell, which might be a good advertisement for the English department, although Peter modestly says that he was not the department's most stellar performer. **Gail Povar** says that she has been living in the DC area for 25 years. Daughter Alexandra, 14, is a high school freshman, and son Justin, 18, is a freshman at Brown, where his first love is jazz piano. Significant other **Larry Bachorik** '71 is Chief of Public Affairs at the US Food and Drug Administration. Gail reports that they regularly see **Wendy Jennis** '73, who lives around the corner from them in Bethesda, MD. Two years ago, for Larry's 50th birthday, he and Gail went to Ireland to visit with **Ken Olinger** '71 and his wonderful family in their home in Saggart, South of Dublin. Gail also



keeps in touch with **Tom Grumbly '71** and wife Judy who recently moved to Colorado, where Tom heads the Keystone Foundation.

**Bruce McGeoch**, ME E '73, is in his second year with Redfern Integrated Optics. He commutes to Australia every two weeks to work with the company's R & D team in Sydney. Spouse Cyndy is very busy volunteering at El Camino Hospital in Mountain View, CA, as a patient relations representative in the emergency room. Daughter Lauren attends Brown and last year went to Botswana to do an Ecology and Environmental Semester abroad with the School for International Training. The three McGeochs spent two weeks in the Galapagos Islands enjoying a magical environment virtually untouched by humans.

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**R73** Our 30th Reunion is just around the corner; please plan to reconnect with your classmates in lovely Ithaca, June 5-8. You will be able to register online. Visit the class website at [www.classof73.cornell.edu](http://www.classof73.cornell.edu).

**AG Cook** reports that he and wife **Chris (Reh fuss) '74** are doing great in Simsbury, CT. Their son **Mac '05** is in Arts and Sciences, played sprint football, is on the rugby team, and seems to enjoy Cornell even more than his parents did. Chris has her own law practice, they are part owners of a small brewery, and AG is VP of sales and marketing at Framatome, a major nuclear power plant and service supplier. **Benjamin Stuhl**, the son of **Sheila Kojm**, M ILR '75, is a sophomore in Arts and Sciences, so now Sheila returns to Ithaca twice a year. After being laid off by Compaq (before it turned into Hewlett-Packard), Sheila, who lives in Bedford, MA, made a career change into early childhood education and is now caring for and teaching 2-

year-olds in Acton, MA.

**Bill Chamberlain** and his partner Howard have moved to Chapel Hill, NC, from Chicago after 17 years there. He is now assistant dean for Career Services at UNC Law School and is still singing opera every chance he gets (I remember!). **Martha Burroughs** Keagle, Ashford, CT, is director of the diagnostic genetic sciences program at the U. of Connecticut. Son Ben is a high school junior and son **Matt** is a sophomore at Cornell. That's four Cornell sophomores already in this column, when you include my son **David Greenberg**; daughter Allison Greenberg continues to blaze her own trail and is a freshman studying molecular biology at Princeton.

**Linda Dubins**, Piedmont, CA, is a senior physician with the Permanente Medical Group and assistant clinical professor of Medicine at UC San Francisco. She and husband David Baer have daughter Hilary, a sophomore at the U. of Michigan, and two other daughters still at home. **Marcia Clark** Arem, Merion, PA, has spent the last seven years in the private practice of pediatrics part-time. Husband Larry is a tax lawyer, son Nat is a junior at Franklin and Marshall, daughter **Hannah** is a freshman at Cornell, and son Jacob is in eighth grade. **Buster Scranton** last year reacquired the 1757 vintage home ("The Money Pit") that his family lived in when he was a child, complete with fallout shelter and snakes. He has been re-elected deputy chief of the Guilford (CT) Volunteer Fire Department.

**Paul Aho** and **Elena Sevilla, PhD '87**, live in Storrs, CT, with daughter Susana and stepson **Fernando Viton '97**, who works at Microsoft on a still secret program. Paul is a consultant to the poultry industry worldwide, and Elena keeps the computer servers working at the U. of Connecticut. **Carrie Gluckson Gale** writes from Bedford, MA, that she has taken early retirement, husband **Ron '72**, ME EP '73, is a consultant to high tech companies, son Daniel, 24, works at Parametrics, and son **Michael '02**, 22, is getting his master's and doctorate at CalTech. **Bruce Jentleson**, PhD '83, reports from Durham, NC, where he is director of the Terry Sanford Inst. of Public Policy and professor of public policy and political science at Duke U.

Daughter **Katie** is a Cornell freshman in Arts and Sciences, as is **Peter Knight's** son **Zach**.

**Neil Roland** of Silver Spring, MD, a reporter for *Bloomberg News*, Washington Bureau, whose beat is the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the winner of the 2002 Gerald Loeb Award for Distinguished Financial Journalism, as well as a 2001 Society of American Business Editors and Writers Award. He and wife Shelly Winston, an executive with Quality Oncology Inc., have daughter Joella, 16, and son Micah, 5. Neil reports that classmate **Rashid Khan**, MBA '74, a bank executive in Pakistan, has a freshman daughter **Suhair** at Cornell, and **Michael Gaudiose** is a family physician in Chambersburg, PA, with three daughters in college. Dr. **Colleen Colbert** writes from Nyack, NY, that husband **Joel Carreiro '71** is on the advisory board of Cornell's School of Architecture, Art, and Planning. Colleen is in private practice in psychology in Nyack and busy with community issues and committees. Son Lucas, 9, is an avid pianist and soccer player, while daughter Lilia, 5, adopted from China in 1998, studies violin and is a wiz at soccer. Both kids decided they will be going to Cornell after visiting the campus last spring with Colleen for the Presidential Visit weekend.

**Bill Welker**, MBA '75, has moved to London, England, where he is responsible for Nestle Purina's European supply chain. He would love a chance to reconnect with any Cornellians who are passing through London. **Ashok Khanna** writes from New Delhi, India, that he is managing director of Ananda in the Himalayas, a destination spa near Rishikesh, India, recently voted by *Condé Nast Traveller* as the sixth best spa in the world. Ashok's wife Neelam is an interior decorator, and daughter Aashica hopes to attend Cornell's Hotel school next fall.

**Matthew Horn** lives in San Diego, CA, is a medical consultant at the Arco Olympic Training Center, and sits on the board of directors of Sharp Coronado Hospital. **Fermo Jaeckle**, Brookside, NJ, is elated, proud, and relieved to announce that daughter **Kirsten '02** graduated from Cornell last June *summa cum laude* in sociology. ♦ **Pamela S. Meyers**, [psmeyers@fuse.net](mailto:psmeyers@fuse.net); and **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, [grummonp@msu.edu](mailto:grummonp@msu.edu).

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**74** A couple of final notes on the informal reunion I attended in Ithaca last summer. There were some notable changes on campus and off. The new North Campus dorms look pretty nice and blend in well with the rest of the diverse architecture of the area. Collegetown seems to be substantially changed with high rise dorms making Dryden Road "another gorge," as noted in a spring issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. And instead of Italian and Greek, the restaurant fare has a decidedly Asian bent. Downtown, the Commons was active and eclectic in restaurants, retail, and people. **Bob Murton**, **Brad Buchanan**, and I played a round of golf at the "Robert Trent Jones Golf Course at Cornell" (it never had a formal name before designers became celebrities). I used to love the course as an undergraduate—hey, who could



argue with the price?—but putting it in perspective with Yale and some other noted courses I've played, we concluded Mr. Jones must have designed it while a freshman. Brad still lost about a dozen balls, though. Brad, **Jim Stone**, ME C '76, **Sue St. Clair Raye**, and I got together briefly in Boston this winter for pizza and beer. **Michael Zweig** recently completed being the lawyer for Woody Allen in a lawsuit brought against Woody's former movie producers. Michael's a partner at Loeb & Loeb in NYC. **Milton Lorig** is a psychiatrist who lives in Oakland, CA, with wife and 13-year-old daughter, and celebrated his 50th birthday by running the Paris, France, marathon last spring.

After selling his company, The Beanstalk Group, to Ford, **Seth Siegel**, JD '78, remains active in a wide array of community and philanthropic activities, including the ILR school's Advisory Council and Vice-Chair of Cornell Hillel's board of trustees. Seth also reported he's quasi-retired: "Dipped my toe into a new professional world, producing a Broadway show. *Man of La Mancha* opened on Broadway on Dec. 5, '02, and I am listed as one of the producers. (I hope the show is still running by the time this column appears! Broadway is a notoriously tough business, but I have greatly enjoyed working on this.) [It is!] I went to one of the out-of-town run-thru performances with my sophomore year roommate **Bruce Nagel** who reminded me that I loved *Man of La Mancha* even back then. I also serve as a co-producer of the ABC-TV series "Dinotopia." The mini-series of the same name and network was nominated for seven Emmy Awards, winning one. All of the above is in addition to my primary work, which remains as head of The Beanstalk Group licensing activities." Seth was kind enough to offer an (unsolicited) thank you to me, Linda, and Betsy for writing the column. You're welcome!

Taking early retirement is **Henry Webb** who, after 23 years in the US Foreign Service, went to his Menomonie, WI, lake home. Henry used his Hotel management training experience and skills to manage American embassies in Istanbul, Ankara, Accra, Ghana, and Athens, and with US foreign policy programs in Vienna and East Africa and law enforcement academies in Budapest and Bangkok. Now it's tennis, golf, fishing, canoeing, birding, and travel. Gee, Henry, seems you might want to cut back a bit on the last. Welcome to Noah Jacob, born December 4 to **Gary Canter**!

Got a note from **Bonni Shulman** Dutcher, who works for Sanofi Synthelab as senior medical therapeutic liaison for oncology. Last year she and **Devon Osbahr** Bingham '75, MPS '81, went to New Zealand and Australia on vacation. **Walter Tyree** wrote in to say that he's living in The Woodlands, TX, and says hi to **Bob Baldini**. **Martin Lesser** e-mailed that he went up to Ithaca last Thanksgiving with son **Lenard** '01 to see the two hockey games vs. Boston U. "It was a great experience to be back in Lynah Rink with all the hockey fans. But it was eerie being with my son, some 30 years after attending Cornell myself. Time sure does fly! And, except for the cowbell cheer ("Fight!"), all of the hockey cheers

were new and unfamiliar. But I caught on fast. We won both games!"

*Cornell Engineering* magazine ran a piece recently on some work **John Belina**, ME E '75, is doing. John is asst. director of the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, and is advising some students on cluster computing—a way to use multiple computers for parallel processing. **Art Agnello** has been named a full professor in the entomology department and is based at the Ag Experiment Station in Geneva, NY. He's the go-to guy for tree fruit extension work in New York State. We received a news release on **Gary Weidy**, who was promoted to SVP Human Resources at Primedia in New York.

Making news in . . . and shaking up . . . the advertising and marketing world is **Steve Heyer**, newly ensconced as president of Coca-Cola. Steve moved to Coke from Booz, Allen and Turner Broadcasting and Y & R advertising. He lives in Atlanta with wife Meg and children David, 8, and Kate, 12. Also making news was **Harold Levy**, JD '79, who recently left the job as New York City schools chancellor, the first to hold that post from the business world. Harold, time for you to check in and let us know what you're doing after spending the summer canoeing in New Hampshire with wife Patricia and kids Noah and Hannah.

Attending the 50th birthday party in Beantown was **Chris Cobaugh**. She lives in Newport, RI, and recently launched a travel business, [www.newportlearningadventures.com](http://www.newportlearningadventures.com).

**Mark Schwartz** noted in his recent news form that he has published two books: *The Joke's on Me*, a joke book published by C.C. Marimbo out of Berkeley, and *Mark Schwartz Explodes* by Calliope Press, San Francisco. He also runs a poetry series at a café in North Beach, where the Beatniks used to hang out in the '50s. We received a nice note from **Laurie Harris** in Concord, CA. She went to games six and seven of the 2002 Angels/Giants World Series with **Robin Lehrfeld** Hunter and her children Alyssa, 10, and Michael, 9. She also saw **John Henel** and **Kathi Weiner** Bruce at a holiday gathering last winter, and was planning a visit with **Paul Mayne**, BS Eng '76, PhD '91, while dropping her son off for matriculation at Georgia Tech.

**Kirk Birrell** wrote in to say he's still working at Intel. Wife Susan is enrolled in a PhD program, and daughter Christina graduated from Trinity College last year and is now working in DC. And from **Wendy Schwartz** Wein we hear that her son Marc is at Harvard Med getting his MD/PhD, and daughter **Allison** is a junior at Cornell and will be in Florence for the spring semester this year. Daughter Lauren, 16, is a sophomore at Cheshire High School and involved in sports and student government. Wendy does frequent lunches with **Blanche Savin** Goldenberg. From New Jersey, **Mary Ready** Stanley took time to tell us that she is currently licensed as a clinical social worker and works at Little Hill-Alina Lodge in Blairstown, NJ, and in private practice in Sparta, NJ. She married Bruce Stanley in 1997. Mary's son Luke graduated from Davidson College last spring and is teaching high school and coaching varsity football, but she neglected to mention

where. Daughter Mary is a junior at George Washington U.

Check out CyberTower, Cornell's recently introduced online program series allowing alumni to hear from and make contact with leading members of the Cornell faculty. New releases include **Jim Garbarino**, PhD '73's Study Room on bullying, and President Rawlings's Forum conversation with **Glenn Altschuler**, PhD '76, which aired in December. CyberTower is accessible by logging on to <http://cybertower.cornell.edu>.

Mark your calendars: our 30th Reunion is June 10-13, '04. Please send your news to ♦ **Steve Raye**, e-mail, [spr23@cornell.edu](mailto:spr23@cornell.edu); **Linda Meyers** Geyer, [lgdesigns@cox.net](mailto:lgdesigns@cox.net); or **Betsy Beach**, [eab52@cornell.edu](mailto:eab52@cornell.edu).

**75** By the time you read this column, I expect you will all be experiencing beautiful weather. However, I am writing it in February, after one of the coldest Januaries that New York City has had in several years. Friends have asked how I handle the cold. I shrug my shoulders and say, "After six winters in Ithaca (two years in business school after undergrad), this is nothing!" I am repeatedly reminded in some way of my time at Cornell. I hope you are, too.

Is it just me, or do you feel that you are getting old when our most recently named Cornell President, **Jeffrey Lehman** '77, is two classes BEHIND us? At least we can say that we studied on the Hill at the same time as the Pres. We may not have the current University President from our class, but we do have classmates who have been called upon to speak. In September, the Cornell Plantations sponsored a wine-tasting party featuring New York State wines. The guide throughout was our own **Crawford Pierce II**, owner of Pierce's 1894 Restaurant in Elmira, NY. He can be reached at [prestaur@stny.rr.com](mailto:prestaur@stny.rr.com).

In November, the Cornell Entrepreneur Network sponsored a "Linking Cornellians to Foster Career Success" evening. The speaker was **Rich Marin**, MBA '76, who lives in NYC. He gave a very informative and lively presentation on his experiences as co-founder of Beehive Ventures, an early-stage venture capital fund. Rich is very active with Cornell besides being our Class President. He is on the Advisory Council of the Johnson School, as well as the Arts college, and on the University Council. He is also a director of the Big Red Venture Fund and a member of the Alumni Trustee Nominating Committee and chairman of the Annual Fund of the Johnson School. I was able to hear Rich's pearls of wisdom and thoroughly enjoyed the evening. I caught up with **Ezra Singer**, who also attended. He is the head of human resources for Verizon and lives in Cos Cob, CT, with his wife and 15-year-old daughter Allie. **James Rubin**, co-chairman of Resurgence Asset Management, was one of the speakers at the Visiting Executive Program offered by the Johnson School, which enables MBA students to interact with high profile business leaders. Jim lives in Mt. Kisco, NY, and can be reached at [jbr@resurgencell.com](mailto:jbr@resurgencell.com).

Last summer, 24 Cornell undergraduates



spent the summer in NYC as the first class of the Urban Scholars Program, which places them as paid interns for nonprofit agencies and other organizations that serve children. In July, **Jaar-Mel Sevin** Sloane and husband Peter met with the interns and staff from the sponsoring agencies at the Cornell Club in NY. Peter, chair of the board of the Heckscher Foundation for children, played a pivotal role in securing financial support for the program. Jaar-Mel is president of Sloane Square, a real estate firm in New York.

Some news from classmates overseas: **Jeffrey Huth** (jgh112053@aol.com) is in Konigstein, Germany, where he works for Boehringer Ingelheim GmbH managing the prescription medicine division in the US, Mexico, and Canada. **Roberto Wirth** is in Rome, Italy. He recently opened the International Wine Academy of Roma in a restored ancient building. The Academy will offer courses on wine in English and the website is [www.wineacademyroma.com](http://www.wineacademyroma.com). Roberto welcomes Cornellians visiting Italy and can be reached at [gmoffice@hotelhassler.it](mailto:gmoffice@hotelhassler.it). **Juan Perez-Gomez** (jpmg@caminoreal.com.mx) is in Mexico where he works at Camino Real Hotels & Resorts. **Michael Rosepiller**, ME EP '76 (rosepimj@bp.com) is in London, England, working as the manager of financial performance in the London headquarters of British Petroleum. Stationed in Europe, Mike has traveled to Rome and Paris and has hiked in Switzerland.

I heard from some of our legal eagles. **Susan Hurwitz** Levy lives in Fairfax, VA, where she is an attorney for the IRS, specializing in Federal estate and gift tax laws. She participates in the National Mentoring Program of Women's American ORT. Susan has traveled to Portugal and Barbados and can be reached at [r@rei.org](mailto:r@rei.org). **Mark Pearce** (mark.pearce@verizon.net) is a partner at Creighton, Pearce, Johnsen and Giroux in Buffalo, NY, practicing labor and employment law. Mark is an adjunct faculty member of Cornell's ILR School Western NY Extension, and he gave a presentation on recent developments in NLRB law at a Pacific Coast Conference in Seattle, WA. Mark is on the NYS 8th Judicial Dept. Committee on Character and Fitness, the Western NY Work Force Investment Board, and the Burchfield-Penney Art Centre Board.

A news release reveals that **Susan Corner Rosen** was appointed in 2002 as South Carolina liaison to the Assn. of Trial Lawyers of America (ATLA) Women Trial Lawyers Caucus for a one-year term. ATLA is a nonprofit association of trial lawyers and other legal professionals based in Washington, DC. Susan is a trial attorney who gained national attention for her prosecution of a 1994 civil murder case in Atlanta. She is currently at Rosen, Rosen & Hagood LLC in Charleston, SC, where she is the managing shareholder. The Queens (NY) District Attorney's Office website reports that Assistant District Attorney **Daniel Saunders** was named one of two recipients of the sixth annual Gene Kelly award. The award is given annually in honor of a former dedicated trial ADA who died in 1992. Dan received the award for his participation in the successful prosecution of the widely known and significant case, the Wendy's Restaurant

Massacre in Flushing, NY, in May 2000. When announcing the awards, DA Richard Brown said that Dan (and co-recipient) were superb in the handling of the prosecution; they were dedicated, committed, and professional. Dan is the Bureau Chief of the District Attorney's Homicide Trials Bureau and has been since 1992 (after spending ten years at the Kings County DA office in Brooklyn, mostly in the Homicide Bureau as well).

**Joseph Harmon** (joseharm@comcast.net) writes that he graduated from Widener U. School of Law in December 2001, after spending 25 years as an Episcopal priest. He is now an associate attorney in the Harrisburg, PA, office of Kirkpatrick and Lockhart LLP, focusing on a litigation practice of environmental and natural resources, health care, and employment and labor law. "Father Harmon" continues his priestly practice part-time as local parishes require his assistance. Also at Widener is **Emily Coffman** Richardson, who is now dean of University College. This division handles evening, weekend, and professional adult education and covers two campuses. Emily can be reached at [ecr0001@mail.widener.edu](mailto:ecr0001@mail.widener.edu).

**Michelle Weiner Bettman** (mwb1230@aol.com) writes from Saddle River, NJ, where she is a manager in the health care field. She and husband **Gary '74** celebrated his 50th birthday by traveling to the Canadian Rockies with Alice and **Michael Delikat '74** and Marla and **Bruce Nagel '74**. They also delivered son **Jordan '06** to Cornell for his freshman year. Also celebrating his 50th birthday at a surprise party in NYC was **Peter Kaplan '74**. Cornellians in attendance were my sister **Rachel Gellman '72**, **John '72** and **Ellen Rosenstock Morehouse '72**, **Bruce Arena '73**, **Jon Levine '76**, and **Scott Johnson**. Scott is practicing law at Albert Ward & Johnson in Greenwich, CT, where he lives with his wife Liz and their two daughters. I had a great time with Peter last summer at his tennis club on Long Island, improving my game. If you find yourself in Westhampton, you should look Peter up at Eastside Tennis & Fitness Club.

Have a great summer and remember that reunion is just two short years away. Keep those e-mails and letters coming. Add news about classmates and get-togethers. ♦ **Deb Gellman**, [dsgellman@hotmail.com](mailto:dsgellman@hotmail.com); **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, [boroffka@shu.edu](mailto:boroffka@shu.edu); **Joan Pease**, [japease1032@aol.com](mailto:japease1032@aol.com); and **Mitch Frank**, [mjfgator@aol.com](mailto:mjfgator@aol.com).

**76** It's lovely to cast my mind forward to May and June, because as I write, Michigan is under a winter storm warning. Let's hope that balmy breezes are blowing as you read this. Let's hope, too, that you'll go directly to your computer and generously send your news of friends and family, because I was saved from blank space this month only by the faithful reporting of our class co-president **Rob Hellman**. Rob wrote that he and his spouse and co-president **Laurey Mogil** "enjoyed a terrific evening as once again **Ellen Werther Ressler** and husband **Bruce '72** outdid themselves as hosts for a class mid-winter cocktail party, continuing

a tradition begun several years ago by **Karen Rupert** Keating and husband Tom, who were able to make it to this year's event. Over 20 other classmates were also in attendance, including **Sheila Collins** (all the way from Evansville, IN, and still with Mead-Johnson), **Ellen Gobel** Walsh (in from Ithaca), and **Jeff Fine** with wife Jocelyn. Jeff is assistant director of Pediatric Emergency Services at Bellevue/NYU in New York. We're looking forward to a bigger and better party next year, which will be moved to Saturday evening so no one can complain they were too tired to show up after work. And we hope to see all those folks who e-mailed me with regrets about not being able to attend this year. The Werther-Resslers have already staked out a claim to host next year's party, but laid down a ground rule that everyone returning has to bring another classmate who didn't make it to this year's event. Kudos to Ellen and Bruce." And thank you, Rob!

After Rob's report, I was on my own. Fortunately, I have recently seen at least one classmate in person. Roses were blooming in December in Southern California when **Karen Polivy** and I met up for dinner. She was in Los Angeles on business from her home near San Francisco; I was there to tidy up the estate of an aunt. Karen herself had just lost her wonderful father, a longtime surgeon in Hartford, CT. It was good to see her, commiserate, and celebrate. She reported that just after her father's death, our old friend **Ellen Cord** had kindly driven through a raging snowstorm to visit Karen in Connecticut. Since then, Karen writes, "I ran into **Ward Naughton**, MBA '79, a few weeks ago at an event where **Richard Rosenberg** was the featured speaker. Apparently he worked with Richard years ago at Wells Fargo and stayed in touch. He is very busy with his family and, if I recall correctly, venture capital activities."

I sent out a piteous plea to other pals for news, and **John Wiest** taunted this winter-bound correspondent with his note: "Am wildly busy in cleaning off the desk as I depart Saturday for Sydney. My wife, Christine Windbiel (Georgetown '76), and I are vacating to Australia to celebrate our fifth wedding anniversary. Valentine's Day no less. And tonight, by coincidence, I'm off to a Cornell Agriculture Biotechnology presentation in Palo Alto."

The old *Sun* gang can sympathize with a reporter who has no story. **Ira Rosen** was, as you might expect, an excellent source of news. "My son Max had his bar mitzvah last March, and **Dick Kowal**, **Murray Lieberman**, and **David Zalaznick** were in attendance. I attended Dick Kowal's son's bar mitzvah and saw **Ron Klein**, a dentist in Philly, **Ron Wichin '75**, a chiropractor, and **Carol Schreiber '79** and husband Roy. Dick is a New York chiropractor. I saw **Bill Marino**, MBA '79, in San Francisco last summer; he's married and works for that big insurance conglomerate that is run by Ace Greenberg (forgot the name). Saw **Bucky Briggs** in New York; he is working for the NFL and teaching at Cornell Law. I am still senior producer of Prime Time Thursday, and the book I wrote on the accident at Three Mile Island, *The Warning*, is



being reissued by W. W. Norton. **Iris Schneider**, my wife, is teaching math at Mercy and Marymount colleges."

Another *Sun* alumnus, **Jim Beede**, also kindly responded to my call for help. "I am living in Newton, MA, with Debra Cantor, my wife of 20 years, and our children Max, 10, and Penina, 8. Currently working as a PC support specialist in a start-up company."

All the media people are great sources. **Larry Epstein**, MBA '78, wrote: "After almost five years as CFO of Princeton Video Image in Lawrenceville, NJ, I find myself 'in transition' for the first time since leaving Ithaca. I am making myself useful as a consultant to start-up companies, and making regular trips to Ithaca, where I serve on the Board of WVBR-FM. Full-time work in the media/entertainment field continues to interest me, so if any classmates have any leads, please pass them along! My wife **Karen (Hasby) '77** decided to leave the TV news business four years ago and went back to school to get her master's degree in reading education. She has found her true calling as a reading specialist at a private school in Princeton, NJ. Our kids are 17 and 13 and doing well in too many ways to list here!"

**Dean Lennox '75** wrote with mockery of my plight instead of news—but he sounds as if he's doing well and still has a great sense of humor. Now, the rest of you, we know you're doing *something*. Please let us know what. ♦ **Pat Relf Hanavan**, relf@aol.com; **Lisa Diamant**, ljdiamant@aol.com; and **Karen Krinsky Sussman**, Krinsk54@aol.com.

**77** Some news from the fall and mid-winter. **Bob Slocum** (rss13053@yahoo.com) reports that he attended the Cornell-Columbia football game on November 16 in New York City with brother-in-law **Robert Goodwin '84**. The weather conditions were miserable, but the two Bobs witnessed a last minute (and pride-salvaging) Cornell win. Just a little further north, **Bob Schultz**, MBA '78, has been living in Chappaqua, NY (home of the Clintons) for 12-1/2 years, but is spending increasingly more time in Stamford, CT, where he works. Bob's son is enrolled at the New Canaan Country School, while his daughter is at Griffin Elementary School in Chappaqua. Also in New York, **Charles Schoonover** (bigapple@berk.com) is a special education teacher at Martin Van Buren Elementary School in Kinderhook, NY.

A deep freeze has hit the East Coast for much of this winter. Four years in Ithaca prepared us for this (or did it?), but there are those who have chosen warmer climes. **Mike Dohr** is a high school social studies teacher in Southern California. Mike was selected by the Toyota Motor Company for their International Teachers Program in June 2001, one of 50 selected out of 600 from across the country. He toured Japan for 12 days, visiting Tokyo, Nagoya, Toyota City, Hiroshima, and Kyoto. While in Japan, he had the opportunity to learn about the culture, traditional arts, industry, and environmental practices. More recently and after 20 years of waiting,

Mike hosted his first extern for Cornell Career Services, **Elisa Cruz '05**. Elisa got to observe Mike in action teaching social studies and this experience has reinforced her inclinations toward teaching as a career. Congratulations, Mike, on the honors.

From Miami, FL, former Sperry Hall denizen **Mark Mayrsohn** reports that he hosted a reunion of Cayuga's Waiters from the classes of 1975-80 (but mainly 1977). Included were **Steve Snider** and **Michael Wald**. A total of 12 alumni were singing along with the current Cayuga's Waiters, who were touring Florida. They gave a show and produced a video that might one day be shared with interested classmates. Mark is very active with alumni affairs in Florida and also notes that he has been traveling extensively in Latin America: Chile, Costa Rica, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama. Most intriguing, Mark proposes to hold future Class of '77 reunions in Florida, which, given the weather in the Northeast, sounds very enticing.

From the Hotel school comes the following news: **Kevin O'Donnell** (innkeep@sover.net) and **Greg Norkus**, MS '87 (gxn1@cornell.edu) organized the First Annual Unofficial Hotelie Class of '77 Reunion on the palatial Norkus estate in Danby this past April. Greg, a meats professor at Cornell, demonstrated his state-of-the-art BBQ techniques. Also attending the unofficial reunion were such Hotel school notables and their friends as **Benn Fass**, John Pickering, Chris and Carol Garavante, Chris Teel and Doug Hall, Laurie Hander, **Mike Harney**, **John Lombardo**, **John Longstreet**, **Craig** and **Jody Mance**, **Drew Nieporent**, **Larry Rein-**

will be sorely missed. David suggests writing to Gary's mother, Claire, who also took great pride in her son's achievements, including his graduation from Cornell. Her address is: Mrs. Claire Roberts, 53 Village Trail, Honeoye Falls, NY, 14472. To Mrs. Roberts, David, Stacey, and all of Gary's family and friends, we extend our deepest condolences. ♦ **Howie Eisen**, eisenh@tuhs.temple.edu; **Lorrie Panzer Rudin**, rudin@erols.com (home) or lorrie\_b\_rudin@fanniema.com.

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At the risk of stating the obvious, you only get one 25th college reunion—and yours is coming up June 5-8. The word has come down from organizers **Ken Mogil** and **Mary Bowler Jones** that they have received "an overwhelming response" to the first mailing, including many classmates who have never attended reunions before. A list of those who have expressed interest is at <http://classof78.alumnicornell.edu>. Among the festivities planned are a Texas-style barbecue at Beebe Lake and a clambake Saturday night with an 11-piece R&B band. The whole weekend is very casual and kid-friendly. For more info, you can contact Ken at [kenmogil@mogil.com](mailto:kenmogil@mogil.com) or (212) 252-7100, or Mary at [mary.e.bowler@usa.dupont.com](mailto:mary.e.bowler@usa.dupont.com) or (302) 774-5303 for more info.

Happy news comes from **Nina Silfen** in New York City. Her daughter, Sarah Mae Silfen, was born June 21, '02 in the Republic of Georgia. She writes that she is "a wonderful baby with a sweet disposition and a great smile." She said she hopes to have a candidate for the Cor-

'Anne Holliday was proud to report that she ran in three elections last year and hadn't been sued.'

EILEEN BRILL WAGNER '78

**stein**, **Mark** and **Tish Vogelgesang**, **Mark Woodworth**, MPS HA '78, and **Tony Zazula**, MBA '79. Greg enlisted the aid of his colleagues in critically evaluating his selection of fine wines and beers, a lengthy and exhaustive process involving frequent sampling. The ultimate results are unknown and may have to await the next such function. Kevin O'D also reports that he participated in the annual Mt. Washington uphill bicycle race and placed 18th in his age group, another example of Big Red athleticism.

Finally, on a sad note, **David Chamberlain '76** writes that **Gary Roberts** passed away in California on Dec. 22, '02 after a long but courageous battle with cancer. Gary had lived in California for the past 20 years, and David remembers the tremendous pride with which Gary would speak of Cornell. To David and his wife Stacey, Gary was their best friend and he

nell Class of 2024. **Cindy Fuller**, PhD '92, moved to Seattle recently when her "partner in crime" **Julian Vrieslander**, PhD '81, got a job offer he couldn't refuse from the U. of Washington. The two of them, her cookbook collection, and their two cats arrived without trauma, but other items (including the espresso machine) were effectively trashed. But, she notes, "fortunately for Julian, there are espresso stands on every corner—but do they serve decent tea for me? Of course not!" Last summer she caught up with **Vic Janas**, MS Ch '79, and wife **Bernie (Garchinsky)**, PhD '93. He left the lab to become a patent agent at Johnson and Johnson, and they live outside Princeton, NJ, with their three children. Vic has coached his older son's hockey team, no doubt grooming young Victor for the Cornell squad.

Cindy also included news about some long-lost '78ers and fellow D Phi E sisters she con-



tacted about reunion. **Barbara Hoffman** Close lives in Lexington, MA, with husband Tony and two daughters. She tutors dyslexic students at a private school. **Cindy Sweberg Kleiman** is the safety director for a medical center on Staten Island. Her hospital dealt with many walk-ins on 9/11 and she is now very involved in disaster preparedness plans. Cindy lives in New Jersey with her husband and two daughters. **Janet Coburn** lives in Dayton, OH, with her husband Dan Reily, five dogs, and a cat. She earned a master's in English from the U. of Dayton and is content editor for a publisher of religious textbooks.

**Lenore Diamond** Robins is vice president of The Artist Guild and co-chair of the exhibition gallery for Boca Raton Museum of Art in Florida (read: she donates a LOT of time to the organization). Her artist's Web page can be found in the professional member listings at [www.bocamuuseum.org](http://www.bocamuuseum.org). Her daughter Cara, 13, continues to do well in school and is enjoying tennis. Stephen, her husband, has cut his hours back with his dental practice and is enjoying courses at the local university. Lenore writes, "It's more fun when you can just do the reading, participate in the discussion, and NOT do the papers!"

Here's some not-so-fresh news, but hopefully it's not too outdated. (We expect to have reams of reports after reunion.) **Jean Green** writes from Northborough, MA, that she and her husband Philip Gott have two children and three grandchildren. She is trying to take care of her aging parents, her children, work, and her marriage, pursue her hobbies . . . and relax. **Susan Maze-Rothstein**, BS HE '81, was honored last year by the Jewish Women's Archive in Boston as one of four women who have made "innovative and daring contributions" on behalf of social justice. She was honored as an activist for civil rights and diversity in her son's elementary school by consistently challenging her own community to confront issues of race. **Pamela Savage-Roglich** is still working in securities sales for JP Morgan in Chicago as of last June. She and **Marion Roglich**,

**79** After a long cold winter it is great once again to welcome spring. **Bob** and I are in the middle of a major transition.

After living in Virginia for 18 years we are moving to York, PA, this summer because Bob is now marketing manager at Snyders of Hanover. He has been there since November and we will join him when the school year is finished here. We are excited about building a new house, but will miss living in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Brandon, our 17-year-old, has started to look at colleges and will tour Cornell this spring. Allison is finishing her freshman year in high school and continues to be active in swimming. I hope to take the summer off and get settled before looking for a new job in Pennsylvania.

**Chris Cochran** ([naxcel95@aol.com](mailto:naxcel95@aol.com)) writes that he is back in Argyle, NY, after living in Europe for a year. He is starting a new company to market generic pharmaceuticals for cattle directly to producers and veterinarians. He visited **Rick** and **Linda Merrill Ely** and **Doug Henderson '80**, MBA '88, while he was living in London. He also saw **Mark Bauer** in Buffalo this summer while taking a cross-country motor home trip.

**Libby Bush Bollich** ([ceb28@cornell.edu](mailto:ceb28@cornell.edu)) has also lived abroad in the past year. She spent 14 months working with a group of 12 for the Royal Dutch/Shell Group. They led independent reviews of major oil and gas exploration and development projects before funding was approved for these projects. She has worked in Cairo, Egypt, Stavanger, Norway, and Perth, Australia. She moved back from Rijswijk, Netherlands, to Covington, LA, last fall. Libby writes that although it has been a great adventure, it has been difficult to be away from her husband for prolonged periods of time.

**Michael Duffee** writes from Norcross, GA, that his company is developing training programs for restaurant managers and operators to help reduce repair and maintenance expenses.

one interested in visiting can reach Dawn via e-mail at [dawn@goode.com](mailto:dawn@goode.com). **Steve Whitney** has started a third medical products manufacturing company, Ascent Medical Group. This company joins Whitney Products Inc. and Pellmaster Packaging Corp. He stepped down last year from the presidency of Friends of Meigs Field. This preservation group in Chicago has 6,200 members and successfully preserved Meigs Field past its scheduled closing in February 2002. He and wife Barb recently moved to Glenview, IL. His stepdaughter Lauren is pursuing a master's in psychology at Illinois School of Professional Psychology.

**Martin Fisher** and his nonprofit organization ApproTEC were presented with an award for technology benefiting humanity by the Tech Museum of Innovation in November 2002. Martin is a mechanical engineer who designed a water pump that allows poor farmers to irrigate their crops so they can increase production and income. The pump, which resembles a stair-stepping machine, won in the economic development category. Working as a weekend on-camera meteorologist in New York is **Rob Eisonson**. During the week he is an assistant professor of meteorology at Western Connecticut State U. in Danbury. He has used his expertise to develop a new bachelor of science program in broadcast meteorology at the university. He lives in Nyack, NY, and can be reached at [Eisonson@wcsu.edu](mailto:Eisonson@wcsu.edu).

**Anna Cognetto** writes that she has been teaching at Dutchess Community College in the behavioral sciences department for the past three years. In addition to teaching adolescent and gender psychology classes, she teaches the drug and alcohol use and abuse classes as well. She was selected for *Who's Who in American Teachers*, after having her name submitted by a former student. Anna is completing her PhD dissertation in addictions counseling. She and her partner Charity will celebrate their 13th anniversary in August. Her oldest stepdaughter is graduating from college this year, and her youngest stepdaughter just completed a semester in the Audubon Program. She can be reached at [cognetto@sunydutchess.edu](mailto:cognetto@sunydutchess.edu).

**Mark Kruelle** is living in Potomac, MD, and has finally finished his PhD in mathematics at Yale. After 19 years he is glad to no longer be referred to as the "nth" year graduate student. You can reach Mark at [Cfkruelle@aol.com](mailto:Cfkruelle@aol.com). **Michael Borkan** ([mborkan@sinopia.co.uk](mailto:mborkan@sinopia.co.uk)) has been elected to the Board of the U. of Birmingham in England. He is the first classmember to be elected to the board of a British university. Michael is a senior VP at Sinopia International Ltd. in London. He has served as a member of the Cornell University Council and as a trustee of Pembroke, Oxford Foundation.

**Carol Pincus** is the proud mother of a 2-1/2-year-old girl. Sophie HanQi Pincus was born Dec. 29, '00 in Jiangxi, China, and was adopted on Jan. 7, '02. Carol lives in Riverdale, NY, and can be reached at [Carol.Pincus@medec.com](mailto:Carol.Pincus@medec.com). The November 2002 *Parents* magazine featured an article about Wesley Schaire, son of **Scott Schaire**. Wesley was born

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KATHY ZAPPIA GOULD '79

**M ILR '76**, have children Evan and Madeleine. **Anne Holliday** is in a local government office in Monument, CO. A mother of two, she was proud to report that she ran in three elections last year and hadn't been sued.

**Michael Bernard** wrote that he survived his first year of teaching high school chemistry and the associated Chem 207 flashbacks. He said, "I am continually amazed how poorly teachers are paid and how much work there is to do if you do it right." Send us your news! ♦ **Eileen Brill Wagner**, [brillcon@aol.com](mailto:brillcon@aol.com); **Pepi F. Leids**, [pleids@aol.com](mailto:pleids@aol.com).

His goal is to make workers more aware of how their equipment works and what they can do to prevent problems. On the home front, Michael and wife Nancy have boys Mikey, 4, and Grant, 2. They enjoy vacationing on Hilton Head Island and in the mountains on the Chestate River.

Also running her own business is **Dawn Itin Goode**, MPS HA '80. She and husband Dave are introducing carbon fiber snow skis to the US. Dawn continues to compete in both snow skiing and water-skiing. In addition to the ski business, they are opening a guesthouse in the middle of the Costa Rican rain forest. Any-



at 27 weeks, weighing 2 lb. 4 oz. He is now a healthy 5-year-old who is learning to read, write, and play baseball. The Schaires live in Lawrenceville, GA, and can be reached at ScottSchaire@viasat.com.

**Richard Friedman** (rfriedman@dreirbaritz.com) is a litigation partner at a 40-lawyer firm, Dreir & Baritz LLP. The firm has offices in Manhattan and Boca Raton, FL. Richard recently organized a luncheon program for lawyers on mediation, arbitration, and litigation of business disputes. He was fortunate to have Kenneth Feinberg, the special master of the fund for the victims of 9/11, on the panel. Richard lives in Westport, CT, with wife Sandy, daughter Alissa, 16, and son Jeffrey, 14. The children are USTA-ranked tennis players and spend many weekends going to tournaments in New England and elsewhere. **Knute Salhus** joined Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering as a partner in their New York office in December 2002. He had previously spent five years at Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker in New York and had been a special counsel at the SEC in Washington, DC, for five years prior to that. He is currently living in NY with wife Cory and daughter Katrina and can be reached at Knute.Salhus@wilmer.com.

Also working in NYC, **Pamela Rollins**, JD '82, MBA '84, is a partner at Simpson, Thacker, and Bartlett. She specializes in trusts and estate law. Her husband **Alex Camacho**, JD '84, is a corporate partner at Clifford Chance. They have children Julian, 13, Isabel, 11, Charlotte, 9, and Simon, 2. The children are very involved in tennis and participate in tournaments, making Pamela a true tennis mom. She also volunteers for the board of the Southampton Fresh Air Home, a summer camp for physically challenged children, and is chairing the alumnae capital campaign for the Spence School. She can be reached at prolins@stblaw.com.

Were you close friends with members of the Class of 1978? It is possible to attend their reunion this June and for them to join us in June 2004! To get registration materials for this year's 25th Reunion, contact **Mary Bowler Jones '78** at (302) 497-5707 or Mary.e.Bowler@USA.dupont.com.

That's all the news for now. Cindy will be writing the columns through August, so please send news her way. You can send your updates to the class e-mail address, cornellclassof79@yahoo.com, or directly to Cindy or me. The class Web page can be accessed through www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1979. ♦ **Kathy Zappia** Gould, rdgould@adelphia.net; and **Cindy Ahlgren** Shea, cynthiashea@hotmail.com.

**80** Look up, look down, you will find Cornellians all around! We found a holiday 2002 Cornell surprise when looking down into the Broadway theater orchestra pit of the hit show *Hairspray*—**Lon Hoyt '79** conducting the orchestra and listed in the playbill as the musical director! With a warm welcome to my family, my ever-skeptical, eye-rolling teenagers were duly impressed! Lon and wife **Lisa (Barsanti) '79**,

along with their two children, live in Montclair, NJ, where I am sure everyone wants Lon on the career day agenda! Congratulations, Lon! And to think he was an animal science major in the Ag college and a DG waiter to boot!

Looking to the stars is classmate **Philip Turek**, a high school teacher in California and an outer space enthusiast who should have plenty of exciting things to share with his students this spring. Phil recently participated in a simulated Mars mission in the Utah desert with The Mars Society. The Mars Society operates four Mars Analog Research Stations around the world (Utah, Iceland, Australia, and the Arctic). Teams of four to six members live at the station, simulating what it would be like to live and work on Mars. The stations are located in places that approximate some environmental conditions, geologic features, and biological attributes thought to be encountered on the red planet. The station contains space for scientific experiments and for living. The crew members are also equipped with an all-terrain vehicle for exploring, and six space suits, which they wear when outside the station. For more information and a picture of Phil, visit [www.marsociety.org/mdrs/](http://www.marsociety.org/mdrs/).

Back on earth, Cornell assoc. prof. **Ritchie** (Juliet R.) **Patterson** is hoping to illuminate the smallest of particles using an accelerator called the linear collider. Over the next decade, Ritchie and her associates will be working with the brightest high resolution microscope ever built to see the "quarkiest" particles in the universe. Ritchie earned her PhD in physics at the U. of Chicago and joined the Cornell faculty as a post-doc in 1990.

A few more tidbits of our ever-dwindling pile of mail (e-mail is quick and easy—try it!). **Doug Henderson**, MBA '88, is currently 2-1/2 years into an assignment in London with Goldman Sachs & Co. He and his wife Kerri Ratcliffe (Brown '81) and their four children are enjoying the rainy weather and travel opportunities that London provides. Guest room, tea, and crumpets await any friends that want to visit! E-mail Doug and family at [Actionfamily@aol.com](mailto:Actionfamily@aol.com). **David French** earned his PhD in Food Science from the U. of Wisconsin, Madison after 12-1/2 years of effort. He presently consults with small-scale food processors as a process authority, and teaches food processing short courses, including one through Cornell. ♦ **Jill Abrams** Klein, [jfa22@cornell.edu](mailto:jfa22@cornell.edu); **Cynthia Addonizio**-Bianco, [caa28@cornell.edu](mailto:caa28@cornell.edu).

**81** Hi, everyone! Once again, I am bringing you greetings from the Great White North, aka Toronto, Ontario, Canada! I am still here after 18 months, and loving it. I find that there is an incredible amount to explore between the great outdoors (snowshoeing, skiing, hiking, and running) and the wonderful eateries and cultural events of the city (and beyond). I have seen quite a few Cornellians up here, though not from our class. **Richard Box '78** is an investment advisor for TD Waterhouse in Whitby, Ont.; **Steve Napier '78** runs a company that makes the packaging for Sweet 'n' Low,

Kraft, and other companies; and I had lunch with **Rob Gemmell '79**, president and CEO for Salomon SmithBarney Canada. These three guys all played Cornell hockey when we were freshmen—remember them? They've certainly seen a lot more than just the ice since then! I interviewed some potential Cornell students and found that each one of them was more than qualified to go to the Big Red (from a personality point of view). I also found many similarities to my own experiences applying to schools.

**Michael Aronson** is principal of Dowling Associates, a 25-person transportation planning firm in Oakland, CA. In another part of California, an exhibit called *In The Zone* was produced as a vehicle to bring greater attention to the creative elements of the location professionals' work, and to present the wealth of filming opportunities found in the Los Angeles area. One of the organizers was **Lori Balton**. The exhibition is named after the 30-mile zone, the studio-designated area radiating from the intersection of Beverly and La Cienega boulevards and covering the greater part of Los Angeles County. The challenge is to convince an audience that the production is filmed elsewhere. **Karen Osofsky** moved from her wonderful home of Chi-town to Seattle, WA. She is loving her new home and welcomes any visitors to her city to meet her there.

**Susan Levitt** had a second boy on Aug. 1, '02, Samuel Louis Orlanski. He is beautiful, cute, and adorable. Only the best to you, Sue! **Brock Tredway** tells us that **Howie Borkan** welcomed a baby in January 2003. He even missed the Super Bowl for the birth of his child! Congratulations!

**Robin Rosenberg** reports to us about the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting at the Hyatt in New York City in January. **Heidi Fleischman**, MS '83, **Celia Rodee**, Robin, and **Sheryl WuDunn** were there. For probably the first time, we had to sit at a combined class table at lunch! They participated in the luncheon tribute to Hunter Rawlings, who is finishing up his term. Celia and Sheryl also reported on how exciting it was to fly to Ithaca on short notice for the special board meeting in December to elect the next president of Cornell. **Jeffrey Lehman '77** will be the first alumna to lead Cornell when he assumes his position in July.

We had several classmates that took advantage of Adult University (CAU). **Jocelyn Bowie** indulged in the tennis clinic; **Karen Evert** was involved in Natural Life in Ice-Age New York; **Michele Chape** Hass took the Wines class; and **James '77** and **Kathy Beauregard Haswell** learned about Star Treks: The Past, Present & Future of Space Exploration.

As always, please let us know what you're up to! E-mail or snail mail us! We always love to hear what is going on with you. Be sure to include your e-mail address in your correspondence. ♦ **Betsy Silverfine**, [bsilverfine@rogers.com](mailto:bsilverfine@rogers.com); **Jennifer Read** Campbell, [RonJenCam@aol.com](mailto:RonJenCam@aol.com); and **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, [Kathleen\\_lashoto@equityoffice.com](mailto:Kathleen_lashoto@equityoffice.com).



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In case you wonder why your dedicated class correspondents bother to keep you updated on the whereabouts of your classmates, I relay this story from **Nancy Duboise**. "I had not seen my sophomore year roommate **Pam Brewster** for about 19 or 20 years. The last time I saw her occurred when I ran into her (literally) in Penn Station, but we fell out of touch after that meeting. Her name appeared in your column in early 2002, and there was some info that she worked for a company in Boston. I decided to track her down. Even though she was no longer working for the company that your column mentioned by the time I started looking for her, I found her in Boston, and we started e-mailing each other. In the summer of 2002, I had the occasion to be in Cape Cod, and Pam was able to drive out and meet me. The point of the story is that I really pay attention to your column and I think lots of others do, too. I am glad I was able to re-connect with Pam after all these years."

With that in mind, I bring you the following news of other classmates. **Marc Rockford** has been appointed senior deputy general counsel for Comcast Corp. (the cable TV/telecommunications giant) in Philadelphia. Marc and wife Carrie Gish have children Stephen, 8, Joseph, 5, and Katie, 1. **Ann Casadoumeq** Appert lives with husband Peter, 12-year-old twins Grace and Jane, and 10-year-old Caroline in Lafayette, CA. She is a self-described "professional volunteer and philanthropist" working extensively with the PTA, Lafayette Arts & Science Foundation Board, the Girl Scouts, East Bay Community Foundation Board, and the School District Parent Advisory Board. It sounds to me like she is making extensive use of her degree in social planning and public policy while making great contributions to the community of Lafayette. Way to go, Ann!

**Rob Young**, MRP '96, is a farmer in Van Etten, NY, and a visiting lecturer for the City and Regional Planning Dept. at Cornell. **Marianne Gardy** Passarelli continued her education after getting her Engineering degree from Cornell. She obtained an MD from the U. of Vermont College of Medicine and is now a practicing urologist. She lives in Hamden, CT, with husband James and children Rachel, 7, and Natalie, 3. **Patricia Spergel** Bauman, BFA '83, also has degrees to her credit. After her dual major at Cornell resulted in her obtaining a BFA in Printmaking and a BA in French Literature, Patricia went on to obtain an MFA from the School of Visual Arts in NYC. She now lives in Larchmont, NY, with husband Andrew and their children Adina, 9, and Samuel, 6. Patricia is a painter and art curator. **Jennifer Gardiner** Liguori, USPTA, is a tennis pro in Morristown, NJ. Being on her e-mail buddy list, I get general updates letting me know what she is doing. If you create/have such a list for your business or personal updates, please be sure to add us, your class correspondents, to the list. Also, don't forget to e-mail us with birth announcements and such. We'd love to hear from you more often.

After obtaining her BS in ILR from Cornell,

**Susan Johnston** Willower went on to earn an MBA from Syracuse U. and a JD from St. Louis U. She now lives in St. Louis and is director of human resources (reporting to the President/CEO) of Asteuris LLC. Her daughter **Christy Willower** Stuck is '97. Susan enjoys spending time with her two grandchildren and her golden retriever K.C. At least two of our classmates, **Joel Simon**, JD '85, and **Adele Hogan**, JD '85, went on to obtain JDs from Cornell after completing their undergraduate educations. Joel was in the ILR school; Adele in the Arts college. Adele is with Cravath Swaine and Moore in NYC, and Joel is with Paul Hastings in London, England. Continuing somewhat parallel lives on different continents, both Joel and Adele have two children. Joel and his wife Beth have daughters Olivia, 5, and Josephine, 3. Adele and husband Bill Scott have daughters also, Kathryn, 6, and Christine, 4. **Sharon Epstein** recently advanced her Cornell education by attending Adult University's (CAU) October 2002 program on Midterm Elections: National Events and National Politics with professors **Glenn Altschuler**, PhD '76, and Richard Burkhauser.

Over the winter your class officers actively worked to better our class and explore new ways to keep in touch with you, our classmates. On Sunday, Nov. 17, '02, **Lorraine Aronowitz** Danzig (president), **Lauren Silfen** (vice president), **Miriam Akabas** (Cornell Fund representative), and **Brian Zimmerman** (reunion co-chair) met for brunch at Lorraine's home. Lorraine and husband Rob were great hosts, as always. Topics of discussion included class projects. We support three projects with our dues: Wee Stinky Glen maintenance, the Library Fund, and the Scholarship Fund. We would like to put more emphasis on the Scholarship Fund over the next few years. In February 2003, we adopted a class constitution, governing such important items as class membership, class officers and their duties, and fiscal responsibilities, including class dues. A full copy of the constitution is available immediately from Lauren Silfen (find her in the Cornell Online Directory—see below) and will be posted on the class website, <http://classof82.alumni.cornell.edu>, shortly.

You will be happy to know that dues payment is not required for membership in the Class of 1982. According to Article III: Membership, "Any person listed on the official records of Cornell University as having entered with or graduated with the Class of 1982 is automatically a member." However, please try to remember that it is hard to run reunions, write newsletters, and keep up our class projects (including our scholarship fund) without dues-paying members. In addition, dues-paying members are essential for keeping up this class column. The more of us who pay dues, the more column space we get to keep up with our fellow alumni.

On Jan. 24, '03, in conjunction with the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting, we held our Third Annual Mid-Winter Party at Lauren Silfen's house in Manhattan. Forty members of the class of '82 and '83 attended the event, including classmates Miriam Akabas, Lorraine and Rob Danzig, Sandra and

**Greg Busby**, I-Ni **Chen**, BArch '84, **Michael Davidowsky**, Nancy DuBoise, **Mark Fernau** and wife **Melissa (Duncan)** '83, **Cindy Cooper** Gorklick, **Stephen Ip**, BS Ag '84, **George Kok** and wife **Lisa (Esposito)** '83, **Ken Okamoto**, **Thomas Parsons**, **Bob Ramin**, MBA '85, **Wendy Raymond**, Lauren Silfen, **Teresita Triay**, BArch '83, **Michi Yamaguchi**, BArch '83, and Brian Zimmerman. This was probably our most successful mid-winter party, despite the fact that the pipes burst in the building and we had no heat on an evening when the temperatures dipped into the 20s. That may explain why the wine really flowed.

If you're looking for a great new way to find out about your alumni friends, I strongly suggest checking out the online Cornell Alumni Directory. To date, approximately 7,300 alumni have updated or confirmed their address information online using this new directory. The online directory is a fast and easy way for alumni to find one another, as well as to update their own information; it is also an excellent source of up-to-date e-mail addresses. The online directory is for Cornell alumni only. To use this great, free service, all you need is your Cornell ID number. Go to <http://directory.alumni.cornell.edu> for more information and easy instructions. If you have any problems or questions regarding the alumni directory, please call 607-255-2390. To update us with news, contact ♦ **Donna DeSilva**, [rjodmd@starpower.net](mailto:rjodmd@starpower.net); and **Nina Kondo**, [nmk22@cornell.edu](mailto:nmk22@cornell.edu).

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In keeping with a long-standing tradition, the women of DG West—**Jennifer Bell Knapp**, **Abbie Bookbinder Meyer**, **Tami Bitter Cook** '84, **Laura Lange Anastos**, **Linda Moore**, MBA '88, and **Gail Titus Ryan**—spent a weekend together in New York City recently. They gathered at Linda's apartment. Tami came in from Manhasset; Laura came up from Washington, DC; Abbie and Gail trekked in from New Jersey; and Jennifer traveled from the Boston area. Jennifer and her children have recently moved back to her hometown of Weston, MA, after nearly ten years of braving it in the wilds of Texas. All six women are looking forward to the upcoming 20th Reunion and hope to see lots of old DG, Kappa, AEPi, Chi Psi, DU, Phi Delt, Sigma Pi, Sigma Chi, and U-Hall 3 friends.

**Tara Priolo** D'Amato practices real estate law in Jersey City, NJ. She has children ages 7 and 10, and is still in love with Broadway! **Beth French** Lordan, MFA '87, a professor of English at Southern Illinois U., Carbondale and director of its creative writing program, wrote a short story, "Digging," which appears in the yearly anthology *Best American Short Stories*, published in 2002 by Houghton Mifflin. The anthology is one of two major prizes for short story writers. The other is the O. Henry Award; Beth won second place in that competition in 2000 for "The Man with the Lap Dog." **Chris Roberts** won the 2002 Excellence in Design award from *Design News* magazine for leading the project for designing the PanOptic™ ophthalmoscope, which provides health care professionals a dramatically wider,



more panoramic view of the retina.

The class mailbag is now officially empty. Remember that you don't have to wait to fill out the news and dues card. You can send your news anytime through the following website: <http://orgs.alumni.cornell.edu/classes/default.html>.

Now on to reunion news. Twenty-five classmates have stepped up to the plate as members of the Participation Committee for our Reunion Campaign. Committee members from across the country will be calling to encourage you to return for Reunion 2003 and to ask you to consider making a Reunion Campaign gift. We kicked off the effort with an ambitious goal of having 750 classmates make gifts of any amount to Cornell. To reach this goal, we'll need the help of many classmates, including you. Thank you for your support! Please direct questions to **Mark Rhodes** ([mkrhodes@comcast.net](mailto:mkrhodes@comcast.net)) or **Ellen Bobka** ([eb47@cornell.edu](mailto:eb47@cornell.edu)), Participation Committee Co-Chairs.

Reunion is June 5-8. To view the current schedule of events, log on to <http://classof83.alumni.cornell.edu/schedule.htm>. You can also view a list of who else is going, and get information on lodging. Be sure to fill out the online reunion survey. The survey results will be published as a booklet that will be distributed at reunion. It's a way for our class to keep in touch and see what everyone has been doing for the last 20 years. Even if you can't attend reunion this year, please fill out the survey—everyone who does will get a copy of the book. The survey is at <http://classof83.alumni.cornell.edu/83survey.htm>. ♦ **Scott and Patty Palmer Dulman**, [pdulman@earthlink.net](mailto:pdulman@earthlink.net); **Jennifer Hughes Kern**, [jenniferkern@juno.com](mailto:jenniferkern@juno.com).

**84** The Class of 1984 is in full 20th Reunion planning mode! **Terri Port McClellan**, **Christine Miller**, MBA '89, **Linda Zell Randall**, **Kitty Cantwell**, **Janet Insardi**, **Carol Leister**, and I spent a day together in January going over deadlines and decisions about Reunion '04. Volunteers are needed for various parts of reunion: fund-raising, event planning, phone calling, etc. Please call or e-mail Karla or me, or call any of the classmates listed above, and let them know you are available to help.

Williams College announced that **Kathryn Lux Paulsen** is a spouse/partner employment counselor. Kathryn brings over ten years of career counseling experience to the new position, having worked for Williams previously in the office of career counseling. **Laura Abramson** Winningham still has a US mailing address but is residing in Hong Kong! Laura, husband Steve, and their twins Avery and Spencer are settled in Hong Kong, and Laura would like to know if anyone else in the Cornell community is there. **Deborah Landsman** Parker celebrated the birth of her second child, a girl named Paige, who joins older brother Jake. Deborah lives in Redwood Shores, CA, and works for a venture capital firm.

Linda Zell Randall was admitted to practice before the US District Court in the Middle District of Florida in 2001, and she gave birth to Glenn Michael, her family's third son, in Febru-

ary! Linda heard from **Robin Drucker Blakely** that she and husband **Bruce '83** have recently moved to Austin, TX, where Robin has taken a management position in educational publishing with Holt, Rinehart, Winston. Bruce is an at-home dad with their two daughters. Linda and husband Neil enjoyed the 2002 Florida Everblades College Hockey Classic, featuring

year and is enjoying L.A., especially the weather. **Sarah Emerson** lives in New Hampshire and celebrated her 40th in Bermuda with her family. Sarah has a rowing shell on Silver Lake and looks forward to spending a lot of time with her two sons. **Michael Whiting** threw a lovely dinner party for his wife **Wendy (Zeh) '85** in Madison, NJ. Mike even made goody bags for the

## 'Diane Caplain-Weiss helps coach her school's Science Olympic Team.'

RISA MISH '85

Cornell's men's hockey team. She saw **Scott Berman** at the concession stand. Scott is a partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Fort Lauderdale and was at the game with his two young sons. Linda's new neighbor **Joel Schechter** was also there with his son Jake.

**Brooks Turkel** writes, "The longest Spring Break in history is now officially over. Having lived in South Florida for the last 18 years, Marian and I have moved to Chicago." Brooks is now CFO of a hospital network, but is still a Hurricanes fan and will visit Florida often! Janet Insardi was in New Zealand for an extended vacation in February. She took in America's Cup racing, did some heli-hiking, and kayaked in Milford Sound. After traveling last spring to Florence, Italy, and Paris, France, Christine Miller began a new marketing position at Merck. She is now doing consumer and internet marketing for Propecia™, a product to treat male pattern hair loss.

**Chris Carfi** Steenstra has been honored with the Syracuse "40-Under-40" award. Chris is a partner at Eric Mower and Associates and was given the award for her business accomplishments and community involvement. Eric Mower and Associates is the largest marketing communications agency in New York outside of Manhattan. Among her other community ties, Chris has served on the board of the Cornell Cooperative Extension as vice president and recently received the Central New York Women in Business award.

40th birthday celebrations continue. **Gail Rowe** writes that she finally paid off her Cornell student loans in 2001! She is the chair of the Division of Sciences at LaRoche College in Pittsburgh, PA. Gail oversees the departments of biology, chemistry, math and physics, computer science, and psychology. Gail celebrated her birthday with her first mammogram and getting her hair colored. This classmate would like to see the next 40 years as a peaceful, compassionate, and wise person making the world a better place. **Kathy McCullough** is living in L.A., but celebrated her birthday in Rome, Italy, followed by a week in a villa in Tuscany! Kathy started a script consulting business ([www.scriptnannies.com](http://www.scriptnannies.com)) and wrote an episode of the Nickelodeon show "The Wild Thornberrys" (my kids were very impressed by this one). Kathy attended a baby shower for **Jen Maisel '87** this

women at the 40th birthday party, filled with some of Wendy's favorite things.

Due to a charity auction and some overzealous bidding on our part, my husband **Bob Forness '87** and I took another couple to Las Vegas for the Billboard Music Awards as my birthday celebration. We thoroughly enjoyed learning about the newest music groups (boy, did we arrive uninformed!) and spending two days at Awards rehearsals and a special pre-Award party before the big event. A few days exploring Las Vegas restaurants without children was fun, too! ♦ **Lindsay Liotta** Forness, [fornesszone@aol.com](mailto:fornesszone@aol.com); **Karla Sievers** McManus, [Klorax@attbi.com](mailto:Klorax@attbi.com). Class website, [www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1984](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1984).

**85** With summer but a few blessed months away, it's not too soon to begin considering a return trip to our alma mater. Yes, I realize that our next reunion is not until 2005, and no, you needn't wait that long to come "home"; I'm talking, of course, about Adult University (CAU). **Jill Hai** recommends the experience highly. She and husband **Marc Rubinstein '86**, JD '89, returned to the Big Red for CAU 2002, where she partook of the celebrated Wines course, while Marc perfected his short game on the local links. (Jill wisely enticed her mom **Carol Epstein Hai '60** into taking the Wines class with her, thereby ensuring reliable and enchanting babysitting at night for Jill's son Paul and daughter Elise, who were happily ensconced in Camp Cornell during the day.) Other '85ers who took the CAU plunge last summer included **Diana Simonhoff** Greenwell, who chose Outer Events, Inner Journeys: A Writing Workshop; **Harry Hill**, who opted for Tarzan Meets Gandhi; **Robert Kapel**, MD '89, who studied The History of Natural History; **Troy Rosasco**, who was edified about The Gothic Cathedral; and **Jacqueline Tobin**, who chose Understanding the Science of Everyday Things. Doesn't this sound like a great way to spend your summer vacation? To learn more, check out the CAU website at [www.cau.cornell.edu](http://www.cau.cornell.edu).

Although a return to school in summer sounds like an appealing break to many of us, others, such as **Diane Caplain-Weiss**, need a break from school when summer arrives. Diane is a science teacher at a middle school "on the



north shore of Long Island," and says that she helps coach the school's Science Olympic Team, "which made it to the state competition this year." Diane keeps in touch with **Nancy Simpkins**, who "works in Manhattan for the cartoonist who does Dilbert" (great job!), and with **Karen Strein**, who lives and works in Philadelphia as a social work supervisor running a program for abused teens. Diane adds that Karen is also "very active in karate, but I don't know what belt she's up to."

If all that chopping and kicking leaves Karen with sore tootsies, and she is willing to travel to California for a consultation, then classmate **Laura Rabinowitz Lefkowitz** is the just the doctor for her. Laura is in private practice as a podiatric surgeon in Beverly Hills, and is also mom to son Adam, 6, and daughter Talia, 3. Laura notes that her husband **David '86** is a tenured professor at UCLA in music composition and theory, and that the couple traveled to Geneva, Switzerland, last summer for a concert performance of David's compositions. Fellow Californian **David Chae** sent word that he is a "church planner involved in a start-up, contemporary church in Sunnyvale." Says David, "I know this seems like a far cry from my Cornell days and teaching at Gilman (a private school in Maryland), where I taught American History for 11 years, but this is a new calling in my life."

**Karen Sultz Kuflik** also has a calling: she has developed a preschool series, "Play With Me Sesame," which airs on Adelphi Digital Cable in Western New York. *The Buffalo News* reports that "Play With Me Sesame" is "the first new [television series] in 33 years that features the Sesame Street Muppets." (Note to Karen: my 4-year-old daughter Julia extends you an open invitation to come play at our house. Bring Elmo and Cookie Monster.) Another classmate riding the airwaves is **Alan Sealls**, who is chief meteorologist at the CBS affiliate WKRQ-TV, in Mobile, AL. Alan recently completed a ten-part series of educational weather videos called *Weather Smart*, which covers all facets of

Houston, where he practices law and lives with wife Shirley, son Brazos, 6, daughter Lauren, 4, and "four cats long story."

Sad to say, we actually have room in this column for Marc's cat story, but, alas, he provided no details. Why, you may ask, do we have room for a tale about a feline quartet in Texas? Because Sandy and I are absolutely out of news. That's right, we've all but reached the end of our pile of "News and Dues" forms. Our very last contributor, the guy whose form somehow found itself at the bottom of the pile, is **Todd Woosley** of Bellevue, WA, who sent along the good news that he had been appointed to the U. of Washington, Bothell's Citizen Advisory Board. Congratulations, Todd, and thanks for your patience in waiting to see this in print. (I promise that if you send in a form in 2003, I'll put you at the top of the heap!)

As for the rest of you, get in touch with us and send us your best Class of '85 gossip. We love hearing from you, and inquiring minds want to know what is happening in your world. Enjoy the spring, and then drop us a line so there won't be a big, blank space where these sparkling words usually shine forth. ♦ **Risa Mish**, rmm22@cornell.edu; **Sandy Ng Cassidy**, sandrang924@yahoo.com.

**86** This will be a short column, since we are kind of low on news this go 'round. We'd love to hear from you, no matter how small your news item, so please drop any of us a line. Our contact information is at the end of this column. You can also send in news with your class dues—your annual updates are excellent fodder for our column. Of course, you don't have to wait for dues time—anytime is a good time!

My husband and I went back East for a visit in November. It was the first time I had been back to New York and the tri-state area in six years. During my trip, I had the chance to see **Terry Walsh** Stranieri, her husband Joe, and their children Marissa, 11, Ryan, 9, and Brianna,

making a mad dash toward toddlerhood. My running shoes are doing double duty. When I am not out on the trail running training miles on foot or on horseback, I'm zooming around the house after my flying baby! I keep wondering if she'll have my predilection for running. When I get a breather, I've been doing a little freelance writing. I recently had my first feature article published, a book review in the Winter 2003 issue of *Canter Magazine*, an art and literary journal focused on the horse.

Speaking of magazines, look for an article in the March issue of *Photo District News* on **Brad Feinknopf**, titled "Brad Feinknopf: Beyond Functional." Brad says that it is the first article about him and his photography and technique. We also extend our congratulations to **Stephen Madden**, who was recently promoted to editor-in-chief of Rodale Publications's cycling group. Steve was formerly a *Sports Illustrated* senior editor and founding editor of *Outdoor Explorer*. He has also been a contributing editor for all of Rodale's sports magazines, including *Bicycling*, *Mountain Bike*, *Runner's World*, *Backpacker*, and *Scuba Diving*. Steve was a reporter and columnist for *Fortune*, a staff writer for *M Magazine*, and editor and publisher of *Cornell Magazine*. In his new role at Rodale, Steve will serve as the editor-in-chief of *Bicycling* and will supervise the editorial staff of *Mountain Bike* magazine.

From the world travel file, we heard from **Sarah Colon**, who is currently in Rome, Italy: "After spending last winter as a volunteer in Russia, I am looking forward to spending this winter in Rome working for the UN World Food Program. Except for a brief three-week stint in Kenya in April, I expect to be there until June. I'd love to hear from other Cornellians living in, or traveling through, Italy (or working for WFP!). My e-mail is spc428@hotmail.com."

**Ilene Weisbard** Berman writes that she and her husband just had their third child. Their children Asher, 6, and Arabelle, 4-1/2, were joined by E. Tess Berman on Nov. 2, '02. We also heard from **Kathleen Barton** Riess. On Oct. 2, '02 she gave birth to her first child, Kaile Bernadette. Kathleen writes that she resigned her position as credit manager with Sherwin Williams so that she could raise her daughter, but that she was fortunate to be able to work out a part-time position with them. Kathleen works from home and travels a local territory one day a week. She writes, "I've been with the company since graduating from Cornell, so I'm thrilled this worked out; I've got the best of both worlds." Kathleen also says that she has rekindled a friendship with **Karen Cone Coombe**. Karen and her husband **Ric '91** celebrated the birth of their second child, Rebecca Kathryn, on Oct. 26, '02. Kathleen also keeps in touch with **Patty Robinson** Balcerzak and **Karen Cushing**.

I received a couple of e-mails from my Alpha Gamma Delta sister **Irene Hendricks**, updating me on some recent (and not-so-recent) events. In May, Irene was matron of honor at **Jennifer Ellenberg's** wedding in Key West. Quite a few Cornellians, including **Sandy Berzups '88** and **Andrea Wheeler**, attended the wedding. Irene says it was "definitely the most

‘Catherine McCarthy described Ithaca as being “green, wet, and beautiful.”’

STEVE TOMASELLI '88

weather for students in grades 3-8. (I'm told that the Ithaca version of the series has only two parts: gray and rainy, and gray and snowy.)

Like Alan, **Stacy Kushner** Ghica and **L. Marc Grosz III** are also enjoying life in the sunny South. Stacy resides in Charlotte, NC, where she is mom to daughter Isabel Daisy, "who is almost five, going on 15!" Stacy notes that the Queen City is a "great place to raise kids, with equal distance from the beach or the mountains, and sunny weather 80 percent of the time. It snows once or twice a year, and after growing up in upstate New York, I think you can't beat it!" Marc sounds equally happy in

5. We had fun catching up on all the changes in our lives and reminiscing about the Big Red, and the kids had a ball entertaining my daughter, who was then 7 months old. While my husband was at a conference in New Jersey, I also managed to have lunch with my old roommate **Sharon Lubeck** Karnado and her daughters Ariana and Amital. Life has definitely changed for all of us since our days on the Hill.

I've also been keeping busy in my new role as CEO of Davidson, Davidson & Davidson, having made the change from the corporate world to full-time motherhood. My daughter is now almost 11 months old and is (literally)



fun wedding I have been to (except maybe my own!).” Irene recently started a new position as VP, human resources, for MBIA, an insurance and asset management firm based in Armonk, NY. Irene is married to **Steve Eno '84** and they live in Stamford, CT, where Steve works for GE Capital. They have a daughter Caroline Mary, who was born on Aug. 11, '00. Irene writes that Caroline is “a great kid in all ways.”

Well, that's all for now. Please send us news anytime. You can e-mail any of the correspondents listed below, or make an update using our class website, [www.classof86.cornell.edu](http://www.classof86.cornell.edu). Hope to hear from you soon! ♦ **Jackie Byers** Davidson, [katwhisperer@hotmail.com](mailto:katwhisperer@hotmail.com); **Allison Farbaniec** MacLean, [aaf9@cornell.edu](mailto:aaf9@cornell.edu); **Hilory Federgreen** Wagner, [haf5@cornell.edu](mailto:haf5@cornell.edu).

**87** I racked up a lot of airline miles on United in the first two months of 2003. I started the year with a business trip to Taipei, Hong Kong, and Honolulu. Two days after I got back, Rebecca and I headed to NYC for the annual Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting. We landed in Newark and the temperature was 16 degrees. Below freezing—OK, I admit, my blood has thinned in the five years since our move to California. On Friday night, we met up with **Laura Szeliga** for dinner at one of the hippest restaurants, Hell's Kitchen. We last saw Laura in August 2001, in Paris, when she was still living in Vienna, Austria. Two weeks before Christmas, I got an e-mail from her saying that she took a new assignment within Kraft Foods and would soon be moving back to the States. She was enthusiastic about repatriating to the Big Apple: “Since I've been gone from NY for about three years, I'm game for rediscovering some of the fine museums, restaurants, etc.” Laura now works with the Jell-O division and, after deciding to live in NYC, is looking for a new home.

Still riding high on the hugely successful 15th Reunion last June, more than a dozen class officers, old and new, made the trip for CACO. **Chris Olsen** and I represented Southern and Northern California, **Shari Petronis** VanderGast and **Mary Bowman** came up from the Mid-Atlantic region (outside of Philadelphia and Northern Virginia, respectively), **Fred Barber** flew in from Austin, TX, and **Amy Janower** Weinstein, the new treasurer, joined us from Columbus, OH. Class president **John Gee**, **Stacey Neuhoefler** Silberzweig, **Scott Pesner**, **Eileen Napolitano**, **Melissa Hodes**, and **Debra Howard** Stern were all within driving distance of the metropolitan NY area. In addition, **Heidi Russell**, the class Cornell Fund representative, was among the staff contingent from Ithaca. We held two very productive class meetings and enjoyed catching up with one another over lunch. Amy reported that the class actually netted a couple thousand dollars from Reunion. Mary still had some souvenir T-shirts (XL only) and backpacks left; if you'd like one (\$8 for tees and \$14 for backpack, or \$20 for a combo, postage included), please contact her directly at [mcb47@cornell.edu](mailto:mcb47@cornell.edu).

On Saturday night of the CACO weekend,

Rebecca and I continued our family tradition and attended the CAAA Lunar New Year's Banquet. Jeffrey and Stacey Neuhoefler Silberzweig and Chris Olsen all signed up for the first time. As in the past, **Sondra WuDunn** and **Anne Nieh** served on the dinner committee, though Anne did not come to the gala this year. Sondra is now the US communications manager for the *Financial Times*. Our good friends **Marina Ho** and husband James Panella, and **Albert Chu** and wife Michelle Chen sat at the next table. Chris Olsen even won a raffle prize!

Our cross-country hockey road trip continued in February. On Valentine's Day weekend, Rebecca and I flew to Providence for the Brown-Harvard series. (By the way, the temperature stayed below freezing the whole time we were in New England. What's up with that?!) Classmate and former Pep Band member **Mary Hohenhaus**, an intern at the Rhode Island Hospital, cleared her entire weekend's schedule so that she could go to these games (for the first time in years). The three of us went to supper with **Rob Cushing, MS Ag '90**, at Parkside, a lovely restaurant in downtown. Later, as Rob's guests, we enjoyed the game in style from the newly constructed luxury box in Meehan Auditorium at Brown. The icers encountered stiff resistance on this night and came away with their only tie in the regular season, 2-2.

The following night, at Harvard, we got front-row seats behind the Cornell bench, thanks to **Jill Lundin** Mellquist '88. Close to half of the sold-out crowd at Harvard's rink wore Carnelian red, and “Lynah East” sprang to life the moment our team stepped onto the ice. Though no fish were flung, the rattling newspapers and the playing of “Davy” once again made the away game feel like a home game for the Big Red. Cornell jumped to a 3-0 lead after nine minutes of the game, but Harvard fought back and crept within one goal. In the third period, the Cornell section was a bundle of nerves as we anxiously watched the team protect a precious 4-3 lead. When the final buzzer sounded, I swear you could hear a collective sigh of relief. One final hockey note: **Rana Glasgal, ME I '92**, organized a game-viewing party for the Cornell Club in Northern California on March 1, where we cheered on the team as it beat Yale, 3-0, to close out the season.

**Heidi Claus Perry** and husband **Duncan '84, MBA '88**, were among thousands of Cornell fans at the Harvard game. Heidi used to be a regular fixture at this game, but she had good reasons for missing the last couple, for she and Duncan had another baby: “We moved to Wellesley, MA, last June, to a four-bedroom colonial in the suburbs. Our son Alex turns 5 in May. Marijke is 3-1/2 and Annelise (our little scamp) is 19 months old. Wellesley is a nice town and quite convenient to Boston. I was promoted in December to software engineering division leader at Draper Lab. I have enjoyed the work here. Just recently, Duncan started a new job as the CFO for a high tech firm (in Cambridge). Having him nearby helps because at night we are often filling sippy cups with juice or milk, making mac-and-cheese for our little people, and

juggling the bath and bedtime ritual.”

In case you wonder if Mary Hohenhaus was involved in treating any of the victims in that nightclub fire in Rhode Island in February, this is what she had to say: “I was on emergency call up to midnight on Thursday, when my vacation started, and the victims didn't start arriving until after then. Burns fall into the surgical arena, so the most seriously affected folks fall under the surgery service's care. The fire is a very big deal—when you lose 100 people and have that many more injured in a state the size of Rhode Island, it makes a considerable impact.”

I will cap off this column with my recent visit with Chris Olsen, with whom we had dim sum at Yank Sing. Chris told me about two of his encounters with classmates: “I had the chance on a recent Saturday to reunite with two former Cornell Abroad (Seville, Spain) housemates. First, I attended a Quaker Meeting in Santa Monica, for a belated wedding celebration of **Amy Anderson** and Benjamin Swett. Amy and Ben were married back East in June 2001, and finally got around to holding this event in the Los Angeles area, where they live. Amy is housing director for the L.A. Community Design Center, which develops affordable housing. After the ceremony, I dashed off to San Francisco to attend a conference. That evening, I had dinner with another Sevillana, **Jessica Rothschild** and her partner Reuben Schwartz. It had been years since we had seen each other, in part because Jessica had been living and working in Europe. She and Reuben recently left their big firm experience behind and formed Rothschild/Schwartz Architects.” Send your summer vacation plans, airplane tickets, and news to ♦ **Tom S. Tseng**, [tseng@stanford.edu](mailto:tseng@stanford.edu); or **Debra Howard** Stern, [dstern@acksys.com](mailto:dstern@acksys.com).

**88** Hello '88ers! I hope that when you read this column, you will be enjoying a warm spring after what has been a very cold winter in many parts of the country. Recently I had the pleasure of attending the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting in a very frigid New York City. It was great fun to hear about the many exciting things happening on campus. Since our reunion is now nearly upon us, June 5-8, I hope that many of you will be making the trip to Ithaca to join in the festivities. If you have not made your reservations yet, there may still be time! Please check out our class website for more details: <http://classof88.alumni.cornell.edu>.

At the CACO meeting, I picked up news on several of our class officers. Class VP **Robert Rosenberg** was recently promoted to vice president, counsel at Showtime Networks, where he handles legal matters for Showtime, The Movie Channel, Flix, and the Sundance Channel. When not busy with work and all things Cornell, Rob and wife **Pat Cook '89** keep busy with son Reed, 4, and daughter Grayson, 1. Rob and Pat make their home in Westchester County, NY. Class reunion co-chair (yes, she is VERY busy now) **Lisa Pasquale** Semmes is very blessed and very challenged with her children Andrew, 5-1/2, Carter, 3, Lindsay Sophia, 18 months, and the



# Back on Track

RUSSELL KRIEGEL '88

Architects are the antithesis of terrorists," says Russ Kriegel. "They destroy, we build." Kriegel, who works for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, is principal architect of the project to rebuild the World Trade Center PATH station in Lower Manhattan. Under construction since several months after the September 11 attacks, the temporary facility is expected to be completed in December. "We're building quickly, with minimum amenities, to get the service running," says Kriegel.

Kriegel's work on the station is part of a \$500 million rebuilding effort, including the reconstruction of one other station and two tunnels. Plans for a permanent station, complete with heat, air-conditioning, indoor platforms, and more escalators, are under way.

Kriegel, who lives in Hoboken,



New Jersey, with his wife and daughter, has worked for the Port Authority since graduation. On September 11, he was in an elevator in Tower I of the World Trade Center when it was hit by the first plane. "Building is therapeutic for me," he says. "It helps transcend the emotional distress."

— Rachel Einschlag '04

newest addition, Michaela Maria, 5 months. Lisa has decided to retire from corporate America for a while to take on the harder and much more rewarding job of mom full-time (and handle many reunion plans, of course!). **Ed Staehr**, MPS Ag '94, was elected president of the ALS Alumni Assn. in June 2002. Ed traveled to China last summer and visited classmate **Jon Baker**. Ed also received the "40 Under 40" award in Syracuse, which is presented to community leaders who have excelled in their professions and make a difference in their communities. Ed makes his home in Cayuga, NY.

Other classmates taking on the challenge of motherhood are **Shana Langer**, **Lori Drucker Fein**, **Jennifer Wilson Seretan**, and **Andrea Meadow Danziger**. Shana's son Jeremiah was born on May 1, '02 (Happy Birthday, Jeremiah!). Shana loves being a mom and teaching part-time in Arcata, CA. Lori has wonderful boys Kyle, 5, Derek, 2, and husband Dave! She teaches childbirth classes when not at home in Boyds, MD. Jennifer has a 4-year-old daughter and is enjoying living on the West Coast in rural Oregon, where she freelances her talents as a

child development specialist. Andrea and husband Neville welcomed their second child, son Andrew Sam, into their family in February 2002. Andrew joined his sister Sophia in the Danzigers' current home in Larchmont, NY. Andrea continues to work in NYC as a law firm account manager for Westlaw.

On the international front, **John Wurzburger** is a VP and general manager for Avery Dennison in Buenos Aires. John writes that he, wife Sandy, and their 4-year-old daughter are enjoying the cultural experiences living outside the US. While they will be in Argentina for a few years, John says that the Internet allows them to stay connected to Cornell and their friends in the US. Returning to the States last year after a 3-1/2-year stint in England was **Kate DelloStretto** Schoenle and her husband Mike. While in the UK, Kate and Mike had their second and third children Grace, 3-1/2, and David, 1. They joined brother Joseph, 5. Prior to having kids, Kate completed two marathons (NYC and Chicago) and earned an MBA at Northwestern's Kellogg Graduate School of Management.

Speaking of moving about, **Mike O'Hara**

wrote that he and wife Sue moved to Niskayuna, NY, with their children Greta, 5, and Mabeline, 3. Mike is the director of development and major gifts for Union College in Schenectady, NY. Mike also reported that **Andrew Fuligni**, his wife Allison, and children Ben and Gabriel moved to Santa Monica, CA, where Andrew is a professor of psychology at UCLA. **David Stewart** has relocated to Seven Lakes, NC, with wife **Lisa (Doria) '87** and their boys Scott and Brett. David works as a replenishment manager for Westpoint Stevens.

Some slightly older moves include classmate couple **Nicholas Halmi** and **Joanne Woiak**, who moved in 2001 from Toronto to Seattle, where they now both teach at the U. of Washington. Nick teaches English and Joanne instructs in history. **Maxine Kellman**-Allen moved to a new home in Howard County, MD, in 2001 and was then hit by a tornado in September of that year. Fortunately, no one was hurt and the house is now fully repaired. Maxine enjoys her work in the Baltimore public school system, helping to prevent violence and drugs from impacting the lives of middle school children. Finally, **Catherine McCarthy**, husband **Paul Davis '90**, and son Ezra (hmmm, where did they get that name from?) landed back in Ithaca nearly two years ago. Catherine is working as a grants project manager for the Sciencenter, a hands-on science museum. She described Ithaca as being "green, wet, and beautiful."

From down south, **Kirk Somers** wrote that he ran in the Peachtree 10K road race in Georgia last summer. He said that it was very satisfying to share his usually solitary run with 55,000 other runners. Kirk currently works as general counsel for Concurrent Computer Corp. Also in Georgia is **Wendy Fenner** Holmes. Wendy welcomed daughter Emma Rose to the world back in August 2001, and Wendy herself was confirmed into the Catholic Church in May of last year. Back in the Northeast, **Jeannine Ripa** graduated from the Connecticut School of Broadcasting in July 2001. Jeannine serves as an active member of the Alumni Admissions Ambassadors Network (CAAAN) in Rockland County and stays in touch with her sorority sisters from Delta Phi Epsilon.

On the medical front, **Elizabeth Davis** is a partner at Minnesota Eye Consultants where she is a practicing ophthalmologist. Elizabeth was one of the top five LASIK volume surgeons in the country for 2001. In Taos, NM, **Faith Ventura** is the director of the dental program at Health Centers of Northern New Mexico. Faith works to provide affordable, accessible, quality healthcare to underserved communities in this rural health clinic.

Well, that's about all the news for this month. My apologies if some of the items are a little dated, but we are starting to reach the very end of our accumulated news from last year. Please write to either Larry or me with any news about yourself or Cornell classmates. The sooner we receive it, the sooner we can get it in print. And remember, there may still be time to make those reservations for our 15th Reunion. Check out our class website and the university alumni



site at [www.alumni.cornell.edu](http://www.alumni.cornell.edu) for more information. Hope to see you there! ♦ **Steve Tomaselli**, [st89@cornell.edu](mailto:st89@cornell.edu); **Larry Goldman**, [lig2@cornell.edu](mailto:lig2@cornell.edu).

**89** This time next year, hopefully everyone will be getting ready to gather in Ithaca for our 15th Reunion. Save the date, June 10-13, '04. If you are interested in helping to plan the festivities, please contact one of our reunion chairs, **Erika Ange** ([eange@tuckeralan.com](mailto:eange@tuckeralan.com)), **Carol Borack** ([cborack@hotmail.com](mailto:cborack@hotmail.com)), or **Debbie Schaffel** ([cornellian89@yahoo.com](mailto:cornellian89@yahoo.com)).

Reunion is the time we change our class officers, so if you're interested in getting involved, please let class president **Elise Billings Hamann** know. She is especially anxious to hear from anyone who is interested in being president of the class. Elise feels change and new ideas are critical to our class's success and that it's time for someone else to take over. Please e-mail her at [ebhamann@cox.net](mailto:ebhamann@cox.net).

Now, on to the good stuff—the news from our classmates. We'll start with **Tom Nemeth**, who said that he and wife Laura are truly looking forward to introducing their baby daughter Lucy to all who will either visit them in the San Francisco Bay Area or attend our 15th Reunion next June. "She was born on Dec. 23, '02 and is the only Christmas present we are still talking about." Other baby announcements came from **John Dunn** and wife Mona, who had their first baby, Katherine, on Dec. 20, '02. **Amy Susman-Stillman** had a daughter, Ruby Gabrielle, on Aug. 5, '02. Big brother Jacob is "thrilled with her," and everyone is enjoying being a family of four. Amy just remodeled her home and now has a dedicated place for guests, and says, "Let us know if you're going to be in Minneapolis" ([asusman@umn.edu](mailto:asusman@umn.edu)). **Chad Cape** and wife **Debbie (Noren) '90** celebrated the birth of their fourth child, Leah, on Apr. 18, '02. Leah joins big siblings Ryan, 7, Emily, 5, and Jonny, 2.

**Malin Haugwitz** wrote from Berlin, where she is working part-time for Bearing Point (formerly KPMG Consulting). Another classmate living abroad is **Curtis Bartosik**, who is learning his way around Paris. He is the Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) chair for France and is trying to get the Cornell Club on its feet. Curtis is anxious to hear from any Cornellians there ([cjb48@cornell.edu](mailto:cjb48@cornell.edu)).

**Rick Lipsey** sent an e-mail to tell everyone he recently returned from a three-month sabbatical from his golf writing duties at *Sports Illustrated*. He and his family were in Bhutan, where he was the kingdom's first golf pro, teaching adults and kids at Royal Thimphu, the lone club of the country. He also started the Bhutan Youth Golf Assn., which now has a paid staff and daily workouts in two cities. His wife **Carrie Cohen** worked as a special consultant to the Chief Justice of Bhutan's High Court. Carrie wrote the penal code and the code of evidence for Bhutan's new set of laws. Their baby girl was with them to experience all of the fun. As if he wasn't busy enough, Rick wrote a weekly column for [www.cnsi.com](http://www.cnsi.com) while he was abroad.

There are a couple of marriages to report. First, **Dina Stein** married Douglas Propp at the Metropolitan Club in New York City on Nov. 24, '02. Dina is a director of program development and clinical services at New York-Presbyterian Hospital in New York, where she does strategic planning. On Jan. 25, '03 **Stephen Kramarsky** married Elise MacAdam at the Americas Society in NYC. Stephen is a partner at Dewey, Pegno & Kramarsky. He is also a director of Creative Time, an arts organization that commissions temporary art installations in public places in NYC, and is the chairman of Harvestworks Digital Media Arts Center, an organization in New York that commissions electronic music and new media works.

That's all for this column. Please keep sending us news about you and fellow classmates. Fill out your News & Dues forms or send us e-mail or snail mail. Have a great summer! ♦ **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, [savidon1@hotmail.com](mailto:savidon1@hotmail.com); **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, [ac98@cornell.edu](mailto:ac98@cornell.edu); **Mike McGarry**, [mmcgarry@dma.us.com](mailto:mmcgarry@dma.us.com); **Lauren Hoeflich**, [laurenhoeflich@yahoo.com](mailto:laurenhoeflich@yahoo.com).

**90** Hello friends! Right now I have the "Songs of Cornell" CD by the Cornell Glee Club humming through my computer speakers, a glass of Cabernet sitting on my mouse pad, and stacks of alumni reply cards, newspaper clippings, and e-mails from you spread out in front of me. In this warm and fuzzy, Ithaca state of mind that I'm in, I wish I could share all the great accomplishments, announcements, and stories that you've shared with us, but alas—1,300 words ain't that much! So, before I waste any more words, let me dig in!

**Heather Wright** Ryan told us about the wedding of **Stephanie Vroom** and Sander Spierings on Aug. 25, '01 in Bridgehampton, NY. The bridal party included Heather, **Kristina Wilson** Rychlik, and **Marianne Logsdon** Hegenbart. Heather's daughter Rebecca, 3-1/2, even behaved herself as the flower girl. Other classmates in attendance were **Austin McClintock** and his new wife Tiverton, **Wendy Ware**, **Rena Gyftopoulos '89**, BArch '90, and **Amy Schrier**. **Jennifer Webster**, who traveled all the way from Hungary for the events, came with her new husband Zsolt Buday.

We've also heard from **Thwen** and **Jennifer West Chaloehtiarana**, who are living in the San Francisco Bay Area. Jennifer, a 1997 graduate of the U. of Michigan law school, works in the corporate department of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in San Francisco. They have daughters Kate, nearly 5, and Jai, 15 months. Thwen is a stay-at-home dad who surfs as often as he can, but Jennifer prefers to hike in the nearby Santa Cruz Mountains with her daughters. Also living in the Bay Area is **Susan E. Miller**, who was appointed to the board of the California Culinary Academy Educational Foundation. In news that is now slightly dated, Susan has reported that **Anjali Chaturvedi**, an assistant US Attorney, was planning to run her fourth marathon in San Diego last year. Anjali, let us know how you did!

**Lisa Riso** Lilenfeld, an assistant professor in

the psychology department at Georgia State U., has updated us on the August 2002 birth of daughter Alana. Lisa highly recommends using a midwife and a doula for anyone interested in a natural childbirth experience. (From this correspondent's personal experience, I couldn't agree more!) Lisa and husband Lawrence, also a professor, enjoy working together, and they're both up for tenure this year! We also received a joyful birth announcement from **Paul Tauber** and wife Shawna, who welcomed Richard Lyon Tauber into their lives last June 25.

**Allen Wass** of Hudson, OH, told us of the birth of his daughter Julia McEntire Wass, born May 15, '02. **Gregory** and **Janet Schiff Gallent '89** of Riverdale, NY, are proud parents of Stephanie Melinda, born July 6, '02. **Luisa Trujillo-Mekhitarian**, who is living in her hometown of Chicago, wrote to tell us about her wonderful son Alexander, born on Apr. 6, '02. **Velma Ng** Chang was pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Emily Taylor, on Dec. 29, '01. Big brother Matthew, 2, "absolutely adores her!" **Scott** and **Jennifer Bitz Gold**, of Scarsdale, welcomed Zachary's little sister Gillian Elizabeth on May 20, '02. **Ivan** and **Lori Hanchett Brockman**, DVM '94, sent us news of a new home and a new baby! The Brockmans moved to Menlo Park, CA, in February 2002 and welcomed Emma Louise in October 2001. Ivan is still at Goldman Sachs, while Lori, a veterinarian, has chosen to stay home with her daughters Sara and Emma.

The year 2002 was filled with a lot of change for **Gail Hoffman** Limmer. After a 12-year career in food and nutrition, she graduated in May with a master's in library and information science from Long Island U., C.W. Post campus, and began as a children's librarian at the East Meadow Public Library in November 2002. Gail and husband Scott also welcomed the birth of a second daughter, Danielle Paige, on Sept. 14, '02, joining big sister Julia Elizabeth.

**Dmitry Oleynikov** sent us an e-mail assuring us that he has not dropped from the face of the earth, but instead has moved from "his beloved NYC" to Omaha, NE. He is heading up a robotic surgery program there and has recently performed the first live robotic surgery on the Internet. We can check it out by hitting his Web page, [www.unmc.edu/mis](http://www.unmc.edu/mis). Dmitry, who misses the "carefree days at Cornell" continues to teach surgery, give talks, and perform research while working on a Discovery Health Channel special on robotic surgery. **Moir McClintock**, BArch '91, is also enjoying a new job since joining the architectural firm of Ford Farewell Mills and Gatsch of Princeton, NJ. The firm's press release tells us that Moira has served as guest critic at both the Pratt Inst. and the New York School of Interior Design.

A press release from the law firm of Nixon Peabody announced that **Nicholas Papastavros** was named partner. Nicholas graduated from Columbia Law School and lives in Cambridge, MA. **Thomas Miller** has been made equity partner in his law firm Marshall, Gerstein and Barton in Chicago. **Joyce Higgins** Easter, a chemistry professor at Virginia Wesleyan College, has

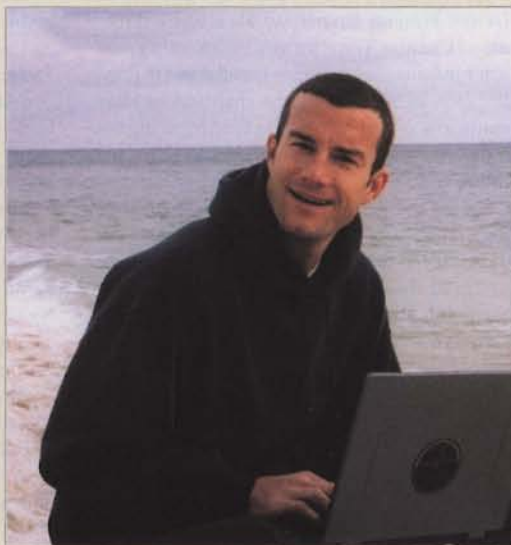


# Face the Music

DEAN BLACKWOOD '91

Dean Blackwood isn't what you'd call a music-industry mogul. He still has a day job (as an attorney for Dell Computer), and his record label, Revenant, is run out of a bedroom in a South Austin, Texas, apartment. The company has only one full-time employee—who also happens to be his wife, Laurie. But Revenant still managed to win three Grammy Awards in February, when *Screamin' and Hollerin' the Blues: The Worlds of Charley Patton* took home statuettes for best historical album, best album notes, and best boxed set or special limited-edition package. "False modesty is for the birds," says Blackwood. "This project deserved a Grammy, but that doesn't mean I thought it was going to get one."

The Harvard Law grad co-founded Revenant in 1996 with guitarist John Fahey, who passed away in 2001—a year before *GQ* named it the best record label in America. So far, Revenant has released about a dozen



box sets, featuring such artists as rockabilly legend Charlie Feathers and banjo player Dock Boggs. Each title is a meticulously crafted limited edition; *Screamin' and Hollerin' the Blues*, for instance, consists of seven CDs packaged to look like vintage 78s. "The aim with each project is to be the definitive one-stop shop for a musical event in a box," he says. "But if it's not fun, nobody's going to listen."

— Leonor Guariguata '03

recently received the Samuel Nelson Gray Distinguished Teaching Award, an honor decided by student nominations. **Adam** and **Caroline Krass Levy**, of Jericho, NY, are also enjoying professional success. Adam is now a pediatric hematology/oncology attending physician at NYU Medical Center, while Caroline was appointed adjunct professor of law at the Cardozo Law School in NYC. The Levys have sons Benjamin, 5, and Jason, 2.

As always, I wish I could write more. Please stay in touch! ♦ **Carole Moran Krus**, cdm42@cornell.edu; **Alisa Gilhooley**, alisagil@aol.com; **Amanda Willis**, AmandaEsq@aol.com.

**91** Greetings to everyone out there in the land of the Class of '91. It's amazing how quickly six months can go by, and I am once again charged with the task of bringing you up to date

on the accomplishments and happenings in our class. Living in a military town, I have a close view of the human element that fights our war on terrorism and of the effects of the current geopolitical crises. Given these constant reminders of strife and conflict, I find hope in the knowledge that members of our class are doing their part to make a difference both at home and in the far-flung corners of the world.

Platitudes aside, I will start with news of marriages and births and extend an apology to **Stephen Shimony**. Stephen, here's the news you've been hoping to see published, and, yes, the third submission is the charm. Hang in there, and thanks for your persistence. Stephen wanted us to know that he and Stacy Hirsch were married at Temple Emanuel on Sept. 1, '01, in Great Neck, NY. Fellow Cornellians **Alan Leibel**, **Jeff Bregman '90**, **Michael Whitman**, **Seth Kosik**, and **Will Walter '90** attended the wedding.

**Cathy James** wrote to tell us of the marriage of her sister **Debbie James '95** to **David Walend '93** in May of 2002. We may have been late with news of Stephen's marriage, but hopefully we scooped the '93 and '95 class correspondents on this one. Cathy also tells us that she left her job at the Charleston HealthCare Center and is working as a pediatrician in the emergency department at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Lastly in the marriage category, **Robert Carroll** married Laurie Sorabella on Sept. 22, '02. Occasionally, we are timely with this info. Both Robert and Laurie have done advanced degree work in marine sciences at Willam and Mary. May your union be an ocean of happiness.

As usual, birth announcements are plentiful for our class. **Christine Anderson Perkins** and husband Christopher wrote to announce the birth of Christopher Jackson on Apr. 19, '02. Christine says that big sister Katie Grace (I would have thought sure that her name would have had a "Chris" in it somewhere) loves to announce, "Baby woke up!" with great surprise . . . after she pokes him repeatedly, of course. Christine is a Young Adult Services Librarian at the Jackson County Library in Oregon where she says she "get[s] to read hysterical books like *The Black Book Diary of a Teenage Stud*, and tell teens about them." Sounds to me like a good way to get your house picketed.

**Allison Crandall Armieri** is living in Chapel Hill, NC, and writes that she and husband **Brian '90** have beautiful children Dallas, born Apr. 4, '99, and Emma, born Nov. 28, '00. **David Beitel**, ME CS '92, and wife **Joanna (James) '92** added Julia Caroline to the family on Oct. 28, '01. **Rachel Laiserin** and husband Toby Kovacs welcomed Daniel Evan on Apr. 15, '02. Rachel tells us that on the same day, classmate **Lisa Epstein Jay** had her third child, Hannah Toby. The real question is, did everyone still manage to file their taxes on time? **Michael Walsh** and wife Robin are proud to announce the birth of their son Daniel Hamilton Walsh on Mar. 2, '02. **Will Wechsler** writes to let us know that his wife Helaine Klasky gave birth to their first child, Alexander Hayden, on Sept. 26, '02. Will tells us that he is now vice president of Greenwich Associates, an international financial services consultancy.

My last announcement is one I don't really understand. I get the part where **Nat Jarvis** says that he, wife **Marcy (Porter) '82**, BS '91, and their 8-year-old daughter Katchen welcomed another daughter, Jessie Imbrie, to the family in Nagold, Germany, on June 22, '02. However, his letter goes on the say, "Jessie's birth announcement is of a 'Kinder Ueberaschung,' those European chocolate confections with a toy surprise within, so fellow Risleyites **Karin Abell '93**, **Sandy Anderson '93**, and **Meg Elliot '94** have contributed Kinderkus (Kinder surprise haikus) à la Risley Bad Poetry readings." I obviously didn't get to North Campus often enough.

In random news and notes from around the class, **Dorine Colabella Scher** says that she and husband **David '89** visited **Jeff Weintraub**, MD '95, and his new baby girl in Connecticut, adding



that she is "very beautiful." **Jessica Lifland** completed her thesis for an MA in visual communications (Photojournalism) at Ohio U. **Lucy Tidd Olcott**, DVM '95, is in Germantown, MD, and says she is building a new 10,000-sq.-ft. veterinary hospital. **Emily Kramer** is now part of the sales and marketing team for Development Management Corp., which is developing a \$220 million luxury, mixed-use complex on Boston's waterfront. Given how expensive Boston is, I'm curious if that includes indoor plumbing.

**Judith Germano** Bonarti tells us that she is now an Assistant US Attorney with the Dept. of Justice at the US Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey. Judith, if you know anyone who can help with a couple of speeding tickets, hook me up. In other law-related happenings, **Richard Repp** was added to the firm of Witherpoon, Kelley, Davenport, and Toole in Spokane, WA. Richard studied law at the U. of Idaho and has specialized in business and securities transactions in the state of Washington.

I have run out of news for this column, but will leave you with the following words of wisdom from classmate **Matthew Leve**. "We have to create peace within ourselves before we can create peace in the world, although perhaps the process is not so black and white." Here's to peace within ourselves and within our world. See you again in six months. Send news and notes to the following: ♦ **Dave Smith**, DocDS30@yahoo.com; **Nina Rosen** Peek, nsr5@cornell.edu; and **Corinne Kuchling**, kuccori@hotmail.com.

**92** Hello, everyone. Hope you are enjoying the spring weather. As I write, the ground where I live in Maryland is still covered with the snow that hasn't seemed to stop all winter. Reminds me of Ithaca! We are in need of updated news. If you haven't already done so, please send information for the class column with your class dues, or write us any time during the year. And remember, we cannot publish engagements or baby due dates, only weddings, commitment ceremonies, and births. Thanks!

First, some career updates. **Jennifer Hetling** Vincent received her PhD at the U. of Colorado, Boulder in economics and has been an adjunct professor at Saint Michael's College and Champlain College since 1998. She married Jeff in 1998 and has daughters Grace and Sadie. Jennifer noted that her most inspiring professor was Olivia Mitchell. "I fondly remember her classes, and I always admired her wealth of knowledge, her ability to teach critical thinking, her absolute fairness, and her ability to have a toddler while being a full-time professor at Cornell." **Pat and Jon Erickson '91**, PhD '97, also teach at a college in Vermont. They have sons Lou and Jon, and enjoyed the ski season.

**Louis Maslow** works in Stamford, CT, as the treasurer for The Decorator's Secret LLC. Louis commutes to Connecticut from his home on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. **Alexandra Barrientos**, DVM '98, is a small animal practitioner in South Salem, NY. Alexandra and her husband live in Rhinebeck, NY. **Kurt**, MD '96, and **Lisa Ipp Voellmick**, MD '96, both started new jobs

last year. Lisa is a pediatrics attending at New York Hospital, and Kurt joined a private practice in Manhasset, NY, doing orthopedic surgery with a subspecialty in foot and ankle surgery. Lisa and Kurt live in Manhattan.

In May 2001, **Stacy Holdsworth** earned a dual master's degree in nursing and business administration at Johns Hopkins. Last year, she started as a health insurance specialist for the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services in the office of financial management in the performance measurement and budget analysis branch. In her free time, Stacy has been crewing on a Pearson 30 sailing out of Annapolis. **David Lewis** writes that he recently performed as the lead in the Chicago Loop Players stage production of *Our Town*. David has appeared in a number of television commercials and stage productions in Chicago. Last he wrote, he was working on an independent film.

In wedding news, **Lisa Lederman** married **Adam Kaufmann '87** in an outdoor garden wedding at her parents' house in Pittsford, NY, on July 28, '02. Fellow '92ers attending were **Cheryl Knopp**, **Ken**, JD '96, and **Lisa Chin Potash**, **Lynne Strasfeld**, **Andrea DelDuca Cohane**, **Danielle DeMaio**, and **Gabrielle Mollo**. Lisa and Adam live in New York City, where they are both assistant district attorneys at the Manhattan DA's office. **Allison Abel** Kahn mentioned she attended the wedding of **Hilary Judis** to David Crall on Oct. 12, '02. Other classmates in attendance included **Jenn Conn**, **Lara Arroyo**, **Nicole Setzer**, **Lata Tadikonda** Stavropoulos, **Seth and Jenny Imgrund Edmondson**, and **Laura Strothmann**. The wedding was held at Skylands Manor in New Jersey.

Several of our classmates reported additions to their families. **Eric '97 and Tahl Ben-Yehuda Saidel** announced the birth of their second daughter, Sara Michal, on Oct. 29, '02. Sara and older sister Eliana will be shouting "Go Big Red" sometime around the year 2020. Tahl is the principal of the Hebrew school at Congregation Or Zarua in Manhattan, and Eric works for a law firm in Hawthorne, NY. **Melissa Teitelman** and husband Chad Grotegut welcomed their first child, Hannah Caroline, into the world on Mar. 25, '02. They are both physicians at Duke, but are planning to return to the Philadelphia area in the near future.

**Vivek Chopra** and wife Amber Khan have a 3-year-old son Noah. I have the privilege of working with Vivek at the State's Attorney's Office in Montgomery County, MD, where he started earlier this year as a line prosecutor (and his office is just down the hall from mine!). **Anthony Sapia** and wife Karen had twins Jack and Enzo in late 2001. Anthony and his family live in State College, PA, where Anthony owns two bars and restaurants.

**Heather Bouchev** wrote me with the following update: In August 2000, she finished her PhD in developmental psychology at the U. of Denver and then moved to Ann Arbor, MI, for a postdoc at the U. of Michigan. In October 2001, she married Tom Delaney at Boldt Castle in Alexandria Bay, NY. Heather and Tom met while in graduate school. She writes that there

were a "slew" of Cornellians in attendance, including: **Cyrena Awan '90**, MBA '95, who was her maid of honor, **Dan Falge '90**, **Kate Buehl McMahon**, **Steve '91** and **Kim Tracy DiCamillo**, **Shari Brandt** and husband **Brett Popolow**, **Mariela Markelis** Dybner, and **Vijay Kotha**. **Tracy Schneider** Fee was unable to attend because of a new addition to her family. Heather is also in touch with **Kimberly Lightcap**, who works in oncology in Philadelphia. Tom and Heather currently live in Burlington, VT, where Heather is an assistant professor in psychology at UVM, and where Tom is finishing up his PhD in cognitive psychology from the U. of Denver.

On a personal note, my husband Steve Kuperberg and I welcomed the birth of our second child, Avital Frances ("Tali"), on Nov. 17, '02. Tali, our son Noah, and our dog Mattie keep us very busy, but we are enjoying every minute! Please keep us posted. ♦ **Debbie Feinstein**, Debbie\_Feinstein@yahoo.com; **Renee Hunter** Toth, rah24@cornell.edu; and **Wilma Ann Anderson**, Wilpower1@aol.com.

**93** If you are getting this before June 5, hurry! It's not too late to make plans to come to our 10th Reunion. If you are getting this (or just getting around to reading it) after June 8, stay tuned to a later issue for a reunion update of what was most certainly a fantastic time. Events will include wine tours, a BBQ lunch at Beebe Lake, class dinners, a *cappella* groups, comedy, and receptions. Don't miss it. Now here's the news you've been waiting for!

I got lots of News & Dues forms this month. There is more than I can fit in here, so if you don't see your news, please stay tuned. Sounds like there could be a lot of kids at reunion, as many of our classmates have written in with baby news. **Tricia Tafe Williams** writes that she and husband **Evan**, JD '96, had baby boy Owen Tafe Williams on Nov. 2, '02. He joins big sister Sophie, who is 2. **Jason Hunter** has a 10-month-old son Nathan and is living in Orange County, CA. **Anne Ashton** Goldfeld and husband Philip had daughter Alexandra Miriam on Sept. 26, '02. Her siblings Samantha, 6-1/2, Jacob, 5, Mikal, 3-1/2, and Hanna, 2, were there to witness her birth at home. Anne is a full-time home-schooling mom. **Kara Gaetano Babashak** wrote that she and husband **James**, MD '97, had Emma Grace in July. Besides being the labor coach, dad also participated by placing the labor epidural. Don't worry, he's an anesthesiologist!

**Deborah Schreiber** Blacksten and husband John welcomed daughter Rebecca on Mar. 22, '02. Patriotically, Rob and **Katie Cox** Seidenwurm, MLA '96, had son Owen Jesse on the Fourth of July and got to enjoy a fireworks show out of the hospital window minutes after he was born. **Jill Levy** Morris writes that she was promoted to senior physical therapist in an intensive rehab unit, and also gave birth to Zachary Alan on June 25, '02. **Aron Izower** and **Tho Mai-Izower** are the proud parents of Xander, born Apr. 2, '02. **Maryann Harris** Ward e-mailed to say that she is still living in Dublin, Ireland, and was promoted to senior management as a landscape architect for



the City of Dublin Parks Department. She had baby Aidan John Ward in October 2002, a brother for Catherine, born in November 2000. **Rochelle Spring Flint** and husband "became proud parents of Aidan Lucas Flint on July 6, '02. He is a very happy baby who is a great sleeper! We live in Lake Worth, FL, and love the weather!" Congratulations to all the new parents!

**Stacie Heck** Fitzgerald moved to Maryland in August for a new job as coordinator of social work with Behavioral Health at Carroll County Hospital. She and husband Jason have son Jordan, 4, and daughter Brooke, 2. **David Walend** writes that he got married and moved to Newton, MA. **Sunita Desai** recently changed careers from engineering to journalism and loves it. She works for the NBC news family on everything from the war on terror to mid-term elections to snipers and child abductors. **Kim Martucci** writes that after nine years as a weekend meteorologist, she landed a "chief" job with full forecasting in northeast Pennsylvania. Check her out on Channel 28 in the Poconos! **John Propst** joined the NV-22B Osprey Integrated Test Team in July 2002. He works at the Naval Air Warfare Center.

**Bryan Fuhr** e-mailed to say that he and **Matthew Zucker '92** celebrated their union with a commitment ceremony for family and friends. "We lived in Tribeca temporarily, and this past November bought a duplex townhouse apartment in West Chelsea. We're now busy restoring it to its 1846 glory. It's interesting to note that our house pre-dates Cornell." Cornellians in attendance at the ceremony included **Leonard Zucker '54**, **Jerome Hochberg '54**, **Liz Zucker Barnett '84**, **David Indest '86**, **John Zucker '88**, **Adam Rosenberg '92**, **Mariela Markelis Dybner '92**, **Irene Herman '93**, **Christopher McFarland '94**, and **Alex '97** and **Andrea Fuhr Saporito '96**. **Jennifer Haynes** e-mailed the news that she and **Jonathan Bornstein** were married Oct. 13, '02 at the Glen Island Harbour Club in New Rochelle. Other Cornellians present included bridesmaids **Marina Krobisch Roark** and **Alison Amsterdam**, and groomsmen **Tom Troy**, **Joseph Jordan '92**, and **Peter Quagliaroli '95**. Also in attendance were **Michael Roark '92**, **Erica Reiner**, **Edward Haffner '94**, **Daniel Lockwood '94**, **John Bailey '92**, and **Alex Bogel**. The couple reside in Cambridge, MA.

Finally, I am so very sorry to have to inform you that our classmate **Matt Kleiner** passed away on Feb. 27, '03. Matt was a wonderful person who will be sorely missed. He was a man who made friends wherever he went and probably had more friends at Cornell than anyone I knew. He was an amazing person and fought a long and hard battle. My personal sympathies to his family, his wife **Jenny (Butler)**, and his three children Megan, Samuel, and Abby, who were born Jan. 1, '03. ♦ **Yael Berkowitz**, yberkowitz@buckconsultants.com; **Gregg Paradise**, gparadise@kenyon.com.

**94** As I sit and dread having to leave work on an 18-degree cold day, I figure what better use of my time than to report on my fellow alums, whom I look forward to seeing at our 10th

Reunion in just over a year. My, how time flies!

**Denise Bartell** writes that she completed her PhD in human development and family studies from the U. of Texas, Austin in August 2002 and is now an assistant professor at the U. of Wisconsin, Green Bay. Also teaching is **Scott Behson**, who is a professor of business management at Fairleigh Dickinson U. **Jarrid Whitney** continues at Stanford U. as the assistant dean of admission; he's also an academic advisor for freshman and sophomore students. And to close up our "academic" section, **Kyle Harris** completed his PhD in regional economics and for the past two years has been teaching sustainable development courses as an adjunct instructor at Green Mountain College.

On the baby front, let's welcome these future Cornellians into our family: **Nina Inamdar** and husband Jeffrey Miller welcomed daughter Serena in early 2002. Nina joined a private internal medicine practice in Stamford, CT. **Elizabeth Kaufmann** Hale and husband James added son Dylan Andrew to their family in May. Elizabeth finished her residency in dermatology last June. **Marcia Firestone** Paltenstein welcomed first child Jenna on July 22, '02. She and husband Joe live in North Brunswick, NJ. And finally, **Kerri Scheppke** Kovac and husband Thomas are the proud parents of son Patrick, born June 27, '02. The family lives in Plainview, NY.

While many of you have started families, there are still quite a few weddings to report. **Cynthia Miller** was married to Shamil Idriss on October 26 in Chevy Chase, MD. Cynthia is a doctoral candidate in sociology at the U. of Michigan, after receiving two master's degrees there, in public policy and sociology. **Eliza Moore**, MBA '01, was recently married to **Timothy Broshears**, JD '02, on campus at Sage Chapel. On October 4, **Brian Doherty** married Suzanne Boudreau in Scarsdale, NY; Brian works as a bond salesman in Jersey City. Also recently married was **Erica Tuft**, who married Michael Karsch in Water Mill, NY. **Erika Ozer**, who practices labor and employment law at Kirkpatrick and Lockhart in New York City, writes that **Anoop Singh** was married in Louisville, KY. Guests included **Jennifer Salm**, **David Clausen**, **Jason Kean**, and **Tarun Reddy**. **Lori DiLorenzo** was married last April 2002 to Jim Buszkiewicz. Alums in attendance included **Nicole Vantuno** Wagner, **Carrie Leffler**, **David Rosen**, **Mike Rapolas**, **Eric Jones '93**, **Rick Kowalczyk '91**, **Craig Bloom '91**, **BS Eng '93**, **Derek Vandivere '90**, **Steve Kalik '91**, **BS Eng '94**, and **Glen Fineman**.

More wedding news: **Robert Schwenker** writes that he was married in July 2002 to Jennifer Underwood in Austin, TX, where he now lives and has a new job. Attendees included **Will Tseng**, **Leo Etcheto**, **Karley Ausiello**, **Todd Goldstein '95**, **Emily Yacus '95**, **David Engler**, **Robert Stevens**, and **Hanna Stevens '95**. Finally, **Ivelisse Verrico** was recently married, with friends **Amy Moore '93**, **Becky Emerling King**, **Eddie Leonard**, **Julie Newton Hartley**, and **Tracy Abels** in attendance. Ivelisse is on the faculty at St. Louis U. Hospital after finishing her residency in internal medicine and pediatrics.

On to the new graduates: **Jennifer H. Lee** is a clinical fellow in endocrinology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. She and husband Michael Hassett have a daughter Annie. **Jorge Otero-Pailos**, MArch '95, received a PhD in architecture from MIT in February 2002 and is currently a senior designer at Perkins-Eastman Architects in New York City. **Kim Esterman** graduated in May 2002 from the U. at Albany with a PhD in counseling psychology. Another recent graduate is **Timothy Fraser**, who completed a law degree at Seton Hall. He now lives in New Jersey with his wife and two sons, and works at Drinker Biddle and Shanley. Lastly, a couple of classmates who are currently completing additional degrees: **Jennifer Jones**, BS Ag '97, earning a master's in public health at Drexel U., and **Rosellina Ferraro**, MS '98, in her third year of Duke U.'s marketing PhD. As of this past fall, Rosellina was planning to run the Raleigh marathon in December. Jennifer was so kind as to include news of **Jessy Polyne**, who is married to **John Halaby '92**. Jessy is a teacher in Maryland, where she is raising two children.

Medical reports: **Nelly Molano** di Targiani is working as an ob/gyn nurse practitioner at Johns Hopkins Medical Systems in Baltimore, MD. She and husband Rob were married in 2000 and live in Baltimore with their dog Daisy, Nelly's dog from her Cornell days. **Cara Harth** and husband Peter Klein live in Mineola, NY, with son Jordan, born February 2002. Cara just joined the neurology faculty of Stony Brook School of Medicine. **Pulin Patel** is a radiology resident at the Henry Ford Hospital in Michigan. Also in his residency is **James Sang**, who just began a pediatric surgical residency at Grand Medical Center in Columbus, OH.

Keep the news coming, and have a healthy, safe, and happy summer! ♦ **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, jennifer.marchant@kraft.com; **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasylik, dmp5@cornell.edu; **Dika Lam**, dikaweb@yahoo.com.

**95** Before I launch right into the news from our classmates, I wanted to take a moment to fill you in on some of the exciting initiatives we'll be working on as a class in the next two years leading up to our (gasp!) 10th Reunion. In January, class officers **Eva Loh**, president; **Shawn Hecht**, vice president; **Matt French**, ME E '96, webdude (and NOT my husband yet—soon, though!); and yours truly got together during the annual Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting and kicked into gear an effort to find out what our class really wants. A survey was prepared and announced via the class website and listserv, and a prize of a \$50 gift certificate to the Cornell Campus Store was offered as incentive for those who replied within three weeks. Over 200 classmates responded to the survey, providing the officers with plenty of good ideas; and one lucky classmate, **Gerry Lajoie**, won the opportunity to replenish his Cornell wardrobe (or wine glass or CD collection or whatever).

If you are not signed up for the listserv and want to receive updates like this and about other



exciting things going on in our class, go to our website at [www.classof95.cornell.edu](http://www.classof95.cornell.edu) and sign up today! We are also starting to look for classmates who would be interested in helping out with the planning and running of our 10th Reunion, as well as those who might like to become class officers themselves. If you are so inclined, or if you have any other ideas for the class, please contact Eva at [EDL2@cornell.edu](mailto:EDL2@cornell.edu).

We now return you to your regularly scheduled class column . . . On January 19, classmates **Amy Melnikoff** and **Jonathan Rosenberg** were married in New York City. Amy is a graphic designer and printmaker, while Jonathan has a dual career as a Web consultant and a cartoonist. He is the creator of one of the oldest and most popular online comic strips, *Goats* ([www.goats.com](http://www.goats.com)). Celebrating at their wedding overlooking the Hudson River were fellow Cornellians **Phillip Karlsson**, who is in his last semester at Stern NYU Business School and working with Jonathan to make *Goats.com* a viable business; **Emily Applegate**, who is an elementary school teacher in Saratoga Springs, NY; **Richard Marriott**, who lives with Emily and runs Stone Industries, a manufacturer of portable toilets; **Christopher Jacobson**, who lives in Manhattan and manages the hedge fund *Caxton*; **Sarah Margolin**, also in NYC and working for Bulgari; **Laura Nova**, BFA '96, an artist who returned to Manhattan after living in London as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar at Goldsmiths College; **Annie Davidson** Murphy, who is working on her doctorate in educational leadership and policy at the U. of Vermont; **Jennifer Mathew**, a family medicine physician in Indiana; **Brooke Frantz** Salzman, another family medicine physician, at Thomas Jefferson U. Hospital in Philadelphia; **George Vlad**, who works in the biology department at Columbia U.; **Scott Horowitz**, who is "in Virginia and drinking lots of beer"; **Carrie Skolnick** Rothfeld '94, the bride's stepsister, who is an architect in Philadelphia; **Lisa Levitt** '91; **Jeffrey Anbinder** '94; **Michael Winston** '99; and **Dara Cannata** '01.

In other wedding news, **Nicole DiMauro** e-mailed news of her marriage to **Bill Berde** '94, ME I '95, who had surprised Nicole with a proposal at the top of McGraw Tower during a summer visit to our alma mater. Like so many other Cornellian couples, although their paths may have crossed at some point on the Hill, they never formally met until they were in the same city years later. On September 28, the couple tied the knot in New City, NY, and celebrated at Abigail Kirsch's in Tarrytown with family and friends, including Nicole's brother **Jon-Paul DiMauro** '00, Bill's brother **Ed Berde**, ME E '96, and classmates **Beth Clauss**, **Leslie Mesnick**, **Nicole Matteo** Dean, and Dr. **Michael Ahdoot**. Also attending were **Alfred Raschdorf** '94, **Antonio Zuniga** '94, ME E '95 and his wife, Dr. **Charlotte (Moore)** '94, **Giuseppe "Big Joe" Ciaramitaro** '97, **Jason Chirichigno** '00, **Mark Margolis** '93, **Albert**, ME I '96, and **Leigh Schlafer Ng** '94, and **David Berger** '94. Writes Nicole, "In order to commemorate the gathering of such a fantastic group of Cornellians in one place, we topped off the wedding festivities

with a Big Red photo session!"

**Daniel** and **Katherine Dowell Kearns** also wrote that 2002 has been "a wedding kind of year," with news of numerous nuptials they attended, including that of classmate **Jason Warner** to **Monette Cotreau** in Massachusetts in August. They themselves are also keeping very busy, with Katie a full-time instructor in the biology department at Boston U. and Dan having been recently awarded a grant to support his postdoctoral research at Harvard in microbiology. **Marc Price** reports the happy news of his first son, **Samuel Harry**, born this fall to Marc and wife Jennifer. "His addition," writes Marc,

## 'Our house pre-dates Cornell!'

BRYAN FUHR '93

"puts the finishing touches on a trio of great life-altering events, including a new job as an attending family practice physician and the purchase of our first home."

And, finally for this installment, another baby boy was born July 3 to **Andrew** '96 and **Helene Arbouet Harte**. In addition to caring for new addition **Andre Hunter** and his 3-year-old brother **Charles**, Helene keeps busy teaching evening and online classes as an adjunct faculty member at the U. of Cincinnati, appropriately enough in their early childhood associates degree program. ♦ **Alison M. Torriello**, [amt7@cornell.edu](mailto:amt7@cornell.edu); **Abra Benson**, [amb8@cornell.edu](mailto:amb8@cornell.edu); Class website: [www.classof95.cornell.edu](http://www.classof95.cornell.edu).

**96** My fellow class correspondent **Courtney Rubin** is busy writing a book in London, but I persuaded her to send me some information about our classmates overseas. Fortunately, she has a knack for running into globe-trotting Cornellians like **Andrew Morse**. She reports that he has left London and is now based in Hong Kong working for ABC . . . or theoretically based in Hong Kong, since he travels so much. "I saw **Jill Martin** '95, who's working for CNN in London. And at Sloane Square I bumped into **Taron Wade** '98. Turns out she's a reporter for *Derivatives Weekly*, also in London. And **Christie Kaefer** came to visit me here. Christie—that's Captain Kaefer to you—is still a dietician in the Army, though now she's working on her MBA, too. She's based in Northern Virginia."

Courtney says that her book, previously titled "A Sense of Scale" will be released in November 2003. "It's now called *The Weight-Loss Diaries*, and has a long rambling subtitle that we're still arguing about. But essentially: A Story of Binges, Guilt, Late Night Refrigerator Raids, New-Me Shopping Sprees, Exercise, and the End of 'I'll Start Tomorrow.' Meanwhile, I'm sort of giggling over the writing of catalog copy—the stuff publishers write to sell it to book buyers. I want to call up my editor and say, 'Hilarious and heartwarming? Whose bloody book is that?!'"

**Joshua Fruhlinger**, my "honorary" corre-

spondent in Baltimore (celebrated home of filmmaker John Waters) tells me that **Phillip Geissler** received job offers from Cornell, MIT, and Columbia U. "Last I heard, he had decided to accept a chemistry professorship at Cornell. He also married **Rebecca Overacre** last summer (August 2002) in a lovely outdoor ceremony in Big Island, VA. Cornellians in attendance included: **Jennifer Kopp** '98, **Alison McLennan** '99, **Micah Boyer**, **Siobhan Adcock** '95, and, um, a bunch of other people I forget now."

Josh also mentioned that **Siobhan** will have her first book, *30 Things Everyone Should Know How to Do Before Turning 30*, published by

Broadway Books this year. As a 29-year-old, I find the title of this book vaguely alarming, but I'm tempted to pick up a copy anyway. I hope avoiding mutant rats on the New York City subway platform is a recommended skill—I'm pretty good at that.

In other wedding news, **Alexi Clinton** reports that she got married in Ithaca on June 21, '02 to **Oleg Abramov** (Clarkson '98). "I was given away by my father, Prof. Kevin Clinton. My bridesmaid was **Staci Nugent**, and my brother **Greg** '01 was groomsman. Cornellians **Jennifer Testut** '97, JD '01, **Carissa Mirra** '98, **Laura Rossier** '99, **Rebecca Whittles** '99, **Dan Saha** '99, **Sandy Saluke** '99, **Sarah Rodriguez** '97, and Prof. Emeritus **Gordon**, MA '39, and **Patricia Frueh Kirkwood** '38, MA '39, attended the wedding." **Alexi** and **Oleg** are living in Tucson, where they are both students at the U. of Arizona.

**David Hock** and **Belinda Kwong** '98 were married on Aug. 3, '02 at Sage Chapel, also in Ithaca. **Belinda** says the ceremony was followed by a chimes concert from the clock tower and the reception took place at the Rose Inn. Classmates at the wedding include: **Peter Thana**, **Richard Girards Jr.**, **Stacey Lubetsky**, **Rebecca Zufall**, **Arlia Wilks**, **Victoria Weissman**, ME CS '99, **Jia Lin**, **Taron Kapoor**, and **Jason** '95 and **Laura Welch Nicoll**. The newlyweds honeymooned in St. Lucia, and currently live in Woodbridge, VA.

Please continue to e-mail **Sheryl**, **Courtney**, and me about your weddings, promotions, vacations, and favorite reality TV show contestants. ♦ **Allie Cahill**, [AlexandraCahill@aol.com](mailto:AlexandraCahill@aol.com); **Courtney Rubin**, [crubin0515@yahoo.com](mailto:crubin0515@yahoo.com); **Sheryl Magzamen**, [SLM1@cornell.edu](mailto:SLM1@cornell.edu).

**97** Just in time for spring, the latest news from members of the Class of '97. **Amy Blye Cohen** ([apb5@lehigh.edu](mailto:apb5@lehigh.edu)) plans to graduate in May from Lehigh U. with a master's in business administration and environmental engineering. Husband **Jason** graduates in June from U. of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine and will begin his residency in emergency



medicine. The couple married in July 2001, and their alma mater was well represented—about 50 Cornellians were in attendance. Amy's been in touch with **Nikki Arvanites**, **Rachel Chansky**, **Rikki and Stu Bagatell**, **Rachel Laveman**, **Katie Fallon**, and **Eun Carl**. **David Lu** (dlu.s@nyls.edu) began his first year at New York Law School. David married **Ho-Shyuan Wu '98** and relocated from California to New Jersey.

**Carrie Golash** (Cgolash@opa.faseb.org) finished her PhD in reproductive physiology at Penn State last May and began work in June as a science policy analyst for the Federation of

Auslander on June 2 on the Connecticut coast. **Lauren Hachmann** married Gib Sansing on May 26 in East Setauket, NY. Bridesmaids included **Rachel Kelly**, **Mary Alison Butterfield**, **Sally Librera**, and **Jillian Berman**. Lauren is a neurology resident at Penn. **Jordan Lisella** married high school sweetheart Jenny Tu on September 28 in New Rochelle, NY. **Dave Ellner '96**, **Seth Welborn**, and **Mike Schoenhaut** were groomsmen. Erin also shared a "small world" story: running into **Jen Cramer** while traveling in New Zealand with **Geraldine Carter '98** in March 2002. Geraldine works for Backroads

Guard, where he is currently the company commander of Troop C of the 104th Cavalry at Camp McGovern in Bosnia. Jim, who completed his first year in the master's program in history at Villanova U. before he left, was scheduled to return in March. Karla is enjoying her work as an assistant district attorney in Philadelphia, and was recently commissioned as a first lieutenant in the Army Judge Advocate General Corps Reserves. She's serving in the 153rd Legal Support Organization in Norristown, PA.

Wedding season is upon us! Please send news to your class correspondents (we're always happy to get non-wedding news, too!). ♦ **Erica Broennle** Nelson, ejb4@cornell.edu; **Sarah Deardorff** Carter, sjd5@cornell.edu.

## 'My speed of life has increased to approximately 230 mph.'

STEPHANIE LOVE '98

American Societies for Experimental Biology, where she is involved in all sorts of hot-button issues, such as bioterrorism, cloning, and animal rights. Carrie and fellow Cornellian **Lou Wolinetz '96** live in Silver Spring, MD. In January, **Jennifer Jairala** (jcj2@cornell.edu) reported she was starting graduate work in aerospace engineering at U. of Colorado, Boulder. She's worked for NASA on Edwards Air Force Base and also lived abroad, spending six months in Paris and a year in Japan. **Ying Ma** (yingma@stanford.edu) worked for a Congressional commission in Washington, DC, before relocating to California to study law at Stanford. Calling all Sin City visitors: there's a new restaurant in town! **Elizabeth Blau** (elizabethblau@lumc.com) has opened Simon Kitchen and Bar at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, with celebrity chef partner Kerry Simon. When she's not busy working, Elizabeth keeps in touch with **Tori Rogers Klein '94**, **Mark Birta '94**, and **David Corson**.

**Carisa Triola** Shulman is living in Huntington, NY, and has been conducting graduate work in Costa Rica. She's a science teacher at Syosset High School in Syosset, NY. **Andre Sierakowski**, ME EP '99 (ajs16@cornell.edu) has been working in research and development for IBM Microelectronics. He's met people through Cornell Club events and has seen **Seanna Thompson**, a medical resident. **Alan Yeung**, BA '96, returned to Hong Kong for about two years; he's practicing as an attorney at the law firm Clifford Chance. **Jessica Crolick** (jac15@cornell.edu) is back on the Hill, this time as a member of the class of '04 at the Johnson Graduate School of Management.

**Erin Davis** sent in a ton of news (thanks, Erin!). She reports on several weddings last year. **Vasanthi Badari** married **Scott Kostojohn** on May 17 in Newport, RI; the bride and groom both work for Microsoft in Seattle. **Mary Anna Denman** and Alex Ching tied the knot in Washington, DC, on May 11; both are in their second year of medical residency in Philadelphia. Citibank employee **Eric Stevens** married Erica

Travel Company, which is based in Berkeley, CA, and has traveled all over the world, including Chile, Argentina, and France. Jen is living in Oregon.

In other wedding news, **Kevin Bersofsky** (kbbersofsky@hotmail.com) wed Elizabeth Klein in Palos Verdes, CA, on July 7, '02. **Darren** and **Julie Williams Thomas**, **Andrew Nocar**, and **Kevin Shea** were among those attending the event. Kevin left his job at PricewaterhouseCoopers to be a chef at a French restaurant in Los Angeles; wife Elizabeth is an attorney with Gibson Dunn and Crutcher. **Wendy Bensley** married **Brad Jaehn** on June 15, '02 at Sage Chapel. The couple, who honeymooned in France and now live in Chicago, began dating two years after meeting freshman year. Brad is a product manager for orbitz.com, and Wendy (wjaehn@mwalliance.com) is a program director for the Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance. She also is a part-time student at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management. **Sean Feller** (fellersean@hotmail.com) and Holly Snyder tied the knot on Aug. 10, '02 in Beverly Hills, CA. **Scott Malat '98** was the best man, and **Rebecca Cannon '99** was also at the festivities.

**Chris Zaccarelli** (czaccarelli@yahoo.com) married Aisling Wade in Greensboro, NC, last June. **Steve Wolmark '98** was a groomsman; other Cornellians in attendance included **Josh Schrenker**, **Jordan Lisella**, **Patrick Dowd '98**, and **Adam Mikulka '98**. **Christopher Mix** (chrmix@parlec.com) has been working as a controller at Parlec Inc. in Rochester, NY, since September 2002; on Aug. 26, '02, he married wife Janice.

The list of classmates who are now proud parents is growing. New additions include **Jordan Ezra**, born to **Jason Eichenholz** (jeichenholz@siebel.com) and wife Jennifer. **Jennifer Adriance** Ketchum (ketchum2114@comcast.net) and husband Randell welcomed son Jacob in 2001; the family has moved to Chambersburg, PA.

**Karla Gebel Perrin** (karlaperrin@yahoo.com) shared some news about herself and husband **Jim** (perrin215@msn.com). Jim was called to active duty in the Pennsylvania National

**98** Classmates! It's that time again—news of the Class of 1998. Before I get to that, I'd like to remind everyone about our 5th Reunion, to be held on campus from June 5-8, '03. We have a fantastic weekend of food, parties, and reminiscing planned for everyone!

**Stephanie Love** got married on Dec. 14, '02 to Keith Burton, who works in the Indy Racing League. "My speed of life has increased to approximately 230 mph, and I am now well-versed on the ins and outs of open-wheel racing," she wrote. Stephanie has been doing agriculture biotech research at Dow AgroSciences for the past five years. **Fred Villarosa** wrote that he's currently a captain in the US Army, serving as part of his agreement with the ROTC at Cornell. He says, "It turned out to be a great experience for me, giving me an opportunity to travel to Korea for two years. It also gave me a chance to contribute directly to the fight against terrorism. I was deployed a month after coming back to the States in support of the war effort. The most exciting part: I get to jump out of perfectly good planes and helicopters!"

**Rita Doyle** Pederson writes that she left IBM in January 2002, the day she returned from her honeymoon, and took a year-long break traveling in Korea, Japan, China, Singapore, Mexico, and all over the United States. They also spent time with family and decorating a new home in Raleigh, NC. She has recently started a position with the American Cancer Society as a community income manager. "So far, it's great," she said. **Chuck Lyons's** daughter Bailey, 2, makes her dolls take time-outs and makes her daddy wear pony tails and barrettes. Sounds like an equal opportunity household to me!

**Drew McElhare** is still working and living in Ithaca. He went to Boston for the Cornell-Harvard hockey game in February, and saw many Cornellians, though regretfully none from our class. Drew reports that **Aaron Todd** and wife **Tory Kulli** are back in Ithaca while he studies in his first year at the Johnson School. He also reports that **Mitchell Kent** is studying in his first year of law school at the U. of Texas. **Heidi Hallman** just finished her Peace Corps stint in El Salvador, and is currently traveling in Peru and Ecuador.

On November 3, **Julie Pactovis** married Sam Katz (Yale '95) in Needham, MA. Attending the



wedding were Orientation Steering Committee (Dean's Office) alums **Lenor Marquis**, **Meredith Chaiken**, **Michelle Pangborn**, and **Puneet Agrawal**. Lenor is a lawyer in the Bay Area, Meredith is in her first year at the Kennedy School, Michelle is still with HP in Boise, and Puneet is at a venture capital firm in Boston. Also attending were **Denise Oliveira**, **Suhani Kamdar**, **Muriel Mathieu**, and **Adina Saperstein**. Denise and Suhani practice law in Boston and San Francisco, respectively. Muriel recently moved to Toyota, Japan, to teach English, and Adina is in DC. **Albert Choi**, **Molly Beinfeld**, **Scott Tarpley '93**, **Dave Garcia '96**, and **Eric Yellin '99** also attended. After the wedding (and months of tireless searching), Julie started work in the research and evaluation department of the National Center on Family Homelessness.

**Erica Chan** will soon begin a fellowship in Yunnan in rural China with a nongovernmental organization that does public health, mostly AIDS prevention. It was some decision for her—a cushy job in Hong Kong vs. living in poverty (literally!) in less-than-perfect conditions in a strange place for a year. But she figured it's a now-or-never type of opportunity and she decided to go for it. Congratulations, Erica! **Heather Kirby** is gearing up for her last quarter of law school. She'll take the bar exam and move to Alaska for the year to clerk for a judge there. Her spring break plans are a driving adventure to see Cornellians **Heather Stakich**, **Pete**, PhD '99, and **Eleanor Truman Schmidt '99**, and yours truly.

I saw **Emily Lobel**, **Sara Leeder**, and **Justin Yorio** in Manhattan in January, and they're all well. Emily and I got to reminisce about our 60-mile walk from West Point to Manhattan that we did over the summer in support of AIDS vaccine research. We highly recommend the experience! Sara just bought an apartment, and is busy getting settled. Justin completed his MFA in acting, and had just finished a gig in Denver when we caught up with him.

I hope your 2003 is going well—keep writing! ♦ **Molly Darnieder**, mbd4@cornell.edu; and **Anna Sise**, annasise@hotmail.com.

**99** It is absolutely freezing in February as I write this column. Hopefully, when you read this in May we'll have sufficiently defrosted here in the northeast. May 2003 should mean one thing to you all—only one year left till our first Cornell reunion! Prepare yourselves for a weekend of dorm living, eating at Okenshields, and long lines at the Palms. Speaking of weather, **Dianne Miller** graduated from U. of Illinois with a master's in atmospheric science and is now employed as a meteorologist in California at Sonoma Technologies. When not skiing at Lake Tahoe, she reports putting her Introduction to Wines knowledge to good use touring the vineyards of California. The Northern California Cornell Alumni Assn.'s first VP, **Sasha Ziman**, works in the restaurant industry and lives in the Mission District of San Francisco.

After completing a master's degree in environmental sustainability from the U. of Edin-

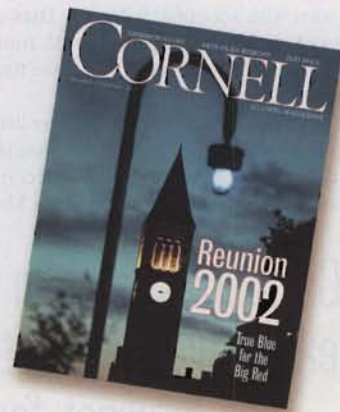
burgh, Scotland, **Alexia Hain** is also in Northern California, working with the Americorps Watershed Stewards Project. **Antoinette Quagliata** attends Duke U.'s Nicholas School of the Environment, working toward a master's in environmental management in water resources. A graduate of Penn State with a master of science in geological sciences, **Jacek Lupa** works for Phillips Petroleum as an exploration geologist.

In the soon-to-be-doctors category, we're happy to report that **Marissa Perman** is a med student at the U. of Maryland since completing a post-bac premed program in Boston and researching at Mass General Hospital. **Gregory Peck** is making his rounds at the U. of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey after conducting biodiversity research in the Dominican Republic. **Pierre Loredo** loves the weather at the U. of South Florida Medical School; **Josh Willey's** at med school in NYC at Columbia U.; Yale Medical School is home to **Edward Cho**; and **Christine Bertuna** is a student at St. George's U. School of Medicine.

The burgeoning class of '99 legal contingent continues to expand: **Oliver Bajracharya** finished his law degree at Tulane and practices patent law in Pasadena, CA, with the firm of Christie, Parker & Hale; **Susan Goodman** graduated from Harvard Law School; **Dan Schubert** finished at Georgetown Law and works in NYC for Davis, Polk & Wadwell; **Adam Price** graduated from Emory Law and works for Morgan, Lewis & Bockius; **Kara Buscaglia** graduated from U. of Buffalo Law School and practices in Buffalo; **Josh Brill** and **Mark Reardon** are law students at the U. of Pittsburgh; **Amanda Reed** studies law at UCLA and plans to return to NYC after graduation; **Anne Law** attends Catholic Law School; **Alex Haliasos** is a law student at George Washington U.; **Eli Mogil** started law school in Toronto; and last but certainly not least, **Mandy MacDonald** has left the warmth of the Potomac River in Washington, DC, for the icy shores of Lake Michigan in Chicago, where she attends law school at Northwestern.

Looking to the more non-traditional occupational paths, **Deirdre Carroll** writes that since graduation, she's been working as a professional dancer, traveling throughout the country and abroad. She's been a Radio City Rockette since 1999! Forensic anthropologist **Kristen Hartnett** was deployed to the World Trade Center disaster to help recover and identify the remains as part of DMORT (Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Team), a federal agency under the US Public Health Services. Kristen, who lives in Tempe, AZ, called the experience "truly unforgettable." **Rick Lee**, MMH '99, opened a new resort property in Park City, UT. **Rachel Dodes** writes for a local business magazine in Washington, DC, called *Business Forward*. **Brian Johnson**, ME C '00, works as a field drilling engineer on an offshore rig in Cameroon, Africa.

Military intelligence officer **Wendi Lynn** works in the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, NC. **Ted Utz** serves as a lieutenant in the US Navy aboard the USS *Columbus*, a nuclear-powered submarine stationed in Pearl Harbor, HI. Although Ted travels quite a bit, when he's



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home he takes full advantage of "living in paradise," and has learned to surf. **Tim Mack** is back in Boston with roommates **Jeremy Dies** and **Jamison Smith '97** after a five-month stint in Singapore. **Joel Fastenberg** works in the financial services industry, based in Tokyo.

**Rachel Peris** didn't think she'd ever live in NYC, let alone work for Cornell. Of course, she's now doing both as the associate director of Alumni Affairs and Development in the Metro

our memories. It was so much fun that we plan to get them done every five years to see how much we've changed!

Let's see who else in our class has kept in contact and reunited. **Anne Silverman**, a marketing analyst for the E&J Gallo Winery, traveled to Guam to visit her brother and sister-in-law **Hollis Wells Silverman**. Hollis has taken quite a tour around the Pacific with her husband, and has visited Sri Lanka, Singapore, Australia, and

received a "Jurors Choice Award." He also had one of his photographs selected for a show at the Corporate & Museum Frame. It was a black and white print (Van Dyke Brown) entitled "The Levy Sisters." In sunny West Palm Beach, **Chris Buckstein** just sold his first restaurant, The Palm Beach Kitchen, and is currently preparing for his next venture. After working toward her master's in international public health at Tulane U., **Christine Johnson** is currently serving in the Peace Corps in Mongolia. She was assigned to a hospital in the city of Choibalsan, and is working on public health initiatives. She helps the doctors learn English and teaches them how to use the Internet for medical research.

Finally, I cannot forget our "professional students" out there who never want to leave the world of academia. **Daria Sharman** received an MS from the U. of Michigan in aerospace science in August 2002, and now she is a PhD candidate at the U. of Texas. **H. Ron Davidson**, BS ILR '99, is entering his second year of law school at the U. of Chicago. This summer he interned at the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda in Arusha, Tanzania. **Bret Jenkins** has also gone back to school and is attending New York Chiropractic College in Seneca Falls, NY. He met another '00 graduate, **Elle Salko**, who is in her seventh trimester at NYCC. And med student **Bob Greenleaf** is a second year at Hahnemann/Drexel U. College of Medicine. He also found the time to run the 2002 NYC Marathon, and tries to see as many of his Cornell wrestling teammates as possible.

Before I end this edition's column, I would like to acknowledge our classmates who have notified us of their engagements and pregnancies. Unfortunately, it is magazine policy not to print these announcements in order to avoid duplicating news and because of the changes that sometimes occur before publication. However, we DO want to hear from you again once the wedding or birth occurs and will gladly publish the happy news! Don't forget, we love hearing from you and we love writing for you. ♦ **Andrea M. Chan**, amc32@cornell.edu; and **Sarah Striffler**, sjs34@cornell.edu.

**01** **Nicohl Merrill** wed Kyle Swartley (Clarkson '01) on Sept. 14, 2002. **Lori Staib** was the maid of honor. Cornellians in attendance at the wedding included **Cassandra Pierre**, **Tracy Neish**, **Karen Jones**, **Janice Flint**, **Raegan Burroughs**, **Jenn Valla '02**, **Andrew Pierson '01**, ME E '03, and **Natasha Stein '06**. The happy couple spent their honeymoon cruising around Hawaii. Congratulations! **Jenny Kelsey** wed **Jon Mills** this past fall. Jenny has now returned to Cornell and is pursuing a master's degree in animal nutrition. Jon is the herdsman at Monanfran Farms Inc. Congratulations to **Meredith Messing** and **Christian Bastardi '99**, ME C '00, who exchanged vows on Jan. 5, '03, in Morristown, NJ. **Amy Palmieri** was a bridesmaid and **Brian Glassmeyer '99**, ME E '00, was the best man. Other Cornell grads in attendance were **Dianne LaRocca**, **Scott Cohen**, **Kristy Putnam**, **Aylin Atilla '00**, **Steve Berman '99**, MS '02, **Jennifer Librach '99**, ME E '00, and

## 'Christine Johnson helps doctors in Mongolia learn English and teaches them how to use the Internet for medical research.'

ANDREA M. CHAN '00

NY Regional Office. Specializing in healthcare M&A, **Nicholas Leopardi** works as a financial analyst at Merrill Lynch. **Matthew Roland** is a real estate analyst for Basile, Baumann, Prost & Associates in Maryland. After working on Capitol Hill for a congressman for two years, **Elyse Pegler** is now a graduate student at GW U. pursuing a master's in public health. **Jessica Webster** just finished her MPH from the U. of Albany.

**Michelle Blacksberg** is working toward an MBA at U. of Virginia's Darden Graduate School of Business. **Susan Martonosi** is back in the States after teaching high school in Guinea with the Peace Corps. She's a graduate student at MIT and lives in Cambridge, MA. On international assignment in Milan, Italy, for a year, **Nico Esposito** "enjoys working in such a beautiful country, especially since it's the homeland of my ancestors." **Susan Rushmer Stauffer**, ME I '00, former employee of Answerthink, now works as operations manager for a mechanical contractor, and finds that "the small business world is quite different than the world of management consulting for Fortune 100 companies." She and husband **John '98** bought a house in Ocean City, NJ, and are enjoying fixing it up.

That's all for now, but don't forget to MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Reunion 2004, June 10-13! ♦ **Jennifer Sheldon**, jsheldon@law.uconn.edu; **Melanie Arzt**, melanie@improv.boston.com; and **Jessica Smith**, jesssmith99@excite.com.

**00** Three years out of college and already feeling out of touch? Well, I have an inspired idea for us all—hold your own mini-reunion! Some of my old housemates and I made a promise to get together at least once a year in order to stay connected after graduation. This year we remained local, gallivanting around New York City. **Kimberly Case**, **WaiNa Cheng**, **Linda Nicoll**, **Julie Rodriguez**, and I hit the club scene, did a little shopping, and saw the Broadway show *Proof*, which starred Anne Heche. However, the best part of our week was getting professional group photographs taken to capture

Japan. The couple plan on moving to San Diego in December. Down in DC, **Jon Felder** has hung out with **Elisa Westapher**, **Robin Snyder**, and **Greg Cardello**. Jon lives in Arlington, VA, and works as a financial representative for Northwestern Mutual. Last year, he took an exciting adventure to Costa Rica for some white-water rafting, hiking, and howler monkey-watching.

Now, some of our classmates have been much more occupied with other events in their lives such as weddings and, yes, even births! **Cindy Salgado** gave birth to daughter Aixa Jeanne on Dec. 19, '01. Due to this joyful event, she is currently on leave from graduate school at Cornell, where she is pursuing a PhD in physiology. She took time off to return to her warm homeland of Puerto Rico. Cindy is now enjoying herself as a full-time mom, as is **Tammi Hessler**, who also gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Mara Elizabeth, on Jan. 26, '02. After graduation, **Brian Elliott** hightailed it out to Naperville, IL, where he married **Merle Smith**. Brian has been working as an embedded software engineer in the telecom industry, first at Tellabs Inc., and now at Mantaro Networks Inc. Merle is in her final year of law school at Georgetown U. She recently accepted an associate position as an intellectual property attorney at McAndrews, Held, and Malloy Ltd. in Chicago. At that time, Brian intends to pursue his own business doing software consulting. Another wedding occurred on Aug. 18, '02 for **Zachary Lippman** and **Shira Golan**. They were married in Oceanside, NY, and now have an apartment in Commack, NY. Shira is a third year dental student at Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine, and Zach is getting his PhD at the Watson School of Biological Sciences in Cold Spring Harbor, NY. They just adopted an adorable cat named Oreo, and according to Shira, "he's the cutest!"

As always, Cornellians never cease to amaze me with all their fascinating accomplishments! **Sean Twohig** recently had a piece of his artwork selected for a juried art show at the Shackoe Bottom Arts Center in Richmond, VA. His piece, entitled "Mexico Skin," is a mosaic painting and



**Brian Markham '99**, ME C '00.

**Patrick Smith** has left California to travel around the world for the next year. He will be joined by **Lauren Tingey**. They will go to Australia, New Zealand, Thailand/Vietnam, Africa, and Europe, assuming that they do not run out of money first! Avoiding Ithaca winters, **Brooke Patterson** is living in Miami Beach, FL, and working in the information technology dept. of Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines. Happy in the sun, **Sharon Ellis** is staying warm in Gainesville, FL, where she is in law school. Also in graduate school, **Garreth Biegun** is a first-year student at U. of Massachusetts Medical School. **Christina Peruto** is a first-year medical student at Georgetown U. School of Medicine.

In Washington, DC, **Lauren Eade** is working as a legal assistant in the government contracts group at the law firm Venable, Baetjer, Howard, Civiletti LLP. She has applied to law schools on the East Coast. Best of luck to Lauren! A little further west, **Jonathan Borovsky** lives in Columbus, OH, and **Tricia Hughes** lives in Salem, OH. Down South, **Shaun McGovern** is living in Houston, TX. **Riva Stevens-Maisch** has moved again since graduation, this time to Johnstown, PA. She describes the area as "small, struggling economically, and in a 1950s time warp." Riva had taken a job as a general manager with Wood/Sodexo in corporate services last September, running food services for MetLife's division. She has been married to husband Josh for two years. In New York City, **Lena Tai** is enjoying life in the big city. She recently resigned from the Pierre Hotel and is now working as an HR analyst and executive assistant at Credit Suisse First Boston. She was excited to have adopted two baby kittens. Lena spends a lot of time with fellow Cornellians **Jackie Lee '02**, **Adam Glickman '02**, and **Joshua Deutsch '02**. Congratulations to **Lauren Wallach**, who received a promotion in November. She came back from a vacation to find out that she had been promoted to retail property manager of Rockefeller Center in NYC.

Four hours from NYC, some classmates are back in Ithaca. **Jeremiah Ronquillo** returned to Cornell to pursue his Master of Engineering degree in Electrical Engineering. **Andrew Mong** is in his second year of Vet school at Cornell. **Nicki Dardinger** is also back in Ithaca. After a year in the academic world, she returned to Cornell to begin graduate work studying rattlesnakes in the field of Natural Resources. Also living in Ithaca is **Colleen MacLachlan**. Roommates from Cornell, **Kathy Frachetti** and **Alison Brunger** are living in Buffalo where Kathy is finishing her first year as a medical student at the U. of Buffalo and Alison is finishing her first year as a law student there. **Sarah Whittleton** is employed at Sodexo Alliance and is working at Burke Rehabilitation Hospital in White Plains, NY, as a registered dietician. She and sister **Janice '98** are enjoying spending leisurely time together.

For **Laurie Zagmester**, her first year and a half after graduating was more hectic than her senior year at Cornell! She made a big move to Truckee, CA (Lake Tahoe region), which made her realize that the weather in Ithaca wasn't so

bad. Laurie loved the snow and took advantage of the opportunity by learning to ski. She worked as the manager of Wildlife Shelter Inc. for six months before moving to the Bay Area. During Laurie's time in California, she traveled to Italy, obtained scuba certification in Monterey Bay, and traveled to the Caribbean to test out her underwater skills. She continued her education at Shoals Marine Laboratory, studying field ornithology, and volunteered with gull chick banding out at Mono Lake, CA, last summer. Since then she has made her way back to New York and is now residing in Rochester, which makes it very convenient for her to visit her sis-

up a master's in teaching from East Carolina U. and plans to teach middle school or high school science. **Carlyn Worstell** is using her Dreer Award to live in Vienna, Austria, and work for the ZooLex Organization studying habitat design in zoos, with a particular focus on primates. **Lauren Bernhardt** is working in advertising in New York City for the Kaplan Thaler Group. Also working in New York, **Amanda Teitler** is in home furnishings design at Polo Ralph Lauren. **Katie Conery** is an editorial assistant at HarperCollins Publishers, and **Brie Goldberg** is at Cooper, Robertson & Partners, an architecture firm.

**Noah Hager** was married in St. Louis at the

'I came back from a vacation to find out that I had been promoted!'

LAUREN WALLACH '01

ter **Michele '03** at Cornell! Since Laurie's return back East, she's spent some of her time volunteering at the Braddock Bay Bird Observatory banding station on Lake Ontario. She plans to apply to schools for graduate work in ecology and evolution in the near future.

**Margaret Fagan** is currently getting her MSW at UC Berkeley. Also living in Berkeley is **Brooke Sinnes**. In October, **Heidi Rosebush** and her puppy Potter set off for a 2,700-mile trip cross-country to start a new career with Trader Joe's in Seattle. Not far from Heidi, **Emily Ramirez**, MA IN T '02, is living in Portland, OR.

**Cyrus Yunker** was the first of his siblings to graduate. Since his graduation, he has seen his brother **Christian '02** graduate and his sister **Katherine** start Cornell. Cyrus and some of his friends recently went to Las Vegas for a little vacation. Now he is in Raleigh, NC, working at North Carolina State U. in the biological and agricultural engineering department conducting research on greenhouse cooling systems. Not far away, **Carlin Young** is living in Sumter, SC.

So, what's new in your lives? Any exciting trips planned for the summer? New job/grad school? Let us know. E-mail us at class of2001@cornell.edu. We hope that all is well with each of you—let us know about it! ♦ **Lauren Wallach**, lew15@cornell.edu; and **Itai Dinour**, id22@cornell.edu.

**02** Lots of news to report from the Class of 2002 as we approach the anniversary of our graduation from Cornell. **Liz Cohen** writes that she loves living in Boston. After a summer spent as a park ranger in Yellowstone National Park, she's working as an educator at the Blue Hill Meteorological Observatory at the Boston Museum of Science. **Amy Liesenfeld** writes that she's living in Virginia and working in downtown Washington, DC, as a corporate associate for the credit union consulting firm Callahan & Associates Inc.

**Danielle Krochak** reports that she's finishing

end of December to Andrea Fleming, a 2002 graduate of Mount Union College. The couple will now be living in Quincy, MA, where Noah will continue his job as a senior leasing consultant with AvalonBay Communities. **Elisabeth Carlin** was also recently married to Jason Fritz of the West Point Class of 2002. In the wedding party were fellow Cornellians **Janet Tomiyama '01**, **Rebecca Marques**, and **Randi Dublin '03**. The two are based at Fort Stewart, GA, and Elisabeth works in the mental health field in nearby Savannah. Farther afield, **Christopher LaBrutto** writes that he's enjoying learning Korean in his position as an English teacher in Pusan, South Korea. **Alexandra Bisset** is working in a backcountry lodge in New Hampshire for the Appalachian Mountain Club, enjoying the snow and becoming involved with the search and rescue of lost or injured hikers in the Mount Washington Valley area. **Sarah Dickinson** has moved to Australia to seek her fortune in a different hemisphere.

And for the graduate school update, **John Blitzer** is in a doctoral program in computer science at the U. of Pennsylvania, **Charles Berk** is in his first year at the Kansas State U. College of Veterinary Medicine, and **Laura Dombrowski** is attending the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Erie, PA. **Scott Bailey** is in a graduate program in mathematics at Northwestern U., where recently his work with Prof. Robert Stichartz concerning the Levy dragon fractal has been published in *American Mathematical Monthly*, one of the most widely read mathematics journals. **Joe Lisi** is pursuing a graduate degree in Cornell's education department while working as a bunker for the Cayuga Heights Fire Dept. **Jason Freedman** is in his first year at SUNY Upstate Medical U. in Syracuse, **Bernard Schriegl** is pursuing graduate study in philosophy, and **Michael Stevens** is working toward a PhD in physics from MIT, where he spent time over the winter training for the Boston Marathon. ♦ **Elizabeth Richards**, eliza\_bethlauren\_richards@yahoo.com.



## Alumni Deaths

'26 ME—**Morris D. Farr** of Pensacola, FL, December 5, 2002; retired engineer; active in alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'27 BA—**William H. Kimball** of Simsbury, CT, formerly of Augusta, ME, November 4, 2002.

'28 MS Ag—**Keith Bissell** of Napa, CA, October 10, 1988.

'28 BA—**Anna Marwood** Headland of Hudson, OH, November 13, 2002; teacher; active in religious and alumni affairs.

'28 EE—**Frederick L. Witt** of Bellaire, OH, December 8, 2002; landscape architect; engineer; land surveyor; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Tau Epsilon.

'29 BS Ag—**Clarice Brown** Costa of New York City, December 28, 1992.

'30, BA '31—**Dorothy L. Evans** of Oxford, NY, December 25, 2002; retired high school teacher; also taught at Camp Pharsalia prison; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'30 BA, LLB '33—**James B. Gitlitz** of Kingston, RI, December 11, 2002; attorney; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'30 BA—**Selma Meisels Keenan** (Mrs. D'Elbert E.) of East Corinth, VT, August 24, 2002; psychotherapist; director of clinical service, Orange County Mental Health Service.; former social worker; working on dissertation at the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis.

'30 ME—**John D. Lyall** of Willow Street, PA, November 19, 2002; retired managing engineer, Armstrong Cork; active in civic, professional, and religious affairs. Delta Chi.

'30 BA, PhD '36—**Dorothy Wertz** Tyler of Bethlehem, PA, December 20, 2002; professor of French and German, Chair of Foreign Language Dept., Moravian College; active in professional and religious affairs. Pi Beta Phi.

'31-33 SP Ag—**Walter C. Hayman** of Yarmouth Port, MA, July 3, 2000; president, All Cape & Islands Collection Agency.

'31 DVM—**Benjamin W. Suydam Jr.** of Pisgah Forest, NC, exact date unknown; retired veterinarian. Alpha Psi.

'32, BA '33—**William R. Bagby** of Lexington, KY, December 28, 2002; tax attorney who tried Al Capone's partner; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Kappa Sigma.

'32 ME—**Jacques B. Crommelin** of Palm Springs, CA, November 27, 2002; owner, Jacques B. Crommelin & Assocs. Beta Theta Pi.

'32 BS HE—**Bernice M. Hopkins** of Ithaca, NY, November 15, 2002; retired professor; active in alumni affairs.

'33 BA, JD '35—**Herbert H. Blau** of Larchmont, NY, October 24, 2002; attorney. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'33, BA '35—**Grant Captanian** of New York City, November 4, 2002.

'33 BS HE—**Josephine Collins** Fredenburg (Mrs. Augustin R.) of Clayton, NY, November 25, 2002; home economics instructor; active in community and professional affairs.

'33 BS Ag—**Robert M. Hood** of Columbia, PA, September 28, 2002; worked for Pennsylvania Farm Bureau; active in community and religious affairs.

'33 BS HE—**Bertha Muntz** of Lancaster, PA, October 6, 2002; teacher, Manhattan and Staten Island school districts; active in religious affairs.

'33 ME, MS Ed '43—**William W. Rogers Jr.** of Worcester, MA, November 22, 2002; professor of technology, SUNY Farmingdale; author; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Kappa Delta Rho.

'33 BS Ag—**Waldo G. Smith** of Aurora, CO, April 16, 2002; retired civil engineer.

'33 BS Hotel—**A. Carl Witteborg Jr.** of Sister Bay, WI, November 15, 2002; hotelier; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Theta Delta Chi.

'33 BA—**Herbert N. Woodward** of Attleboro, MA, September 5, 2002; business executive.; veteran; author; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Delta Phi.

'34—**Richard H. Baldwin** of Makawao, HI, December 25, 2002; rancher and cowboy; manager, Haleakala Ranch; sportsman; active in professional and alumni affairs. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'34 BS Ag—**Herbert H. Baum** of Summitville, NY, October 29, 2002; retired teacher of agriculture and general science; veteran; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'34 BA—**Eloise Conner** Bishop of Portland, OR, November 20, 2002; retired homemaker; active in alumni and religious affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'34 BA, JD '37—**John Wells Branch** of Asheville, NC, formerly of Rochester, NY, March 1, 2002; attorney; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'34 BS Ag—**Mathilde J. Hochmeister** of Hopewell Junction, NY, November 23, 2002; administrator of social services for the South Bronx.

'34—**Falconer Jones** of Falconer, NY, February 12, 2001. Chi Psi.

'34 BA—**Eloise Ross MacKesey** (Mrs. Thomas W. '39-41 GR) of Baltimore, MD, formerly of Ithaca, NY, November 9, 2002; worked in the College of Architecture, Cornell; active in alumni affairs. Delta Gamma.

'34 BA, LLB '36—**Gabriel N. Meckenberg** of Englewood, FL, November 18, 2002; real estate attorney. Pi Lambda Phi.

'34 BA—**Adelaide B. Oppenheim** of Schenectady, NY, October 6, 2002; director, Women in Management Program, Union Coll.; manager of program and planning, General Electric; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'34, BS Ag '35—**Minerva Coufos** Vogel of Forest Hills, NY, April 17, 2002.

'34 BS Ag—**Philip M. White** of Mecklenburg, NY, September 3, 2002; owner, White Nurseries; active in alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Tau.

'35, BA '36, JD '37—**Daniel J. Blaugrund** of Herkimer, NY, December 6, 2002; attorney; retired Family Court judge; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'35 MD—**Walter F. Bugden** of Naples, FL, December 3, 2002; thoracic surgeon; pioneer of mitral valve repairs; veteran; avid golfer; active in community and professional affairs.

'35 BA—**Erna Schott** Fine (Mrs. Harry) of West Palm Beach, FL, September 23, 2002; worked for New York State Dept. of Labor.

'35 BA—**Myra Steinbrink** Freund of Rancho Palos Verdes, CA, September 2002. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'35-37 SP Ag—**Harold W. Henry** of Eden, NY, November 20, 2002; farmer; received Governor's Agriculture Award and NY State Century Farm



Award; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Wife, Alice (Scheidt) '39.

'35 BA, PhD '43—**Josephine Brown Jones** (Mrs. Dean G., PhD '46) of Pine Village, IN, December 29, 2002; registrar, Northern Illinois U.; teacher; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'35 BA—**Priscilla Barrows Kitchen** of Peoria, AZ, October 7, 2002. Alpha Phi.

'35—**Doris Rathbun Lee** (Mrs. Chester H. '34 BS Ag) of Dexter, NY, December 28, 2002; dairy farmer; author; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'35 ME—**Jean F. Mitchell** of Hemet, CA, August 18, 2002; engineer, Bennett Pump Co.; veteran; active in community affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'35 ME—**Walter H. Morris** of Phoenix, AZ, and West Cummington, MA, September 19, 2002; worked at Argonne Nat'l Lab; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'35 BA—**Anne Louise Roehrig Rideout** (Mrs. Blanchard L., PhD '36) of Ithaca, NY, December 9, 2002; French teacher, Boynton Jr. High; active in professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'35 BA—**Samuel J. Tilden** of Scituate, MA, October 16, 2002; teacher and school administrator; active in professional and religious affairs.

'35 BA—**Annette Baker Tulipan** (Mrs. Ira H.) of Wartsfield, VT, October 13, 2002. Sigma Delta Tau.

'36 PhD—**Samuel B. Barker** of Birmingham, AL, September 3, 2002; graduate dean emeritus, U. of Alabama, Birmingham; expert on thyroid testing; professor of physiology, biophysics, and biology; taught at Iowa State U., U. of Tennessee Coll. of Medicine, and Cornell Medical College; active in artistic and professional affairs.

'36—Col. **L. Robert Block** of Hilton Head Island, SC, August 9, 2001; retired Army officer; public relations executive; active in community and alumni affairs.

'36 BA—**Katherine Koopman Cornish** (Mrs. A. Harrison Jr. '33) of Leesburg, VA, September 30, 2002. Alpha Phi.

'36 PhD—**Horace J. Davis** of Houston, TX, September 19, 2002; professor, Louisiana State U.; worked for US Dept. of Agriculture; veteran.

'36 BS HE—**Virginia Howe Fernald** (Mrs. Kenneth G.) of Hilton Head Island, SC, formerly of Ithaca, NY, November 18, 2002; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'36 PhD—**Albert R. Fulton** of Interlaken, NY, December 7, 2002; film scholar, Purdue U.;

author of *Motion Pictures: The Development of an Art*.

'36 BA—**Leanora Schwartz Gruber** of New York City, August 14, 2002; attorney, Gruber & Gruber; active in alumni affairs.

'36—Col. **Robert B. Harrison** of Marietta, GA, June 20, 1994. Delta Upsilon.

'36—**Robert H. McTague** of Tampa, FL, December 31, 2002; realtor; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'36 BA—**Bath Ammi Benderly Weiss** (Mrs. Joseph L.) of Bell Harbor, NY, June 6, 2002.

'36 BA—**Dean Widner** of Garden City, NY, exact date unknown. Sigma Nu.

'37 BA—**Richard Albright** of Daytona Beach, FL, June 28, 2002.

'37 BA, MD '41—**Wilbur M. Dixon** of Johnson City, NY, December 23, 2002; obstetrician and gynecologist; active in civic and professional affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'37 MA—**Adelaide Heyen Eberhardt** (Mrs. William) of Glastonbury, CT, December 16, 2002; worked for CT Lung Assn.

'37 BS AE E—**Albert W. Hartman** of Mansfield, OH, September 21, 2002. Chi Psi.

'37 MD—**Joseph T. Kauer** of Bath, ME, June 3, 2002; retired physician; active in alumni affairs.

'37 MA, PhD '43—**Jane Grennell McDaniel** (Mrs. Boyce D., PhD '43) of Ithaca, NY, October 22, 2002.

'37 BA, JD '39—**Manford Rosenheck** of Elmira, NY, June 23, 2002; attorney; active in community and professional affairs.

'37 BS Ag—**Albert Wolfson** of Highland Park, IL, February 14, 2002; professor, Northwestern U.

'38 BS Ag—**Norman H. Agor** of Sun City West, AZ, July 4, 2002; manager, Agor Recreational Industries.

'38 BA—**Joyce Farbstein Bolz** (Mrs. Sanford H. '35, JD '38) of Washington, DC, November 14, 2002; marketing researcher; real estate agent; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs. Sigma Delta Tau.

'38 BS Hotel—**Windsor G. Brooks** of Keene, NH, June 9, 2002; retired president, W.L. Goodnow Co.; active in alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'38, BS AE M '40—**Hardy M. Cook Jr.** of Baldwin, MD, March 25, 2001; executive for Western Electric. Theta Xi.

'38 EE, MS Eng '39—**Paul E. Dittman** of

Rochester, NY, September 5, 2002; engineer; active in alumni affairs. Seal and Serpent.

'38 JD—**Ralph J. Gregg** of Buffalo, NY, November 4, 2002; attorney; former FBI agent; expert in tax, estate, and trust law; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'38 ME—**Robert L. Hoyt** of Jenkintown, PA, March 18, 2002. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'38 BA—**Seymour J. Kaplan** of Scottsdale, AZ, December 11, 2002; president, Paeco Rubber Co.; active in community affairs. Phi Epsilon Pi.

'38—**Leland R. Kemp** of Waterville, NY, December 20, 2002; dairy farmer; active in community and religious affairs.

'38 BS Ag, M Ed '58—**Clifford F. Luders** of East Aurora, NY, December 6, 2002; taught vocational agriculture and conservation; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'38 BA, PhD '66—**Daniel C. O'Neil** of Binghamton, NY, December 22, 2002; retired German language professor, SUNY Stony Brook; artist; scientist; naturalist; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'38 MD—**Barnard D. Patterson** of Edenton, NC, May 19, 2002; retired physician.

'38 BA—**J. Garrett Peavy** of Lahaina, HI, October 24, 2002. Alpha Chi Rho.

'38 BS Hotel—**Richard A. Reagan Jr.** of Glenview, IL, November 20, 2002.

'38 BA—**Marvin H. Rubin** of Elmira, NY, July 21, 2002; president, Southern Tier News.

'38—**Lloyd W. Schenck** of Cayuga, NY, January 27, 2002. Theta Delta Chi.

'38 BS Ag—**William J. Smart** of Lyons, NY, July 31, 2002; operated Agway of Lyons; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'38 MS—**James H. Watson** of Atchison, KS, September 6, 2002; veterinarian; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'38 MD—**Edwin T. Williams** of Denver, CO, February 14, 2002; retired physician.

'39—Lt. Col. **Donald H. Baumer** of Tarpon Springs, FL, June 2, 2002; retired military. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'39 PhD—**Clair J. Blackall** of North Baltimore, OH, August 19, 2001; prof. of mathematics and physics, U. of Detroit, U. of Toledo, and DeSales College; horse trainer; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'39 BS HE—**Jean Curtis Callahan** of Leesburg,



VA, April 11, 2002. Delta Gamma.

'39, BA '40—**Alice Chism** Clark of Reno, NV, February 8, 2002; worked for Seven-Up Bottling Co. Delta Delta Delta.

'39—**Arlene Schoenberner** Duchscherer (Mrs. Phillip E.) of Amherst, NY, November 4, 2002; retired administrative secretary; active in community and religious affairs.

'39 ME—**Udo W. Fischer** of Green Valley, AZ, formerly of Newtown, PA, October 16, 2002; president, Schutte & Koerting Co.; vice president, Crossroads Travel; veteran; glider pilot; active in civic and community affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'39 MCE—**Col. David G. Hammond** of Fort Belvoir, VA, October 1, 2002; engineer; retired US Army Corps of Engineers; helped build BART; mass transit consultant; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'39 AE E—**Eugene R. Head** of Batavia, IL, February 7, 2002. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'39 BA—**Dalphine MacMillan** of Marco Island, FL, October 2002; attorney; active in alumni affairs.

'39 BS Ag—**Anthony T. Muchard** of Victor, NY, September 11, 2002; owner, Muchard Chevrolet.

'39 BS HE—**Melva Brower Nielsen** of De Ruyter, NY, September 6, 2002; retired postal clerk; former home economics teacher; active in community and religious affairs.

'39—**Walter S. Pepper** of Cincinnatus, NY, September 7, 2002.

'39 BS Ag—**John T. Randall** of Emmett, ID, January 14, 2002. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'39 MD—**Joseph D. Sullivan** of New York City, September 6, 2002; physician.

'39 BS AE M—**Blair Weigel** of Chattanooga, TN, November 12, 2002; partner in Weigel Engineering Co.; veteran; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'39—**John D. Williams** of Cleveland, OH, August 16, 2002; worked for Mau-Sherwood Supply Co. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'40 BS Ag—**Newell Beckwith** of Bellefonte, PA, December 22, 2001.

'40, CE '42—**Arthur D. Bissell II** of Williamsville, NY, December 2, 2002; retired civil engineer; president, Bissell, Stone Assocs.; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Zeta Psi.

'40 M Eng—**George R. Bott** of Stamford, CT, September 29, 2002; contractor and real estate

broker; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'40—**Mitchell I. Caswell** of Bradenton, FL, December 29, 2001.

'40 BA—**Thomas H. Coleman** of Denver, CO, July 21, 2002; physician. Chi Psi.

'40 BA—**E. Leigh Grimes** Colver of Medford, NJ, October 3, 2002; insurance underwriter; active in community and alumni affairs.

'40 BA—**Frances Page Cooke** (Mrs. George W. Jr., JD '41) of Rochester, NY, October 29, 2002; Rochester Board of Education member; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'40 LLB—**John C. Crockett** of Auburn, ME, December 1, 2001; attorney.

'40 BS HE—**Dorothy Angell Glass** (Mrs. Clayton B.) of Monte Rio, CA, June 19, 2002; active in community and religious affairs. Chi Omega.

'40 PhD—**William W. Hammerschmidt** of Falls Church, VA, November 1, 2002; exec. secretary, Defense Science Board; professor, St. John's College, Annapolis; taught physics at Norwich U.; author; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'40 ME—**Charles A. Huggett** of Pound Ridge, NY, December 28, 2001; general patent counsel, Mobil Oil Corp.; veteran.

'40 B Chem, Chem E '41—**Edward A. Lawrence** of Port Washington, NY, November 3, 2002; executive director, North Shore Unitarian Veatch Program. Beta Sigma Rho.

'40 BS Ag—**S. Robert Lewis** of Princeton, NJ, June 2, 2002; physician.

'40 BS Ag—**Rodney S. Lightfoote** of Clifton Springs, NY, November 1, 2002; farm owner and Cornell Cooperative Extension agent; veteran; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs. Alpha Gamma Rho.

'40 DVM—**Bernard W. Rosen** of Cedarhurst, NY, exact date unknown; retired veterinarian.

'40 BS Ag—**Charles M. Sullivan** of Saratoga Springs, NY, December 27, 2002; owner, lumber business; owner, farm machinery dealership; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'40—**James J. Triolo** of Prattsville, NY, May 13, 2002.

'40 DVM—**Roscoe G. Wiswall** of Glens Falls, NY, September 15, 2002; veterinarian; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Psi.

'41, BS HE '42—**Elizabeth Peet Chamberlin** of Falls Church, VA, formerly of Wilmington, DE, August 22, 2002; food writer, New York *Herald*

*Tribune*; museum guide, Winterthur Museum; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Delta Delta.

'41, BFA '42—**Mary Witbeck** Chaplin of Slingerlands, NY, October 24, 2002; artist; art instructor; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Phi.

'41 MS, PhD '49—**Howard E. Evans** of Fort Collins, CO, July 18, 2002; professor, Colorado State U.; former Cornell professor. Wife, Mary (Dietrich) '43, PhD '53.

'41—**Robert L. Graham** of Columbus, OH, January 4, 2001. Zeta Beta Tau.

'41—**Francis R. Higgins** of Watertown, NY, formerly of Lockport, December 11, 2002; sales engineer.

'41-43 SP Ag—**David C. Kaiding** of Constableville, NY, November 24, 2002; retired dairy farmer; active in community and religious affairs.

'41 BS Hotel—**Donald Luxford** of St. Charles, IL, December 7, 2002; retired comptroller, Union Special Machine Co.; veteran.

'41 BS Hotel—**John J. McNamara** of Ridgewood, NJ, December 26, 2002; personnel director, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Hospital; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Kappa Alpha. Wife, Eileen (Kane) '48.

'41 BA—**George P. Potekhen** of Laughlin, NV, formerly of Cheyenne, WY, September 3, 2002; anesthesiologist; physician general, Wyoming State Hospital; veteran; active in professional affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'41 B Chem—**Theron L. Rathje** of Chicago, IL, May 30, 2002. Sigma Chi.

'41 JD—**Frank P. Rizzuto** of Endwell, NY, August 27, 2002; attorney; co-owner, Endicott Trucking Co.; active in community and professional affairs.

'41 PhD—**Malcolm M. Ross** of Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2002; retired professor emeritus; fostered the study of Canadian literature; taught at Dalhousie U., Trinity College, U. of Manitoba, and other Canadian universities.

'41—**Haven Sawyer Jr.** of New Harbor, ME, February 10, 2002. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'41 BCE—**Roger R. Scott** of Buffalo, NY, December 5, 2002; owner and mgr., Kenmore Builders Supply; veteran; active in civic and community affairs. Wife, Ruth (Worden) '41.

'41 BA—**Gregory S. Slater** of New Britain, CT, November 7, 2002; urological specialist; chief of urology, New Britain General Hospital; veteran; active in community affairs.

'42—**Frederick H. Bird Jr.** of Walnut Creek, CA,



formerly of Springfield, IL, September 5, 2002; journalist; press secretary for Gov. Richard Ogilvie; speechwriter for President Gerald Ford; veteran.

'42 MS HE—**Karen Van Derzee** Bogardus (Mrs. Thomas E.) of Sebastopol, CA, April 10, 2002.

'42, BA '46, MS '47—**Forbes H. Brown** of Caroga Lake, NY, February 17, 2002.

'42 BS Hotel—**Edward C. Callis** of Dunnellon, FL, September 27, 2002; restaurant executive; vice president, Bickford Corp.; veteran; active in professional affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'42 PhD—**Glenn E. Carman** of Albany, OR, formerly of Riverside, CA, October 20, 2002; entomologist; professor emeritus, U. of California, Riverside; expert on citrus pests; author; active in professional affairs.

'42 MA—**Roger D. Derby** of Minneapolis, MN, March 22, 2002.

'42 BS Hotel—**Frank A. Eldredge II** of Auburn, NY, December 10, 2002. Theta Delta Chi.

'42 BS HE—**Helen Libisch** Elmer of Corning, NY, August 30, 2002; worked for Corning Glass Works; secondary school teacher; society editor and music critic, *Corning Leader*; violinist; active in community and professional affairs. Alpha Xi Delta.

'42 B Chem E—**Ellis J. Green** of Westboro, MA, December 25, 2002; retired design engineer. Psi Upsilon.

'42 BS Ag, DVM '45—**Lisbeth M. Kraft** of Mountain View, CA, November 29, 2002; veterinary microbiologist; staff veterinarian, NASA's Ames Research Ctr.; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'42 BME—**Robert E. La Croix** of State College, PA, November 10, 2002; project engineer and manager, Westinghouse; veteran; active in professional and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'42 MD—**Robert S. Pollack** of Sonoma, CA, January 11, 2003; surgical oncologist; served at UC San Francisco Med. Ctr., Mt. Zion, Letterman, Children's Memorial, and St. Francis hospitals; author; consultant on medical malpractice; active in professional affairs.

'43 BA, LLB '48—**Robert H. Antell** of Fairport, NY, October 22, 2002; attorney; builder of the "Mushroom House"; active in alumni affairs. Delta Upsilon. Wife, Marguerite (Hannan) '47.

'43, BS Ag '55, MA IN T '67—**Nathan E. Brown** of Hudson Falls, NY, October 16, 2002; agricultural teacher in secondary schools; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'43, B Chem E '44—**Martin Burg** of San Diego, CA, September 24, 2002; president, Composite

Mkt. Reports. Pi Lambda Phi.

'43, BS AE '47—**Donald Conchar** of Spring Lake Heights, NJ, September 10, 2002; engineer; vice president, Keystone Stamping Corp.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'43 BS Ag—**Irving A. Davis** of Hector, NY, January 19, 2003; Cooperative Extension agent and farmer; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'43 DVM—**Paul O. Dragoo** of Burke, NY, December 4, 2002; veterinarian; supervising vet. med. officer, federal meat inspection program; veteran.

'43, BA '47, LLB '49—**James R. Dykes** of Cleveland Heights, OH, October 17, 2002; attorney. Cayuga Lodge.

'43 BA, JD '47—**Richard I. Fricke** of Bonita Springs, FL, January 17, 2003; insurance executive; attorney; CEO, Nat'l Life Insurance; general counsel, Mutual of New York and Ford Motor Co.; former director of admissions, acting dean, and assoc. professor, Cornell Law School; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'43 BS HE—**Ruth Picker** Glucksman (Mrs. Norman J.) of Willingboro, NJ, July 28, 2002.

'43 MA—**Lucille Clunk** Maines (Mrs. Carl N.) of Raleigh, NC, September 24, 2002; retired high school English teacher.

'43—**Ann Boone** Pendleton (Mrs. Richard F. '42) of Ithaca, NY, January 11, 2003; worked for Cornell; active in alumni affairs.

'43 BA—**Marcia White** Rosenthal (Mrs. Gerson M. Jr.) of La Grange, IL, April 10, 2002; editor, Argonne National Laboratory; active in community affairs.

'43, BME '47—**E. Walton Ross** of Montecito, CA, November 18, 2002; former president and owner, Ross Equipment Co.; former editor, *Cornell Engineer*; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'43 BS Hotel—**Rob R. Shaub II** of Boise, ID, October 24, 2001.

'43 BA—**Sydney Shreero Jr.** of Watchung, NJ, December 7, 2002; retail executive, Fabricland; veteran; past president, Watchung Hills Regional High Adult School; active in community and religious affairs. Pi Lambda Phi.

'43 MD—**William P. Simmonds** of Queensbury, NY, March 6, 2002; retired physician.

'43, B Chem E '44—**Edward J. Walko** of Sun City West, AZ, January 11, 2003.

'44—Col. **Edward J. Ahrens Sr.** of Florence, SC, October 27, 2002; high school teacher; veteran.

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- '44 BS EE, PhD '58—**Ralph Bolgiano Jr.** of Ithaca, NY, May 11, 2002; professor emeritus of electrical engineering, Cornell; active in professional and alumni affairs. Delta Upsilon.
- '44 BA—**Eleanor Goodman** Corvini of Mount Vernon, NY, December 26, 2002; worked for Mobil Oil; active in alumni affairs.
- '44, BME '47—**David H. Esperson** of East Falmouth, MA, April 7, 2002; active in alumni affairs. Tau Beta Phi. Wife, Caroline (Rattelman) '45.
- '44, BS HE '45—**Patricia Orling** Ficken (Mrs. George H. '44, BME '46) of Springfield, VA, September 18, 2002; real estate agent; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Gamma.
- '44 MD—**Robert E. Green** of Deerfield Beach, FL, and Short Hills, NJ, October 8, 2002; pioneering neurosurgeon; chief of neurosurgery, St. Barnabas Med. Ctr. and Hospital Ctr. of Orange; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.
- '44 B Chem E—**William P. Heising** of Dallas, TX, October 14, 2002; worked for IBM; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Chi Sigma.
- '44, BS Ag '47—**John B. Nomer** of Carmel, NY, August 7, 2002; secondary school teacher. Zeta Psi.
- '44—**W. R. Orndorff** of North Palm Beach, FL, August 1, 2002.
- '44 BS Ag—**Alfred Owczarzak** of Corvallis, OR, September 5, 2001; retired professor; artist; poet.
- '44 BS CH E—**Harrison Parker** of Hawley, MA, March 16, 2000. Pi Kappa Alpha.
- '44—**William F. Peterson** of Colesville, MD, January 14, 2003; retired Air Force obstetrician/gynecologist; veteran; active in professional affairs. Sigma Nu.
- '44—**Frank X. Pund Jr.** of Cincinnati, OH, May 1, 2002. Sigma Chi.
- '44 MD—**Lewis C. Sharman** of Tuscaloosa, AL, June 21, 2002; physician.
- '44 MD—**P. Woodbury Smith** of Houston, TX, August 13, 2002; clinical associate professor of Ob/Gyn at the U. of Texas Medical School, Houston; practiced at St. Joseph Hospital, The Methodist Hospital, and Hermann Hospital; veteran; avid sportsman and gardener; active in professional affairs.
- '45—**Max Boguslawski** of Buffalo, NY, October 29, 2002; veteran; recipient, Bronze Star.
- '45, BA '44, MA '45—**Betty Kelly** Dooley (Mrs. Joseph W. '43) of Pittsford, NY, October 1, 2002; psychologist; worked at Empire State College.
- '45 MCE, PhD '46—**Francis C. Hung** of Beverly Hills, CA, June 1982.
- '45, BS HE '44—**Dorothy Bartley** Hustis (Mrs. Robert N. '44, BA '47) of Thornhill, Ontario, November 3, 2002.
- '45 BEE—**Herbert Koppel** of Silver Spring, MD, September 11, 2002; worked for US Dept. of Justice. Alpha Epsilon Pi.
- '45—**Stuart Moak** of Larchmont, NY, December 4, 2002; veteran; last founding member, P-47 Thunderbolt Pilots Assn.
- '45 MA—**Ingeborg Rogel** Moser of State College, PA, October 13, 2002; retired elementary school teacher; active in community and religious affairs.
- '45—**Sir Jock L. Taylor** of Chichester, England, September 30, 2002; British diplomat; ambassador to West Germany, Venezuela, the Netherlands; veteran; KCMG; active in professional affairs.
- '46, BS ME '47—**Edwin S. Braun** of Spring Branch, TX, November 2002; mechanical engineer; worked for Ford Motor Co.; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.
- '46—**Paul H. Crawford** of Timonium, MD, October 19, 2002; Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. manager; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Sigma Chi. Wife, Joan (O'Herron) '47.
- '46, BA '47—**Joan Harding** Farnsworth of Albion, NY, August 13, 2002; librarian, Swan Library; active in community and religious affairs.
- '46 BS EE—**Richard C. Hammond** of Hockessin, DE, January 20, 2002.
- '46—**Dr. William F. Gallivan Jr.** of Knoxville, TN, November 21, 2002; orthopedist; veteran; active in professional affairs. Alpha Sigma Phi.
- '46, BA '48, LLB '51—**Austin A.H. Laber** of Essex, CT, December 15, 2002; attorney; CEO, Fabled Foods. Beta Sigma Rho.
- '46 BS ME—**Marvin J. Lynch** of Stuart, FL, October 22, 2002; chemical engineer, Mobil Oil; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.
- '46 PhD—**C. Richard Morgan** of Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, November 3, 2002; retired management consultant, Arthur D. Little Inc.; chemistry professor, Yale U.; active in community and alumni affairs.
- '46—**Lawrence P. Richards** of Ann Arbor, MI, June 7, 2002. Psi Upsilon.
- '46, DVM '47—**Robert C. Rost** of Branchville, NJ, November 28, 2002; veterinarian; veteran; active in community and professional affairs. Delta Tau Delta.
- '47—**Mary C. Bizzell** of Ithaca, NY, November 1, 2002.
- '47 MS—**Forest W. Buchanan** of Amsterdam, OH, April 15, 2002; educator; naturalist; photographer; writer; ornithologist; active in community and professional affairs.
- '47 BS AE—**Eugene S. Carlson** of Chagrin Falls, OH, October 2, 2002; president, Pumps Inc. Phi Delta Theta.
- '47, MD '49—**James A. Duncan** of Briarcliff Manor, NY, November 4, 2002; physician.
- '47—**William T. Kaestner** of Elizabethville, PA, formerly of Stamford, CT, November 2002; partner, The Kissick Co. Phi Delta Theta.
- '47 BArch—**Doris Rozett** Smirlock of Los Angeles, CA, August 4, 2002; architect. Husband, Norton M. Smirlock '50.
- '47, BS Ag '46—**Plato D. Taleporos** of New York City, August 8, 1998.
- '47—**Richard G. Wilcox** of Bristol, CT, January 7, 2003; worked for Wallace Barnes Steel Division; active in religious affairs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.
- '48 BA—**Eleanor V. Ashe** of New York City, December 15, 2002; attorney. Sigma Delta Tau.
- '48 BME—**W. Leonard Ball** of Cape Coral, FL, formerly of Allentown, PA, October 26, 2002; corporate safety director, Air Products & Chemicals; veteran; active in religious affairs.
- '48 MS—**George E. Bowden** of Bethesda, MD, September 10, 2002; applied mathematician, Defense Information Systems Agency; civilian operations researcher, Dept. of the Army.
- '48 MD—**Edward G. Bradley** of Easton, CT, August 7, 2002; physician; partner in Bridgeport Radiology Assocs.
- '48 JD—**James J. Clynes Jr.** of Ithaca, NY, November 13, 2002; attorney; retired Ithaca City Court judge; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.
- '48 BA—**David M. Freedman** of Fort Myers, FL, May 9, 2002; worked in the insurance industry.
- '48 BS Ag, PhD '52—**Kenneth Goodwin** of State College, PA, October 13, 2002; professor emeritus, poultry science, Penn State U.; international consultant; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.
- '48 BS AE—**Martin Richmond** of Palm Beach, FL, December 28, 2002; engineer; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.
- '48 PhD—**Sarah Foresman** Spofford of Portal, AZ, October 26, 2002; ornithologist, Cornell Lab of Ornithology; medical technician in World



War II; author; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'48 BA—**Charles V. Weden** of Redwood City, CA, June 6, 2002; worked for Varian Medical.

'49, BS Ag '50, MPS CA '71—**Philip P. Allen** of Waseca, MN, formerly of Ithaca, NY, December 13, 2002; professor, U. of Minnesota; active in alumni affairs.

'49 PhD—**Dean Amadon** of Tenafly, NJ, January 12, 2003; authority on birds of prey; former curator of birds, American Museum of Natural History; author; active in professional affairs.

'49-50 GR—**L. William Banner** of Ithaca, NY, November 11, 2002.

'49 BEE—**Vincent Caleca** of Escondido, CA, September 13, 2002; electrical engineer.

'49 BS AE—**John V. Calhoun Jr.** of Devon, PA, September 1, 2002; chief design engineer, J.V. Calhoun Co.; veteran; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'49 BS Ag—**William B. Clark** of Chittenango, NY, November 3, 2002; worked for Agway; veteran; active in community affairs.

'49 BME—**Irwin S. Feiner** of Las Vegas, NV, September 19, 2002; steel manufacturing engineer; veteran; active in alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.

'49 BS Ag—**Margaret M. Hayden** of Mill Valley, CA, December 13, 2002; executive secretary, Del Monte Corp.; former president, San Francisco Opera Guild; active in community affairs.

'49 MS Eng—**David M. Jewett** of East Brunswick, NJ, September 9, 2002; industrial engineer; veteran.

'49 JD—**Harvey A. Katz** of Reston, VA, December 31, 2002; attorney; former representative, CT State legislature; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'49—**Robert H. Lyon** of Newport News, VA, December 24, 2001; writer. Kappa Sigma.

'49—**David S. MacInnes Jr.** of Wyckoff, NJ, August 15, 2001; sales engineer. Delta Upsilon.

'49 BCE—**William C. Maleike** of Surf City, NJ, March 14, 2002; owner, construction business; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'49, BArch '50—**Ralph Mignone** of Stony Brook, NY, December 25, 2002; architect; president, Mignone Assoc. Architects; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'49 MCE—**Cyril J. Morris** of Toronto, Ontario, October 17, 2002.

'49 PhD—**Chester W. H. Partridge** of Shelburne, VT, August 2, 2002.

'49—**John R. Ralph** of Fayetteville, NY, June 23, 2002; owner, JR Ralph Marketing Co. Psi Upsilon.

'49 BS Ag, MFS '60—Lt. Col. **John F. Spaid** of Dunedin, FL, November 1, 2002; retired Army officer; active in professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'49 BA—**Sallee Lynch Way** (Mrs. Walter D. Jr. '48, BS AE '50) of Pinehurst, NC, October 12, 2000; active in alumni affairs.

'49 BS AE—**John F. Wolf** of Eden, NY, December 12, 2002. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'50—**William J. August** of Palm Beach, FL, December 13, 2001. Beta Sigma Rho.

'50—**Sante D. Bassanelli** of Ithaca, NY, November 24, 2002.

'50 BEE—**Jerome M. Berliner** of Lido Beach, NY, October 29, 2002; patent attorney; veteran. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'50 BS Ag—**William H. Cheney** of Homer, AK, and Bradenton, FL, January 31, 2003; assoc. prof., U. of Alaska, Fairbanks; commercial fisherman; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs.

'50 BA—**Robert H. Cobb Jr.** of Oklahoma City, OK, September 18, 2002; business manager; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'50 BA—**Richard C. Davis** of Rhineland, MO, June 21, 2002; worked for American Underwriters Group.

'50 BEE—**John B. Harrington** of Los Alamitos, CA, May 24, 2002; worked for Hughes Aircraft.

'50 BA, MBA '52—**Richard M. Herson** of Williamsburg, VA, September 9, 2002; vice president for federal operations, Xerox Corp.; active in community and alumni affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'50 BME—**Thomas J. Hodgson** of Avila Beach, CA, formerly of Addison, IL, October 14, 2001; worked for Dresser Rand Co.; veteran.

'50 BS Ag—**J. P. Holbein** of Biloxi, MS, September 3, 2002; manager, Blueberry Assn.; vice president, Holbein's Landing; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'50, BEE '51—**Francis P. Keiper Jr.** of Sunnyvale, CA, December 22, 2002; retired electrical engineer; active in religious and alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Tau.

'50 BS Ag—**Jean C. Lawson** of Jamestown, NY, May 19, 2001; vice president, L-S Aero Marine

Inc.; garden editor, *Flower Grower* and *House Beautiful* magazines.

'50 BS Ag—**Roland G. Masters** of Bath, NY, August 30, 2002; retired guidance counselor.

'50 DVM—**Gerald E. McCarthy** of Penn Yan, NY, November 8, 2002; veterinarian; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'50 BEE—**Frank M. Page** of Baltimore, MD, April 12, 2002. Phi Delta Theta.

'50 BA, PhD '57—**Elias Reisman** of Durham, NC, May 15, 2002; physicist. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'50 BME—**Robert E. Strong** of Mesa, AZ, formerly of Philadelphia, PA, October 24, 2002; engineer, Westinghouse; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Acacia.

'50 BS ILR—**Robert Swanson** of Middle Island, NY, September 11, 2002; worked for Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

'50—**Shirley Rippen** Taub (Mrs. Jesse) of Edison, NJ, December 15, 2002; businesswoman. Sigma Delta Tau.

'51 MS—**Helen Bailey Benning** (Mrs. Richard B.) of Cincinnati, OH, formerly of Orchard Park, NY, June 23, 2002; high school teacher; active in community and religious affairs.

'51 BCE—**Forest E. Blair** of Henderson, NV, formerly of Lompoc, CA, November 10, 2002; retired engineer. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'51 BA—**Suzanne Levene** Buchinsky of Palm Harbor, FL, November 30, 2002; owner, United Auto Parts, Binghamton, NY; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'51—**H. Gordon Burleigh** of Ticonderoga, NY, August 6, 2002; retired high school teacher.

'51—**Marilyn Ives** Cernek of Cornith, NY, April 3, 2001; retired public school teacher.

'51, B Chem E '52—**Benjamin I. Chernoff** of Brookline, MA, April 13, 2002; chemical engineer. Triangle.

'51, B Chem E '52—**Donald E. Danly** of Pensacola, FL, August 17, 2002; former director of technology, Monsanto. Delta Tau Delta.

'51 BA—**James A. Ferman** of London, England, December 24, 2002; Britain's chief film censor; television director; dramatist; actor. Beta Sigma Rho.

'51 DVM—**Allan A. Leventhal** of Bolton, CT, August 10, 2002; veterinarian; veteran; recipient, Distinguished Flying Cross; author; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'51 BS HE—**Beatrice Behrens** Levy of Boca



Raton, FL, October 25, 2002. Alpha Epsilon Phi. Husband, Richard D. Levy '52.

'51 PhD—**G. R. Lomanitz** of Socorro, NM, January 1, 2003; retired physics professor, New Mexico Inst. of Mining and Technology; worked with J. Robert Oppenheimer on electromagnetic separation of isotopes; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'51—**John B. Rawls** of Lexington, MA, November 24, 2002; political theorist; veteran; author of *A Theory of Justice* and other books; taught at Harvard, MIT, Cornell, and Oxford U.

'51 BS Ag—**Robert S. Thomson Jr.** of Wyalusing, PA, March 8, 2002; dairy farmer; veteran; active in professional affairs. Theta Chi.

'52 MD—**James D. Alway Jr.** of Paradise Valley, AZ, July 30, 2002; physician.

'52 BS HE—**Elizabeth Sadd Anderson** of Bradenton, FL, October 11, 2002. Chi Omega. Husband, Rev. Frank H. Anderson '52.

'52 BME—**Lawrence T. Burrough Jr.** of Had-donfield, NJ, June 22, 2002; worked for Sherman Engineering Co.

'52 DVM—**Kenneth W. Chamberlain Jr.** of Alton, NH, September 27, 2002; veterinarian.

'52 BA—**Eugene N. Feingold** of Ann Arbor, MI, October 13, 2002; emeritus professor of public health, U. of Michigan; assoc. dean, Horace H. Rackham School of Grad. Studies; author; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Watermargin. Wife, Marcia (Goldberg) '53.

'52 BS Ag—**Kenneth C. Graulich** of Mohawk, NY, September 27, 2002; worked for New York State Dept. of Health; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'52, BS Ag '57—**Donald G. Hetner** of Baldwin, NY, March 20, 2002.

'52, BME '53—**David F. Homan** of Deposit, NY, September 6, 2002; retired IBM engineer. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'52 BS Ag—**Joseph E. Kaszubski** of Amsterdam, NY, May 6, 2002.

'52 BA—**Dolores McDonald McFadden** of Allentown, PA, December 10, 2002; French teacher; mgr., H&R Block; also worked for All-State Insurance; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Alpha Phi.

'52 BA—**Frederick H. Nash** of Vineyard Haven, MA, November 17, 2002; import-export broker; veteran. Zeta Psi.

'52, BA '56—**Gustave Pabst III** of Prescott, AZ, September 6, 2002; active in community and alumni affairs. Theta Delta Chi. Wife, Audrey (Kinney) '55.

'52 BA—**Victor Pujo** of Lynn, MA, July 5, 2002. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'52 MS—**Sister Marie Jeanne-de-la-Visitation Rondeau** of Hudson, NH, May 22, 1999; member, Sisters of the Presentation of Mary; prof. and chair of Home Economics, Rivier College; high school teacher; active in professional and religious affairs.

'52 MD—**Stuart R. Silver** of Sarasota, FL, August 13, 2002; retired physician.

'52 BS Ag, MS '59—**George H. Stevens** of Lansing, NY, January 18, 2003; adult education teacher. Wife, Evelyn (Schubert) '55.

'52 BArch—**Carlton S. Young** of Bridgeport, CT, May 10, 2002; architect. Watermargin.

'53 MD—**Barbara Bates** of Bryn Mawr, PA, December 18, 2002; retired professor of medicine, U. of Pennsylvania Schools of Medicine and Nursing and the Medical College of Pennsylvania; author of *A Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking* and the award-winning study *Bargaining for Life, a Social History of Tuberculosis: 1876-1938*.

'53 BA—**Robert W. Beyers** of Palo Alto, CA, October 18, 2002; director of news service, Stanford U., 1961-90; public information consultant; produced documentary films; former editor, *Cornell Daily Sun*; active in professional affairs. Sigma Chi.

'53 PhD—**Tseng-Yeh Chow** of Sacramento, CA, December 4, 2002; mathematician, California State U., Sacramento.

'53 PhD—**Nancy Starbuck Meltzer** of Ithaca, NY, October 16, 2002; former asst. dean, College of Human Ecology.

'53 BA—**Louise Hannam Nelson** of Spokane, WA, formerly of Wyckoff, NJ, November 13, 2002; director, Wyckoff Public Library; reference librarian; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'53 LLB—**Clifford R. Oviatt Jr.** of Hilton Head Island, SC, September 24, 2002; attorney.

'53 BA—**Lewis M. Schalit** of Corte Madera, CA, September 9, 2002; manager, Tech/Art.

'53, BEE '56—**Donald S. Taylor** of Bethlehem, PA, November 29, 2002; publisher, *Bethlehem Globe-Times*; president of South Jersey Publishing Co.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs.

'53, BME '54—**Richard G. Whitlock** of Matthews, NC, December 28, 2002; owner, Whitlock Industrial Equipment; active in community affairs. Delta Chi.

'54—**William F. Blake Jr.** of West Hartford, CT, October 30, 2002; vice president, Connecticut

Mutual Life; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Theta Xi.

'54 BA, PhD '61—**Richard D. Brett** of New York City, September 17, 1997.

'54 BS Nurs—**Joan Tully Darcy** (Mrs. Robert J.) of New Rochelle, NY, March 10, 2001; nurse.

'54 BA—**Muriel I. De Nise** of Denver, CO, September 11, 2002; retired social worker; active in community and professional affairs.

'54 PhD—**Owen Jenkins** of Northfield, MN, October 6, 2002; English professor emeritus, Carleton College; veteran; active in professional affairs. Wife, Barbara (Jones) '54.

'54, BEE '51—**William A. Macomber** of Ft. Wayne, IN, May 6, 2002; president, G&L Corp.; active in alumni affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'54 BS Ag—**Robert G. Peterson** of Phoenix, AZ, January 25, 1998.

'54 BS HE—**Judith Gingell Strehlow** of Captiva, FL, September 7, 2002; realtor; active in community and professional affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta. Husband, Robert Strehlow Jr. '53, BCE '54.

'54 MD—**Warren W. Warbasse** of Madison, NJ, November 2, 2002; retired physician.

'54—**Carl P. Washburn** of Candor, NY, December 14, 2002; design engineer, IBM; veteran; active in community affairs.

'55 BS Ag, BS HE '56—**Martha Benning Cockram** of Lansing, NY, December 12, 2002; worked for Cornell Cooperative Extension; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Husband, Robert H. Cockram '59.

'55 M Ed, PhD '60—**Ivan J. Fahs** of Wheaton, IL, January 5, 2003; sociology professor, Wheaton College, Bethel Coll., and Greenville Coll.; owner, medical/sociological research company; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'55 BA—**Leonard I. Green** of Los Angeles, CA, October 25, 2002; founder of Leonard Green & Partners, a merchant and investment banking firm; chairman of the board, Los Angeles Opera; active in alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.

'55 BA—**Russell L. Hiller** of Mattapoisett, MA, September 15, 2002; worked for Hiller Bros. Inc. Delta Upsilon.

'55 PhD—**Edward H. McAlister** of Rochester, NY, October 6, 2002; physician; active in community and professional affairs.

'55 MD—**Robert B. McGandy** of Wellesley Hills, MA, February 20, 2002; physician.

'55 M Ed—**Paul J. Moore** of Blacksburg, VA,



October 21, 2002; extension service agent; professor, VPI & SU; flyer.

'55 DVM—**Harry V. Tweddle** of Grapevine, TX, October 5, 2002; veterinarian; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'55 PhD—**Kathryn E. Walker** of Ithaca, NY, November 18, 2002; professor emerita of home economics, Cornell; expert on household time use; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'55 PhD—**Harry Woolf** of Princeton, NJ, January 6, 2003; historian of science; director, Inst. for Advanced Study at Princeton; editor of *ISIS*; also taught at Johns Hopkins, U. of Washington, Brandeis, and Boston U.; author; veteran.

'55 MS Ed—**Carl W. Zeh** of North Augusta, GA, October 10, 2002; retired mechanical engineer; active in community and religious affairs.

'56 MD—**Robert R. Abel** of Elizabeth, NJ, October 31, 2002; dermatologist; clinical asst. prof., dermatology, Weill Cornell Med; asst. attending dermatologist, New York Presbyterian; veteran; active in professional affairs. Wife, Helen (Carter), MD '57.

'56 BA—**William E. Abramson** of Baltimore, MD, June 28, 2002; physician. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'56 JD—**Myron B. Bell** of Avon, CT, May 3, 1992; attorney, City of New London, CT.

'56—**Bruce V. Brenner** of Canton, OH, November 18, 2002; industrial engineer; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Sigma Nu.

'56 BA—**Donald F. Cyphers** of Tavares, FL, September 27, 2002; budget officer, Nat'l Inst. of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; veteran; active in community affairs. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'56 BA—**Melvin C. Gluck** of New York City, December 9, 2002; physician. Wife, Kayla (Zakarin) '57.

'56 BA—**Theodore D. Goldfarb** of Stony Brook, NY, April 3, 2002; vice president, undergraduate studies, SUNY Stony Brook. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'56 BS Ag—**John W. Kiernan Jr.** of Sherburne, NY, January 29, 2002; worked for the Dept. of Environmental Conservation.

'56 BS ILR—**Margaret Eckstein Loble** of Greenwich, CT, July 20, 2002; vice president, Transamerica Interway. Husband, David V. G. Loble '56.

'56 BS Hotel—**Charles E. J. McCarthy** of Metairie, LA, November 6, 2002; manager, Pickwick Club; former dining mgr., Harvard Club; veteran.

'56 BA—**Myra Dickman Orth** of Boston, MA,

November 30, 2002; art historian; expert on Northern European Renaissance and illuminated manuscripts; worked at the Getty Art Center, U. of Virginia, U. of California, Santa Barbara, and other institutions; active in community and professional affairs. Kappa Alpha Theta.

'56 BA—**George J. Rohrer** of Tettang, Germany, June 11, 2002; banker.

'56 MS—**Jean M. Steckle** of Kitchener, Ontario, January 17, 2003; nutritional scientist for the UN, Canadian Int'l Development Research Ctr. and Health Canada; founded J. Steckle Heritage Homestead; active in community and professional affairs.

'57—**Evan B. Alderfer Jr.** of Island Heights, NJ, December 26, 2001; professor, Ocean County College.

'57, BME '58—**Robert S. Cook** of Elyria, OH, February 19, 2002; exec. vice president, R.W. Beckett Corp.; president, Beckett Gas; chairman, Beckett Air; active in professional and alumni affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'57 BS Hotel—**Richard H. Edginton** of Lake Ronkonkoma, NY, October 17, 2002; owner, Numismatic Advisory. Seal & Serpent.

'57 BA—**Laurence S. Farer** of Arden, NC, October 11, 2002; expert on tuberculosis; worked for US Public Health Service; helped in project to eradicate smallpox worldwide; birder; active in community and professional affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'57 BS Hotel—**Lewis Frank Jr.** of Collierville, TN, October 3, 2002; manager, Memphis Country Club; active in community and professional affairs.

'57 BS Ag—**Robin Lloyd Hart** of Poughkeepsie, NY, formerly of Sarasota, FL, December 19, 2002; asst. director, Sarasota County Nat'l Resources; active in community and professional affairs. Husband, Leon F. Hart '56.

'57 BS ILR—**Robert A. Haveman** of Placerville, CA, December 16, 2002; president, Placerville Gold Mining; former director of labor relations, Boise Cascade Paper; veteran; active in community affairs.

'57 MD—**Frederick W. Martens Jr.** of New York City, October 16, 2002; obstetrician/gynecologist; professor, Weill Cornell Medical College; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Wife, Joan (Waite) '46.

'57 BS Hotel—**Edwin K. Pope Jr.** of San Francisco, CA, June 3, 2002; CPA for IBM. Kappa Sigma.

'57 MRP—**Frederick E. Wiedle** of La Jolla, CA, formerly Chappaqua, NY, October 10, 2002; architect. Wife, Elizabeth (Parsons) '59.

'58, BME '59—**Harry A. Fertik** of Philadelphia, PA, August 30, 2002; mechanical engineer. Tau Beta Phi.

'58 BS Hotel—Lt. Col. **Charles A. Kenyon Jr.** of Sterling, VA, May 15, 2002; veteran. Phi Kappa Psi.

'58—**Edward T. Mageean** of Modesto, CA, September 13, 2002; credit manager, E. & J. Gallo Winery; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'58 PhD—**William V. Olcott** of Homer, NY, December 27, 2002.

'58 MS—**Glenn H. Thacker** of Lee's Summit, MO, October 15, 2002; professor of poultry science, Cornell U.; active in alumni affairs.

'59 BS Ag—**Stuart B. Alexander** of Dryden, NY, June 6, 2002; owner, Studith Dairy Farm.

'59 JD—**Herd L. Bennett** of Eaton, OH, April 9, 2002; attorney. Wife, Louise (Stilwell) '59.

'59 JD—**Joseph B. Bugliari** of Ithaca, NY, October 20, 2002; attorney; law school professor, dean of faculty, and director of legal services at Cornell; assoc. justice, Appellate Div., NY State Supreme Court; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'59-60 SP Ag—**Albert B. Cassidy Jr.** of Altoona, PA, May 18, 2002.

'59 BA—**Lyon D. Cohen** of Houston, TX, January 9, 2003; certified public accountant; torch carrier, 2002 Winter Olympics; active in professional and religious affairs. Sigma Rho.

'59 BA—**A. Gordon Everett** of Scottsdale, AZ, August 9, 2000; consultant. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'59-63 GR—**Lewis F. Greenberg** of Bronx, NY, February 5, 2002; professor, Dean Junior College.

'59, BEE '62—**Robert O. Higgins** of Salem, NH, August 3, 2002; engineer. Delta Upsilon.

'59 LLB—**Henry M. Hille Jr.** of Bath, NY, October 4, 2002.

'59 BS ILR—**Walter P. Kilkenny** of Sarasota, FL, October 30, 2002; owner, CPI Insurance Group; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'59 M ILR—**Robert J. McCarthy** of Crystal Lake, IL, December 7, 2002; human resources director, Akzo Nobel Inc.; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'59 BS ILR—**David E. Rideout** of South Paris, ME, August 7, 2002; attorney. Chi Psi.

'59—**Jerome H. Smith** of Dickinson, TX, April 11, 2002. Sigma Pi.



'59 BS Ag—Robert W. Terry of Saint Paul, MN, September 20, 2002; worked for Hubert Humphrey Inst. of Public Affairs. Kappa Delta Rho.

'59 PhD—Thomas J. Tighe Jr. of Tampa, FL, January 15, 2003; former provost, acting president, and director of cognitive and neural science program, U. of South Florida; provost, U. of Connecticut; psychology professor, Dartmouth; author; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'60—Phyllis Battlestein Bass (Mrs. Jerold M.) of Houston, TX, September 30, 2002. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'60 BA—Theodor I. Birch of Rahway, NJ, September 3, 2002; chemist, Beecham Inc.

'60 BS Nurs—Maureen Lanning Flynn (Mrs. Lawrence W.) of Bethesda, MD, February 1985; worked for Genex Corp.

'60, BME '61—Philip J. Guenzer V of Elkton, MD, March 25, 2002. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'60—Jerome V. Hazlitt of Hector, NY, October 15, 2002; owner, Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards; amateur historian; antique tool collector; active in community and professional affairs.

'60, BS Eng '66, ME E '67—Barry N. Mansell of Groton, MA, July 21, 2002; worked for Pixelvision.

'60-61 GR—John D. Mihalov of Palo Alto, CA, January 15, 2002; engineer.

'60 BA, JD '65—Richard A. Nulle of Scottsdale, AZ, July 1991. Delta Kappa Epsilon.

'60, BS Ag '61, MS '62—John R. Schaub of Falls Church, VA, May 21, 2001; deputy director, US District Attorney. Pi Kappa Alpha.

'60—Henry F. Winterstein of Camillus, NY, September 14, 2002; vice president, Grande Cheese.

'60 MD—Emil Wirostko of Lebanon, NJ, January 5, 2003; physician.

'61 BS Ag—Judith Berman Brandenburg of Bronx, NY, January 26, 2003; prof. of psychology and education, Columbia U.; vice president for academic affairs and dean, Columbia Teacher's College; author of *Confronting Sexual Harassment*; active in professional and alumni affairs. Sigma Delta Tau.

'61, BS Ag '62—John M. Gray of Bolivar, OH, November 28, 2002; worked in environmental svcs., Summa Health Care System; active in community affairs. Alpha Phi Delta.

'61 BA—Arnold S. Olshin of Lawrence, NY, January 17, 2000; financial management executive.

'62 PhD—Alexander Bloch of St. Augustine,

FL, January 31, 2003; cancer researcher at Roswell Park Cancer Inst.; editor; active in professional affairs.

'62 BA—Maryanne Mahoney O'Brien of McLean, VA, September 11, 2002; accountant; past treasurer, HOPE; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Phi Omega. Husband, Francis A. O'Brien '61.

'62 BS Ag—Caroline Abbott Ras of Niskayuna, NY, November 24, 2002; librarian; active in community and religious affairs. Husband, Stephen A. Ras '63.

'62—Robert H. Wetmore of Mobile, AL, December 10, 2002; vice president, Morrison Cafeterias; active in community affairs. Phi Gamma Delta.

'63, BS Ag '65—David L. Graves of Stone Mountain, GA, May 21, 1993; manager, Business Electronics.

'63 MS, PhD '65—Sewa R. Joshi of Rockville, MD, September 2, 2002; toxicologist, Food and Drug Administration; associate prof., Howard U.; author.

'63 DVM—Theodore L. Swartz of Middle Bass, OH, December 2002; veterinarian.

'64 BS Eng—Richard M. Franklin of Norcross, GA, October 28, 2002; president, Advanced Medical Mgmt. Inc. Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

'64 BS Hotel—Wendy Hoost Gagliotti of Amansett, NY, May 31, 2002; hotelier and restaurateur. Chi Omega.

'64, BME '65—Ronald G. Hudson Jr. of Grafton, MA, January 19, 2003; operations mgr., Xelus Corp.; musician; active in professional affairs. Seal & Serpent.

'64 BS HE—Sue Ludel of Metairie, LA, July 18, 1999. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'64, BEP '65—Arthur T. Winfree of Tucson, AZ, November 5, 2002; expert on biological rhythms and jet lag; professor, U. of Arizona; author.

'64 BS Hotel—Michael Yates of Fort Collins, CO, January 11, 2000; writer.

'65, BA '66—Anne Glass Acree of Geneva, NY, December 21, 2002; former director, Geneva Headstart. Delta Delta Delta. Husband, Terry Acree, PhD '68.

'65 BS Ag—George L. Cox of Wolcott, NY, October 14, 2002; owner, Wynd Swept Hills Farm. Alpha Zeta.

'65 BS Eng, ME E '66—Richard J. Gursky of Columbus, OH, December 2, 2002; project mgr., Southwest Power Pool; volunteered with Habi-

tat for Humanity; active in community and alumni affairs.

'65 BS Ag—Richard C. Hughes of Albany, NY, October 11, 2002; taught physics and science, Bethlehem Ctrl. School Distr.; active in community and religious affairs. Sigma Nu.

'65 BA, JD '68—Kenneth A. Shifman of South Miami, FL, February 25, 2002; attorney.

'66 BA, MD '70—Robert L. Braham of New York City, November 2002; specialist in internal medicine and endocrinology; professor, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons and Weill Cornell Medical College; active in professional and religious affairs.

'66 MA—Jay D. MacDonald of Toronto, Ont., Canada, November 21, 2002.

'67 BS Eng—J. Stephen Evangelides of Doylestown, PA, formerly of Los Angeles, CA, October 20, 1992; engineer. Alpha Sigma Phi. Wife, Alice (Scully) '68.

'67 PhD—Douglas C. Ferguson of Silver Spring, MD, November 4, 2002.

'67 BS Ag—Kenneth M. Gibson of Hartford, NY, January 11, 2000.

'67 BS ILR—Barry A. Gold of Slingerlands, NY, October 12, 2002; attorney; expert on health law; adjunct professor, SUNY Albany and Albany Medical College; veteran; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Epsilon Pi.

'67 M Ed—Philip J. McInnis of Penn Yan, NY, March 14, 2002.

'68 BA—Robert M. Ferris II of Melbourne, FL, July 21, 2001. Theta Chi.

'68 PhD—Diva M. Sanjur of Ithaca, NY, December 7, 2002; professor emerita, Division of Nutritional Sciences, Cornell U.; expert in community and international nutrition; also taught at U. of Puerto Rico and the Research Ctr. for Food and Development, Hermosillo, Mexico; author, *Social and Cultural Aspects of Nutrition and Hispanic Foodways, Nutrition and Health*; active in community and professional affairs. Husband, Malden C. Nesheim, PhD '59.

'68 BA—Thomas R. Schrader of Ashburnham, MA, September 22, 2002; worked for Shattuck Country Club; worked for Flo Chemical; author; former editor; active in community affairs.

'68, BS Ag '73—David R. Strong of Ithaca, NY, April 15, 1995; worked for Versatile Food Mgmt. Svcs. Theta Chi.

'69—John R. Dannenberg of Nantucket, MA, January 3, 2002; marketing mgr., Sherburne Assocs.



'69 BS HE—**Leslie Boyle Froilan** (Mrs. Raul) of Stanhope, NJ, June 15, 1988.

'70 PhD—**Frederick H. Bell** of Pittsburgh, PA, January 31, 1998; professor, U. of Pittsburgh. Wife, Ellen (Wainhouse) '69.

'70 BA—**Eleanor Button** Brown of Midlothian, VA, October 20, 2002.

'70 MD—**Robert H. Condon** of Wallingford, PA, October 13, 2002; physician.

'70 BS Eng—**J. Cory Pearson** of New York City, October 16, 2002; electrical engineer. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'70—**Michael A. Robinson** of Ithaca, NY, formerly of Irving, TX, September 16, 2002; broadcaster; president, Marcon Inc.; active in civic and community affairs.

'70 BS Ag—**John R. Trojnar** of Dryden, NY, November 15, 2002; engineer and programmer; active in community affairs.

'71 PhD—**James B. Chapin** of Jackson Heights, NY, September 30, 2002; political analyst, historian, adviser to NYC public advocate Mark Green; taught at Yale and Rutgers; chairman, World Hunger Year. Wife, Diana (Derby), PhD '71.

'71 BA—**Barbara Ornitz** of Aspen, CO, September 13, 2002; attorney and author; officer, Woody Creek Caucus and Caddo Lake Inst.; expert on coral reef conservation and maritime oil spill response standards; former Equal Employment Opportunity Comm. trial attorney; active in civic and community affairs.

'71 MS—**Mary Ann J. Rounds** of Lafayette, IN, November 17, 2002; lab technician, Purdue U.; active in alumni affairs.

'72, BS Ag '71—**Robert A. Mason** of New Rochelle, NY, September 19, 2002; president, Agricultural Farm.

'72 BS Ag—**Cynthia Kagarise Sherman** of Ithaca, NY, November 16, 2002; biologist at Langmuir Lab; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'72 BS Eng, ME C '73—**Etienne W. Tadjioqueu** of Schenectady, NY, September 6, 2002; civil engineer, NYS Dept. of Transportation; active in religious affairs. Chi Epsilon.

'73—**James A. Slater** of Ithaca, NY, October 21, 2002.

'74 PhD—**Ruth A. Lister** of Juneau, AK, formerly of Fairbanks, December 11, 2002; director, Alaska Women's Commission; director, Tanana Valley Campus, U. of Alaska; consultant; active in civic and community affairs.

'75 BS HE—**Ruth A. Schultz** of Cazenovia, NY, November 5, 2002; home economics teacher; active in professional and religious affairs.

Alpha Phi.

'76 PhD—**Robert R. Smith** of Wendell, ID, May 26, 2002; worked for USDA-Tunison Fish Nutrition Lab.

'76 PhD—**Fabio M. Villacis** of Durham, NC, December 17, 2002; consultant, Aerial Images; also worked for Venezuelan Inst. of Foreign Trade, Latin American Economic System, Andean Corp. for Development, BCPA Group, Presidential Offices for Planning and Coordination; teacher; pilot; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'77 MS, PhD '82—**James B. Denton** of New York City, July 29, 2002; chemist.

'77 PhD, MD '80—**J. Stephen Fink** of Wellesley, MA, December 30, 2002; neurologist; chairman of neurology, Boston U. School of Medicine; chief, dept. of neurology, Boston Med. Ctr.; author; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'77—**Peter J. Hatch** of Verona, NY, December 1991. Chi Phi.

'77 BA—**Linda J. Mealey** of St. Cloud, MN, November 5, 2002; assoc. professor, College of St. Benedict; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'77 BS Ag—**Dwight E. Prior** of Phoenix, AZ, October 1, 2002. Alpha Zeta.

'77 BA—**Camilla H. Warrick** of Terrace Park, OH, June 24, 2002; columnist and reporter for the *Enquirer* and the *Cincinnati Post*; author of *Home Is Where I Live*; active in religious affairs.

'78 BS Ag, MBA '79—**Michael J. Bachich** of New York City, December 12, 2002; former senior vice president and CFO for Corning Lab Service; active in alumni affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'79 BS Eng—**Robert W. Bottcher** of Cary, NC, April 23, 2002; researcher, North Carolina State U.

'79 JD—**Susan A. Fennelly** of Chatham, NJ, November 11, 2002; attorney.

'79, BS Eng '80—**Marino R. Polestra** of Woodside, CA, June 12, 2002; venture capitalist; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'80-81 GR—**Alexandre O. Szekely** of San Diego, CA, October 30, 2002; operated Rancho La Puerta and Golden Door health spas; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'81 BS Hotel—**Lydia M. Herrmann** of Tamarac, FL, November 15, 2002; business operations manager.

'81 BA—Lt. Col. **Robert E. Rehbein** of Ft. Meade, MD, September 21, 2002; US Air Force officer; served in Afghanistan.

'84 BS Hotel—**Jon D. King** of Ithaca, NY, December 11, 2002; builder; investor; also worked for Clarion/Ramada; active in community affairs.

'84 BS Eng—**Raymond D. Lacourse** of Calhan, CO, December 9, 1998. Sigma Phi Epsilon.

'86 MBA—**Mary E. Musham** of New York City, September 2002.

'89 PhD—**Judith Hurevitz** Bernstein of Omer, Israel, January 27, 2001; lecturer, Ben Gurion U. Husband, Dr. Joel Bernstein '62.

'92, BArch '93, MArch '96—**Rose M. Mendez** of Los Angeles, CA, September 7, 2002; architectural designer and educator; recipient, 1997 grand prize for redesign of Union Square, San Francisco; taught at UCLA, Southern Calif. Inst. of Architecture, SUNY Buffalo; active in professional affairs.

'95 MRP—**Robert P. Liversidge III** of Silver Spring, MD, October 5, 2002; worked for the US Environmental Protection Agency.

'02 BS ILR—**Debra S. Newman** of Yonkers, NY, October 1, 2002; law student, Washington U. Law School. Chi Omega.

### Professor George A. Kiersch

Dr. George Alfred Kiersch, 83, died on October 19, 2002 in Tucson, Arizona. Dr. Kiersch was a professor and department chair at Cornell University and was a major figure in the field of engineering geology. In 2001, he received the prestigious Palmes Académiques in France for his work in Europe. This award was created in 1808 by Napoleon to honor foreign citizens. Dr. Kiersch was recognized for decades of work applying the theory and principles of geoscience in finding appropriate sites and in building major projects.

Dr. Kiersch is survived by three daughters: Dana Haycock '68, Lancaster CA, Mary Ann Kiersch '69, San Diego, CA, and Nancy Bohnett, Colorado Springs, CO; a son, George K., Oklahoma City, OK; two sisters, Gladys Wraith, Sacramento, CA, Freda Adams, Mountain View, CA; and 10 grandchildren. Jane Keith Kiersch, Dr. Kiersch's wife of 59 years, died in March of 2002.

A scholarship has been established in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Kiersch at Cornell. The George Alfred Kiersch and Jane Keith Kiersch Scholarship is for geology majors with past or present distinction or involvement in athletics. Please contact Jacqueline Wright, Undergraduate Scholarship Development, Cornell University at 607-254-6197 or jaw4@cornell.edu with questions regarding the scholarship.





# Rites of Spring

OF SPIRITED CELEBRATIONS—AND TEMPERANCE

**U**NDERGRADS CAMPAIGNING TO SAVE Slope Day from administrative reforms might be surprised to learn that the end-of-the-year celebration has a relatively brief history at Cornell, going back only two decades.

But long before Slope Day—a quasi-official holiday when students skip the last day of classes and drink noxious concoctions on Libe Slope—came Spring Day. “Like many of our best Cornell traditions, Spring Day was never planned by any one person,” writes W.H. Foote ’35 in the first issue of *Spring Day Scoop*. “It just happened; and it happened so well that it has happened every year for the past thirty-five.”

In May 1901, when the university’s Athletic Association was nearly broke, student drama and musical groups put on a benefit at the Lyceum theater downtown. But advance ticket sales were so slow that a parade was mounted to advertise the event. “Students cut classes, fiddled, and frolicked all morning with the result that the Lyceum was a sell-out, and the Athletic Association was temporarily saved,” Foote writes.

The next year, a circus was added; it drew bigger crowds than the theater show, so in 1903 it became the main event. Spring Day continued to expand, with an annual crew race, baseball game, and Navy Day Ball joining the roster of attractions. The stock market crash of 1929 halted the fun until 1933, when Spring Day was revived as an aquatic carnival on Beebe Lake. Fifty-three ducks, wearing fraternity and sorority colors, entered the Donald Duck Derby.

But Spring Day, like Slope Day, had its share of alcohol-related problems. In 1921, the *Alumni News* reported on the event’s violations of Prohibition. “Spring Day in that year was a public

brawl,” wrote Morris Bishop ’13, PhD ’26, in *A History of Cornell*. “The faculty demanded that its sponsors show cause why it should continue to exist.”

History repeated itself this spring, when the university cracked down on Slope Day drinking. It was the latest attempt to address alcohol issues that have plagued the event practically since its inception in 1979, when Cornell Dining inadvertently sparked a tradition by sponsoring a picnic, complete with a chicken barbecue and beer trucks. “It was a chance for the whole school to get together and celebrate,” says Timothy Marchell ’82, director of alcohol policy initiatives at Gannett. “The difficulty came about when the drinking age changed. At some point in the ensuing years, students began to bring their own alcohol, and that’s when the problems began.”

In fall 2001, President Rawlings charged a Slope Day Steering Committee with several tasks, including reducing the number of alcohol-related health emergencies. (In past years, as many as forty Slope Day revelers have been treated for accidents or alcohol poisoning.) Since last year’s “cans only” policy failed to reduce consumption of hard liquor, this year the university has taken charge of the event, hiring a caterer to serve alcohol only to students of legal drinking age, leaving Slope Day imbibing mostly to seniors. According to vice president for student and academic services Susan Murphy ’73, PhD ’94, this year’s freshmen will encounter a Slope Day marked by live music, an elaborate picnic—and temperance. “The sophomores and juniors are going to be the biggest challenge, because we’ve taken something away from them,” Murphy says. “They knew Slope Day as it was.”

—Heather Schroeder ’03

