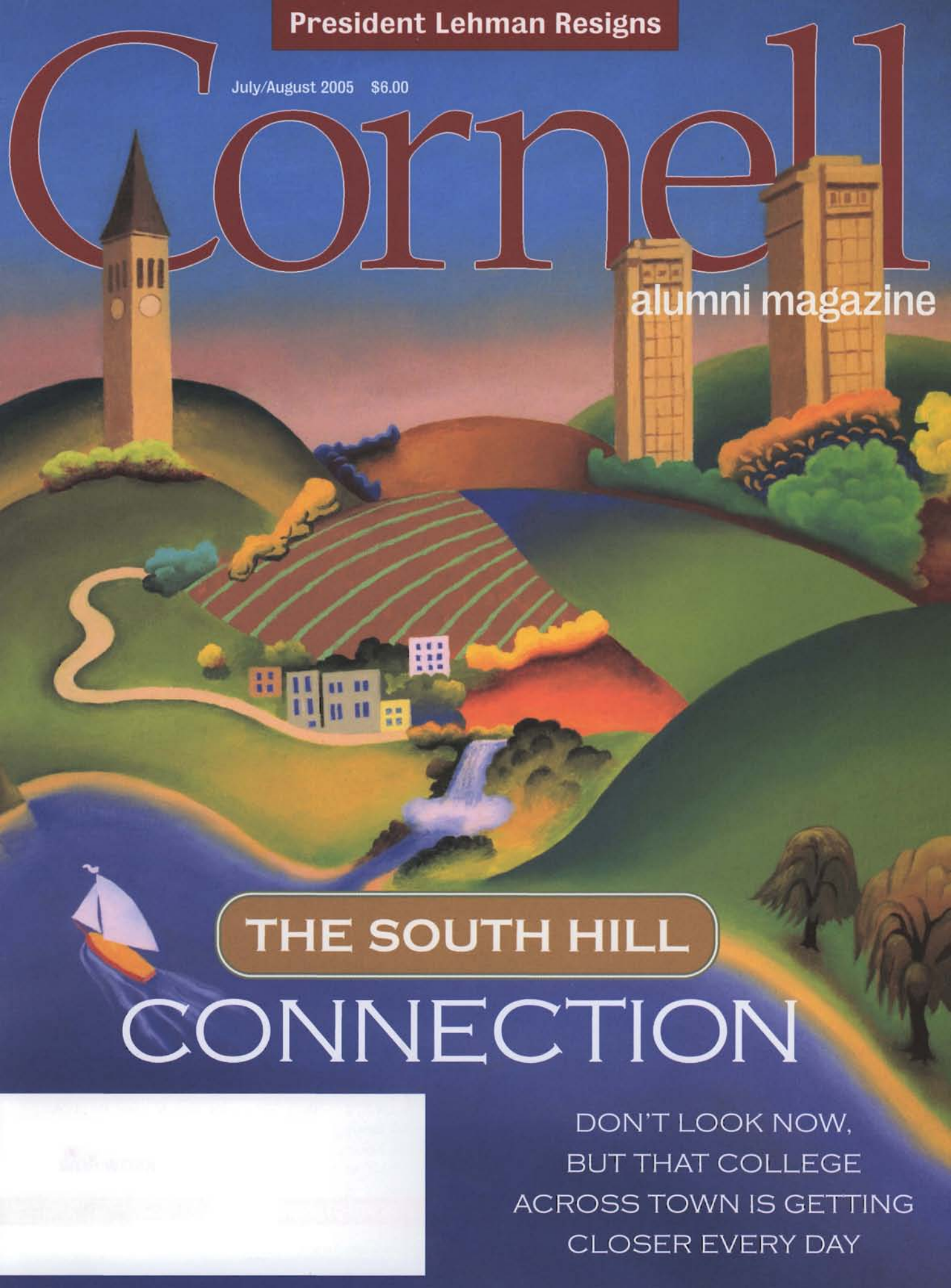


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DAVID DUDLEY

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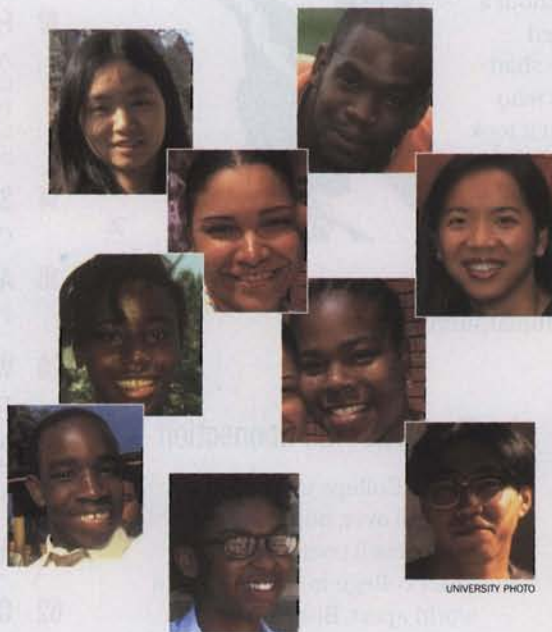
MOSAIC CONFERENCE CELEBRATES DIVERSITY

IT MAY WELL HAVE BEEN THE most impressive assemblage ever of Cornellians of color.

There at lunch, greeting students and offering nearly a half-century of insight, was Harry Edwards '62, retired chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. And there, doing double duty on workshop panels, was Ted Teng '79, until recently president and COO of Wyndham International. That was Mario Baeza '71 onstage opening the program on Friday night and working the halls on Saturday; he's chairman of TCW/Latin American Partners and founder of the Baeza Group, an alternative investment firm. Attorney Londell McMillan '87, who has represented Prince and Stevie Wonder, held forth on the entertainment business; Miguel Ferrer '59, MBA '61, president of UBS PaineWebber Inc. of Puerto Rico, gave advice on personal finance; Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Sheryl WuDunn '81 explained what it means to be a Cornell trustee. Kimberlé Crenshaw '81, law professor and architect of critical race theory, helped to inaugurate the new Africana Studies and Research Center on Friday and was still there on Sunday asking questions about minority admissions. And second-generation trustee Joe Holland '78, MA '79, who worked in vain to get Cornell to divest from South Africa in the 1980s, sent us off with heartfelt words about why we should care about this place.

We got it. All of us were there for at least one of the reasons Holland delineated, from making professional contacts to making sure Cornell is responsive to future generations of students of color. But whatever the reason for our attendance, the amazing thing about that weekend was simply that we were there, representing the splendid variety of endeavors we like to point out when we talk about Cornell grads making a difference in the world. And also, in this case, seeking to make a difference at our alma mater.

It was all part of the groundbreaking conference "Cornell Mosaic: Celebrating Diversity and Advancing Inclusion," held on the Ithaca campus from April 29 to May 1. It grew from the work of the Minority Alumni Initiatives Implementation Committee of the Board of Trustees, chaired by Elizabeth Moore '75. Draw-



ing on feedback from minority alumni focus groups around the country, MAIIC developed a plan for an event that would attract African-American, Asian Pacific American, Latino, and Native American alumni back to campus to connect them with students and recruit them as alumni leaders.

President Jeffrey Lehman '77 signed on early in support of the conference and delivered a thoughtful keynote address, referencing his experience with the *Grutter* affirmative-action case in Michigan. Deniqua Crichlow '99 and Mary Berens '74 of Alumni Affairs did the heavy lifting in support of a planning committee of alumni (myself included) who in turn reached out to other volunteers for marketing and programming.

Robert Harris, the vice provost for diversity and faculty development, ensured that a solid mix of professors, professional staff, and alumni would make presentations.

That broad cooperation yielded attendance of almost 600, easily exceeding expectations. Significantly, nearly half the registrants were students, who had ample opportunities through formal sessions, meals, and casual interactions to compare notes with us old-schoolers. For me, that came to pass most memorably in the hour or so I got to spend hanging out in the lobby of Ujamaa, where I once lived, talking not only to current students but to young alumni who had been my students when I was on campus teaching and running the Prefreshman Summer Program.

The Africana Center dedication, the tenth anniversary celebration of the Latino Living Center, and the awarding of the Perkins Prize for Interracial Harmony and Understanding on Friday helped to swell the ranks. Taken together, the events of the weekend created a new Cornell model for reaching out to alumni, set a new standard for discussing issues of diversity, and generated a new reason for returning to Ithaca—which is just what many of us vowed to do when Mosaic II comes around.

—Dennis Williams '73

DENNIS WILLIAMS is associate dean of students and director of the Center for Minority Educational Affairs at Georgetown University.



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Beauty and the Beast

READERS SOUND OFF ON CAMPUS ARCHITECTURE

Ed. Note: At the end of our "Building Boom" cover story (May/June 2005), we asked readers: "What's the most beautiful building on the Cornell campus? What's the ugliest?" A sample of the responses:

MOST BEAUTIFUL BUILDING: URIS Library/McGraw Tower—a classic. There's a reason why it is probably the most photographed building on campus. **Ugliest building: Johnson Museum.** This building is a scar on East Hill. The fact that one gets spectacular views from the building does not excuse the pain inflicted on those who look at it.

*David Berger '83
Denville, New Jersey*

FOR THE MOST BEAUTIFUL BUILDING on campus, taking into account interior as well as exterior, I would nominate Goldwin Smith Hall. As the ugliest, Olin Library—especially because it replaced Boardman Hall, an absolutely gorgeous building that also provided continuity from Stimson Hall to Uris Library.

*Brook Whitman '97
New York, New York*

BEAUTY: A TIE BETWEEN MCGRAW Tower and Sage Hall; the tower is Cornell, and Sage is really different—sort of like an expressionist painting reminding one of years past. **Ugliest: Also a tie, between Uris Hall,** with its rusty steel beams, and Ives Hall, which looks like a prison.

*Harry Merker '51
Las Vegas, Nevada*

MOST BEAUTIFUL BUILDING: SAGE HALL. **Ugliest building, not including Rand Hall,** as it is going to be demolished: Uris Hall. I know the history, and it grew on me during my four years at Cornell, but I never did get used to the rust dripping



down the sides of its black metal exterior.

*Kris Grossman '04
New York, New York*

BEAUTY: A TOSS-UP AMONG THE ORIGINAL buildings on the Arts Quad, but if I have to choose one, I'll choose the old libe and clock tower. **Beast: Again, a toss-up—Olin Library vs. Johnson Museum.**

*Ronni Schulbaum Strell '58
West Orange, New Jersey*

BEAUTY: MYRON TAYLOR HALL. BEAST: Uris Hall. I love Cornell's campus, but some of the buildings are hideous. I think I speak for the majority of undergraduates when I say that we want more beautiful old Ivy-ish buildings like Willard Straight or Myron Taylor and less modern ugliness like Uris, the low rises on North Campus, and virtually every red-brick near-windowless monstrosity.

*Rob Jones '08
Scranton, Pennsylvania*

BEAUTIES: BALCH HALL, THE WEST Campus Gothics, Barton Hall, Duffield

Hall, Myron Taylor, Anabel Taylor, Lincoln Hall, White Hall (really happy with the refurbishing), Sage Chapel, Kroch Library, Uris Library, Schoellkopf Field and Stadium, Olive Tjaden, the Statler.

Beasts: the Low Rise Residences (LR6, LR7, Ujaama), Uris Hall, Olin Library, Helen Newman, Stocking, Space Sciences Building, Earth Sciences Building, Bradfield.

Beauties, but in need of some T.L.C.: Willard Straight Hall (needs a lot of cleaning, more lighting in the entryway); Risley Hall (dire need of landscaping, fixing the pavement or returning to the classic brick out front, lighting in hallways, cleaning the dining hall); Goldwin Smith (as the centerpiece of Arts and Sciences, it needs lots of cleanup from redoing seating to better lighting to more wiring for multimedia); Rockefeller Hall (love the new auditorium and the Asian Studies wing, but many of the classrooms are in fairly bad shape).

*Nate Beach-Westmoreland '07
Amherst, Massachusetts*

Oops . . . Missed One

I ENJOYED YOUR STORY ON THE MANY significant construction projects on campus, but was disappointed that the Cornell University Hospital for Animals and the Veterinary Medical Center, both of which opened in 1996, and related renovations at the College of Veterinary Medicine were left out. At the time of the dedication, we were told that the cost of this College of Veterinary Medicine project—about \$90 million—constituted the largest building project undertaken to date by the State University Construction Fund.

*Bonita Voiland
Assistant Dean for Hospital Operations
College of Veterinary Medicine
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Ithaca, New York*

Ed. Note: We regret the omission.

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"HOT TRUCKIN' " BY JANE AND Michael Stern (Currents, May/June 2005) brought back many memories. When I entered Cornell as a freshman in 1966, both the Hot and Cold trucks were fixtures on Stewart Avenue behind the University Halls. Noyes Center was still under construction, so the only nearby food service was the cafeteria in the basement of U-Hall 6—affectionately known as the Barf Bar—and it was open only at meal-times. Late at night, we would keep an eye out for anyone putting on a coat, to see if he was making a run to the trucks.

About twenty years after I graduated, I returned to Ithaca on business and arrived at my hotel too late for dinner. I decided to drive to campus and was surprised to find the Hot Truck parked in its usual spot, even though it was summer—and Bob Petrillose was still there, serving the menu described by the Sterns.

Richard Amacher '70
Rochester Hills, Michigan

Rhodes Work

IN "THE WINNER'S CIRCLE" (MAY/JUNE 2005), nowhere do you mention that Cecil Rhodes established the Rhodes scholarships for outstanding scholars who are *also* outstanding athletes. I cannot understand that now they are only for the "greasy grinds." It seems that charisma upon meeting the professors is all you need to get a scholarship.

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

Rebel Brother

THE ARTICLE "URBANE REBEL" BY Brad Herzog '90 (Currents, March/April 2005) failed to mention that Franchot Tone '27 was a brother in Alpha Delta Phi. Your readers can learn more about Tone at: www.adphic Cornell.org/adphicor/Archives/1950s.htm.

Howie Schaffer '90
Takoma Park, Maryland



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—Emily Ranii '07



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—Julia Levy '05, student advisor



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NICOLA KOUNTOUPES / UP

Lehman Resigns

QUESTIONS ABOUT ABRUPT DEPARTURE ARE UNANSWERED

ON JUNE 11, PRESIDENT JEFFREY LEHMAN '77 DELIVERED HIS State of the University address to a Reunion audience of about 700 alumni, administrators, and staff gathered in Newman Arena on a hot and humid morning. He reviewed Cornell's accomplishments, citing recent triumphs and looking back at what he termed "the distance we have gone in the direction of the goals we chose" during the University's 140-year history. He reviewed the three "challenges" he had articulated last fall—life in the age of the genome, wisdom in the age of digital information, and sus-

tainability in the age of development—and talked about what Cornell has done, and will do, to meet these challenges.

Then, as he concluded, Lehman stunned the gathering. "Over the past few months, it has become apparent to me that the Board of Trustees and I have different approaches to how the University can best realize its long-term vision," he said. "These differences are profound, and it has become absolutely clear that they cannot be resolved.

"Imagine for a moment an airplane that is supposed to fly

from New York to the beautiful island of Bali. It can get there by flying east. Or it can get there by flying west. But even if the pilot and co-pilot are each highly skilled, even if they have the highest regard for one another, the plane will not reach its destination if they are unable to agree about which direction to take.

"Cornell University is meant to fly. Its pilot and co-pilot must agree on the strategic direction to be taken. Since I now understand that it is impossible for such an agreement to emerge as long as I am president, I have notified the chairman of the board, Peter Meinig, that I will step down as Cornell's eleventh president at the end of this month."

The room fell silent for a moment, and then gasps and murmurs of disbelief rose in the steamy air. Lehman resumed speaking, saying that Cornell had "entered his soul and would never leave" and that it had taught him "to believe in the capacity of great institutions to evolve to meet the changing needs of humanity." He left the stage to a sustained standing ovation, during which he embraced his wife, Kathy Okun, and then shook hands with the administrators and dignitaries in the first row. President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes enveloped him in a hug. Lehman then walked slowly from the building.

Meinig '61, who had introduced Lehman, moved back to the lectern and announced that President Emeritus Hunter Rawlings, who was in attendance, had agreed to become Cornell's interim president. The audience dispersed slowly, many stopping to talk about what they had just heard. Questions hung in the air: How could this have happened? What differences could have been so profound that resignation was Lehman's only recourse?

In the ensuing days, neither Lehman nor Meinig offered real answers to those questions. Lehman told the *New York Times* that "what's best for Cornell is to have a president who's in perfect alignment with the chairman of the board," but refused to elaborate on just where and when he had fallen out of step with the chairman. He told the *Ithaca Journal* that it was a "question of strategic chemistry," adding that there are "situations where everyone agrees on the big picture, but not the strategy for getting there." Meinig emailed a statement to alumni, stating that Lehman's decision to resign was based on "differences with the Board of Trustees regarding the strategy for realizing Cornell's long-term vision" and that "this decision is in the best interests of Jeff and the University and all of its constituents." CAM's requests for interviews with Lehman and Meinig were refused, and Tommy Bruce, vice president for university communications, said that he could "only characterize this decision as Jeff wants it to be characterized."

In the absence of substantive information, there was a great deal of conjecture, much of it centered on fund-raising issues. The *Chronicle of Higher Education* reported that "there was speculation on the campus that the trustees blamed Mr. Lehman for the sudden departure of Inge T. Reichenbach, the university's chief development officer, just as the campus was in the early stages of a major capital campaign. Ms. Reichenbach, who had been at the university for twenty-five years, left with little notice to become Yale University's vice president for development." Lehman denied this allegation, telling the *Ithaca Journal* that the disagreements were not over "a personnel matter."

Other clashes were said to have centered on the role played by Okun, who had been associate vice president for development at the University of Michigan before coming to Cornell with Lehman. She held the title of senior university advisor and had

an office in Day Hall. While members of the administration and faculty who worked with Okun praised her intellect and good ideas, questions were raised about whether her position was appropriate for a presidential spouse. Lehman also denied that this was a factor in his decision.

A number of other areas of friction were mentioned by campus observers, including such specific incidents as a recent dispute between Lehman and the ILR faculty over the appointment of the school's next dean, and broader questions, one being a board-level discussion about centralizing Cornell's administration by diminishing or even eliminating the independence of the constituent colleges. Some trustees reportedly felt that Lehman's focus on Cornell as a "transnational" university was too vague and did not translate well as an incentive for donations, while others were said to be disappointed by his often quirky speeches, especially this year's commencement address with its *Star Wars* references. There were rumors of a dispute over military recruiting on campus and other policy disagreements. In the end, though, none of the issues raised seemed sufficient to justify Lehman's sudden resignation, although perhaps they added up to the series of "bumps" that Lehman told the *Ithaca Journal* raised a question in his mind: "Do you change who you are . . . or should you, for the good of the institution, step aside?"

After ending the shortest presidential term in Cornell's history, Lehman left Ithaca to begin a one-year appointment as a senior scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C., where he plans to write a book on the role of the transnational university. He still holds the position of professor of law at Cornell, although many wonder if he will ever return to the campus to teach.

Even though the question of "Why?" remained unanswered, the University moved quickly to address "What's next?" Provost Biddy Martin and other administrators issued statements to notify those on campus that academic initiatives would move forward, and to assure community leaders that the University would honor its agreements. Meinig announced that the search for a new president would be completed as soon as possible. The Board of Trustees met in New York on June 16, at which time they formally approved the appointment of Rawlings as interim president. In a statement released after the meeting, Meinig said, "Hunter is the perfect leader to guide Cornell through this period. His talent, enthusiasm, and proven leadership are well known to trustees, faculty, alumni, and students." No clarification of the reasons for Lehman's resignation was offered.

Scott Jaschik '85, writing at the *Inside Higher Ed* website, noted that many Cornellians have expressed profound sorrow about Lehman's resignation, praising him for such innovations as the Call to Engagement and for the "gusto and passion" he brought to the job of president. One gets the feeling that while he may have vacated the office at 300 Day Hall, this won't be the last hurrah for Jeffrey Lehman.

President Lehman announced his resignation less than a week before this issue went to press, which limited our ability to explore the issues behind his decision. As further information becomes available, we will post updates at the CAM website: <http://cornell-magazine.cornell.edu/>. The September/October 2005 issue will include a full report on Lehman's tenure as president.

CAM Gets Gold

FEATURE ARTICLE WINS AWARD

EVERY SPRING, ALUMNI MAGAZINES FROM ACROSS THE country face off in the Circle of Excellence competition held by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). When the dust had settled this year, *Cornell Alumni Magazine* had won a gold medal in the Best Articles of the Year category, one of only three awarded in a field of more than 100 entries. The prize-winning story was "Dr. Eponymous," a profile of Henry Heimlich '41, MD '43, inventor of the Heimlich maneuver. The article was written by longtime CAM contributor Brad Herzog '90 and published in the March/April 2004 issue.

R&D

More information on campus research is available at
www.news.cornell.edu.

Getting results from cardiac stress tests provides patients with not only factual information but also emotional reassurance, according to a study by Dr. Alvin Mushlin, chair of the Department of Public Health at Weill Cornell Medical College, that appeared in the March/April issue of *Medical Decision Making*. The finding could be used to evaluate a wide range of diagnostic tests.

Grass in the form of pellets is an economical, energy-efficient, and sustainable fuel, and its production could help supplement farmers' incomes. Jerry Cherney, professor of agriculture, presented the case for grass biofuel in March at "Greenhouse Gases and Carbon Sequestration in Agriculture and Forestry," a conference sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

A machine that can build copies of itself has been created by Hod Lipson, assistant professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering. The robot consists of a stack of four motorized cubes that bends to deposit one of its cubes on the ground, which becomes the basis for the new robot. The remaining three stack additional cubes on it. Further development could produce robots that replicate or repair themselves in space or in hazardous environments, Lipson reported in *Nature*.

Antibodies derived from human plasma may capture the central component of the senile plaque in the brains of Alzheimer's patients and improve their thinking abilities, according to Dr. Norman Relkin, associate professor of clinical neurology and neuroscience at Weill Cornell Medical College. He reported his findings in April at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Neurology.

The devastating effects of tsunamis are best mitigated by protecting sand dunes and coral reefs and by developing better communications for tourists and residents of tsunami-prone areas, says Philip Liu, professor of civil and environmental engineering. He summarized his team's findings in the June 10 issue of *Science*.



STEFANIE GREEN

Not Out of the Woods Yet

STUDENTS STAGE PARKING LOT PROTESTS

STUDENT PROTESTS AGAINST THE UNIVERSITY'S PLAN TO build a 176-space parking lot on the forested area near West Campus dubbed "Redbud Woods" continued this spring as eight students staged an occupation of President Lehman's office on April 28. The six-hour stand-off ended when Cornell Police alternately escorted and carried the "Redbuddies" out of Day Hall, charging them with trespassing and resisting arrest. "We respect students' creativity and advocacy, but today they crossed the line," said Tommy Bruce, vice president for university communications, at a press conference during the occupation.

The students set forth several demands, insisting that campus green spaces be spared from further development. "We are holding Cornell accountable," student leader Danny Pearlstein '04 told the *Daily Sun*. "We demand to know how this parking lot is at all considered sustainable and whether the president is simply paying lip service to the concept." Pearlstein and Daisy Torres '05 had their diplomas withheld pending resolution of charges by the judicial administrator.

On June 6, University efforts to move forward with construction were further thwarted by Redbud protesters, several of whom climbed trees to stop crews clearing the disputed site; at press time construction remained halted. After President Lehman's resignation, activists vowed to fight on. "In this time of administrative turnover, we won't let this get swept under the rug," Pearlstein told the *Ithaca Journal*.

Student Dies in Gorge Fall

DANIEL PIRFO, 19

ITHACA'S GORGES—BEAUTIFUL BUT PERILOUS—HAVE claimed the life of another student. The body of Daniel Pirfo '08, who had been missing for more than two weeks, was found at the base of Ithaca Falls on May 10. His death was accidental, caused by a fall, Ithaca police said.

Pirfo, an engineering student from Washington, D.C., had reportedly been playing poker with friends on Saturday night, April 23, and was last seen at about 4:30 a.m. at Mews Hall, his freshman residence. After his disappearance, friends distributed hundreds of flyers, created a website, and assisted Cornell, Ithaca, and New York State police in a search of campus and surrounding areas.

On the evening of May 14, about 250 people gathered for a candlelight memorial service on the east patio of Mews Hall. Classmates remembered Pirfo as a loyal friend with a keen sense of humor and an appreciation for poetry. "Our coming together affords us the opportunity to give honor to his memory," said the Reverend Janet Shortall, associate director of Cornell United Religious Work. "May this time together be one to give honor to Dan."

Right to Die

SERIAL KILLER EXECUTED

MICHAEL ROSS '81 WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD BY LETHAL injection at 2:25 a.m. on May 13, ending years of legal drama surrounding the Connecticut serial killer's right to pursue his own execution. It was the first execution in New England since 1960. Ross confessed to eight strangulation murders and several rapes committed between 1981 and 1984; he was convicted and sentenced to death in 1987. Claiming he wished to spare his victims' families further pain, Ross waived his right to further appeals in October 2004, after his mandatory appeals had been exhausted, and hired a lawyer to speed the execution. That decision led to months of maneuvering among Connecticut authorities, Ross, and his former public defenders, who argued that eighteen years on death row and Ross's history of psychological disorders had rendered him incompetent to make legal decisions.

During one six-day period in January 2005, Ross received five different execution dates, all stayed after various eleventh-hour appeals from death penalty foes, public defenders, and family members. After a federal judge ordered new hearings to investigate the possibility that "death row syndrome" had made him suicidal, Ross was found mentally competent in April, clearing the final hurdle to execution.

Ross's first known murder was committed while he was a student at Cornell, just weeks before graduation. The body of graduate student Dzung Ngoc Tu was discovered on May 17, 1981, at the bottom of the Fall Creek Gorge. The connection between Tu and Ross had not been made until he confessed to her murder in 1987. He was never tried for that crime.

Portrait of the Artist

EXHIBIT UNVEILS RARE JOYCEIANA

DOCUMENTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS FROM JAMES JOYCE'S formative years as a writer are now on display at Kroch Library. "From Dublin to Ithaca: Cornell's James Joyce Collection" includes correspondence with Ezra Pound, W.B. Yeats, and others as well as first editions and drafts. To celebrate the June 9 opening, M.H. Abrams, professor emeritus of English, spoke about the collection, which Cornell acquired in 1957 from Nelly Joyce, the widow of Joyce's younger brother, Stanislaus. The exhibit continues through October 12. An online tour is at <http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/joyce/>.

Give My Regards To . . .

These Cornellians in the News

John Hassell '91, and other staff of the *Star-Ledger* (Newark, New Jersey), awarded the Pulitzer Prize in journalism for coverage of the resignation of New Jersey's governor after he announced he was gay.

Harold Tanner '52, elected chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, an umbrella organization representing fifty-two U.S. Jewish groups.

Gregory Lawler, professor of mathematics; **Steven Squyres '78, PhD '81**, professor of astronomy; and **Alison Lurie**, professor emerita of American literature, elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Leo Mandelkern '42, PhD '49, given the 2005 Outstanding Achievement Award by the Society of Plastics Engineers for his lifetime contribution to polymer science.

James Houck, PhD '67, professor of astronomy, awarded NASA's Exceptional Scientific Achievement Medal for leading the development of the Spitzer Space Telescope's infrared spectrograph.

Shahin Rafii '82, professor of genetic medicine at Weill Cornell Medical College, named an investigator by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute for his research on the use of stem cells to treat cancers, vascular diseases, and genetic disorders.

John Parker, DVM '99, assistant professor of virology at the College of Veterinary Medicine, recipient of a Burroughs-Wellcome Fund Investigators in Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease Award, given to a young researcher whose work focuses on the interaction of pathogens with their human hosts.

Martin Petrovic, professor of turf grass, winner of a 2005 Environmental Quality Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for his efforts to protect New York State's environment.

Seamus Davis, professor of physics, co-recipient of the 2005 Fritz London Memorial Prize for his work in low-temperature physics.

Lacrosse Goalie Beats Odds

KYLE MILLER PROVIDES LEADERSHIP—AND INSPIRATION

THE CORNELL MEN'S LACROSSE TEAM HAS witnessed personal tragedy. It has also witnessed personal triumph. Most of the players on this year's team were present on March 17, 2004, when revered teammate and co-captain George Boiardi '04 was struck in the chest by a ball, crumpled to the Schoellkopf Field turf, and died.

Among them was goaltender Kyle Miller '05, who was battling a rare, deadly form of bone cancer that threatened to take first his right leg and then his life. Miller has apparently won that battle, defying doctors' predictions that he would never walk without a cane and certainly never play lacrosse again. He returned to the lacrosse field minus his right knee joint and six inches of bone below it, where a titanium rod now resides. He returned despite lacking much of the feeling in the leg below the knee. He returned to play in a half-dozen games in relief of Matt McMonagle '07. And he has never picked up a cane.

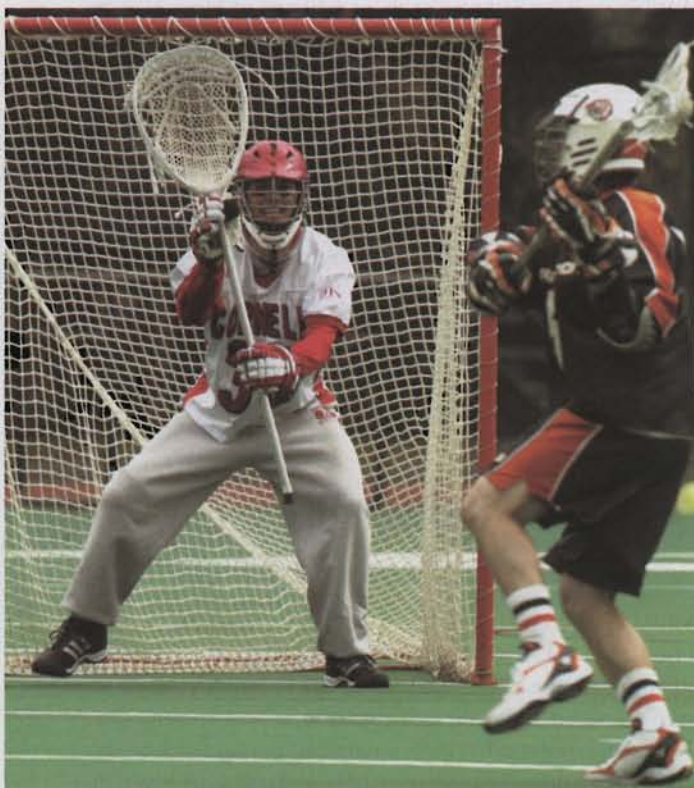
Just as Boiardi's spirit bonded the 2004 Big Red into an all-for-one team that came within a goal of reaching the NCAA final four, Miller's spirit inspired them to a number three national ranking and another trip to the NCAA tournament this year. "Our team idolizes him as a winner," says head coach Jeff Tambroni. "We draw off his inspiration. He has persevered through life's most difficult circumstances."

"Ah, I really think every one of these guys would be able to do what I did," Miller counters. "It didn't seem like I was going through it by myself. It's hard to see what they see. I really don't feel like I did anything special."

You be the judge.

When Miller arrived on campus in 2002 from the Salisbury School in Connecticut with All-New England credentials, All-America goalie Justin Cynar '02 was preparing to embark on his senior season. Miller, who had honed his skills in the box leagues of his native Orangeville, Ontario, immediately served notice that he would be next in line. "He was a fantastic goaltender," Tambroni says. "He still is."

"Coach T knew Kyle was the future," says midfielder Dan Leary '05. "He had him out there pushing Justin all through the preseason. Ask anyone on this team. We were just as confident with Kyle out there as a freshman as we were with Justin as a senior." Miller played in three games as Cynar's backup, and the Big Red advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals in Tambroni's second season as head coach. There was no question who was going to be standing in the cage when the 2003 season opened.



DARL ZEHR

Winner: Kyle Miller '05 defeated bone cancer to return to the field with the Big Red lacrosse team this year.

"Oh, he was good," midfielder Ian Rosenberger '04 says of Miller. "Let me tell you something about Kyle. The fall of his sophomore season, me and J.P. Schalk '03 shot a lot on Kyle, just because our schedules worked out with his. We're taking turns shooting point-blank on him from 12 yards, and he's just stopping everything. So we move in to 10 yards and are shooting as hard as we can, and he's saving everything. It got to the point where it was embarrassing. He just has amazingly quick hands."

Still, Miller said he was nervous about inheriting the starting job, and he worked harder and harder as the fall progressed and preseason camp approached. Along the way he felt a "tweak" in his right knee but attributed it to a shin splint and continued to play indoors at home during semester break, icing the leg afterward. "I came back to campus and was starting to get my confidence," Miller says. "I was playing the best I had ever played."

The leg continued to bother him, and a week before preseason camp opened Miller decided to see a team trainer, who suggested an MRI as a precautionary measure. The scan alarmed the team's

orthopedic consultant, Russell Zelko '62, MD '67, who alerted Tambroni that something was seriously amiss. "Our worst-case scenario was an ACL [anterior cruciate ligament] injury," Tambroni says. "We're talking about how much time Kyle is going to miss, whether he can play the season and have surgery afterward. Now, suddenly, this is a young man's life we're talking about."

Miller admits that was the furthest thing from his mind, even as he returned home with the MRI scan to get a formal diagnosis. "I suspected something bad was going on, but I felt fine," he says. "I really thought I was going to be out a couple of weeks and then be back. I was going to get it taken care of in Canada, for insurance purposes."

Instead of a few weeks, the trip to Canada became a year-long odyssey. "It was two or three days after I got back when the oncologist told me what it was," Miller says. "He told us it was osteosarcoma, a form of bone cancer that usually occurs in young adults eighteen to twenty-five. Not many people get it."

Miller was nineteen.

"Actually, I really didn't feel like I was listening to what they were saying," he recalls of his reaction to the news. Not until he noticed his mother, Sharon, in tears did it sink in. The doctor told Kyle he would walk with a cane the rest of his life if the leg could be salvaged at all. "That took me back a lot," Miller says. "That hit home, obviously. He was saying I would never play lacrosse again. It was devastating."

Back in Ithaca, Miller had plenty of company. "Our trainer, Jim Case, gathered the team and explained what was going on," Rosenberger recalls. "None of us knew if it was life-threatening or not. When we found out the severity of the disease, it was disbelief. We were blown away."

Miller had a cancerous tumor below his right knee, where roughly 80 percent of osteosarcoma occurs. As with any tumor, there was the danger of cancerous cells breaking off and traveling through his bloodstream to vital organs, a process known as metastasis. The lungs are the most common destination for metastasis of this type of cancer.

Instead of preparing for the season opener against Georgetown, Miller prepared for three months of chemotherapy, followed by surgery, followed by three more months of chemotherapy. Yet his determination to return to the sport he loved never wavered. "I was definitely thinking about playing lacrosse again," he says.

And while he was, his teammates back in Ithaca were thinking about him. "We have this little plaque in our locker room that basically says 'Give your all for Cornell today,'" Leary says. "We hit it on our way out. Well, right next to it we placed a 35 [Miller's jersey number], just to remind everybody that there was something else to inspire us to play our best and to play as a team every day."

Miller says he felt that support as he battled his illness. He says his phone was always ringing as his teammates and coaches called to encourage him. "It was beat this and survive," he says. "I never felt that I was going through it alone. And I was always thinking about lacrosse."

By the time the first three months of chemotherapy were completed, Miller's surgeon was confident he could save the leg. Miller

asked for more. "I really wanted to keep my knee joint, for the obvious reason," he says. "But he told me that everywhere the cancer had been had to be taken out. That was my entire knee joint and six inches of my tibia. There was a lot of nerve damage."

Another three months of chemotherapy, administered to kill any cancer that may have been left behind, followed. Doctors were hopeful that the disease had been arrested in time, although Miller continues to return home for CT scans of his chest every four months to make sure his lungs are clean.

By the fall of 2003 he was back on campus, walking on crutches but in the company of his teammates again. "It was the best thing I could have done," Miller says. "Being close to the guys helped tremendously."

"He was doing physical therapy all the time," Rosenberger says. "We all saw him in there working his tail off. At first he could barely walk, then he was walking, then he was jogging. Now he can actually play. His dedication is amazing." For a long time, though, Miller wondered if his hard work was leading anywhere. "The muscle goes so quickly," he says, "and it takes forever to come back. It seems that you're rehabbing forever and nothing helps."

While Miller worked, he took Matt McMonagle under his wing and guided him through the transition from high school lacrosse to the college game at its highest level. "He just wants to help the team," Rosenberger says. "In my mind he could have been one of the greatest goalies ever to put on the Cornell uniform, and here he was putting the team first. It speaks so much of him as a person."

Miller had more in mind than simply becoming a volunteer assistant coach and cheerleader, so the strenuous physical therapy regimen continued. By the time preseason camp rolled around this season, he was ready to compete. "My only concern at that point was being cleared by the doctor," Miller says, "and proving I was not a liability."

Those hurdles cleared, he began to pursue his dream of helping his teammates on the field as much as he had inspired them off it. It wasn't easy. Miller's mobility was hampered by the missing knee joint and rod in his leg—and a lacrosse goaltender must do more than stop the ball. He must be mobile enough to carry the ball upfield himself.

"As a goalie defending in a six-on-six situation, he didn't have any problem," Tambroni says. "Riding, clearing . . . he got through it. He was a little bit less of an athletic goalie [than he was before]." That noted, Miller's impact on the team could not be measured by games played or saves made. "Every time he stepped on the field, it was a victory," Tambroni says. "You like to root for great people, and he is just one of those guys. He never looks for attention, never wants people to know he has had cancer. At the end of the game, whether we won by one goal or six or seven, if Kyle had been in the game there was an extra bounce in everybody's step."

"We had some situations here that caused some tears and heartaches," Rosenberger says, referring to Boiardi's death and Miller's illness, "and we learned to lean on each other. Kyle was a source of inspiration. I couldn't name the number of guys who

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Big Game

MAY 14, 2005

A goal by sophomore midfielder **Brian Clayton** with 11 seconds left in the game secured a first-round victory for the men's lacrosse team in the NCAA tournament. The late tally pushed the Big Red past Towson 12-11 and into the quarterfinals for the third time in four years. Cornell had advanced to the tournament by winning the Ivy title outright, going undefeated in league play for the first time since 1987. Senior attackman **Sean Greenhalgh** (right) was named the Ivy League Player of the Year, and five other Big Red players received All-Ivy first-team honors: **Kyle Georgalas '05**, **Kevin Nee '05**, **Justin Redd '05**, **Joe Boulukos '06**, and **Matt McMonagle '07**. Junior **Mike Pisco** earned an honorable mention, giving Cornell seven All-Ivy picks for the second straight year. In the NCAA quarterfinal, Cornell fell to Duke 11-8 in a game played at Princeton Stadium.



DARL ZEH

Sports Shorts

DIVISION WINNERS With a history that goes back more than 100 years, there aren't many firsts left for Cornell baseball—but the Big Red notched one in 2005 by winning its first Ivy League Gehrig Division title. (The league went to a two-division format in 1993.) Cornell clinched the crown with a 4-3 win over Princeton in the opening game of a May 1 doubleheader, snapping the Tigers' nine-year hold on the division title. Second baseman **Seth Gordon '06** went three-for-three and drove in the winning run. He was one of five Big Red players to earn All-Ivy honors: shortstop **Matt Miller '05** was a unanimous first-team pick after posting a team-leading .360 mark; Gordon was named to the second team; pitchers **Rocky Collins '06** and **Jim Hyland '07** and outfielder **Brian Kaufman '08** received honorable mentions. The Big Red had high hopes going into a best-of-three series with Harvard for the Ivy League title, but the Crimson prevailed, winning back-to-back games 2-0 and 4-2.



Seth Gordon

SPORTS INFO

'94. Former QB Rahne, a three-time team MVP and the school record holder in several passing categories, will be the running backs coach after serving as an assistant coach at Holy Cross last season. Simpson, who played defensive tackle for the Big Red, will become the linebackers coach after one-year stints as the defensive line coach at Marist College and defensive coordinator at Washingtonville (New York) High School.

RECORD BREAKER **Lauren May '05** capped one of the greatest careers in Cornell softball history in fitting style. On May 4, in her final games, the shortstop hit a walk-off grand slam to win the opener of a doubleheader against Binghamton University before going four-for-four and scoring the winning run in the seventh inning of the nightcap. May was named Ivy League Player of the Year for the second straight season after leading the Big Red to a 29-17 record. Her batting average of .496 ranked among the best in the NCAA and broke the school record by nearly 40 points. May's career average of .415 was also a school record. She was joined on the All-Ivy first team by **Erin Murtha '07** and **Jenna Campagnolo '08**; **Erin Kizer '05** was a second-team selection.



Lauren May

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taped their ankles and then wrote his number on the tape before they went out there."

They did that in part to remind themselves to play as hard as they could. Their goal in every game this year was to get the team into a situation where Miller could come off the bench and again fill the role he was destined to inherit until fate inter-

vened. "Matt would run off and thank me when I put Kyle in," Tambroni says. "Usually the backup looks up to the starter, but here it was role reversal. Matt idolizes Kyle."

McMonagle and his teammates idolized Miller because they believe he embodies what Tambroni preached day after day. "Coach teaches us about being a man in society, about doing it the right way," Leary says. "He talks about being

held accountable for even the littlest things. We have faced some situations over the last few years that have given us a taste of what he is talking about. It has bonded us together like nothing else. And it's just icing on the cake to have one of our guys come out and beat something like this. It has given our guys a glimpse of what real life is all about."

— Dave Rahme

HEADY HORSEMEN After several runner-up finishes in recent years, the men's polo team collected the top prize in 2005 by downing Virginia 21-19 in the national championship game. The title is the 11th in the program's history, and it avenged last year's title-game loss to the Cavaliers. **Jeff Markle '05** led Cornell with nine goals and **Senter Johnson '04** added eight; both earned All-East honors along with teammate **Brian Fairclough '08**. The Cornell women saw their national title streak stopped at five, losing the championship contest to Connecticut by a 17-15 score. All-American pick **Molly Buck '05** had a team-high six goals in the title game; she was joined on the All-East squad by **Harriet Antczak '04**.

SOCCKER PROS **Scott Palguta '05** wasted little time in making an impact in professional soccer, earning a spot on the United Soccer League's Division One Team of the Week for May 10. A second-round pick of the Rochester Rhinos, Palguta collected an assist in his second pro game after earning a starting position at back. He found a familiar face waiting for him in Rochester, as former Cornell captain **Ian Pilarski '04** is in his second season with the Rhinos. Another Big Red standout, **David Mahoney '05**, has earned a spot with the Chicago Fire of Major League Soccer. Signed to a developmental contract, he has played in reserve division games and served as a backup goalkeeper for the Fire.



Scott Palguta

SPORTS INFO

FORE! Led by the All-Ivy performance of **Robbie Fritz '08**, the golf team was second at the Ivy League championship, the team's best showing since a runner-up finish in 1980. Fritz finished tied for sixth at three over par for the tournament's three rounds at Ballyowen Golf Club in Hamburg, New Jersey. He is the first Cornell player to earn All-Ivy honors as a freshman. **Kevin Scelfo '05**, the 2004 runner-up, finished ninth at nine over par.

HIGH FLIERS Performing in front of their home fans at Bartels Hall, three Cornell gymnasts earned All-America honors by placing in the top six at the USA Gymnastics Collegiate Nationals. **Randi Bisbano '07** took sixth in the balance beam and seventh in the all-around competition, **Megan Gilbert '08** finished in a fourth-place tie in the beam, and **Cathy Schnell '06** was sixth in the uneven bars.

RACQUETEERS A pair of Cornell squash players was named to the Collegiate Squash Association All-America second team, marking the second time two Big Red players have earned this honor in the same season. **Matthew Serediak '06**, who also received second-team honors in 2003, was ranked 20th in the nation after going 8-11 at the number one position. **William Cheng '06** was honored after posting a 14-6 record, mostly in the second position. He

won the consolation draw at the CSA Individual Championships and ranked 17th in the final CSA rankings.

TOP B-BALL

EXEC In May, the *Sporting News* named Phoenix Suns president **Bryan Colangelo '87** its 2005 NBA executive of the year. He is credited with assembling the squad that posted a league-best 62-20 regular-season record this year. A CALS alumnus, Colangelo played in 42 games as a reserve guard for the Big Red basketball team.

Spring Teams

Final Records

Baseball	17-24; 11-9 Ivy-Gehrig Div. (1st)
Men's Lacrosse	11-3; 6-0 Ivy (1st)
Women's Lacrosse	9-6; 4-3 Ivy (T-3rd)
Varsity Hwywt. Rowing	5-2
J.V. Hwywt. Rowing	6-1
Fr. Hwywt. Rowing	1-6
Varsity Ltwt. Rowing	8-1
J.V. Ltwt. Rowing	7-1
Fr. Ltwt. Rowing	5-4
Women's Varsity Rowing	3-6
Women's J.V. Rowing	4-4
Women's Novice Rowing	6-2
Softball	29-17-1; 10-4 Ivy (2nd)
Men's Tennis	10-9; 3-4 Ivy (T-4th)
Women's Tennis	9-9; 1-6 Ivy (8th)

“We are deeply saddened by the turn of events that led to the resignation of President Jeffrey Lehman on June 11, 2005. We remain confident that the collective resources of Cornell University could be mobilized over the next few months to achieve a more productive outcome on behalf of the future of this great institution. We continue to hope that the Trustees and President Lehman might reach a resolution that will allow him to stay.

Roald Hoffmann
Nobel Laureate 1981

Paul Ginsparg
MacArthur Award 2002

Alice Fulton
MacArthur Award 1991

Stephen Lee
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SPEAKING FREELY

Trials of the First Amendment

FLOYD ABRAMS

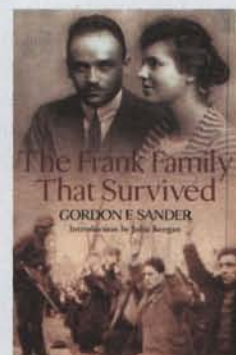
In Brief

SPEAKING FREELY by Floyd Abrams '56 (Viking). Abrams, who has argued before the Supreme Court many times, presents behind-the-scenes details of eight of his important cases that have shaped First Amendment rights. From his appeal on behalf of the *New York Times* in the Pentagon Papers case to his defense of the Brooklyn Museum's exhibition of a painting that incorporated elephant dung to his challenge of the constitutionality of campaign finance reform in the McCain-Feingold Act, Abrams recounts the legal battles he has fought to preserve freedom of speech in the United States.

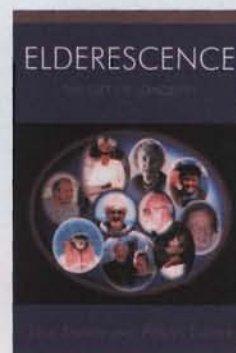
WE WHO ARE ABOUT TO... and THE TWO OF THEM by Joanna Russ '57 (Wesleyan University Press). Two of Russ's classic feminist science fiction novels return to print in new editions with forewords by Samuel Delany and Sarah Lefanu. The first is a subversive shipwreck story that turns the Robinson Crusoe plot on its head; the second, a portrait of a future world in which a young woman's creativity is being transformed into madness by the male-dominated society in which she lives.



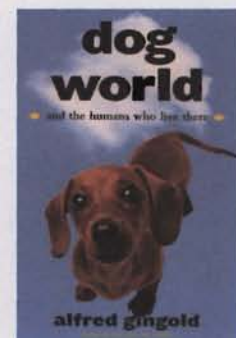
THE FRANK FAMILY THAT SURVIVED by Gordon F. Sander '72 (Hutchinson). Sander, a journalist, historian, and former artist-in-residence at Risley College for the Creative and Performing Arts at Cornell, recounts the story of the "other" Frank family (Sander's mother, aunt, and maternal grandparents). The book portrays their flight from Nazi Germany to Holland, their thousand-day submersion in a small flat in the Hague, and their efforts to avoid detection during raids that searched for Jews. It concludes with an account of the bleak "Hunger Winter" of 1944-45 and the family's eventual escape to the United States.



ELDERSCENCE by Jane Thayer '52 and Peggy Thayer (Hamilton Books). Thirty-five million Americans are living beyond the age of sixty-five, and life expectancies have grown by twenty-five years since 1900. Long life spans have become much more common, raising new issues for the elderly. The authors—a psychotherapist and a painter—argue that this time of life is not just about retirement but about understanding the experience and forging a new sense of meaning.



DOG WORLD AND THE HUMANS WHO LIVE THERE by Alfred Gingold '68 (Broadway Books). In 2001, Gingold succumbed to the endearing behavior of his family's new Norfolk terrier, George, and became a member of what he calls Dog Nation: the 43 million dog owners and their 55 million pets living in America today. While Gingold's dog plays a prominent role in this "chronology of dog ownership," the book reads more like an anthropological study of the bizarre behavior of urban dog people.



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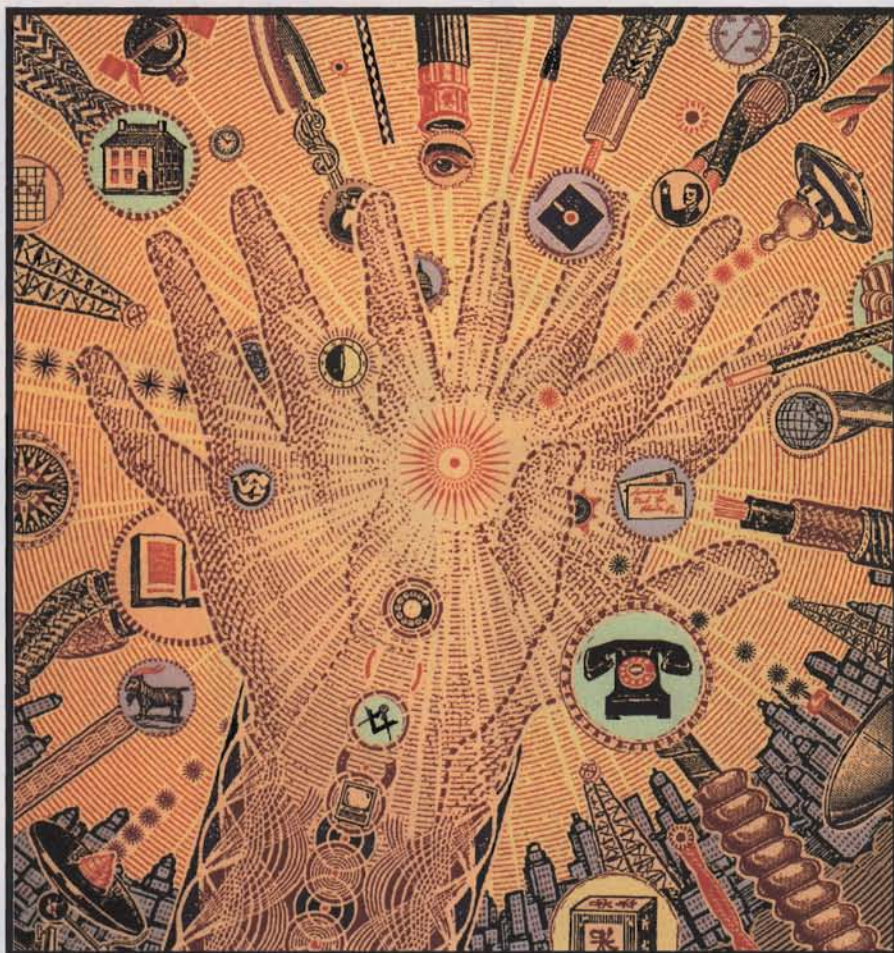
Mother of Invention

THE DRIVE FOR START-UP SUCCESS PUTS UNIVERSITY RESEARCHERS IN BUSINESS

IN 2003, CHEMIST TYLER MCQUADE had an idea: What if you could radically streamline the process by which drugs are synthesized, simultaneously cutting waste and cost? Such an innovation could reshape the pharmaceutical business, not only saving money and helping the environment but improving access to life-saving medication for millions worldwide. It's a slam-dunk—except for one problem: because of patent and licensing issues, the industry won't touch it. McQuade is an academic researcher, so the rights to his inventions belong to the University. And Cornell, having provided McQuade with his laboratory space and graduate assistants, doesn't want to give his idea away for free.

The solution to this legal logjam—not uncommon in academia—turns out to be almost as complex as the invention itself. McQuade worked with the University to pursue a patent and negotiate future licensing of his technology back to himself. This spring, he began the quest for venture capital, and within a few years—if he's lucky—he'll launch his own business, Sustainable Pharmaceuticals. "It was going to be difficult to get the pharmaceutical industry to take notice of my work, because it doesn't make sense to them yet," says the thirty-three-year-old assistant professor. "I figured if I'm going to prove it, the best way is in the marketplace—put my money where my mouth is."

Entering the business fray can be a huge gamble for someone trained in the sciences. But for university inventors,



JOHN CRAIG

going the start-up route is an effective strategy for getting technology out into the world—especially since 1980, when Congress passed the Bayh-Dole Act, making it possible for universities and inventors to profit from the patenting of intellectual property derived from government-funded research. "The Bayh-Dole legisla-

tion recognized that what would be enhancing about all this technology transfer would be for the university to benefit," says biological engineering professor and former vice president for research Norm Scott. "It tried to establish a foundation for universities that have made expenditures in support of research to recoup some of

those costs and stimulate people to move forward on commercialization."

It seems to be working: Cornell currently holds more than 850 active patents, filing upwards of 200 applications each year and gaining about 80 patents annually. In 2004, the University collected \$7.3 million in licensing revenue, more than doubling the previous year's earnings of \$3.1 million. The Cornell Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Commercialization (CCTEC), the office charged with overseeing patents, licensing, royalties, and enforcement, walks inventors through each step—from applying for the patent to hiring a patent lawyer and managing the filing process.

Once a patent has been issued, CCTEC assesses the best options for licensing—either to an existing company or, as in McQuade's case, back to the inventor. While the University says that all licensing agreements must advance the technology, implementation has its challenges. "A corporation has its own approach to the world and its gadget," says Scott, who holds three patents to facilitate bovine artificial insemination. "Your idea might be better, but their version already has development costs associated with it." In most cases, Scott says, licensing to an inventor-launched start-up is more promising. "Professors and graduate students can take the idea forward at a pretty low level of commercialization. If it starts taking market share away from a larger company, they may say, 'Let's make a deal,' which often means buying out the start-up."

According to Roger Williams, director of technology transfer for Cornell's Institute for Biotechnology and Life Science Technologies, younger faculty tend to have more interest in technology transfer—"and not just for money-grubbing reasons," he says. "They recognize that it's a way to get their technology out and in use. If they profit or the University profits, it's a bonus." Incubating start-ups can also bolster the local economy—and improve the University's recruiting power. "Technology transfer is probably the best way to create high-tech jobs and a viable regional economy," Williams says.

That's why schools such as MIT and Stanford have opted to streamline the licensing process, bargaining that a high volume of start-ups guarantees at least a

few big winners. Other schools consider patents among the credits toward tenure, or let inventors take faculty leave to pursue commercial projects. But the interests of pure research sometimes coexist uneasily with the business considerations of venture capitalists and industry. "If everyone's thinking along the same lines—in terms of company development and getting more jobs here—there really isn't a conflict," says Zach Shulman '87, JD '90, a lecturer in entrepreneurship at the Johnson School and executive director of BR Legal, which offers legal advice to start-ups. Problems arise when the licensing process drags out, or CCTEC and the licensing company disagree on terms. "Ideally, people negotiate, they come to terms, everyone's happy," says Shulman. "That's the way it's supposed to work."

And when it doesn't, says Scott, competing agendas are to blame. "Everybody is trying to get something for themselves, to put it crudely," says Scott. "CCTEC tries to get as much money as it can both for the inventor and the University. The company's out to get everything it can for nothing."

McQuade's foray into tech transfer grew out of his desire to improve global access to prescription drugs and change a statistic the environmentally minded chemist found alarming: for each unit of product on retail shelves, the multi-step processing used to make drugs can generate 100 times that volume in waste, mostly in discarded solvents. His technique reduces the waste via a new approach to chemical synthesis, and future work will further cut waste by employing super-small catalysts that mimic biological processes. It's the chemical equivalent of one-stop shopping. "We're trying to make drug synthesis like going to Target," he says. "We avoid toxic solvents, look for unnecessary steps, and try to create new catalysts that can circumvent or combine pathways. If you put all of the reactions you need to make a chemical product

under one roof, you're going to reduce the amount of waste."

This isn't McQuade's first big idea. In 2002, he won a \$200,000 early-career award from the New York State Office of Technology and Academic Research, and MIT's *Technology Review* named him one



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Start me up: Chemistry professor Tyler McQuade launched a business to apply his research breakthrough.

of its 100 young innovators of the year in 2004. This spring, the Johnson School awarded Sustainable Pharmaceuticals the top prize in its 2005 Business Idea Competition—\$10,000 and twenty hours of legal counsel. The company's first product will be a new process for a generic version of the antidepressant Prozac. The name-brand drug has a \$200 million market in the U.S.; the world market for generic versions is estimated at \$710 million. Also in the works: Ribavirin, a generic AIDS drug, and Gabapentin, an epilepsy medication with a \$1.7 billion market.

It's a potential gold mine, but McQuade isn't planning on becoming a drug tycoon. "A pharmaceutical company would have to change everything they do to implement my process," he admits. "But if I start showing that I can make drugs inexpensively, they may turn to Sustainable Pharmaceuticals." And then, he says, he might just get his chance to save the world. "I would love to create a situation where we are conscious of waste and caring about the environment, but we're also caring about economics. If everybody would turn to me, I can manufacture things in a sustainable manner."

—Sharon Tregaskis '95

Liquid Assets

JERRY HOWARD '84, MBA '85, HELPS BRING
CLEAN WATER TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD

I'M AN INTERNATIONALIST," JERRY Howard says, which is something of an understatement. As the worldwide head of strategy for Coca-Cola in the late 1990s, he visited forty countries in four years—"basically everywhere but Cuba and Libya."

But it was water, not Coke, that brought him to Honduras.

As a board member of WaterPartners International, Howard '84, MBA '85, is using his global business acumen to help communities in the developing world secure their own sources of clean water.

He and other WaterPartners directors visited remote villages in western Honduras, the site of the nonprofit's largest project in Central America, in 2003. Driving for two days on unpaved roads, they passed small farms on terraced mountainsides and people riding burros or walking, often barefoot. Howard had traveled to similarly poor, rural areas in Kenya and South Africa—but not in the Western Hemisphere. "I saw a lot of children with bloated stomachs," he says. "You'd have families with six children and three would survive."

Before Howard had even heard of

WaterPartners, he had already developed an interest in international issues, thanks to the dozen years that he, his wife, Deborah Seavey Howard '84, MS '85, and their two sons had lived in Japan and Australia while he worked for Procter & Gamble. And he happened to be reading Vandana Shiva's *Water Wars*, which anticipates that water will be the source of global conflict in the twenty-first century, when Jeff Varick, a friend and former client who was then board chair of WaterPartners, recruited him to the board in 2002.

So it didn't take him long to understand clean water's impact on the developing world. "It was one of those smack-yourself-on-the-forehead moments," he says. "It was clear to me that so many programs seem to be treating symptoms—infant mortality, for example. Most of those situations can be traced to bad water and bad sanitation."

The statistics bear him out. The World

Hard water: Elsie Fatima Rodríguez (left) and Priscilla Rodríguez Alberto collect contaminated water in San Pablo de Consolacion, Honduras. The village has since installed a clean water system through WaterPartners, and they no longer walk long distances to fetch water.

JERRY HOWARD



Health Organization (WHO) estimates that 80 percent of all sickness is caused by unsafe water and sanitation. And a third of the developing world's population is infected with intestinal worms that can lead to malnutrition, anemia, and retarded growth. Clean water systems, like those Howard and the WaterPartners group saw in Honduras, can prevent the spread of these parasites. The group had planned a first-hand look at a water project in the village of Choluteca. But the night before they arrived, an unusually hard rain triggered a landslide that pummeled the system's piping, leaving 2,200 people without water. It also left WaterPartners co-founder Marla Smith-Nilson in a bind.

"So here I am," Smith-Nilson recalls, "with our entire board, wanting to show off the great water system that their efforts had helped create, and the water isn't flowing," she said. "It wasn't exactly the visit I had planned."

In fact, she couldn't have planned it better. Early the next morning, a team of local *fontaneros*, or plumbers, trained and hired by Choluteca's water committee, assessed the damage and fixed the pipe. Howard was impressed. "It was clear whose responsibility it was to find out the problem, and then repair it," he says. "By eleven that morning, it was working."

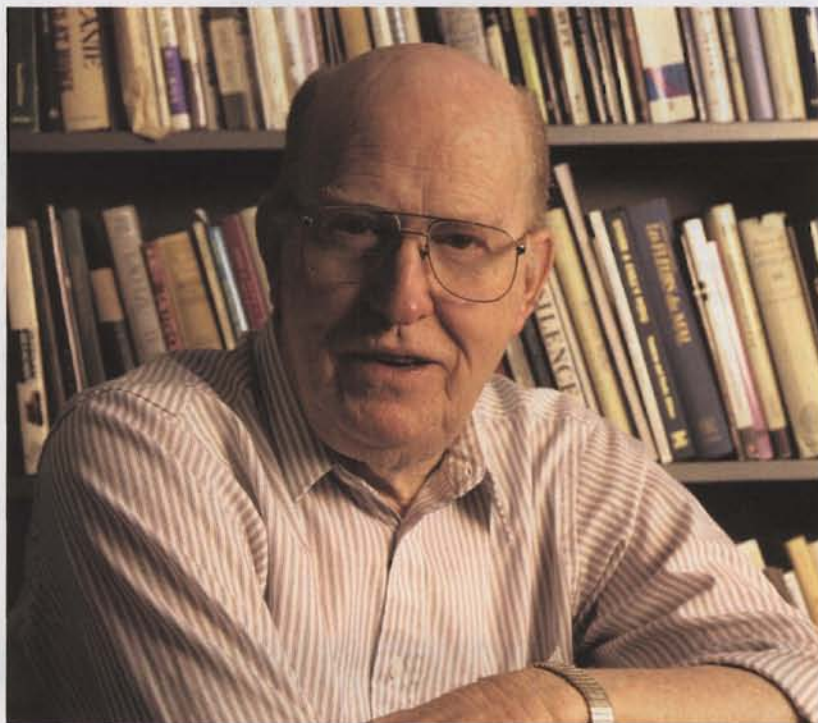
That's exactly how WaterPartners' projects are designed to function—without outside help. Typically villagers create a committee that oversees the system's construction, ownership, and maintenance, and it bills each household for water use. WaterPartners provides materials, expertise, and oversight, while other nonprofits already in the community facilitate the process, which includes watershed protection, construction of latrines, and hygiene classes. These nonprofits, such as CARE and Catholic Relief Services, often identify the communities that both lack clean water and can tackle the project. "They can be your eyes and ears in the market to help identify these needs," Howard says.

These partnerships have resulted in sixty-three systems since 1990, in Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Honduras, India, Kenya, and the Philippines. Each is still operating.

It's community participation that makes them sustainable, says Daniel

Who's the Bosh?

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND POETRY OF A.R. AMMONS



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a. R. Ammons wrote *Bosh and Flapdoodle*, his recently released posthumous collection, in a burst of sustained inspiration between Halloween and Christmas 1996. "Archie often wrote quickly, even furiously, and then he would rewrite," says Kenneth McClane '73, MFA '76, the W.E.B DuBois Professor of Literature and a former student of Ammons. "In both his poetry and his painting, he was truly prodigious, often completing numerous poems and paintings in the same day." For those who remember Archie Ammons and the give-and-take of his informal coffee club in the old Temple of Zeus, the book's title reveals the sardonic, deceptively self-mocking tone that camouflaged the complexity of a major poet. Ammons, who taught in the English department from 1964 to 1998, was the Goldwin Smith Professor of Poetry and the winner of two National Book Awards, the Frost Medal, the MacArthur Fellowship, and the Bollingen Prize. He died in 2001.

On April 17, friends, poets, and former students gathered at the Tompkins County Library to celebrate the publication of *Bosh and Flapdoodle* and *Considering the Radiance: Essays on the Poetry of A.R. Ammons*, edited by Roger Gilbert, professor of English at Cornell, and David Burak '67, MFA '80, professor of English at Santa Monica College. *Radiance* assembles twenty-two essays about Ammons's work, from his early poems of the 1950s to his late masterpieces, *Garbage* and *Glare*, and explores the personal side of a poet too often seen as abstract and intellectual. Burak and Gilbert led a panel that included Cornell professors McClane and Alice Fulton, MFA '82, and fellow writers Minfong Ho, Ingrid Arnesen, and Cory Brown. "That he produced a great deal is beyond doubt," says McClane. "That so much of it is of lasting value astonishes me. He was a true genius—and I miss him terribly."



COURTESY OF JERRY HOWARD

Water works: Jerry Howard of WaterPartners visits with young residents of San Lorenzo, Honduras.

Loucks, PhD '65, a Cornell professor of civil and environmental engineering. "It's messy, but it's democratic, and it is a way to come up with solutions that are not just based on the best economics or the best engineering." Loucks, who specializes in

than on his MBA and business experience. Now the head of Strategy First Partners, a marketing consulting firm for Fortune 500 companies, he's helping WaterPartners strategize the deployment of two \$1 million grants. Provided by the Michael and

water resource and environmental management systems, says, "The best overall decision is one that's informed by all the stakeholders, and that has a better chance of surviving and changing and doing some good than an expert coming in and taking over."

Given that community-based approach, Howard's contribution to WaterPartners draws less on his degree in operations research and industrial engineering

Susan Dell Foundation and the Agora Foundation, they are the largest gifts in WaterPartners' fifteen-year history. The money will fund a micro-lending scheme called WaterCredit, aimed at communities too rich to qualify for a WaterPartners grant but too poor to pay outright for their own water system.

The ripple effect of clean tap water improves not only health, but also education and local economies. Instead of walking for hours to collect unclean water, children will be attending school while adults can grow more food. No other intervention has greater overall impact upon a country's development and public health than safe drinking water and sanitation, according to the WHO.

Howard saw the proof in Honduras.

"As an issue, once you spend five minutes on it, it seems so fundamentally obvious," he says. "You've got water, you've got education, and the rest will follow."

— Susan Kelley

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On a Roll

COME HUNGRY: HOTELIES' GIANT SPRING ROLL IS GUINNESS RECORD

With 400 pounds of noodles, 600 pounds of vegetables, and 4,500 sheets of rice paper, 100 volunteers from the School of Hotel Administration and Wegmans Food Market rolled their way into the *Guinness Book of World Records* on April 30 at Barton Hall. Wearing red aprons and white chef hats that read "Let Love Roll," the team constructed an immense spring roll, setting a new world record of 434 meters (previous record: 100 meters) while raising money for Southeast Asian tsunami relief.

Inspired by the school's successful pursuit of the world's largest lasagna in 1995, Hotel students Garnie Nygren '04 and Howard Ho '05 decided to put an Asian spin on their own culinary charity effort. The pair applied online for the record and received pre-approval from Guinness, then contacted Wegmans president and CEO Danny Wegman, who forwarded their request for help to Bob Langkammerer, MMH '98, the supermarket chain's Syracuse region executive chef. "Every so often, we find something we want to get behind," says Rusty Dewing, service area manager of the Ithaca store, which donated all of the ingredients. "We saw this as a unique opportunity."

The rolling began in earnest at 11:00 a.m. As a Tompkins County food inspector looked on, volunteers pulled on latex gloves and piled vegetables onto sheets of rice paper arranged on folding tables set up along Barton's indoor track, continuing until they met each other in the middle. Several hours later, the serpentine roll, an inch and a half in diameter, had looped around the track twice. Per Guinness rules, the completed colossal hors d'oeuvre was officially measured by a certified third party—Cornell Planning, Design, and Construction surveyor Robert Chiang—and then transported to the Hotel school to be weighed before being returned to Barton to be served. The event raised more than \$20,000 from donations and sales of \$5 individual portions of the roll; the money went to the Tzu Chi Foundation, a nonprofit organization based in Taiwan, for its tsunami-relief fund. "Things did get a little messy at times, like when we were loading the spring roll onto the truck," says Ho. "But it was a great experience."

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IN MAY 2002, JUST MONTHS after the fall of the Taliban, Rosemary Stasek '85 joined a small delegation of Afghan expatriates on a trip to Kabul organized by a San Francisco human rights organization. At the time, Stasek was a Web developer and former mayor of Mountain View, California, a Silicon Valley town of 75,000 with a large Afghan-American community. She'd never been to Afghanistan, spoke no Farsi, and had only the vaguest sense that something very bad had been happening in the beleaguered Central Asian country. Flying into Kabul International on a threadbare Air France jet repurposed for Ariana—the national carrier that white-knuckle passengers (invoking the Arabic expression for “God willing”) often call “*Insh'allah* Air”—she marveled at the burnt-out fuselages of old Soviet aircraft lining the runway. For two weeks she toured a nation reduced to rubble by war, famine, and the Taliban regime. And she couldn't wait to go back. “I fell in love with the place,” she says. “I decided, this is what I have to do.”

A year later, she returned, this time on her own with \$5,000 of donations in hand to help rebuild a women's prison. She made two more visits in 2004 before making the move semi-permanent: in January 2005, after her term on the city council expired, she started her new job—logistics manager for the Kabul Beauty School, a hair salon and cosmetology college that helps train Afghan women to run their own home businesses. Stasek is now one of a handful of Americans—outside of security contractors and the military personnel largely restricted to nearby Bagram Air Base—living and working in the chaotic work-in-progress that is post-Taliban Kabul.

Stasek admits she's an odd fit for a beauty school—“I don't even wear lipstick,” she says. As logistics manager, her duties involve scrounging supplies from the city's bazaars and navigating the labyrinthine Afghan bureaucracy. Odder still, perhaps, is the notion of hairdressers as nation-builders. But in a city where many women were literally imprisoned in their homes for the five years of Taliban rule, a beauty school makes both an economic and political statement. Glamour is an important cottage industry in Kabul: hundreds of women run salons out of their homes,



COURTESY OF ROSEMARY STASEK

Greetings from Afghanistan: Rosemary Stasek '85 (left), with schoolgirls from her neighborhood in Kabul

and there is tremendous pent-up demand for beauticians who can duplicate the elaborate hair and makeup styles popularized in fashion magazines from Iran and Dubai. “Women used to be whipped for using nail polish,” says Stasek. “Still, even under the Taliban they were wearing lipstick underneath their burkas. They never forgot.”

The burka is an increasingly rare sight on Kabul streets. Stasek estimates that perhaps 15 percent of the city's women still wear the billowing head-to-toe coverings that have become a symbol of fundamentalist Islam. Despite a recent wave of anti-U.S. rioting

and the bombing of the Internet cafe Stasek once frequented, she says that the city is safer than it once was, as a flood of returning refugees—and Western NGOs—has turned Kabul into a boom town. “It's less *Mad Max*, more *Wild West*,” Stasek says. “There are restaurants and traffic and new buildings going up. If you really need a box of Frosted Flakes, you can probably find it.”

But cultural norms are slower to change. Many men frown on the school and its empowering mission, in part because a hairdresser can easily out-earn her husband. “There's a lot of resentment of the idea that women are making a lot of money,” says Stasek, who claims that 90 percent of the school's graduates land jobs, either running their own home salons or working in shops that cater to the thousands of international aid workers in the city. In a country where the average wage hovers around \$2 per day, the prospect of earning \$10 per haircut is worth the risk. “The women who come to us are the gutsy ones. But they can make amazing money.”

The three-month cosmetology course covers more than just perms and manicures: there are language classes in English and written Farsi, and the students receive instruction in basic women's health issues. “We're trying to cram in as much sedition as we can in three months,” jokes Stasek, who sees her work as an extension of her activism on women's issues: she's also founded a nonprofit charitable organization to help raise funds. Additional money comes from the Oasis Salon in Kabul, a private parlor staffed by the school's graduates, some of whom go on to teach incoming classes.

The beauty school has faced a number of challenges in its brief existence. Founded in 2002, the project was initially

bankrolled by donations from the cosmetics industry and headquartered in the Afghan Ministry of Women's Affairs, with a faculty of American and Afghan-American stylists. (A recent documentary film, *The Beauty Academy of Kabul*, chronicled the first class of students.) Debbie Rodriguez, a Michigan hairdresser and former relief worker, took the helm after the film crew left, and the struggling beauty school temporarily relocated to rented quarters. In May, Stasek and Rodriguez signed the papers for a new facility that the school would own outright for \$30,000. "We don't exactly have all that money at the moment," Stasek writes via e-mail, "but I did some creative accounting and outright borrowing, and I'm hoping it will all work out."

Stasek seems to thrive on such adversity. An economics major and varsity football team manager at Cornell, she grew up in a small town in northeastern Pennsylvania and moved to California to work in the computer industry after graduation. Politics and activism have been ongoing pursuits—she co-founded California Catholics for Free Choice, a reproductive rights organization, in 1989 and traveled to Cuba with a women's group in 1998—but the move to Kabul still shocked her family. "They all had a stroke," she says. High technology brings a modicum of normalcy to daily life. Her rented quarters now boast an Internet hookup so she can update her blog (www.stasek.com/afghanistan/blog) and continue her career as a Web developer; she still administers several websites for various clients, even though electricity flows for a only few hours in the evening. Mail service is even less reliable. "My *Economist* subscription still hasn't found me," she says.

Stasek plans to stay on in Afghanistan at least until late summer, when the beauty school begins classes in its new home. And despite the recent unrest, she's cautiously optimistic about the future. This spring, the long-dry Kabul River flowed for the first time in decades, the result of heavy winter snows that broke a persistent drought. To long-suffering Kabulites, Stasek says, it seemed a hopeful sign. "The people say it's God's blessing for peace."

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WHEN BRAXTON Pope '93 and I were undergraduates together at Cornell, I went to see his first student film: black and white, beautifully shot, some of our more attractive friends appearing in various states of undress. Braxton preferred film noir and *Koyaanisqatsi* to the stuff showing in the local mega-plex. After graduation, he headed off to Hollywood with dreams of making great art.

Instead, he learned to make great tea. "My first job in L.A. was working as an assistant for a Moroccan model-turned-producer—making tea for her friends, fetching organic lunches, getting her ancient Rolls-Royce washed," he says from his office in Marina Del Rey. "I thought that Ivy League credentials would mean something, but I started learning right away that in Hollywood, experience is what counts." Now, with more than a decade in the industry behind him ("and Hollywood years are like dog years," he says), Pope may be getting a chance to fulfill his undergrad dreams. The production company he founded in 2003 with partner Andrew Weiner, Ithaka Entertainment, has recently landed actor Nicolas Cage and director Milos Forman for a biopic about professional gambler Amarillo Slim Preston (based on the recent autobiography *Amarillo Slim in a World Full of Fat People*, co-authored with Greg Dinkin '93). A comedy about party boys and a more serious script from Andrew Klavan, who wrote the 2001 thriller *Don't Say a*



COURTESY OF BRAXTON POPE

Waiting for the green light: Film producer Braxton Pope '93

Word, are in pre-production. Last fall Pope produced, along with Cam Jones '88, a Showtime pilot starring writer Jonathan Ames, based on Ames's autobiographical collection *What's Not to Love?* These projects and others recently earned Pope a nod from the *Hollywood Reporter* as one of their "35 under 35" people likely to change the entertainment industry.

Pope is hoping that the industry paper is right. After surviving his own lean years, he says his goal is to make it easier for talent to find its niche in Hollywood. "I enjoy being a producer," he says. "I try to supply a writer, a director, a project with what it needs to succeed. The entertainment world doesn't necessarily reward innovation and creativity, but I've been able to build a career for myself by stoking the careers of

people I like and believe in."

The child of two Indiana University professors, Pope grew up mesmerized by Hollywood. "The world of movies was a lot more exciting than the world of Hoosiers," he says. While his siblings chose medicine and law, Pope received his family's blessing to study film at Cornell. He picked up a taste for classic cinema from Professor Don Fredericksen. "Don used to say that film is a promiscuous medium because it sleeps with so many art forms: literature, music, theatre, painting," says Pope. "So I came out here thinking about film as culture, not as business."

During the 1990s, Pope held mid-level positions at distribution companies like Artisan (where he shepherded the Christopher Walken vehicle *Suicide Kings* to production) and Initial Entertainment (where he worked on the cult comedy *Very Bad Things*). As his projects were released—to mixed reviews—Pope sometimes contemplated other careers. "Like many people, I took the LSAT and thought about escape routes," he says. In 1997, Pope and two friends formed their own company, Rockfish Films, and gained a first-look agreement with USA Films, generating concepts and deals for the major production company to choose among. For Pope, it was the toehold he needed to stay in the industry.

And he has stayed, building a career that can be difficult to explain to his old college friends outside the business. "Most days a producer is a salesman, trying to convince someone that a project is artistically and commercially viable," he says. "You hunt for stories, you help the writer shape it, and you find the financing. Then you're like a general in an army, in that you're responsible for everything but not necessarily doing the hand-to-hand combat. You see the project through to the editing room, trying to make sure there is some relationship between the original vision and what ends up on the screen."

According to some of the screenwriters he's worked with, Pope's commitment to nurturing talent and protecting writers sets him apart. "He reads books," says screenwriter Sam Montgomery, who wrote the submarine thriller *U-571* and has worked with Pope in developing several projects. "That might sound like faint

praise, but it hardly goes without saying in the movie business. He even reads good books." Pope is able to give writers feedback they can use, Montgomery says. "A producer once saw the word *battleship* in a scene and insisted I insert *military* before it, as in *military battleship*, to avoid confusion with an *agricultural battleship* or something. You go into a meeting with Brax knowing you won't have to deal with nonsense like that. You'll get smart ideas about how to make the script better."

National Book Award finalist Thom Jones, whose short story collections *The Pugilist at Rest* and *Cold Snap* were literary hits in the 1990s, is now working with Pope on an adaptation of Larry Brown's novel *The Rabbit Factory*. "I had no real desire to write film scripts and found it very difficult until I hooked up with Braxton," he says. "He walked me through some Class-A projects with attention to quality instead of a fast hustle, and he brought out the best in me."

The Cage/Forman project currently in development could be Pope's best chance yet to deliver on his hopes of balancing the demands of art and commerce. "Most of the films I have been involved in have been smaller, more niche-audience fare," he says. "I've been slogging away in the industry long enough, though, that even if this film scores at the box office, it's not going to make me forget the realities of how tough it is to do projects that matter to you."

To stay grounded, Pope spends his free time scouring second-hand bookstores (the collected works of William Trevor and Céline's *Journey to the End of the Night* are currently on his desk), enjoying his new marriage, and playing basketball in a league populated by screenwriters, actors, and other industry types. "My most absurd moment was probably guarding five-foot-one Frankie Muniz [the teenage star of 'Malcolm in the Middle']." He also makes sure to keep in touch with friends outside L.A., in part because he knows that fortunes can change quickly. "Hollywood is a tiny, tiny world," he says. "I'm happy about what has happened for me recently, but I think that it's best not to dwell on it—I could be back perfecting the art of chai tea at any moment."

— C.A. Carlson '93, MFA '96

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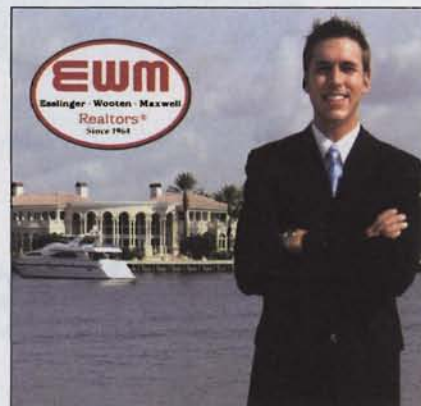
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Dress Code

WAS A HARVARD LIBRARIAN
"TOO SEXY" FOR HER JOB?

dESIREE GOODWIN '87 RELISHES the idea of being different. A librarian at Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, she takes pride in looking attractive, dressing stylishly, and being an accomplished dancer—all part of what she once called her "never-ending quest to defy the image of the typical librarian." But her employer, Goodwin

says, doesn't appreciate her efforts: according to a lawsuit she filed for race and gender discrimination in March, she has been passed over for promotion sixteen times. At the center of the case was her contention that her supervisors deemed her ineligible for higher-level jobs because of her appearance. Her boss, Goodwin claims, once told her she was "too sexy" and colleagues said

she was considered "a joke" because of the way she dresses.

Goodwin overcame an impoverished and itinerant childhood to earn an undergraduate degree from Cornell and two master's degrees, one in English literature from Boston College and a second in library science from Simmons College. She has worked at Harvard since 1994, but contends that the decision-makers in the university's library system have consistently overlooked her qualifications and rejected her applications for higher-level positions. In the court case, Harvard's lawyers blamed Goodwin's lack of advancement on fierce competition—not her appearance—and said she was simply unqualified for the jobs she sought.

The all-white jury of five men and one woman agreed, deliberating for less than four hours before submitting a decision in favor of Harvard to Judge Joseph Tauro, JD '56. The jury "conflated her race, her gender, and her looks," says Richard Clarey, Goodwin's lawyer. "It was a lethal combination." Goodwin was bitterly disappointed. "The message that this verdict sends," she says, "is that it doesn't matter how much experience or education you have, [employers] can still put more weight on other intangible factors, and the courts will do nothing to protect you."

The relationship between attractiveness and perceptions of workplace competency is complex, says Madeline Heilman '67, a psychology professor at New York University. "Being good-looking is often a liability [for women] in the workforce—but not always," she says. For those seeking lower-level jobs, Heilman explains, beauty is usually an asset; for managerial jobs, it can be a disadvantage. That's because the more attractive a person is, the more that person is identified with gender stereotypes: competence is seen as compatible with ideals of masculinity but incompatible with ideals of femininity.

Inappropriate or simply unusual dress can also obscure intelligence and ability, says historian and human development professor Joan Jacobs Brumberg of the College of Human Ecology. "In terms of upward mobility, women pay a real price for deviance in style of dress," she says.

According to Harvard Business School

Skirting the issue: When Harvard wouldn't promote image-busting librarian Desiree Goodwin '87, she took the university to court for race and gender discrimination.

professor David Thomas, the author of *Breaking Through: The Making of Minority Executives in Corporate America*, minority women must work even harder than white women to project the right image. "Dress can have an impact of igniting or diminishing stereotypes," he says, "and dress is even more important among certain minority groups that are negatively stigmatized, because people are trying to figure out how to relate to you as a member of that group and as a member of the work group."

When this happens, the loss goes beyond the fate of individual careers, as Heilman noted in "Sometimes Beauty Can Be Beastly," an op-ed piece she wrote for the *New York Times*. "Because potentially valuable talent may be disregarded," wrote Heilman, "organizations as well as individual applicants stand to lose." Because attractive women seeking managerial positions appear to be penalized for their looks, the implication is that women should strive to be unattractive, Heilman states. But that should not be the case; rather, organizations should reduce the pressure on women to "look good" if such organizations wish to reap the benefits of female talent.

In court, Goodwin claimed that her supervisor, Barbara Mitchell—who had given her positive written evaluations—told her that she was "just a pretty girl" and that she would have trouble fitting in if she were promoted to a position at Harvard's Widener Library. Mitchell denied saying this (and did not return calls for comment), but Judith Malone, a Harvard lawyer, concedes that Mitchell did "raise the issue of the importance of looking professional" when talking to Goodwin.

Goodwin says she plans to remain in her current position and will continue to apply for jobs at Harvard and elsewhere. In the meantime, she has toned down her dress—she now wears long, bulky sweaters that hide her figure. "I've been a straight-A student and I do a tremendous volume of work in the library," she says. "The fact that the focus has been on my appearance is superficial and shallow, and it's shocking to me, especially at a place like Harvard."

— Tamar Morad



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Wonka vet Ostrum, then (above) and now



COURTESY PETER OSTRUM

Here was a kid from Ohio who was performing at the Cleveland Playhouse children's theater in 1970 when he was discovered by agents casting *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*. They took some Polaroids, tape-recorded him reading a few lines, and called him in for a screen test a couple of months later. Suddenly, twelve-year-old Pete was Charlie Bucket, traveling overseas for the first time (to Munich) and acting opposite Gene Wilder and Jack Albertson.

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"It was fascinating—Munich was doing a lot of building to get ready for the 1972 Olympics," says Ostrum, who now practices veterinary medicine in the town of Lowville, nestled in the far reaches of northern New York State. During the filming, he was accompanied by his father, who hadn't seen Germany since his Army days during World War II. Ostrum recalls that he got along well with his fellow cast members but found the work tedious. "The film was shot over a four-month period," he says, "and the novelty wears off pretty quickly."

Although the movie was a critical and box office disappointment following its release in the summer of 1971, it has since become a cult classic. And this summer Wonka lovers can expect another treat in the form of an updated version of the famous story. The remake, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*—said to be a "re-imagination" of the Roald Dahl book—was directed by Tim Burton and stars Johnny Depp as the enigmatic Wonka. Young actor Freddie Highmore, who appeared recently in *Finding Neverland*, will be Charlie; it is his ninth feature film.

Ostrum plans to take his kids to see the movie, but only in recent years has he come to terms with his participation in the original. Indeed, for a long time he was reluctant to even discuss it. But after seeing the film's impact on his son (seven) and daughter (eleven), he began to rethink his role. In *Willy Wonka*, he was basically playing himself—down to earth and able to be awed without losing his footing. But unlike Charlie, who gratefully inherited Wonka's factory, Ostrum returned to Cleveland with the suspicion that filmmaking wasn't quite his (edible) cup of tea. He even turned down producer David

Wolper's offer of a three-picture deal. "They basically had control over you at that point, and I wasn't interested in that at all," Ostrum says. "I enjoyed making the movie, but did I want to be a film actor for the rest of my life? I guess I didn't."

Instead, he found an entirely different calling. Shortly after he completed the film, his family acquired a horse. When a veterinarian arrived at the stables one day, Ostrum had an epiphany. "This guy loved what he did and that made a huge impression on me," he recalls. "My father was a lawyer, and I didn't have a clue what he did during the day. He went to the office. But a veterinarian—I knew what he did."

Ostrum graduated from high school a semester early, snagged a position as a groom for the U.S. Olympic equestrian team, and then put off college for a year to work at the Delaware Equine Center in Pennsylvania. After three years at Ohio State, he gained early acceptance to Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine. Ostrum received his degree in 1984, and then graduated again last November as one of twenty dairy professionals in the third class of the Cornell Dairy Executive Program.

Today, two dozen years after his single film credit, Ostrum has a DVM diploma on the wall of his office instead of lickable wallpaper. He and his wife, Loretta, are surrounded not by Oompa Loompas but by dogs and cats. Ostrum runs marathons, serves on the local school board, and occasionally visits classrooms to talk about his Hollywood experience and how one's life decisions can make all the difference. Often, he'll bring with him the only movie memorabilia he possesses—a clapstick slate ("Scene 12, Take 3") and a couple of Wonka Bars.

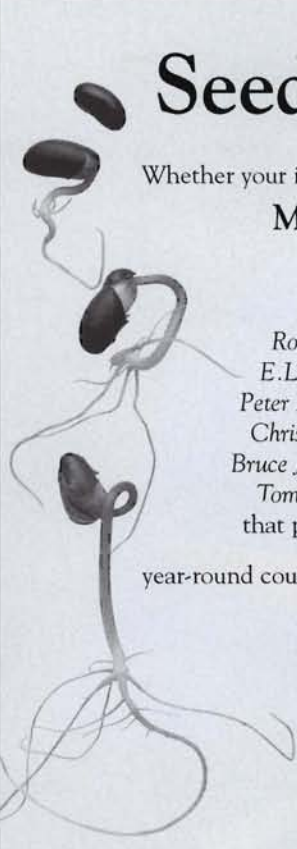
No, he doesn't own one of the dozen or so original Golden Tickets, considered a valuable collector's item nowadays, but Dr. Peter Ostrum seems so content in his life choices that perhaps the final lines of his sole movie appearance were prescient after all:

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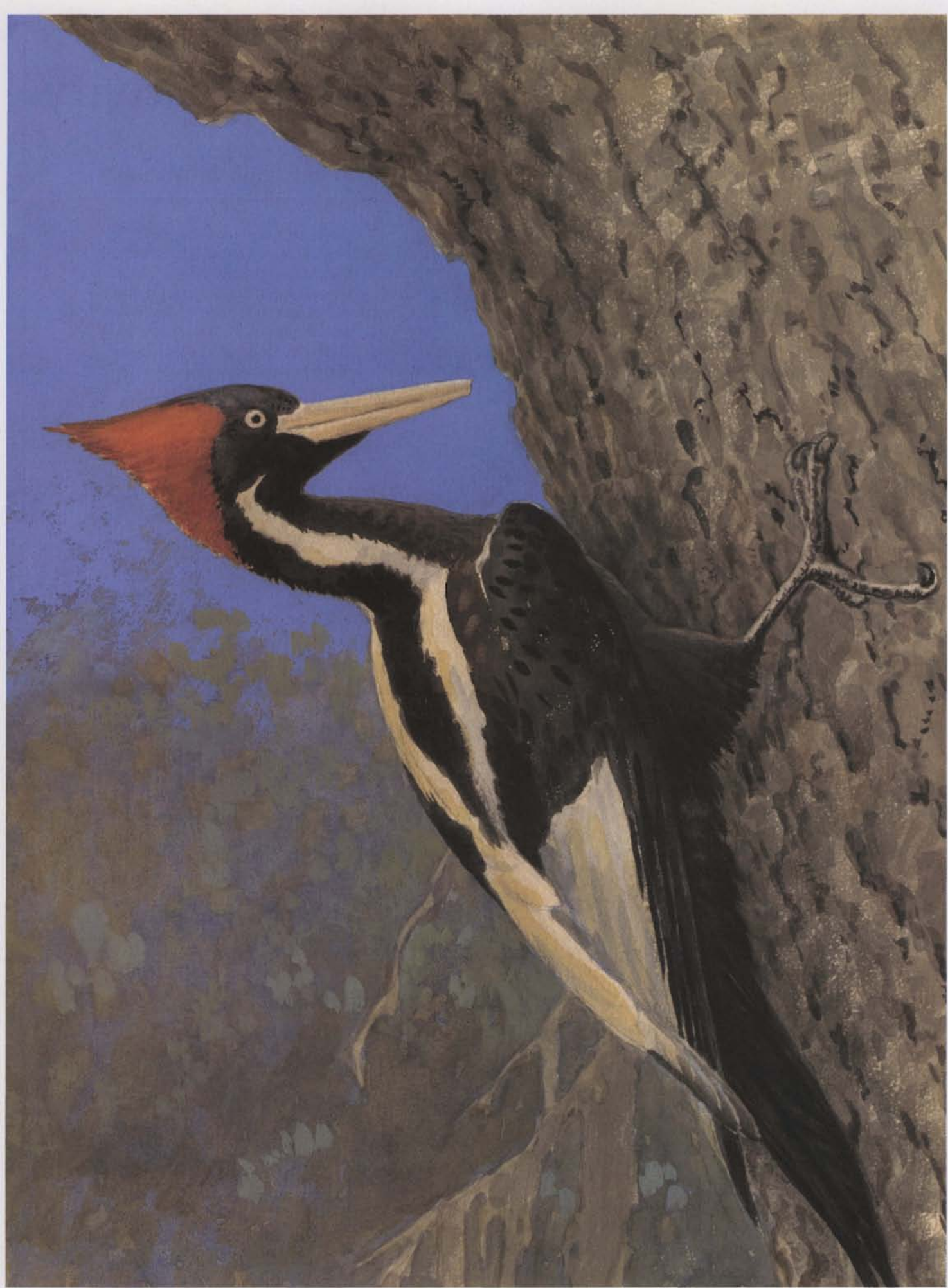
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One rare bird

Cornell ornithologists rediscover the ivory-billed woodpecker—and make history

By Sharon Tregaskis

nancy Tanner was twenty-four years old when she saw the ivory-billed woodpecker. A bride of four months, she was accompanying her ornithologist husband, James Tanner '35, PhD '40, on a two-week Christmastime trip to Louisiana's Atchafalaya Swamp. It was 1941, just after the bombing of Pearl Harbor and before the start of Jim's overseas military service. On day two, the newlyweds rose before dawn to hike the five miles through a boggy 81,000-acre forest owned by the Singer Sewing Machine Company. The pair slogged through lowland mud and crested high ridges, struggled through tangled briars and clambered over fallen trees. "It was very difficult walking," says Tanner, "but I was young." As dawn broke, the couple reached a roost hole they'd spotted the day before; barred owls, white sparrows, and Carolina woodpeckers had already begun calling.

Sixty-four years later—fourteen years after Jim's death—Tanner recalls the moments that followed: "About seven in the morning, the sun was hitting the tops of the trees. The male came out and he preened and stretched, and finally he double-rapped a couple times. Then the female came out of her roost hole, maybe twenty feet away; she flew over and they talked a while, then they flew off." The encounter lasted only minutes. "It is an absolutely gorgeous bird," she says. "It's majestic, it's regal, it's huge."

Tanner never saw an ivory-bill again. Three years later, in April 1944, an Audubon Society illustrator named Donald Eckelberry made the last verified U.S. sighting of the elusive bird, in the



**James Tanner '35,
PhD '40, on the trail
of the ivory-bill**

Tensas River Bottom of northeast Louisiana. Four years later, another specimen was photographed in Cuba. For another sixty years, the ivory-billed woodpecker, flirting with extinction since the late nineteenth century, remained a mystery, officially unseen by human eyes. Until this spring.

On April 29, in a joint press conference with state and federal officials and representatives from the Nature Conservancy, Cornell Lab of Ornithology director John Fitzpatrick announced the results of a top-secret, fourteen-month search in the Big Woods of the Cache River region in northeastern Arkansas, documented in an article published by the journal *Science*: seven confirmed sightings and one brief video clip of a male ivory-

bill in flight. The news made headlines around the world, transforming what was once the unattainable object of amateur birders' obsessive attentions into a scientific certainty—and an unlikely media darling. “This is the most spectacular creature we could ever imagine rediscovering,” Fitzpatrick told reporters. “For three generations this bird has been a symbol of the great old forests of the southern United States. Nothing could be more hoped for than this Holy Grail.”

Scientists know it as *Campephilus principalis*—“princely eater of caterpillars”—but those who have pursued the animal have called it the grail bird, the ghost bird, and the “Lord God bird” (as in, “Lord God, what a bird!”). The ivory-bill boasts a three-inch bill of pure white and a wingspan ten times that length. Males sport a scarlet crest; females wear black. Both have piercing yellow eyes. The largest woodpecker in North America, it stands eighteen to twenty inches tall but weighs just twenty ounces. Unlike the smaller pileated woodpecker, for which it is often mistaken, the ivory-bill has a white stripe that runs down its neck and stiff white feathers on the trailing edge of its wings; when it folds them close to its

jet-black back, a contrasting shield appears at the base of its body. “You have to know what you’ve seen,” says Lab of Ornithology birding team captain Kevin McGowan, who participated in the search. “It’s one thing to know the field marks and another thing to know if you’ve seen them or not.”

Until the late 1800s, ivory-bills ranged from South Carolina to Florida and west to southern Illinois and Texas. They mated for life, and a single nesting pair requires more than six square miles—3,800 acres—of old-growth woodland to raise a brood, feeding on long-horn beetle larvae in the cambium layer of dying—not

dead—trees. In the 1870s, the bird’s prospects dimmed when laws protecting the southern forests were repealed and lumber prices spiked in the wake of rebuilding after the Chicago fire. The virgin forests of tupelo gum, hickory, oak, and cypress were logged, and the habitat favored by ivory-bills, wolves, black bears, and Florida panthers disappeared. Birders and naturalists hastened the decline by killing specimens for personal and museum collections. By the end of the century, the bottomland forests were all but gone and many experts believed the birds had been erased from most of the southeastern United States.

Lab of Ornithology founder Arthur Allen, PhD ’11, wasn’t convinced. Rumored sightings in Florida led him and wife Elsa ’12, PhD ’29, to the Taylor River region in 1924, and, with help from a local guide, they found a nesting pair. “I have

tion with Cornell ornithologists Peter Paul Kellogg ’29, PhD ’38, George Miksch Sutton, PhD ’32, and Jim Tanner to record the calls of some 100 imperiled species, including the California condor and the trumpeter swan. After hauling 1,500 pounds of Movietone equipment by mule-drawn wagon through the Atchafalaya Swamp, they became the first—and last—to film an ivory-bill in flight and record its toy-trumpet call and signature double-knock. Tanner chose to stay on and make his home in the swamp for three years in the late 1930s, gathering research for *The Ivory-Billed Woodpecker*, the comprehensive guide that comprised his doctoral dissertation and was published by the National Audubon Society in 1942.

The Singer tract was logged during World War II. Tanner followed up on dozens of reported sightings after he returned from the war, but he never saw the bird again. Subsequent searches also ended in failure, and over the next decades the phantom woodpecker became ornithology’s Bigfoot, the stuff of rumor and hoax. In the early 1970s, Louisiana State University ivory-bill expert George Lowery received grainy photos of the bird and presented the prints to an annual meeting of the American Ornithological Union. The scientists pronounced them a fraud—stuffed birds perched on a tree.

By 1986, with most experts convinced that the bird was finally gone, the U.S. Forest and Wildlife Service assembled a scientific

advisory team, including Tanner and Florida Gulf Coast University ornithologist Jerome Jackson, to consider formally listing the bird as extinct. Jackson protested—he believed that isolated specimens still lived—and he spent the next year in the Atchafalaya Basin trying to prove it. He failed.

Then, a tantalizing flicker of hope. In April 1999, a Louisiana State University forestry student named David Kulivan waded into the 35,000-acre Pearl River region of southeastern Louisiana to hunt turkeys. Instead, he saw a pair of ivory-bills. After watching the birds for ten min-



COURTESY OF DAVID ALLEN

Caught: Lab of O founder Arthur Allen, PhD ’11, took this photo of an ivory-billed woodpecker in flight in 1935.

just enjoyed one of the greatest experiences of my life, for I have found that which they said could not be found—the ivory-billed woodpecker,” he later wrote. “Those who know most about Florida birds held out little hope of my ever seeing one alive, but after a month’s search I have found a pair of them and they are very much alive.” Not for long: within days, the birds had been shot and stuffed by a pair of taxidermists making good on a hunting license issued by local officials certain no more of their kind remained.

Eleven years later, Allen was back on the trail, leading a cross-country expedi-



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Into the woods: Gene Sparling, who spotted an ivory-billed woodpecker in 2004, continues to search for the elusive bird in the Cache River National Wildlife Refuge, Arkansas.

utes, he reported the sighting to Van Remsen, an expert at LSU. With sponsorship from Zeiss Optics, a high-end binocular company, Remsen led a six-member expedition on a thirty-day search. Simultaneously, the Lab of Ornithology's Lab of O hung twelve battery-operated autonomous recording units (ARUs) in the area to collect audio evidence of the birds. The two searches yielded more than 4,000 hours of woodland sounds and a few sightings of nest cavities and bark peelings. Results, scientists had to admit, were inconclusive.

In February 2004, an amateur birder

named Gene Sparling posted an online trip report of what sounded like a legitimate ivory-bill sighting in the Big Woods of Arkansas. Tim Gallagher, editor of the Lab of Ornithology's *Living Bird* magazine, heard of the posting from an ivory-bill fan—one of scores of backwoods birders and woodpecker hunters he had interviewed for *The Grail Bird: Hot on the Trail of the Ivory-Billed Woodpecker*, his recently published chronicle of the bird's often obsessive pursuers. Gallagher contacted Sparling, and a week later he and his friend Bobby Harrison, a bird photog-

rapher and associate professor at Oakwood College in Huntsville, Alabama, were floating through the 550,000-acre floodplain forest of the Mississippi Delta.

On their second day, a male ivory-bill flew just yards ahead of their canoe. "It was stunning," says Gallagher. "More beautiful than I thought it could be—big, graceful, swift in flight." Too stunned to fumble for their camcorders, they scrambled ashore in hopes of following the bird, which never landed long enough to be captured on tape. After giving up the pursuit, each made independent field notes

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documenting the experience. Says Gallagher: “It was completely unmistakable.”

On his return to Ithaca, Gallagher alerted John Fitzpatrick. Together with Scott Simon, director of the Nature Conservancy of Arkansas, which owns the land where the sightings were made, Fitzpatrick decided to mount a massive search that he hoped would prove once and for all that the species still lived. Eventually, the effort grew to involve a team of fifty birders and cost nearly three quarters of a million dollars, raised from private donors. “There are few things more important than understanding what living things exist in this world and doing what we can to save them,” says Fitzpatrick. “This bird goes millions of years back in history and stands for one of the most haunting and lost elements of the American heritage.”

The team’s first priority was secrecy—after so many near-misses and inconclusive reports, they needed enough time to thoroughly document the bird’s existence, publish their findings in a peer-reviewed scientific journal, and protect the swamp from invasion by the nation’s 70 million bird enthusiasts once the news got out. Each member signed a non-disclosure contract, and new members were added to the search only on approval by the entire team. “It was a tremendous source of anxiety,” says Fitzpatrick. “It required significant discipline not to tell friends and professional colleagues.”

as the searchers soon discovered, there are good reasons why ivory-bills have remained so elusive. “The habitat is incredibly inhospitable to people,” says Jerome Jackson, author of *In Search of the Ivory-Billed Woodpecker*. “You walk fifty feet,

then wade or swim for fifty feet. You can’t traverse it easily by boat or on foot. There are all kinds of obstacles—from logs in the water to poisonous snakes, mosquitoes, and briars. It simply is not an environment in which humans can go on a whim. You have to go prepared, and you’re not going to be able to move easily, quietly, for

seventeen-year-old son Jay, also an accomplished birder. One day he left the boy on a half-submerged log the size of a conference-room table and returned for him twelve hours later. “By the end of the first week, we were exhausted,” says McGowan, who heard the ivory-bill’s double-knock just once and never got a glimpse of the bird. “By the end of the second week, we were ready to go home.”

To ward off boredom, the birders conducted point counts, documenting how many species they’d heard singing and calling during each half-hour period, and kept an eye out for the swamp’s more threatening inhabitants. “You spend as much time looking down for cottonmouths as looking up for birds,” says Gallagher. The team also hung eight heat-and-motion-activated digital cameras and twenty-four ARUs that recorded eight hours of sound per day for a total of more than three terabytes of data—the equivalent of nearly three years of continuous

recording. “We were always ready, practicing with the cameras,” says McGowan, who spent a third week in the swamps in 2005 and guesses that he had about a one-in-five chance of actually capturing a photo. “People who had their cameras on the whole time were the only ones who got anything.”

After more than 7,000 hours searching a sixteen-square-mile portion of the swamp—only 8 percent of the area—the team had tallied fifteen sightings; seven met the team’s standards of confidence for



John James Audubon's portrait of the Ivory-bill, 1829

any great distance.”

The first winter of the fourteen-month search was intense. With only three canoes, team members deposited one another throughout the swamps for solitary shifts beginning at dawn and ending at dusk. “It’s a measure of how powerful this bird is that people of all ages and functions would spend every day walking through soup and paddling to do this,” says Fitzpatrick, who has yet to see the bird himself. In March 2004, Kevin McGowan spent two weeks in the swamps with his



BOBBY HARRISON

Slow going: Tim Gallagher searches for ivory-bills in the Big Woods of Arkansas.

the *Science* article. Only one, from April 2004, was documented on videotape. Captured by David Luneau, a professor at the University of Arkansas, Little Rock, the four-second clip shows a brief but unmistakable glimpse of the bird perched on a tupelo stump followed by 1.2 seconds of flight. The wings beat eleven times, revealing the white trailing feathers that distinguish it from the pileated woodpecker.

The footage, blurry as it is, has been replayed repeatedly on television. "You don't know what you're looking at," McGowan says. "It's just like Bigfoot." For birders, however, those precious seconds are clear enough to seal the deal. Says Fitzpatrick: "The video is conclusive."

Birding in the Big Woods effectively ends in late April, when trees in full leaf limit visibility and swarms of mosquitoes begin feeding. But the team had barely completed its work for the 2004–05 season when word of the sightings appeared on an online birding forum on the evening of April 25—several weeks in advance of the target release date of May 18.

The team had intended to release the news with a press conference in Arkansas to accompany the publication of the team's article in *Science*. "We didn't want this to go out into the public conversation without first having it reviewed and accepted by a scientific publication," says Fitzpatrick. But, knowing that a leak was likely, media experts at Cornell and the Nature Conservancy had drawn up a contingency plan.

On the morning of April 28—less than seventy-two hours after the online leak—editors at *Science* released the findings on their *Science Express* website and a radio report aired on National Public Radio's Morning Edition, which had been granted an exclusive for its participation in the 2002 search. A press conference in Washington, D.C., was hastily convened with representatives from Cornell and the Nature Conservancy, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Michael Johanns, and Interior Secretary Gale Norton. Meanwhile, the Lab of Ornithology fired off an electronic press release to more than 1,000 news outlets, and Cornell and the Nature Conservancy launched a joint website: www.ivorybill.org. "*Science* had accepted the paper already, and they were able to speed the process of getting it published, to keep an embargo on the news and get it out before everybody was asking us questions," says Fitzpatrick. "The effects of the leak turned out to be fairly minor, other than that we didn't get any sleep that week."

despite the credentials of the Cornell ornithologists and the imprimatur of *Science*, not everyone is a believer. "There's still, in my opinion, a tiny shadow of doubt about the sightings and the video," says Jerome Jackson. "I want to believe, and it's very

good, but it's not the perfect evidence we'd like to have." Fitzpatrick, McGowan, and Gallagher, however, are convinced about what the researchers saw. "Obviously everyone has their own opinions, and that's the idea of science," says Fitzpatrick. "You tell people what you make of it and give it to them to study. If you couple the video with some very good looks at the bird beforehand, it all fits together that at least one bird was there. From my standpoint, there isn't any doubt."

Far less certain is the future of the species. The ivory-bill may have survived the worst of its habitat destruction, but whatever breeding population remains must be dangerously small—possibly too small to escape the "extinction vortex," the deadly combination of genetic and environmental factors that can pitch a species into an irrecoverable tailspin. "If there's no genetic diversity, they're imperiled," says conservation lawyer Oliver Houck, a professor at Tulane University who has long sought the ivory-bill in the bayous of Louisiana. "I don't find it puzzling that the ivory-bill would survive in this environment, but to have made it this many generations without having made itself infertile or acquired any of the other consequences of inbreeding, that's extraordinary."

On that point, no one disagrees. "All we can do is support its ability to expand again," says Fitzpatrick. To thrive, the bird would require vast, contiguous swaths of recovering forest. Over the past year, the Nature Conservancy has added 18,000 acres to its holdings in the Big Woods region of the Cache River, and at the April 29 press conference, Secretaries Norton and Johanns pledged a combined \$15 million to extend the bird's habitat. Even so, concerns remain that birders will flock to the Big Woods, encroaching on the ivory-bill's privacy. "Don't love the birds to death," pleaded Norton.

Bringing the bird back from the brink—if it can be done at all—is a job that could take another century. But there's more at stake than the fate of a single species. "In protecting the forest for the ivory-billed woodpecker, we're not just protecting the ivory-bill, but hundreds of species," says Jackson. "We're providing corridors of hope." ●

THE SOUTH HILL CONNECTION

Cornell and Ithaca College are more than just neighbors: the Ivy League giant and the modest private college on the hill next door are friends and partners—and sometimes rivals.

They sit atop East Hill and South Hill, with the bustling city of Ithaca sprawled across the valley between them. Each has grown from humble beginnings to impressive physical dimensions, and each has made a name for itself that resonates far beyond Tompkins County. Cornell University and Ithaca College are the twin pillars of the local economy and society, yet each often operates as if the other weren't there. Or so it seems, anyway, to casual observers.

The reality is much richer and more complex. The connections between CU and IC go back many years and take many forms, from academic collaborations to sports events to artistic productions to the many casual interactions that take place at Moosewood and the Farmers Market. These connections aren't always obvious, but

they deepen and extend the educational and social missions of both institutions. The sum of Cornell and Ithaca College is much greater than the parts.

The relationship traces its roots back to the early years of both schools. Perhaps the earliest intersection involved the Fernow family. When the Ithaca Conservatory of Music was founded by William Grant Egbert in 1892, its faculty included Sophie Fernow, whose brother Bernard would become the director of Cornell's short-lived College of Forestry. (Founded by the state legislature in 1898, it was dismantled after Governor B.B. Odell vetoed its appropriation in 1903.) The Fernows were the first of many siblings, spouses, parents, and children whose families would have ties to both schools.

Cornell relied on the Conservatory—which became Ithaca College in 1931—to provide music instruction for its students. In his *History of Cornell*, Morris Bishop '14, PhD '26, reports: "In 1896–97 two one-hour courses were offered under a Choral Union by staff members of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music. . . . The Conservatory [also] took over the music in Sage Chapel, our student singers receiving two hours credit." (*The Ithaca College*



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ITHACA COLLEGE ARCHIVES

Founding fathers: Ezra Cornell (left) and William Grant Egbert (right), first president of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music. Ithaca native Egbert was a young violinist studying in Europe when he got the idea of starting a music school in his hometown.



GEORGE RHODES

Story, written by IC professor John Harcourt, gives a similar account.) In return, Cornell's faculty offered language instruction to students from the Conservatory. With that, an academic exchange began that has continued to this day.

The collaboration has also manifested itself in athletic competition. The Big Red and Bomber football teams scrimmage every fall, the baseball squads have vied for the Mayor's Cup, and the Coaches Against Cancer basketball game has become an annual fund-raising institution. Coaches have also made the trek from one hill to the other. To name just a few well-known examples: Ward Romer '70, an outstanding rower at Cornell, became the crew coach at IC; and Ted Thoren, who was Cornell's head baseball coach from 1962 to 1990, is an IC alumnus. So is Tom Ford, CU's current baseball coach. And Dave Wohlheuter, a tennis champ at Ithaca College during his undergrad years, later served as sports information director at both Cornell and IC.

The relationship has not been without its bumps. Insults have sometimes been hurled by students and faculty, and alumni have been known to express disdain for their colleagues across the way. One especially low point occurred in 1933, when Ithaca College was in difficult financial straits and appealed for help to Cornell President Livingston Farrand. "The college can't possibly succeed," Farrand wrote to IC board chairman Louis Smith. "My suggestion is that you go down the hill, close the college down, lock the doors, and throw the keys in Lake Cayuga." Fortunately, Smith did not take Farrand's advice.

Today the interactions are widespread and multifaceted. Students at each school often study at the other

(up to twelve credits without added fees), and there are frequent academic collaborations. Music still plays a central role, as witnessed by Ensemble X and the many area musical groups with players from both schools. Cornell benefits from Ithaca College's expertise in communications, while IC partakes of CU's resources for science and engineering. And there is no shortage of places—from downtown to Collegetown to many other local destinations—where students, faculty, and staff meet, socialize, and sometimes marry.

It would be impossible to catalogue all of the many collaborations and connections between Cornell and Ithaca College, but we have assembled what we hope is a representative sample. If you'd like to point out others, or tell us your own CU-IC story—please write.

— Jim Roberts and Maura Stephens

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A Joint Education

CU and IC find that playing together pays off

Do plants affect how we feel and think? How can Ithaca expand economically and still be environmentally sustainable? What can a giant infrared telescope aboard an airliner teach us about the universe?

These are the kinds of questions that faculty teams from Cornell and Ithaca College have set out to answer. The two schools have placed new emphasis on building a closer relationship, and academic collaboration—which has waxed and waned over the years—is stronger than ever today.

Often, collaborations emerge because IC faculty members who have PhDs from Cornell, or who held previous research positions there, continue work begun on East Hill. In many cases, faculty with mutual interests have complementary expertise, and their combined efforts can produce grant proposals that are more likely to get substantial funding than those of individual applicants. A few collaborations develop out of marriages: IC psychology professor Nancy Rader, PhD '79, and her husband, Dave de Villiers, PhD '02, a Cornell horticulture research associate, have teamed up with other IC and CU experts on a joint project that will investigate the effect of plants on well-being and cognitive performance, to assess the importance of having plants in extra-terrestrial environments.

Administrators at both schools encourage the trend. Since 2000, Francille Firebaugh, PhD '62, Cornell's vice provost for land grant affairs, has strengthened the bond between the schools by

serving on the IC board of trustees. And Peter Bardaglio, IC provost since 2002, has asked his faculty—whose focus is chiefly on teaching—to seek out more research opportunities, which has in turn created more relationships with Cornell faculty.

The collaborative research with the highest visibility is taking place far above Ithaca. Cornell astronomy professor Terry Herter, who directs the Radio-physics and Space Research Center, is the principal investigator overseeing a group of seven scientists devising what promises to be the world's largest airborne observatory—the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy, or SOFIA, a 2.7-meter infrared telescope that will fly to the edge of the stratosphere on a modified Boeing 747. The project includes IC physics professor Luke Keller, a Cornell research associate from 1999 to 2003, who designed the telescope's Faint Object Infrared Camera and is helping develop image analysis software. "I just couldn't build such an instrument on my own at IC," says Keller, who is also working with Cornell astronomy professor Jim Houck, PhD '67, on a \$10 million project to help design an infrared camera for NASA's \$700 million Spitzer Space Telescope. "I needed Cornell's research and engineering infrastructure."

Other recent collaborations reach beyond the two campuses to include the greater Ithaca region. The Sustainable Tompkins Initiative, which promotes long-term economic stability and environmental integrity in the county, involves IC and Cornell faculty and students as well as local businesses and community members. IC assistant professor of business administration Mark Cordano '83 joined Cornell professor Stuart Hart and post-doctoral scholar

Wings over Ithaca: CU astronomy professor Terry Herter (right) is working with IC physics professor Luke Keller (left) on an airborne infrared telescope for NASA.

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Mark Milstein to establish the Johnson School's Center for Sustainable Global Enterprise, which aims to bring environmental sensitivity to management issues. The partnership has already spawned student organizations, IC-CU faculty relationships, and new courses. "The potential positive impact on the region of this growing collaboration between Cornell and IC is tremendous," says IC provost Bardaglio. "Together we can provide a national model of how higher education can help provide the leadership necessary to create a more sustainable economic, social, and environmental future."

Perhaps the largest joint effort the two schools undertook was the seven-year Pathways to Life Quality project, co-directed by John Krout, professor of gerontology and director of IC's Gerontology Institute, and Phyllis Moen, then-director of Cornell's Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center (BLCC). The study, which ended in 2003, examined how the places where elderly people live affect the quality of their lives. After Moen left Cornell in 2001, Elaine Wethington, an associate professor of human development, helmed the project and co-authored a book on the study's findings with Krout.

As one of BLCC's first efforts, Pathways gave the new center immediate public exposure, facilitating other research on the elderly and contributing to the federal funding of the Cornell Institute for Translational Research on Aging, which Wethington directs, in 2003. The affiliation with the Gerontology Institute was a boon, Wethington says, because the well-established organization has deep regional roots. "It's nationally recognized," she says, "and has relationships with a large network of organizations in Upstate New York associated with elderly housing."

On his end, IC's Krout found that the partnership had "tremendous benefits," in part because the Cornell name helped in obtaining a larger grant. "It raised our profile on campus—and nationally and internationally."

— Tamar Morad

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SHERYL D. SINOW

SHAMUS MCCULLOUGH, IC '07

INTERNATIONAL
BUSINESS AND ANTHROPOLOGY

"CU's a little colder—they're less involved with each other than we are. They have less of a community atmosphere. Academically, it's great; socially, it's lacking."



SHERYL D. SINOW

EILEEN HOU '08

SCHOOL OF HOTEL ADMINISTRATION

"IC students come to Cornell on the weekends to party at our frats and stuff like that. At times—especially in the Greek community—people get defensive about having IC students here. Very few Cornellians go to IC to party."

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR

	IC	Cornell
Year founded	1892	1865
Nickname	"Bombers"	"Big Red"
Number of students (Ithaca campus)	6,337	19,518
Number of faculty	616	2,627
% of students of color (undergrad)	8	28
Average class size	15	40
% of students who live on campus	70	42
Registered Greek organizations	4	68
Tuition, 2005–6	\$25,194	\$31,300
Popular Myths	If a virgin graduates, the Textor Ball (the giant piece of abstract art atop Textor Hall) will roll off its pedestal and down the hill.	If a virgin crosses the Arts Quad as the clock tower strikes midnight, the statues of A.D. White and Ezra Cornell will arise, meet in the middle of the quad, shake hands, dance, and switch places.

Culture Clash

CU and IC are divided by more than just geography, says longtime faculty couple



SHERYL D. SINKOV

JENNIFER GENOVA, IC '08
HISTORY

“I get a sense of superiority coming from East Hill. They're just your typical Ivy League, hardcore, academic institution.”



SHERYL D. SINKOV

BROOK STANTON
GRADUATE STUDENT, HISTORY

“You drive by Ithaca College on your way out of town, and I think that in a sense could be considered a metaphor for the relationship. They seem to sort of pass by each other.”



NICOLA KOUNTOUPES / UP

Andrew and Nancy Ramage share a common scholarly interest, and an uncommon perspective: Andrew is a Cornell professor in the Department of History of Art and Archaeology; Nancy, an Ithaca College art history professor and Cornell adjunct. Theirs is a marriage of academic equals: together they have co-authored several books on classical art and art history, including *Roman Art: Romulus to Constantine*—considered the standard introductory text to the field—and a guide to Cornell’s classical collection published by the Johnson Museum in 2002. They’ve also worked side-by-side on an ongoing archaeological excavation in Turkey for many years. When one spouse leaves town, they can pick up each other’s classes without missing a beat. Andrew even subbed for Nancy at IC during her sabbatical year.

True to their schools:
CU’s Andrew Ramage
and IC’s Nancy Ramage

Since the couple arrived in Ithaca in the early 1970s, they’ve watched the relationship of their respective employers evolve over the years. They agree that there’s often a certain chill between the hills. “I think that we operate too much as separate units,” says Nancy. “I personally am very interested in what’s going on at Cornell—it’s a huge asset for us to have it on the doorstep. I’m very much in favor of collaboration, but in terms of exchanges on the teacher or student level, there’s precious little, and I regret that.”

The rift, they say, is rooted both in the obvious differences—Cornell’s size and resources dwarf those of IC—and in the less quantifiable Ivy League cachet that stubbornly divides the two academic cultures. “There has been a bit of a chip on the shoulder at IC, although less so now,” says Nancy. “I actually think IC students are afraid of Cornell students. Many of them have never been to Cornell—they think it’s somehow out of reach. And it’s not only Cornell students that have disdain for IC, but the faculty, too. Some faculty look down their noses, and I think they’re dead wrong. I have huge respect for my IC colleagues. They’re every bit as good as those at Cornell, but I don’t think that’s the Cornell perception at all.”

According to Andrew, that isn’t disdain coming from the east—it’s sheer lack of interest. “I don’t know that the Cornell people, as a group, pay as much attention,” he says.

Both professors attest that reputation and higher SAT scores don’t necessarily equal a richer classroom experience. “The students I have at Cornell are rather quiet,” Andrew says. “They’re not inclined to stick their necks out in class in terms of questions that may be obvious, but also are what half the class really wants to ask.” Nancy, on the other hand, has little trouble sparking dialogue. “I think that many Ithaca College students are blossoming academically,” she says. “Many of them do much better in college than they did

in high school, so the atmosphere is one of coming out of themselves, and they're very happy to be learning."

At Cornell, "there may be something of a different view of class and life," Andrew adds. "I think there's some indication that professors are regarded as separate and not quite real. And so they clam up."

Ithaca College's smaller classes do provide a closer-knit learning environment, Nancy says. "Professor-student relationships tend to be a bit more intimate. I know all my students every semester by name—what they do, what they're interested in. Many of our students call us by our first names. Teaching is our primary mission, no question, which I think might be a little different than at Cornell."

Andrew isn't so sure. "That's true for some but not for others," he says. "In history of art, a lot of what we do involves students from all over, not just Arts and Science, so there's a lot of looking after them. Service teaching, I call it, is important to us."

The tone of intra-departmental relations, they say, sometimes mirrors that of the classroom. Nancy's art history department at IC boasts "an unusually good sense of camaraderie," she says, while the faculty in CU's more interdisciplinary history of art and archaeology department feel "a bit scattered," according to Andrew. "People do tend to do their own academic thing. I definitely would like to see more general chatting."

Both bemoan what they see as a general deterioration of research skills among undergraduates—a symptom of a reluctance to use the library rather than the Web—and Nancy admits that IC students in general can be weaker than Cornell's when it comes to writing papers. Academically, however, she says her classes can go toe-to-toe with the Ivy Leaguers.

"It's so topsy-turvy," says Nancy. "We teach the same types of courses, and we often compare notes on our exams. By and large my students perform better, while he's tearing his hair out." She turns to her husband. "Am I being fair?"

He smiles. "Reasonably."

—Carolyn Bonilha '06

CAROLYN BONILHA is a rising senior at Cornell and a former CAM editorial intern.

When Ithaca College undergraduate Candace Lazarovits got dressed on the morning of her first microbiology class, she hesitated to put on her favorite IC baseball cap. A senior majoring in critical science exercise, Lazarovits was taking the class at Cornell. She wore the hat, but when she walked into Morrison Hall that morning, she still chose a seat in the far corner. "When I got there, I wasn't sure how the students would accept or feel toward me," she says.

Lazarovits is one of thirty-seven Ithaca College students who took classes at Cornell this past spring semester. As she drove between campuses, she probably passed by at least one of the eighteen Cornell students traveling in the opposite direction to attend class at her school. Part of the Cornell University-Ithaca College Exchange Program, which allows students to take up to twelve credits in their neighboring school, these undergrads get a taste of campus life at two very different institutions, each of which offers unique classes and degree programs. Ithaca College tends to draw Cornellians with its music school and extensive health science department, while Cornell attracts IC students because of its engineering school and broad language offerings.



Lazarovits

basis with my professors and know a lot about their families and lives," she says.

Outside the academic arena, trans-campus students benefit from personal connections with their crosstown peers, making them immune to some of the commonly held stereotypes about the two schools. While Spadafino admits that the Ivy Leaguers do seem more competitive for grades, he notes, "As far as differences are concerned, there aren't many, because the IC students are there to take classes just like you." Lazarovits, who excelled in her microbiology class, agrees. "I was a little nervous about taking a class at Cornell because of the stigma that they're superior," she says. "However, I did well in the class."

These exchange students also keep a foot in both schools' social scenes, which are otherwise largely isolated by Ithaca's topography. While Cornellians tend to stick to Collegetown, IC students are more likely to be found hanging out in the Commons area of downtown Ithaca. Once a week, however, South Hill traditionally heads east. "On Wednesday nights, it's screaming IC in Collegetown," says Lazarovits.

IC senior politics major Melanie Ashworth, who took a Thai language class at Cornell in spring 2005, has had little trouble forging educational and social ties to both campuses. She knows her Cornell classmates well and even embarked on a cross-campus romance: she met her boyfriend, a Cornell graduate, in a Collegetown bar last year. "Cornell has a sprawling, lovely campus," she says, reflecting on her time on the other side of the hill. "It was nice to have a change."

—Megs DiDario '07

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Class Ties

For some students, two schools are better than one



Spadafino

Freedom of the Pen

A campus partnership brings exiled writers to Ithaca

In 2000, Ithaca poet Bridget Meeds, IC '91, read a newspaper article about Cities of Asylum, a network of thirty-four cities around the world that offers safe haven to persecuted writers living in exile. Las Vegas had become the first U.S. city to join. Ithaca, she thought, should be the next.

At about the same time, Anne Berger was thinking the same thing. Berger, a Cornell professor of French literature, knew the director of the International Parliament of Writers, the Paris organization that founded COA in 1994, and had talked to him about extending the network to the United States. "I suggested that we start with Cornell, not knowing that Bridget on her side had had the same idea about Ithaca," she said. "We joined forces at the beginning of 2000."

A year later, thanks to their appreciation of the written word and a desire to protect freedom of expression, Ithaca City of Asylum (ICOA) was born. Since then, two writers, from China and Iran, have participated in the program. For Meeds, ICOA is entirely in keeping with the local spirit: Ithaca was once an Underground Railroad hub, and its university campuses sheltered European scientists fleeing the Nazis during World War II. "Ithaca has a long tradition of providing refuge," Meeds says.

Meeds and Berger worked with Cornell's Center for Religion, Ethics, and Social Policy to establish a board of directors composed of students, faculty, and staff from Cornell and IC. Both campuses serve as forums for ICOA's writers, who teach courses and give public readings during a two-year residency. Cornell pays their travel expenses, visa sponsorships, and part-time teaching salaries; IC provides additional funding, as do individual and corporate donors and Hobart and William Smith Colleges.

In 2001, ICOA hosted its first writer, Yi Ping, who was fired from his teaching post at a Beijing university after the 1989 demonstrations in Tiananmen Square. Forbidden to teach or publish, and with his previous books slated for purging, he went into exile in 1991. With his wife and son, he lived in Poland for six years, until the U.S. government granted the family political asylum and they moved to New York City. Yi Ping's ICOA tenure ended in 2003, and he and his family are now permanent U.S. residents who call Ithaca home.

Reza Daneshvar is finishing his term as ICOA's second writer. A playwright and novelist, Daneshvar studied Persian literature at Tehran University and later taught theater. After censorship and the threat of arrest and imprisonment, he fled post-revolutionary Iran in 1982 for France, where he lived until moving to Ithaca in 2004. Daneshvar is now teaching Farsi in Cornell's Department of Near East Studies, which is working with ICOA to extend his visa.

For the first time, Yi Ping and Daneshvar have seen their work published in English. IC students who took a 2003 writing class with Jerry Mirskin translated Yi Ping's latest book of poetry, *The Speech of Pebbles*. It was published in March 2004 by Ithaca's Vista Periodista, which also published the English version of Daneshvar's short story "Mah-boobeh and Ahl," about an Iranian woman and the demon who haunts her.

The presence of these writers encourages students and the Ithaca community alike to discuss human rights and freedom of expression, Berger says. "ICOA fosters communication at the global and the local levels," she says. "It brings the world into Ithaca."

—Kimberlyn David

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MEGAN TEFFT, IC '05

DRAMA

"The campus itself is really beautiful, and I'm jealous of them because we live in a concrete box over here. Cornell students are definitely more stressed out and academically challenged than Ithaca College students. My friends over there are always doing work."



NICOLE BRITTON '07

FEMINIST GENDER AND
SEXUALITY MAJOR

"I heard from other people that we are more competitive than IC students, supposedly. But I don't want to say that because the Ivy League is this symbol that we're smarter. It's not true."



KATHY MORRIS

The X Factor

Inter-campus new music ensemble makes a big noise

In the late 1990s, Ithaca College's School of Music and Cornell's Department of Music both welcomed an influx of young faculty. The new faces discovered they had a lot in common. "We found ourselves working together so often," says CU composition professor Steven Stucky, DMA '78, "we decided to use it as a more formal bridge between the two institutions."

That bridge became Ensemble X, the new music group Stucky helped found in 1997 with ten CU and IC faculty. The ensemble has doubled in size since then, and Stucky now shares the baton with co-artistic director Xak Bjerken, who teaches piano at Cornell. According to Stucky, it's the cream of the Finger Lakes talent pool. "Basically, the best players on each instrument in town—those are the people in Ensemble X." Typically, the ensemble performs three concerts each year. Their repertoire is focused on modern composers such as John Adams and Christopher Rouse, DMA '77, along with earlier twentieth-century works from Schoenberg and Stravinsky. Ensemble X also delves into the work of their founding director, who won the Pulitzer Prize for composition in 2005.

On paper, each institution seems to bring a different expertise to the collaboration: IC's roots are as a music conservatory, while Cornell has been home to a number of gifted music scholars and composers. But Stucky says that the two schools don't sort themselves neatly into players vs. thinkers. "That obscures how good IC's academic people are, and how good our performers are," he says. "We have an unusual situation at Cornell. Performance is taken very seriously—it goes hand-in-hand with composition." And Ensemble X, he says, reflects that. "The brainpower is on both sides."

—David Dudley

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Francille Firebaugh is a familiar name at Cornell: she earned her PhD here in 1962 and has served as a faculty member and dean of the College of Human Ecology; this summer she retires as vice provost for land grant affairs and special assistant to the president. A specialist in family resource management, Firebaugh is less well known for her second job: since 2000, she's been an Ithaca College trustee.

It was an unexpected career move for Firebaugh, who returned to Cornell in 1988 after a lengthy tenure at Ohio State. "When my husband, John, and I came back to Ithaca, we were invited to a Friends of Ithaca College event," Firebaugh says. "We attended several more and enjoyed them immensely. I was approached about serving as a trustee, but I didn't feel I could take on the job." It took prodding from IC president Peggy Williams to change her mind. "I really admired Peggy and believed in her leadership," Firebaugh says. "So I spoke to Hunter [former Cornell president Hunter Rawlings], and he thought it was a great idea."

At IC, Firebaugh serves on the Buildings and Grounds Committee and chairs the Education Policy Committee. "I like tackling really substantive issues," she says. She's particularly enthusiastic about plans for a new School of Business building and athletics center. "I love doing my part to make IC stronger."



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Firebaugh

her focus expanded to include women in less-developed regions, including the Bhil tribes of India and villages in Honduras.

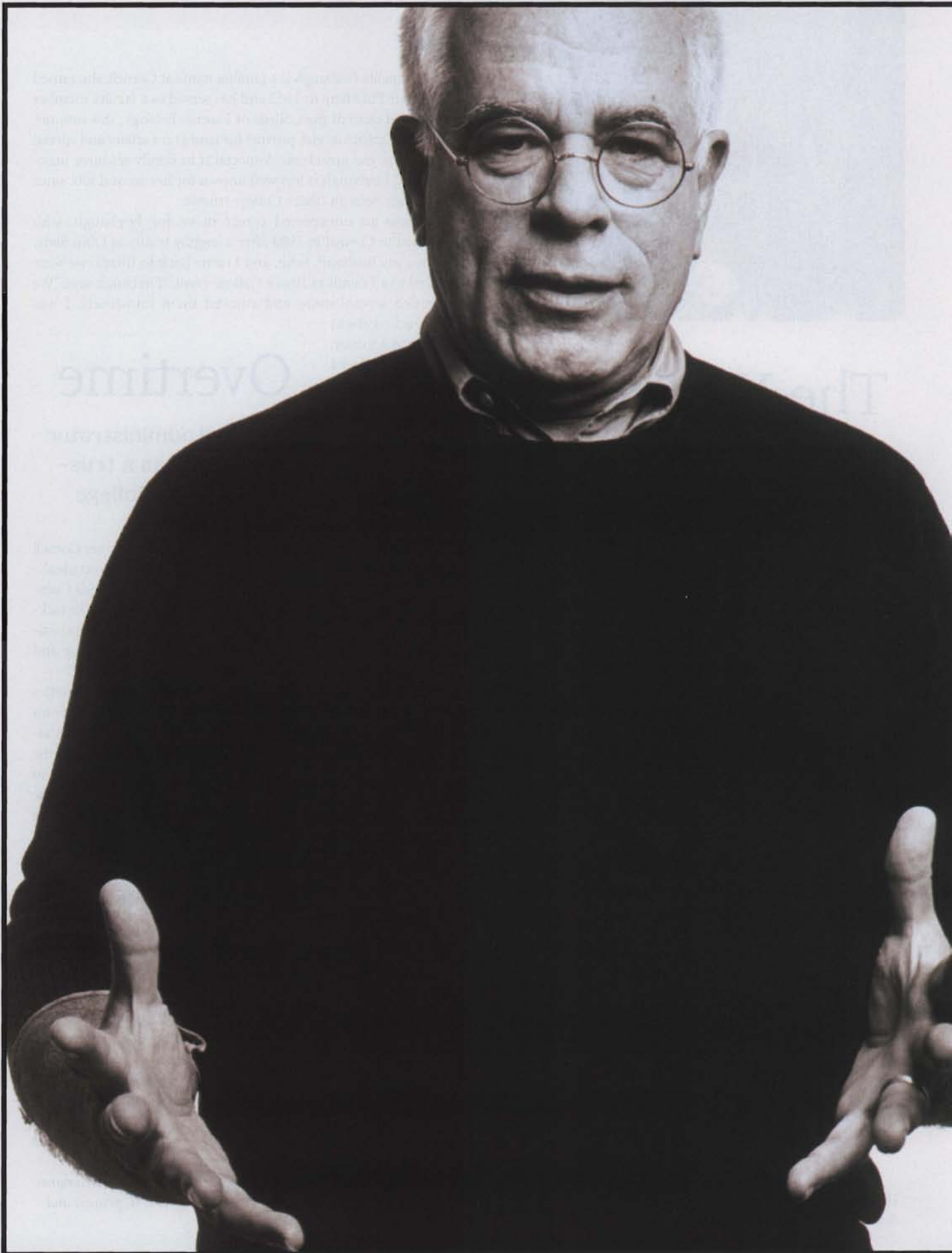
Firebaugh's retirement promises to be busy. "I'm going to pursue my longtime hobby," she says. "For twenty years I have been collecting information about the portrayal of women at work in paintings. I've been making lists and collecting pictures whenever I find examples." She intends to work three days a month at Cornell until 2007, when she and John hope to return to Ohio. "We live two-and-a-half miles from Cornell, and I plan on walking to the library and to my Pilates class." ●

—Wrexie Bardaglio

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Overtime

A Cornell administrator also serves as a trustee of Ithaca College



the eisenman principle

Peter Eisenman made his name dreaming up impossible buildings. Now he gets to build them.

By David Dudley

Step off the elevator to the office of Peter Eisenman '54, BArch '55, and you will be greeted by a photo of the architect, stern-faced and bow-tied, taped to a column. *I'm not difficult*, the caption proclaims. *Architecture is*.

The actual Eisenman is around the corner, huddled with a dozen young staff members around a cardboard model. He is not happy. The model is a plan for the Museum of the History of the Polish Jews, scheduled to open in Warsaw in 2008. Eisenman's firm is one of eleven international teams competing for the project, to be built around the site of the city's old Jewish ghetto. The plan is supposed to use portions of the existing ghetto walls, but Eisenman doesn't like the well-ordered shape of the complex on the table. "I'm trying to cut off the symmetry," he says. "Everything is too regular—I want variety."

The staff members—a studiously hip collection of young architecture grads and interns—shuffle pieces of the model, moving elevator shafts and staircases

around as Eisenman looks on. A particularly random configuration catches his eye. "There—I like the odd shapes and sizes." A digital camera is summoned to capture the latest arrangement, and Eisenman immediately opens a fast-paced banter on Italian Serie A soccer.

"So—who wins this week? Fiorentina?"

No, a young Italian staffer says: Chievo, the team from Verona. Eisenman shakes his head. "Chievo's going down," he says.

And then it's back to work. The staff disperses to their computers and drafting tables and the boss resumes his usual station in the middle of the office. A bearish man of seventy-two with a thick thatch of close-cropped white hair, Eisenman does not dress the part of avant-garde New York architect and intellectual: he wears a rumpled sweater-and-khaki combination and looks like a vigorous retiree en route to some weekend yard work. He oversees his firm from a chaotic compound of desks in his eleventh-floor loft on a street of mannequin dealers and sewing-machine

repair shops in Manhattan's fashion district. The arrangement echoes a European atelier—a master and his apprentices sharing a workshop, with no receptionist or personal assistant. When the phone rings, Eisenman might pick it up himself. “This is where I live,” he says. “What the hell. I’m beyond what people will think.”

The Eisenman management style is a mix of bluster and bonhomie. He sits amidst his staff, he says, because he likes to “keep an eye on them.” When asked how many people he employs, he pulls himself away from the sports scores on the MSN homepage and surveys the studio, squinching his face up in thought. Maybe fifteen, he guesses, plus seven interns. “I don’t know half the people here,” he says in a loud stage whisper.

“You see Peter work in his office, and

ago and is still buzzing off the largely rapturous reception that greeted the project, an abstract field of 2,711 undulating concrete pillars that covers five-and-a-half acres in the heart of the city, right outside the Brandenburg Gate. The memorial has generated near-cessless controversy in Germany since it was first proposed in the late 1980s. Critics complained about the enormous size of the site and the fraught symbolism of its location on the site of Hitler’s demolished chancellery, and the attachment of the outspoken Eisenman to the project in 1997 merely added fuel to the fire. Sculptor Richard Serra, who collaborated on the original design, quit early in the process when the German government demanded extensive changes. Later, construction was delayed for months when a furor erupted over a subcontract-

kitsch.” The solution he arrived at—a stark plain sinking beneath a gray grid of monoliths—was inspired by an Iowa cornfield in which Eisenman was once lost. Visitors describe it as disorienting, alienating, oppressive. Which is fine with Eisenman, who has said that he wanted the memorial to be a “receptacle for anxieties.”

If you’re looking for architectural anxiety, Eisenman is your man. Since his arrival on the stage in the 1960s as one of a league of loosely affiliated American followers of Le Corbusier known as the “New York Five” (the others were Meier, Michael Graves, Charles Gwathmey, and John Hedjuk), Eisenman has been all but synonymous with a heady theory-driven audacity that tends to leave both admirers and critics baffled. He designed a deviously unlivable house based on the linguistic principles of Noam Chomsky, collaborated with Jacques Derrida in an effort to find an architectural equivalent to the French philosopher’s theory of deconstruction, and generally pushed the practical envelope of what the discipline was capable of. “Peter had a lot to do with turning architecture into an

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you wonder how the process works,” says Richard Meier ’56, BArch ’57, the acclaimed Modernist who is Eisenman’s friend, cousin, and occasional collaborator. “But it does.”

The office is a busy one these days. Eisenman has three entries in competitions this summer, and two large projects are under construction: the new NFL stadium for the Arizona Cardinals, a swoopy metal-skinned facility that evokes a silver-blue barrel cactus, is slated to open in 2006; and the 173-acre “City of Culture” at Galicia—a complex of libraries, theatres, and museums that erupts out of the ground like a man-made mountain—is approaching completion in Santiago de Compostela, Spain. The Santiago complex is the biggest commission of Eisenman’s career, a massive monument of cutting-edge theory and engineering that city leaders envision as an international architectural icon, a showstopper to rival Frank Gehry’s Guggenheim Museum down the road in Bilbao.

But the project on Eisenman’s mind is the one that he just finished, the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe in Berlin. He returned from Europe a week

ago and is still buzzing off the largely rapturous reception that greeted the project, an abstract field of 2,711 undulating concrete pillars that covers five-and-a-half acres in the heart of the city, right outside the Brandenburg Gate. The memorial has generated near-cessless controversy in Germany since it was first proposed in the late 1980s. Critics complained about the enormous size of the site and the fraught symbolism of its location on the site of Hitler’s demolished chancellery, and the attachment of the outspoken Eisenman to the project in 1997 merely added fuel to the fire. Sculptor Richard Serra, who collaborated on the original design, quit early in the process when the German government demanded extensive changes. Later, construction was delayed for months when a furor erupted over a subcontract-

tor’s Nazi ties (and over a joke Eisenman cracked in an ill-considered attempt to defuse the issue). When the memorial finally opened on May 10, it was front-page news across the continent. But not, Eisenman notes, in New York, where the *New York Times* ran a mostly unqualified rave by critic Nicolai Ouroussoff (“It is able to convey the scope of the Holocaust’s horrors without stooping to sentimentality—showing how abstraction can be the most powerful tool for conveying the complexities of human emotion”) on the first page of the Arts section, not A-1 itself. This seems to strike the architect as a slight. “It’s very strange,” he says. “You’d think, this being what you might call a Jewish city, me being a New York architect . . .” He lets the thought trail off.

Eisenman, who is Jewish, has always nursed some ambivalence about the Berlin project. “When we first started, I didn’t know if I wanted to do this,” he says. “I have mixed feelings about memorials, about Holocaust memorials—and about the Holocaust, since my family was not personally involved. I also felt that most memorials played on sentimentality, not memory, and became a certain kind of

intellectual pursuit,” says his friend Phyllis Bronfman Lambert ’48, founder of the Canadian Centre for Architecture in Montreal. “His influence was enormous. If he hadn’t come along, I don’t know where we’d be.”

For his efforts, Eisenman has been rewarded with a reputation as the premier puzzler in the field—“The most intellectually convoluted, infuriating major architect in America,” as *Time* declared in 1989. Though his first public commission didn’t arrive until his fifties—for the first half of his career, he was largely a “paper architect” who wrote scholarly essays and designed theoretical buildings—the handful of finished projects on his résumé have always attracted an outsized share of controversy. To adherents of the New Urbanism movement, who value human-scale buildings that tread gently on the environment, Eisenman’s work is the apotheosis of modern architecture’s perverse user-unfriendliness. (The colliding planes and tilting walls of his Wexner Center for the Arts at Ohio State University leave some museum-goers literally nauseated.) Then there’s his equally disorienting jokey/ brusque manner, fondness for dense aca-



COURTESY OF PETER EISENMAN

Field of nightmares: Eisenman's controversial Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe in Berlin. Critics worry that the design invites anti-Semitic graffiti, and that children playing amid the stelae will detract from the seriousness of the experience. Others complain that its formal abstraction doesn't address the horror of the Holocaust. But the architect doesn't mind sowing confusion. "That's a characteristic of my work," he says. "I'm interested in resisting easy interpretation."

demic archi-speak, and history of intellectual donnybrooks with clients, critics, and other builders (among them former protégé Daniel Libeskind of World Trade Center master-plan fame, who accused Eisenman of cribbing ideas for the Berlin memorial from his own Jewish Museum).

Even amid the boldface personalities of post-Bilbao celebrity architecture, Eisenman is a reliably polarizing force; read anything written about him and the word that appears with numbing regularity is "provocateur," much to the architect's (possibly feigned) chagrin. "I don't mean to be," he protests. "I mean, I'd like to be a pussycat. I'd rather have you say, 'Hey, that's a really neat guy. People got him

wrong.' But I'm not going to sacrifice what I think. The kinds of ideas I have are very strong. I'm a strong person, a strong architect. And I do strong projects. Certainly, our project in Berlin is not a pussycat project."

And yet Eisenman will admit to a strategic mellowing. "You can't be an *enfant terrible* all your life—it doesn't wear well," he says. "I'm an elder statesman and I have to be more careful now." He agreed to downsize the Berlin monument (the original Eisenman/Serra design had 4,000 stelae), obligingly revised his Cardinals stadium several times, and played a supporting role—with Meier, Gwathmey, and Steven Holl—in the dream team of New

York architects shortlisted in the 2003 WTC design competition. Their entry, a pair of 1,111-foot towers interlinked in a grid formation, failed to derail the Libeskind juggernaut, but Meier says that the collaboration itself was "amazingly smooth—we all came away feeling really good about it." Eisenman's wife, architectural journalist Cynthia Davidson, agrees. "I still think we did the best job. But we didn't have the best PR campaign."

The WTC proposal was whipped together in eight weeks, which in itself speaks to a newfound looseness in Eisenman's methodology. The fierce polemicist who attempted to turn post-structural literary theory into a house has given way to



the intuitionist who's willing to eyeball it. "I'm very quick—I'm quicker than anybody in this office," he says. "I know what I want. And then people say, 'Oh, I don't know, Peter . . . that's not according to theory.' But I'd rather have good look and bad theory. If you can bring them together, fine, but if it doesn't look good to me, forget it."

This doesn't sound, he admits, like the Eisenman of old. "Right—but that was thirty years ago," he says. "I'm not a paragon of consistency."

Once upon a time, Peter Eisenman was the odd kid from East Orange, New Jersey, who liked to sit alone in the high school football stadium before games. "I'd be first in line, with my quarter. I'd sit in the same place—not like the other little kids who were running around. I'd sit there quietly in the stands and meditate."

He still does this, after a fashion. Eisenman's football fetish is legendary—he's a Giants season ticket holder and likes to tell the story about how he got the Arizona stadium gig because he could name the starting backfield of the 1947 Cardinals. On autumn Saturdays, you'll probably find him at Rutgers games, where his father used to take him as a child. "We'll have fifteen people tailgating," he says. "But an hour before the game I leave and go sit by myself. I don't like to be on stage. I'd rather be in a crowd, anonymous."

At Cornell, Eisenman was a freshman backstroke on the swim team, but when his passion for architecture started interfering with practice, he took up a less demanding sport—cheerleading. His unabashed fandom is an inescapable theme. ("We get a lot of sports metaphors around here," says wife Davidson.) In conversation he switches from high theory to jock talk so seamlessly that it can be difficult to determine exactly what has riled him so. A discourse on the Holocaust memorial—"It's only provocative because of its relative condition in a society where

there's very little provocation"—leads swiftly to an equally impassioned riff on the Cornell hockey team's NCAA defeat in Minnesota this spring. "I think they got screwed, the way they got seeded. If that's a provocative thing to say, OK. But I'm willing to speak my mind about what I think is an injustice. I'm willing to confront situations that I think are unfair. I'm a moral person."

After an Army stint in Korea, Eisenman picked up a master's degree at Columbia, then studied for his PhD at Cambridge in the early 1960s, where he came under the wing of Colin Rowe, the legendary theorist who taught at Cornell from 1962 to 1990. With Rowe, Eisenman toured Europe, discovered the great Renaissance builder Andrea Palladio, and returned to the United States full of ideas about new ways of combining theory, history, and practice. He took a position at Princeton—he's also taught at Harvard, Ohio State, and Cooper Union, and now divides his year between Yale and Princeton—and in 1967 founded the Institute for Architecture and Urban Studies in New York City as a sort of bridge between academia and the built world. There he edited the journal *Oppositions* and presided over a hothouse of ideas with other builders and thinkers, writing articles and debating the state of the art.

What he didn't do was build anything. "I didn't know how to begin," he says. "Architecture is a dumb profession, in a way—it has no formalized apprenticeship, like law and medicine. How do you get a building? I'd gotten a PhD—a useless degree, but it teaches you to sit still for three years and be patient. I knew too much to build badly."

"Peter was content to be on the fringe of practice but in the thick of theory," says Meier. "It took him a while before he realized he wanted to be an architect."

His first buildings were appropriately contentious. He designed a series of ten numbered houses, four of which were built. The buildings were more like illustrations of theory than places to live; in an



COURTESY OF PETER EISENMAN

An Eisenman evolution: The experimental House VI (top) in Cornwall, Connecticut, designed in 1972. The tilting interior walls in the Wexner Center for the Arts (second from top), from 1989, echo the building's 12-degree deflection from the Ohio State campus grid. The Aronoff Center for Design and Art at the University of Cincinnati (second from bottom), built in 1996, and a computer rendering of the Arizona Cardinals stadium (bottom), now under construction in Glendale, Arizona.



COURTESY OF PETER EISENMAN

Team effort: The 2003 World Trade Center design proposal from Eisenman, Richard Meier, Charles Gwathmey, and Steven Holl

Eisenman house, columns end before reaching the ground, voids open up in floors, staircases lead nowhere, and walls and beams float or disappear. (Client Suzanne Frank wrote an entire book chronicling the travails she and her husband endured building and living in House VI.) In an effort to redefine the very purpose of architecture, Eisenman seemed willing to envision structures that waged open war on their users.

In the early 1980s Eisenman abandoned his institute and opened his own practice. The Wexner Center, completed in 1989, opened the door to other high-profile public buildings, including an award-winning housing project at Checkpoint Charlie in Berlin in 1993 and the Aronoff Center for Design and Art at the University of Cincinnati in 1996. Now his firm is busier than ever: the once-unbuildable architect is much in demand for clients who want a name-brand avant-gardist attached to their office tower. "We're one of these international troubadours who go from competition to competition," he says. According to Meier, Eisenman seems to thrive on the cut-throat nature of the process. "I think Peter likes competitions because he likes the idea of competing against architects he respects," he says. "As though *who* the competition is against is as important as the project itself."

Throughout his recent building boom Eisenman has continued to teach—"I'm the only architect I know that has taught consistently every year for the last forty-five years," he says—and a steady output of essays and lectures has kept him in the thick of many a fight on architecture's intellectual battlefields. In 2003 he pub-

lished a book he had begun forty years earlier, an exhaustive examination of Italian architect Giuseppe Terragni, who designed severe white Rationalist buildings for Mussolini's fascists. The book is vintage Eisenman—obsessive, controversial, and impenetrable. "Peter Eisenman is the closest thing we've got to a Renaissance architect—he's a theoretician, historian, raconteur, and a great gossip," says Mohsen Mostafavi, the new dean of Cornell's College of Architecture, Art, and Planning. "He's both within the present and very concerned with the materiality of the past."

This submersion in the masters of architecture's past isn't just a builder's sideline—it is central to Eisenman's vision of himself as a player in the evolving drama of his art. "Every great architect in history has in one way or another been defined by their treatises, as opposed to their buildings," he says. "What would Le Corbusier have been without his treatise? What would Robert Venturi, or Rem Koolhaas? Now, what does it mean to have a place in history? Who knows?" For all his headline-watching, Eisenman says he's not interested in how the general public receives his work. He's aiming for posterity. "The two great churches in Venice are Palladio's Redentore and San Giorgio Maggiore. Do tourists ever go there? No. They go to San Marco. The average museum-goer can't tell a Picasso from a Braque. The same thing with architecture. It's not necessary for anyone who visits my projects to know the theory behind it. Architecture shouldn't demand that they know why. It's enough that *I* know why. And history will judge me for those whys."

ate on a Friday afternoon, the Eisenman team turns its attention to a competition for a municipal library in Hamburg. The project is still in its early stages. They have a detailed cardboard model of the immediate neighborhood with a great empty space in the middle. Inside the void is a pile of boxes in various sizes, color-keyed to the square footage requirements of the building's various functional subsystems. As the staff gathers, Eisenman takes stock of the site.

"Holy shit, that's a big building. Can we build across the street?"

No, they can't—and the building can be no higher than the eaves of the church next door.

"What if I say I want a donut?" A staffer arranges the little boxes into the crude shape of a building with a central courtyard. "Now make a frame, like a U." As they shuffle the pieces around, Eisenman maintains a constant distracted patter, firing questions and dropping bits of urban planning lore ("You know, the perimeter block was a German idea") to his circle of followers. He ponders the historical map of the city. "So, it's a fortified town. What year?"

The meeting seems to be more pep talk than design confab. He's marshalling his troops, cheering the team before the big game. "Holy jeppers, we should try to win," he says. "This is a really interesting project."

The architect looks at the empty space and ponders. Then, briskly, the meeting is over, and it's back to work.

"Great plan. OK. Beautiful. So we win." ●

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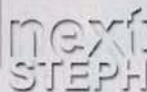
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Divide and Conquer

Creative Leadership Models for Alumni Groups, Part II

By Stephanie Fox '89 and Larry Taylor '73

Ed. Note: This is the second of two articles about the various ways Cornellians structure alumni organizations; the first appeared in the May/June issue.

At various times in their evolution, many Cornell alumni groups have found that the traditional president/vice president model does not go far enough in meeting their leadership needs. In response, these groups have creatively employed alternative structures that leverage the group's innate strengths, such as the often-considerable expertise of former leaders or the cohesive power of geographic and affinity groups. Here's a look at how these models enabled some alumni groups to carry out their important work.

The Advisory Board

This catch-all term describes the various ways in which alumni groups retain the services of past leaders. Some groups of former leaders operate officially, such as the Washington, D.C., club's Council of Past Presidents; others are more informal, such as St. Louis's ad hoc advisory board, formed to organize a visit by the University president. The Cornell Club of Austin/San Antonio tips its hat to several "emeritus leaders" in official announce-

ments. While the elected administration conducts regularly scheduled club work, large or unique programs can be addressed by convening an advisory board at the request of the president. Not intended to govern but rather to lend expertise, the advisory board can provide advice, make contacts with leading Cornellians, provide valuable stand-by leadership in case of unexpected vacancies, and take on specific initiatives as necessary.

The Venerated Leader and Strong Board

There are instances where a strong board of governors finds synergy with a uniquely situated alumni-group leader. "In Japan, we find it particularly beneficial to have a prominent alumnus be president, who increases the stature of the club and makes recruiting new members easier," says Tad Johnson '89 of the Tokyo club.

While alumni groups aspire to provide leadership opportunities for as many Cornellians as possible, there are circumstances in which the board is the leader. Some domestic alumni groups have experienced periods when a well-focused board ran the group functions at a time when no individual was able to commit the time to leadership. In these cases, the board has employed temporary techniques. One such strat-

egy is to select a nominal head among themselves while sharing the work of the president. Another is to call upon a venerated leader to orchestrate but, again, share the work among the board members. "You can't allow long-serving leadership to limit the development of new programming or new leaders," says Rolf Frantz '66, ME '67, of the Northern New Jersey club. "Stable" should not become "stuck in the past."

Division of Labor

Some alumni groups have found success by "dividing and conquering" leadership tasks, such as organizing around particular constituencies within their geographic territory. Three styles of division are common: geographic, affinity, and functional.

Alumni groups with distinct geographic populations have found it helpful to organize around those hubs. The Cornell Club of Wisconsin has its primary leadership centered in the Milwaukee alumni population, and a second leadership presence in Madison. The Cornell Club of New Mexico has VPs of programming for Albuquerque and Santa Fe. These unified club administrations have two metropolitan centers, each large enough to support some individual events.

Cornell's affinity groups provide
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or visit us online at www.alumni.cornell.edu

New York/Ontario

CC/Greater Capital District, July 24—Student send-off, Voorheesville. Contact Barry Hecht, bmh48@aol.com, 518/439-2836.

CC/Greater Capital District, July 31—Outing to Saratoga Racetrack. Contact Kevin Jack, Kevin_Jack@yahoo.com, 518/434-6220.

CAA/Central New York, Aug. 1—Student send-off barbecue and picnic, Jamesville. Contact Jim Miller, 315/422-4818.

CC/Rochester, Aug. 8—Student send-off picnic. Contact Alison Balan, abalan@email.com, 585/241-0092.

CC/Genesee-Orleans, Aug. 14—Student send-off. Contact Melissa George, 585/344-1716.

Metro/New York

CAAA, July 16—New York Mets vs. Atlanta Braves. Contact Ruth Hsu, caaa@cornell.edu, 718/937-5011.

CC/Fairfield County, July 30—Bridgeport Bluefish vs. Nashua Pride. Contact Will Andersen, wha2@cornell.edu, 908/642-4682.

CC/Monmouth/Ocean Counties, July 31—Freshman send-off picnic. Contact Bruce Wagner, bdw5@cornell.edu, 732/671-2010.

Northeast

CC/Boston, July 18—Boston Red Sox vs. Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Contact Rick Arena, rarena@cornellclub.org, 617/267-1600.

CC/Boston, July 30—Boston Red Sox vs. Minnesota Twins. Contact Rick Arena, rarena@cornellclub.org, 617/267-1600.

CC/Rhode Island and Bristol County, Aug. 2—Freshman send-off. Contact Mitchell Edwards, medwards@haslaw.com, 401/274-2000.

Northeast Regional Office, Aug. 11—Young alumni happy hour, Black Rhino. Contact Shara Freeman, sef14@cornell.edu, 617/557-4168.

CC/Greater Hartford, Aug. 15—Freshman send-off. Contact John Eckel, johneckel@pinninvest.com, 860/658-1947.

CC/Rhode Island and Bristol County, Aug. 21—Pawtucket Red Sox vs. Rochester Red Wings tailgate and game. Contact Melissa Sokol, melissa_sokol@brown.edu.

CC/Berkshires, Aug. 28—Annual meeting, the Lenox Club, Lenox. Contact Toby Levine, toby@tobylevine.com.

Northeast Regional Office, Sept. 8—Young alumni happy hour, Felt. Contact Shara Freeman, sef14@cornell.edu, 617/557-4168.

Mid-Atlantic

CC/Maryland, July 23—Skipjack cruise, Havre de Grace. Contact Lynne Boyle, lboyle@winterthur.org.

CC/Lancaster, Aug. 15—New student send-off picnic. Contact John Kinyon, mamabear5@dejazzd.com.

Midwest

CC/Minnesota, July 19—Reading group, Amore Coffee, St. Paul: *Suburban Sahibs* by S. Mitra Kalita. Contact Judy Morgan, 651/688-6113.

CAA/Central Ohio, July 23—Picnic with the Pops. Contact Jamella Lee, jamella_lee43206@yahoo.com.

CC/Mid-America, Aug. 7—Summer student send-off, Shawnee Mission Park. Contact John Shelton, jrs50@cornell.edu, 913/649-6015.

CC/Pittsburgh, Aug. 10—Student send-off, Gullifty's. Contact Madeline Bauer, mjbauer@switch.com.

CAIG/Central Indiana, Aug. 20—Cornell vs. Penn Alumni/Student Summer Softball and Picnic. Contact Katherine Vega Stultz, vegastultz@yahoo.com, 317/925-9507.

Southeast

CAA/Charlotte, July 23—Tour of the Levine Museum of the New South. Contact Christine Goodell, ceramjobs@aol.com, 803/831-6001.

CC/Central Florida, July 24—New student send-off. Contact Walter Evans, wfe3@cornell.edu, 321/690-1275.

CAA/Atlanta, Aug. 7—Student send-off. Contact Joel Moss, joelymoss@msn.com, 404/255-0565.

CAA/Charlotte, Aug. 7—Student send-off party. Contact Christine Goodell, ceramjobs@aol.com, 803/831-6001.

CC/Eastern Florida, Aug. 7—Student send-off, Palm Beach Zoo. Contact Richard Marks, rhm22@cornell.edu, 561/742-2535.

Cornell Hotel Society, Sept. 10—2005 Southeast Hotelier of the Year dinner, Marriott Grande Lakes, Orlando. Contact Viktoria Sveinsdottir, viksv@juno.com, 407/650-1274.

CAA/Charlotte, Sept. 13—Pub quiz, Ri-Ra. Contact Christine Goodell, ceramjobs@aol.com, 803/831-6001.

Southwest/Mountain

CAA/Greater Houston, Aug. 6—Student send-off party. Contact Christine Crompton Gorman, christine_g@hotmail.com, 713/907-0444.

CC/New Mexico, Aug. 6—"Turandot," Santa Fe Opera. Contact Helen Pynn, mpynn516@aol.com, 505/986-1830.

Western

CAA/Northern California, July 18—National AIDS Memorial Grove workday, Golden Gate Park. Contact Monica Huang and Sam Chen, monicaandsam@yahoo.com.

CC/Arizona, July 21—River rafting, Chama River. Contact Rodo Sofranac, rodo.sofranac@axiacollege.com, 602/707-4917.

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another natural division of labor. The Johnson School, Hotel school, and other constituent groups are well organized, often hold their own events, and communicate directly with their respective group memberships. The Cornell Club of Chicago's board positions include representation for affinity groups such as CBAA, CLAA, the Johnson School, PCCW, and Young Alumni. To facilitate this broadly inclusive structure, board meetings offer a conference-call option to encourage maximum participation and sharing of information.

Each affinity leader is responsible for activities pertaining to a specific group, which is often co-sponsored by the umbrella group or association. For example, the Cornell Women's Networking Group in Dallas belongs to the Cornell Alumni Association of North Texas, but holds its own events, which are included in the calendar of the North Texas club. Leaders carefully coordinate activities to prevent scheduling conflicts with the overall club; otherwise, the group operates independently as a complement to the Cornell Alumni Association of North Texas. As with Chicago, the divisional leaders meet, via telephone or in person, with the group's overall leader and with each other on a regular basis to ensure consistency, share best practices, and plan ahead.

Functional division is also a successful model, as demonstrated by the Cornell Club of Eastern Florida. It has seven directors in addition to a traditional organizational structure. Each takes responsibility for a club event, in effect becoming a project leader for a particular initiative.

CAAN is another critical group that has leadership needs in each location. Where leadership abounds, CAAN has been able to operate with its own structure. Where the quantity of leadership is sparser, CAAN leadership is often a component of the local club structure.

The opportunities for volunteer leadership are boundless. Thanks to their flexibility and creativity, Cornell alumni organizations are finding diverse ways to address our dynamic society and continue the work of connecting the greater Cornell community.

Cornell Mosaic: Celebrating Diversity and Advancing Inclusion

The Cornell Alumni Federation is proud to have supported "Cornell Mosaic: Celebrating Diversity and Advancing Inclusion." The landmark conference, held April 29 to May 1, gathered 600 students, faculty, staff, and Cornell alumni from minority backgrounds for workshops on minority-related issues and networking events. Congratulations to the Minority Alumni Initiatives Implementation Committee and all who contributed to this historic event!



KEVIN STEARNS / UP

Clockwise from upper left: Shari Moseley '05 chats with Dennis Williams '73, associate dean of students and director of the Center for Minority Educational Affairs at Georgetown University. Veterinarian Rochelle Woods '74, DVM '77 (left), talks with a student. Legal scholar Kimberle Crenshaw '81 speaks at a *Brown v. Board of Education* colloquium. The Hon. Harry Edwards '62, chief judge emeritus, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, delivers the luncheon address. David Jackson II '04 (left), a graduate student at Union Theological Seminary, visits with Larry Inniss Jr. '89, BA '90, Geico's staff counsel.

31 First, a few notes from classmates who responded on last fall's 2004-05 Class News Form. **Jane Marshall Baird** (Mrs. John C., 13801 York Rd., #Q-7, Cockeysville, MD 21030) reported "nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren," and that she is "happy at Broadmead, a long-term care place outside of Baltimore." Her favorite memory of Cornell will puzzle some of you present-day snowbirds who flee to Florida every winter—or have moved there permanently: "Walking on a very snowy day up the hill from my sorority (Alpha Phi) to campus." (N.B., written before the winter of 2004-05.)

Faithful correspondent **Myrtle "Toots" Uetz Felton** (Mrs. William M., 1024 Cushmore Rd., Southampton, PA 18966-4113) brings us up to last August with, "I've been enjoying family and friends, participating in church related activities, doing word puzzles, playing the ukulele, praying, reading, and talking on the phone. The other half of my time is spent in sleeping." On the negative side, Toots reports that her own most pressing problems were "osteoporosis and hearing" (welcome to the club!), that the world's most pressing problem is "ironing out the wrinkles of hatred and greed." (Isn't that a nice figure?) Her solution to the latter is typical of our always upbeat classmate: "LOVE." As to memories, she says, "My everlasting happy memories of Cornell include friendships, outstanding professors, fraternity dances and proms, concerts in Bailey Hall, the Glee Club, playing tennis before class, and hearing the chimes ringing out over a beautiful snow-covered campus." (Recruiters, please copy.)

Another faithful correspondent, **Tom Kelley** (Thomas D., 11770 Yeomalt Point Dr., Bainbridge Island, WA 98110) sent me a kind, personal note and added, "Things are going about the same on Bainbridge Island," which I take to mean that, as previously reported, he is still getting around with a little help from his walker, and enjoying his magnificent view of Seattle across Puget Sound. I also find a sad note, not previously reported, from Joan Murray, daughter of **Alice MacNaught Murray** Mauer, that her mother passed away June 2, 2004 at age 93.

Among the legacies who entered Cornell in the fall of 2003 that were listed in the July/Aug 2004 issue of this magazine, I was able to find only one '31der ancestor. **Timothy Russell '07** is the great-grandson of our **James A. Schulz**, who died in 1995.

Unless you are a really avid reader of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, you may have missed the Class of 2000 column in the Jan/Feb issue, and the nice "thank-you note" for our contribution to their first quinquennial reunion (announced in this

column in the Mar/Apr issue—which suggests about how much your correspondent has slowed down: only two months! **Andrea Chan '00**, co-class correspondent, wrote:

"On behalf of the Class of '00 Class Council I would like to send out a heartfelt thank you to the Class of '31, their president **Bill Vanneman**, and the rest of the Class of '31 officers. Their class donated an extremely generous sum to our reunion and we would like to tell them how grateful and touched we are by their kindness. Thank you!"

Your president also received a very gracious note from **Betsy Kelder '00**, class president, and an exciting invitation from **Andrea Wasserman-Marbach '00** and **Melissa Bersofsky '00**, reunion co-chairs, to represent the Class of '31 at the Class of 2000's first reunion! (Remember our first reunion? Under the old Dix Plan, three years after our graduation, I think it was. Do you survivors think I can represent you properly now? Fortunately, I note that the younger generations now seem to favor fine wines over the hard stuff. I wonder what they would think of the Prohibition bootleg "rot-gut" and "homebrew" we had to imbibe in our day!) As I was planning to go back anyway to join my son **Bill '65** at his 40th Reunion, I accepted—with every intention of representing you respectfully. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, 237 No. Main St., #250, So. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2088; tel., (508) 760-4250; e-mail, ggrampi@gis.net.

35 When you read this column, our 70th Reunion will have passed into the historical records of the university. The next issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine* will be filled with Reunion Reports of 1935 and other classes.

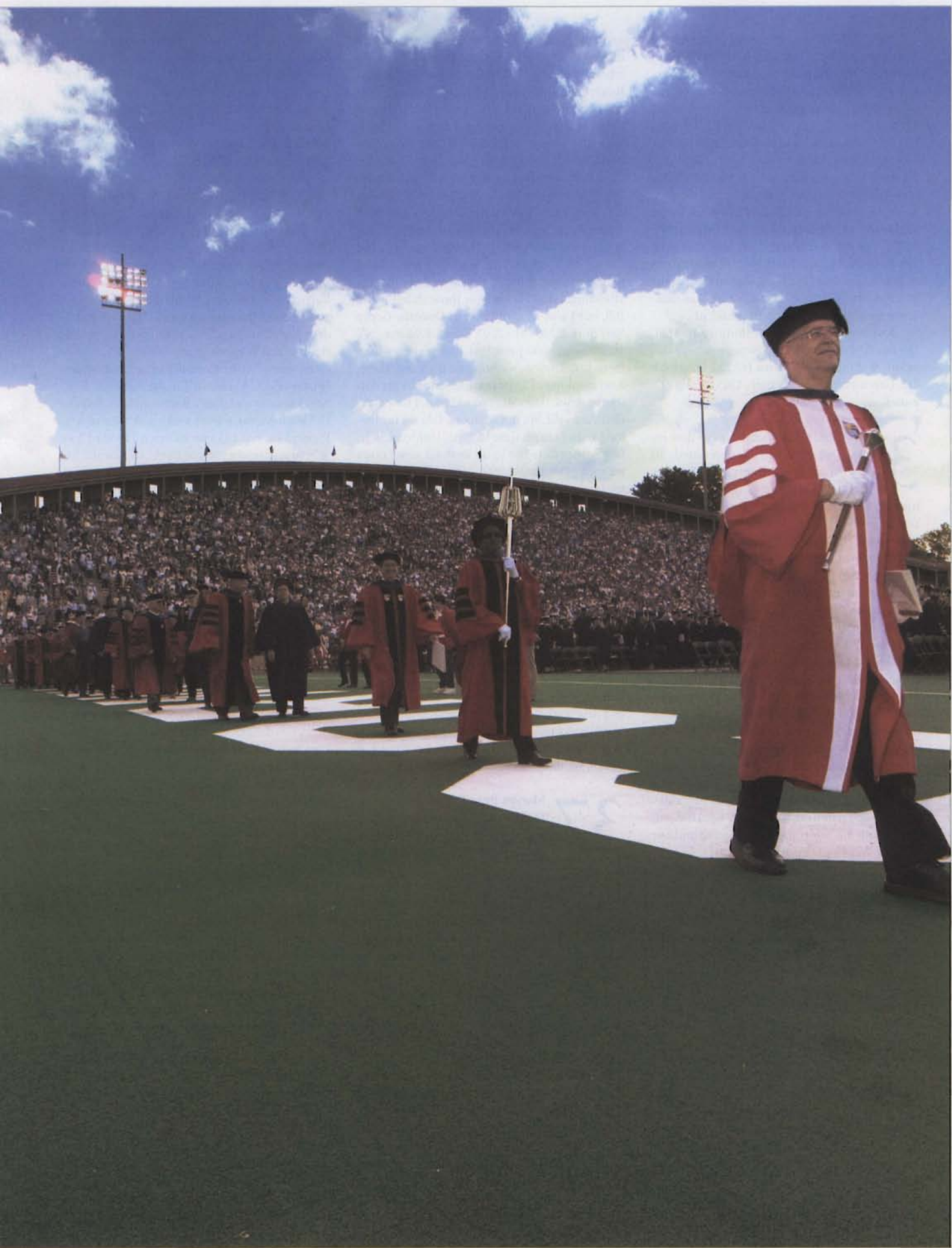
Frederick Miller of 242 Old Comers Rd., Chatham, MA 02633 reports, "No more Florida for the winter, but this winter has been a real old-fashioned one—snow, snow, snow. Can't wait to get back on the golf course. I still walk, but only five holes usually." Keep it up, Fred. **Ward Luther** (6404 21st Ave. W., Apt. H503, Bradenton, FL 34209) sent me a card that describes the celebration of his 90th birthday last July. He is shown in a red jersey on which is imprinted, "The older I get, the better I was." The party was given by his children and attended by 22 family members and an equal number of friends from his Freedom Village retirement home. The highlight of the affair was the delivery of the cake, with 90 blazing candles, by two uniformed members of the Bradenton Firefighters—a granddaughter and her husband. You look great in the picture, Ward.

Col. **Bill Barden** of 7304 Venice St., Falls



Pomp and circumstance: University Marshal J. Robert Cooke leads the commencement procession across Schoellkopf Field.

CHRIS HALLMAN / UP



Church, VA 22043 was planning to attend the 70th Reunion with daughter Bette and **Bill Jr.**, **MBA '75. Wilfred Kelly** (13 Boothwoods, Vergennes, VT 05491) phoned me recently to tell me of his hope to attend reunion and to row with the Alumni Crew. He was back in 2004 for a rowing reunion. Best of luck to you, Will. **Ruth Harder** Dugan of 3680 Hampton Brook Dr., Hamburg, NY 14075 was planning to be at the 70th. Ruth may be able to help us with the group singing. She is fortunate to have family in Ithaca. **Reeve W. Dean** (221 Hillcrest Rd., East Aurora, NY 14052) also planned to attend. He retired 19 years ago from the Niagara Machine and Tool Works in Buffalo and from teaching. He plays golf at the East Aurora Country Club, where he is an honorary member as well as a past president.

I wish you all a pleasant summer and fall. Do not forget to send any News you may develop. ♦ **Albert G. Preston Jr.**, 252 Overlook Dr., Greenwich, CT 06830; tel., (203) 869-8397; e-mail, davada35@aol.com.

36 Your news continues to flow in, which is much appreciated. To start with, **George Tooker** has finally sent us some news about himself, and it's nice to hear from him. He says that he is now 92 and "beginning to slow down. I have had 26 years of retirement, during which I lost my wife of 62 years." For the past three years he has been in an assisted living home and was having some problems that a new pacemaker solved, so he is "now back in the running." He has moved to another similar home in Mansfield, MA, and hopes to continue with bridge, pool, and other activities, but isn't sure about golf.

Now this from **Charlie Keller**: "I celebrated my 90th birthday [it seems a lot of us are doing that about now] Oct. 4 with a crowd of more than 60 friends and relatives. On Saturday, Dec. 4, a reception celebrating the opening of an exhibition of my paintings, prints, and drawings took place at the Susan Teller Gallery in New York City. It featured selections of works I made during a stay on a co-op farm near Newburgh-on-Hudson, NY, during the '50s with my wife Judith and our children Martha, Dan, and **Katy '79**. During the '60s we lived in Rome, Italy, and returned to NYC in 1973. I still have my studio on the Lower East Side and am living at the Lott Senior Residence, 1261 Fifth Ave., NYC 10029-3684." You may remember that Charlie was asst. art editor of the *Widow*, so he showed his artistic abilities early on, and it's great to hear that he has continued to use them so successfully.

Carl Widger (P.O. Box 174, Munnsville, NY 13409), unlike most of us, has lived in the same place ever since 1936, and taught vocational agriculture there until July 1970. Quite a record! And this from **Raymond Blumer** (12818 Wedgewood Way, Apt B, Bayonet Point, FL 34667), who last August flew with wife Ellen to Syracuse for a family reunion at Weedsport, NY. They arrived back in Florida the night before the first of the four hurricanes hit, and for months were "busy trying to catch up with just about everything." **Dave Amsler**, ME '37 (8400 Vamo Rd., Apt. 740, Sarasota, FL 34231) tells us that Dode and he continue

to enjoy Sarasota, where they have recently moved to Bay Village High Rise, a "first-class retirement home." **Enoch Bluestone** (5773 Island Reach Lane, Boynton Beach, FL 33437) was honored on his 90th birthday by his wife Hilda and their family with a surprise rendition of "This is Your Life." Friends and relatives came from New York, New Jersey, Michigan, and New Zealand.

I had a very nice letter from **Bill Bebbington**, PhD '40 (Brandon Wilde, Apt. 2307, 4275 Owens Rd., Evans, GA 30809), who attended our 60th Reunion and is "rather surprised to find that I am at least tentatively planning to go to our 70th, and the reason is simply 'why not?'" He also offered to help in drumming up the interest of others in attending. I don't know how those things work, Bill, but I sent your offer on to **Dorothy Greey Van Bortel**, MS '41 (2207 Theall Rd., Rye, NY 10580), our class president, and you may hear from her. Anyway, we hope we'll see you there. And speaking of Dorothy, she sends us the following news. "I am 90 years old now. I have traveled the world, but not anymore. I do see my life-long friends from time to time. Unfortunately, family members live in other states so we don't see each other, but we write often. I live in a beautiful retirement community, where the landscape is filled with lovely flowers of every kind and the grass is always well groomed. We have a movie theater, computer room, pool, restaurant, and so much more—you don't ever have to leave, and I love it. I miss Cornell very much—those were the years!" Yes, indeed.

Finally, **Fred Illston** (7852 Skylake Dr., Fort Worth, TX 76179) says that he is sad to report that his wife Dorothy passed away last December, so he has been selling off real estate to prepare to retire for the third time—to which his kids say hooray. He now has 11 grandchildren and five and a half great-grandchildren and would welcome a call or a visit from old friends. ♦ **Bill Hoyt**, 8090 Oakmont Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95409, subilhoit@SBCglobal.net.

37 **Marion Bean Parnell** keeps occupied by knitting and playing bridge and computer games. Her grandchildren are all busy; several are in graduate schools and earning their master's degree, law degree, or PhD. Last year, Marion traveled to Hawaii and Boston and cruised to Cozumel and Cancun with her daughters and their husbands. **Elsie Koehler** Fowler plays bridge and loves swimming. She spent the month of August 2004 at a ranch in Colorado. Elsie retired from the Pennsylvania Dept. of Welfare.

Jeanne Bredbenner Hull of Tucson, AZ, spent last summer in Ithaca with her family. She is retired from her positions as teacher, executive assistant, and aptitude test administrator. She has been a docent at the art museum for the past 30 years and a member of the Cornell Club of South Arizona. She enjoys seeing old friends when she visits Ithaca and eventually hopes to return to Ithaca permanently.

Elnor Sisson Furnival lives with a blind woman who is six years younger than she. Elnor writes that her own eyes are failing and doesn't know what the future will bring. They are going

to try "Meals on Wheels." **Mary Keane** Brady is living a full retirement life on Cape Cod and is busy with family and friends. She is still in her own home close to Nantucket Sound. Mary enjoys meetings of the Cape Cod Cornell Alumni Club and hopes to be at the 2007 reunion. ♦ **Selma Block** Green, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583; tel., (914) 472-0535.

38 **Carol Young Whitehill** (Fort Pierce, FL) starts us off: "**Dick '39** has just passed his 90th birthday and I'll soon be 88. It's been an exciting 65 years and we are so grateful to have reached that long a marriage. We survived the hurricanes—a blessing—and the insurance took good care of the damage we did have. Our children are all well and busy. We have five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. What more could we ask?" After Cornell, **Richard Williamson** (Placerville, CA) earned a master's degree from Northwestern and then a doctorate from Indiana U. "We have three boys and a girl. Our oldest, Richard Jr., has a doctorate from Harvard Law School and teaches law at the U. of Florida. My wife is of Scottish background and flew solo to Scotland. Unfortunately, we haven't run into any Cornellians recently. I am a Rotarian, play piano, and am an officer in the county church."

Class treasurer **Philip Wolff** (Saranac Lake, NY, and San Diego, CA) sent good news and a good story: "**Elsie (Hughes) '39** and I have wintered in San Diego for 16 years, enjoying beautiful weather, excellent golf, and many new friends. In 2004, we took a trip to Norway. Flying to Bergen and then boarding the *Coastal Steamer*, we traveled well above the Arctic Circle to Tromsø. Here we were greeted by our foreign exchange student of some 45 years ago. It was a magnificent sight to be greeted by Solvey and her husband, two daughters, and grandchildren. We have kept in touch with each other throughout the years. This was a family reunion in the Land of the Midnight Sun. A highlight of the trip was a picnic looking over a fjord at 12 midnight and taking pictures without a flash, it was so bright. Returning to the States, we had an enjoyable summer in our home on Lake Kiwassa. I managed some golf and a lot of work at the Olympic Museum at Lake Placid. As founder, it was 'my baby'—full of many memories and loads of fun. In October, Elsie and I celebrated our 64th wedding anniversary before returning to San Diego and loads of new friends."

From **Olof Dahlstrand** (Carmel, CA): "I'm still painting and drawing. For the month of November 2004, I had an exhibit of watercolors and pencil drawings of the old narrow-gauge steam railroads in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico at the Carmel Art Association Galleries, the second oldest artist's co-op gallery in the US. In August 2004, Lucia and I went by train (the civilized way to travel) back to Wisconsin for a Dahlstrand family reunion. Health remains good, and we still camp for a week or so every summer in remote areas of the southwest deserts (sleeping bags on the ground, etc.)."

Edward Lanman III has retired from his position as manufacturing representative for Eye-ball Marine Consultants and is now living with his

wife Rosemarie at Elmwood Assisted Living, 1545 Fangboner Rd., Fremont, OH 43420. He continues to enjoy a life full of activities, dining out, and visits with family and friends. Edward welcomes cards and letters from past friends and colleagues. **Horatio "Dick" Dickerson** (Huntington, NY) is also retired. He has three sons, including **William C. '66**, an engineer, plus four grandsons and two granddaughters. His sons Thom and Richard graduated from Kent State U. in Ohio. "My hobby is my ham radio. I belong to the 'Old Timers Club.' I talk to them on Thursdays, and ever since college to my friend and fellow Cornellian **Dave Bechtold**—we 'talk' twice a week."

Eileen Mandl Goodwin (Laguna Woods, CA) does not seem to be slowing down: "Last year was a very busy year! I traveled to Italy and one of the Greek islands with my glass-blower daughter in March. Then to Connecticut in July for the wedding of my older grandson. Thanksgiving was in New Mexico, followed by the younger grandson's graduation from U. of Texas in December. In between all these junkets, I played chamber music with our quartet. Retirement?" ♦ **Class of '38, c/o Cornell Alumni Magazine**, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850.

39 I can tell it's April in Ithaca because we have lots of daffodils, the sun is bright and hot, and the campus had its first student protest, this time about Cornell's plans to build a new parking lot on land below the new dorms. What is there about April that causes all this youthful energy, I wonder?

When you read this, a whole year will have passed since our 65th Reunion. It hardly seems possible that time can pass so quickly, I still have some news from 2004 that I would like to pass on, so here goes. **Eleanor Culver** Young wrote, "Thirty years retired, not a moment of regret. I can watch others tend my one acre of Vermont landscape. Fed a bear recently; waiting now for deer to come." Eleanor enjoys to the fullest the wildlife around her and writes beautifully about it.

Jean Linklater Payne and husband Douglas are enjoying their senior living community, Longview, in Ithaca. I saw them recently and they look great. Longview (so named because of the view all the way up Cayuga Lake) is an interesting place because it has a close association with Ithaca College's students and also Headstart, so it is truly intergenerational. And its residents can participate in many college activities, such as concerts and theater, and utilize recreational facilities. A number of former Cornellians live there, including **Gertrude Pasto** Bollinger and **Claire Kelly** Gilbert '37.

Priscilla Bucholz Frisbee, one of our most faithful correspondents, is still writing about our wonderful reunion. "I only hope more will be able to make it for the 70th." She's still living in the big house that has been in the family for 180 years and is facing the daunting task of overseeing and deciding the fate of "the accumulation of stuff"! She has kept a journal for the last 40 years and has published, for her family, her autobiography from birth to her marriage in 1941. Now she's about to tackle the second part: until her

children left home. Has anyone else done that? My children keep asking me to write an autobiography, but so far I can't hear in that ear!

Mary Strong Irish was impressed with our Reunion Weekend, which she enjoyed with daughter Margaret, her "designated driver." Mary is busy traveling to see family in Tuscaloosa, AL, Reston, VA, Pennsylvania, and Texas. It's wonderful that she's able to get around like that. I ooze envy! **Ethel Piness** Abrams has moved to a retirement community and can be reached at Arbor Glen #428-C, 100 Monroe St., Bridgewater, NJ 08807. She hopes to hear from all her good friends.

Edna Schmidt Aakre was kind enough to let me know that **Charlotte Lehr** Solberg passed away in December. We send our deepest sympathy to her family.

Be well, be happy, and if you're like me, practice standing tall! ♦ **Ruth Gold** Goodman, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-6357; e-mail, BG11@cornell.edu.

Here's a request from a granddaughter of one of our classmates: **William P. "Bill" Flanagan**, who died in April 2003, was in the Engineering college and was president of Phi Beta Gamma fraternity. He also played lightweight (or sprint) football. Sharon White, Bill's granddaughter, is accumulating stories about his life at Cornell. If any of our readers have any to contribute, Sharon is asking that they be sent to her at her e-mail address: irisheyes80@yahoo.com. **Donald W. Hammond** died Jan. 28, 2005 at a nursing home in Potomac, MD, after a short illness. According to his obituary, he was born in Marathon, NY, and worked as a county agricultural agent for 29 years. He specialized in the areas of farm management, agronomy, livestock, and public affairs and in 1970 received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of County Agents.

Chester Freeman, MS '45, lives in Ithaca and took a two-week Elderhostel trip to Switzerland. **Harry Johns** (Aspen, CO) is still employed by the Chalmers Technical Institute of Gotheburg U. **Lawrence Young** lives in Ithaca and says he is necessarily through with traveling.

designing the 52-acre approach to Yosemite Falls in Yosemite National Park, the new Letterman Digital Center in the Presidio in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in San Francisco, and the Stern Grove concert venue in San Francisco." ♦ **Phil Twitchell**, 1963 Indian Valley Rd., Novato, CA 94947; e-mail, philtwitchell@comcast.net.

40 **Bob Schuyler** sent me news that **Esther Button** Murphy died in November 2004. I can't add to his news except to say I remember her in Home Ec classes. You can write to her husband Stanley at 1046 State Route 80, Tully, NY 13159-9739. **Robert Knowlton** is a church trustee. He also enjoys playing golf and doing other community activities. **Frederick Beardsley**, MD '43, lives in Storrs, CT. He is retired and enjoys travel, photography, and fly-fishing. He traveled to Italy, Austria, and Budapest in June 2001.

Elizabeth Muensch De Velbiss lives in Berkeley, CA. Her principal volunteer activity is a weekly program for people with Alzheimer's disease and related conditions. She attended CAU in July with sister **Joanne Muensch** Droppers '53. "We visited the herbarium and saw plant specimens collected by our father **W.C. Muensch**, PhD '21, a member of the Botany dept. until his retirement. Visited in St. Albans, England, for two weeks in August with son, daughters, son-in-law, and the two grandsons. **Mary Dufey** Hewitt lives in a Kendal community in New Hampshire, where she works in the gift shop. She organized the third annual dog show of all dogs living at Kendal, though she says it was definitely not in a league with Westminster dog shows. She also keeps busy with her love of reading. Her son **Mark '82** is the registrar at Brandeis U. His wife is a lawyer in Boston. I received a fun note from **Ruth Buffum** Schoenacker, who lives in Waterloo, NY.

Natalie Gavrin Nixon, MA '41, retired from being a supervisor, consultant, and teacher of clinical social work in 1995. In 1997 she and husband **Charles**, PhD '47, moved to Tamalpais, a retirement community in Marin County, CA, north of the Golden Gate Bridge. They are busier than ever, as she was president of the residence association.

'We were greeted by our foreign exchange student of some 45 years ago.'

PHILIP WOLFF '38

We received an update on **Lawrence Halprin** of San Francisco, who is the recipient of the first Michelangelo Award, given by the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI). He was recognized on April 20 during the Opening General Session of the 49th Annual CSI Show and Convention in Chicago. From the press release: "Mr. Halprin has received much recognition for his work, which includes Ghirardelli Square in San Francisco, the FDR Memorial in Washington, DC, and the rerouting of Lakeshore Drive and connection of Museum Campus in Chicago. He is currently

Add to this good friends, home, and the music theater and museums of the San Francisco area. **Priscilla Coffin** Baxter moved in early January to a retirement community called Stoneridge, only four miles from her former home in Mystic, CT. She was looking forward to reunion in June.

Benjamin Kellogg lives in Nanticoke, PA. "We had the tennis courts re-surfaced on the playground that several of us built for the city—the finest in the county." He organizes the Thanksgiving and Christmas parties for youngsters and members of the playground committee. He was

involved in the enlarging of the Sigma Pi house and parking area in conjunction with Cornell's project McGraw Place. He hopes to keep going to football games, especially Homecoming. ♦ **Carol Clark Petrie**, Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; tel., (518) 632-5237; e-mail, floydharwood@juno.com.

41 Spring is coming to Ithaca as I write this column. I'm sure all of you remember the campus and town all decked out in forsythia, magnolias, and spring flowers. Thanks to so many of you who sent in news so we can have a column again. **Helen Hilbert** Peterson of Meadville, PA, has spent a year and a half at the assisted living facility she moved to from Corning, NY. She is now near her younger daughter and family. Happily she is still physically active and able to take part in many activities. **Martha Pound Steele** lives in Haverford, PA. Her husband **Joe '39** died in December 2004. **Elsbeth Hartman** Button and husband Thomas live in Brooksville, FL. Tom still plays golf and Elsbeth plays duplicate bridge.

'Mary Dufey Hewitt organized the third annual dog show of all dogs living at Kendal.'

CAROL CLARK PETRIE '40

Marjorie Steinberg Lewis of Pittsburgh, PA, is facing health problems like so many of us. She is too disabled to get to our big reunion. However, she enjoys catching well-known celebrities who graduated from our great university. **Carol Ogle** Woods and husband Lauren of Albany, CA, have moved just two doors from their son. They are keeping fit by walking, and so far are healthy, though last year Carol had two angioplasty procedures resulting in the placements of stents in her arteries. Carol and Lauren keep in touch with friends and family by phone and computer. They have traveled many places around the world and now have visits from friends they made. She says they are "pretty darn happy right here."

Madelon Rufner Umlauf and husband John live in Allentown, PA. **Lorraine Matarazzo** Farina and husband Joseph live in Schenectady, NY. **Cornelia "Connie" Merritt Merwin** reports that her husband **Roger '42** died in Feb. 2005. Connie has macular degeneration and doesn't see well at all. **Jean Palmer** Gerlach is comfortably settled in an independent apartment in Judson Manor in Cleveland, OH. She enjoys concerts, good speakers, bridge games, and the well-equipped fitness center that she uses three times a week.

Janet Wilbor Warner and husband Lyle live in Webster, NY, and since Lyle is still recuperating from his broken hip, they stay close to home. Janet attends Kappa Kappa Gamma activities, plays bridge often, and reads. **Shirley Richards** Sargent Darmer and husband Kenneth of Delmar, NY, had a three-week vacation in February and opted not to go to Punta Gorda because of the hurricane devastation. They visited Shirley's son Scott and wife Ginny in Hermosa Beach,

CA, with a great Elderhostel on the middle week at the Santa Catalina Island Marine Research Center, part of USC. L.A. was having its second wettest year in history.

Charlotte Katzman Bunkin sent a nice note. **Marjorie Lee** Treadwell sent a lovely e-mail after reading the *Alumni News*. She and her husband are really enjoying Naples, FL, are in good health, and are very active in sports and committees. ♦ **Dorothy Talbert** Wiggans, 415 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 266-7629; e-mail, flower@localnet.com.

We'll start with our man with a long name and a short message. **Albert Aschaffenburg** writes, "Nothing new. Still teaching and enjoying every minute of it." **John Powers** reports, "My wife Doris died in May 2000. Some time after that, I looked up my Ilin, NY, high school girlfriend Nancy Brown Wright. We had not seen each other for 63 years. We are living in Surry, NH, and expect to move to Cooperstown, NY, later this year." **Stanley Reich** is semi-retired.

"Still teaching medical students at UC San Francisco and UC Davis. Three children and four grandchildren all doing well."

Congratulations to a most deserving **Lou Conti**. The Cornell Football Association established a new award, the Lou Conti Lifetime Achievement Award, and Lou was himself one of four recent recipients. He was honored for exceptional loyalty, leadership, and lifetime support of Cornell football. Lou reported the good news that the whole Conti family assembled to celebrate Dottie and Lou's 60th anniversary. **Lew Birkhead** experienced a new way to cruise from St. Louis to New Orleans on the Mississippi River on a barge. There were two barges tied together, for a total of 730 feet. One had all the staterooms; the other had everything else, including kitchen, dining room, library, lounge, and two bars. The barges were pushed by a tug. There was no vibration, so one had to look out the window to see movement. En route, Lew saw as many as 18 other barges being pushed.

Richard Davis sent the obituary of his wife Elizabeth. They were married 52 years. In WWII she supervised the production of radios in Bridgeport, CT. She later was production manager for Pepperidge Farms. She was a trustee of the county home in Greenville, SC, and the Mary Thompson Hospital in Oak Park, IL. **Porter "Pete" Gifford Jr.** died of lung cancer in September 2004 at his Dallas home. Pete was well known for conservation of natural foods. He raised grass-fed beef, and his ranch was registered as organic. At Cornell he earned his degree in Mechanical Engineering and was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Tau Beta Pi fraternities.

In WWII he was an aircraft maintenance officer, earned the rank of Major, and was awarded a Bronze Star. When he liquidated the Gifford Foundation, he gave property to the Boy Scouts and to the Diabetes Laboratory at the U. of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. We thank **John Matthews** for sending the obituary. John and Pete were three-year roommates at Cornell.

Lawrence Kalik is still Special Master in the Appellate Division of the NYS Supreme Court. **David Altman** is still not fully retired. He has a consulting professorship at Stanford U. and is involved in the space program. He is not as optimistic as President Bush, as he feels that Mars is at least 20 years away from human visitation. "On the home front, we enjoy two grandchildren—8 and 11, and bright." Dave still plays tennis with a partner and laments that he too often calls, "Yours." ♦ **Ralph Antell**, Beaufort Towers, 7015 Carnation St., Apt. 408, Richmond, VA 23225-5233.

42 We all received Franz Kafka's *The Trial* from Pres. **Liz Schlamm** Eddy, and possibly, like me, you found it difficult reading. Liz had mentioned discussing it on our website or through our column, but to date no one has. So I was pleased to find that the *New Yorker* magazine for March 28, 2005 had a feature called "Kafka Sings" under musical events. Would you believe there is an opera based on this book by Danish composer Poul Ruders? It premiered March 12 at the Royal Danish Theatre. *The Trial* is a tale of a hunted bank clerk who is being persecuted for no reason. Ruders wanted to write a comedy, but the material is only morbidly funny according to Alex Boss, writer of the article. Perhaps the opera will appear in this country—or even a movie—and we can all strive for comprehension.

The stories in the alumni magazine have been very interesting, and I especially enjoy the last page, "Cornelliana"—nostalgic and memory-rousing. I remember driving up and down State Street in the snow. I would put the front right tire in the gutter and sort of slide down that way. Can't remember how I ever got up again!

I had another interesting letter from **Ken Hubbard** (Fort Myers, FL) about his surviving shingles and the four hurricanes. His flowers are beautiful and his trees are growing. While a student he flew airplanes at the Ithaca Airport. Drafted in his junior year, he joined the Navy V-5 program and went to Pensacola for training. His first daughter was born in Ithaca, where he actually graduated in '48. But once a '42, always a '42. We have many in that category, including me. I earned my degrees in '44.

Nancy and **Dick Graham** live in Royal Oak, MD, on the eastern shore of Chesapeake Bay. They play tennis and enjoy various book clubs. Dick writes and thinks about justice regarding the Iraqis and Afghans, based on research he was involved in on some 30 societies when he was director of Lawrence Kohlber's Center for Moral Development at Harvard. His thoughts include: "They value conformity more than we do; the way most people think about justice is established by the time they are 20 years old; we in the Western world place importance on independent thought

as we are growing up; and the failure of our leaders to consider these differences is the source of many of our problems today. I want to show that we can take these differences in prevailing thought patterns into account in adopting policies to better deal with these nations." Good luck, Dick.

Sally Ann Rudolph Drachman is moving to Newton, MA, to be near her daughter Virginia, head of the history dept. at Tufts. She recently enjoyed a visit from **Estelle Mulwitz** Barrett (Sarasota, FL). She brags of her four children and four grands and is busy decorating her new home. **Greta Adams Wolfe '48** (Lake Stevens, WA) visited Gig Harbor to attend the Hans Christian Andersen 200th birthday celebrations along with 200 other Danish folk. Greta went to Mineola High School, and I hope to meet her one of these days. Her good friend **Ed Markham** (and Rosie) of Bainbridge Island, WA, visited the Int'l Pflanzen Messe in Essen, Germany, and enjoyed a million-plus square feet of worldwide horticulture. Ed survived a serious car accident and is recovering now.

Cornell sports are vastly improved in all areas. The always fine men's hockey team came in second in the NCAA and the game was on TV. **Gary Bettman '74** is the NHL Commissioner. The *Cornell Sun* sent information on digitizing the paper's archives that included an ad for the 1938 Dartmouth Hop at the Drill Hall featuring the Bunny Berigan and Ted Howes bands. Tickets were \$2.25. Those were the days.

Jean Fenton Potter (Washington, CT) lives with her dog Teri within walking distance of two sons. Her other children live not far away. Jean swims winter and summer, plays bridge, and does church work. She visits the family complex in the Adirondacks summer and fall. **John, MBA '48**, and **Alice Sanderson Rivoire '41, MS '48**, enjoy Kendal at Ithaca, especially the library and bird-watching. John is in physical therapy from a hip operation and brain surgery, the result of a fall. Good wishes for his recovery. Sadly we report the passing of **Roger Merwin** (Sykesville, MO). Roger was a Hotel school graduate and participated in all Hotel activities, including Ye Hosts, Hotel Greeters of '42, and Hotel Ezra Cornell. Our sympathies to his wife **Cornelia (Merritt) '41** and their family.

Here's our new '42 website: <http://classof42.alumni.cornell.edu>. Do write to all those submitting their e-mail addresses, as well as to me. ♦ **Carolyn Evans Finneran**, 8815 46th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; tel., (253) 265-6618; e-mail, CeeFinn@juno.com.

43 Sam Hunter (St. Paul, MN): "**Thelma (Emile) '45**, wife since 1944, and I returned to Ithaca for her 60th (my 62nd) Reunion—can this really be so! I was saddened to hear of **Milt Coe's** loss of his dear wife Connie. Let's encourage Milt to come to reunion." 65th Reunion chair **Bob Larson** (Freeville, NY; margolrs@aol.com): "Our summer home is Freeville, NY, next to Ithaca. It's a small farm where Margo and I do some gardening and admire the views. Anybody still able to play golf can e-mail me and visit for a little golf. Health: we are perfect in an imperfect way. Beautiful life."

Class Notes for Dummies. Dept. of Travel. **Nancy Jessup Underwood, ME '43** (Manchester, TN): "Both of us—husband **Robert '42, ME '49**—still kickin'! Two sons retired, one still working. Five grandchildren. Car trips to visit each, plus my brother and younger sister (Rev. **Florence Jessup Beaujon '51**), keep us on the road—Chicago, Cincinnati, Knoxville, Panama City [drive to Panama City?], Pensacola, St. Louis—plus family on Eastern Long Island. Busy with Retired Teachers 30+, Adult Education, AARP Tax Aide, recycling, and local conservation and beautification work. Also trying to keep two miles of roads picked up. Since retiring from aerospace work, Bob is busy with Lions Club projects. We dated for six years; been married 62. We've been in Tennessee for 50 years after living in 15 states. My father, **George P. Jessup, ME 1908**, a dam engineer [Got my nose busted for saying that once too often in Boldt Hall], earned his way through Cornell as a campus night watchman and ended his career working for Cornell during the building boom in the '50s. Bob's father, **Paul H. Underwood, CE '07**, of course, was a C.E. professor who taught surveying from 1907 until he retired."

Rosemary Williams Wilson (Kingston, RI): "Last June, **Phil '42, MS '53**, and I went to London for several days, then to France, where we rented a car for two weeks. We capped this off with a one-week barge and wine-tasting trip in Burgundy—a delightful experience." **Karin Engel Danby** (New York, NY, and Palm Beach, FL): "Everybody around me appears to be getting younger and younger—a somewhat difficult situation! So far, have still managed to spend a month in Europe during the summer; however, every year it feels better to return home—not such a good sign. My fondest regards to whoever remembers me, and let's all keep going!"

Clifford Cole (Ponte Vedra Beach, FL): "I wish others, too, could feel 65 at my age! Mary and I highly recommend touring the US by train—with long stopovers!" **Robert Cologgi** (Seneca Falls, NY): "Drove last summer to Anchorage, AK, from Seattle with my oldest daughter, Sandra Bonanno, in a rented RV. Mostly stayed overnight in government campgrounds. Saw bison, sheep, grizzly and black bears, wild horses, mule deer, moose, eagles, ospreys, lakes, rivers, glaciers, and all kinds of flora. I accompanied Sandra on a few hikes where the terrain was gentle. Returned to Seattle on ferries, spending two days in Juneau and long visits at Sitka and Ketchikan. Sandra climbed and explored a glacier. I watched!"

D.O.T. Hurricane Div. **Betsy Small Schrader** (Pepper Pike, OH, and four to six months in the Cayman Islands): "It's been a busy year for travel: June to Brazil to revisit places we lived and people we knew when we were there 36 years ago; then to England for a week before returning on the new *Queen Mary 2*. Just returned from 2-1/2 weeks in Grand Cayman, having arrived five days after Hurricane Ivan. The devastation had to be seen to be believed! It'll come back, but there's a lot of restoration ahead." **William Hoff** (Longboat Key, FL, and Mequon, WI): "Enjoyed another beautiful summer in Wisconsin playing tennis and

visiting with children and grandchildren. Fortunately, the hurricanes narrowly missed our house in Florida, so we still have a place to return to."

w/Pets Div. **Clementine Birsner** Lynn (Huntington, NY): "I worked for the NYS Dept. of Labor in their Employment Division and retired in Feb. 2003. I have two beagles, Pearl and Sir Randy. Pearl is a retired show beagle. She and I traveled with the breeder all over the East Coast and as far west as Wisconsin. I'm presently a volunteer at Little Shelter, a lifecare community for dogs and cats [Kendal for cats and dogs?].

Dept. of Health. **John Casale** (Vero Beach, FL, and Dorset, VT): "Francoise and I divide our time between Vermont and Florida. Gardening and golf are our main exercise, plus daily workouts on bikes. A stress test and cardiac cath discovered a 90 percent "widowmaker," which was stented without complications. Hooray for our side!" **Gladys Haslett Poor** (Marblehead, MA): "March '05 will be our 60th anniversary of marriage. George sports a defibrillator and I still paint in spite of advanced Parkinson's disease."

Dept. of Apple & Tree. **Bobette Rosenau Leidner** (Haverford, PA): "What's in a name? My daughter, **Bobette Leidner '81**, is active on several committees at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, as am I. What's more, she's taken my position on the women's board of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts (I was a former trustee). We're always mixed up, so she's now Bobette Leidner Jr. all over Philadelphia!" ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, P.O. Box 164, Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.

44 Cherry blossoms are in bloom! Spring is here! It's wrap-up time for '04 news. **Charles Bollinger** says, "When you get to be 83 years old there just isn't any personal news to report," but he is making plans to settle in Florida instead of trekking back and forth from Vermont. **Phillip Lewin, PhD '69**, writes from Denver that he and Hindy still work out at a health club thrice weekly and belong to two book clubs. Daughter Elaine, having majored in hospital administration in college, is executive director of a new assisted living facility in Denver. **Marilyn Wise Douglass** and husband **Truett '43** are enjoying living in their home in San Jose, CA, and a condo in Monterey Bay, CA. She reports that grandson **Patrick '02** and girlfriend **Amy '02** are teaching English in China, though stationed many miles apart. **Kenneth Kander** of Issaquah, WA, writes, "Enjoying visiting our grandchildren in Sausalito and Lake Tahoe, CA." **William Swain** reports from Sarasota, FL, that he "and Connie and four children and six grands are active and having fun at home and at work."

Frank Reynolds sent a resume from Springfield, MO. Having retired from Teen Challenge in 1989, he volunteers. He is Chairman of the Board of Teen Challenge of the Ozarks, a women's program. Since 1981 he has been a member of the Southwestern Missouri Citizens Advisory Board for Probation and Parole. He now conducts classes daily in Greene County Jail. Sixty to 70 inmates attend in four sessions. Frank also serves on the building committee of the Evangelical Temple

Assembly of God church. **Ralph Bigelow** of Camp Hill, PA, summarizes his career. After Cornell graduation, he went to Columbia Midshipman School in New York, became an ensign, and served on PT boats. He then spent 37 years working for Bell Atlantic of Pennsylvania (now Verizon). He plays tennis three days a week, gardens, and travels. He claims three children. **Arthur Widmer**, BS '47, says, "Nothing new relative to me, but things are happening in St. Louis and the surrounding area." He's still active in the St. Louis South Side Lions Club and volunteers at SLPRC. He also mediates at the St. Louis BBB. **Eleanor Bloomfield Scholl** is busy and happy in her retirement community in Delray Beach, FL. She starts the day on an 18-hole putting green (wins a prize now and then) and goes on excursions such as to a new Seminole Gambling Casino. **Harold Ogburn** writes from Blue Earth, MN: "Still miss the farm, but love our house in town." They winter in Saint Simons Island, GA. They see **Walt Hallbauer** '59 and his wife Gloria and classmate **William Kaegebein**'s brother Elmer on Jekyll Island.

Lena Hunt Burdin sent news from Mt. Pleasant, SC, of husband **Art** '38's 90th birthday celebration. Daughter **Judy** '69 and her daughter are working for Academic Associates Peace Works in Nigeria. Youngest granddaughter Emily, 14, is on the Ithaca High School swim team, which won against the Ithaca College team. **Helen Couch Darling** of Odessa, NY, writes about two granddaughters who play basketball for their colleges. One is 6'5", the other 6'1". Their father is Helen's third son. (How tall is he?) She also mentions a boat, *Malabar X*, which her son Tom helped to build in Ithaca. "They say once you work on a boat you don't want to do anything else." Tom is a construction architect still working in the same shop.

Margaret McCaffrey Kappa, now of White Sulphur Springs, WV, finished her 20th season with Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI, as a consultant, retiring at 82 to write her book, *Top Sheet Down*. She was born and raised in the oldest operating hotel in Wabash, MN. Her fourth generation nephew sold the hotel in 2002. Emerson Hotels kept the name "Anderson" (her mother's maiden name), along with the Pennsylvania Dutch cooking and the cats (per her request). After the 60th Reunion she flew to Albany, where the Gideon Putnam Hotel limousine took her to Saratoga Springs, NY. There she spent a week consulting at an historic hotel undergoing renovation. After enjoying the food, service, and ambiance, she flew to the Greenbrier for a week with her son **Nick** '82, who also is in hotel work—fourth generation.

Gerald Tohn sent word about two addresses—Stowe, VT, in summer and Palm Beach Gardens, FL, in winter. He loved reunion, and is planning on the 65th and 70th. He made his daughter **Margot** '86 promise to help him get to the 70th if he needs help. **Clifford Earl** says he's "still alive and kicking after 21 years of retirement." He and Ann enjoy an active life in Sun City Hilton Head and visit with his brother **Dick** '43, BS '46, and **Barbara** "Bobbie" **Johnson Earl** '42 in Florida. **Mildred Bond French** is also busy and happy on Hilton Head. **Charlie Williams** and wife Barbara "live a quiet life" in Scottsdale, AZ. They celebrated their 60th anniversary in September.

Victor Denslow thanks the Kestens for the class website. He says, "The Chicago area is devoid of '44 Cornellians and my closer '44 friends have graduated to paradise." He has written a poem: *My chemical engineering is past / Other challenges are coming fast / My ailing back is the last / I still enjoy my breakfast / But getting up is a task.* ♦ **Nancy Torlinski Rundell**, 20540 Falcons Landing Circle, #4404, Sterling, VA 20165; tel., (703) 404-9494.

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By the time you read this, our 60th Reunion will be history, which your correspondent will try to summarize in the next column.

From recent e-mail exchanges with **William Knauss**, MBA '48 (Sarasota, FL) I learned that he was planning to attend in conjunction with a Johnson Graduate School reunion. Despite two major surgeries in the past five years, Bill is as active as ever, working with the Cornell Club of the Suncoast, in the Tampa Bay area, setting up a book award program for nine local schools, and tutoring third graders in English. He also is on the selection committee that screens applicants for Habitat homes. Bill and his wife frequently usher at the local performing arts hall, and in his off-time plays tennis at least twice a week. Is that his idea of retirement?

Another busy retiree is **Catherine Verwoert Work**, who is a docent at the Arizona State U. Art Museum in her hometown, Tempe, but found time for a Danube cruise last year and a barge trip in Holland and Belgium this May. She reports that the most recent thing she learned is the meaning of the word "exculpatory," but didn't explain why. We hope it wasn't because her lawyer had to use it on her behalf. Another volunteer is **Winthrop Mange**, who lives in Williamsburg, VA, and helps out in the famous Colonial Williamsburg.

From Palm Beach, FL, where she avoids New York winters in Floral Park, **Marjorie Marks Boas** Levins reports plans to attend reunion and will probably see her granddaughter, a student at Cornell Law School, following in the footsteps of her first husband, our late classmate **Bob Boas**. Marjorie has been married to Jack Levins for ten years now and says she has been blessed with two wonderful husbands, not to speak of three children, two of whom are Cornellians, and ten grandchildren. Jack has three and six, so Marjorie must keep busy with family and it's good she could take time to join us in Ithaca.

Arnold Cogan (Little Egg Harbor, NJ), former president of his Rotary Club, says he'd rather be in Atlantic City playing poker and blackjack, but has learned you can't win. He has six grandchildren, all in Arizona, and a son in Sedona, who is "the mountain guru of Sedona"—he runs several tours a week and is the town supplier of mountain bikes. **Barbara Benjamin Westlake** (Ft. Myers, FL) would rather be packing a suitcase because "it's later than you think." She says she is going to travel, travel, travel. "You name it and I am either going there or have just come back." Sounds as if she may have a contest going with **Fran Shloss**, our travel champ from Beverly Hills, CA, who hasn't yet reported in with this year's annual itinerary. Six years ago

Fran reminded us that "time waits for no one" and I still crack up when I think of the comment of our late, lamented classmate **Mary Sheary**, who stated ten years ago, "I'll keep traveling as long as the cosmetics take more room in the suitcase than the pills." Maybe some of the above-mentioned ladies should form a Mary Sheary Club!"

Ernest Gosline, MD '47 (Clinton, NY) plans to be at reunion to tell us of the "basically unreachable horizon" of the golden years of wisdom and maturity. He's retired from active psychoanalytic practice, but does some part-time psychiatric work and is an active violinist and chamber music enthusiast. **Alice Ross McCarthy**, MS '47 (Birmingham, MI), who enclosed her lengthy and impressive resume, continues her active life's work in the health of children and adolescents. A president of her company, Bridge Communications, she oversees its publishing of books and pamphlets and says she keeps her brain too busy to worry about senility. She has nine grandchildren and five super-achieving children, including **Sharon McCarthy**, PhD '87, who is a professor at Carnegie Mellon U. Another of our still-working classmates, **Gloria Marti** (NYC), did find time to go to Alta, UT, for a week of skiing.

James Jenks (Garden City, NY) wishes he were flying to Bermuda, probably to play golf with his 14-year-old grandson Jonathan, who has a 10 handicap and is a star hockey player. **Roy Hughes** (The Woodlands, TX) is looking forward to reunion, where he will tell why he has learned that girls don't look back when he stares at them. He says that when his four boys were 5 to 12 he wondered what they'd be like when they matured; now he knows. They are workaholics, playaholics, good fathers, and great fun to be around. He hopes his three grandsons will turn out like their fathers. **John** '44 and **Carolyn Jean Hendrickson Cummings** (Binghamton) celebrated their 60th anniversary in January and are enjoying retirement, but don't do any more long traveling, Ithaca being the usual destination for visits with relatives. Their four children are scattered, with one each in Florida, Colorado, and Kenya, but fortunately one is still in Binghamton. They belong to the Cornell Club of the Southern Tier, play bridge, and do plenty of walking when the snow isn't too deep. ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; tel., (757) 716-2400; e-mail, cushcu45@wmconnect.com.

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Janet Curtin Horning sent an apartment address in Westerville, OH, so I guess she also joined the "Golden Agers" who are moving. Maybe she'll send information about the move. When we visited a few years ago, she had a double picture of herself and **Judy Richardson Johnston** (Colonial Heights, VA). One photo was taken in 1942 when they were frosh roommates in Risley and the other at a 1990 Elderhostel they attended. What a wonderful memento. **Dick** and **Nancy Mynott Davis** (Bloomfield, CT) wrote that they have an annual reunion with **Arnold** and **Margaret Monteith Edelman**, BA '45. They also attended Cornell's Adult University (CAU) for two summers. Their son-in-law,

of Princeton, NJ, is CEO of Lingraphica, which provides software to help people with aphasia—the loss of the power of speech communication.

Marian Cudworth Henderson (Ormond Beach, FL) wrote that she survived all four hurricanes in '04, "the first one, Charley, all by myself. For Frances and Ivan, I drove with my son Tom to daughter Patty's home near Leesburg, VA, to watch via Internet, and decided to stay for Jeanne, too, and 'let it roar.' Of course, having six grandchildren to enjoy was quite persuasive." She keeps in touch with **Mary Jane Vandewater** D'Arrigo and has traveled to Ireland and Paris. **Ruth Magid** Woolfe (Boca Raton, FL) still keeps in touch with **Iris Smith** Morris and **Naomi Colvin** Gellman. One of Ruth's sons published a book entitled *The Bible on Leadership*, which was translated into Korean; another son sang with the Christmas Revels in Oakland, CA, for a tenth season; and her daughter works for a nonprofit computer company in Cambridge, MA.

Ruth Rothschild Mayleas (NYC) is co-producer of the Women in Theatre broadcast on Channel 75. I wrote about it a few issues ago. **Marianne Michaelis Goldsmith** (Bedminster, NJ) wrote, "Friends and family enjoy visiting the bench we sponsored at the Plantations in husband **Karl** '47's memory. Our grandson is a sophomore at Cornell." She called me to find out how my husband was doing after his cancer surgery in December. How thoughtful and very much appreciated. **Joyce Lee Fletcher** (Portland, OR) is retired and loves to travel. "I've been to Denmark, Norway, Egypt, Turkey, Central America, and the US. Now I paint and still photograph my grandchildren." She spent the season working on the Kerry for President campaign.

Bill and Phyllis Stapley Tuddenham (Naples, FL) wrote, "We are fortunate to still be traveling. Besides our annual two-week time in London, we cruised on the Columbia River, watched animals up close in South Africa and Botswana, and took the Blue Train to Cape Town." I'm exhausted reading about it. Keep going as long as you can! **Barb Warden** Ihrig (Madison, TN) had a granddaughter's wedding last July; the bride and groom are in graduate school at Andrews U. in Michigan. Another granddaughter has been promoted to head of the occupational therapy department of Hallmark Rehabilitation in Monterey, CA. Last summer, husband Harold and she went hiking in the Smoky Mountains. ♦ **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 9 Reading Dr., Wernersville, PA 19565; tel., (610) 927-8777.

Ray and Barbara Hunicke (Roxbury, CT) had planned to retire much earlier, but hitches developed in the sale of their commercial property. Now, they have a major customer on a long-term lease with an option to buy their one-acre building for the firm's world headquarters. It hasn't been easy. Ray writes, "In June, to get ready, we removed a large paint booth. The floor was covered with dried epoxy paint as deep as 5/8 inch. We rented impact hammers (two types, two days) to chip the epoxy off. Barbara helped by prying off semi-loose pieces. At one point I told her she was working like a 51-year-old, not the 81 she really is!" Ray and Barbara are very pleased with

their children's progress in the business world and their grandchildren's academic prowess.

Arthur and Doris Ticknor Van Vleet (Richmond, IN; hoosierad@aol.com) now live nine months each year in Richmond, IN. Their other three months are spent on the Florida Panhandle. In both venues they play lots of tennis, golf, and bridge, as well as swim. Richmond affords them propinquity and time to enjoy their expanding Indiana family. Courtesy of their son and his wife, they have two grandchildren, one great, and two on the way. In this idyllic setting, Arthur has not forgotten about giving back. He has recently completed five years as chair of Prime Time for the United Way. Prime Time solicits retired givers, who might otherwise discontinue giving. Not only have these prospects resumed giving, some have also become part of leadership and solicited many important gifts successfully.

Gabriel, ME '51, and **Lois Pesce** (Ventura, CA; gvpltl@aol.com) returned two years ago from an eight-year Spanish assignment. Gabe was Base Civil Engineer at the USAF base near Seville.

ago, met for the first time, chatted a little, started dating a couple of weeks later, and are now happily wedded! Bert's daughter **Amy Warner Charlton** '79 and her husband **Joseph** '78, with their three children, were part of the festivities. My husband **Doug Anderson** '50 and I went to the event with our class president **Pete Schwarz** and his wife **Elaine (Drobner)**, where we joined many area Cornell friends: former class columnists for the Class of '51 **Bob** and **Joanne Bayles Brandt**, **Carol Sue Epstein** Hai '60, **Heidi Friederich** '63, **Jean Grant** Whitney '56, **Russ** and **Jan Booth** Anderson '56, **Howard** and **Sally Wheaton** Gillan '59, and **Larry** '57 and **Marilyn Zeltner** Teel '58, who stood up with Gail. She was escorted by her son Glenn. The flowers at the church were beautifully arranged by **Michael Miller** '72. There was a deep feeling of love and joy present, realizing the marriage and all our friendships happened and exist only because of Cornell!

I have received my first new 2005 news-by-mail! **Bonnie Kauffman** DeLamater lives in Macungie, PA, and keeps in touch with some of

'Margaret McCaffrey Kappa was born and raised in the oldest operating hotel in Wabash, MN.'

NANCY TORLINSKI RUNDELL '44

Since returning they have split their time between their ranch near Santa Barbara, CA, and their Cape Cod home. They met old Cornell friends **Sy Volpe** '49 and **Ty Scalzi** '49 at that class's 55th Reunion and later visited with the Volpes while at Cape Cod. This summer, they will migrate to the Cape again, where they will try to find more old Cornell friends and classmates.

Two of our classmates took part in Cornell Adult University programs. Barbara and **Arthur Bernstein**, JD '50 (Los Angeles; abh10@cornell.edu) participated in a May 2004 London Theatre program led by David Feldshuh and **Glenn Altschuler**, PhD '76. **Edward Raser** and a friend joined The Wine Class in August 2004. The Hunicks, Van Vleets, and Pesces hope to attend our "60th in '06" Reunion. If each of us calls a classmate and asks him or her to join us on the Hill, we can look forward to a mammoth turnout for a great event.

TO PUBLISH YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS, e-mail it to me. Include your name and city and state of residence. Send news to: ♦ **Paul Levine**, 31 Chicory Lane, San Carlos, CA 94070; tel., (650) 592-5273; e-mail, pbl22@cornell.edu. Class website, <http://classof46.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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It is mid-April as I write and I have just returned from a wonderful Cornell/Rochester wedding. The bride is my friend **Gail Freeman Kayson** '59, and the groom is **Bertram Warner** '49. Both of them, widowed, attended an area Cornell alumni club picnic a year and a half

ago. AOPi sisters who are also in Pennsylvania: **Jane Mange** Morrison of Broomall (near Philadelphia) and **Elinor Baier** Kennedy '46, who lives in Wernersville. Bonnie has two daughters, but they are not near her. She keeps busy in church and women's groups and has taken several "Learning in Retirement" classes at Cedar Crest College in Allentown. She found a recent "Ethics in Health Care" very interesting. Bonnie wrote that several of her sorority sisters gathered in Florida last winter and promised to send her news. She also wrote of the death in June 2004 of **Eleanor Beiswenger** Crinnion, another sorority sister with whom Bonnie had kept in touch over the years. She said Eleanor had suffered a stroke and spent her last few years in a nursing home in Dallas, PA. Thanks for writing, Bonnie.

Our class inside informer **Barlow Ware** has told me of contact he had with **Jim Vlock**, MBA '48, who was delighted to report the acceptance and planned attendance next fall to our College of Arts and Sciences of his granddaughter, who represents the fourth generation of his family to be a Cornellian. Jim is still working as chairman and CEO of the Fox Steel Co. in Orange, CT.

Joy Gulling Beale and her husband **Arthur** "Bill" '46 are doing well since having some health problems. They have four children, including **Randy** '79, and five grandchildren. Their oldest son, age 55, has completed his career as computer expert at a nuclear plant in Oswego and will receive his nursing degree this spring and start a nursing career in Syracuse, where he received his training. Joy also shared some good news about

classmate **Evelyn "Puddy" Steinman** Cook, an Ithaca resident. Evelyn's daughter, who lives in Jakarta, Indonesia, with her husband and three children, escaped the devastating tsunami in December. Both are teachers, so the whole family was on holiday in New Guinea when the disaster struck.

I received a memo from the Admissions Office reporting on the year's applications and admissions. Cornell received 24,444 applications for 2004-05. This is up significantly (17 percent) from 2003-04. The most dramatic increase was in applications to the Arts college (up nearly 30 percent). The Admissions Office and the Arts college attribute the increase to a joint initiative targeting prospective students interested in Lib-

computer. Problem is to stop telling Jacque how to drive a car. The little dog looks like a bus—to me. I'm getting pills in India for best price and service. Call me for a contact. Life is beautiful when you stay positive and eliminate the negative."

John Sterling, Utica, NY: "Completed 48 years with American Express Financial Advisors in May '04. Chairman of Town of Schuyler Planning Board. President of Mohawk Valley Nursing Home Foundation and director on the nursing home board. Spent a week cleaning up damage to our condo in Indian Harbor Beach, FL. Roof blown off, water damage, and mildew on walls. That was Frances. Then Jeanne came through and tore off the temporary roof with much more water damage."

'Houston Flournoy dodged the hurricanes and became a regular viewer of the Weather Channel.'

PAUL H. JOSLIN '50

eral Arts. Of the students admitted to Cornell for the Class of 2009, 11 percent are legacies. Around the Ivy League, Princeton and Harvard also had more applicants this year, while Yale had fewer.

New construction is planned for Martha Van Rensselaer Hall in 2006. The north addition to the main building, added in 1966, was evacuated in July 2001 after structural problems were discovered. It has remained empty since and is now slated for demolition this summer. Human Ecology's new dean, **Lisa Staiano-Coico, PhD '81**, who came to Ithaca from the medical college, is busy and well-received.

The News and Dues letters have surely arrived in all of your mailboxes, so I expect a deluge of information for the next column. A deluge! In addition to news, I'd like you to send me some of your recollections. Because of the war, our time at Cornell was very different from that of earlier and subsequent generations. Let's try to get some of our memories down on paper. What did we wear? What were the rules? What did we listen to on the radio? What did we do on the weekends? What did we learn in class? What did we do during the summers? How old were you when you started and finished? This is for posterity!

Also, Class Treasurer **Margie Newell Mitchell** would surely like pieces of gold.

Happy summer to all! Many thanks to my daughter **Beth Anderson '80** for her welcome, able, and helpful assistance. ♦ **Arlie Williamson** Anderson, 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610; e-mail, arlie47@aol.com.

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James Ford Jr., Gulf Breeze, FL: "Cleaning up after Hurricane Ivan. We vacation in our Fairfield time-share in Hawaii. Great-granddaughter born last August (my first); wife Jacque has five! I'm legally blind, but still golf with one eye and rake leaves. No car, very little TV or

John Van Zandt, Winston-Salem, NC: "Retired from New Jersey Dept. of Agriculture. Had a total hip replacement, but am back to walking a mile every day or so. Read, play bridge, volunteer, eat chocolate, and boost Wake Forest sports. Going to Denver and Cancun. Have 14 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Problem today is winning at 'Rummikub.' Solution is to play bridge. The world's problem is erosion of moral and ethical standards. Solution is stronger faith in God and more involvement of family in religious upbringing of children."

Jacqueline Smith Flournoy, Westport, CT: "Being Yacht Club secretary for 20 years and trying to keep new board members from 'reinventing the wheel.' Busy sailing, working with crafts, playing bridge, and walking, raking leaves, going out to lunch, and paying bills. Learning to live alone since **Jim** died in March '04. One month later I lost my sister **Cynthia Smith Ayers '52**. Jim's brother **Hugh '50** came here many times from California to see him. I recently celebrated my son's and daughter's 20th anniversaries. Problem today is going through 54 years of saved 'things' and trying to get rid of some. Leave it for the children to sort. The world's problem is war and famine, which can only be solved with international cooperation. Have learned that people are really kind and caring, and love is the essence of everything. The wonderful outpouring of love after Jim's death sustains me."

Rita Lemelman Alper, Stony Brook, NY: "Still working at our local library and volunteering at Meals on Wheels. Went to New Zealand with daughter who participated in an Ironman triathlon. Visited nephew in Norway with sister **Jean Lemelman** Meadow. **Selma Chernigow** Reiff, MA '50, Jerusalem, Israel: "Husband Samuel is deceased. I'm retired. I'm a volunteer organizer of study/vacation programs for American seniors in Israel (à la Elderhostels). Also synagogue

activity and 'grandma wheels,' courtesy of three of our eight daughters. Walking home from a concert at 10:30 p.m. on a weeknight, I passed a dozen eateries (restaurants, cafés, pizzerias, etc.) all filled to overflowing, with wait lines outside, *three days* after a suicide bombing in the neighborhood. Life in Jerusalem goes on! My big problem is the bustling traffic on busy streets, so I use buses, walk, or stay home. World's problem is peace, unqualified. Solution is communication, open minds, mutual understanding, and appreciation."

Bill McCurdy, Fort Lauderdale, FL: "Retired; do as little as possible all day long. Elected to board of governors of Coral Ridge Yacht Club for two years." **Herb Podel**, Westport, CT: "Sold my company three years ago. Still work for the new owner. Are there any classmates still at work as we approach our 80th birthdays?" (Ed. YES! Some over 80!)

Eugene Littman, Newburgh, NY: "President of U.S.A. Illumination Inc. I manage and operate a lighting fixture manufacturing factory. I'm on the regional board of directors of Key Bank. Play golf in Newburgh almost every Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday from April to November. I go to Florida to our home at Frenchman's Creek in Palm Beach Gardens every December, January, and February for two-week trips to play golf daily. Three children are also lighting fixture manufacturers, owning their own companies. One son owns four lighting fixture manufacturing companies. We also have another son who is a doctor in Baltimore."

Alan Strout, Weston, MA: "What does one do next after a professional lifetime of unlikely adventures—oil well drilling in Venezuela, work for a future Nobel Prize winner on the structure of the American economy, heading the USAID policy-planning shop during the Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson years, representing a rural social sciences foundation for four years in Indonesia while teaching a raw form of econometrics at the U. of Indonesia, a later stint of research on the worldwide future demand for raw materials, and finally, a longish spell of teaching and administration at a major US university, followed by consulting for a few years. My latest mini-adventure has been to work for over three years with the Town Historian Emeritus, a woman of broad vision and encyclopedic local knowledge, on a history of the small town of Davenport, NY, in the northern Catskills, about 90 miles east of Ithaca. Davenport's bottom line, worth remembering today in other contexts, was foretold by Heraclites of Ephesus, a Greek philosopher from about 513 BC: 'There is nothing permanent except change.'" ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; tel. and fax, (516) 767-1776.

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There is good news and scary news. The good: we have a bit of news, and the promise of more to come after the Dues Letter from our Leader, **Jack Gilbert**. From your e-mail comments, I know you've received the letter. The opening sentence threw a number of you into "Blue Book" confusion. We understand your plight. It is a little "Pennsy Dutch," but finally works its way back to understanding. My guess is

that Jack did not write it. Even an EE who made all his eight o'clocks would not do that to us! The letter was possibly compliments of the Cornell Temple of Templates (Alumni House), which will supply written communications for all classes who do not wish to write their own. Sometimes the "one size" doesn't fit all. So just send in your dues and news. As you will see, there are no templates for class columns. We all just bumble along.

The scary: people from other classes read this column and can use the Internet to express their opinions. **Evan Hazard '51** commented on our anatomical digression in the March/April issue. Evan is a professor emeritus of biology (Bemidji State U.) and contributes two columns per month to the local newspaper. He forwarded one entitled "Nerdy Date Bureaus" that was a delight. It makes reference to select classified ads carried in this publication. Seems to me that the bulletin board in Barnes Hall got instant results with much less exposure/giggles.

In response to a '49er query: yes, there was a group of professors who secretly wrote and exchanged off-color limericks for their own amusement under the name of "The Spilt Milk Society." **Morris Bishop '14**, PhD '26, was the leader and it cut across a number of the schools. The efforts of these writers were collected and mimeographed in the office of the dean at G.S. and distributed under the aegis of Prof. Baxter Hathaway. The trick for the students was to seek out discarded "master forms" or have a friend in the office. Bishop published a book of their output in the early Forties under the title "Spilt Milk."

News at last. We have no idea how many address changes we have reported for **Dee Mulhoffer** Solow over the years. She is a real moving target! But now, she has moved with daughter Emily Lizbeth to Brookville, PA. Emily is a general surgeon at the Brookville Hospital. Dee is "unpacking boxes that have not been opened since we moved to Scotland some years ago." She brought her 13-year-old grandson to reunion last year. The two had such a great time that they were off to this year's CRC (Continuous Reunion Club). Rev. **Willett Porter**, Mahopac, NY, tells us that he has been a Methodist clergyman since 1951. He is currently pastor of Mount Hope UMC in Mahopac. Will has been married for 53 years and has four sons and six grandchildren. From **Howard Lemelson**, Boca Raton, FL: "Enjoying retirement, traveling, and spending good times with **Sidney Laibson '51**, **Phil Steinman '50**, and **Irwin Sitkin '52**."

Obtuse Observations: A man who won't lie to a woman has very little consideration for her feelings. Confidence is that feeling you have before you understand the situation. Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are usually the ones who dropped it. Experience is what causes a person to make new mistakes instead of the same old ones. The longest odds in the world are those against getting even.

Now that we have reached this point, a template of any kind is looking mighty good. Fresh news would be better. Stay well. Stay happy. Be proud to be a '49er. ♦ **Dick Keegan**, 179 N. Maple Ave., Greenwich, CT 06830; tel., (203) 661-8584; e-mail, rjk27@cornell.edu.

50 A happy letter from **Miriam McCloskey Jaso**, Sarasota, FL, reported on the induction of her late husband **Jack '49** into the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame. Jack was recognized for his contributions to the winning teams of '48-49. Fourteen of her family were able to attend the event prior to the Dartmouth football game last fall. Son **Rich '77** gave an hysterically funny acceptance speech—"a wonderful memorial to a great father, athlete, and human being." **Fred Immen**, Defiance, MO, is great-grandpa of Ty Hunter, a future Cornellian. **Donald McCurry**, Amelia Island, FL, is retired to golf, travel, photography, and books.

Naomi Knauss Drummond, Pilesgrove, NJ, was elected an Alumni of Distinction at her 80th high school reunion, recognizing her public service as a New Jersey administrative law judge in adjudicating the state's only full antitrust case. She is planning her "last big trip—to St. Petersburg, Russia, so I can see the family home of my favorite professor, Vladimir Nabokov." **John MacNeill**, Homer, NY, is still self-employed as a civil engineer and remains active in a number of civic and professional organizations, including Cortland Rotary Club, Cortland County Chamber of Commerce, Crown City Toastmasters, and Baden-Powell Council/Boy Scouts of America. John has served Rotary for over 30 years as Youth Exchange Officer. This role has taken him abroad to 17 countries and to five exchange-student weddings. He maintains e-mail communications with over 150 foreign exchange students.

At the time of this writing **Joan Noden Keegan**, Greenwich, CT, was eagerly looking forward to our reunion and arranging for an affinity group to share nearby rooms. She and husband **Dick '49** attended his 55th Reunion last year and thoroughly enjoyed fellowship with friends from different classes. **Bernard Roth**, North Dartmouth, MA, enjoys Elderhostels, five recently on such topics as repertory theater, film festivals, standup comedy, biomedical ethics, and the life of Richard Rodgers and his music. His day job is doing pro bono work for local charities through the Executive Service Corps.

Like some, **Rosalyn Shapero** Alpert, Watertown, NY, found that "retirement is a real job and leisure a great burden." She and husband Arthur enjoy the climate of northern New York, but in winter flee to Ft. Meyers, FL, where she relieves some of the leisure burden by serving as docent for the Southwest Florida Symphony. **Houston Flournoy**, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, dodged the hurricanes and became a regular viewer of the Weather Channel. His pessimistic neighbor **Rodger Gibson** left the plywood up so long that wife Betty Lou told him that she was not Wilma living in a cave and ordered the extra paneling removed. But just as it came down another hurricane was predicted. The plywood went back up, and they left for Ireland.

Pat Fritz Bowers, New York, NY, is a retired professor of economics. Pat has enjoyed travel with Cornell's Adult University (CAU) to study Aztec archaeology, and to Normandy with Cornell alumni, including classmates **John** and **Carol McMillan Lawes**. Day job for **Gretel Russell**

Hackel, Manzanola, CO, is everyday housework and caring for livestock, as well as eating out daily. Her second great-grandchild, Avery, was born on the birthday of her great-great-grandfather, **George Russell**, a 1920 law graduate of Cornell. As she does yearly, Gretel will be traveling to our June reunion.

Richard Hudes, Flushing, NY, audits courses at Queens College and loves exempting the midterms. He is a volunteer tutor for Women in Need—those who, because of abuse, need help in turning their lives around and also need help in preparing for the GED exams, a work he finds most gratifying. Grandchildren Ben and Sarah, at the urging of their parents **Steve '89** and **Jill**, persist in wearing Big Red T-shirts. Richard and wife Sonia regularly attend CAU courses on campus. **Sonia Pressman** Fuentes, Sarasota, FL, was selected as one of 87 Jewish women to be included in a special exhibit of the Jewish Women's Archive to go online June 2005. The exhibit commemorates the 350th anniversary of the Jewish community in the US and Jewish women who contributed to the women's rights movement in the US.

John Timmerman, Lakeview, OH, continues in the retirement day job he has had for many years, Public Relations Officer for the J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies in Chicago, IL. John has also served as archivist for the Center, which coordinates the work of scientists worldwide that take a scientific approach to solving the ongoing UFO enigma. On campus John was accompanist for the men's Glee Club and wrote music for Octagon shows. He has written over 200 songs and continues his lifelong interest in piano performance and song writing.

An absolute must-read is a new book, *Women at Work: Demolishing a Myth of the 1950's*, authored by **Marion Steinmann** and the Women of the Class of 1950. The 154 women who contributed and share in the authorship will receive free copies. The book demolishes the persistent stereotype that during the 1950s women had no choice but to be housewives. Cornell women were a full decade ahead of the women's movement of the '60s. Of 344 graduates, 110 earned graduate degrees, including five physicians, 11 attorneys, and 22 who earned PhDs or other doctoral degrees. To order online go to Orders@Xlibris.com or phone 1-888-795-4274, ext. 276.

Midge Downey Kreitz has moved from Virginia to Colorado and with the move ends ten years of faithful and exemplary service as class correspondent, five with **Bob Fite** and five with me. We shall miss her competent work and patience in dealing with our dotage-related idiosyncrasies. She'll remain active in class activities. ♦ **Paul H. Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA 50131-1560; tel., (515) 278-0960; e-mail, phj4@cornell.edu; **Ruth "Midge" Downey** Kreitz, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; tel., (703) 860-2991; e-mail, rdk12@cornell.edu.

51 **John Ravage's** son Ethan reported that John passed away peacefully in San Francisco on December 18, 2004. John had courageously fought a chronic form of leukemia for the past few years, but had a certain wisdom about knowing when

to give up the fight. Mercifully, he had a very quick departure. In his final year, he still had impressive energy—he hiked the Andes in February and took a ten-day bicycle tour of the Loire Valley in September. Right up to the end he was active in local political and environmental groups, plus he gave generously of his time, particularly to the Adult Literacy League and to local musical organizations. He and his wife Nan initially retired to Savannah, GA, and then re-settled in Cloverdale, CA, in early 2000. After his early childhood in France, Ithaca became John's first long-term home in the US, and is where he really felt he grew up—and where he was most at home, visiting there as recently as this past summer.

Marshall Berger, New York City, participated in the Cornell Adult University (CAU) session on elections last summer. **George Hano**, MBA '52, Lyme Center, NH, chose to go to Russia in January 2004 for The Russians' Russia: Moscow and St. Petersburg in Winter with Patricia J. Carden as the instructor. **Anthony Ferrari**, Naples, FL, and **Elliott Oldman**, Martinsville, NJ, learned about History and Horticulture in the Hudson Valley from Stuart Blumin and Donald Rakow in June 2004, and **Bill Field**, MBA '53, went to Rome in October for Barry Strauss's study of Caesars, Senators, Citizens, Slaves: Life and Power in Imperial Rome. **Elliot Siff**, Westport, CT, spent two weeks in London with David Feldshuh and **Glenn Altschuler**, PhD '76's doing theatre (The Play's the Thing: London Theatre) and with Franklin Robinson doing art (The World of Art in London) in May. **Howard and Caroline Baigell Krasnow** '50 participated in the discussion of the 2004 elections at Mohonk with Glenn Altschuler, Richard Burkhauser, and **Jeremy Rabkin** '74.

Florence Sweet Benzakein, Newburgh, NY, is delighted to report that people have been buying her artwork in Orange County. She does mainly etchings and aquatints, but also tries her hand at sculpture, collage, and graphics. She went on from a BFA at Cornell to an MFA from SUNY New Paltz in sculpture and has won Best in Show locally. **Jack and Betty Meng Howell** report a solar-powered mountain hut reunion in Colorado with all four children, two spouses, and three grandchildren. Other trips included an Elderhostel with Carol and **Russell Schuh** in Carbondale, IL, and visits with friends in Charleston, WV, Detroit, and New Hampshire. They recommend a Canadian Elderhostel entitled The Tale of Three Cities: Ottawa, Montreal, and Quebec. "Lots of walking, but very educational."

Harry Merker writes from Las Vegas, NV, that he is looking forward to the 55th Reunion for a visit to New York, where he is trying to arrange that a section of NY Route 96 be renamed the 96th Infantry Division Memorial Road. The Board of Supervisors of Ontario County is the main sponsor and with the help of Senator John R. "Randy" Kuhl, it may be approved by the State Legislature. The 96th (and Harry) was in the Leyte, Philippines, and Okinawa campaigns of WWII. Don and **Corinne** "Corry" **Watkins** Stork, after having served for years on the Finger Lakes Health Hospital and Health Foundation boards, became co-chairs of their church's first-ever capital campaign. A church committee is planting a

crabapple tree as a thank-you in Penn Yan, NY. They enjoy watching their grandchildren play basketball, volleyball, baseball, and lacrosse.

Nancy Carver Shene, Morrisville, NY, took her youngest daughter, Dorothy, on a Panama Canal-Caribbean cruise in April 2004, making several new friends. Two granddaughters recently graduated from SUNY Plattsburgh. She continues to write fun information skits performed in senior centers, and is a local Democratic committee-woman. **Jack and Marybeth Weaver Ostrom**, Ithaca, went to Richmond, VA, for an Elderhostel with **Louise Squire** Bishop and **Betty Grimm** Hague in March 2004. Jack has been elected a trustee at Kendal, the continuing care community where they live. He sees **Bob Matyas** at their Gourmet Group affairs, and **George Bantuvanis** at local concerts. Marybeth serves on the board of the Tompkins County Office for the Aging, works once a month at the Kitchen Pantry, and is a member of the Long-Term Care Committee of the County Health Planning Office. 2004 was the 200th anniversary of Ithaca's First Presbyterian Church, and Jack chaired the celebration planning committee. Daughter **Kathy Ostrom** Nollner '75 organized a family get-together at a B&B in Vermont for four children, two spouses, and ten grandchildren to celebrate 75th birthdays.

Barry Nolin's Class of '51 Web page is <http://classof51.alumni.cornell.edu>. Please send your news to ♦ **Brad Bond**, 101 Hillside Way, Marietta, OH 45750; tel., (740) 374-6715; e-mail, bbond@ee.net.

52 Spring has come to western Pennsylvania, and it's lovely. So much so, that in a week or so we will complain about the lack of rain.

Honors. A January 2005 *Cornell Chronicle* clipping announces that the newly created Tanner prize will be "awarded annually to a person, couple, or family who has made significant contributions to both Jewish life anywhere in the world and to Cornell." Appropriately, the prize is named for **Harold Tanner** who, in addition to serving on Cornell's Board of Trustees, raising a great deal of money for the university, and being named a foremost benefactor, has been a long-term member and president of the American Jewish Committee. I also have notice that **Roy Payne**, MBA '53, was honored by Cornell staff, family, and Delta Chi brothers as Foremost Benefactor to the university on October 16, 2004. Congratulations to both classmates.

The mail told of various people doing many things. **Jeremy Judge** wrote in March to say that he and his wife Margot have been working with others in Roxbury, CT, and neighboring towns to "do something helpful for those suffering in Afghanistan and Iraq." Their group, Our Towns for Sar-E-Pol, has raised \$50,000 to provide immunization of children in the Province of Sar-E-Pol, Afghanistan. The Judges "continue to see a lot of **Carr Ferguson**, LLB '54, **Bud Freeman**, and **Stu Haskins** and their families, which we like a lot." **Alice Sena** Scherer writes, "We live in a continuing care community, Willow Valley, in Lancaster, PA. Our son Andrew and daughter-in-law Wendy run an Internet information

service. Three grandsons: Davis, Reed, and Max. Our daughter Elizabeth is a medical researcher and lives in Annapolis."

Donald Biles, Skytop, PA, retired in 1988 as president and general manager of Skytop Lodge. He and Elly, whom he married in September '47, have two children in California and one in Massachusetts. "Most importantly, we have seven grandchildren—five in Massachusetts and two in California—whom we love very much and visit whenever we can." Don, who hadn't seen anyone very much, saw **Jack and Lib Hunsberger Craver**. The Bileses have cut way back on travel, but went to D.C. for the dedication of the WW II memorial. He was flying to Florida in October for his "final" military reunion. "Not too many left to attend a reunion—sad!" **Elaine Willis Hazard** writes from Bemidji, MN, that she and **Evan** '51 are happily retired and have done some traveling. Their three children are grown, and their three grandchildren are "spread too far apart" from western Minnesota to Chicago. Elaine volunteers as parish nurse at her church, is active in local theater, and serves on the board of Northwoods Interfaith Caregivers. She reads a lot, mostly detective mysteries, but sometimes "real" literature.

Evelyn Hoffmann Huffman, whom we knew as Kris, writes from Kansas City, MO, "Inspired by the art show at reunion, I have taken up painting and am enjoying it very much. Also, it's very challenging. Had an exhibition last spring and hope to have more." **Henry Ver Valen**, Monkton, MD, has been busy—skiing Steamboat Springs and spending two weeks in Sarasota in February and two weeks at Kiawah in September. He's active with the Peabody Inst., enjoys lots of dancing, and still works on maintaining and restoring his four vintage Jaguars. He was at the vintage races at Watkins Glen in September. The Ver Valens' two sons live in California.

Pierre Tonachel wrote in December that in October he married Julia Healy, a fellow Manhattan artist. "We are happily ensconced in our Greenwich Village penthouse." Pete works in a studio in Soho and had just finished their fall open studio shows. He writes, "I managed to sell a few canvases and etchings. Kind of a long haul from the former career as a lawyer, but after all, I started out at Cornell in painting and drawing with Profs. Hansen and Evett." **Barbara Gale** Wood, Hancock, NH, wondered in November where the year went. She had visited a son in Oregon in July and gardened. She wrote, "As a Regent of Gunston Hall, near Mt. Vernon, spent some days at meeting there in October, and then to southern Italy with the American Horticultural Society seeing not only several gardens but old churches and ruins from the history of invasions over the centuries. Too brief a visit, but a great pleasure." After Thanksgiving with their daughter's family in Littleton, CO, the Woods were to be home for Christmas.

Dave, JD '58, and **Phyllis Perl Stearns** '54, Sarasota, FL, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with family at Cabo San Lucas in November 2004. Dave reports that Phyllis's newest works, mixed media, were to be exhibited at the Palm Avenue Gallery in downtown Sarasota beginning January 7, 2005.

Twenty items to go and no more space. Make sure to pay dues and subscribe when the annual class mailing comes this fall. ♦ **Joan Boffa** Gaul, 7 Colonial Pl., Pittsburgh, PA 15232; e-mail, jgcomm@aol.com.

53 Presuming that most of the vast, widely dispersed Class of '53 navy, from kayaks on up, has been launched for summer cruising by now, we forward year-round skipper **Harry Hutton**'s report from Long Beach, CA. He and mate Joanne circumnavigated Catalina just before last Christmas in their aging but faithful 38-foot sloop. ("Well, okay, it was cool, but no ice axes were needed.") When not "sanding, varnishing, changing fuel injectors, and other such intellectual pursuits as bilge cleaning," Harry sits as commissioner of the Long Beach marine advisory commission and on the board of the Long Beach Marina Boat Owners Association. "A small-scale import/wholesale business keeps me in Dacron and diesel fuel," says he. Harry and Joanne have been watching a 7-year-old granddaughter five days a week ("Think that doesn't keep you young?"), and Joanne "has morphed into a soccer mom." Other than that (mostly): "No climbing Mount Everest, no Nobel prizes. Just hanging out here and enjoying life." **William H. Smith** tells of an intracoastal waterway voyage (Middletown, RI, to Sanibel, FL) in his 48-foot offshore trawler, stopping to see friends here and there. That was about five years ago. The good ship *Laura M* was docked right outside the Florida door, along with the 24-foot Pursuit runabout (for water sports and shelling) last fall and escaped the wicked winds that bashed Florida.

John and Lea Paxton Nixon (Atlanta, GA) went Elderhosteling in France with Jim and **Recie Miller** Scott last year. "We all ate too much and drank too much wine." Earlier, the Nixons saw **Gordon and Janet Kilby Lankton** for dinner and reminiscence. **Herb Neuman** (NYC) and Stephanie, celebrating their golden wedding anniversary in '04, note that Stephanie holds the all-time record for attending houseparties at Sigma Alpha Mu. At last look, Herb was deep into developing real estate and Stephanie was teaching and researching at Columbia. The Neumans make annual trips to Moscow and Jerusalem for Jewish studies. **Jim and Judy Logsdon** sold their Pacific Palisades, CA, digs a while back and have made the transition to "the Desert," i.e., Palm Desert, CA.

Alan Raynor is settling into a new condo in Venice, FL, selling real estate, sculpting ("getting to be an expensive hobby"), and competing in track and field events (still). Retired from the practice of law since 1994, **Elliott Solomon**, LLB '55, has been doing the cooking at home in Scottsdale, AZ. (Spouse Paula "couldn't stand the R word" so she's gone into real estate—seven days a week.) Elliott says he's trying to become a golf pro. **Pete Rufe** (Waynesboro, VA), "enjoying new-ish grandchildren, Rotary, and church library," is, like others our age, "trying to reduce mountains of clutter" around the old homestead.

"How could my first son be 50?" wonders **Roslyn Miserentino Kerr** (Farmington, ME), president of a women's finance group, secretary

of a nonprofit group that provides quality service to mentally retarded adults, volunteer eucharistic minister at church, election worker, Food Closet helper, and nutrition writer for a local newspaper. **Barbara Linn Janner** (Oceanside, CA) told us she stays busy listening to her children and grandlings, collecting artifacts and beads from all over the world, creating intricate, exotic necklaces from them, and attending to her cactus garden. **Janis Peet** Thomsen (Homer, NY) is "a friend of Bill W., Sweet Adeline member, active in YWCA and community." **Eugenie Gilbert** Taub, MEd '54 (Westfield, NJ) has become a bat mitzvah. She's continuing Hebrew reading and has been taking art appreciation and music history at a nearby college.

We're indebted to **Dottie Clark** Free for a **Burton Spiller** update. She forwarded word from the LeRoy, NY, *Pennysaver* that Burton has been honored in his old hometown (LeRoy), where

in residence at any of their abodes. The McDowells are now residents of Kilauea, HI, but left home for several points both north and south in 2004. Their adventures took them from 90 degrees north (aka North Pole) aboard a nuclear icebreaker and south to the Falklands via a six-week cruise billed as "Stepping Stones of the Atlantic." Having gone north and south they then had one itinerary that took them around the world. When at home Ed is still on the go and on the water via one of his sailboats. **Richard Weil** also resides in Hawaii in Wailea on the north side of Oahu. Dick retired two years ago as legal counsel to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' public auditor. He had previously been the Commonwealth's attorney general. Widowed four years ago, Dick participates in community activities including tutoring at the local elementary school. He has also taken up the strenuous sport of outrigger canoe paddling.

'How could my first son be 50?'

ROSLYN MISERENTINO KERR '53

the Historical Society has established the Burton Spiller Archival Research Center. After Cornell, the Air Force, and Columbia, Burton settled in Rochester, where he was an orthodontist for 29 years. Along the way he became a collector of Jell-O memorabilia and a chronicler of same for antique magazines. "His real interest in antiques, though, has been bottles," and, the *Pennysaver* reveals, "he has a collection surpassed by few." More than enough, apparently, because Burton has donated lots of it to the historical society. Engineers were consulted to see whether the floor of the archive center could hold it all. It turned out that the weight of the many people visiting the Jell-O exhibit might very well be too much for the floor to support. The New York State Council on the Arts found money to save the day.

Wild geese and pigskins will be overhead before you know it and continuing improvement is in the air, too, following last fall's astounding turnabout under coach **Jim Knowles** '87. We're planning the traditional Homecoming bash (tailgating, block seating for the gridiron battle with Georgetown, and gracious dining with friends from Fifties classes) for the weekend of October 15, when **Elliott Cattarulla** will receive the Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award. **Jane Little Hardy**, Mid-Winter Meeting chairlady for the Cornell Association of Class Officers (CACO), advises that the annual meeting will be in Philadelphia over the Presidents' Day weekend (Feb. 16-17, 2006). You'll be hearing more about all of the above. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 First Ave., Apt. 8B, NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

Robert Rogus, BArch '57, writes, "Travel we must." In 2004 Jane and Robert left Redding, CT, bound for a South American circumnavigation, a hop to Japan/Taiwan, thence to London, and finally some fun time in Mazatlan, Mexico. Somewhere in all that travel, Bob had an emergency quadruple bypass; apparently, it did not slow him down for long. A retired architect, he now does colorful 36" x 36" paintings. Does that qualify for painting by the yard?

Sounds as though golf was not enough for **Willard Wheeler** after his retirement. He is unretiring. Willard, with nine other founding directors, has created a new independent trust company chartered and licensed in the state of Florida. The company, Coral Gables Financial Corp., is located in Coral Gables. Will this be a trend? A not-retiring **Michael Stone**, MD '58, has completed a book, *Personality Disorders—Treatable and Untreatable*. He lectured in Athens on serial killers and in Berlin on adolescent psychiatry this past year. The Greeks have also recognized **Joan Schwartz** Danziger's talent. Joan was artist-in-residence at the Skopelos Foundation in the Arts in Skopelos last September. **Steve and Carol Krauss** have been staying close to home and visiting their scattered grandkids of late with a bit of skiing in Colorado to keep limber. When at home, their farm, gardens, and horses occupy their time.

Don '53, BS '55, and **Eloise Mix Unbekant** were a part of the group gathering in Sarasota in February. In attendance were **Bob** '53 and **Lou Schaefer Dailey**, **Rosemary Seelbinder Jung**, **Clancy and Barbara Gavin Fauntleroy** '55, your correspondent, and the newly married, looking exceedingly happy, **Sallie Capron Marchant** and **Bill Schroeder**. Sallie and Bill will spend their lives traveling among their homes in Naples, FL, Kiawah Island, SC, and Chagrin Falls, OH. Sounds like they are following the **Bus Ryan** formula of always living at a comfortable 70 degrees.

54 The closest I think I have ever come to witnessing perpetual motion is reading the yearly report from **Ed and Joyce Dudley McDowell** '57. This past year they broke their own record by being away from home more than

They probably don't believe some of us actually like the white stuff. Eloise and Don also had a reunion week at the Outer Banks, NC, with a group of Cornellians, including **Phyllis Pertsch** Marshall. Hiking the beach, singing Cornell songs, and exploring the Wright Bros. Museum were agenda items.

Mildred "Midge" Meyers Weiner enjoyed reunion and wished to thank all those that did the planning. She wrote a delightful note detailing the lives of her eight children and their offspring. Even after diagramming it as we were taught in Lit courses, I am still not sure I have them all located. Five live in the US and three in Sweden. **Vincent Rospond**, LLB '58, brought three of his grands to reunion. They fell in love with the campus. Sounds like a successful job of recruitment. Now only time will tell. Meanwhile, Vincent is still enjoying the law in New Jersey. **Kenneth Roberts** sent copies of his new book to the Cornell Library, *What if: Out of a Black Hole*. Ken says it tries to make current some important ideas that have been lost in the black hole of time. ♦ **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, ljreed@speakeasy.net. Class website, <http://classof54.alumni.cornell.edu/>; Cornell Directory, <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu/>.

55 Now, here's where this job gets tricky. The column I'm writing today (in April) will appear in the July/August issue of the magazine, and while I know you're eager to read the write-up about our reunion, that won't reach you until the Sept/Oct issue. But hang in there—it's definitely coming! **Dick Shriver** e-mailed me that he is currently general manager of the European College of Liberal Arts in Berlin. This is an English language college, offering students from 20 countries a truly international environment. Sounds like a perfect choice for a semester or year abroad. More information can be found at www.ecla.de.

'Sandra Wiltse Leininger's newest adventure was learning to use eBay—"What a disaster!"'

NANCY SAVAGE PETRIE '55

Liz Burroughs Miley is president of the Champaign/Urbana Symphony Guild in Illinois, and also serves on environmental stewardship and community mission committees, among many other volunteer activities. **Martha Bliss** Safford continues to work for her husband and son, who are partners in Safford Investment Counsel. Martie and Nick live just 300 yards from the ocean in Rockport, MA, where they grow all their own fruit and vegetables. Martie says that she uses her art background teaching her grandchildren, collecting local art, and painting.

An e-mail message from my Comstock roommate, **Sue Spooner** Olsen, confirmed that

she was planning to be at reunion, and was looking forward to seeing old friends. **Sue Liebrecht** Joyce and her husband Bill get out of Minneapolis to spend four or five months a year in Crested Butte, CO, and another month in the San Diego area, where they have four grandchildren. Other travels for the Joyces included a visit to their son, who's doing volunteer work in Guatemala, and a trip to Lima, Peru, to see their daughter and her family. **Don Farley**, PhD '60, says he's now in "phased retirement" on the faculty of the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Cornell. "I still enjoy teaching, but it's nice to do it only every other semester," Don adds.

Sandra Wiltse Leininger retired in 1995 after practicing pediatrics for 32 years at the Walnut Creek, CA, Kaiser Hospital. Not only does Sandy keep tabs on her 99-year-old mother in Florida, she's also the grandmother of 23 and great-grandmother of two! Everyone in the family is "happy, healthy, growing, bright, and accomplished." Sandy's newest adventure was learning to use eBay—"What a disaster!" Reminds me of **Tom Stafford's** comment that he's "learning how to sort of operate my first computer." **Henry Purcell** is still in the ski business in Santiago, Chile, "and probably always will be—the Portillo ski area is just too much fun to quit," says Hank. He just completed a Cornell home study course in bird biology, and otherwise keeps busy with "travel, writing, and all sorts of sports." Anyone traveling to Chile is welcome to give Hank a call (56-2-361-7000) or send an e-mail (hpurcell@skiportillo.com).

Frank Ryan, MPA '59, continues to work in Abu Dhabi for the Investment Authority there. "After hours" he can be found golfing in the desert or sailing on the Arabian Gulf. Frank's newest discovery is the fauna and flora of the Arabian Desert. Friends and family convened in Hidden Valley, PA, for a "gala celebration" to celebrate the 50th anniversary of **Martha Gorman King** and husband **Bruce**, PhD '57. Marty draws and paints

Mrs. **Myers, Mary Ann (Monforte)**, writes that despite having to use a walker, she loves to travel with her "major caregiver"—husband **Bob** '54. They spend a month each year in Savannah, GA, where they stay in a condo with an elevator, and enjoy watching the freighters come down the Savannah River from the Atlantic Ocean. "Come see us on Tybee Island," Mary Ann adds. In 2004, **Art Yelon** was named professor emeritus at Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal, and colleagues threw a party for him to celebrate his emeritus status, his 70th birthday, and the 20th anniversary of the research group of which he was the first director.

Phil Harvey, who along with **Dick Estey**, MBA '60, chaired our Fabulous Fiftieth Reunion, spends his free time biking, sailing, and going to the theater, movies, and jazz clubs. Phil's idea of a perfect moment is to be "at anchor on the Chesapeake Bay, drinking a fine Riesling and watching the sunset." After all the work that goes into putting reunion together, no one deserves that perfect moment more. Finally, it is with a heavy heart that I report the news of the death of **Otto Schneider**. Otto was the tireless co-president of our class, and served Cornell well for many years. He will be greatly missed, and our sympathy goes out to his wife Barbro and his daughters. ♦ **Nancy Savage** Petrie, nancypetrie@juno.com; tel., (631) 329-6430.

56 **Barbara Rapoport**, New York City, is back in Paris for a month renting the same apartment she had last fall in the Left Bank just off St. Germain des Pres. She will be returning to Paris in the fall as well. **Margot Lurie** Zimmerman, Washington, DC, and husband Paul just returned from Israel on a study tour sponsored by the New Israel Fund (NIF), as well as a week in Jordan. As expected, Margot wrote a very detailed report on her trip, which Paul promptly mailed to friends and family. I wanted to share a portion of Margot's report with you:

"For the most part, Jews and Arabs within Israel lead very separate lives. With very few exceptions, all schools are segregated. Most towns are all Jewish, or all Arab (Moslem and/or Christian). And where they are mixed, for example in Haifa, Romle, and Lod, neighborhoods are separated and there is very little interaction among the adults or the children. The workplace is also often segregated. Our map of the Galilee showed small Jewish towns, but failed to include the large Arab town (population 17,000) of Arabe. But, on a more positive note, in each of these communities there are non-governmental organizations trying to bring about change. Unfortunately, behavior change is not easy, and the process is slow."

Margo continues: "We visited one small community (only 90 families), Ma'ale Tzvia, that could be a model for improved interaction among different ethnicities. For starters, there are two Moslems and one Christian living in the village (because they are married to Jews). All members of the community are encouraged to engage in pro bono activities. For example, 15 women began a project with a Bedouin village only one kilometer away. They began by going twice a week to give lessons to the Bedouin children. This led to a

project with an equal number of Bedouin women. They began by meeting every week for collaborative arts and crafts projects, which gave them a common frame of reference. They then began to exchange knowledge of local herbs, and ways these can be used, both in cooking and medicinally. Right now I think they are at the 'cooking together and sharing recipes' stage." Margot concludes: "It's a beginning." Margot describes NIF as a 25-year-old progressive organization dedicated to strengthening civil and human rights, protecting minority populations, fostering religious pluralism, and promoting social and economic justice in Israel through training in—and strong emphasis on—advocacy, and by making grants to social change organizations active in these issue areas.

I met **Ellie Goldman** Frommer on the Madison Avenue bus in Manhattan twice this week. Not a long time to chat, but a nice coincidence. Ellie is a residential broker with Stribling, for those of you planning to sell or buy your New York apartment. George and **Judy Cohen** Lowry, New York, had a quick vacation in Anguilla. As many of you know, Judy is one of the owners of the Argosy Book Store, THE antiquarian book store, and George is the chairman of Swann Galleries (rare books, prints, maps, etc.). **Ellie Schaffer** came to the US for a short medical visit from Paris. It was great to see her, and I know she would enjoy seeing classmates who are in Paris.

Percy Edwards Browning is hard at work planning our 50th Reunion (June 8-11, 2006), and I know she will attend to all the details to make this a very special reunion. Please be sure it's on your calendars. I am working on a "Side-ways" trip to the vineyards of the Finger Lakes for all of us, and **Ed Berkowitz** is plotting a special treasure hunt to find all the buildings on campus that have been constructed since 1956! Let's see how many we can find.

Keep your news coming to **Stephen Kittenplan** and myself. ♦ **Phyllis Bosworth**, 8 East 83rd St., Apt. 10C, New York, NY 10028; e-mail, phylboz@aol.com.

57 Now that many of us have reached another milestone this year, perhaps it's fitting to include a comment from **Mary Neill** Hanna's news form. She writes, "It's a great era to begin being in the 70s! Dreams can still be realized, health can be recovered and/or enhanced, and old age is still 15 years older than one is now." Mary is a psychologist at the Community Health Center in Iowa City, IA, and enjoys living in this idyllic small college town near her physician daughter.

Fredda Ginsberg Fellner's daughter **Melinda Fellner** Bramwit '89 is an attorney. **Rochelle Krugman** Kainer, an analytic psychologist in Washington, is finishing her novel about a woman who has four husbands. Although a graduate of the ILR school, she says that being the literary type, maybe she should have been in A&S. Rochelle was a Fulbright Scholar at St. Petersburg U. in Russia last year. **Gloria Welt Sage** is a consultant with the Syracuse Research Corp. and president of the Outer Comstock Neighborhood Association in Syracuse. **Martin** '55 and Gloria celebrated the recent engagement

of their son Daniel, a math professor at LSU, to **Marla Kameny**, MBA '00.

Phyllis Lorberblatt Kahn was reelected in the fall to the Minnesota state legislature, where she has served since 1972. **Connie Dimock Sebald** accompanied **Al** '54, JD '59, to Middletown, OH, when he was inducted into the Football Hall of Fame last August. Connie is a volunteer at Roxborough State Park and a caregiver for some elderly dear friends. For **Joyce Dudley McDowell** her most pressing problem is "finding enough time to do everything I want to do." After reading her annual Christmas letter I can understand why. The year started aboard the Clipper *Adventurer* for a cruise to South America and Africa. When she returned to California, Joyce had to undergo successful surgery for spinal stenosis. Then she and **Ed** '54 headed east by car to attend Ed's 50th Reunion and to make a circuit of Atlantic Canada. In the summer they cruised across the Arctic Ocean by way of the North Pole from Murmansk to Pevek in Siberia. London in the fall and an October visit to Patagonia capped a year of worldwide travel for the McDowells. Phew!

Marj Nelson Smart and **Mary Hobbie** Berkelman, both living in Ithaca, managed to get in a bit of skiing at Greek Peak this past winter. In March, Marj visited **Tom** '56 and **Marilyn Way Merryweather** in Tucson. In addition to hiking, bird watching, tennis, and golf, Marj and the Merryweathers did a lot of reminiscing—something we'll no doubt find ourselves doing in just two years. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 19 Seburn Dr., Bluffton, SC 29909; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.

The "R" classification reports cover the range. "Semi-retired" **Al Collard** has been a patent attorney for 38 years, having founded his own company in Roslyn, Long Island. Son Bill married last July, and daughter **Liz Collard** Richter '91 has two children and has followed in her father's footsteps with Collard & Roe. While waiting for more grandchildren to arrive, Al has become a junior **Bill Schmidt** by learning to photograph, crop, and paint color photos by computer. He saw **Al Suter**, MBA '59, at a Cornell engineers Christmas party in NYC last year, and recently ran into **Russell Taft** '58, who works at the observatory at the 9,000-ft. level on Mt. Haleakala on Maui.

At the "mostly retired" level is **Jeremy FitzPatrick**, who is most certainly one of the few great-grandfathers in the class, and who will celebrate in September, with Judith, 50 years of marriage. They still go to Bermuda in the summer/fall and "south" in the winter. He has seen **Mike Linehan**, who now lives in Virginia Beach.

Straight up "retired" is **Roy Hassel**, who was senior pastor at the Jesse Lee Memorial United Methodist Church in Ridgefield, CT, for 18 years, where a section of the church has been named in his honor. He and Judy have five grandchildren, and their oldest son, Jeff, is in his fifth year as a missionary in Lithuania. Ditto for **Dennis Greene**, who was in commercial real estate for 18 years after 30 years in the Army. Last fall, he and Riitta cruised to southern Italy, Sicily, Tunisia, and Malta.

Retired "again" describes **Ike Eisinger**, this time from teaching religion at an Episcopal school for nine years. He is now investing and

playing with his ten grandkids. Ike might be investing with **Dwight Emanuelson**, who is active as senior VP of Wachovia Securities in Hilton Head and Palm Beach, specializing in estate planning. **Don Singer** has a few more years as a reference archivist at the National Archives in College Park, MD, working with WWII military records. He ran in the Baltimore marathon last fall, qualifying for the Boston marathon in April.

Harvard president Lawrence H. Summers has announced the appointment of **Alan Altshuler** as dean of the Graduate School of Design. Alan received a master's degree and doctorate in political science from the U. of Chicago, teaching at Swarthmore, Cornell, and MIT, where he chaired the political science department for several years. Alan has served on the faculty of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard, as well as that of the GSD prior to his appointment, and brings a unique combination of expertise in political science and urban planning to his new position. He has also distinguished himself in the public sector and has authored enough books and articles to fill up several libraries. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; e-mail, suitcase2@aol.com.

58 We have some News to report of the diverse activities, travels, awards, and events of our current lives. **Cal Allen** and his wife **Marsha (O'Kane)** '59 hiked the Austrian Alps for two weeks last summer, traveling over from their residence in Sisters, OR. **Leonard Horn** (with whom I still associate Miss America, whose pageants he headed up for decades) writes that he retired but is "of counsel" with a Memphis law firm doing part-time trial work. His and Brenda's three children are married with children and living on or near the East Coast. **Phil Marriott**, MBA '60 (philiott@hotmail.com) wrote in at the time of last year's election and said he hoped to survive it; he and Beatriz did survive two hurricanes last summer at their home in Vero Beach, FL. **Herb** and **Nancy Whittall** had the same experiences in the same town with hurricanes Frances and Jean, whose centers passed directly overhead. The house stayed dry, they write, "but the pool filled with Indian River lagoon water, the screen blew down, and all the leaves were blown off the trees." A little further south in Jupiter, FL, **Robin Bielski** Kadar and husband Richard had the same hurricanes to survive, and they did. Otherwise, Robin says, "there is little new here . . . trying to balance the hurricanes against the usually glorious weather." **Ann Gaffey** Coyne spent most of last summer in Nicaragua on a special needs adoption on behalf of a woman in her university town of Omaha. During the academic year, Ann still teaches social work at the U. of Nebraska and lives in nearby Lincoln.

Two writing awards have been bestowed. **Rocco Angelo**, hailing from southern Florida at Key Biscayne, introduced his co-authored 5th edition of a textbook last August, *Hospitality Today: An Introduction*. He was given the Lamp of Knowledge in recognition of his lifetime achievements by the Ed. Inst. of the American Hotel and Lodging Assoc. **Laurence Pringle**, author of

more than a hundred books, many for children and all based on science, nature, health, and the environment, won the AAAS SB&F Prize for excellence in science books. He and three other authors and one illustrator were honored in this first year of the prizes sponsored by AAAS and Subaru. Laurence's latest book is *Sharks! Strange and Wonderful*. Another '58 writer, **Art Shostak**, edited nine new books and wrote his tenth during his first year of retirement after 42 years of college teaching. He also gave ten invited talks and traveled to Brazil, Cuba, and Turkey, so writes his wife Lynn. Congratulations to these busy writers!

Bob Mayer is another awardee, who, with wife Susan, was honored by their Atlantic County, NJ, community for 30 years of community service. Bob writes, "It was a fun and rewarding night with family and friends coming in from all over; we even raised \$115,000 for our local assisted living home for the elderly." The Mayers travel, too—nearby to Bob's 50th high school reunion in West Orange (where he caught up with **Mike Griffing** and **Bob Mangino**, all three entering Cornell in 1954), and to Budapest, Vienna, and Prague last summer. They had perfect weather, he writes, and they really enjoyed the history and fabulous architecture there. **Jack and Diane Baillet Meakem** '61 had some '58ers visit them at their Jupiter, FL, home last winter, namely **Glenn and Maddi McAdams Dallas** and **Chuck, MBA '59, and Jan Arps Jarvie**. A little cool for swimming, they wrote, but all had a great time in the hot tub. This writer also enjoyed reading the fine article on Jack and Diane, and their support to Cornell, in the recent issue of *Communiqué*. It was good to see such support from '58ers continuing.

Dr. **Gerald Freedman** remains on the Yale Medical School faculty, although he retired from hospital duties. All three children are in their 20s and somewhere in the medical field: David, PhD from Harvard Medical School; Julia, a physical therapist in Boston; and Sarah, a med student at GW. **Betty Ann Fong Zuzolo** and her husband Ralph continue at City College in NYC teaching microsurgery and micromanipulation courses for cell transplantation and related techniques. Betty (fong@scisun.sci.cuny.cuny.edu) writes that they enjoyed their 50th high school reunions, like so many of us did, meeting with classmates and friends of the family from her old hometown. Our final note is from **Ed Vaughn** (ed.v Vaughn@snet.net), who writes: "I had a wonderful time early this year when I hooked up with my roommate and fellow hockey team member **Brian Curtis**. We met in Hanover, NH, and watched the present Big Red hockey team play Dartmouth." That's all of the News in hand. Have a good summer! ♦ **Dick Haggard**, 1207 Nash Dr., Fort Washington, PA 19034; e-mail, rhaggard@voicenet.com. For other news and events of our class, see: <http://classof58.alumni.cornell.edu>.

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From **Linda Rogers** Cohen of Great Neck, NY: "A friend asked what had been my most surprising experience in India when I was there in February. My answer: the Taj. Surprising because I had thought I understood the

beauty of the Taj Mahal, but I hadn't. I was simply overwhelmed in its presence. The most beautiful anything I have ever seen. Pulsating with beauty. A living, vibrant wonder. Completed in 1649, the design and decoration are alive today and seem almost modernist, the essence of 'less is more.' The significance of the Taj Mahal as a symbol of India on the cover of tour books is one of the many apparent contradictions in India. It is a Hindu country but the Taj, after all, is a Mughal tomb. A Hindu country and the president is Moslem and the Prime Minister is Sikh. Women are essentially hidden in their saris but it is impossible not to stare at the brilliant colors of the fabric used. We keep reading about the wonders of the Indian IT and software industries but everywhere barbers, shoemakers, and others are doing business literally sitting on the street. We read 'developing,' but we see 'third world.' The saddest thing I saw was a private elementary school without connection to electricity. One of the most uplifting was a line of perhaps 75 people waiting to vote in Rajasthan."

From **Carole Parnes** of Alameda, CA, who spent six weeks traveling the length and breadth of the North Island of New Zealand earlier this year: "We took in mountains, beaches, wineries, golf courses, cities, and small villages. Accommodations ranged from hotels in the middle of busy Auckland and next to the beautiful Botanical Gardens in Wellington, to motels (with kitchens), B&Bs where the host/hostess cooked wonderful meals, and even a golf resort thrown in for good measure. We put 5,000 km on the car, at least half as many km on the feet, and a few extra pounds on me—the ice cream isn't to be missed! Highlights included hiking in national parks, on Waiheke Island (a ferry ride from Auckland), and on the Northern Walkway high above Wellington. We also did short walks (up to three hours) around various lakes and through the 'bush.' The nice thing about hiking/walking in NZ: no bears, mountain lions, snakes, or any of the other things that we worry about in Northern California."

Dan Brock took early retirement from Brown U. in 2002, where his position was University Professor of Philosophy and Medical Ethics. He joined the Dept. of Clinical Bioethics at the National Institutes of Health, but left in April 2004 "because of censorship of my work by the NIH senior administration." Since then he has been the Frances Glessner Lee Professor of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School, where he directs the Division of Medical Ethics and a new university-wide Ethics and Health program. He and his wife now live in Newton, MA, with their "kids finishing up school and gradually moving out into the world."

Fred Brustman, also of Newton, MA, escapes winter by heading south. Last winter it was the Grenadines: "Together with friends, I spent a week sailing on a 45-foot sloop we chartered in St. Vincent. Each day's sail took us from one beautiful anchorage to another. The nicest was Canaouan Island, where we anchored close enough to swim ashore for a walk on the sand beach and a beer amid the palms." While at home, Fred spends time volunteering at the Boston Museum of Science. "I blow soap bubbles! They are a great hook for the school groups that come

through, entertaining them while we sneak in a little physics and some ideas on what science is about." He also takes Learning in Retirement classes on subjects ranging from Hemingway to making kinetic jewelry. "The jewelry class was a way to ease gently back into metal working. I got some ideas for pieces that move and I started making some pendants and rings that incorporate simple movements. Better yet, it has gotten me to think about articulated jewelry as fun to play with. So I now entertain myself by sketching ideas for playful jewelry during slack moments."

Like Fred, **Kip Rogers**, BS '61, of Aurora, CO is enjoying retirement, though his recreational vehicle of choice is a motorcycle. He is the current president of the Rocky Mountain BMC Riders Club. Classmates who participated in Cornell's Adult University courses last summer—on topics ranging from Who's Afraid of Beowulf? to Sculpture Studio: Interpreting the Human Figure—included **Sylvia Rich Alderman**, **Linda Rogers Cohen**, **Robert Uris**, MPS '73, and **Phil Yarnell**. ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, jet24@cornell.edu.

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By the time you read this, our 45th Reunion will be over, but because this is being written in

April, the actual report on our four June days in Ithaca will have to wait until the next issue. So let's just assume we all had a great time getting together and partaking of the many activities. The details will appear in September. Hope you made it to Ithaca!

Dave Ahl writes from Morristown, NJ, that "retirement isn't what it's cracked up to be. I have far less leisure time now than when I was working full time, the result of backing into a new business of developing websites for charities and seniors. Between referrals and 50,000-plus visitors per month to my own website, www.swapmeetdave.com, of funny cat photos, Bible studies, jokes, scam exposures, money management, and military vehicles, I keep getting more business. Yes, it's fun, but when do I get to really retire?" Another pseudo-retiree is **Harry Blair**, who stepped down from teaching at Bucknell only to take a new position in the political science department at Yale. Harry finds the Yale students "very much like their counterparts at Cornell—bright, committed, enthusiastic, and really fun to teach!" Harry and Barbara live in Branford, CT.

Don Milsten of Baltimore is still busy as a senior energy associate with the National Association of State Energy Officials. He works with the natural gas, electric, and petroleum industries to update state plans for energy infrastructure protection and emergency response. Don is also completing a second term as president of his synagogue, but somehow finds time to enjoy his and wife Barbara's six grandchildren. Class Council member **Geoffrey Bullard** traveled to San Diego in late September for the baptism of his second grandchild, just a few days after the Albany wedding of his daughter **Thessaly** '95, MAT '00, to Ian Killer. Thessaly now has management responsibilities for Bullard, McLeod, and Geoffrey are enjoying the additional free time.

John Charles Smith of Far Hills, NJ, continues to work full time as a landscape architect and recently announced that **Brian Hirsch '01**, LArch '01, had joined his firm. John's daughter Sarah and her husband presented him with his first grandchild, a boy, in August 2004. **Richard Gibbons** of Richmond, VA, is another active landscape architect, working closely with the departments at the U. of Virginia and Virginia Tech and also serving as chairman of the Virginia Scenic River Advisory Board and as a member of the Capitol Square Preservation Council. Dick and his wife Jean have two grandchildren.

Susan Shank has moved to Santa Barbara, CA, and says, "I love it. My house overlooks a nature preserve and beyond that the Pacific. It's also less than a mile from my older daughter, Jennifer Holland." Susan spent a month in Australia in early 2004, attending the Tennis Open and exploring the continent. **Leonard Johnson** reports that on the way back from a recent ski trip to New Mexico and Colorado, he and Patty stopped in Ithaca and had a terrific visit with **Dave**, MED '66, and **Judy Dresser**. "Their house on the lake is delightful," says Leonard, who lives on Cape Cod near another notable body of water, but has been sighted in Boston venues such as the Museum of Fine Arts.

In August 2004, **Steve Marmaroff** sold his home of nearly 40 years in Brightwaters and is now making his place in Singer Island, FL, his primary residence. "Hurricanes notwithstanding, we love the weather," says Steve. "And the beaches are terrific." Another partial-escapee from northern winters is **Sandra Nasar Gross**, who now leaves East Lansing, MI, each year to spend November through April in Delray, FL. **Sandi** and **Barry**, MA '62, are enjoying their retirement, traveling overseas, visiting children and grandchildren in New York and Connecticut, and taking Cornell adult courses during the summer. **Mel Schaffer** of South Orange, NJ, is still working in the plastics industry, but spending his free time in both Florida and Vermont.

Jody Froistad DeChaine traveled from Portland, OR, to Africa last October, to visit her sister **Jennifer Froistad '62**, who is the director of Save the Children in Malawi. "Africa is an eye-opening experience," says Jody, and visiting the continent is a "wonderful adventure." Although Malawi has been devastated by poverty and AIDS, leaving many orphans, she found the people there to be friendly and beautiful. **Jan Mitchelhill** Leas has also been traveling overseas to visit family because her son **David Johnson '89**, MBA '90, now lives in Germany with his wife and two children. "Visiting them there has been a joy," says Jan. Her other children, **Leslie Johnson** Mather '84 and **Wayne Johnson**, live not far from Jan's home in Stone Ridge, so she feels really fortunate.

Gertrude Schaufler Freidel of San Bernardino, CA, retired in August 2004 after more than 30 years as a theatre costumer, and is now working with the HIP (Help Increase the Peace) program, which is intended to provide non-violent alternatives to young people. She finds that "writing rap music is a great way to connect with them." **Patricia Ceterski** Rebollo of Sacramento, CA, reports that she is "enjoying retirement,

traveling, and spending time with my seven grandchildren." Our condolences to **Danila Obrdlik** Darko of Katy, TX, whose partner of 17 years, David Stutz, passed away in September 2004. Danila writes that it has been an unhappy year, but she is hopeful that better times lie ahead.

The recent mail contained two forms full of news for the column but with no names filled in. Please be sure to complete those forms! Better yet, send news directly to me. ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, jw275@cornell.edu; or regular mail, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461.

61 **Andrew Thomas** will be in Seoul, Korea, this summer to conduct three concerts with Juilliard and Korean soloists. **Joanne Shapiro** Koch's musical *American Klezmer*, which portrays women's views of the Jewish immigrant experience, was presented as part of the Stages '04 Festival in Chicago. Hailed as a "Best Bet" and written up in the weekly *Forward* newspaper, this production features the "zesty" music known as Klezmer. It moves on to L.A. and NYC this year. She and her co-author/composer Sarah Cohen also adapted the late Saul Bellow's "A Silver Dish" for stage. Calling their work *Saul Bellow's Stories on Stage*, Joanne and Sarah oversaw productions in Albany, NY, Chicago, and Milwaukee this past spring.

'I blow soap bubbles at the Boston Museum of Science.'

FRED BRUSTMAN '59

As an associate prof. of English at National-Louis U., Joanne serves as the director of the Graduate Writing Program at three Chicago-area campuses of NLU. In family matters, she and husband Lewis are proud of their daughter Lisa and son-in-law Michael Kornick, who run several highly successful restaurants in the Chicago and Northfield, IL, areas. Their grandson Zachary is a third grade "chess champion," brags Joanne, while his sister Sophie has her sights set (at age 7) on becoming a chef.

Lawrence Aaron is president of Great American Finance and chairman of AmeriMark Bank in the Chicago area. He and his wife Susan have six grandchildren. **Warren Jacobson** and his son **Shep '89** practice law in Beverly Hills as the Jacobson Law Group. Warren acts in a theatre group and still exercises and stays in shape. He is trying to get used to being called "Sir" at Gold's Gym. He and wife Roslyn have two grandchildren, Warren and Gabriella.

In the 34th year of his career as an architect, **Noah Greenberg**, BArch '65, won awards for design and historic preservation. His major undertaking over the past ten years has been the restoration of Highfield Hall, a Falmouth, MA, mansion built in 1876 by the Beebe family of Boston as a summer cottage. The Greenbergs also celebrated the wedding of daughter Rebecca to Dr. Michael

Bruce. It was "a wonderful and stormy affair," according to Noah, since it took place on Cape Cod during Hurricane Ivan. Following the nuptials, the Greenbergs traveled to Seville and Barcelona, where they enjoyed the wonderful architecture of Gaudi and the culture of Spain.

Classmates involved in real estate include **Nancy Tykol** Peterson and **Donald Low**. Nancy has owned Peterson Real Estate in Guilford, CT, since 1986. Nancy enjoys traveling (Switzerland and St. Martin recently), art, reading, and looking after her animals. She would love to hear from classmates. Donald Low reports that he is buying as much Southern California real estate as he can. He has enjoyed renewing his contacts and sharing good times with **Irwin Russo** and his family.

In retirement, **Ellie Browner** Greco is busier than ever before. As part of her commitment to "make a difference" and gain further rewards professionally, she is a volunteer at a special ed school in Forked River, NJ. She and her husband Bill have a sport fishing boat (the construction of which they monitored week to week). She's gone through two knee replacements and is looking forward to skiing again. The Grecos visit daughter Laura, a teacher in Vail, CO, whenever they can.

A reminder once again that a pre-reunion planning session involving the class officers, reunion co-chairs, and any interested classmates is scheduled to take place on October 28-30,

2005 at the Boulders Resort in Carefree, AZ. Our host for the meetings, social events, and a golf outing at the Boulders will be **Dick Tatlow**. If you are interested in attending, and do not receive a notice, please e-mail me.

In the meantime, our 45th Reunion co-chairs **Ginny Buchanan** Clark, **Peter Greenberg**, **Jon Greenleaf**, and **Sue Rand** Lewis are scheduled to attend the Reunion 2006 kickoff in Ithaca in September. Affinity committees are such an important part of organizing for reunion. If any of you would like to help Affinity Chair **Carol Franklin**, please write to me and I will forward your message to Carol.

To check for classmates' addresses and e-mail using the Cornell online directory, all you need is your ID number. Go to: <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>. And be sure to track the latest class news about reunion at www.cornell61.org. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, dsk15@cornell.edu.

62 You probably read the *Cornell Alumni Magazine* article about classmate **Rich Alther's** exhibit of his original paintings on campus. Rich comments: "It was quite a thrill to have a Whitney-museum-type space, a lighting engineer, and acres of room for my Sibley Dome show—not a typical commercial venue, to say the least.

Most satisfying was to talk with students, art professors, and professional critics—also not typical!” The Althers have just bought a home in Palm Springs, CA, for the winter six months, so Rich has a desert studio now in addition to the one in Ferrisburgh, VT. “My business (Country Home Products/DR Power Equipment) fortunately is flourishing with me on the sidelines. What a

a gorgeous home that they built in the heart of downtown Philadelphia.” Harry’s son Brent is an associate professor of English at Rutgers. His first book was published by Harvard U. Press and he has two more in the works. Daughter Michelle is very busy taking care of Harry’s two grandchildren (ages 8 and 6), working full time, and taking courses toward a degree in nursing.

‘I’m still the team doc for the U. of Washington crew.’

DAVE SLEPYAN ’64

treat!” Images of the oil paintings in Rich’s Cornell exhibit, plus reviews, resume, prices, and contact information can be found on his website, www.artvt.com/painters/alther. He can be reached at richalt@sover.net. From **Francine Olman Hardaway** (francine@stealthmode.com): “My company, Stealthmode Partners, has morphed through a series of grants into an incubator for early stage companies and an entrepreneurial education facility.” Her daughter **Samantha ’93** is engaged to be married; daughter **Chelsea** published her first book this year, *Why Business-people Speak Like Idiots* (Free Press). “Dogs Emmett and Chauncey have done nothing notable.”

A most welcome note from Judge **Harry Edwards** brings us up to date. Harry is now in his 25th year on the US Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and “still having fun. My portrait will be presented to the court in November 2005 and I will take ‘senior status’ in December. I will continue to work a nearly full schedule on the court even as a Senior Judge, but I will have more time to teach and write. I have been teaching at NYU Law School for the past 14 years and will continue as an adjunct professor of law at NYU in the years ahead. On April 30, I will give the keynote address at a conference entitled ‘Cornell Mosaic: Celebrating Diversity and Advancing Inclusion.’ It will be nice to visit Ithaca again. I had an interesting time reflecting on my time at Cornell in preparing my paper for the conference.”

Harry continues: “My wife, Pamela Carrington-Edwards, and I spend most of our summers on Cape Cod in East Orleans, MA, where we have a home. We love the Cape and look forward to the end of the court term when we head north. I am still water-skiing and getting better each year. **Lois Mayer Tukman** and her family have a home on Martha’s Vineyard, and we get together with them every summer. Pamela is happily retired after more than 30 years as a corporate executive in department store and specialty retailing. I regularly speak on a variety of legal issues around the country and this allows Pamela and me to take interesting trips together. Our schedule this term includes trips to Berkeley, Ithaca, Carmel, Jackson Hole, Philadelphia, and Montreal. The trip to Philly was really nice, because we had a chance to get together with my Cornell roommate **Dave Slovic ’63** and his spouse Ligia. Dave is a prominent architect and artist, and he and Ligia live in

June and **Bob Wood** (bwoodathome@yahoo.com) took a trip to Argentina and Chile through the Cornell Alumni Federation. They enjoyed sharing the adventure with lots of Cornell alums, including classmates **Stu, MD ’66**, and **Joan Weill Levin** of Los Angeles, and near-classmates **Donna** and **John Sussman ’65** (Los Angeles), **Sharon** and **Gordon Druehl ’66** (Sonoma, CA), **Toby Rice Goldberg ’64** and husband **Bob** (Huntington Station, NY), **Linda Jensen Hamlet ’66** (Steamboat, CO), and **Phyllis Pugatch Schecter ’60** and husband **Keeve** (New York City).

Sandy and **Howard Weiswasser** (hhw2@cornell.edu) are still living on Manhattan’s Upper East Side. Sandy is doing residential apartment sales and substitute teaching (elementary through high school), and is on the board of directors of their cooperative building. Howard writes, “I’m busy with my criminal law defense practice, but somewhere I went wrong—our daughter **Amy ’99** (UB Law ’02) has become a prosecutor with the Bronx County District Attorney’s Office. Before she started at the DA’s office, I had the pleasure of her second-seating me and taking part in a jury trial of a gun possession case. I am in touch with classmate **Bill** (and **Fran**) **Appelbaum**—they are living in the suburbs of Chicago, where Bill practices cardiology; and **Doris** and **Ben Stern**, who are living in the Catskills and enjoying their grandchildren. **Linda** and **Marty Shapiro, DVM ’65**, spend part of the year in New York and part in Florida; their children **Michael ’90** and **Lorin ’93** both graduated from Cornell.

It’s past time to pay your class dues and send along a few words about your current shenanigans! E-mail, snail mail, even the telephone—it all works. Just do it! ♦ **Jan McClayton Crites**, 9420 NE 17th St., Clyde Hill, WA 98004; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

63 Your News and Dues letter arrived a few months ago and hopefully you have all responded with both your dues and your news. I had breakfast the other day with fellow Tucsonan **Jennifer Patai Schneider**. We had been trying to get together for months and finally succeeded. Jennifer was an internist for 20 years and is now a specialist in pain management and addiction medicine. She has published a book, *Living with*

Chronic Pain (Healthy Living Books), and is currently writing another. Jennifer and a colleague are writing a book on couples therapy using a personality system called enneagram that shows how pairings of personality traits interact in relationships. Jennifer’s junior year roommate at Cornell was **Jane Brody ’62**, who writes for the *New York Times*. Jane wrote an article in the February 15, 2005 issue entitled, “When It Comes to Severe Pain, Doctors Still Have Much to Learn.” In the article she quotes Jennifer’s opinions on pain management and especially “empowering patients to demand adequate pain treatment.”

I wrote about Jennifer’s daughter, **Jessica Grace Wing**, a while ago. Jessica died of colon cancer at the age of 32. The March 7, 2005 issue of *Time* magazine had an article about several young people who did extraordinary things before their death. Jennifer had founded a small New York City theater company before she was diagnosed. She had wanted to complete a full-length film, but decided to use her remaining time to compose an opera. She did so, but didn’t live to see her opera, “Lost,” an adaptation of Hansel and Gretel, debut at the New York International Fringe Festival.

C. Gene Cayten, a 1967 graduate of the New York Medical College, professor of surgery and community and preventive medicine, and director of surgery at Our Lady of Mercy Medical Center in the Bronx, has been appointed senior associate dean there. He has also been awarded a certificate of appreciation by the State of New York Dept. of Health for his 15 years of service as a member of the NYS Trauma Advisory Committee. **Martin Dollinger, LLB ’66**, partner of the New Jersey law firm of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith, and Davis LLP, has been selected for inclusion in the *Best Lawyers in America 2005-06*. His practice concentrates on complex transactional real estate with an emphasis on office, industrial, and retail leasing, and corporate matters throughout the US.

Patricia Kelly Poggi sent information on our class meeting at CACO’s Mid-Winter Meeting in New York in late January. **Marijane Beattie Watson** has already begun Reunion 2008 planning. Reunion committee members who attended that meeting included **Gwen Sibson Porcaro** and **Carol Westenhofer Anderson**. The committee is looking for themes and topics for class forums. A possible theme for the 45th Reunion is “45 Alive!”

Kathleen Illencsik Lilley is a psychotherapist in Ithaca. Kathleen lost a dear friend, **Dorothy Reddington**, who was employed for many years at Cornell. Kathleen wrote a beautiful tribute to her friend in the form of a poem that was read at the memorial service attended by 400 people. **Madeleine Leston Meehan’s** Mostly Music Art exhibition opened in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, on March 10, 2005. Madeleine’s artwork included oils, aquarelles, mixed media, and pen and ink drawings. The display was hung in the galleries of the Virgin Islands Council on the Arts.

Nancy Cooke McAfee spent time with **Carol Bagdasarian Aslanian** in early March while Nancy worked with Christo to install the Gates project in Central Park. Nancy walked to work every day. Work was hard but “followed by the pure exhilaration of seeing the park transformed into a magical landscape filled with saffron-colored ribbons.”

I asked Nancy to explain how she got involved with Christo and she pointed out that an article would be appearing in the alumni magazine [see "Currents," May/June '05]. Meanwhile, she told me that she met Christo in 1985 when he visited the Cleveland Museum of Art where she worked. She taught Christo's work in her art history classes and even worked on his umbrella project in California in 1991. She enjoyed that so much that she signed up to work with the Gates project then.

Classmate **Lew Platt** is presently chairman of the board for Boeing Company and was involved in the ouster of the president and chief executive. This means added work for Lew, who will help "guide the search for a new chief executive" for the company. Lew had retired in 1999 as chief executive of Hewlett Packard. That's all for this month. Please send news by e-mail or directly to Cornell when you pay your dues. ♦ **Nancy Bierds** Icke, 12350 E. Roger Rd., Tucson, AZ 85749; e-mail, ick63@msn.com.

64 Good summertime reading here, as we present news from classmates we haven't heard from in some time. **Dave Slepyan**, MD '68, a plastic surgeon, and wife Judi have moved from Mercer Island, a Seattle suburb, to Langley, located on rural 65-mile-long Whidbey Island, some 40 miles north of Seattle and facing Vancouver Island. He writes: "Not a bad sentence. I wasn't sure they needed a plastic surgeon up here, but I have found it quite enjoyable. The kids have all flown, including **Dorothy '99** and **Josie '02**. I'm still the team doc for the U. of Washington crew and that's been going on for the past 30 years." **Nancy Nelson** has retired. She and her husband of two years, Larry Ponsford, split the year evenly between two homes, one in Marblehead, MA, where they live from June to November, then back in Washington, DC. She writes: "We're both enjoying the great gift of time and are amazed at how quickly it passes." Nancy's interests are in science writing and music. They also travel widely, recently to Vietnam, Cambodia, France, Spain, and China, plus they are on the waiting list for an archaeological trip to Libya this autumn.

Artist **Valerie Jesraly** Seligsohn still keeps busy teaching Drawing & Art Appreciation at Daytona Beach (FL) Community College and has an exhibit, "Vessels of Life," that is running from May to July in the Ormand Memorial Museum in nearby Ormand Beach. If you're in the area, you can see it this month. She and husband Melvin live in Ponce Inlet, FL, have a grown daughter, and visited Wyoming last year. Valerie clearly enjoys keeping busy, for she advises, "Don't retire." Consultant **Karen Brounstein Levitan**, MEd '65, chose not to follow her classmate's advice. She writes: "My work environment was weak on challenge and I took the plunge and retired on Dec. 31. January was hard, rather weird without structure and my work buddies." Husband **Herb '61**, PhD '65, retired the same day. The Brounstins celebrated their unaccustomed freedom by "running away" to New Zealand for six weeks, "... a wonderland of natural beauty and one big resort/campground. Highly recommended! We pushed ourselves into physical activities that were

thrilling, fun, and non-stop, and returned ready to get on with our new life and to create new structure—or not!" The Brounstins live their structured (or not) existence in Arlington, VA.

Bill "Rams" Ramsey, an orthopedic surgeon, splits the difference between being retired and not, saying he is "semi-retired." Judging by his activities (golf, skiing, motorcycling, and model railroading) and recent travel (motorcycle trip last summer in California, Nevada, Utah, and Oregon), it sounds like he's leaning toward retirement. When he got home from his trip, it was to Santa Rosa, CA, where he lives with wife Barbara. Both their children are grown. **Neal "Dago" D'Agostino**, who is making his first appearance in this column, still works in sales management, and, in his spare time, enjoys motorsports and rebuilding houses and cars. Neal and wife Linda have two grown children and live in California, which he acerbically describes as "Can't-afford-ya!" **Abbey Schiff** Achs is also still working, "although more leisurely." Abbey is in export sales, selling southern pine lumber to Europe, Asia, and the Mideast. She and husband Stephen went on safari in Kenya last autumn, a trip she describes as "fantastic!" The Achses live south of Laredo, TX, in Ajijic, Mexico, on Lake Chapala. They also have two grown children.

Just a note but no news from **Lynda Gould**, a foundation executive. She and husband Elliot Gordon live in NYC. Ditto **Lois Gwinner** Dallow, who lives with husband Richard in Naples, FL. **Ben Hocker**, PhD '70, who lives in Minnetonka, MN, is retired from Honeywell Laboratories. He was elected a Fellow of the Inst. of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, a professional society. **Peppi Gutcheon** Graves is "happily retired" from her 30-year career as an elementary school teacher. In 1999, she and husband Edward, also retired, moved from NYC to Indian Lake, in the "beautiful" Adirondack Mountains. In 1994, the Graveses went to China to adopt a baby girl. Last summer, they returned to China with their daughter, now a sixth grader, and report being "amazed at the modernization that has taken place." She would like to hear from any other classmates who might still be rearing children while retired; e-mail her at pgraves@frontiernet.net. Peppi otherwise is a board member at a local arts center, does volunteer work at her daughter's school, became a gardener, and began a business making and selling jewelry.

Ed Hamilton retired from his executive position at Daimler-Chrysler, and he and wife Silvia have moved from Michigan to Las Vegas. He says of the change, "We moved from a 'Blue State' to a 'Red State' for (an) improved political career," adding he is thinking of running for governor of Nevada in the 2006 Republican primary. The Hamiltons have four grown children. If Ed runs, perhaps he can woo the vote of **Pete Mansky**. Pete is director of the Nevada Physician Health Program, a position he began last August after moving to Las Vegas from New York, where he was director of its health program. He writes he went west to be a "pioneer," adding that he loves the desert and the mountains. He and wife Susan are having a "weekend marriage for awhile," as she stayed in Albany to work for a while longer.

The Manskys have two grown children and a daughter in high school. He enjoys bicycling, photography, and playing guitar. He says he used to be a "fantastic" skier, but due to spinal disabilities has difficulty just walking and standing.

Sad news from **Anne Warren Pattison**, who reports that husband **Brian**, MBA '64, died last February when he slipped on ice near their mailbox at their home in Hanover, NH, fell, and hit his head. Anne writes: "Children, grandchildren, and many wonderful friends have been a great support." Fortunately, two of their four children also live in Hanover. **Nancy Crowder Roberts**, who has been a close friend of Anne's since our freshman year, and husband **Don**, PhD '64, attended the memorial service.

That's all for now. If you have not already done so, please respond quickly to the News and Dues mailing you received recently; take a few moments to put news of yourself on the enclosed form. This column depends on your responses to our appeal. Keep the news flowing—and be sure to visit our class website, <http://classof64.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com.

65 **Nancy Levine Castro** writes, "Peter '64 and I have had an incredibly exciting and busy year starting with the birth of our first grandchild, Audrey Anne, born to daughter Stephanie Castro (Carleton '91) and Michael Wemple in August. Summer also brought the completion of our beautiful new home in Pittsford, NY. Adding to the excitement of the summer was daughter **Wendy '94's** move from Seattle to Chapel Hill, NC, where she is working for Family Health International. This job takes her all over the Third World, most recently to Nigeria and South Africa. Peter continues to enjoy his work as a research mathematician at Eastman Kodak, and I'm still busy with my psychotherapy practice in Rochester." **Kenneth Rabin** says, "I am alive and well, living in Warsaw and Berlin. I am the head of international healthcare for the American PR company Ruder Finn. I was widowed in early 2001 and remarried in August 2003 to a Polish woman (Anna Wysocka-Rabin) whom I met at a medical meeting; she is a medical nuclear physicist. We have just about finished remodeling a home near the New Town Market in Central Warsaw, overlooking the Vistula River."

Janet Walker DuBane is working at two libraries, Nyack and New City, in her "slide-into-retirement career." She says, "This cuts my commute to the Big Apple of 2-1/2 hours down to 20 minutes. I am enjoying having more time to see friends, listen to folk music, and hang out with Barney and Fred, my two cats. The simple life is good." **Asher Levitsky** married Sharon Garfunkel in June 2004 and is still practicing corporate and securities law at Esanu Katsky Korins & Siger LLP in New York City. **John Marks** e-mailed from a working trip to Jerusalem: "I am here arranging broadcast on the Palestinian and Israeli sides of a series of TV documentaries I have produced regarding the possibility that solutions might actually be found for the problems that

divide the two peoples. For the last 23 years, I have been president of Search for Common Ground (www.sfcg.org), an organization that I founded and that, with offices in 15 countries and a staff of 400, has grown into the largest nonprofit in the world working in the field of conflict resolution and prevention."

Edward Kelman married Eileen Haubensstock in May 2004 and bought a house in Hillsdale, NY, last fall. Ed served us well as a member of the 40th Reunion committee. **Dianne Zimet Newman** moved to the U. of Rhode Island on April 1 to become assistant director of the Multicultural Center. She's also gone back to school, working toward a master's degree in public administration at Roger Williams U. **Jonathan Stoumen** writes: "I have moved my office from Healdsburg to Menlo Park, CA. My wife and I restored a 1927 Mission-style home in Palo Alto and are enjoying being near family and the benefits of neighboring Stanford U. I especially enjoy my daily run through the campus. Our son Jacob is studying marine ecology at UCSD and loving La Jolla. Our daughter Sadie is studying international relations and Chinese at Wellesley. This semester she is in Harbin, near Siberia. We are building a home for ourselves near Truckee and Donner Lake. It is the 'greenest' building I have ever designed and it can be visited at www.summit-creek.com."

Daryl Goldgraben Smith wrote to say, "I have enjoyed my involvement with Cornell's PCCW over the last few years and look forward to my annual trip to campus. Because my research area focuses almost entirely on diversity issues in higher education, I am pleased to be involved, at least peripherally, in looking at Cornell's efforts in this regard. This year I am serving as the dean of the School of Educational Studies at Claremont Graduate U., but will look forward to returning to my full-time faculty role so that I can focus on three book projects related to diversity." **William Brothers**, president of Animal Care Equipment & Services Inc., writes, "I moved my company from California to Denver a couple of months ago. I bought a cabin on 70 acres in the Rocky Mountains. It's off the grid and surrounded by wilderness so it's very peaceful and has lots of wildlife all around. I keep a home in Ithaca as well, an 1850s farmhouse that was the next farm over from Ezra Cornell's farm back then. I get to go there about once a month and really enjoy keeping my Ithaca connections."

James Bussey retired from Carnival Cruise Lines five years ago after earning his MBA from Florida Int'l U. He became involved with the secondary and higher education system, joining several boards to help establish IT tracks in high schools and linking curricula with the university system. He was appointed to the board of the workforce administration for South Florida, establishing a third link for graduates and other job seekers. Jim recently joined the staff of the dean of the business school at FIU. He and Susie, his wife of 23 years, have two daughters.

This is my last column as your class correspondent. I thank you all for the news and views you have sent to me over the last ten years. It has been fun. I will now be spending my spare time,

along with my wife **Doren (Poland)**, with our first grandchild, Preston James Norfleet, who turned 1 in June. ♦ **Dennis Norfleet**, 3187 State Rt. 48, Oswego, NY 13126; tel., (315) 342-0457; e-mail, dpn5@cornell.edu; **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Court, West Bloomfield, MI 48322; tel., (248) 788-3397; e-mail, rsh28@cornell.edu; and **Joan Elstein** Rogow, 9 Mason Farm Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822; tel., (908) 782-7028.

66 Hard to believe we're only one year away from our 40th Reunion. Where did all the years go? You'll be receiving a lot of news during the next few months and it's never too early to start planning. It's a wonderful time to renew old friendships, marvel at the changes on campus, and reminisce and romance about our years on the Hill.

Mike Turback writes that he and his brother Jeff were invited to the Clinton Library dedication. Their company, History Company, was chosen to replicate the historic N.M.S. Resolute Desk, the centerpiece of the oval office. Many of you will remember Mike's former restaurant, Turback's, one of the best of our time in Ithaca. For more information about History Company and a possible copy of the oval desk for your own office, please contact Mike at (800) 891-0466.

Stan Kochanoff sends news from Falmouth, Nova Scotia, that he's still enjoying hockey in a 50-plus league and that he and his wife **Peggy (Lavery)** '65 are still awaiting their first grandchild—one of the benefits of being a bit older than we were 39 years ago. **Brian** (now retired) and **Helga Cranston** of Bedford, NH, were planning a trip during spring 2005 to Scotland via the new *QEII* to learn more about Brian's ancestry. Last fall they visited Hammondsport and stopped by Cornell, which Brian says "seems to get more beautiful each year." Brian is looking forward to attending reunion.

Dennis '65 and **Joyce Ostroff Black** recently enjoyed a two-week trip to Australia, snorkeling at the Great Barrier Reef and visiting the tropical rain forest. They returned happily to see grandson Aidan David, son of Drs. **Adam** '91 and **Stephanie Goldstein Black** '91. **Cesar Carrero**, ME '67, is living in San Juan, Puerto Rico, with his wife Mayra, and enjoys traveling on the *World of Residency*, a luxury floating condo with voyages to Europe and the Caribbean. When not traveling, he is "dealing in real estate in San Juan and it is a good business." (Real estate seems to be a good business everywhere, even in Ithaca.) **Robert Johnstone** writes from Morgantown, WV, that sadly he is now widowed, but is continuing in his tenth year as professor and chairman of the Dept. of Anesthesiology at West Virginia U. The *Dominion Post* newspaper recently named Robert "one of the 100 most influential people." We offer our congratulations.

Madeleine Levine Fay informs us that she traveled to Cornell last summer with her 16-year-old daughter Isabel (possibly a member of the class of 2010). As encouragement, she visited with her two brothers, **Andrew** '88 and **Nicholas** '89, plus mom. No pressure there. Madeleine continues to serve as director of endocrinology at the

Fallon Clinic in Worcester, MA. **Rolf Frantz**, ME '67, our tireless classmate, writes from Morris Plains, NJ. He and **Nancy (Nystrom)** '68 celebrated the wedding of their son Eric last Thanksgiving and also helped daughter **Alyssa Frantz Lanner** '93, MRP '94, and husband Mats prepare for their move to Portland, OR, after ten years in Boston. Rolf retired at the end of 2003 and traveled to Bermuda by boat twice last year.

Paul Weinberg sent a quick note from Roslyn, NY, that he is still heading up Human Resources at Kimco Realty. Congratulations on being a grandpa! Noah Weinberg was born on January 23, 2004 and is "gorgeous," says the unbiased granddad. Last fall, he and his significant other Karen Ginsberg enjoyed a vacation in Italy. Congratulations to **Lucy Mueller** Young, married to Greg in Sunapee, NY, on June 19 last year. They now have seven kids and three grandchildren and she still writes with a steady hand! She presented again at the annual America Art Therapy Conference, where the topic was her book, *Printmaking as Therapy: Frameworks for Freedom* (2002). Lucy is curious if there are any other art therapists in our class.

Laura Bowman Gray, MAT '67, is living in Los Angeles and loves her life there. She works as a professor and counselor at Harbor College, is working on her doctorate, and maintains an active private practice. Son, daughter-in-law, and grandson Lucas live in New York, where Laura and husband Philip have an apartment and spend part of their summers. She would love to re-connect with classmates. **John**, PhD '70, and **Margaret "Meg" Warne Monroe**, MS '68, have had a busy year. John plays trombone and has played solos as well as worked in the pit orchestras for *Kiss Me Kate* and *Chicago*. He also toured with *Brazzissimo*, a ten-piece brass ensemble, in China. Meg's been busy managing several big city planning projects in Burlingame, CA. They still talk about their fabulous cruise to the eastern Mediterranean last year visiting Turkey, Syria, and Lebanon. ♦ **Bill Blockton**, bill@rbsfabrics.com; **John Miers**, John_Miers@nih.gov; **Susan Rockford Bittker**, ladyscienc@aol.com.

67 **Don Lifton**, PhD '88 (Ithaca, NY; liftont@ithaca.edu) reports, "**Aliza Locker** '87 and I were married on January 26 in Key West, FL—far away from our Ithaca, NY, home. It will certainly be easy to attend our upcoming 20th and 40th reunions together! Onward!" Don is associate professor of management at the Ithaca College School of Business. **Toni Ladenburg** Delacorte (Alexandria, VA; tdelacorte@aol.com) is "working for a news service; living with two rescued golden retrievers; serving on two nonprofit boards; part-time adjunct faculty at the U. of Maryland teaching writing classes; enjoying rollerblading along the Potomac; and being close to the drama that unfolds daily in our nation's capital."

"Fodder from the West Coast," courtesy of **Dave Yewell**, ME '68 (Los Altos Hills, CA; yewell@ix.netcom.com): "Nancy and I met **David Worrell** and wife Julianne for a little wine tasting and touring in the Santa Maria area. You no doubt heard of the movie *Sideways*. Seems like this has

caused quite a surge of tourism in the area, as well as a jump in Pinot Noir sales. Reminds me of Napa Valley 40 years ago. Just beautiful country." Dave adds that **Al Wright** is planning a motorcycle trip from Michigan to California and that they "will have to have a X0th birthday party." Dave's son **Scott Yewell '98**, ME '99, MBA '04, "landed a great new job at Bose Corp. in Framingham, MA."

Carol Ann Rauch Bromley reports from Eden, NC, that she and husband **Peter '64** have a new grandchild, Roger Peter Christman, now almost a year old, whose parents are daughter Heidi and husband Carl Christman of Schoharie, NY. Youngest daughter Holly is married to Kevin Paul Barker and lives near Carol in North Carolina. Middle daughter Heather lives at home and writes children's stories. "A heart attack last November (2003) gave me time to re-evaluate and re-adjust," observes **Linda Angliss Meyers**, MS '69 (Gales Ferry, CT; linda.meyers@eastlymeschools.org). "All is well now, but retirement from middle school counseling is only two years off. Retiring from a second career as a licensed clinical nurse was a wise move. Now we (husband Bill and I) have more time for sailing, skiing, and travel."

Carol Polakoff Hall (Piscataway, NJ; jeffreyhall50@hotmail.com) is a special education teacher at the middle school level; husband **Jeff** is a pilot with Northwest Airlines. Daughter **Megan** (Rice '99) is a financial analyst/manager for Hot Topics in Los Angeles; daughter **Kylee** (William and Mary '01) is a marketing consultant with Spectra Marketing in Chicago. **Jim Matteson** (Madison, CT) reports that son **Matt '98** is in his second year in the Master of Professional Studies in Real Estate at Cornell. For **Alan Becker** (Hinsdale, IL; aibecker@comcast.net), "this was a big graduation year. Our son Michael graduated from Yale Law School and is now with Allen & Overy in London. Our daughter Marie graduated from Swarthmore and is now at the Writers' Workshop at the U. of Iowa."

Carole Newman Allen (Arlington, MA; allen@massmed.org) advises that son **David '97** "was married last August to his partner of four years, **Michael McGrann '96**. It was a joyous and affirming occasion. David teaches science at Collegiate School in Manhattan, and Michael teaches Latin at Brooklyn's Poly Prep Country Day School. "Two years ago I left private pediatric practice to become Director of Pediatrics for Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates, a multi-specialty, multi-site medical group practice in the Boston area. I enjoy the challenge as well as contact with so many talented physicians. I continue to see patients almost half time." ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St. NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

68 This is an interesting time of life for the members of our class. Some people are starting to do things different from their former careers, while others are actively involved in their longtime field. Let me share some news.

Randy Hallstead Allen is a part-time senior lecturer at the Johnson School at Cornell. Randy's son, **Scott Meehan**, a fourth-generation Cornellian, will graduate this year from the Arts college.

Randy has founded a company, Girls Explore LLC, which focuses on educating girls 8-12 that they can be or do anything. As part of this program, the company makes dolls of famous women and packages them with a biography. **Brooke Breslow** is the executive director of the American Society of Breast Disease, the nation's only professional society serving healthcare practitioners and researchers in breast cancer. Brooke took this job after 20 years in management with the College Board (yes, the SAT people). He lives in New York with his wife Gail, a medical writer, and two daughters, ages 17 and 15, and their Maltese dog. **Vivian Bridaham** operates the Sotheby's Int'l Realty office in Bozeman, MT, one of my favorite places. Vivian is also an art dealer selling her parents' collection. Her outside activities include active involvement in the Bozeman community and serving on the board of the local land trust and American Wildlands.

charities. His son **Ari** is Hotel '05 and daughter **Rebecca '97** is a lawyer.

Mark Belnick (mbelnick@belnicklaw.com) has opened his own "litigation boutique" in Manhattan. He concentrates on complex commercial litigation and white-collar criminal defense. Mark was previously with Tyco Int'l, and before that at the Paul, Weiss law firm. **Susan Mascette** Brandt and husband Bill live in Rochester, NY. Sue is in her third year of retirement from legal practice and loves it. She enjoys quilting, choral singing, and adult literacy tutoring. Sue's son Nick attended BC law after Williams College and lives in Boston; son Josh, a civil engineer, is in Providence.

Arthur Bernstein lives in sunny Boca Raton, FL. He is active in the aviation finance business and is also a member of the Palm Beach County Airports board. Art says to remember that Florida is not all hurricanes and to come and

'Philip Callahan missed reunion because he was making the first citing in the Saturn system—Phoebe.'

ARDA COYLE BOUCHER '69

Tim Albright is retiring from his teaching position at Catskill Central School District and looks forward to more golf, skiing, and travel. Tim's wife is a nurse in Albany. **Monica Bernheim** has a full-time private practice in psychotherapy and psychoanalysis in New York. Monica's son Eli will be going to Vassar and is interested in theater and writing. Last summer Eli had a part in a film called *The Squid and the Whale*, which was featured at the Sundance Film Festival. Look for a release time in the fall.

Jim Carney reports his marriage last October. Sherri is a doctor. Jim is an attorney, but is mostly involved in real estate property management and development with his family business. They are currently building a large mixed-use development that combines retail, office, and residential. The project is vertically integrated with retail below, then office, then residential, with a total of about a million square feet (see www.crockerpark.com). Jim and Sherri are about to build a log cabin in central Ohio as a weekend getaway.

Robert Cantor owns and operates the In-singer Machine Company, which makes commercial dishwashers, tray washers and driers, and related waste-handling equipment. While at the Harvard Business School OPM (Owners, Presidents, Management) Program, Rob reports meeting classmates **Alice Richmond** and **Steve Boucher**, ME '69. In the midst of all his activities, Rob was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, and classmate **Harry Greenberg**, a professor of neurology at the U. of Michigan Med School, helped in tracking down world-class medical help at a Pennsylvania hospital near Rob's home. Rob is currently active in Parkinson's disease

visit. **Allan Brookstone** is doing "personally financed Peace Corps-type activities" in Yucatan, Mexico. Allan lives in a stone house in a village of 90 people and is the only one who does not speak Mayan. He paints and teaches English in high school, and is working on a book. He goes back to the San Francisco area several times a year and is visited by his daughter and friend.

John Currivan, JD '78, a partner with the law firm of Jones Day in Cleveland, OH, has been named in the 2005-06 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*. John is also chairman of the Cleveland Tax Institute for 2005. **Bo Chagnon** (formerly known as Bozo Chagnon of the Sherwoods, or Philip Chagnon) is semi-retired after a career that included teaching, production management, and consulting. He still does music-related things and some speaking, including Sunday services for Unitarian congregations. Bo is also very involved in social activism.

I look forward to hearing from you. Call if you are in the Boston area. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, 2 Avery St. #26C, Boston, MA 02111; e-mail, gordon_silver@comcast.net.

69 Since January 2004, **Bruce Waddell** has been president and CEO of SeaSpace Corp., a developer and manufacturer of satellite ground stations located in Poway, CA. In November he married Linda Humberstone, corporate director of information services for Citrus Valley Health Partners, a hospital group. **John Mittleman** has moved to Naples, Italy, and assumed duties as science advisor for US Naval Forces Europe and the US Sixth Fleet. John writes, "Naples is a wonderful and crazy city!" Another

classmate working abroad, **Ken Vineberg**, BArch '70, has been appointed visiting senior designer in the School of Architecture and Design at the American U. of Sharjah located in the United Arab Emirates. Ken writes that the style of education is similar to that at Cornell, and also like Cornell, "the students are very talented and committed. After decades of practicing architecture in Ithaca, it is a wonderful change to be in a warm, sunny climate and just a short drive away from a major city," states Ken. **Judy Braunstein** Baily is still working at her south Florida business, The Carpet Connection Inc., which celebrated its 22nd year of operation. Judy's older son **Jay '00** is developing land in the area, and her son Jonathan is a sophomore at Amherst College. Judy also writes that she sees **Diane Brenner Hardy '71** almost daily.

John Stechschulte '06, in their son Geoffrey's room while he was away at Dartmouth. Greg still practices dermatology in Santa Monica, where he uses lasers, Botox, and Restylane as well as plastic surgery to stave off aging in his patients.

Alan Cody writes that he, **Jim Chiafery**, ME '71, and **Laura Purnell Krich**, MAT '71, were privileged to attend a pre-game reception hosted by **Steve** and **Joan Wolfers Belkin** at Boston's Fleet Center last January. The Belkins brought together the Cornell Entrepreneur Network, the Cornell Club of Boston, and numerous other alumni for an evening of entertainment. As owner of the Atlanta Hawks, Steve asked coach Mike Woodson to talk with the guests while the players warmed up on the court—the highlight of the reception. Inspired by this event, our Class

Save the date of September 24, 2005 for an off-campus "homecoming" at the Cornell/Yale game in New Haven with more details to follow. ♦ **Arda Coyle Boucher**, 21 Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031.

70 **Susan Hymes Pross** (Tampa, FL; immunosue@aol.com) is an associate professor at the U. of South Florida College of Medicine. Her husband Ron is a dentist in private practice. Their son Adam (American U.) is married and living in Pennsylvania; daughter Rachel (Barnard) is married and living in Tennessee; and son Seth is a student at the U. of Pennsylvania. Sue says no Cornellians yet, but there are still graduate school possibilities! Sue recently had a wonderful mini-reunion with **Sue Linden Friedlander**, **Laura Wachsmann**, and **Ida Ellen Schwab**. After more than 20 years in Texas, **Diana Christopulos** is enjoying more seasons and topography in southwestern Virginia. Since 1987, she has had her own consulting business. This followed stints as a college history professor in the 1970s and an executive at the American Heart Association (AHA) national headquarters in the 1980s. Diana lives in Salem, VA, and enjoys family and friends all over the country. She is pecking away at the Appalachian Trail.

Art Litowitz (anldmd@aol.com) and his wife Kit Kimble (U. of Michigan '71) live in New Smyrna Beach, FL, where they are renovating and building an addition onto their home. Art works in a group orthodontics practice in Central Florida and is a part-time adjunct professor of clinical orthodontics at the new graduate school of orthodontics at Jacksonville U. Art is also studying to earn an MBA online at Nova Southeastern U. Their daughter Alaia is in high school and came to reunion for her first visit to Cornell. Art comes from an extensive Cornellian family. His father **Robert '40** is retired and enjoys travel, family, theater, investing, and exercise; his brother **Budd '71** lives in Plantation, FL, and is in commercial real estate; and his sister **Susan '75** lives in Sudbury, MA. Art corresponds with **Steven Meyerson**, who is medical director of Baptist Hospital in Miami, FL.

Jeff '69 and **Ellen Chasen Garrod** (egarrod@aol.com) reside in Fairfield, NJ. Their daughter **Danielle '02** has completed her second year at Cornell Law School. Both her older brothers, Justin and Seth, are attorneys, so all the children are following in their father's footsteps. Elaine and Jeff are the proud grandparents of Jason Henry Garrod, who was born on May 29, 2003. A future Cornellian, perhaps?

In 2003, **John Ashford** (Redwood City, CA; washford@medafile.com) moved from Kentucky back California to join the Stanford/V.A. Alzheimer Center. John works at the V.A. as a psychiatrist and is developing a test for screening for Alzheimer's disease (see www.medafile.com). John says he was only at Cornell from 1966-67, but remembers the gang from the fourth floor of U-Hall 5, the ATO fraternity, and the swim team. **Dan** and **Jill Jayson Ladd '73** are now empty-nesters. **David '02**, who wants to do comedy, received an MS in TV production from Boston

'Diana Christopulos is pecking away at the Appalachian Trail.'

CONNIE FERRIS MEYER '70

Philip Callahan missed reunion because, as task manager for Cassini Radar Observations, he was making the first citing in the Saturn system—Phoebe. Then in October, he had a highly successful observation on the first flyby of Titan. Phil is also continuing his work on TOPEX, which is in its 13th year of returning data on sea surface height, and QuikScat, which is returning vector data on ocean winds. Phil also tells us that his two boys are about to enter graduate school. As mentioned in the March/April issue, **Monique de Varennes** has found time to write her first children's picture book, *The Sugar Child* (published by Simon and Schuster), now that both of her children are living on their own. Monique says, "All I need now are some grandchildren to read it to." Professor of women's studies and comparative literature at the U. of California, Riverside, **Marguerite Waller** announces her new book, *Dialogue and Difference: Feminisms Challenge Globalization*, co-edited with Mexican feminist Sylvia Marcos. Marguerite promises that it is full of surprises. She also tells us that her 7-year-old daughter Lea, who was born in China, has discovered Chinese dance.

Tom Grilk continues to make ends meet as a lawyer. His volunteer work includes being president of the Boston Athletic Association, the sponsor of the Boston Marathon. Tom's twin boys attend the Cardigan Mountain School in New Hampshire, where, he says, "they study harder and play all games better than their father." Tom occasionally sees **Don Richenthal** in New York and **Tom Watts** in Hawaii, and notes, "Hawaii is better." Tom also tells us that Mayor **Ron Arlas** sometimes leaves Larkspur, CA, to compete in Boston's Head of the Charles Regatta. Dr. **Gregory Colman** and his wife Michele attended an outstanding Glee Club concert in Westwood, CA, where Greg enjoyed joining the current club at the end to sing the Alma Mater. Later, they housed one of the club members,

Council would like to encourage Class of '69 mini-reunions throughout the country and welcomes any suggestions you may have. You can contact councilmembers directly or send your ideas through me. Please put "Cornell" in the subject line of any e-mail.

Gus Noojin has retired from Shell after a 35-year career. He is currently active on the boards of a couple of Houston area nonprofit organizations and goes to Ithaca at least once a year to chair the advisory council to the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. Conversely, **Dan Taubman** was retained for another 8-year term as a judge on the Colorado Court of Appeals by 72 percent of the voters. Dan has been on the bench since 1993. After many years as an extension economist with the U. of Florida, **David Zimet** became the executive director of the Boynton Beach Faith-Based Community Development Corp., whose major thrust is affordable housing. David is a proud father and grandfather as well. **Art Weisel** and his wife **Judy (Greenhill) '71** now have an all-Cornell family. Their youngest child **Andy '04** graduated Phi Beta Kappa and is working at a hedge fund in NYC; **Seth '01** works for NYU and is getting his MBA at the same time; and recently married **Cara '98** is a producer at Fox News.

From **Charlotte Bruska** Gardner, we learn that **William Perez** is the new CEO of Nike. *Forbes* magazine wrote an article, "The Class Action Industrial Complex," that describes the role **Leslie Abramson** Conason played in reducing the huge legal fee—\$262 million—that several law firms were charging a New York City pension fund for settling a class action lawsuit. As a city staff attorney, Leslie single-handedly waged the effort that was eventually decided by the US Third Circuit Court of Appeals to lower the fee to \$55 million. The process uncovered a "... cozy cabal of lawyers, unions, and public pension funds," writes *Forbes* magazine.

U. **Karen '04** graduated from the Ag college in biological sciences and is now at the U. of Miami working on her PhD in animal behavior, specifically manatees. **Michael '07** is going into his third year and will continue acting this fall. And Sarah graduated from high school and will be entering her second year at Penn State. Dan works for EDS on the e-Travel contract for government agencies. Jill continues with Capital Women's Care providing ob/gyn services to Montgomery County, Maryland. Dan and Jill live in Bethesda, MD; his e-mail address is danladd347@aol.com.

Jack and **Nancy Bilson** now live in Salisbury, NC. He says that a decision to downsize from 13 rooms and three floors to eight rooms and one floor was done to provide more time for golf and other pleasurable activities. A lot of landscaping was involved, as they moved 500 of their 1,000 plants to their new home! Bob and **Diane Marsilius** Nicholls (Arlington, MA; dianenicholls@comcast.net) enjoyed a reunion with **Lani Bishko** Durkac and **Cindy Johnson** O'Malley on Martha's Vineyard in the fall of 2003. She says it is wonderful to be with old friends and talk as though no time has passed. Their son Peter graduated from the U. of Vermont in 2004. He is now doing graduate work at Boston U., where he was awarded the Presidential Fellowship in mathematics. Their son William is at the U. of Montana and loves the West. Last year the boys had summer jobs painting houses on Cape Cod and spent time with their grandparents as well.

After three years in Afghanistan in the Peace Corps, 24 years with Caltex Oil, and five years of consulting, **Toby Marion** (toby@goldengatewine.com) and his wife Eileen have set up a business for importing California and Oregon wines to Hong Kong and China. Golden Gate Wine Co. Ltd. is growing and they're having fun (they think!). At the Wines of the Pacific Rim Festival at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in January 2005, they won the Chairman's Cup for Top Red, the Top Pinot Noir (Sanford, from "Sideways"), plus three more gold and 22 other medals. Congratulations! Both their children have graduated from Stanford, son Guy in '02 and daughter Louisa in '04. Guy is working on a PhD in marine geochemistry at the U. of Queensland and the Australian National U. in Australia, and Louisa works for the Inst. for the Study and Development of Legal Systems in San Francisco. Toby and Eileen are permanent residents of Hong Kong, where they've been for nine years. They regularly see **Martin Tang** and other alums, especially Hoteliers. Early this year they saw **Jeff Serfass '67**, ME '71, who is working on hydrogen energy.

A full report on our fantastic 35th Reunion will appear in the next issue! ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, cfm7@cornell.edu.

71 SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars for "Home Away from Homecoming" on September 24 in New Haven. This will be a celebration planned around the Cornell/Yale football game. This event was conceived of and planned by the Class of '71 for the entire Cornell community as a way of bringing Cornell to its alumni.

"Home Away from Homecoming" will be sponsored by the Class of '71 and the Cornell Alumni Federation in cooperation with East Coast Cornell clubs and other Cornell classes. In addition to the football game, the gathering will include pre-game and post-game tent receptions with Cornell entertainment. Attendance by special guests may add to the festivities—President **Jeffrey Lehman '77** has graciously accepted our invitation to attend! Plans call for transportation at specified times to and from the New Haven train station, and directions will be available to those traveling by car. "Home Away from Homecoming" will be an excellent way to reconnect with Cornell friends and create some great memories in a one-day mini-reunion. Save the date and look for more information in future mailings.

Speaking of mini-reunions, on February 19 about 20 classmates got together in the Washington, DC, area. Classmates who attended included **Larry Bachorik**, **Elisabeth Kaplan Boas** and **Art Spitzer**, **Kevin Bromberg**, **Bill Chadwick**, **Jay** and **Ann Lichtenstein Cherlow**, **Mark Ellyne**, **Ron Freudenheim**, **Cynthia Friedman Tidwell**, **Ann McCarthy** Glickman, **Mark Goldman**, **Sandy Huffman**, **Phyllis Norrie Gross**, MBA '79, **Bob** and **Nina Gordon Schwartz**, **Sally Clark Shumaker**, **Donna Vlasak**, and **Kathy Menton Flaxman**. This gathering was organized by Kathy, Sally, and Elisabeth as a way to bring classmates together—some folks had not seen one another since graduating almost 35 years ago!

On to news from our classmates. **Beth Shapiro** Stroul will be honored at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in August with the "Distinguished Contribution to Child Advocacy Award." She has worked for more than 20 years in the field of children's mental health policy, including serving on President Clinton's Task Force on Health Care Reform and as a consultant to the Subcommittee on Children and Families of President Bush's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health. In addition, she is widely published in the field. Beth resides in Reston, VA, and may be reached at bethstroul@aol.com.

Charles Staadecker writes from Seattle, where he runs a small real estate company that specializes in bringing new retail and office tenants to the Pacific Northwest. He raised his family on Vashon Island, a small (10,000 people) commuter island just west of downtown Seattle. It is very rural in a region with an explosive population base. Charlie commuted by ferry to his office for 12 years. When youngest child **Ben '08** joined oldest child **Tess '07** at Cornell, Charlie and his wife moved to a condo in downtown Seattle. His commute is now a six-minute walk to work. Since both children are at the Hotel school, Charlie travels to Ithaca three to four times a year. "Simply put, Cornell amazes me. May you all catch some trade winds and come for a Seattle visit." Charlie may be reached at staadeckerrealestate@hotmail.com.

Fred Peterson (kiawahatime@aol.com) and wife Anne recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Fred is president of the Kiawah Island Community Association, a civic organization for 4,000 property owners in Kiawah Island, SC. He recently saw **Joel Williams** in Saratoga Springs,

NY. **Kathy Zimmerman** Schwartz and husband Robert live in Fairfax Station, VA. They are the parents of two sons, ages 26 and 24. **Robert Taylor** (rgtaylor@maine.rr.com) is happy that his four children have all graduated from college and are gainfully employed. He is retired and has moved back to Maine. **Jill Rosenfeld** (JillR100@aol.com) has two children, ages 12 and 15. She works as a teacher of the visually impaired in Rockland County, NY. **Robert Zweben** (Robert@shadowbrook.com) attended a Rolling Stones concert with **Alan Glickman**. Robert enjoys racing Ferraris and attending car events and recently purchased a home in South Beach for the winter. **Daryl '07**, his youngest daughter, attends the Hotel school.

Tim Harris, JD '74, writes from L.A. that he recently sold his business, TIMCOR, but is staying on as a consultant to promote the growth of the company. Tim and his wife Lani have four terrific children and three grandchildren. They are pleased to report that **Brianna '07** plans to do a joint major in History and Spanish, is a member of Kappa Delta sorority, and plays intramural soccer and flag football. Aron graduated from Pepperdine U. with a BS in management. Aron and his wife Stephanie are the parents of three girls, Abby, Paige, and Eve. He works in the business with Tim, focusing on corporate real estate development. Daughter Elizabeth graduated from UC San Diego and has also accepted a job at TIMCOR. Son Sam recently completed his junior year in high school, is a great soccer player, and received top honors in physics from his school. Tim serves on the board of directors of the Temple of Manhattan Beach and on the board for the Boy Scouts. Contact Tim at tim@timcor.com.

If you are reading this column and thinking that we always write about the same small group of classmates, you may be right. But you can do something to change that! Send us an e-mail to update us on news about yourself. Tell us about your work (or retirement), travel, interests, family—we'll write about you! We look forward to hearing from you all. ♦ **Linda Germaine-Miller**, lg95@cornell.edu; and **Matt Silverman**, mes62@cornell.edu.

72 **Neil Comins** writes: "My first book, *What if the Moon Didn't Exist* (1993: HarperCollins) is the theme of the Mitsubishi pavilion at Expo 2005, Aichi, Japan. I've now published eight books, with two more under contract. My publisher tells me that my *Discovering the Universe* and *Discovering the Essential Universe* are now the most widely used introductory college astronomy texts in the world." From **Larry Kenswil**: "After 30-odd years, I'm finally checking in. I'm living in Los Angeles, where I've been since 1980, working in the music business for over 20 years. I am president of eLabs, a division of the Universal Music Group, the largest record company in the world, where I am responsible for new methods of music distribution, such as downloading, mobile applications, and other things that have been a bit newsworthy recently. Of note lately, I testified before the US House Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, where I spoke on copyright reform.

My wife Ann Holler and I have been married for 23 years. We have sons Jake, 18, and Sam, 15. I'd love to hear from any long-lost Cornell friends."

Richard Neubauer of Anchorage, AK, expects to travel extensively in the next few years as a member of the Board of Regents of the American College of Physicians. Rich, my predecessor as managing editor of the *Sun*, plans to attend a *Sun* reunion in Ithaca on June 11. "This breaks my record of having never attended a reunion of any kind, ever. I'm looking forward to it," he writes.

Shelley Taylor has three Cornell daughters who attended three different colleges. Daughter **Carolyn Swerdloff '05** is slated to graduate from the Arts college this year, following **Joan '00** (AAP) and **Laura '03** (Ag college). Laura had the unique experience of taking a class one year with older sister Joan and another year with younger sister Carolyn. "After nine years of many Cornell visits," Shelley and husband David Swerdloff are preparing for gorge withdrawal. **Craig Yunker** is in a similar position, with daughter **Katherine** scheduled to graduate this year from the Ag college, following in the footsteps of older siblings **Cyrus '01** and **Christian '02**. Craig says he is enjoying his experience as a Cornell trustee, and is thrilled to be back on campus on a fairly regular basis. He recently received a letter from **Thomas Kelsey**, MBA '77, who is stationed in Zagreb, Croatia, as a senior commercial officer with the US Commercial Service. **Charles Hardy** and **Janice (Vigliano)**, Suffern, NY, have son **Richard '08**, who is a freshman in the Ag college and a Saturday night DJ for WVBR.

Barbara Montague Lord has spent the past four and a half years in Maui, building a dream home for her family. Husband **Pete '70** invents and develops implantable medical devices, their son continues to create successful software companies, and their daughter was planning to be married this spring. **Stephen Knauss**, ME '73, Tampa, FL, has a new job as a senior geotechnical/materials engineer. **Michael Halbert**, Valley Stream, NY, retired in 2002 after serving as a senior food inspector for the NYS Dept. of Agriculture and Markets. **Donna Muffoletto** Campbell, Winchester, MA, is heavily involved in local cultural organizations. Her daughter Katie is completing her freshman year at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, and son Brian is a freshman in high school.

Stan Fish, DVM '75, and wife Sari became proud grandparents of Menucha Chana Fish on January 2, 2005, and of Jacob Martin Fish on January 3, 2005. "Both grandchildren received their Cornell outfits, including socks and bibs, while still in the hospital." The Fish small fry tempt us to dip our toes into aquatic humor, but we won't take the bait. Stan, a veterinarian, recently attended the Westminster Dog Show and lunched in the Cornell Vet college skybox with **Maxine Roeper** Cohen and **Jonathan May**, DVM '80. ♦ **Gary L. Rubin**, glrubin@aol.com; **Alex Barna**, Alexander.Barna-1@nasa.gov.

73 Greetings and a sincere note of appreciation to fellow class correspondent **Danielle Lombardo** Trostorff for providing the following two paragraphs of class news.

Marcia Clark Arem (Merion Station, PA; arem645@comcast.net) is a pediatrician, and her husband is a tax attorney. They have daughter **Hannah '06**, a junior at Cornell majoring in anthropology. She is spending her second semester in Argentina. Older son Nathaniel is employed with Deloitte and Touche in Philadelphia, and younger son Jake, a tenth grader, was a Pennsylvania state champion in geography in eighth and ninth grade. **Thomas Quinn** (West Chester, PA; tqunnn66@comcast.net) will have his first novel, *The Lion of St. Mark*, published this summer. It is historical fiction set in Venice during the Renaissance. **David Bachman** (Mt. Pleasant, SC; dlbachman@aol.com) was recently appointed director of the Division of Adult Neurology at the Medical U. of South Carolina. He is also serving as chair of the section of behavioral neurology in the American Academy of Neurology. His wife **Marjorie Rath '73** is a board member of the South Carolina Center for Birds of Prey. They have sons Daniel, a sophomore at USC, and Mark, a senior in high school.

Karen Ball, MS '75 (Columbus, OH; kball3@columbus.rr.com) is a project manager with PMI certification. **Ann Prezyna** (Seattle, WA; aprezya@worldnet.att.net) was recently promoted to acting regional counsel, EPA Region 10. Her life history in one chapter: "Ann of Lake Union" was recently published in *Staying Afloat: Life Aboard Houseboats, Barges, and Liveaboards* by Jeri Callahan. She also just purchased 103 acres along the San Pedro River in Palomina, AZ, from the Nature Conservancy. She and husband Gordon Lewis visited **Peter Willing, PhD '78** and wife Jan in Bellingham, WA.

Thank you to Delta Phi Epsilon sorority sister **Melanie Rodin** Polk (Rockville, MD; melanie.polk@aol.com) for responding to my challenge in the Nov/Dec 2004 issue by sending me her news. Melanie is the director of nutrition education at the American Inst. for Cancer Research in Washington, DC. She does quite a bit of public speaking and media interviews around the country, mostly on diet and cancer risk. Her daughter just graduated from Indiana U. Melanie recently took a vacation trip to Tuscany and Umbria. My challenge remains out to sorority sisters Abby, Amy, Debbie, Ellen, and Vicki to contact me with their news.

Congratulations to **Susan Arones** (Santa Fe, NM; suearones@aol.com), who writes that after living in Manhattan for 30 years, she finally decided to make a radical move to the Southwest and to change careers as well. Formerly a business development director at MasterCard and JP Morgan/Chase, she is now in a graduate program to become a psychoanalyst, specializing in creative expression. It took me more than five years to adjust as a result of my move to the Midwest after 11 years in Manhattan (some would say I never adjusted!), and I wish her all the best in her new calling and surroundings. **Denise Meridith** (Phoenix, AZ) reports that since retiring from the Dept. of the Interior, she has been CEO of Denise Meridith Consultants, a public and community relations firm, and the Leadership Consortium, a nonprofit that helps organizations recruit, support, and retain leaders of color. She is also a columnist for the *Phoenix Business Journal*.

Jean Buist Earle (Chatham, NJ; jbearle@hotmail.com) and husband **Terry '72**, MPS '74, have children Morgan, 14, and Abbey, 10. Morgan was born with a brain injury and is doing very well after three major neurological operations. Jean was on "Good Morning America" for her pioneering medical roles and has done a lot of special needs healthcare advocacy work. She is director of financial administration for ECLC of New Jersey, and Terry is director of community relations for Sunrise Assisted Living. Jean mentions that at periodic reunions of the Earle family, you can count a total of 23 Cornell degrees. Friend **Sheila Kojm**, MILR '75 (Bedford, MA; sjk21@cornell.edu) is a pre-kindergarten teacher at Arlington Children's Center in Arlington, MA, where she keeps in shape chasing after 4- and 5-year-olds on a daily basis. Husband **Louis Stuhl, PhD '78**, is now president of ChemMotif Inc. Son **Benjamin Stuhl '05** plans to pursue his PhD in physics next fall at the U. of Colorado, Boulder.

My husband Gerry Greenberg continues as head of the mergers and acquisitions group at his downtown Cincinnati law firm, which is good because both our children plan to be in school forever! As I write this column in mid-April, we are finalizing plans for attending son **David's** graduation from Cornell on May 29, where we will rendezvous with the above-named friends Sheila Kojm and Louis Stuhl, who also will be celebrating the graduation of son Benjamin. In my column last year, I reported that we had triumphed in the Super 8 Motel graduation lottery; now I also happily report that after pressing my telephone's redial button for two hours straight on a designated Sunday morning in January, we obtained a dinner reservation for Saturday of graduation weekend at The Heights Cafe & Grill. Of course, that was not confirmed until David appeared there in person to fork over \$20 cash for each person in our party on a certain prescribed weekday in February during a prescribed two-hour time period. Seriously, folks, I am not making this up! David, a history and government double major, plans to attend law school (where could he possibly have gotten that idea?).

Daughter Allison, a junior molecular biology major at Princeton U., returned from her fall semester abroad at King's College in London with a much more relaxed attitude toward the stress of a science major at Princeton (as well as a British boyfriend!), and will be staying at Princeton this summer to do research for her senior thesis. Unfortunately, that means that her cat will continue to wake me in the middle of the night all summer as well as during the school year! Since her research fellowship last summer at an allergy and immunology lab, Allison has decided she wants to pursue a combined MD/PhD, preceded by a year or two of lab work. Early retirement is now definitely off the radar screen. ♦ **Pamela S. Meyers**, psmeyers@fuse.net; **Phyllis Haight Grummon**, phyllis.grummon@scup.org or phg3@cornell.edu.

74 "Who's got me beat in our class for having their first child so late?" asks **Gary Canter** from Portland, ME; he started at 48. Gary and Annegret Baier, a German-born percussionist,

performer, and music educator, are parents to Johanna, 4-1/2, and Noah, 2-1/2. Gary adds, "I celebrated the ten-year anniversary of my college/career consulting business," College Placement Services, and says he stays in touch with old roommates **Jess Wittenberg**, **Tom Mueller**, MS '76, and **David Janower**, as well as old Main Line buddy **David "Batboy" Moriah** '72.

More '74s are going out on their own. **Kathy Bernhard** of Port Washington, NY, left Arrow Electronics after nine and a half years to launch a consulting practice, KFB Leadership Solutions, focused on executive and leadership development and talent management. After 25 years with DuPont in corporate management and marketing, **Sami Khan**, ME '76, of Greenville, DE, now has his own company that manages companies for private equity firms. Conversely, **Sandra Smith**, MS '80, in Plainsboro, NJ, writes, "I celebrated my 25th anniversary at Bristol-Myers Squibb. I'm enjoying a new project in oncology clinical research—a new drug for chronic myelogenous leukemia." She adds, "Our 13-year-old son Mike just started piano lessons last summer and gave a holiday recital. My husband Keith Doney and I are very proud of him." From Yardley, PA, **Sven Strnad** writes, "When the agricultural products research facility for which I work was closed by its new German owners, I transitioned from being a terrestrial ecotoxicologist to a fifth grade general ed teacher. While many of the corporate perks are gone, my life has much more meaning now."

Lila Miller Dum, DVM '77, of New York City received the 2004 Hills Animal Welfare and Humane Ethics Award from the American Animal Hospital Assn. (AAHA). She's editor of the textbook *Shelter Medicine for Veterinarians and Staff* (2004) and teaches an Issues and Opportunities in Shelter Medicine course at Cornell's Vet college. **Dena Goodman** of Ann Arbor, MI, was elected president of the Western Society for French History. **Roberta Frank** Palestine of Potomac, MD, has a dermatology and plastic surgery practice in Bethesda and Germantown. "Our age (53 plus or minus) is the most common for these procedures," she says. Daughter Sandra, 23, lives in Calgary, while son Mark, 20, is finishing junior year at the U. of Colorado. Author, author: **Ron Pies** of Lexington, MA, recently wrote a short story collection, *Zimmerman's Tefillin*, and a poetry collection, *Creeping Thyme*. In San Francisco, **Mark Schwartz** writes that his third joke book, *The Joke's On Us*, is due out from C.C. Marimba in Berkeley. **James Grossman** of Chicago, VP of research for the Newberry Library, was co-editor and project director of the recently published *The Encyclopedia of Chicago* (U. of Chicago Press) with more than 1,400 entries detailing Chicago's past. The American Library Assn.'s Booklist said the 1,104-page tome will be "the definitive historical reference source on Chicago for years to come."

Some of us refuse to act our age. "I'm still playing rugby after 28 years (ouch!)," writes **Ray Kase**, whose older son Patrick is a freshman at Pitt, while younger son Andrew played junior high school football and basketball and tried high school rugby. "I play ice hockey in what is supposed to be a non-checking league," says **Marlane Juran** of Morgantown, WV, who reports she took

a cheap shot hit, "went ballistic," drew double minor penalties, then afterward asked a teammate "about the other fellow's name so I could apologize and he [teammate] said, 'Oh, he's an older man . . . in his 50s.'" "Our daughter Carlie's a freshman at the U. of Michigan. When do we play them in hockey?" asks **Larry Kleinman** of Westport, CT. Cornell has a home-and-home (2004, 2005) series with Michigan State, but Cornell coach **Mike Schafer** '86 has said he'd only play at a school such as Michigan if the opponent reciprocates, while Michigan coach Red Berenson

the lack of Cornell legacies or the cost of putting them all through schools: "Alex, Duke '02; Elizabeth, Stanford '04; Katherine, Princeton '08; Marianne, Dartmouth '08." **Henry and Jean Dunlap Webb, PhD '78**, write, "We continue to enjoy retirement from the US Dept. of State since 2000. As a former diplomatic family, we still enjoy travel, especially in the US and Caribbean. We moved to Fleming Island, FL, from Wisconsin, but still maintain our home on the lake as a summer house. We're active in the Cornell Club of Greater Jacksonville."

'While many of the corporate perks are gone, my life has much more meaning now.'

SVEN STRNAD '74

has implied he can't afford to play at smaller-arena schools and Lynah Rink has 2,800 fewer seats than Michigan. "I had a year off skiing after tearing a quad in a league soccer game," writes **Rodger Engebretson**, ME '75, who's approaching 30 years with Shell Oil, managing engineering groups at three refineries. "It's fun to do, quite a challenge, and keeps me engaged in using skills Cornell prepared me well for," he says. Roger adds that former 211 Eddy St. roommates **Rick Litman** and **Gary Rathbun** discovered they now live near each other in St. Paul. "We spent Thanksgiving holidays 2004 in Salt Lake City skiing at Alta and Snowbird," says **Elliott Miller** of Hewlett Harbor, NY. "Best skiing in 20 years."

Steven Piekarec of Vienna, VA, manager of office automation, networking, and electronic communications for the AFL-CIO, has a busy Cornell life outside work: board member of the Cornell Club of Washington, programming committee member, player on a Cornell softball team (13-1 in 2004), and Cornell rep to the Ivy Singles Social Club. He traveled to Antarctica in 2003, then Spain and Portugal in 2004. Here's one charity keeping up with the cost of tuition: the Financial Women's Assn. of San Francisco, whose president is **Shelly Porges**, MPS '77, doubled its membership in the past year, and has raised more than \$800,000 for women's scholarships. She's planning a move to Washington, DC, this summer; "I'm looking forward to meeting D.C.-based Cornell alums." **Cary Frumess**, New York City, continues his private psychotherapy practice in Greenwich Village for individuals, couples, and groups; wife Leslie Kushner, PhD, continues as director of research in urology at Long Island Jewish Hospital; daughter Jeannine was one of 125 finalists for the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts (NFAA) awards.

Paul and Elizabeth Williams Spector '73 in Chardon, OH, report that children Katherine (Yale '99) and Scott (Wesleyan '04) are, respectively, global head of energy strategy, JP Morgan and sixth grade teacher in New York City public schools. "Alas!" laments **Ruth (Seligson)** and **David Epstein** '73, in listing family news on the class news form. We're not sure if it's a comment on

Irene Ovitt Werner of Fayetteville, NY, says she has now spent 23 years as an ED (emergency department) physician at the same upstate New York hospital. "I'm interested in cutting back on professional (paid) activities and getting into medical volunteer work." Husband **Fred "Bud" '72**, ME '75, is a bioengineer at SUNY Upstate Medical U. in orthopedic research. Irene reports that **Ann Maples Yonker** received a library science degree and is working in her field in a Kansas City, KS, school. Ann is married to **Steve** '73, ME '74, and they have four sons.

Dues (thank you), no news, came in from **Pamela Lipkin**, **Linda London Barron**, **Anne M. Pincus**, **Mark Trevithick**, and **Nancy Newcomer** Vick. Please e-mail news to any of us; we'll pass it along to whoever writes the next column. This issue's report comes mostly from the class news form that accompanies the yearly dues mailing; by summer that pipeline is dry. ♦ **Bill Howard**, wkh2@cornell.edu, **Betsy Moore**, emoore@cazenovia.edu; **Steve Raye**, spr23@cornell.edu.

75 By the time this column appears, we'll have already celebrated our 30th Reunion! A full Reunion Report will appear in the Sept/Oct issue of this magazine. News that has traveled the farthest comes from **Phil Ionta**, who is still working in Saudi Arabia for Aramco. He remarks that expatriates are no longer able to go on desert camping trips and have to be incredibly vigilant in planning trips to the local markets and stores. He traveled to the US while looking at colleges with his son, and met up with **Mike Markovic**, who is a semi-retired telecom VP in Washington, DC. Phil also saw **Doug Murken**, who practices law in San Francisco, and **Steve Allen**, who lives in Tacoma, WA. He also spoke with **John Kubota**, who has an engineering practice in Boulder, CO, and **Susan Lindstrom** Newman, MBA '76, who lives in Silver Creek, NY.

I received notes from our classmates in the South. **Dorothy Alderman** St. Clare resides in Asheville, NC, where she recently came out of semi-retirement. She obtained her sales and broker's licenses in real estate and is selling for

Century 21. Dorothy also participates in a ministry for hospice. She notes that her personnel management skills from the ILR school continue to serve her well. Also in North Carolina is **Beth Michaels** Gaffer, who lives in Raleigh. She, too, is in real estate, which she really enjoys. She encourages classmates who are moving to Raleigh to give her a call. **Patricia Hicks** Solomon lives in Augusta, GA. She earned the Woman of the Year award in 2003 from the American Business Women's Association. Congratulations! **Sandra Sheradin Schempp** lives in Athens, GA. Her son Adam graduated from Yale and is now at the U. of Virginia Law School. Younger brother Peter attends Georgia Tech. Sandra continues her education, having just completed an Educational Specialist degree. Her recent professional endeavors include service as a naturalist for the Princess Cruise Line in Alaska, giving lectures on flora and fauna.

'Sandra Sheradin Schempp is a naturalist for the Princess Cruise Line in Alaska.'

KAREN DEMARCO BOROFF '75

Traveling up the eastern seaboard, we run into **Glenn Berger**, who resides in Washington, DC. His oldest son, Aaron, was accepted to the Arts college, Class of 2009, and becomes a fourth-generation Cornellian. Great news! Moving northward, we hear from **William Haner**, ME '76, State College, PA. Bill retired from the Army in 2000, then earned his MBA from Penn State. He works in the finance dept. at Minitab. His wife Janet works in the Int'l Programs office at Penn State. In New Jersey, just one town over from me, is **Fran Melton-Levine**, who lives in Short Hills. She is a tax manager for an investment firm, but she and husband **Marc** '74, DVM '78, and daughter Amanda are heavily involved in training seeing-eye dogs. They are now raising their third dog. Wonderful work!

Crossing the Hudson River, we have quite a bit of news from New York. **Neal Haber** continues as an attorney, specializing in employment law. He has also served on the Croton-Harmon board of education. His wife **Suzanne (Heller)** was the principal of their synagogue's religious school, but now works at the Mount Pleasant Public Library. Their son **Alex** '08 is in Arts and Sciences, and younger son Greg just completed his freshman year of high school. **Debra James**, JD '78, lives in NYC, where she was recently re-elected to a second ten-year term on the NYC Civil Court. She has also been a justice by designation assigned to the NYS Supreme Court (civil term). **Robert Walder**, JD '78, lives in Pelham, NY, where he reports that oldest son **Jonathan** '06 is completing his junior year at the ILR school. He recently met up with U-Hall 5 mate **Bob Killian**, MBA '77, after a 27-year absence. **Mary Tuthill** Schwartz is in Brewster, NY. Her older son just graduated from Brown, and her younger son just completed his freshman year there. **Jeffrey Huth** has returned to the US after six years in England and Germany

with his firm. He has settled down in Hopewell Junction, NY. His older daughter completed her sophomore year at Muhlenberg College, and the younger one is in the midst of college applications. **Julie Ann Racino** is president and principal of her home-based business, Community and Policy Studies. She has published widely in the field.

Up in the New England area, we hear from **Michael Foster**, JD '78. He lives in Westport with his wife **Liz (Carter)** '76. They just celebrated her 59th birthday and among the guests were **Don Polakoff** and wife **Karen (Klein)** '76, **Irv Zatz**, ME '76, and wife **Janet (Share)** '76, and **Ilene Sherwin** Cooper '76 with husband Mitch. **William Crowell** has a three-and-a-half-acre home/horse farm in Harwich, MA, where he has been in a solo law practice for 27 years. His daughter now works for JPMorgan/Chase, having graduated from Duke. His son is soon to

graduate from Villanova, and he and his wife Dru still have a fourth grader at home.

Mary Keefe Valladares lives in Harvard, MA, where she has a private psychotherapy practice in Nashua and Acton. She and husband **Julio** '73, ME '74, have two children, Amelia, who is completing the ninth grade, and Jason, who is in third grade. **Sheila Bonde** was recently named the Royce Family Professor of Teaching Excellence at Brown U., where she has taught since 1984. She holds an NEH Collaborative Fellowship, and resides in Providence, RI. **Nadine Salley**, MS '79, writes from Tilton, NH. She and husband George and family recently returned from a two-week visit to Turkey. She was thrilled by the wonderful culture and rich history of that country, not to mention the delicious food and friendly people. She was able to visit the hometown of her grandfather. **Ann Williamson** Cohen lives in Nashua, NH, and proudly notes that her daughter will be graduating from Cornell. She, like many of our classmates whose children have attended Cornell, has enjoyed seeing campus life through another set of eyes.

Traveling to the Midwest, we hear from **Mary Alice Curry** Bankert, who lives in Birmingham, MI. Her daughter **Elizabeth** '03 now works for UBS Bank in Stamford, CT, as a compliance officer. Younger daughter Kathryn is in Princeton, NJ, with Rosetta Marketing Group. Mary Alice is now the major gifts director/planned giving director for Hospice of Michigan. She is in her 24th year of interviewing applicants to Cornell. **Elyse Byron** writes from Willowbrook, IL, that her 9-year-old son Ryan is into basketball, soccer, and baseball. She herself is in her 26th year of business selling new medical technology and has managed to earn a high red belt in Tae Kwon Do. **Tom Fisher** has been recognized as one of ten Minnesotans changing the world in *Minnesota Monthly*. Congrats! He has published several books on architecture,

including *Salmela Architecture* and *Lake/Flato Architects*. He has two daughters, one who attends the U. of Washington, studying architecture. His younger daughter is in ninth grade in St. Paul. He recently connected with **Mark Strauss**, **Marc Levoy** '76, MS '78, **Al Syphers**, BArch '76, and **Jon Ross**, BArch '76.

From the Lone Star State comes a lone piece of news—from classmate **Walt Borges** of Austin. After 24 years in journalism, he returned to school as a graduate student in political science at the U. of Texas, Dallas. His Monday class day begins just after he has traveled 200 miles from home, having dropped his oldest daughter off at school! The UTD faculty includes **Ted Harpham**, PhD '80, and he recently spoke with **Eric Lichtblau** '87 at the *New York Times*.

Rex Griswold lives in Mesa, AZ, with his wife Mary Ellen. They have just celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary! Rex is still on the city council. He encourages Cornellians to visit his restaurant, Anzio Landing Italian Restaurant. **Chuck Gruye**, MBA '77, lives in Lafayette, CA, where he is chairman and chief investment officer of a money management group. **Chase Hensel** lives in Fairbanks, AK. He is consulting, having been a psychology professor for two years (he notes he never took a psych course!) and was promoted to associate professor, never having had a tenure-track position. His wife **Phyllis Morrow**, PhD '87, is dean of the Liberal Arts college at the U. of Fairbanks. He sees **Vicki Rieder** and her newly adopted daughter Tanya.

It is so wonderful to hear from so many of you. We enjoy celebrating your proud moments, both professionally and personally, so keep writing! ♦ **Karen DeMarco Boroff**, boroffka@shu.edu; **Joan Pease**, japease1032@aol.com; **Mitch Frank**, mjfgrator@aol.com; and **Deb Gellman**, dsgellman@hotmail.com.

76 Thanks to all of you who responded to my e-mail plea. I received an amazing amount of news. So much, in fact, that I will be able to pass it along to the next correspondent. **Ellen Rieser** was the first person to respond and she wrote that her news never got into the magazine, including her escape from the Financial District on 9/11. She took her sixth grade son Anson for his first visit to Cornell last summer. Aside from being deeply impressed with the "super cool nanotechnology" and space science programs, he enjoyed playing the hour-change on the chimes and skipping rocks along the waterfall pools in Cascadilla Gorge at sunset. Other highlights were fresh strawberry ice cream at the Dairy Bar and an experimental apple tasting from the Plant Science building's famous apple vending machine. Nice to know that the same stuff she liked as an undergrad is still "boffo" over 30 years later!

In 1976, **Deb Mainville** Eldredge, DVM '80, was in the Ag college and Animal Science, then got her Vet degree in 1980. She has two books coming out this year, both co-authored. One is *The Everything Guide to Dog Health* with Kim Thorton and the other is *Cancer and Your Pet* with Margaret Bonham. **Barry Schoenfeld** has opened his own marketing consulting firm, based

in Los Angeles, working on strategic planning and business development for ad agencies.

As our class turned 50 (most of us) last year, **Craig Holm**, MBA '78, celebrated the year by purchasing a 1970 GTO. His freshman roommate, **Rob Simon**, has offered him three times the purchase price, but Craig is holding out. After graduating, **Philip Corey Rubin** worked for prestigious architectural firms based in Chicago. Since 1985, Philip has enjoyed his own architectural design practice, Corey Design Studio, which originated in Dallas, and is now based in San Francisco. He is trying to expand his business to Palm Springs, where he plans to "retire" eventually in a few years with his domestic partner of 12 years, Cliff White. They have been flying back and forth between San Francisco and Palm Springs every four to six weeks. Philip's portfolio includes many custom residences as well as renovated vintage residences. Once in a while, he gets to enjoy a light commercial or office project such as a prototype showroom for Bill Blass, fabric showroom for House and Home, and the West End Cabaret. He has been very active in the deaf community, co-founding and serving as a board member in many organizations such as Chicago Theater for the Deaf, Cultural Society of the Deaf, Deaf Action Center, Deaf Gay and Lesbian Center, and others. He is an avid traveler and plans a China trip. He is interested in meeting deaf Chinese people and learning more about how they live culturally, socially, and professionally.

A mini-Cornell reunion was held at the bar mitzvah of Neal and **Ann Rosovsky** Beaton's son Andrew in April. Along with Ann was her son **Eric '04** and his girlfriend **Rachel Shaw '04**, **Dale Brodsky Bernstein** and husband **Gary '75**, **Jeryl Dansky Kershner**, and **Rachel Simon**. **Merys Cohen Mechlin** and husband **Michael '75** weren't able to attend. Also invited were **Nancy Wolfert Kirshenbaum** and husband **Steve '73**. **Rachel's** parents **Tony**, ME '77, and **Marilyn Tebor Shaw** graduated from our class, although they didn't know each other at Cornell. Ann's second son, Greg, opted for Duke over Cornell, where he was a freshman this year. **Chris McGrath** retired from the Navy after 21 years, spent seven years in the private sector, and now has decided to go back to school to work on a doctorate in organizational psychology. In addition to working on his studies, he will be performing research at the Naval Medical Research Lab this summer in Pensacola, FL.

A professional artist living in Boston, **Anne Silber** has a solo show of her work at the Carney Gallery at Regis College. In addition, her work is in numerous museum and corporate collections around the US and has been seen on the sets of dozens of feature films and TV series. **Linda Diselkamp** is married to an ABC News cameraman and they will celebrate their 20th anniversary with a Mediterranean cruise. They have lived in Vienna, VA, for 15 years. She practiced law for ten years, but gave it up to spend more time with her kids. Linda has been a legal editor for legal publisher BNA for 12 years. They have twin boys, who spent time on school break doing college tours with Linda while her husband stayed home with their 7-year-old daughter. The boys are not interested in Cornell, but their daughter is and wants to be a vet. Linda's current job is flexible and

allows her to telecommute—even when she has medical problems such as arthroscopic surgery on her knees. Isn't getting old fun? Also, it has allowed her to participate in kids' school activities.

Hoping to attend our 30th Reunion next year, **Brian Boland** sent some information. In May 2002, he relocated his career again—from Manhattan to Charlotte, NC. He serves as VP and assistant general counsel to Wachovia Corp. and to the Treasury Services Risk Management Group of Wachovia Bank NA. When Brian isn't working he's traveling or keeping busy. He maintains residences in Charlotte, Middletown, NJ, and Ireland. The lady in his life lives in Westchester. His third passport is filled with travels to South America, Canada, Europe, and the Caribbean. He is blessed with good health and feels like graduating from Cornell was a recent event. **Larry Ben** wrote that his son Andy will be attending Cornell (A&S) this fall with the Class of 2009.

Bruce Piasecki, PhD '81, said it's been a long time since he replied to our column. His daughter asked him why Cornell is such a special place and "why did you and Mommy go there?" She is 8. After finishing his PhD, Bruce started the American Hazard Control Group. As he was growing the company, he received and then shed tenure, first at Clarkson U., and then as the director of RPI's Master of Science program in environmental management. **Bruce Reisch** is still working at Cornell's Geneva Agricultural Experiment Station, researching grapevine breeding and genetics. He has some formal teaching responsibilities this year and enjoyed getting back to the classroom. His wife **Kim (Stone) '84** and their three children (one going to college in September) are all doing well. ♦ **Lisa Diamant**, ljdiamant@rcn.com; **Karen Krinsky Sussman**, krinsky54@aol.com; **Pat Relf** Hanavan, relf@tds.net.

77 The news forms I've been reading are starting to show a trend to reporting on leisure activities and thoughts of retirement. For example, **John Molinda** mentions it several times. But the closest he's getting to a regular game of golf is watching his oldest daughter, Jenny, 15, play. After Jenny tore her second ACL playing soccer, she switched to golf, and after only three months she became a better golfer than he is after 30 years. John and his wife Gail's younger daughter, Jackie, 13, plays soccer and basketball on a nationally ranked team, requiring lots of travel. In fact, on the way back to his home in Pittsburgh from a trip to the Northeast regional soccer tournament in Rhode Island, John dropped in on classmate **Stu Soffer** in Branford, CT. Stu treated the Molindas to a barbecue and a dip in the Long Island Sound. Just after John left, their roommate **Ken Koenig**, ME '78, and his family arrived from Saratoga, CA.

John did try to retire, though. After growing his company, Strategic Energy, to be the most profitable non-regulated (that is, competitive) retail electricity supplier in North America, he cashed in his equity and decided to "retire"—or at least switch careers. Inspired by the enormously fun career of classmate **Bill Nye**, John thought he would enjoy teaching high school physics. But some colleagues instead talked him into making

another run at building an energy company. So plans for teaching have been put on hold.

Stephen Fitzmaurice of Amherst, NY, reports that his golf game actually got a little better this year. But it doesn't sound as if he's planning to retire soon. Stephen was recently promoted to COO at One HSBC Center in downtown Buffalo, and was named chairman of the Waterfront Action Group at the Buffalo Niagara Partnership. Aside from the Bills' record and the lack of a hockey season, Stephen says things are good in Western New York. His wife Nancy has a new job as Human Resource Director at North American Carbide. Daughter Nina, 16, is starting to get serious about college, and son Steve, 12, never sits still. Stephen sees **Kevin Townsell '78** from time to time. Kevin runs the Festival Grounds at the Pier and is reopening his very popular Shannon Pub in a new location.

John Longstreet is enjoying himself at ClubCorp and had a superb golf outing (there's golf again!) at the Firestone Country Club with classmate **Mark Woodworth**, MPS '78, and fellow Cornellian **Keith Barr '92**. Both of John and his wife Brenda's children are at Cornell. **Liz '08** just finished her freshman year in the Hotel school, and **John III '07** finished his sophomore year. Both are working at the Statler. Last summer, Brenda and John had a mini-reunion at classmate **Kevin O'Donnell's** terrific Old Tavern at Grafton. Also there were **Greg Norkus**, MS '87, and his wife Kate and **Mark Woodworth**, MPS '78, and his wife Mary Kay. Brenda and John then spent a few days in Ithaca with **John '74**, MBA '76, and **Elaine Mead Alexander** at their home on Cayuga Lake. While there, the Longstreets became the proud owners of a lake house just south of the Ithaca Yacht Club. With both kids at Cornell, Brenda and John take every opportunity to go stay in their home on the lake.

Bill Nye was mentioned almost as frequently as golf in this latest batch of news forms. **David Laks** mentioned that he had a great dinner with Bill in Seattle, where Bill kept him in stitches all night. While in D.C., David also had dinner with some other classmates—**Kathy Burchard Stack**, **Marcia Cohen Lidman**, and **Howard Fox**. Furthering his link with Cornell, David reports that his oldest daughter is in the Ag college. **Ross Stefano**, MBA '78, is another classmate with major ties to Cornell. Ross and his wife Janet got married in 1977 in Anabel Taylor Hall, and both of their sons graduated from Cornell—**Nick** in '02 and **Chris** in '04. They also have daughter Mari, who just finished her freshman year at the U. of Rochester. On the business front, Ross sold his company TicketsLive Corp., a ticketing software company, to Tickets.com in 2000. He then invested in Brady Systems, which sells and services weighing and food systems, and is now president of the company. Ross and Janet live in Manlius, NY.

Eileen Harrsch Campbell has moved into the "not so big house" phase of life and has moved into a vintage cottage in downtown Lake Forest, IL. She is near some great bike trails and can walk to Lake Michigan every night. Eileen is still in real estate, but now also volunteers at the local Open Lands, which is a land preserve. She teaches outdoor nature classes to kindergartners and first

graders. Eileen also spent much of last summer traveling in the western US, hiking and canoeing. **Robert Paliotti** has been a professional photographer for almost ten years. His interest in photography was inspired by an around-the-world journey that lasted 15 months and included 20 countries. He also spent one year in Vietnam and had two solo exhibitions of his work displayed in Hanoi. One of his photographs was featured on the cover of a Vietnamese magazine. Asia is Robert's favorite area of interest and he now resides in Bangkok, Thailand. Robert says, "When visiting another country I try to immerse myself in the local culture and discover the things that are important to the people that live there daily. By interpreting what I find interesting and unique and blending in a local perspective, I believe I capture images that are genuine and often timeless. It is interesting to note that the very customs and events that on the surface seem to make us very different are in fact the thread that binds our human spirit together." You can view his photos at www.globalsnapshots.com. I recommend visiting the website; there are some amazing shots.

As you can see, classmates are doing things that some of us just dream of. Whether it's taking time to give back to the community, travel the world, or improve our golf score, it all causes me to think about possibilities. Please send me or Howie news about the things that are important in your life. ♦ **Lorrie Panzer Rudin**, lorrie_b_rudin@fanniemae.com; or **Howie Eisman**, heisen@drexelmed.edu.

78 **Cindy Fuller**, PhD '92, makes her home in Seattle, WA. She is teaching nutrition at Seattle Central Community College and has also taught at North Seattle Community College. Cindy is doing some freelance writing and editing assignments as well. She, **Julian Vrieslander**, PhD '81, and the two cats are comfortable and enjoy the culture of the area. They have season tickets to the symphony and are members of the art museum. Cindy and Julian have traveled throughout the Northwest, with stops at the Olympic Peninsula, Victoria, BC, Mt. Rainier, and Mt. Baker. They spend the Christmas holidays in Florida. **John DePolo** has joined RTI Int'l, the nation's third largest independent research and development organization, as director of recruitment services. He is responsible for leading its recruitment team and guiding strategic planning aimed at expanding its workforce. He has more than 25 years experience in the human resources field.

David Bilmes and his son Elie, currently a high school junior, spent time at Cornell last summer. David took a Shakespeare class with Bruce Leavitt, and Elie spent three weeks in the high school student program. He lived on West Campus and took a Government course taught by Isaac Kramnick. They are looking forward to returning to Cornell's Adult University (CAU) on campus again this year. **Sarah Beran Steinberg**, ME '79, and husband **Robert** (Rockville, MD) have lots of education news to report. Their son Aaron is at Yeshiva U., where he was the junior class president and an English major. Daughter Lauren will be attending Cornell in the Engineering college. Sarah

graduated from the U. of Pennsylvania with a PhD in higher education management. She is an associate dean at Johns Hopkins U., and Bob is the director of benefits at Aspen Systems Corp.

There were several other classmates who took advantage of the offerings of CAU on the Cornell campus last summer. **David** and Janice **Levine** took a course on Islamic Law. **Laurie Letvak**, MD '82, took The Wine Class, and her companion Barry Shoot attended Too Close To Call: Eight Great American Presidential Elections. **Barbara George Lewis** participated in The Eclectic Ethnic: A Culinary Workshop. CAU on campus is a popular program. Other participants included **Joan Passiatore** Popolo, who took a course called Designing, Building, and Selling the American Home, and **Debra Hyman** Rathauer, who took Sculpture Studio: Interpreting the Human Figure. **Vivian Tom** Bennette also took the sculpture class with Cliffith Bennette. **Marie Sciortino** Venezia, a former fellow Mary Donlon resident took up fly-fishing. How many fish have you caught, Marie?

Patricia Stone Ortenberg (Menlo Park, CA; cortenberg@aol.com) and her husband **Charles** '77 have two children, **David**, who attends Cornell, and Richard, 14. Patricia has a business called Stone-Quarre and deals with medical claims management. She keeps in touch with many friends and is going to Napa for a girls' break with **Renee Brown Holt** '77. **Lori Rothman** (Glenview, IL; rothknick@comcast.net) works for Kraft Foods as a research principal. She is married to Mark Knickelbein. **Randy Strongin** Weiss lives in Centerport, NY, with her husband Cory and three daughters, ages 10, 14 and 16. **Holly Rosenthal** Bernstein (hollyforbrandes@aol.com) and her husband Howard live in Blauvelt, NY, with their children Bradley, 14, and Joelle, 11. Holly has recently developed, patented, and launched a new natural sleep product that can be taken anytime, even in the middle of the night. Look for www.midnitesleep.com or ask for it in drugstores.

Laura Day Ayers, MBA '86 (lauraa876@aol.com) and her husband **David** '80 live in Chester, NJ. Their daughter Kathleen is in high school and very involved with soccer and golf, along with a variety of other school activities. She will attend the summer college at Cornell this year. Laura has been volunteering with CAAAN for several years. She reports that the high school seniors she meets are "truly amazing—intelligent, creative, talented, and athletic." She's glad she's not the one applying to Cornell today! Laura traveled to Boston last year and had dinner with **Kathy Morris** Dugan. She also saw **Nancy Brass** '80 and **Nancy Twombly** '80 on the same trip. **Nancy Kilmer** DuBois (nkdubois@yahoo.com) lives in Plano, TX, with husband David. Their son Chris graduated from Boston U. in film production and is currently working for 20th Century Fox TV on an upcoming series, "The Inside." Their daughter Elizabeth is a marketing major at Texas Christian U. and is a member of the Delta Gamma sorority. Daughter Julie is dancing with the Orlando Ballet. Nancy works part time at a local dance studio. She handles all the costuming needs as well as costuming needs for Texas Christian.

Robert Trisciuzzi (trisciu@aol.com) lives in Brooklyn with his children Liana, 16, and Edmund,

13. Robert's wife Patricia succumbed to cancer three years ago. He is a VP of structured trade finance at Anz Investment Bank and involved with the dynamic trade and investment ties developing between Brazil and Chile with China and Southeast Asia. **Fraj Lazreg** (FLazreg@hotmail.com) lives in New City, NY, with wife Donna. They have two children. Chad has a master's degree in education, and Sonia is studying in Argentina and will graduate from NYU in 2006. Fraj's money management business is growing and will expand to states other than New York, Georgia, and Michigan. He reports that classmate **Moncef Braham** manages a textile operation in Tunisia. **Gloria Fusillo** (gusillo@aol.com) still runs her own company in metro New York producing video for internal corporate communications, as well as an occasional segment for broadcast news. Gloria went on a rafting trip in the Grand Canyon with her 14-year-old son James. She highly recommends it as a break from the everyday mother/teenager communication dynamic of "nag and grant." The most gratifying moment of the trip came when James commented, "Mom, every day is like a postcard."

Mike Bernard became disenchanted and stopped teaching after four years. He is now working for the Air Force Research Laboratory as a senior systems research analyst. **Gail Nickse** (gail.nickse@verizon.net) has been married for ten years to Fred Griffith. They are both professional vocalists and they perform in one of Boston's premier dance bands, Blue Heaven. Gail has been in the financial services industry as a financial writer. She is now a certified financial planner and would like to have her own practice offering financial planning services for lifetime wealth management.

Please send your latest updates to me so I can include them in future columns. ♦ **Pepi F. Leids**, PLeids@aol.com.

79 The big news, that most of you have probably heard but merits repeating, is that our class president, **Jeff Berg**, ME '80, MBA '81, has been elected to the Cornell University Board of Trustees! Congratulations, Jeff! We know from experience that you will do an excellent job on behalf of all individuals who make up the Cornell community.

I (**Cindy Ahlgren** Shea) spent a wonderful afternoon in New York City in April catching up with Kappa Kappa Gamma sister **Caryn Cosentini** '78 (caryn.cosentini@bankofamerica.com). Caryn is a senior VP at Bank of America and serves as a private client advisor to high net worth individuals. She married Joseph Maida several years ago, and is the stepmother to three wonderful individuals, Michael, 27, Emily, 22, and Liz, 22. They live in Stamford, CT, as does Caryn's sister, **Cathy Cosentini Bonczek** '81. Cathy and husband John have children Peter, 3-1/2, and Jamie, 2. Cathy is the Director of Development at the Stamford Museum.

Madeline Licker Feingold (mlfeingold@aol.com) is living in Berkeley, CA. She and her husband Bruce have daughter Aron, 18, and son Gabriel, 14. **Dennis Conway** (dconway@kean.edu) is living in Rutherford, NJ, where he teaches audio and video production and mass media courses at

Kean U. in Union, NJ. Dennis is also the moderator of Kean's chapter of the National Broadcasting Society. In April 2005 he served as the moderator and as a panelist at the Broadcast Education Association convention for a panel entitled, "Should reality shows be taught in a college writing curriculum?" Dean finishes his note by stating, "And no, I don't have the answer!" **Judy Fisdell-Lempel** (jfl429@aol.com) is a teacher at the Temple Israel Center in White Plains. She and husband Steven live in Scarsdale with their children Howie, 17, and Robin, 14. **Daniel Mansoor**, MBA '80 (djm37@cornell.edu) is the president of Goodworks Group, a nonprofit/philanthropy organization based in NYC. He and his wife **Joyce Rothschild '80** have children Jesse, 7, and Emma, 2.

Anna Cognito (cognito@sunnydutchess.edu) married her partner Charity Gray in a civil ceremony in New Paltz, NY, on March 20, 2004. They have been a couple for 14 years. Anna's youngest daughter, Jessica, has been in Costa Rica working with farmers to improve their irrigation and community development. Anna has been selected twice to be included in *Who's Who in American Teachers*. She is the coordinator of the Disaster Mental Health Services for the Dutchess County Chapter of the American Red Cross. **Marita Doyle** (madrkh@aol.com) retired from the Visiting Nurses Service of New York City, where she served as the Patient Services Manager. Marita writes that after 30 years with VNS she is enjoying retirement but still misses the daily contact with co-workers. **Chris Cochran** (ccochran@accessanimalhealth.com) of Argyle, NY, recently got together with **Mark Bauer, Rob Mealey '77**, and their families at Rob's Lake Bomoseen, VT, home. Chris writes that Mark has plans to open a gourmet caramel popcorn stand in the greater Buffalo area this summer.

Jim Gould (JHG11@aetna.com) and his wife Kathy are living in Farmington, CT. Their daughter Courtney is a sophomore at Tulane U., and their daughter **Caroline '08** is a freshman at Cornell and in the Navy ROTC. Son Jimmy is doing well as a sophomore at Farmington High School. In October 2004, Jim graduated from Columbia U. with an MPH. He is still the Farmington High School debate coach. **Susan Stein Klubock** (sselklub@aol.com) and husband Steve are living in Chappaqua, NY, with their daughters **Emily '08**, 18, and Lisa, 16. Emily is a freshman at Cornell and is a third-generation Cornellian. Susan is an accounting manager with Gaston & Associates Inc. in Mt. Kisco, NY. She also volunteers as the treasurer for the Willowbrook Swim Club and does interviews for Cornell.

Judy Krell Freedman (hijudy3382@aol.com) and her husband Marc are living in Cherry Hill, NJ, and have children Amy, 19, and David, 15. Amy is a freshman at Penn State and David is a sophomore in high school. Judy is the Group Director of Public Affairs for the Campbell Soup Co. and volunteers as a board member of the Girl Scouts of Camden County. **Seth Agata**, JD '82 (gasagata@berk.com) and his wife Gail live in Kinderhook, NY. Seth serves as legal counsel to the Committee on Codes of the NYS Assembly, and Gail works for an Assembly legislative commission. Their son Adam is 15 and a starter on his high school ten-

nis team. Seth enjoys cross-county skiing and collecting stamps and coins in his spare time.

Judith Goldberg-Berman, MD '87 (jgoldberm@aol.com) is chief of her division of endocrinology at Greenwich Hospital. Her husband Michael is a real estate developer and works for Brookfield Properties in NYC. Judy has published articles in the field of obesity. Judy and Michael have children Allison, 12, Julia, 10, and Rachel, 6, who all attend the Soloman Schechter School in White Plains, NY. **Jane Kornfeld Bessin** (jane@bessingroup.com) is deeply involved with fundraising as the Director of Development for Stanford U. Her husband Bob left his high tech executive position to become a high school science teacher. They have two children, Julie, 16, and David, 13. Julie is very active in basketball and theatre, and David enjoys roller hockey and baseball.

Labs, smelling the lilacs and the Engineering Quad while walking to finals, and taking a spring amble through the Arboretum and Herb Garden. She has fond memories of freshman year on West Campus, throwing Frisbees across the bowl during clambakes, sunning herself on the stone wall, and swimming in the gorge. **Anne DiGiacomo Benedict** is still in Ithaca. As a third-generation Ithacan, she has spent 24 years at Cornell, starting right after graduation in the Dept. of Alumni Affairs and Development. She spent ten years running undergraduate reunions and then moved into development work. She's been the Director of Development in the Ag college for four years, and is proud to be associated with Cornell and its top fundraising over the years.

Diane Berson has come full circle over the past 25 years. After practicing dermatology in

'When I grow up I would like to be a book scout . . . and slightly taller.'

JOHN FIRESTONE '80

Please don't forget to e-mail us at classof79@cornell.edu so that we can all keep in touch. Also, you can write to us directly. ♦ **Cynthia Ahlgren** Shea, cynthiashea@hotmail.com; **Kathy Zappia** Gould, rdgould@suscom.net; and **Cindy Williams**, cew32@cornell.edu.

80 By the time you read this, those of you who have been to reunion are already back home to your routines, but I thought that you would like to hear about a few remembrances of our class harking back to 1980 to tide you over before our Reunion Report in the next issue of the News. But first, let me tell you that **Jeffrey Winton** has been singled out for excellence, as he has received the 2004 Communicator of the Year Award from the New Jersey Chapter of the Int'l Association of Business Communicators. He is group VP, global communications at Schering-Plough Corp. Also, **Bill Pagum** has recently finished a book called *No Life Story* about an ex-Ivy leaguer and some quirky characters in New England. Congrats to Bill. In addition to being an environmentalist and game inventor, he now adds author to his list of accomplishments.

Now for "Where were you twenty-five years ago?" Personally, I was returning from Spring Break in Cancun with **Nayla Rizk**. I must admit, though, that rather than being the hot spot that it is now, Cancun was a rather young resort (no age jokes, please) and we enjoyed getting sunburned on the beach in anticipation of returning to Ithaca for what was left of our college careers. We did meet a few interesting characters, though, as it seemed that half of the Midwest vacationed there. **Myra Boenke** is living in Burlington, VT, now and is enjoying managing IBM's Foundry Application Engineers. She and her husband Bill Haller are raising sons Henry, 14, and Timothy, 11. Twenty-five years ago she was planning to work at Bell

NYC for 17 years, she recently joined a group associated with NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital and the faculty of Weill Cornell Medical College. She lives in NYC with her husband Mark Lebowitz and their two teenage children Alex and Emily. Alex is going to continue the Cornell tradition as he will be attending the College of Arts and Sciences in the fall as a government major. **John Firestone** writes, "I am a lawyer in NYC at the firm of Pavia & Harcourt LLP, practicing in the areas of corporate law, media, entertainment, and marketing. I live in Manhattan in an apartment I could never afford to move into today (which is disconcerting) and am married to the wonderful and remarkable Sandra Miller (not a Cornellian, but whom I met through **Liz Bodner**, DVM '88—thank you, Liz!). I have two children, Katie, 15, and Drew, 12, my pride and joy. I am active in alumni work for my high school (Fieldston) and law school (Yale), work which began 25 years ago when I helped organize the student phthonathon at Cornell (thank you, **Val Kovary '77!**)."

John continues: "I am in touch with a few classmates and other alums, including **Jeff Silber '79**, MBA '83, **Emily Paradise**, **John Gilbert**, **Joey Green**, and **Liz Bodner**, though not nearly as often as I'd like. I still mourn the loss of another Cornell friend two years ago, the gifted and inspiring **Elizabeth Neuffer '78**, whom I met freshman year and who died while on assignment as a reporter for the *Boston Globe* in Iraq. I enjoy catching up with a loyal group of Cornellians of all ages who hold a mini-reunion each summer in Martha's Vineyard where my parents spend their summers. I love walking and exploring New York, making my wife and children laugh, and collecting odd and unusual books. When I grow up I would like to be a book scout . . . and slightly taller. I can be reached at jfirestone@pavialaw.com. Greetings to any and all others of the Class of '80 who read this and with whom I have lost touch (you know who you are)."

John Delaney is living in Shanghai and notes, "I am working with my company Air Products & Chemicals as Asia Regional On-Sites Director. The job is exciting and it is also great to be able to pick up and speak a new language (Mandarin Chinese) at the young (old) age of 46. My wife **Deborah (Rosbaugh)** is also here and working at AP as Asia Regional Training Manager. We have three kids: Jason (BA English, Penn State '02) in Atlanta in grad school (Georgia State for master's/PhD in economics); **Luke '03**, ME '04, in Milwaukee at GE Medical; and **Serenity**, BS Human Ecology '06. Twenty-five years ago I was married and we were both looking forward to graduating in May 1980. I was also looking forward to starting my new job and to the birth of our first child. Debbie was expecting then, and passed out from the heat during the graduation ceremony—she finished the graduation in the medical area near the entrance/First Aid area at the Schoellkopf entrance! We participate in the Shanghai Cornell Club and it is great to connect with Cornell grads from all years/fields/countries. Time flies, but we are still young and doing some crazy new stuff. If you are ever in the Shanghai area, please give us a call."

'I have certainly learned a lot about survivors' resilience during my stay in New York City.'

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Alan Corcoran writes, "25 years ago I believe I had just returned to Cornell after a two-year leave of absence (somewhat dictated by the fact that I had been put on 'double secret probation'—OK, it was actually called 'severe academic warning') after posting a .8 GPA in my third semester in the Engineering school. I was in the Division of Unclassified Students and was mistakenly 'sampling' courses from the Arts, Ag, and ILR schools. Although I improved my GPA to a 3.0 or thereabouts, it turns out I was supposed to have taken ALL my courses in the same school (and to apply for acceptance therein). I came very close to being permanently kicked out, but I managed to convince them to grant me an unprecedented second semester in the Division of Unclassified Students, and this time I made sure to have all classes in the Ag college. I made the Dean's List three times in the Ag college, from where I finally graduated in spring 1982." Alan ends with this: "The stuff I do now is too inane for words."

How was that for memories? Thank you all for taking the time to contact us. There will be more to come in the next issue, in addition to our fabulous Reunion Report! Until then, take care. ♦ **Cynthia Addonizio**-Bianco, caa28@cornell.edu; and **Jill Abrams** Klein, jfa22@cornell.edu.

81 It is summer 2005! We hope you are enjoying these warm, breezy days. Life seems so much more relaxed this time of year. Believe it or not, our 25th Reunion is now less than a year away. If you haven't already done so, please block off the weekend of June 8-11, 2006, in your Blackberry,

Palm Pilot, or calendar. You are going to Ithaca, where we promise it will be a great party!

Thanks to all of you who have already sent your annual Class of 1981 News Forms. It is a thrill for us to hear from you and report on all that is happening in your life. **Desiree Ball** lives on Martha's Vineyard with her daughter Audrey Ellen Lewis, an honor-roll student in the ninth grade at The Edgartown School. **Chris Crehan**'s oldest daughter, Eileen, just completed her freshman year at Wellesley College. Chris, who lives with his family in Franklin, MA, writes, "Please send money!" Congratulations to **James DeStefano** of Wildwood, MO, who was recently inducted into the Cornell Athletics Hall of Fame. Jim, a VP of Operations with Pepsi Americas, has three children. Daughter Lindsey just finished her first year at Ohio U., daughter Erin is 17, and son James Jr. is 13.

John Hartman and his wife Maribeth live in Atlanta with their daughters Kealy, Ellie, and Laine. The girls range in age from 5 to 13. John heads up the international operations of Acuity Brands, and he is on the board of trustees of the Southern Center for Int'l Studies. John's family in New York started a not-for-profit home for the

dying poor on Long Island, particularly for those who are dying of AIDS. It is named Christa House-The Jerry Hartman Residence, in honor of John's brother who died of AIDS. Cantor **Sara Geffen** Geller has been serving the B'nai Shalom congregation of Olney, MD, since 2002. Before moving to Olney, Sara worked in Stoughton and Swampscott, MA. Sara is raising two daughters, Ruth, 13, and Becky, 9.

In Easton, CT, **Ilona Pollack** Levine and husband Aaron, a Wharton graduate, are busy with children Jake, Emily, and Molly. Ilona, who graduated from NYU School of Social Work in 1985, is a clinical social worker at Yale New Haven Psychiatric Hospital. Aaron is the CIO of Carnegie Hall. In addition to her full-time job, Ilona is also an officer of the Pollack Family Art Foundation and a volunteer at the Fairfield Arts Council. Also in Connecticut is **Michael Palazzo**, who resides in Bristol. Michael and his brothers recently sold two-thirds of their family business, Imperial Spring Company, to Plymouth Spring Company. Michael has stayed on with the new owner and is doing quality control and sales. He is delighted that he no longer has to work the long hours of a company owner. Michael stays in touch with **Gordon Silverstein**, **Alan Stam**, and **Jon Landsman**. Mike and Jon caught up with each other at a recent reunion of the *Cornell Daily Sun*, which was held at the Cornell Club in NYC. Now that he has more free time, Mike hopes to visit New York more often.

Marshall Watson is the VP of an independent oil and gas company in Midland, TX. He and his wife Angela have children Marshall Jr., 16, and JaneAnn, 14; and Marshall has two stepsons,

Andrew, who attends Texas Tech, and Ryan, who's at the U. of Texas. Marshall is also a deacon at First Christian Church and chairman of the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers. In Vero Beach, FL, **Donna Iannotti** is doing biochemical research as a visiting assistant professor at the Florida Medical Entomology Lab, which is part of the U. of Florida. She is currently working on insect biochemistry and the natural control method of agricultural pests. Donna is also pleased to report that the **Brian F. Frost** Memorial Scholarship, named for her late first husband, has been supporting students in the Ag college for more than eight years. Brian passed away in 1991, and the scholarship was established the next year.

In 2002, **Peter McDonough** resigned from his position as VP of marketing at Gillette in Boston to join the commerce faculty at the U. of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand. Peter is now teaching marketing strategy and management at the graduate level in the school's MBA program. His wife **Andrea (Bull)**, MS '83, and their two children are enjoying life on the South Island and would love to welcome all Cornell alumni who may be visiting New Zealand. **Louise Kellogg**, PhD '88, chairs the geology dept. at UC Davis. She and her husband **Douglas Neuhauser** '77 live in Vacaville, CA. **Cindy Warren** Schlaepfer, a senior VP with grocery chain Food Lion, recently received a 2004 Women in Business Achievement Award from the *Charlotte Business Journal*. With more than 20 years in the grocery business, Cindy oversees the retail operations of more than 600 stores in Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, and parts of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

A few months ago, I (Kathy) had the sincere pleasure of attending a mini-reunion in Fairfield, CT, at the lovely home of my college roommate **Leslie Watson** Pearson and her husband Andrew. It was fabulous to see dear friends **Wendie Smith** Cohick, PhD '89, **Chris Ritenis**, and **Nan Simon**. We all go way back to freshman year (1977-78), to Kappa Delta sorority, to Campus Hill Apartments, and to summer 1980 in Ithaca, just before senior year. Also joining us that evening were the ladies' respective husbands, Mark Cohick, Rich Bernstein, and **Rich Catanese** '79. We enjoyed great food and lively conversation covering such topics as the World Series champs Boston Red Sox, kids, work-life balance, the 2004 presidential election, and life after divorce. Not attending but in our thoughts were **Melissa Chefec**, **JoAnn Minsker** Adams, **Tina Carlson** Ross, **Sally Furness**, and **Monique van Pearlstein**-Stadulis. We are hoping to reconvene in Ithaca on a certain weekend in June 2006. We want to see you there as well. Won't you join us?

In the meantime, please keep sending us your e-mail updates. Make every moment count this summer. All the best to everyone. ♦ **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, lashoto@rcn.com; **Jennifer Read** Campbell, ronjencam@aol.com; and **Betsy Silverfine**, bsilverfine@adelphia.net.

82 As I write this column, spring is returning to New England with its attendant sensory delights, and I am preparing to hit the Interstate to attend a Cornell fraternity brother's wedding. Still savored is the bittersweet aftertaste of watching

the men's hockey team and their national-class goaltender (from Texas!?) narrowly lose in overtime in the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament. As always, the news in this issue's column reflects the diversity of talents and interests of our class and the commitment of Cornellians to follow their passions and to have an impact on society.

Nancy Flynn (Corvallis, OR) tells us, "In December, I won a 2004 Oregon Literary Fellowship—the Leslie Bradshaw Fellowship in literary nonfiction (www.literary-arts.org/olf.htm). This year, 14 writers and publishers were selected from more than 200 fellowship applications from across the state; literary excellence is the primary judging criterion. I received a grant I can use toward travel and research for a memoir project, 'The Muse of Hanging.'" Oregon Literary Fellowships provide fiscal support to emerging writers and publishers throughout the state of Oregon. **Mark Stenzler** writes from Greifensee, Switzerland, about his journalistic efforts. He has been contributing reports from Europe to Air America Radio (AAR), the new "progressive" talk radio network (www.airamericaradio.com). "My reports have been featured on the program 'So What Else Is News.' I have been regularly submitting an Overseas Dispatch to AAR that is hosted on their website. In addition, I founded www.overseasvoices.com to provide a forum for US citizens who reside abroad to comment on the current political climate in the US."

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corp. announced on January 6 that **Jay Lesch** has been promoted to vice president. Jay has been with National Fuel since he graduated with a BS in mechanical and agricultural engineering, working as management trainee, junior engineer, assistant superintendent, superintendent, and assistant vice president. He will continue to manage the company's field operations in western New York, overseeing all construction, meter reading, and customer service operations for the thousands of pipeline miles that compose the utility's gas distribution system that serves more than 500,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers. Jay is a past member of the board of directors for Western New York United Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse and currently volunteers with the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN). He lives in Hamburg, NY, with his wife Becky and their two daughters.

Architect **Teresita Triay** has become very interested in ways to create a more sustainable future. She became a LEED accredited professional on August 28, 2004 after passing an exam sponsored by the US Green Building Council (www.usgbc.org). She is also participating in events of the Northeastern Sustainable Energy Association (www.nesea.org/), the nation's leading regional education and advocacy association that aims to accelerate the deployment and use of renewable energy, green buildings, and energy efficiency. Teresita works as staff services architect for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey in Newark, NJ. She writes, "As usual, I have a variety of other interests, including writing my memoirs as a twice-survivor of the World Trade Center terrorist attacks, both during the 1993 bombing (when I was on the 19th floor) and on

September 11, 2001, when I was on the 73rd floor of Tower One—about 20 floors below where Flight 11 hit the building. Poetry has been another one of my interests and I hope to publish a book of poems someday in the future."

She adds, "In 2002, I participated in an Art Mural Project (www.artforamerica.net/mural_project.htm) sponsored by the School of Visual Arts Dept. of Art Therapy and Art for America. The art mural was created by survivors, WTC family victims, and art therapy students and teachers. I have certainly learned a lot about survivors' resilience during my stay in New York City and working in the World Trade Center. I also volunteered at the Salvadori Center in NYC in 2003 as facilitator/mentor to inner-city preteen students during an architectural design development exercise with fictional programmatic requirements." Triay also reports on her Cornell siblings: "**Enrique Triay '84**, ME '85, lives in Miami, FL, with his two children Francisco, 7, and Beatriz, 4. My brother **Carlos Triay '85**, ME '89, lives in a suburb close to Paris, France, (Bry-sur-Marne) with son Gabriel, 8. My sister **Rosario Triay '88** lives in Puerto Rico. Rosy also obtained a degree in violin performance from the PR Music Conservatory in 1998, and her husband Raimundo plays the French horn for the PR Symphony Orchestra."

Two former class officers checked in with updates on the less dramatic but still integral parts of our lives as we move into our forties. Former vice president **Lauren Silfen** writes, "We recently moved into our 'new' 1880s home on Manhattan's Upper East Side. Although the renovation took over a year, I enjoyed the process. Our home has many of the original architectural features, like fireplace mantels and parquet floors. However, one of the unique features is the original 1880s refrigerator in my daughter Meredith's bedroom (which was originally used as the kitchen). By the way, the refrigerator still works after almost 125 years!"

Former class correspondent **Neil Best** reports that **Richard "Rick" Eno** and new wife Courtney were taken to their honeymoon suite by horse-drawn carriage after their wedding in Louisville, KY, on October 2, 2004, "ending one of America's most impressively stubborn bachelorhoods." In attendance were assorted Cornellians, including Neil, **Nathan Rudgers**, **Steven Crump**, **Neil and Rebecca Brown Robertson**, **Christopher Gardner**, and **Don Constantine '79**. Neil says that Courtney and her proper Southern family were gracious hosts to their visitors from points East, West, and Far East—Don came from his home in Japan, as did his wife Kim. ♦ **Mark Fernau**, mef29@cornell.edu; and **Nina Kondo**, nmk22@cornell.edu.

83 Hooryay for the speed and convenience of e-mail! Usually at this point in our news cycle I'm begging for news. But this time around, I tried a new approach—an e-mail blast that posed such soul-searching questions as: What were you doing at this time 22 years ago? What are you up to now? Would you change anything? Other mental prompts invited classmates to ponder on their proudest accomplishment; the last Cornellian they saw; what was the

best thing that happened to them in the last year; or what in the world were they thinking when they . . . So without further preliminaries, here are some of the many responses.

We heard from **Rachel Schultz** in London, England, where she and her husband recently moved. Daughter Rebecca, 14, and youngest Daniel, 11, are attending the Southbank Int'l School there, while their elder son is a senior attending Andover in Massachusetts. Taking advantage of their new proximity to the continent, their recent vacations included visiting Portugal, southern Spain, Nice, and Provence. (Rachel was delighted to find that all the French she hadn't used in college came back pretty quickly.) She says she is in the process of going back to work as an anaesthesiologist—albeit fighting the British bureaucracy at every step, as the UK does not recognize the training of American doctors as being comparable. Says Rachel, "The irony is they have a huge doctor shortage here, but that doesn't seem to be a good enough reason to change the system." Rachel also tells us that she heard from **Matthew Jenuisaitis**, who got married in August 2004. Rachel invites any classmate who is in the UK to contact her at rachel.schultz@blueyonder.co.uk. "We can do tea."

"Twenty-two years. Has it been that long?" exclaims **Catherine Fallis**. She recently "gave birth" to the first three installments in her book series, the *Grape Goddess Guides to Good Living*. She is proud to have survived the past few years as a small business owner. "It hasn't been easy," she quotes, "but the best things in life never are." Her writing researches have taken her on missions to Brazil, French New Guinea, Portugal, the Canary Islands, Morocco, the Caribbean, Tuscany, Umbria, Malta, and Northern Greece. Upcoming trips include Spain, Italy, and Australia. Says Catherine, "I hope to settle down soon and raise a family, but at this age who knows?" About the only constant in her life these past 22 years has been her support of foster daughters through Plan International and other children's charities.

"What was I doing 22 years ago?" responds **Yvonne Brouard Altman**, "Probably being up at 4:00 in the morning just like now, except I was hand-writing an essay, not typing e-mail notes on a computer!" Yvonne is now very busy being a pediatrician with husband ob/gyn **Robert '84**, and three sons Alexander, 11, David, 8, and Jonathan, 4, and lives in Modesto, CA. She is also kept busy with her personal menagerie, which includes a horse, two goats, several dozen chickens and ducks, three geese, two cats, four dogs, a chinchilla, a snake, and one Beta fish. Yvonne did think about being a veterinarian when she was at Cornell, but decided on an MD instead. Yvonne misses her fellow Nothing But Treble members and would love to hear from them at alaped@pol.net.

"OK, I'm responding—which in and of itself is a small miracle." So chimes in **Susan Lomega**. She completes our litany of questions by stating, "Since graduating, I'm most proud of the fact that I consider myself an optimist, even at this ripe old age." In the last year, the best (professional) thing that has happened to her was being hired as the manager of a spectacular bed & breakfast (www.345guesthouse.com).

"What in the world was I thinking when I kept putting off becoming a mother?" she exclaims. She is the "awestruck" mother of blossoming 5-year-old Ana. And if she could give one piece of advice, it would be to "listen, listen, listen, and then follow your instinct unafraid." Susan hopes that sometime in the next ten years she actually gets to Ithaca to visit the alma mater.

When he was a student, **Jeff Polychronis** says he never dreamed he'd be a salesman. He's changed careers once, and now he works in electronic design automation software sales and achieved the honor of top salesman at Mentor Graphics Corp. He must be doing well, for he plans on retiring in the next ten years. Jeff tells us he is most proud of his family: wife Renee, son Grant, 7, and one on the way. Jeff concludes: "If I could give one piece of advice, I would say to stay focused and realize your dreams. I have more than exceeded them."

Alice Tamkin writes that, besides being the proud mom to Marcus, 10, Mimi, 8 and Eva, 5, she is very proud of the fact that she ran the Philadelphia Marathon this year in 3 hrs., 19 min.—a personal best. "Yes," says Alice, "being a mom and a wife is a challenge (and a rewarding one at that!), but I started marathon running a few years ago because it is all about ME! I found that, since I don't have a career anymore, I needed something to fill the gap. Running does it for me!" Also catching fitness fever is **Ilene Carpenter**, who writes: "When I was a student, I never dreamed I'd be an endurance athlete! Walking up Libe Slope seemed like a workout!" What changed her life was joining a local cross-country ski training group in 1994, with the goal of learning to ski efficiently. After claiming to be in terrible shape after years of a sedentary lifestyle, she started Nordic ski racing and eventually ran a marathon in 2003 and did the Chequamegon 40 mountain bike race in 2004. Being active, she says, is a defining feature of her life.

Mark Wolcott of Pittsford, NY, writes: "When I was an undergraduate I never dreamed I would become a . . . banker? No way!" Mark had planned on joining his family in the food business. "After all," says Mark, "my major was Ag Economics. However, during graduate school I attended classes with some other bankers and became interested in their careers." Today Mark has worked his way up to VP of commercial banking for Key Bank in Rochester. When he's not "banking," Mark volunteers, has been a professional ski coach, and is a husband and the father of three children. He also is involved with the Cornell Club of Rochester and is working with Cornell on several initiatives to promote business growth in Upstate New York. Having grown up in the Finger Lakes Region and seeing most of his classmates move far from Cayuga's waters, he would love to see more Cornellians settle in the area. "It's a great place to live," Mark says, "with lots of convenient recreational sports like golf, skiing, cycling, boating, fishing, and hiking. A wonderful place to raise a family."

Well, that's about all we have space for in this issue. But I want to take the time to remind you all to keep the news coming and be sure to include some "then & now" photographs for inclusion in our class DVD album. ♦ **David Pattison**, d.pattison2@verizon.net; and **Dinah Lawrence** Godwin, dinahgodwin@msn.com.

84 **Lenny Cooper** lives in Eastchester, NY, with his loving wife Judy and two wonderful children, Benjamin, 4, and Joshua, 1. Lenny practices law at the Valhalla, NY, law firm of Kaufman, Borgeest & Ryan, specializing in insurance coverage litigation. He still collects comic books and plays rotisserie baseball. **Leo Landers** is on his way to Singapore for three years. He'll be the VP of Asia Sales for Lincoln Electronics. He left on April 1 and his stuff is following him in a container that will arrive in six to eight weeks. It should be a new adventure for Leo and a whole new continent of golf courses for him to tackle.

After spending about ten years working in the Albany, NY, area, **Thomas Fric** and his family of five are now living in Greenville, SC. His wife Karen-Marie and he are blessed with three great children, Monica, 10, Madeline, 9, and Stephen, 6. Thomas is now designing wind turbines for GE Energy. Because part of the engineering team is located in Germany, their family spent six weeks in Europe last summer. "We had a great experience touring Germany, Austria, Italy, and Switzerland." **Anita Riddle**, husband Steven Schmidt, and daughter Sierra Schmidt, 3, announce the birth of daughter Christine Silvia Schmidt on March 3, 2005 in Baton Rouge, LA. Anita is department head, distillation and specialties dept., at the Exxon Mobil Baton Rouge refinery.

After 17 years of private practice in Boston, **Jennifer Lauro** has entered the corporate world and is now VP Group Counsel, Human Resources and Litigation for Allmerica Financial Corp., located in Worcester, MA. The recent career move means Jennifer and her family—**J.D. Phillips '83**, Daniel, 12, and Rebecca, 10—will move from their home in Topsfield, MA, to Andover, MA, this summer. Until then, she will be putting tons of mileage on her PT Cruiser. "A new car is definitely in order with the move."

The only other news is that I (**Karla**), along with my husband **Donald McManus**, ME '85, and kids Collin, 9, and Hannah, 5, spent the week of winter vacation skiing and snowboarding at Smuggler's Notch, VT. It was a blast! The highlight of the trip was going on a sled-dog ride. Hannah and I were in one sled, with Don and Collin in the other. What a great experience! The biggest surprise of the trip was meeting up with our class president **Terri Port McClellan**, her husband Jim, and son Harry, 7. ♦ **Karla Sievers** McManus, Klorax@comcast.net; **Lindsay Liotta** Forness, fornesszone@aol.com. Class website: <http://classof84.alumni.cornell.edu>.

85 This is my very last column before I hang up my spurs and ride off into the sunset. (Okay, okay, the cowgirl metaphor probably doesn't work well for a middle-aged woman living in Ithaca, but you must permit me this last bit of poetic license!) It has been a great honor to deliver the news to you, my fellow classmates, for nearly 15 years, and I thank all of you for sharing your happy tidings with me. Okay, enough hearts and flowers. On with the show.

Two classmates sent word of their recent publications: **Julie Mertus** wrote *Bait and Switch:*

Human Rights and U.S. Foreign Policy (Routledge 2004), and **Edmund Kim** co-authored *Healthy Transitions: A Woman's Guide to Perimenopause, Menopause & Beyond*. I don't know about the rest of you, but personally, I blame everything on perimenopause. You go, Edmund.

I also received happy job news from **Elizabeth Bolgiano**, MBA '89, **Laurie Hogin**, and **Scott Bookner**. Elizabeth was named senior vice president of human resources at Smith & Nephew's Orthopedics Division. Laurie was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor at the U. of Illinois School of Art and Design, where she serves as chair of the painting and sculpture departments and continues to enjoy a busy exhibition schedule. Scott was appointed administrative head of pediatrics at White Plains (NY) Hospital Center. In addition to his new hospital duties, Scott continues to run his own private pediatric practice in Scarsdale (12 years and counting), develop his cartoon website, www.CurvYourDog.com, and perform Tae Kwon Do as a newly minted Black Belt. Congratulations to all!

Congratulations, too, to **Dave Votycka**, who won the New York State Excellence in IPM (Integrated Pest Management) Award. This award, which I believe is the Oscar of bug killing, is given by the Cornell Agricultural IPM Program to the individual who best uses conventional farming methods along with organic and non-traditional farming practices. To celebrate, Dave was planning a Caribbean vacation with **Byron de la Navarre '86**, **DVM '90**, **Scott Chapman**, and **Jeff Dunlap '86**, who, he says, all share "similar vacation requirements—warm, beautiful, and stress-free."

Other feel-good moments: When you think "office romance," you don't normally think "Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory," but such was the setting for the sparks that flew between **John Klepeis** and co-worker Jae-Hyun Park, who wed in December 2003 in the Stanford U. chapel. Also enjoying Bay Area nuptials in 2003 were **Alan Glass** and his lovely bride Larissa Dobush, who said "I do" in an August Napa Valley ceremony. **Daria Kirby** Crawley, a professor of business administration at the U. of Pittsburgh, found her soulmate in academia; she married Rex, a professor at Robert Morris U., last June. (Note to classmates who sent me engagement and pregnancy notices: I'm not permitted to publish those, but please send your wedding and baby announcements to my successor(s).)

R. Scott Penza told me right up front that he didn't have any wedding or baby news, but he did want me to know that he had starred in a musical called *Casino!* about an Oakland, CA, mayor named J.B. (no resemblance to real mayor Jerry Brown, I'm sure) and his Special Assistant, J.A., who build a casino in the middle of Oakland's oldest landmark, the historic Fox Theater. Scott played the mayor, and the special assistant was played by fellow Cornellian, **C. Conrad Cady '86**. Scott assures me that they received "rave reviews" and that the siren song of the Big White Way cannot be far behind. When not emoting for his grateful public, Scott runs multiple business ventures, including PoleRoll.com, an auto-body-garage pole protection product; PenzArt

Inc.; and Too Nuts Productions LP, a children's multimedia entertainment company.

Last, but not least, are the classmates who tell me that they don't have "new news," but do want their fellow '85ers to know they are alive and well. Because of my stubborn insistence on loosely thematic columns, I've not been able to work their updates in before now, and I want to make sure they get their day in the sun before it sets on my columnist career. **Debbie Grossman** Shaked moved to New York City, where she works in business and development consulting and lives with her husband David and kids Sarere, 8, and Ari, 4. She invites folks to reconnect with her at dsshaked@aol.com. **Jonathan Adams** is working in health care marketing and "enjoying life in Chicago with wife Susanne and sons Elliot, 7, and Jeremy, 4." **Michael Keeler** has been living in the Princeton area since 2001 with his wife Sara and twin sons Samuel and Jackson. He says he "makes ends meet via advertising" while "checking insidelacrosse.com on a daily basis."

Heidi Sheff is a jewelry designer and mom to kids Jessie and Hanna. **Stephanie Reich** is an urban designer with the city of Santa Monica, CA. **Susan Levy** runs her own litigation law firm and lives in Decatur, GA, with her partner of nine years and her daughter. **William Shillue** works at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Tucson, and has kids Conor and Juliet. **James Lin** and his wife Mutsumi live in Sacramento with their daughter Sarina. **Marc Roberts** lives in West Linn, OR, with his wife Ranette, daughter Taylor, and son Garrett. **G. Michael Ortiz** lives in Saratoga Springs with his wife Julie and "two active, healthy boys, Andrew Jacob and Marcus Desi."

As they used to say on Looney Toons, "Th-th-th-that's all, folks!" A full Reunion Report will appear in the next issue. ♦ **Risa Mish**, rmm22@cornell.edu; **Ed Catto**, edcatto@hotmail.com.

86 Another compact column for the Class of 1986—one of the reasons it's time to pass the typewriter to the next "editorial board," if you will. With our 20th Reunion around the corner (I am NOT making that up), it's almost time for new class officers to take the helm, including fresh voices to speak for our class in *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. We're excited that **Donna Mandell Korren**, a fellow Communications major, agreed to take on the next column, so watch for her report. Donna is currently in publishing on Long Island. Are you interested in writing for our class? Please e-mail me (haf5@cornell.edu) with any questions about the role. If you prefer, you can contact our class president to volunteer: **Lisa Manaster**, lisahman@aol.com.

Our class VP **Dina Lewisohn Shaw** shared happy news about the birth of identical twin sons David Russell and Lleyton Gregory in December 2004. Born at 31 weeks, they spent six weeks in the NICU, but the boys are now just fine and growing strong at home with big sister Darby, 3. Dina, husband Michael, and babes live in Princeton, NJ. "We love it here. The community is great and includes fellow Cornellians at every turn, including **Lynne McFarland McKinnon**, **Jill Barnett Kaufman '87**, and **Joanne**

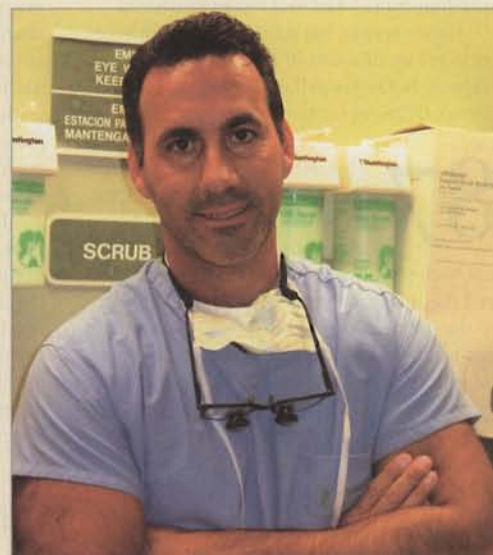
Finger Tips

ALEJANDRO BADIA '85

When Alejandro Badia dissected fish and frogs in the sixth grade, a future doctor was born. Today, as co-founder of the Miami Hand Center, he sees nearly 100 patients a day and performs delicate digit-reattachment surgeries that can last from dawn until dusk. His interest in the field developed at the age of eight, after a visit to the hand surgeon with his rheumatoid arthritis-afflicted grandmother. "I remember looking around the doctor's office and thinking, 'I could do this—this is pretty cool.'"

Badia's path to success was not an easy one. His family fled Castro's Cuba in 1963, when he was an infant, and moved to Spain before finally settling in Elizabeth, New Jersey. A biological sciences major and physiology minor at Cornell, he attended medical school and completed his residency at New York University, then went on to further specialize in hand surgery. In 1995 he teamed up with fellow hand surgeon Jorge Orbay to co-found the Miami Hand Center, which today has five surgeons and a staff of forty-five.

But Badia never forgot his student days: a former Alpha Phi brother, he is now actively involved in the renovation of the fraternity house. He has also



created both externships and fellowships at the hand center for young medical students, traveled the world to teach his surgical innovations in medically underdeveloped nations, and created a hand-surgery website (www.drbadia.com). With his partners at the Miami Hand Center, he has also launched public education campaigns about the prevention of the most common injuries, such as those caused by fireworks and pumpkin-carving. "We publish a lot and have brought forth a lot of new ideas in terms of surgical techniques," he says. "We said we wanted to be a force in academia, and we have done that."

— *Megs DiDario '07*

Schwartz Berman '89." Dina says a recent gathering included **Lisa Wallach** Mandelblatt, Lisa Manaster, **Norm '87** and **Elyssa Katz Hurlbut**, and **Gabe '87** and **Katie Roth Boyar**." Dina is an executive recruiter, currently on leave to tend to all the kids.

Dylan Schaffer's latest arrival: his new book, *I Right the Wrongs*. This hits the stands just as his first book, *Misdemeanor Man*, goes paperback, a novel that won *Mystery Ink* magazine's Gumshoe Award for best debut in 2004. When not chasing her five kids or pursuing the next steps of her career in the pharmaceutical industry, **Susan Hirsch Levy-Cantor** reports that she carries on the spirit of the Cornell Tradition by continuing to volunteer in her community. As chair of the Jersey Cares Coat Drive, Susan recently collected

and distributed over 38,000 gently used coats to her neighbors in need in Northern New Jersey. Susan was also recently named chair of the United Way of Greater Union County's Women's Leadership Initiative and is leading marketing/PR efforts for the fledgling CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) chapter in Union County, NJ.

I've told you all that you don't need a new spouse, infant, or job to write in with something to tell your classmates. Well, **Bernie Han**, ME '87, MBA '88, knows just what I'm talking about. "What started on a snowy Saturday morning in 1985 in a North Campus apartment is now an annual ritual," he reported, referring to an annual fantasy baseball draft. This past March in Orlando, Bernie met up with pals **Joel Silverman**, **Derek Jean-Baptiste**, MS '88, **Mark North**,

PhD '93, **Bob McCarthy**, ME '87, MBA '88, **Mike Shuck**, **Bill Marcus** '85, ME '86, **Greg Shuck** '91, and **Marc Gerstein** (Ithaca College '88). In previous years, the group has met in Ithaca, Phoenix, and Las Vegas. "This year's draft weekend, hosted by Bob in his Orlando mansion, included golf, spring training baseball, and a gambling cruise." And look! Not ONE birth!

Have a healthy, fun summer—and don't forget to tell us all about it! ♦ **Hilory Federgreen** Wagner, haf5@cornell.edu; **Donna Mandell** Korren, dk26@optonline.net.

87 This is a very short column because as I write in mid-April, we are in between news cycles. Many of you will probably have sent back your Dues and News by the time you read this, so you can expect to see more updates in the next column. This does give me a moment to let all of you know that you can drop me or Tom an e-mail with news at any time, and we will print it. Haven't written to us yet? Stop reading right now and send me a note.

'My tape dispenser, stapler, phone receiver, and assorted other tools were super-glued to my desk.'

SUZANNE BORS ANDREWS '88

Leslie Kalick Wolfe (lesliealanwolfe@bell.south.net) reports that this year she is celebrating the 10th anniversary of her physical therapy practice, Atlanta Orthotics. Leslie writes, "Having my own practice gives me the flexibility to work and also be around for my kids Alex, 9, Sydney, 7, and Josh, 4." Leslie and her husband have recently gotten involved in a local chapter of the Childhood Autism Foundation (CADEF), which raises money for autism education and research, as well as for their son's preschool. She invites anyone to e-mail her for information about autism or just to catch up!

An e-mail from **Leora Rosen** Greene came in announcing that she and husband Jeff welcomed their third son, Adam Jonathan, on February 4. Adam joins brothers Aaron and Michael.

Here's news of a Cornell marriage made in heaven... aka Ithaca. On January 26, 2005 **Aliza Locker** married **Don Lifton** '67, PhD '88. The couple was married along the Atlantic Ocean in Key West, FL. Don, a professor at Ithaca College, is on sabbatical for a whole year, so they decided to escape the wicked winter by snow-birding in Vero Beach, FL. Aliza reports that she and Don love spring training baseball, warmth, and family. They eagerly await their springtime return home to Ithaca. Aliza is looking forward to the upcoming joint reunion celebration for her and Don—her 20th and his 40th.

Send news to us: ♦ **Debra Howard Stern**, dstern39@yahoo.com; **Tom S. Tseng**, ttseng@stanford.edu.

88 Greetings, Class of '88! I hope this column finds you healthy, happy, and enjoying spring! I am writing this column in early April, having survived another April Fool's Day with various jokes and pranks played upon me. At work, my tape dispenser, stapler, phone receiver, and assorted other tools were super-glued to my desk, rendering them largely useless, while an unpleasant odor emanated from... somewhere... for most of the day, until the culprit could no longer contain himself and gleefully rescued a rotting piece of cantaloupe strategically placed behind my filing cabinet. Sigh. Will we never grow up? I certainly hope not!

James Hilsenteger has grown up—and has been promoted from patent agent to associate for Marger Johnson & McCollom PC of Portland, OR. MJM is a full-service intellectual property law firm specializing in patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, and technology licensing, with particular expertise in prosecution, litigation, and opinion work. Prior to joining MJM, James worked for 12 years as a mechanical engi-

neer for a freight railcar manufacturer, Gunderson Inc., where he most recently served as senior design engineer. His engineering background includes railcar design, brake system design, and manufacturing management. After graduating from Cornell with a mechanical engineering degree, he earned his JD from Lewis and Clark Law School. Congratulations on the promotion!

Thomas Bottoni writes in: "Ten years ago, I was serving as a Navy medical officer with a US Marine Corps Artillery unit in Twentynine Palms, CA, and getting ready to enter residency in emergency medicine. This was also the year I purchased and restored my first collector's car, a 1962 Cadillac Coupe DeVille. Today, I'm married to a Virginia Tech alum, Dawn Tiedemann, and living comfortably in Tidewater, VA. I left the Navy after a nine-year service stint ending in 1992, and I have since been a practicing emergency physician with a group operating out of a busy community hospital in coastal Virginia. I have acquired another antique vehicle along the way, a 1959 Cadillac Fleetwood. Both collector cars are used for local shows and parades. My wife and I enjoy traveling. We have been on two cruises and have visited many states in the past two years. We are looking forward to a return to Ithaca for my 20th Reunion. Reflecting back on the past decade, there is nothing that I would have altered in any significant way. The advice I would offer today's grads is to follow your aspirations and enjoy life along the way."

We also hear of the happy news that **Jill Davies** and **Tommy Svensson** were married

recently in Chatham, NJ. Jill is a perinatologist and an assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the U. of Colorado's medical school in Denver. She received her medical degree from George Washington U. Her husband is a computer software specialist in Fort Collins, CO, in the robotics division of ABB, the Swiss industrial engineering company. Congratulations!

Karen Crassi Galle shared an update on her life: "Ten years ago I was living in New Hampshire and working as a research assistant in the Dept. of Physiology at Dartmouth Medical School. I worked on an NIH program project, looking at T-cell activity in the human female reproductive tract. Today, I am a senior technical support scientist for Invitrogen Corp., supporting their GIBCO cell culture products. A little over one year ago (April 3, 2004) I married Ken Galle from Alfred, NY. We met via eHarmony.com—so yes, it really does work! Ken does programming and network management for Et Al Inc., a marketing agency in Olean, NY, and is blessed to be able to work from home. We live in Ransomville, NY, where we recently bought a house and small barn, and are raising our first flock of chickens! If I could give one piece of advice to graduating students, I would say (forgive me for sounding like my parents) to start putting 10 percent of your pay into some type of savings or investment account. You really can live off the other 90 percent, and you really don't need all those things you think you do (credit cards are only for emergencies!)."

Kelly Smith Brown, MBA '92, writes, "My daughter Sarah Grace was born on Feb 8, 2004. Over the past year, I have enjoyed being home with her while overseeing the construction of our new house. After a year of fun with Sarah Grace, I found I could not return to the paid workforce—I would miss her too much. I am now enjoying being a stay-at-home mom and learning about what life is like when you don't work from 7 a.m. 'til 7 p.m.—there is an entire world out there to enjoy! People can drop me a line at kjs35@cornell.edu."

Lisa Deutsch and **Bill Pierce** '87 got married and moved to Seattle in 1988, where they currently live with their chocolate Lab mix, Maggie. Lisa got her MS in civil engineering (1990) and Bill got his PhD in physics (1993) at the U. of Washington. Bill is a senior software engineer at TeraCloud and has also written some open source storage management software (fcping and io profile). Lisa was recently promoted to senior project manager and is also an associate at INCA Engineers. She has had the opportunity to work on a design study at the Panama Canal and to present papers at many conferences, including ones in Australia (where Bill joined her to do some awesome fly-fishing and snorkeling) and Washington, DC.

Christopher Anderson shares the following: "This has been a neat year. I joined the now-renamed law firm of Timmons, Warnes & Anderson LLP in May 2004, and am building a new aviation law practice, as well as growing a commercial litigation practice there. My wife Rebecca and I are continuing to work on our house and enjoying our still-new (Sept. 27, 2003) marriage. Ten years ago, I was nine months out of law school, consulting with a legal technology

company. It's been a 'long and winding' road to where I am now. I could have made any number of choices differently and/or better, but I wouldn't change a thing about where I am now."

Larry Bank writes in to say, "Ten years ago I was living in South Florida and working at home on my own document imaging software company. I was married but had no children at that time. Today I am still in South Florida and working at home, but mostly writing games for mobile devices. I am still married to the same woman (13 wonderful years) and we now have four children. If I could change anything it would be to start learning and thinking about investing at an earlier age. I don't have any great advice for graduating students, but for undergrads I would say to make the most of your time at Cornell because it is a unique time in your life that you will never forget."

Your correspondents are grateful to those of you who take the time to write and share your lives, and to those of you who read the column. Please send news to ♦ **Suzanne Bors Andrews**, smb68@cornell.edu; and **Steve Tomaselli**, st89@cornell.edu.

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Many of you may have received an e-mail request for updates back in April—thanks to all who responded. Thanks also to those who paid Class Dues and sent in News Forms. If you haven't written in yet, it's never too late. You can e-mail your correspondents at any time. Never assume someone else has forwarded the news, and always assume we love to hear what is happening in your lives!

Tom Atkinson left his job at an investment bank in New York two years ago and moved to Istanbul with his wife and two kids. Having had a wonderful experience there, they picked up and moved to Madrid last summer. Next year, who knows! During that time he completed a variety of short projects, learned two new languages, and survived four more bombings (after 9/11 in New York). He has given seminars, written articles, and been on TV. He is happy to say that the journey to get there has been a blast, and highly recommends this kind of travel for anyone between careers. **Cathy Taylor Berner** would never have imagined that she would find herself living in Houston, TX, with her husband **John '86** and children Abby, 6, and Zach, 5. She is a stay-at-home mom and freelance writer. She is not too surprised about the stay-at-home mom part, but is surprised and delighted about the freelancing aspect! She truly enjoys Houston, but confesses to missing the change of seasons—especially the fall.

Michael Eames started Los Angeles-based music publishing company Pen Music Group Inc. in April 1994. He now has a staff of six and represents the Bob Marley song catalogue for the US and Canada, along with songs recorded by Christina Aguilera, Santana, Macy Gray, Bonnie Raitt, and Kenny Loggins, among numerous others, plus has songs featured in films and TV shows close to every week. Michael married Monica Rizzo on May 2, 1998, bought a house in Sherman Oaks, CA, in February 2002, and had son Matthew Giancarlo on May 28, 2002. He continues to be active in the Cornell Club of Los

Angeles, where he was president for two years from 1999 to 2001. He is still in contact with fellow Cornellians **Jacques Boubli '88** (who is married and now has two children), **T.P. Enders '90**, **ME '96** (also married with two children), **Eileen Rosen Miller** (also married with two children), and **Patrick Cott '90** (also two children—notice a pattern?). **Todd Alexander** got married in Italy last September and will be further expanding his wine business. For those interested in Italian wine, check out the ItalianWineReport.com this summer. He is looking forward to seeing some Hotelies in San Diego and can be reached at todd@liquidbrands.net.

Lynn Weidberg Morgan and husband Randy had their third child on March 30, 2005. Kate Alexandra joins Daniel Stewart, 4, and Natalie Hope, 6. **Tom Nemeth** and wife Laura are very proud parents of 2-year-old Lucy, who is very tall, and extremely excited about art class. **Jennifer Martin** Donahue, husband Robert, and daughters Caitriona, 4, and Samantha, 2, have lived in Bedford, NH, for five years. They took a trip to D.C. to see the cherry blossoms and stayed with **Karen Conant** Rindner, husband Steven, and daughters Emily, Elisabeth, and Erin. Karen and Jennifer reflected on what they would have thought of their lives now when they were back at Cornell, and decided they would have been impressed—trading in Ruloff's and Slope Day for kids, husbands, houses, and jobs would have seemed impossible at that point! They also realized some things haven't changed: they still can't clean and it feels like yesterday that they were lying on the Arts Quad welcoming spring in Ithaca.

Susan Conninos works as a freelance arts journalist, contributing to the *Atlantic Online*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, and *Nerve.com*, among others. **W. Lee Kraus** is now an associate professor in the Dept. of Molecular Biology and Genetics at Cornell, with an adjunct appointment in the Dept. of Pharmacology at Weill Cornell Medical College in NYC. He is conducting research on cell signaling, gene regulation, and cancer biology and teaching a course entitled *The Molecular Basis of Human Disease*. When he was a student, he never dreamed he'd be back in Ithaca teaching at Cornell! **Tim Sherwood** will be joining the faculty at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, MD, as an attending surgeon in thoracic surgery and lung transplantation, and is also the proud parent of three boys, ages 5, 3, and 8 months. **Scott McMahon** became a teacher about five years ago. He still plays soccer and coaches his daughters Emma, 11, Julia, 8, and Olivia, 1. He is married to **Erin (Simpson) '90** and lives in Guilford, CT. He writes that he still uses some Hotel skills, serving 300-plus people at church dinners.

Laura Ritucci Daisak recently went back to work after seven years off raising children and is a staffing director for the Bergen Briller Group. Better known as a headhunter for human resources professionals, she looks for ILRies! She has daughters Jennie, 8, and Kristina, 6, and earlier this year visited **Charlie '90** and **Susan Daly Vinal '90** and **Gayle Fischer '90** in Washington, DC. She also sees **Kelly Goldstein Shea** and her husband **Paul '90**. **Ruthellen Leventer** Sheldon is living in Severna Park, MD, has been studying

American Sign Language for the past four years, and enjoys working part-time with deaf children. She has two boys, Tom, 9, and Jake, 8. The last Cornell event she attended was the Cornell-Towson football game where she saw **Dave Pollin '90**, **John and Lucy Miller**, and **Tori Margolis-McGuinness**. Tori wrote that she missed reunion because of the newest addition to her family, **MaryGrace**, who was born on May 18, 2004. Since **MaryGrace's** birth she has been at home—the first time since we graduated that she hasn't had a paying job. She loves it and can't wait to do it again. On a trip to Florida, she stopped to visit with **Lisa D'Alessandro McHale** and her husband **Tom, BS '96**. Their three boys helped entertain **MaryGrace**.

I'm sorry I couldn't fit everything in this time, but be sure to check the next column for more news! And write us! So many of your classmates, even those you may not have seen or heard from in a while, would love to share in all the events in your life! ♦ **Lauren Hoefflich**, laurenhoefflich@yahoo.com; **Stephanie Bloom Avidon**, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Anne Czaplin-ski Treadwell**, ac98@cornell.edu; **Mike McGarry**, mmcgarry@dma-us.com.

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Over the past five years, your class correspondents have endeavored to accomplish a few simple goals: cover news about as many Class of '90 classmates as possible, and be creative while doing so. Perhaps you've noticed that we've mentioned more than 600 names in columns using themes ranging from the obvious to the esoteric to the just plain cheesy . . . or maybe you simply scan the text for boldfaced names you recognize. Either way, Carole and I have enjoyed the challenge of finding new and different ways to present the life milestones you have taken the time to share with us. We'd especially like to recognize the many contributors who have been proactive in sending regular updates, often more frequently than via the annual "News and Dues" form. Thanks to all of you—and to everyone who has sent along their stories—for your involvement! Please continue to do the same for our next roster of class correspondents who begin their five-year term with a Reunion Report in the Sept/Oct issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. We know they will be great!

Here, then, are the last news updates for this issue penned prior to the influx from reunion, sans theme. The *New York Times* reports that **Anthony Waters** married Meryl Becker in Darien, CT. Anthony is an associate and analyst in New York at Pernal Capital Management, an investment unit of Worms & Cie, the French merchant bank. Another marriage announcement heralds the union of **David Youngren** and Rachel Coladangelo. The reception was held at The Gardens on Catlin Creek in Slate Hill. David is a technical course developer at Jaguar North America in Mawah, NJ.

Stacy Strassberg Wright writes: "After ten years at home, I am jumping back into the business world—literally! **Allen '87** and I have opened a Pump It Up franchise, which I am running in Shawnee Mission, KS. It's 'The Inflatable Party Zone,' which is quickly spreading across the

country. Check us out at www.pumpitupparty.com. Jared, 10, Trevor, 8, Owen, 5, and Eric, 3, now think we are THE coolest parents around!" **John Hines** may have a few years yet before becoming an inflatable party consumer, but he's on his way: "You asked me to keep you posted if a new legacy should come along. My wife **Ka Sin Yeung** gave birth to our first child, a daughter, on March 12, 2005. We have named her Jordan Lok-See Hines, and she and mother are happy to be in our new home in Milford, CT. We moved into the new house between Thanksgiving and Christmas." John and Ka Sin hoped to bring Jordan up to reunion in June.

My former roommate **Marla Spindel** thinks she has no news to report, but she actually offered plenty of tidbits in a recent e-mail to me! In August 2004, Marla and husband Jonathan Peskoff visited Ithaca and Cornell. "We stayed at the Statler Hotel and went to Treman State Park—very nice!" While in Ithaca, Marla saw **Beth Rosen** Sheidley, her husband Nat, and their daughter Ella, who was just a few months old at the time. Beth is a genetics counselor in Wellesley, MA, and was in Ithaca visiting her mom. The second week of September 2004, Marla and Jonathan were part of another mini-Cornell reunion in the North Carolina Outer Banks, organized by **Tracy Dillman** Kulikowski. Also among the crew enjoying beach time were Tracy's husband Karl and son Mason, and **Jen Radner** Elgin, husband Mike, and son Zachary. Jen and family moved to Brambleton, VA, outside Washington, DC, in late 2001; she is with the law firm of Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, specializing in intellectual property law. Marla and Jonathan live in nearby McLean, VA, and Marla is practicing law as well, with Powers, Pyle, Sutter and Verville. She and Jen see each other for power lunches often! Marla also got together with **Melanie Rebak Schwartz** when she lived in Richmond, VA, for a year or so, but last year Melanie and family—husband **Stephen '91** and children Jessica and Reid—moved to Naples, FL. Marla was especially looking forward to reunion because she will be coming with her father, **Fred Spindel '65**, who will be celebrating his 40th Reunion!

Congratulations are also due to my dear friend **Karen Mitchell**, who recently was promoted to director and senior employment counsel at Credit Suisse First Boston. Our pal **Maria Scaltro Steele**, MBA '02, wrote with news of her world travels: "I just came back from a one-and-a-half-week trip to Argentina with some work colleagues. Last year I went to India, and just like a 'Seinfeld' episode, I was invited to a wedding. The year before that, Karen Mitchell, **Rob Chodock '89**, and I traveled to an exotic island in the Caribbean. Back at home, Karen, **Monica Durand Steele**, **Barbara Gordon Cohen '91**, and I are still avidly playing poker every month in an exclusive group for women in banking, law, and insurance—drinking more wine than playing poker nowadays. For the last game, we had to battle extreme winds in a late February Nor'easter to climb through Tribeca streets to Karen and Rob's beautiful new two-bedroom apartment." Maria manages acquisitions for the Citibank Driver's Edge MasterCard and is team captain for Citi recruiting at Cornell.

We have previously written on the beverage-related goings-on with classmate and amateur winemaker **Kevin Kozak**. Since our last update, Kevin has taken things to the next level, opening La Jolla Canyon Winery—without taking out any loans! As reported in the March 31 issue of *SanDiegoReader.com*, neighbor Fred Papouban became a business partner after tasting Kevin's 2001 Cabernet at a block party. They filed the paperwork to become a bonded winery in order to produce a saleable quantity of wine, acquired the needed space, equipment, grapes, and helpful advice . . . and are now working on marketing plans while waiting for the reds to ripen. Go to www.sdiereader.com/published/2005-03-31/crush.html for the full article!

We'll raise a glass in anticipation of an exceptional five years to come—make the most of it, everyone! Cheers! ♦ **Alisa "Gil" Gilhooley**, AlisaGil@aol.com; **Carole Moran** Krus, clm42@cornell.edu.

91 The Class of '91 has been busy—so much so that there is scarce room to mince words by way of introduction. As always, there are many future Cornellians to announce, a handful of nuptials, some career shifts, and even some cross-country moves. Read on for the details!

Liza Cohen Tillinghast celebrated the birth of her second child, Morgan Beth, last January. Liza lives in New York City with her husband Bill, son Justin, 2-1/2, and new daughter, and is the CFO of Citibank Cash and Reward Credit Cards. After vowing many times to send something in, and inevitably forgetting upon closing the magazine, **Randall Singer** sent an update from his BlackBerry to announce that he, wife Margie, and son Tyler, 2-1/2, welcomed their newest family member Alexa last September. Randall added that he is still putting his ILR degree to use as the VP of corporate benefits for T. Rowe Price in Baltimore.

Bob Baca announces the birth his first child, Emma Helena, who was born in March and named to honor his and his wife's grandmothers. **Liz Kleinberg** writes that as of December she has 20 tiny toes to tickle! Her twins Neil and Rochelle join her and husband Mike in Birmingham, AL, where she is a visiting law professor at Samford U.'s Cumberland School of Law.

John Byers and wife **Lisa Camesano '92** celebrated the birth of their second son, Andrew, who joins big brother John, 3. John also shares that he recently hosted **Jeff Loiter** and **Matt Sherman** at his house in Newton, MA, to watch Cornell dispatch Harvard for the ECAC men's hockey title. **Joanna Baum** Bitner and husband Bruce celebrated the arrival of third child Claire to their home in Austin, TX. Joanna's family also includes sons Nolan, 6, and Eric, 3. **Celina Alvarez** Rojo also announced her third child, Amanda, who was born in March. Celina adds that she and her husband are new residents of Southern California, having relocated from the northern part of the state. **Robin Shafra** Arnone and husband John welcomed their third (and last!) child, Matthew, last January. Matthew joins big brothers Brandon, 5, and Ethan, 3. Robin's family will soon relocate from Long Island to

Westchester. **Doug Dubiel** and wife Mari join the "third time's a charm club" by bringing baby number three, Emily, into the world to join older brothers Charlie, 6, and Henry, 4. Doug is VP and wealth management advisor at Merrill Lynch.

Cathy Butz Hughes and husband Brad just celebrated the first birthday of son Matthew in May. **David Clarke** announces that he and his girlfriend Christie helped their son Elliott blow out his first candle as well. David adds that he works for Restaurant Associates at Citigroup in Manhattan and New Jersey. **Pete Boksanski's** son Murphy, who just turned 1, is being well cared for by big sister Malia.

Nicole Bisagni DelToro is blazing new frontiers both at home and in business. She and her husband welcomed their first, Colin, last year, and prior to that she started an executive search business near Washington, DC. After a career in management consulting, **Dora Jih**, ME '92, MBA '93, has also started a new business in the San Francisco Bay Area with a T-shirt line called Season Tees. Beyond running the business, Dora spends her days taking care of daughters Ava, 4, and Ana, 1, with husband Sam and training for triathlons and marathons.

Glenn Collins is the managing editor of the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology* in San Diego. He and wife Jen have lived in San Diego since their marriage in June 2000 and now share their home with 2-year-old son Joshua. **Andy Burrows** announces that he and his wife welcomed son Parker to their family last year. After practicing law in the San Francisco Bay Area for six years, Andy now works as a recruiter with the attorney search firm of Major, Hagen & Africa.

Betsy Alley is still living in London, after four years, where she received her MBA at London Business School. Upon graduation, she began to work as a freelance strategy consultant, though now has decided to pursue an entrepreneurial path (for which she promises more news if the venture takes flight). Betsy also announces that she married a Canadian named Derek last spring, with fellow Cornellians **Tricia Ahkin** and **Melissa Glim '93** in attendance. **Lisa Dale** Gregory married husband Dean last year. Lisa works as a natural resource policy fellow for the Wilderness Society in Denver, CO. Also tying the knot last year were **Alice Crenshaw Davenport**, MPA '94, and **Sanford Gordon '94**. Alice is a senior tax and estate planning analyst at Bernstein Investment Research and Management in Manhattan. Finally, **Robert Cignarella Jr.** announces his newlywed status with wife Debra. Robert is VP for corporate bond mutual funds and a portfolio manager at Goldman Sachs in Manhattan.

Hans Aramburo is looking forward to a big move this summer as he leaves the depressing winter blues of New Jersey for the Sunshine State. Hans will move to Tampa, FL, with a house but no job. He notes that while he is leaving behind a successful career as a computer consultant to face the unknown, he has a sunny outlook for future prospects. **E. Bradley Bosart**, who works as CFP and senior VP at McDonald Financial Group, recently moved to Bloomfield Hills, MI. **Kim Brown Bixler** announces that she left the

snow and New England charm for a warmer climate and a challenging new career opportunity. Kim and husband **Timothy, JD '93**, and two children left the Berkshires of Western Massachusetts and headed to Pleasanton, CA.

Linda Craugh sends greetings from the Arabian Gulf. Linda reported aboard the USS *Carl Vinson* (CVN 70) as Damage Control Assistant last January and is now engaged in a round-the-world homeport change/global war on terror deployment. **Jennie Dean** Clark had been living with her family in Geneva, Switzerland, since 2001, where she was spokesperson for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees. She, husband Jeff, and son Toby, 2, have recently moved back to the US, returning to the Washington, DC, area, where she will attend Georgetown Law School and focus on refugee/asylum and human rights law. **Angelica Allen** completed her doctoral course work at Seton Hall U. this year and plans to defend her dissertation this summer in the area of educational leadership and supervision.

Kevin Covert announces that he is the godfather of Gabriel, the first son of **Kwame K. Satchell** and wife Elizabeth, who live in Houston. Kevin also shares that he has a new job in the Office of Strategic and Performance Planning at the State Dept. After 30 overseas trips in 36 months (including an eight-week stint in Tbilisi where he waved a Georgian flag during the Rose Revolution with 50,000 of his closest friends), he was happy to accept an appointment with the Civil Service that will keep him involved in foreign affairs but also close to home with his wife Lesya and son Timothy, 5. Last year **Alan Chien** started a new job with the Boeing Company. He now lives and works in Northern Virginia just outside of Washington, DC. He moved from Upstate New York, where he lived for 11 years after graduating from Cornell. Alan mentions that he recently met with **Dan Koontz** and **Laura Perrin '90** for dinner in New York City, and in January he met **Josh N. Levine** for dinner in Los Angeles. **Sameer Desai** and his wife Sheetal have experienced a number of changes over the past year, including the birth of their daughter Sanya and a move from Virginia to Michigan, where Sameer will pursue oncology studies at the U. of Michigan for the next two years. Sameer adds that he is looking forward to our 15th Reunion in 2006!

While we hope to see everyone at next year's reunion, please don't wait until then to share your own good news! E-mail us with an update. ♦ **Corinne Kuchling**, kuccori@hotmail.com; **Nina Rosen** Peek, nsr5@cornell.edu; **Dave Smith**, docds30@yahoo.com.

92 Since I last spoke with you . . . I took my pottery class and it was great! I was up at Cornell in April and got a chance to meet with lots of promising pre-freshmen. It was swell to be back on campus and see what's been developing since we all graduated. There are new buildings (of course) and Cornell's official campus is moving outward . . . like past the Vet college. Yikes. Has anyone ever been yonder? Anyway, nice to know there's always a new place to discover. I'm still growing my media company (visit www.WilPowerEnterprises.com) and chasing my four

kids. They keep me fit!

Speaking of kids . . . **Dylan Willoughby**, MFA '95, wife Meredith, and son Julian are thrilled to announce the arrival of James "Jamie" Keats Willoughby, born March 2, 2005. Dylan and his family are relocating to Los Angeles, where Dylan will work in the litigation department at Latham & Watkins. **Seth Isenberg** announces, "Our daughter Beryl just turned 1 year old in April, and Fisher is 3-1/2 now! Pretty intense, but very rewarding." He just went to Germany for the first time for SAP America (to visit a client) and the motherhood at SAP AG in Waldorf.

Richard Brewer recently started a new job as a consultant for Washington Management Group. He advises telecommunications companies on federal government law and policy and absolutely loves it. **Andy Willet** is joining him in Ithaca for Homecoming and the 100th anniversary of Seal & Serpent fraternity. **Emily Miller** Cooper says she and husband Michael have settled into their new house and started off the new year with a new edition: Anna Jessica was born on December 30, 2004. **Rick and Meghan DeGolyer Hauser** (Perry, NY) welcomed Levi Avery on Aug. 21, 2004. The new baby joins brothers Abraham, 6, and Solomon, 3. Meghan is now in the third year of organizing the Perry Farmers' Market.

Randall McMillan reports he's still at Island Def Jam and was recently promoted to senior director of business and legal affairs. He's moved to Union, NJ, since the last update, and his daughter and son (Jada, 6, and Jason, 2) are doing well. Myong Haeng Sunim (**David Atkins**) gives us his update: "For the past 12 years I have been living in South Korea. For the last eight years I have been practicing as a Zen Buddhist monk at various temples in the mountains. I currently reside at Mu Sang Sa temple on Gye Ryong San Mountain (www.musangsa.org) and am spending a year keeping a vow of silence."

On January 27, 2002, **Michelle Berry**, MPS '92 (mcb45@cornell.edu), a communications executive, artist, and writer, wed Robert Lofthouse, an associate professor of engineering. In January 2004, Michelle began serving a four-year term as alderwoman on the City of Ithaca's Common Council. On August 30, 2004, the couple's first child Nina Berry Lofthouse was born. In December, Michelle was named the second Poet Laureate of Tompkins County. She is currently working on a new play, a second book of poetry, and teaching communication at both Cornell and Ithaca College.

Mike Litvak wrote in to tell us . . . well, I'll just let him tell it: "Professionally, I have been working for Gartner Consulting since June 2000, where I was recently promoted to associate director. Personally, I got married on December 15, 2002 to Diane Bloom, now Diane Litvak. The wedding was attended by **Eric Kossoff '91**, **Richard Garodnick '91**, and **Dave Glanstein '94**, who are all fraternity brothers of mine (TKE). Diane and I had our first child, David Isaac, on December 22, 2002 and we couldn't be happier. We are all enjoying living on the Upper East Side of Manhattan."

Mara DiGrazia, DVM '96, shares that this has been a busy year for her. She is buying into the veterinary practice where she's worked for

over four years and she has purchased a house in Glen Cove with her fiancé Michael. **Pamela Davis Wells** writes, "My husband **Steve '86** and I welcomed our second son, Samuel Irving (Class of 2027, we hope) in late January. He joins brother Jack Irwin (Class of 2025, we hope). The two are only 15 months apart so there is a lot of work to do around here. If you publish this item, we will highlight it and frame the magazine page as an inspiration for our boys to do well in school so they'll get into Cornell."

Harris Weisman says, "I recently left the consulting world and took a job as the information systems security manager for Chemung Canal Trust Company in Elmira, NY. Elmira is 40 minutes from Ithaca, and my wife and I visit the campus quite a bit." **Brad Minnich** has founded the Maasai Project, which is the union of filmmaker Brad Minnich, Documentary Educational Resources (DER) and the Maasai Association, headed by Kakuta Ole Maimai Hamisi. Theirs is a symbiotic relationship devoted to creating awareness and a sustainable future for the East African Maasai people through film and community service projects. More information can be found by visiting www.MaasaiProject.org.

Keith Fratta simply exclaims, "It's good to be alive!" I share the sentiment, Keith. It's good to have another chance to give someone a smile, do an honorable deed, and, of course, share good news. Share! Until next time. Be a light, and be well. Write to: ♦ **Wilma Ann Anderson**, info@WilPowerEnterprises.com; **Renee Hunter** Toth, rah24@cornell.edu; or **Debbie Feinstein**, debbie_feinstein@yahoo.com.

93 Hopefully, these lazy days of summer are giving some of our classmates an opportunity to relax and settle into their new digs. It seems like 2005 has been a year of transition, one in which quite a few of us packed up and sought out greener pastures. **Justin Schor**, wife Julie, and 15-month-old daughter Vanessa relocated from Las Vegas to Washington, DC. Justin writes, "We are excited to make our nation's capital our home." Justin is the manager of program development for UrbanTrans Consultants, a firm specializing in transportation management and planning as well as public outreach. **Gilles Fouquart** also relocated to the East Coast. Gilles writes, "After ten years in Detroit and the auto industry, I will be moving back to the New York City area in 2005 to be closer to family and pursue a sales career in a more promising industry." Good luck, Gilles! **Mimi Duff** dropped us a line to say she moved back to New York in February 2004 after a stint in London at Goldman Sachs. Since returning to the states, Mimi has gotten married, moved to Greenwich, CT, and begun working as a director at Barclays Capital. She says she still keeps in touch with several classmates, including **Beth Schneggenbenger** Keser, **Nicole Teitler** Cave, **Sandra Song**, and **Noelle Yaney** Child.

Stanley Chiang is discovering the true meaning of "Rocky Mountain high" in his new home in Park City, UT. He writes, "This place is an outdoor lover's dream come true. It is a 365-day, year-round resort. The skiing is spectacular (sorry,

Greek Peak, there's just no comparison!).” Stanley says he is always looking for hiking, biking, or skiing partners. And yes, he assures us, “I do work when I’m not playing outside!” Stanley is a process technology scientist at Cephalon, a biopharmaceutical company. Also headed out west is **Greg Coladonato**. **Tom Tseng** ’87, ME ’94, reports that Greg recently accepted a job as a product manager at Google in the San Francisco Bay Area. Greg is finishing up an MBA at Wharton and will then make the trek cross-country with son Gavin and wife **Maia (Albano)** ’92. **Anthony Liparidis**’s recent move may be shorter in miles than all of the others, but it probably feels a lot farther away. Anthony and his wife **Tiffany Traina** ’94, MD ’99, moved to Cold Spring Harbor on Long Island after ten years of New York City living. “If any alums are in the area, give us a ring or drop us an e-mail at aglnyc@optonline.net.”

A few of our classmates celebrated some very impressive accomplishments this year. **Andrew Sewell** recently graduated from a combined neurology/psychiatry residency program at the U. of Massachusetts Medical School. Andrew is now working on a research fellowship at McLean Hospital where he will be studying nicotine, cocaine, and psychedelics. In December 2004, **Helena Pachon**, MS ’96, completed fieldwork in Peru for her PhD thesis in Nutrition at Cornell. **Robert Cohen** was recently named partner at the New York law firm Davis & Gilbert, where he practices labor and employment law. Robert is living in Maplewood, NJ, with his wife Heidi, daughter Shayna, 4, and son Sam, 2. Drop him a line at rcohen@dglaw.com. Last but not least, **Mark Fergeson** wrote in to say he saw classmates **Tina Hennessey** Goldstein and **Jen Strazza** Beahm, MRP ’95, inducted into the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame in Ithaca in November. Big congratulations to everyone!

As always, proud parents among us are excited to announce their recent additions. **Ellen Ho Ongchin** and husband **Steve** ’91 welcomed daughter Caroline on May 18, 2004. Caroline joins older brother Justin who is almost 3. The Ongchin family makes its home in Sandton, South Africa, near Johannesburg. **Claudia Humphrey** Curtis lives in Teaneck, NJ, with her daughters Kaela, who turned 3 in February, and Arielle, who will be 2 in October. Claudia has been working as in-house employment counsel for BD since March 2004.

The *New York Times* is often a source of wedding news about our classmates. **Calin Moucha** married ophthalmologist Emily Zimmerman in December in New York City. Calin is the chief of the division of joint replacement in the orthopedics department of the Newark campus of the U. of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. He received his medical degree from the Mount Sinai School of Medicine. In October, **Chris Tedeschi** married Sara Bernstein in New York City. Chris is a second year resident in emergency medicine at New York-Presbyterian Hospital. He received a master’s degree in science writing from Johns Hopkins and a medical degree from the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. **Erin Leitman** e-mailed to tell us she married Christopher Scott last summer on Long Island. The wedding was attended by close friends **Andrew Rosenberg**,

Melissa Davis-Hartranft, **Tavora Leitman** Buchman ’90, **Bonnie Leff Kajiwaru** ’91, **Leslie Hansen**, JD ’92, and **Bernadette Perez Polsky**, JD ’92. Erin is an attorney at Pfizer Inc., heading the clinical disclosure group. She reports, “My husband and I are living happily in Manhattan!”

Well, that’s all for now! If you have any news, please remember to share it with your classmates. ♦ **Erica Fishlin** Fox, ericazz@aol.com; and **Yael Berkowitz** Rosenberg, ygb1@cornell.edu.

94 Hope everyone is enjoying the lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer. Our news is a little older, so bear with us as we bring you back to fall. **Seth Kaufman** finished his residency last year in neurology at New York Presbyterian-Cornell Medical Center and Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and is in Boston for a fellowship in neuromuscular disorders at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School. He’s also still recording—he was named a Bösendorfer Piano Artist in October and is working on several new solo piano projects, including a ten-year anniversary edition of “Cascadilla” and a new solo piano CD to be released next fall. **Joanna Diamond** is managing her own executive search firm in Fort Lauderdale (<http://www.diamondrecruiters.com>), where she focuses on executive-level positions in the hotel, resort, casino, and cruise industries.

Matt Walker is a senior VP, hotel and resort development for Lowe Enterprises. He and wife Emily live in Pacific Palisades, CA, with children Joe, 6, and Will, 1. In November, **Bob Maldonado** was promoted to Major in the US Marine Corps. He is currently serving in the Al Anbar Province (near Fallujah) with the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. **Julie Wiczowski** finished her PhD in anthropology and is now an assistant professor at the U. of West Georgia. She continues to do field research on the endangered Tana mangabey.

Sandy Gordon and **Alice Davenport** ’91, MPA ’94, got married on October 24, 2004 in New York. Sandy—or Dr. Gordon, as the *New York Times* refers to him—is an assistant professor of politics at NYU, and Alice is a senior tax and estate planning analyst at Bernstein Investment Research and Management in Manhattan. **David Zammiello** wed the former **Lori Rayburn**, PhD ’01 in Rochester, NY. David works as an attorney/editor at West Publishing, while Lori puts her Cornell master’s in chemistry and doctorate in inorganic chemistry to work as a research and development scientist at Eastman Kodak.

Neil Cantor wed Shari Wechsler on October 30 in Maryland. Cornellians in attendance included big brother **Brian Cantor** ’92, **David Cantor** ’61, and **Jay Cantor** ’64. Among the nearly 20 Cornellians in attendance were classmates **Rob Claypoole**, MBA ’03, **Tony Prentice**, **Dave Fischer**, **Dan Lockwood**, **Greg Gordon**, **Ari Rubinfeld**, **Craig Hymowitz**, **Robert Greenblatt**, and **Seth** and **Jessica Newill Cohen**. October 30 was a popular day to get married! **Kristen Blanchard** married Michael Carey at his family’s church in Ardsley, followed by a reception at the Union League in Center City Philadelphia. In attendance were **Karen Young Arasz** ’95, **Dawn Pinchasik**

’95, **Cassandra Coffman**, **Cynthia Mann Davin**, **Gregory Goodwin**, and **Theodore** ’90 and **Elizabeth Bunta Haussman** ’91.

Carolyn Weaver attended the October Staten Island wedding of **Yvette Politis** ’93 and Dan Cromack. **Vikki Parker** ’93, DVM ’97, **Stacy Mariconda Huang** ’93, and **Jodi Krause** ’93 were also there. Carolyn and husband Nishan Fernando are enjoying their twins Matthew and Lauren, born in July 2003. Carolyn finished a residency in radiology and a fellowship in abdominal imaging in Jan. 2005 and will be moving to Atlanta in July.

Many of our classmates are just gushing over where they live and work. **Kathleen “Kat” Hall** is living the outdoor life in Juneau, AK. Following a stint in the Peace Corps in Cameroon, she earned a master’s in environmental management at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in 2003, and is now the water quality/mining organizer for the Southeast Alaska Conservation Council (SEACC). She and partner Maya Raschel live on a sailboat with their Australian shepherd Crystal and spend as much time as possible outdoors. **Emily Brown** recently bought her first home in Tarrytown, NY, and is teaching special education at Eastchester High School and loving it.

Kaye Anderson reports, “We love living in Berkeley!” The “we” includes husband Jeffrey Frank, a doctor in San Pablo, CA, stepdaughter Laurel, 12, and identical twin 2-year-old daughters Skye and Jayna. Kaye is a clinical supervisor and therapist at Davis Street Family Resource Center in San Leandro, CA. Speaking of twins, **Kevin J.** and **Amanda Bastian Jacobs** welcomed twins Catherine Irene and Samantha Karlene on November 23, 2004. Kevin is vice president, corporate finance at Host Marriott Corporation, and Amanda is design center manager for Toll Brothers.

J. Allison Hertel Bignault, husband David, and big sister Ellen welcomed Claire Amy on August 11, 2004. And last but certainly not least, my husband and I were honored to be named godparents to Elizabeth Lourdes Florence Unemori Hampe, born October 27, 2004 to Greg and **Melissa Unemori** Hampe. Melissa continues to serve as legislative director for Senator Daniel Akaka of Hawaii. ♦ **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasyluk, dmp5@cornell.edu; **Dika Lam**, DEL5@cornell.edu; **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, jennifer.marchant@kraft.com.

95 Hello, Class of 1995! It was wonderful seeing everyone who attended the 10th Reunion! Seems like just yesterday we were driving and flying to Ithaca to celebrate our 5th. Time really does move quickly when you’re busy doing other things. Stay tuned to these pages for a complete Reunion Report in the Sept/Oct issue.

Brian Wildstein has been very busy doing other things with his time. After working in Hollywood for six years, Brian changed pace and became a lawyer. Now he is clerking for Federal Judge **Max Rosenn** ’30, BA ’29, on the US Court of Appeals. Per Brian, **Marc Tilton** ’96 is a general manager of a restaurant at Walt Disney World’s “Pleasure Island.” **David Beck** lives in Glen Ellyn, IL, and helps lead new product launches at

Wrigley as a supply chain manager. **Christopher Hill** is continuing his master's work at Miner Inst. and U. of Vermont. Following her Fulbright experience in Berlin, Germany, **Kelly Vargas** returned to the US to start working in Davis, CA. After graduating from her ob/gyn residency in July 2003, **Maureen Shaw** Terranova has been working as a full-time attending ob/gyn in a private practice in Rhinebeck, NY.

Continuing with this column's extra busy theme, **Anna Zakos-Feliberti** says, "I have been meaning to write for a while now. We've had a busy year. **Eric Feliberti**, myself, and our daughter Anastasia, 2, moved out West to Duarte, CA (right outside Pasadena) for Eric's surgical oncology fellowship at City of Hope. If there are any fellow Cornellians out here, feel free to e-mail us at aefeliberti@verizon.net. We brought in 2005 with the birth of our second little girl, Stella Marie. As I write this, she will be 3 months old already. Both girls are doing great. Eric is doing a year of research while I am still trying to finish up my dissertation in public health."

This past spring, **Jennifer Keene** visited Ella Grace, daughter of **Cherylanne Muraski** Skolnicki, who was born in November 2004. "Ella's a cutie, just like her mother, who was one of my senior year roommates." Jennifer's update continues, "I am still working as director of marketing for a sports agent. It has been just about three and a half years now since I moved from NYC to D.C. Work is great, and our clients are a spectacular bunch. The firm represents more than 30 pro athletes, primarily NBA players, and there's not a bad apple in the bunch. But on the side, I have started a second career: freelance writing. I love it! One of my articles, 'Spirited Exchanges,' will appear in the preview issue of *Washington, DC Style* (www.dcstylemag.com) that will hit the city this week. Another, entitled 'Love 'em and Leave 'em,' comes out in May. So far, I'm focusing on dining, nightlife, and trends pieces, but who knows what the future holds?"

In May 2004, **Thomas Hughes** (thughes@syr.edu) started a PhD program in fish and wildlife management at SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse. He is studying walleye in eastern Lake Ontario and the upper St. Lawrence River. Thomas lives in North Syracuse with **Kelly Gonzalez '96**, who is a legal aid attorney.

Carrie Fox Schecter had lots to say in her e-mail update. "2004 was a great year for us. **David** completed his PhD (with distinction) in molecular biology from Columbia U. and is now doing his post-doctoral research at Rockefeller U. I am a lawyer at Ropes & Gray; in 2003 I switched to the practice of health care law and I love it. Our daughter Ilana turned 2 in September and we were happy to have many Cornellians at her party. **Sarah Schneider** Cohen was there with her husband Shane, son Avi, 5, and daughter Estie, 3; **Jen Witrock** Fenster was there with Leah, 3, and Yonah, 1; and **Jeff Cohen '93**, ME '94, was there with daughter Dahlia, 2. We just came back from visiting our classmate **Jason Fromberg** and his wife Alycia and their 4-month-old son Nayden, who has a great smile and is a very happy baby."

Patrick Reuss writes, "2005 is off to a fast start. I was married on a snowy, Ithaca-like

A League of Her Own

ERICA PADDOCK SALMON '96

Erica Salmon may not shop at Barney's, but Vera Wang is part of her world. So are Calvin Klein and Carolina Herrera. After all, they're on her team. Salmon is the creator of the Web-based Fantasy Fashion League, the fashionista's answer to fantasy football. Participants pay \$18 per season to draft a team of designers, earning points when their players appear in fashion magazines and websites—and when celebrities wear their clothes.

"I would never call myself a fashion junkie," says Salmon, a stay-at-home mom who wears jeans more than haute couture. But the communication major had worked in the magazine industry prior to taking time off to raise her two children, and she got hooked on coverage of the glitzy fashion world. "I love to follow the trends of what you see on the runway, and how that translates into what we actually purchase and wear."

Salmon developed the game several years ago when her husband started playing fantasy football and she needed a rival obsession. "I wanted to drive him as nuts as he was driving me," she says. With feedback from focus groups and experimental leagues, she



concocted the game's current form. The twenty-four-week season begins with the Emmy Awards in September and ends in March with the Super Bowl of fashion, the Oscars. Salmon has already won mentions in *Sports Illustrated* and *Women's Wear Daily*, and she'll appear with her husband on ESPN's "Cold Pizza" talk show in August. The FFL website (www.fashionfantasyleague.com) will officially launch August 1. "You can do it from home, so you don't need a babysitter to join," Salmon says. "It's do-able for anybody."

evening January 8 in Albany, NY, to Tricia Cenci." Several classmates were in Patrick's wedding party, including **Josh Gellert** and **Bill Young**, and guests included Bill's wife **Emily (Meyer)** and **Joshua Hamilton**. "After an incredible honeymoon cruise to the Western Caribbean, my wife and I started brand new jobs! I am now working for Monster Worldwide, and Tricia is with Dey Pharmaceuticals." Deborah Damask and **Daniel Brachfeld**, ME '96, were married on July 17, 2004 at the Berkeley City Club in Berkeley, CA. They currently live in San Francisco, although they are looking to move somewhere south of the equator.

Hanna Stevens married Gordon Buchanan in May 2004 and started her child psychiatry residency the following July at Yale U. **Leslie Harris**, MS '98, married Jeremy Alexander at Anabel Taylor Hall on February 12. Leslie is an environmental engineer at Metcalf & Eddy in Chicago, and Jeremy is a substitute elementary school teacher for the Chicago public school system.

In more doctor news, **David Podwall** updates us on the fruits of his studious medical labors. "I have finally finished many years of medical training—medical internship at Mt. Sinai, neurology residency at Columbia-Presbyterian and then a fellowship in neurophysiology/EMG, also at Columbia. Now, I have joined a private practice, Neurological Associates of Long Island, in Great Neck, NY. In addition to my clinical responsibilities, I teach the students and residents at North Shore U. Hospital. My academic appointment is assistant professor of clinical neurology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine."

On October 16, 2004, **Andrea Berloff** married **Drew Filus** in Redondo Beach, CA. Lots and lots and lots of Cornellians attended their wedding. Our classmates there included **Olivia Booth**, **Jesse Wigutow**, **Jill Magid**, **Emily Smith** Bradley, **Justin Dimick**, **John Berlinksi**, **Mike Ober**, **Josh Nathanson**, **Rina Agarwala**, **Beth Krause**, **Andrew Conn**, **Rob Cuthill**, and **Richard**

Greene. The couple resides in Los Angeles and works in the entertainment industry.

Switching to purely baby updates, **Christian Cox** and his wife **Jennifer (Kunkel) '97** are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Natalie Amelia. Christian adds, "Natalie was born on July 18, 2004, the day after our fifth wedding anniversary. All three of us are doing fine." Jacqueline Elizabeth Stultz was born to **Katherine Vega Stultz** on Thursday, March 24. **Jennifer Buckalter** Cohen and her husband Len welcomed **Brendon Indiana** into the world on February 12, 2005. **Abe Ng's** first child, son **Kyle Allan**, was born on Labor Day, September 6, 2004. Baby **Brett** joined **Stephen and Suzanne Hiney** Willcox on July 19, 2003.

And in the final piece of news that can be squeezed into this edition of Class Notes, **Meg Nalevanko Falcone**, DVM '99, sends word that she and husband **Daniel '94**, MAT '96, are keeping busy. Meg says, "I work part time as a small animal veterinarian and spend the rest of my time keeping up with my three little girls; Hannah is 4, Ella is 2, and Claire Elizabeth joined us on January 20. Dan is really outnumbered now!" Thanks so very much to everyone for sending lots of news and updates! Please keep it up. You guys are the greatest! ♦ **Abra Benson**, amb8@cornell.edu; **Alison Torrillo** French, amt7@cornell.edu. Class website: <http://classof95.alumni.cornell.edu>.

96 Thanks to the magic of satellite phones, I am filing this column from Banda Aceh, Indonesia. It's been nearly four months to the day after the tsunami hit, and the contrasts are unbelievable. There are ships in the middle of where towns once stood, and tent cities in place of rice paddies. But some of the tents have TVs, and the "market" stands that have sprouted to cater to the population sell Fanta, Sprite, Jello, four kinds of cookies (pineapple and peanut butter cream, but no vanilla!) . . . and pirated DVDs (the essentials, right?). Meanwhile, the house I have begged a room in—I camped the last time I was here, just after the tsunami hit, and I'd rather not do it again—has no running water or electricity, but they do own an Ab Roller. I am not making this up.

From the wedding files. Wedding One (courtesy of the *New York Times*): Dr. **Julie Lorber** married **Scott Saperstein** in Boston on April 2. Julie is a surgical resident at Boston U. Medical Center, and Scott is the new business development manager at VH1. Wedding Two: **Alexandra Yoffie** married **Nathan Sleeper** in Worcester, MA, on April 3. Cornellians included Alexy's sisters **Victoria '99** and **Isadora '06**, her former roommates Dr. **Sondra Iacullo-Bogursky**, **Connie Lung Sabino**, and **Barbara Yien**, plus **Sandra Fried**, **Kathryn Petrillo-Smith**, and me. Plus, it turns out that Alexy's amazing flowers—amazing enough that several guests were snapping pictures of them—were done by **Jessica Levy '00**, who recently opened her own business, Cymbidium Floral (www.cymbidiumfloral.com).

Catherine Oh writes: "I am currently finishing my second year in pediatric residency at Thomas Jefferson U. Hospital in Philadelphia, and my husband (an internal medicine resident

and former med school classmate) and I recently celebrated our daughter's first birthday." She adds that **Anita Prasad** is married and living in Seattle with her husband, and **Lillian Su** is in her second year of a pediatric nephrology fellowship at Pittsburgh Children's.

We're low on news right now, since your latest round of responses to the class News and Dues mailing haven't reached us yet. Do fill in those News Forms if you haven't done so, or send an e-mail to your correspondents at any time. ♦ **Courtney Rubin**, cbr1@cornell.edu; **Sheryl Magzamen**, slm1@cornell.edu; and **Allie Cahill**, AlexandraCahill@aol.com. For updated class events, news, and resources, visit <http://classof96.alumni.cornell.edu>.

97 In recognition of classmates preparing to take the Bar exam this summer, I'll start the news with updates on some of us who have collected Juris Doctor degrees. **John Boyer** is an associate at Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease in Columbus, OH. John previously worked as an Army Judge Advocate with the 101st Airborne Division; he served as a Special Assistant US Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky and Middle District of Tennessee and also spent a year in Iraq. **Tonya Noldon** is a 2004 graduate of the U. of Virginia School of Law. **Jill Dash** and **Jason Friedman** are co-clerks for Judge Laura Taylor Swain in Manhattan. Jill lives with buddy **Josh Lamont '98** and keeps in touch with classmates **Eric Beveridge**, **Kerstin Johnson Mukerji**, MS '98, **Bindiya Patel-Gillenwater**, and **Grace Hsu**.

Chad Levitt lives in Philadelphia and works as a commercial loan officer at Philadelphia Private Bank. Chad has seen **Carrie Bar**. **Seth Guikema** is a postdoc in civil and environmental engineering at Cornell, where he is doing research on infrastructure risk analysis. **Jennifer Corwin** lives in the Princeton, NJ, area and is working toward an MBA from Rutgers U.

Several classmates have relocated in recent months. **Amanda Levine** planned to complete her residency in ob/gyn at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York City in June. Her next move is back to Edmond, OK, to practice medicine in her hometown. Amanda writes, "Hopefully I will be delivering some future Cornellians!" **Beth Winters** reports she had "no time to have a life while doing PhD work" at Iowa State U.; she's picked up her degree and moved further west to do postdoc work at the U. of Nebraska.

Many of us continue to take the plunge into married life. **Jennifer DeLong** married **Martin Harris** in June 2003; **Erika Watts '98**, **Darlene Reinschussel Ogden**, **David Rueter**, **Elizabeth Schepp** Berman, MPS '04, **Joseph Maule '96**, and **Jae-Won Kwon '98** attended. Jennifer collected a master's in public administration from George Mason U. in January and works for the City of Alexandria's Office on Women, where she coordinates community education programs about domestic violence and sexual assault and manages the city's Walk to Fight Breast Cancer. Jennifer travels frequently with Martin and in November visited **Kimberly Miller '95** and **Donnelly Nariss** in Phoenix.

Rachel Fremder married **Jeff Ellis** on May 30, 2004. Three classmates, **Jennifer Baskind** Sivitz, **Jana Miller** Grotas, and **Jessica Adema**, were bridesmaids along with Rachel's sister **Deborah '00**. Rachel is an ophthalmology resident at SUNY Downstate; she and Jeff live in New Hyde Park, NY. **Cheryl Tourney** married **Magnus Campbell** on July 16, 2004 in Edinburgh, Scotland, near his hometown of Carlisle. Those classmates who made the trip to the Emerald Isle include **Vasantha Badari Kostojohn** and husband **Scott**, **Michelle McKee** Cubbon and husband **James**, **Chris Heisterkamp**, MS '98, **Erin Davis Fisher** and (now) husband **Jess**, and **Dino Carter '98**. (Go to www.cherylandmagnus.com for photos.) The couple resides in San Francisco and is saving their pennies for their next trip around the world.

Val Novellano tied the knot on October 2, 2004 in New Jersey. Cornellian classmates celebrating the event included **Laura Barrantes**, **Vik Milne**, **Stephanie Gwinner**, **Mijin Chai**, **Luke Shoberg**, **Neeral Shah**, **Matt Parobeck**, and **Andy dePasquale**. Val finished her residency in emergency medicine at Drexel U. College of Medicine in Philadelphia and works as an emergency physician in Freehold, NJ.

The *New York Times* noted the October 30, 2004 nuptials of two classmates. **William Rukin** married **Marnie Davis** in New York. William is manager of SLX Capital Management, a real estate development and asset management concern started by his family; Marnie is a physician's assistant in reproductive medicine at Weill Cornell Medical Center. **Sara Morse** married **Thomas Frankie** in Purchase, NY. Sara is a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at the Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology in Boston; Thomas is a conservation education specialist at the Buttonwood Park Zoo in New Bedford, MA.

Several classmates have sent word of new additions. **Amy Doig** Light has relocated to Seattle with husband **Don** and son **Henry Becker** Light, who was born October 8, 2004. Amy is an attorney at a small local law firm. **Eushuan Tran** Tsung and spouse **Eric** welcomed son **Patrick** on August 12, 2003. **Brian**, MMH '97, and **Emilie Abel** have a daughter **Gabrielle** and live in West New York, NJ, where Brian is director of food and beverage outlets for Westin Hotels and Resorts. On September 28, 2004, **Neal Rubin** and wife **Lisa Enkoff**, MILR '97, had daughter **Isabela Rachel Willow**. Neal is senior vice president for Ocean Development Group in Miami, FL, where he is responsible for sales and marketing of the *Four Seasons*, the first ultra-luxury private residential vessel being built by Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts.

Please send in your news—your classmates' inquiring minds want to know what you've been up to! ♦ **Erica Broennle** Nelson, ejb4@cornell.edu; **Sarah Deardorff** Carter, sjd5@cornell.edu.

98 Our prayers have been answered. It seems like the news is finally pouring in! Thanks to everyone for sending it. First on the list, a Cornell-Cornell wedding. **Karen Dorman** and **Todd Kipnes '96** were married on February 12, 2005 in the Dominican Republic. The wedding

took place on the beach at Casa De Campo. Among the more than 15 Cornellians in attendance were **Lindsay Kipnes '00**, **Debbie Dorman '01**, and **Helen Karen Dorman '68**, BS '67, plus classmates **Elizabeth Morgenstein**, **Ayesha Haider Marra**, and **Betsy Patterson**. Yours truly (Gregg) regrets not being able to make it, but heard it was amazing. The pictures were great—the couple looked fantastic and extremely happy! Debbie Dorman, Karen's sister, also gets to spend next year with Gregg at grad school.

Onward to the "real life" after Cornell. It seems like many '98ers are now branching out from the traditional careers in business, law, medicine, etc. We have recently heard from a couple of those involved in the media. **Andreea Matei** has lived in New York City since graduation. She recently published her first book, *The Green Apple* (www.thegreenapple.org), a guide to healthy and natural living in NYC. From **Jennifer Betit Yen** (jbetityen@yahoo.com): "Just wrapped shooting as the lead actress on *Stalemates*, an action/love story film short written and directed by fellow Cornellian **Jason Wong**. You can check out the film at www.geocities.com/stalemates2004/. In addition, **Michael Cheng** (mercurybonez@yahoo.com) recently completed working on *Metroid Prime 2: Echoes* for the Nintendo GameCube. If you get the chance, play it. It's a lot of fun!"

If Jennifer, Andreea, or Michael ever need some branding work done, they may want to call **Lucie Macelova** (llm@lululova.com). Lucie is working in Beverly Hills for a small entertainment branding company. This summer will see her marriage to the West Coast foreign correspondent for the *London Times*. She looks forward to seeing everyone at the next reunion!

Life after school can sometimes mean more school. It does for **Derrick Ong** (tdklo@deakin.edu.au). He has embarked on a second bachelor's degree in nutrition and dietetics at Deakin U. in Melbourne, Australia. His first year went well, and he has recently started his second (the Australian academic year runs from February to November). He would like to get in touch with Cornellians out there who are trained in dietetics and are currently working in the sports or food industry. As Derrick is going back to school, **Karen Viechnicki** is leaving. She just graduated with her MBA from UCLA Anderson School of Management. She was promoted to human resources director for the west region of Aramark Campus Services based in Irvine, CA.

Luckily for us, **Charles Feng** was dispatched by his company to a few cities around the country and was able to share his alumni encounters. He started in San Francisco, where he caught up with **Anthony Jones**, currently a first year Stanford Business School student. Despite the curriculum, Charles reports that David remains dedicated to the program's social activities. During his travels, he was happy to run into his old friend **Erik Yazdani-Biyuki**, who is in his second year at MIT's Sloan MBA program.

On the baby front—or is that babies?—congratulations to all the new parents. At this rate, they should be really up on changing and nap times by the next reunion (come to think of it, not a bad idea even for those of us without

kids!). **George Voyiatzis** is now the proud father of Georgia, born on March 28, 2003. **Carlos M. Morales** wanted to let everyone know that his wife Stacey gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, Hudson Alan, on Dec. 27 in Houston, TX. Hudson and his big sister Erin hope to attend Cornell in due time! **Joe Lyons** and wife Anu welcomed their first child, Nina Elizabeth, on October 7, 2004. Joe is the director of reunion campaigns in Alumni Affairs and Development at Cornell. **Steve and Linnea Larson Linton** are thrilled to announce the birth of their son Torin Clark on November 18, 2004. Linnea says, "He is hands-down the most amazing creature I've ever seen." He has grown about five inches in two months, and does something new every day. She adds that she is worried about his Cornell loyalties—he stares at the blue stripe painted on his wall for hours!

Patricia Boyle-Williams reports that after moving to the suburbs last summer, and saying "good-bye to city living, hello backyard," she gave birth to daughter Grace Elizabeth on December 25, 2004. **Daniel Cane's** son Connor was born last year. The company that Daniel started while at Cornell, CourseInfo, now Blackboard, had its IPO. **Tim Chi, John Yang, John Knight, and Stephen Gilfus '97** all still work with him at this company. Nice to see Cornellians helping Cornellians.

That's all for now. Please keep on sending us information about what you or your friends are doing. We're trying to get as much news out as we can! And remember, the more people that sign up to get the alumni magazine, the more column space we get to write about what is going on in your exciting lives! Send news to ♦ **Gregg Herman**, gdh5@cornell.edu; or **Erica Chan**, hc31@cornell.edu.

99 Cornell's biometry department brought them together, and I'm happy to write that two of my favorite statistics-lovers have tied the knot. **Cristen Viggiano** and **Kevin Cottrell** got married last October in Eastchester, NY, surrounded by friends, family, and spectacular fall colors. Cristen's bridesmaids included **Amy S. Lee**, **Mandy MacDonald**, **Dena Savarese**, and yours truly. Other guests included **Matt and Julie Heim Jackson**, **Neil and Maria DeJoseph Van Kerkhove**, **Meg Karamitis Nikolov**, **Chiann Bao**, **Serena Chen**, **Sheri Griffin Mandirola**, **Joy Yaskowitz**, **Alyssa Banner**, **JP '95** and **Jennifer Taicner O'Brien '95**, and **Farzin Firooznia '98**.

In another Cornellian-Cornellian marriage, **Chris Fromme** and **Alison Emblidge** were married in June 2004 in Buffalo, NY. The Frommes honeymooned in Costa Rica, and are happily nesting in Berkeley. **Michael Knauff**, BArch '00, writes that he and wife **Carol (Wilhelm)** traveled to Italy last Christmas and hit all of their favorite places from their 1997 Cornell-in-Rome semester, the very program where the couple met. Carol is the graphics manager for Julian J. Studley, a commercial real estate firm. She also donates graphic design services to PAWS (Pets Are Wonderful Support), a nonprofit organization in the Bay Area. Michael started a new job last September as the project manager for Ottolini Booth & Assoc., an architecture firm in San Francisco.

After living and working in Madrid for two and a half years following graduation, **Molly Warsh** went back to school for a doctorate in history at Johns Hopkins. Last January, she left for two years of research in Spain, Portugal, and London. Still in touch with many of her Cornell friends, Molly sent in tons of news on their behalf. She writes that **Lisa Ahijevych Griffin** married her Cornell sweetheart **Jonathan '97** in October 2003. The wedding took place at Anabel Taylor chapel and the reception was held at a local vineyard. Attendees included sisters of the groom **Sheri Griffin Mandirola** and **Sarah-Jean Griffin '08**, as well as **Annie Koehne de González**, **Alison Juozokas**, **Laura Baccash Franzon**, and, of course, Molly. Alison Juozokas works as a family medicine resident at Thomas Jefferson U. Hospital in Philadelphia. Annie Koehne de González married Luis González Silén in July 2002, and spent two years living in Madrid. Their daughter Ayla was born in August 2003. **Laura Baccash Franzon** was married in April 2003 to **Anders** in Chicago, IL. Laura, a lawyer, works in the corporate reorganization group at **Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP** in Chicago. Thanks for all the news, Molly!

While the number of our classmates with law degrees continues to swell, I bet that not many of them have put out their own shingle just yet. Then again, someone has to go first: **Saboor Abduljaami** opened his own law office in New York City. Saboor, who formerly practiced at **Kaye Scholer LLP**, is a business transaction attorney focusing on corporate and commercial transactions. Saboor earned his JD at NYU School of Law. **Kenyon Shubert** joined the litigation department of **Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson** in the firm's Portland, ME, office. Kenyon, a Maine native, completed her legal studies at U. of Maine Law School. **Judith Aron von Wistinghausen**, LL.M. '99, and her husband Christian are very happy to announce the birth of their first baby, Felix, on February 24, 2005 in Paris. "The three of us are now safely returned to Moscow where I will resume my job at international law firm **Salans** in June 2005."

Jen Babbitt graduated from NYU's Stern School of Business and began working at Citigroup in Manhattan. Also in Manhattan, **Jamie Danow** is an Asst. VP at Bank of America Private Bank. **Melissa Kasha** Lader graduated from Columbia with her Master of Social Work in May 2004 and is fighting the good fight as a social worker in the Bronx. **Kelley Prebil** returned to California the day after graduation back in 1999 and has been there ever since. She's working toward another bachelor's degree—in physics!—at San Francisco State U. and working as a research assistant with **Cryogenic Electronics Group**.

Newly minted plant pathology and crop sciences PhD **Darcy Partridge** wrapped up at North Carolina State U. and has begun work as a post-doc research assistant at Virginia Tech's Tidewater Agriculture Research and Extension Center in Suffolk, VA. **Hellina Tegegne** Dessie is now a doctor of osteopathic medicine. Dr. Dessie graduated from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and is doing her internship at the U. of Minnesota.

Laura Knights writes, "After years of living in New York and Connecticut, I've finally gotten the courage to take skiing lessons. Hopefully I'll manage to stay on my feet—or at least not break any bones!" Laura moved to Seattle to head up Intel-lisponse's West Coast office. As much as she loves Seattle—and is quick to point out that it doesn't rain there nearly as much as people say it does—she misses the East Coast fall. Laura also reports that **Maureen Phillips** Longfellow was married on August 7, 2004. Maureen and her husband are both veterinarians and live in Wisconsin.

Got a minute? Send us an e-mail and make your own boldface appearance in our column!
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OO Hey, Class of 2000! Look for a complete report on Reunion 2005 in the Sept/Oct issue of this magazine, and thanks so much to all those who had a hand in the planning and execution of such a fantastic weekend. Since I have so much news to report, I'll get right to it. Let's start with several exciting nuptial accounts. **Alison Moed** married Andrew Gilbert on August 7, 2004 at the Mark Hotel in Manhattan. The happy couple met in Pittsburgh, where Alison is a PhD student in clinical psychology at the U. of Pittsburgh and conducts neuroscience research. Andrew is a child psychiatrist and post-doctoral research fellow at the U. of Pittsburgh Medical Center. **Erica Streit** was a maid of honor at the wedding.

Earlier in the year, **Anne Mattice** married Christian Strauch on January 3, 2004. Anne writes that they moved into their new home, a Cape Cod modular located on her father's vegetable farm. Adam Gandwetter and **Brooke Wheeler** married on June 28, 2003 in Rhinebeck, NY. Adam is on the law review at Villanova Law School while Brooke teaches art to children at a community art center. **Lisa Turner** and **Rion Weideman** got married on August 7, 2004 in Denver, CO, and then honeymooned in Italy and Croatia. Upon return, the pair moved to Bartlett, IL, in the Chicago area. Lisa teaches kindergarten while Rion is working full time and earning his MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern.

Michael Munoz and **Lizabeth Kate Nolan** were married on October 23, 2004. Michael received his law degree from New York U. and is currently an associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. Lizabeth is a pediatric resident at NYU Medical Center. She earned her degree from New York Medical College. Last but not least, **Kerri Kusza** writes that she married John Cahoy in August 2004 at Choate Rosemary Hall (her alma mater) in Wallingford, CT. The two met at graduate school in Stanford, where Kerri is in her fifth year of a PhD program in electrical engineering studying the Mars atmosphere. Kerri also reports that she is "surrounded" by Cornellians at Stanford. She sees **Amy Droitcour**, **Fayaz Onn**, **Avi Lis-sack**, and the **Gibby** twins! Good luck to all of you in your respective programs!

As always, we have happy news on the baby front! **Nicholas**, ME '91, and **Jenelle Berrien**

Piscitelli announced the birth of their newest family member. Jordan Elizabeth came into the world on July 1, 2004. **Chris**, PhD '03, and **Kalinka Hughes Cihlar** welcomed Shay Andrew on December 14, 2004.

In other Class of 2000 news, **Allie Wesson** reports that she works for the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. She is "thrilled to be a non-practicing attorney." She adds that **Dave Lesser** is clerking and "practicing his mediation skills." **Lindsay Hower** Jordan is a CAAAN member in the D.C. area. She is working in politics, with environmental legislation as her main focus, while finishing a master's in global environmental politics.

Elisabeth Frankel Reed reports that she completed the operations training program at Bear Stearns in New York City. She has now accepted a new position with the Business Continuity group within that firm. She also just returned from watching spring training games in Florida and is looking forward to baseball season and playing softball with the Cornell alumni team this summer. Also on the working front, **Christopher Buckstein** works at his own business, Creative Cameras Inc. He and wife Marie reside in Orange, CA. **David Pearce** and his wife Josée make Washington State their home. David has also started a new business, Abyss Pump Service LLC. **Vanessa Richlin** reports that she is still in medical school in Ohio, while **James Pieri** writes that he works at JPMorgan in NYC as an associate in Structured Credit Derivatives. Congratulations to **Scott Crabtree**, who was recently promoted to manager in the claims organization of Progressive Auto Insurance. He also plays competitive tennis.

Kristin Morris also deserves kudos for her promotion to senior meeting planner at Corbett Accel Healthcare Group. **Philip Ballard** resigned his commission from the Navy on August 2 and began work at the Missile Defense Agency—the next day! He is a defense contractor in charge of security training and writing security policy. He also volunteered for the President's reelection campaign. Philip is active in the Cornell Club, and his fraternity recently elected him to their Alumni Board.

Well, that's all for now. As for me? Well, I'm still running marathons and enjoying teaching in the Westchester 'burbs. ♦ **Sarah Striffler**, sjs34@cornell.edu; and **Andrea Chan**, amc32@cornell.edu.

01 Happy summer, Class of 2001! We hope the summer has been relaxing and treating all of you well. Here's some exciting news from your classmates. On September 20, 2003, **Carter Wilding-White** married **Tiffany Winslow '00** at the Elm Court Estate in Lenox, MA, with ushers **Brian Donohue**, **Rob O'Neill**, **Andy Seaman '02**, and **Mike Ivan '00**, and bridesmaids **Julie Pranikoff '00**, **Rebecca Dubansky**, and **Ingrid Frank '02**, ME '03. Other Cornellians in attendance were **Jenny Burns**, **Melissa Packer '02**, **Katie Evans**, DVM '05, **Abby Kornfeld '02**, **Wayne Van Gemert '00**, **Michelle Lee Choy '98**, and **Clark Sanders '74**, DVM '77. The happy couple honeymooned in Fiji, sailing around the islands, scuba diving, hiking, kayaking, and relaxing for

one month. They even ran into a Fijian wearing an "Ithaca is Gorges" shirt! They just bought their first home, an 1840 Colonial with a big porch and tired old barn. Carter is now working as an account manager for Solar Works, selling, designing, and managing the installation of residential and commercial solar electric and solar hot water systems throughout the Northeast. They caught up with members of the Cornell ski team in March for a ski trip to Utah, including those mentioned above and **Mark Horton '02**.

Antoinette Olivares and **Jason Terrana**, JD '04, are happy to announce their marriage on September 18, 2004. The ILR alums wed at Sage Chapel, followed by a reception at the Statler Hotel. Several Cornellians attended the wedding, including the bride's maid of honor **Francesca Pedemonti** and groomsman **David Unger '02**. Among the many Cornell friends were classmates **Kelly Moson**, **Elizabeth Sperman**, **Christy Bensen**, **Matthew Cheldelin**, **Benjamin Park**, **David Teigman**, **Dmitriy Shamrakov**, JD '04, and **Michelle Wankmuller**. Antoinette currently works as a compensation associate at the insurance brokerage firm Marsh & McLennan, and Jason is a corporate attorney at the law firm Cahill, Gordon & Reindel LLP. The Terranas have made their home in the Murray Hill section of New York City.

Congratulations to **Julie Bassett** on her wedding. She married Patrick M. Kelly on January 1, 2005 in Biddeford Pool, ME, where the happy couple currently resides. A number of Cornellians gathered recently in Las Vegas, NV, to celebrate **Steve McBrady's** bachelor party. The group included **Peter Bowen**, **James McBrady III '99**, **James Carmody**, MPA '02, **Andrew Sachs**, **Jake Kramer**, and **Adam Sills '02**. While they enjoyed mild success at the tables (very mild), the highlight of the trip was taking in Cornell's victory over Ohio State in the NCAA Hockey Tournament.

Ryan Sarsfield checks in to let us know that he couldn't keep away from Cornell. He spent a lovely summer in 2004 at Cornell, working for Cornell's Adult University. From there, he spent a couple of months in Cuba, and then some time in Costa Rica updating a guidebook for *Fodor's Guides*. This spring he was teaching Spanish on a Japanese NGO cruise ship called the *Peace Boat* as it sailed around the world. The nomadic life continues... Go Ryan!

Laura Rubinate is currently in her first year of medical school at Nova Southeastern U. College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Lauderdale, FL, Class of 2008. For Laura, it was a hard change going back to school after three years, during which time she worked full time as a pharmaceutical research scientist at GlaxoSmithKline pharmaceuticals in King of Prussia, PA. She moved to Fort Lauderdale in late July 2004 and loves it—the weather is 80 degrees in February, a nice change from what we went through in undergrad! She is looking forward to being a physician (eventually) at 28 years old. Laura is still riding horses, after being the co-captain of the varsity equestrian team her senior year at Cornell. She even donated her old horse to Cornell for the current team to use. Happily, her coach is taking good care of him in Ithaca.

Elora Basu is an RVP in charge of client solutions on the retail side with Morgan Stanley in New Jersey, and she assists the sales force tremendously. Her boss said, "I can tell you first hand that she has been an invaluable asset to my business, and we're glad to have her on our team." Congratulations to **Marco Boyce**, who passed his professional exam and is now a registered landscape architect practicing in Delaware, Pennsylvania, and Maryland and living in Delaware. He switched firms to work at Morris & Ritchie Associates Inc., where he's involved in the design and planning of mixed-use residential communities throughout the mid-Atlantic region.

Amy Palmieri Cohen matched for her pediatrics residency at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). She and husband **Scott** will be making Philadelphia their new home starting in June. Baker & Hostetler LLP welcomed **Jack Fitzgerald** to their law firm in New York City. Jack had graduated magna cum laude and continued to New York U. School of Law, where he was a member of the NYU Law Review. Congrats, Jack!

Do you have any news for your fellow classmates? Let us know so we can write about it! E-mail us at classof2001@cornell.edu. Have a great summer! ♦ **Lauren Wallach**, lew15@cornell.edu; **Trina Lee**, TKL6@cornell.edu.

02 Well, the Yankees are off to their worst start since '91, but something tells me that by the time you read this they'll have bounced back. New Yorkers are not too forgiving, though; they expect a lot from their Bombers. This summer I decided to work as a staff member on a tour for teenagers that goes through Alaska, the Northwest coast, and Hawaii—rather than obtain one of those "practical" internships. I say travel is highly practical, especially now. Who's with me?

I will be up in Ithaca in two weeks for our annual Taekwondo Alumni Weekend, and again end of May for the wedding celebration of **Alice Tu** and **Han Dan Cho '89**. The reception is at the same place as several of my Theta formals, the Lake Watch Inn, though I will behave myself and resist the temptation to regress to my sorority days. I plan to stock up on desserts from Madeline's and candy from Wegmans. The Martha Stewart Internship in their Training & Development Division has been a trip this semester. Haven't met Martha yet, but, well, it's tough to pin her down these days.

Let's start with those of you currently pursuing graduate degrees. "Hello to the Class of 2002!" writes **Korey Jaben**. "I hope this issue finds everyone well and happy, and a little bit closer to accomplishing their goals. I am finishing up my first year at the U. of Miami School of Medicine, where I have joined A Chi O sisters **Jane Fishler '03** and **Jessica Kulak '01**. Jane and I had a blast spending our spring break in the Dominican Republic working with Medical Students in Action. With only 20 first- and second-year medical students and two physicians, we treated over 700 patients in four days! I miss Ithaca, as always, and I look forward to making the ambitious trek up there sometime soon."

Korey also stays in touch with **Heather Groeger**, who she tells us is finishing up her first year of nursing school at the U. of Pennsylvania. **Ilyse Gerson** Cody writes that she is moving from Seattle to Boston this summer to begin her MBA at the Sloan School of Management at MIT. Husband **Brian '00**, ME '01, will be starting a new job at The Mathworks this summer as well. **Kristin Sunderdick** is in her third year of veterinary school at the Maryland-Virginia Tech Regional Veterinary College.

Some of you are heading for completion of your advanced degrees. **Corinne McGown** wrote in to tell us about boyfriend and classmate **Graham Meli**, who will graduate from Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the *Harvard Law Review*. Graham has accepted a position at the law firm of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz in New York starting this fall. Congratulations to Graham and thanks to Corinne for sending in his update! "I am finishing up my final year at Suffolk University Law School with a concentration in international law," writes **Jason Wiener**. "My third law review article has been accepted for publication at the *Wisconsin Journal of International Law*." Congratulations, Jason! **Jocelyne Slepian** is finishing up her master's in theology at Ref. Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS. She graduates in May 2005. She also told us about sister **Dorothy Slepian '99**, who is now Mrs. Richard Furberg and working on a second master's degree in environmental engineering. Their father, **David Slepian '64**, MD '68, is practicing plastic surgery in Whidbey Is., WA.

Many of us have opted to stay in or around Ithaca since graduation. For the past three years, **Nicole Boosembark** has been working at the Statler Hotel as the senior banquets and conference services manager. Starting in January she will be a catering/sales manager focusing on social functions such as weddings, bar mitzvahs, holiday parties, and recruiters. "I am looking forward to working more normal hours," she writes. Nicole also updated us on classmates **Josh Debottis**, who is working at the Statler as Front Desk Manager, and **Ruthie Levy**, who is heading back over to Iraq in January for 12-18 months. **Andrew Russell** is in his second year teaching Latin at a rural high school near Loudonville, NY, and plans to begin a master's program in Latin.

Forbes Online recently gave awards to CustomGolfVacations.com, created by Sitation LLC, a Web development firm owned by **Samuel Bradford** and **Steven Engelbrecht '01**. CustomGolfVacations.com won "Best of the Web Pick" for the Golf Travel category and was named a "Forbes Favorite" alongside travel giants Expedia, Priceline, and Orbitz. Sam and Steve first joined forces as undergraduates, when they created and managed the first European singing tour for the Hangovers (source: *Forbes Online*, January 25, 2005).

Brace yourselves, '02ers: the time has finally arrived for a baby section! **Elisabeth Carlin Fritz** welcomed new baby Grant Edward on July 7, 2004. He was born in Ft. Stewart, GA, where his father Jason is stationed. "My husband will leave in early 2005 for his second tour of duty in Iraq," Elisabeth writes. **Elena Drakos** is currently

serving in the Peace Corps in Azerbaijan. **John Hill**, ME '03, writes that he frequently sees **Ethan Auerback**, **Ben Yurman-Glaser**, **Jason Brauth**, and many, many other fellow Cornellians here in the Big Apple. Keep the updates coming! Send news to: ♦ **Carolyn Deckinger**, cmd35@cornell.edu; or **Elizabeth Richards**, elizabethlauren_richards@yahoo.com.

03 Well, it's been a busy spring for many of us, so there's a lot of exciting news to share. **Melissa McMillan** continues to work for Dine Murphy Wood LLC, an architectural firm in downtown Manhattan. **Megan Dorn** is in Manhattan too, but that's Manhattan, KS (she tells us it's the "Little Apple"). She's busy in her second year at the Kansas State U. College of Veterinary Medicine. And speaking of vet school, congratulations to **Beth Nelms** on her acceptance to the U. of Pennsylvania veterinary school. She'll be starting there in the fall after she completes her master's at Drexel U. I got to meet up with **Matt Norton** for lunch in Amherst, MA, and he told me that he will be going to the U. of Glasgow vet school in the fall. The pets of the Class of 2003 will certainly be well taken care of!

Solani Kantaria is already abroad in Australia at the U. of Sydney Law School. She has finished her second year and will have completed her degree by next November. **Adrianne Kroepsch**, meanwhile, has left the snowy slopes of Colorado and writes, "I moved back to the East Coast! I'm doing science policy work for the American Association for the Advancement of Science and trying to figure out how to live in a bustling metropolis after being a ski/mountain bike instructor for the past year in Colorado and Utah, respectively. I already miss **Aline Speck-aert**, my housemate from Park City, UT." **Carla Winston** has also returned to the East Coast, although she had to cross an ocean. Carla wrote, "I'm back from my Fulbright year in Switzerland and am readjusting to the US by throwing myself headfirst into life in Washington, DC. I work 40 hours a week as a research assistant for two different think tanks, as well as pursuing full-time graduate study in international affairs at George Washington U." Sounds exciting!

Also on the east coast, **Ellen Devine** is a teaching fellow in the English dept. at Philips Academy in Andover, MA. She is coaching three sports and is a resident counselor. Close by is **Jen Weston**, who is finishing up her MS in human nutrition at Tufts U. She is doing a dietetic internship at the New England Medical Center.

Meryl Conant is also doing some exciting things. She wrote, "I'm going into my third month as a television reporter for the ABC affiliate in Staunton, VA. I am out in the field reporting every day and going live almost every night. After finishing Cornell, I received a master's degree in broadcast journalism from Northwestern U. I am doing my dream job in an adorable town that is only a little more than two hours away from my home near Washington, DC. I still miss Cornell, but I keep in touch with tons of my college friends." **Daniel Lenski** is nearby as a physics graduate student at the U. of Maryland. **Rachel Scher**

has moved to Maryland after getting her MSW from the U. of Michigan in December of 2004.

We've been a bit behind on sharing some of our updates, so here is some older but very exciting news! **Adrienne Dutt** ran the Chicago Marathon back in October. **Justin Morehead**, ME '04, wrote, "Since finishing my master's in Engineering Management at Cornell, I have been working as a financial analyst for Bank of America in San Francisco, CA. In February 2004 I married **Emilee Thoner '04**. We live in Concord, where we are involved with our local church and are having a great time exploring California's mountains and beaches." **Elizabeth Quezada** is also in California and is a PhD student at UC Berkeley.

Matt Hastings is back in Iraq and wrote to say, "I'm back in Iraq for 'round two' and have been extremely busy since arriving in Kuwait in early March. Right now I'm located at a base that's part of Baghdad International Airport. Our living conditions are pretty good. We have real toilets (as opposed to porta-johns), which is a key factor in how we've been judging the living conditions. We only have to leave the base on convoy every fourth day and the routes are very short. Most of our time is being spent fixing all of the equipment that broke on the ship or on the trip here." Our thoughts are with you, Matt, for your safe return!

I, meanwhile, graduated from Green Corps in the fall of 2004 and moved to Seattle for a new job as an organizer with Corporate Accountability Int'l (formerly Infact). I'm doing work I love, challenging corporations on their abusive actions for long-term systemic change. And, of course, Seattle is great. I also get to travel a lot, so perhaps I'll see some of you on my trips around the US. Looking forward to the hearing your stories! Send your news to ♦ **Sudha Nandagopal**, sn58@cornell.edu; or **Samantha Buckingham**, sbw9@cornell.edu.

04 Can you believe we've been out of college for more than a year? By now, I know all of you are curious about what your old classmates are doing, and I have a bunch of updates for you. But what about you? Have you sent something in? You may be wondering what that cute guy or girl who sat next to you in Wines is doing, and someone is wondering what you're up to, too! So send me an update! ASAP. My e-mail address is at the bottom of this column.

Kris Ann Brady is a junior account executive at Hunter Public Relations. **Justin Schoenberg** is working in the I-Banking division of Citigroup in New York City. Another Justin is also in NYC. **Justin Koser** has decided to put off graduate school indefinitely, and is working for Epana Networks, a telecom firm in Manhattan. Justin adds, "**Harlan Crystal** is still living it up in Ithaca as he works toward a master's in Engineering in Computer Science."

Sage Nagai is into Chinese kickboxing and is currently getting a master's degree at Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in New Orleans, LA. Sage is enrolled in the Master's Internationalist Program in Public Health and is

working with the Peace Corps. The South is now home to **Darren Rumack**, who is in Nashville, TN, studying at Vanderbilt Law. Another future attorney, **Matthew Muns** has just completed his first year of law school at St. Thomas U.

Michelle Findley lives in Las Vegas and works as a concierge and front desk agent at the Venezia Tower of the Venetian Hotel. She also teaches at Gymboree Play and Music. **Hannah Levine** began a new job as development coordinator at the Harris School of Public Policy in December. She writes that she is "learning lots and loving it!" In March, she was in Armenia to give a presentation and work out a deal, and in May, she is off to Dubai. Hannah also wants to let us know that **Leslie Fink** is loving Columbia Medical School!

Send in your updates and join the Cornell 2004 group on both friendster.com and thefacebook.com. Enjoy the warm weather! ♦ **Vanessa Matsis**, vgm3@cornell.edu.

05 July and August 2005. Many of us are winding down from our last summer of hoo-rah, while others have already taken that step into the working world or graduate school. I myself am finishing up my first summer here in beautiful Ithaca. As most of you know, one day of warm weather in Ithaca makes you forget how cold you might have been just the day before—imagine three months' worth. I can take long runs, relax in the Plantations, and walk down in the gorges . . . all without worrying about when I'll have to get back to a paper.

In June I also got to clerk for Reunion Weekend for the first time, which involves assisting various classes with the logistics of their reunion. After spending a long weekend with passionate Cornell alumni, I've gained a renewed appreciation for Cornell. It's finally setting in how much I'll miss the Big Red and all the people I've met over the years.

As expected, many of our classmates have found their way to New York City. **John Keh** enjoys living in NYC as he finishes up his training program at JPMorgan. He says that he would love to meet up with Cornellians in the city, so please look him up and contact him. **Dave Zhou** is also at JPMorgan, working in the Dept. of Fixed Income Research. After a nice family reunion in Los Angeles and Las Vegas, **Jaymie Brill '04** is working in Morgan Stanley's fixed income department. **Ariam Mogos** is living it up while working in the development department of an independent film company. **Joanne Barken** is finishing up her real estate job in Ithaca before relocating to NYC in August.

Liliana Diaz-Hidalgo writes, "I just got into 'Manchester's Who's Who of Executives and Professionals,' so I will use this network to strengthen my community group, the Association for the Advancement of Mexican People (AAMP). From September till May, I will be participating in the NYC Urban Fellows Program, where I will be employed at a NYC government agency and attend workshops for professional development. In Fall 2006 I will attend NYU's Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service." **Briana Rogers**

traveled to France and Italy for three weeks in June before starting her orientation for the Goldman Sachs Investment Banking Division, where she'll be working full time for the next two years. Also in NYC, **Kim Glassman** began work in June as a product assistant for Federated Merchandising Group, the private-label division of Federated Department Stores that includes Macy's and Bloomingdale's. Between graduation and starting her new job, Kim traveled to Florida and Puerto Rico so she could get some sun before working inside behind a desk.

Some classmates are continuing their post-college lives elsewhere, but not **Bina Lokchander**. She is at Cornell doing research on the kinetics of glutamate receptors in the Dept. of Molecular Medicine. The receptors are connected to a rare form of epilepsy called Rasmussen's encephalitis, and this research marks the beginning of Bina's Biomedical Master of Engineering program at Cornell. Beginning in August, **Lauren Briglia** will be part of Lincoln Financial Group's Professional Development Program. This three-year centralized leadership development program allows participants to understand their business, gain exposure to business leaders, and deal with technical and compliance issues. During her first year, Lauren looks forward to working in Philadelphia with Lincoln Financial Distributors in the Marketing and Business Development department. **Allison Betof** is finishing up traveling and working for her mother's company. In August she will begin an MD/PhD program at Duke U. She would like to focus on spinal cord injuries in the future, so she will most likely earn her degrees in the area of neuroscience.

I would now like to thank personally all those who participated in the Senior Class Campaign. As you may recall, our class gift to Cornell was the Class of 2005 Endowed Scholarship. For every gift of at least \$5, Trustee Emerita **Laura Clark '85** pledged \$25 toward the scholarship fund. Your generosity will help first-year Cornellians for years to come enjoy all the things we now miss as alumni. This being said, please remain active Cornellians, even as young alumni. Participate in any way you can, whether it's through monetary support, sitting on a career panel, or interviewing Cornell applicants. Your alumni experience will be so much more fulfilling if you stay in touch.

On that note, make sure you visit our class website, <http://classof2005.cornell.edu>, to stay updated with alumni messages and events. Here are some more links you might find helpful: Cornell Alumni Directory, <https://directory.alumni.cornell.edu/>; Alumni e-mail forwarding (this one is extremely important!), <http://www.cuconnect.cornell.edu/index.cfm>; Career Contact Network (if you have a job, please share the love with other Cornell students), <http://www.career.cornell.edu/alumni/shareExperiences.html>; regional Cornell Clubs (make sure we Cornellians always remember how to have a good time), http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/regional_clubs.htm; supporting Cornell financially, <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/giving.htm>; and general alumni information, <http://alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Michelle Wong**, mrw29@cornell.edu; and **Matthew Janiga**, mwj3@cornell.edu.

Legacies

The 3,657 undergraduate students (freshmen and transfer students) who entered the University in the fall of 2004 included 491 who are known to be the children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren of alumni. The information for the following lists was compiled during the admissions process from data provided by the descendants of alumni who apply for admission as undergraduates, are admitted, and then matriculate at the University. No such list is ever considered to be complete, so additions and corrections to the lists are welcome. Please contact *Cornell Alumni Magazine* with any revisions.

According to the information supplied, one student who entered the University in 2004 is a fifth-generation Cornellian: Dylan Hughes is the great-great-grandson of Leonard C. Crouch, PhD 1889, great-grandson of Paul A. Crouch '24, grandson of Minor I. Hughes Jr. '58, and son of Minor I. Hughes III '82.

22 students who entered in 2004 are the great-grandchildren of Cornellians: Elizabeth Adams [Anna Messer Calihan 1905]; Emily Backus [Arthur L. Loomis '18 and Genevieve (Krey) '20]; Bryan Beaudoin [Newman L. Heroy 1872 (great-great-grandson)]; Michael Collis [Joseph Krauskopf '16]; Brian Connolly [Daniel S. Beam '21]; Elizabeth Eichling [Percy S. Wilson '19, ME '20]; Frank Heinrichs [Frank Heinrichs '17]; Morgan Hirsch [George H. Strugatz '16]; Sarah Hunter [William G. Mennen 1908]; Alexander Keith [Walter C. Teagle 1899]; Bryan Latchford [Arthur W. Fredericks, DVM '31]; Jonathan Leiman [Alvin M. Josephy 1908]; Evan Orem [Norman D. Steve '13]; Daniel Perkins [Robert A. McKinney, DVM '20]; David Perry [Sigmund B. Lindau '18 and Mabelle (MacWhorter) '17]; Austin Rizzo [Jerome K. Wardwell '22 and Louise (Royce) '22]; Remington Sutton [Albert E. Verbyla '22]; Summer Sutton [Albert E. Verbyla '22]; Rebecca Thomas [Reuben E. Nyswander, PhD 1908]; Paul Torrey [Frederick W. Hinck 1910]; Courtney Ward [Nairne F. Ward, ME '21, MME '27 and Janet (Nundy) '26]; Melissa Yates [William H. Yates, ME 1906].

11 students who entered in 2004 are both great-grandchildren and grandchildren of Cornellians: Elizabeth Bryant [Thomas V. Bryant '15 and Rosanna (McRoberts) '15; and Thomas V. Bryant '50, JD '53, and Helen Ruth (Grant) '48]; Russel Davenport [Edward Davenport '20; and Gordon K. Davenport '53 and Martha (Kelsey) '53]; Rachael Grazioplene [Russell E. Dudley '29 and Margaret (Gilchrist) '31; and Luther H. Robinson '55 and Diana (Dudley) '56]; Rachel Habermehl [Nelson W. Cheney 1899; and Edgar O. Cheney '28]; Carl Hayden [Leonard Gordon '31; and Margaret J. Gordon '60]; Katherine McCrary [Walker L. Cislser '22, William F. Rippe '22; and Richard D. Rippe '51 and Marianne (Aber) '53]; Nathaniel Stokoe [William C. Stokoe Sr. '13; and William C. Stokoe Jr. '42, PhD '46, and Ruth (Palmetier) '42]; Colin Wilke [Earl W. Murray, LLB '22; and Earl W. Murray '49]; Meredith Winner [Clarence L. Gillespie, ME 1903; and George H. Winner, JD '35]; Paul Wolski [Anson J. Forsyth '15; and Rodney A. Forsyth, DVM '46]; Nicolas Young [Felipe T. Adriano, PhD '27; and Robert W. Purcell '32, LLB '35].

10 students who entered in 2004 are both children and great-grandchildren of Cornellians: Lauren Benenati [Steven F. Benenati '75; and Francis J. Oates '20 and Lillian (Carmer) '22]; Jessica Cheng [Philip Y. Cheng '73; and Lee Lu Cheung '19]; Robert Fishman [Glenn I. Fishman '78 and Joanne (Wallenstein) '78; and Benjamin N. Fishman '20]; James Grossman [William E.L. Grossman, PhD '64; and William E. Leffingwell 1875]; Marc Gurny [Helen Graham Gurny '78; and Louis Goldberg '17 and Flora Schaap Goldstein '18]; Rebecca Hartman [Peter C. Hartman '82; and Leon W. Hartman 1898, MA 1899]; Elizabeth Longstreet [John H. Longstreet '77; and George S. Warren Sr., ME 1905]; Sarah Perkins [Jeffrey J. Perkins, ME '00; and Sidney Quinby '24]; Laura Tagatac [Daniel D. Tagatac, MS '79, and Anne E. Mayer '77; and Clyde Mayer '21]; Stephen Welker [William S. Welker '73, MBA '75; and Thomas Howe, ME 1896].

In the legacy listings that follow, deceased alumni are designated by an asterisk (*). A dagger (†) indicates a stepparent.

ONE CORNELLIAN PARENT

204 new students note one Cornellian parent. Those who also have at least one Cornellian grandparent or great-grandparent are listed elsewhere.

Parent	Child
Kenneth W. Leland '72	Michelle Alim
John P. Asiello, JD '77	Peter
Donald E. Aubrecht '70, BArch '71	Patricia
Judith Friedman Babcock '74	James
William R. Baker '74	Caroline
Barbara Barker Warner '76	Elizabeth
Benigno V. Barrero '77, MPS '94	Benigno
	Barrero-Arroyo
David W. Baxter '77	Alexander
David A. Beale '71	Elana
Bonnie J. Saland '75	Zachary Beck
Paul L. Belleisle '82	Katelyn
Jeffrey S. Belsky '77	Jason
Elan J. Benamy '65	Talia
Robert J. Berry, MD '73	Jonathan
Jacques Blinbaum '70, BArch '71	David
Kenneth A. Bloom '78	Joshua
James A. Boland '73	Corey
James M. Brennan '76, MS '77	Shana
David L. Bressman '72, JD '75	Michael
William Clendenin Broadbudd '75	Elena

Mark L. Bromberg '73, MBA '74	Jenna
Katherine Scher Brown '81	William R.
Elayne Bregman Burlingham '68, MAT '69	Joshua
Charles S. Butin, MBA '74	Scott
Adriane Pachucki Callinan '77	Luke
Ronald F. Lehman '70	Megan Cartner
Michael Caverly '83	Sean
Judith A. Rossiter, JD '86	Nicole Ceci
Amitabh Chandra, PhD '79	Nikhil
Edward N. Conathan '71	Devin
Benjamin Cross '76	Meghan
John S. Czelusniak '75, BS '76	Sandra
Donald P. Decorte '83	John
Mark L. Delaney '73	Christopher
David C. Deitz '72	Alison Delargy
Renee F. Laffer '68	Marla Diakow
Tomislav V. Diminich '79	Alissa
Julie Ann Blackman '74	Jed Dinnerstein
Cleveland Donald, MA '70, PhD '73	Krista
Guy T. Donatiello '84	Lindsay
Robert L. Douglas '73	Jeffrey
John J. Duffy, JD '69	Caitlin
Jesus J. Duran, MPS '94	Danilo
Richard S. Edelman '75	Aaron
Sheldon B. Eisenberg, MD '76	Drew
Richard M. Feldman '76	Jonathan
Michael E. Finley '73	Edward

Katherine Menton Flaxman '71	Marian
Kirk G. Forrest '72	Alexandra
James C. Franzek '64, DVM '67	Elizabeth
Mitzi Kehn Fritz '76	Robert
Toshiki Ouchi, MBA '83	Risa Fujita
Arthur L. Gelston, MD '77	David
P. Ronald Gerson '72	Leigh
Dayle B. Burgess '81	Madeline Girard
David A. Goldenberg '70	Adam
Charles F. Goochee '72	David
Stasi Lubansky Gordon '78	Emily
Gregory R. Gordon '80	Steven
Laurn H. Guttenplan '77	Rebecca Grant
Lisa Gould Greenky '79	David
Bruce L. Hack '71	Tania
Kurt K. Hahn '78	Alexander
James L. Hall '50	Sandy
Carl P. Hemenway, MS '77, PhD '82	Abigail
Steven Herman '66	Andrew
Frank F. Herron '74	Stephen
Cary S. Hershey '67	Victoria
Glenn T. Heumann '76	Eric
David A. Hirsch '65	Stefanie
Jeffrey P. Hoh '80	Nicholas
Debra Motschwiller Hollenberg '76	Jennifer
Matthew Horn '80	Matthew
Marcus A. Horwitz '68	Joshua
Charles A. Peters '77	William
	Hubbard-Peters
	Matthew
	Benjamin
	Dewey
	Alicia
	Nicholas
	Logan
	Daniel
	Alexandra
	Brian
	Aashica
	Erica
	Elizabeth Kim
	Ho Jung
	Woo Dong Kim
	Johanna
	Robin
	Daniel
	Lonnie
	Olanike
	ME '86, PhD '88
	Faye
	Jill Lange
	Matthew
	Christina
	Mark
	Matthew Leighton
	Scott
	Jennifer
	Nolan
	Joshua
	Jason
	Jonathan
	Lisa
	Benjamin
	Jaimee
	Robin
	Seth
	Peter
	Rebecca
	MD '75
	Jonathan
	Nicholas
	Laura
	Gabriel Malone
	Justin Mao-Jones
	Jacqueline
	Alison
	Scott

Ronald S. Mass '75
Michael M. Matejek, JD '77
Glenn A. Mazzamaro '77
John F. McCarthy III '67
Thomas R. Meade '73
Beth Shepard Meister '69
Mark R. Mendelson '79
Alfred W.K. Metzner, MS '59,
PhD '63

Michael Milgroom, PhD '87
George R. Najemy '68
Mary J. Newhart '01
Steven Jobe Onysko, MS '76
Stuart I. Oran '71
Grigore F. Pavlenko, PhD '76
Kenneth J. Pierce, JD '84
Susan C. Piliero, PhD '94
Hugh D. Pinkus '75
Julia Smyth-Pinney '73, BArch '76
Cynthia Cairns Pompelia '79
Jane Levine Powers, PhD '85
Mohammed I. Qamar '74, MS '76
J. Jay Rakow, JD '77
Richard Reinken, MBA '85
Robert J. Reinstein '65
Deborah Matzner-Rogove '77
Silvia M. Picon '85
Susan Isaacs Rosen, MD '78
Beverly Block Rosenbaum '77
Richard E. Rothkopf '67
Roann Levinsohn Rubin, MPS '74
Richard M. Rudnick '72
David LeRoy Ryan '67
Debra Haupt-Saltzman '78
Daniel A. Saunders '75
Eric B. Schlamowitz '76, BArch '77
Nadine R. Shaoul '76

Steven A. Seifert '72
Elliot J. Seley '60
Robert S. Sender '76, ME '77
Nagib A. Shamji '81
Rhonda Kraft Sherman '74
Susan Weiss Shoval '74
Herbert B. Shulman '68
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Jay A. Siegel '80
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Gordon H. Silver '68
Anne Blecher Singer '73
Thomas D. Smith '76
Vijay K. Sood, PhD '79
Michael A. Sopchak '72
Barry W. Spaulding Jr., DVM '92
Andrew M. Spencer '80
Charles G. Staadecker '71
Daniel A. Staver '82, ME '84
Frank E. Stein '74
Henry H. Steinberg '78
Karen Schaller Stern '76
Lawrence D. Stern '79
Candace Mingins '70
Mark L. Sussman '71
Duane A. Tananbaum '71
David Taussig '71
Stewart J. Tepper, MD '79
Malcolm Thomas '83
Edwin M. Tsuzuki '80
Alan Venooker '69
Jonathan D. Victor, MD '80
Neil Vosburgh '68
Jay W. Waks '68, JD '71
Mark J. Walker, PhD '98
Roger I. Warren '70
Bonnie Siler Weinstock '75
Geoffrey D. Weisman '74
Robert E. Weissenstein '78

Alon
James
Ashley
John
Melinda
Amanda
Aaron
Veronica

Travis
Andrea
Corinne
Derek
Olivia
Robert
Shannon
Matthew
Elliot
David Pinney
Stephanie
Katherine
Shaan
Matthew
Kristen
Thomas
Daniel Rogove
Jonathan Rosales
David
Adam
Maxwell
Emily
Joseph
David
Hilary Saltzman
Laura
Carly
Alison
Schonberger
Sara
Jennifer
Juliana
Hannah
Eric
Rebecca
Larissa
Corey
Jarid
Ari
Nicole
Elliot
Jennifer
Divya
Rebecca
Delana
Matthew
Benjamin
Rachel
Benjamin
Hannah
Alexander
Jason
Leo Stoscheck
Daniel
Robert
Ava
Clinton
Renee
Jamie-Lynn
Bethany
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Mary Rose
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Geoffrey D. Weisman '74
Robert E. Weissenstein '78

Robert J. Wertheimer '76
Brian W. Willenborg '76
Kenneth I. Winkler, DVM '71
Gary J. Wolfe '71
*Prachar Yongvanich '76, ME '77, MBA '78
Donald J. Zinn '76
Ronda Rosman Zukof '78
Eleanor Grosz '76

Lisa
Daniel
Aubrey
Gregory
Pairaj
Daniel
David
Jessica Zweifach

TWO CORNELLIAN PARENTS

98 new students note both Cornellian mothers and fathers. Those who also have Cornellian grandparents or great-grandparents are listed elsewhere.

Parents

Jonathan P. Arfa '74
Barbara (Bernstein) '75
†William W. Huling '68, MBA '74
Karin S. Ash, PhD '99
Roy E. Baldwin '70
Cynthia (Howe) '72
Frederick M. Barken '77, BA '76, MS '77
Marlene (Weiss) '78
Philip E. Batson '70, PhD '76
Deirdre Courtney-Batson '72, MA '75
Alan D. Berkowitz '77
Evelyn D. (Sturm) '78
Michael Berman '79, MBA '86
Judith (Van Adelsberg) '79
Sam C. Bonney '69
Mary Lee Bourbeau '81
Steve C. Buerman '80
Nancy (Rush) '80
Gerard T. Burke '80
Patricia (Greene) '79
James E. Carpenter '80
Jennifer (Wartik) '80
Tak S. Chan '73, MS '75
Frances Chungchien Wang '76
Calvin W. Cheng '74, MBA '76
Annie Y. Wong '77
Steven A. Cohen '74
Mary (Akerson) '74
David Michael Cohen '73
Abby (Joseph) '73
Thomas K. Davis '76, BArch '77
Marleen (Kay) '74
Ned N. Dorman '77
Ellen (Rifkin) '77
Daniel C. Edelstein '82, MS '87, PhD '90
Ruth (Levy) '81
Kevin P. Fitzpatrick '76
Mary (McEwen) '79
James A. Flanders, PhD
N. Sydney Moise, MS '85
Wayne D. Freihofer '61
Debra (Briggs) '77, MA '79
Peter W. Penniman '73
Susan A. Fritts '98
Gary L. Fullerton '72
Ellen (Chimerane) '73, MS '77
David Gee '75, ME '76
Rose (Hsiung) '78
Cecil S. Giscoombe, MFA '75
Katharine (Wright), MFA '75
Bernard Gitler, MD '76
Ellen (Spielman), MD '77
Michael Goldsmith '72, JD '75
Constance Healey '81
Robert B. Gravani, MS '69, PhD '75
Eileen (Hurd), PhD '90
Henry R. Grillo '74
Kathryn (Ganss) '75

Child

Benjamin Arfa
Brian Ash
Susanna Baldwin
Jeffrey Barken
James Batson
Daniel Berkowitz
Oren Berman
Luke Bonney
Leah Buerman
Timothy Burke
Edward Carpenter
Allison Chan
Alison Cheng
Jared Cohen
Lauren Cohen
Stephen Davis
Allison Dorman
Elana Edelstein
Kelly Fitzpatrick
Nicholas Flanders
Gretchen Freihofer
Allison Fritts-Penniman
Matthew Fullerton
Kailyn Gee
Madeline Giscoombe
Bryan Gitler
Austen Goldsmith
Kristen Gravani
Daniel Grillo

Michael M. Gruver '81
Mary Jane (Fannon) '81
Neal D. Haber '75
Suzanne (Heller) '75
Charles C. Hardy '72
Janice (Vigilano) '72
Alan L. Hillman '78, MD '81
Janice (Kubo), MD '82
Francis M. Hoffmann, PhD '79
Barbara (Allen), MS '78, PhD '81
David T. Hsieh '79
Jamie (Fong) '79

Chien-Pin S. Hsu, MS '79, PhD '82
Helen (Han), PhD '83
David Israel '76
Jill (Baker) '76
Scott C. Jackson '77
Elaine (Zajac) '78
Ramesh C. Jolly, PhD '75
Irene (Liem), MS '76
Jeffrey H. Kerner '71
Gina (Davis) '77
Steven L. Kirshenbaum '73
Nancy (Wolffert) '76
Mark J. Koenig '76, ME '77
Donna (Hass) '77
Dexter C. Kozen, MS '76, PhD '77
Frances (Holmes) '72, MS '77
Barry S. Kublin '80
Rhonda (Margolin) '80
William F. Lathrop, MS '86
Mary (Hamilton) '84
Kam Hung Leung, PhD '77
Katrina (Chan) '76
Steven M. Liebling, MBA '80
Andrea Koopman Liebling '80
Stephen J. Liguori '77
Susan (Szymanski) '77
William O. Lim '80, BArch '81, March '82
Lavina (Mui) '80
Thung-Rung Lin, MS '80, PhD '83
Yu-Chin Chien, MS '79, PhD '83
Kin-Ming Lo '75, MS '78, PhD '81
Vivien Pui-Wen Lo, MA '77, PhD '82
Robert F. Mancuso, JD '73
*Harriet (Stein), JD '73
Bryan B. Marler '76
Janet (Gompels) '78, MS Hotel '79, MILR '97, PhD '00
Charles G. McClure '75
Sarah (Henderson) '77
Paul D. McConville, JD '70
Mary (Rudgers) '70
William W. Meyer '76
Jeannette (Denicolis) '76
Jeffrey B. Miller '75
Mary (Caso) '76
Lawrence J. Mix '78
Ellyn (Graff) '78
Joseph F. Molloy '82
Dana (Lichtman) '83
Jeffrey H. Moskow '79
Laurie (Hanselman) '80
Joseph A. Neafsey '72, MPS '76
Patricia (Jungbluth) '73, MS '76
James Kevin Nedrow '70
Barbara (Linehan) '73
Scott R. Noar, MS '82, PhD '85
Patricia (Stewart) '77
Kerry F. Nowaskey '79, MBA '81
Susan M. Beauregard '79
Marc E. Parham, MS '75, PhD '77
Kathleen A. Quinlan '71
Richard C. Pedersen '81
Laura (Hansen), MPS '81

Rachel Gruver
Alex Haber
Richard Hardy
Jennifer Hillman
Claire Hoffmann
Carolyn Hsieh
Jared Israel
Meredith Jackson
Shawn Jolly
Stephen Kerner
Melanie Kirshenbaum
Brian Koenig
Geoffrey Kozen
Beth Kublin
Virginia Lathrop
Anson Leung
Danielle Liebling
Christine Liguori
Kevin Lim
Jerry Lin
Andrew Lo
Miranda Mancuso
Peter Marler
Charles McClure
Thomas McConville
Gregory Meyer
Stephen Miller
Michael Mix
Jennifer Molloy
Sarah Moskow
Katherine Neafsey
Abby Nedrow
Jesse Noar
Kristen Nowaskey
Lindsay Parham
Benjamin Pedersen

THREE CORNELL GENERATIONS

Of the students entering in 2004, 67 are listed as third-generation Cornellians.

Grandparent(s)	Parent(s)	Child
Richard B. Fischer, PhD '53 Mary (Schofield), MS '48	Mary Margaret Fischer '77	Maria Bazaldua
Mildred Beece '49	Daniel K. Beece '75 Cheryl Kuttenkuler Beece '75	Adam Beece
William Berley '45 *Isabel (Mayer) '47	Richard M. Berley '75	Heather Berley
*Hyman M. Lockwood '40	Phyllis Levine Biegun '69	Zachary Biegun
*Alvin J. Braun	Kenneth A. Braun '65, MS '67	Karen Braun
Neal M. Galusha '51	David W. Brooks '79, DVM '83	Samuel Brooks
John M. Butterly '41 Ruth Kessel Butterly '41	John R. Butterly '70 Lynn (Axel) '71	Daniel Butterly
George C. Christensen, DVM '49, MS '50, PhD '53 *Janeth (Reid) '47	Curtis L. Christensen '72	Benjamin Christensen
*Lawrence A. Christensen '37	Norman L. Christensen '73	Katherine Christensen
Burton Citak, JD '52	Lori Glass Citak '79	Jordan Citak
Philip Coombe Jr. '58 Carolyn (Russell) '59	Philip Coombe III '81	John Coombe
Richard W. Conway '53, PhD '58 Edythe (Davies) '54, MEd '56, PhD '79	Kathryn Conway Dimiduk '79	Thomas Dimiduk
Basil DuMond '37	Bruce DuMond '72, MAT '77	Carolyn DuMond
Basil DuMond '37	Bruce DuMond '72, MAT '77	Michelle DuMond
Howard E. Evans '44, PhD '50	Edward A. Evans '74, MBA '75	Parker Evans
Edward M. Fleisher '49	Adam R. Fleisher '81	Adam Fleisher
*Lyman H. Smith '40, LLB '42	Sayre M. Fulkerson '75	Steven Fulkerson
Grace E. Richardson, MS '62	Thomas A. Goettel '75	Kate Goettel
*Leonard Y. Goldman '35	Laurie Schindler Goldman '73	James Goldman
James H. Gould '54	James H. Gould '79	Caroline Gould
Richard Hamilton, MD '47	Wendy Jacobs Hamilton '79	Lisa Hamilton
James E. Lawrence '50	Gerard F. Hawkes '79, MBA '88 Janet (Lawrence) '80, MAT '82, PhD '93	Kathleen Hawkes
Arnold Honig '48 Alice Sterling Honig '50	Jonathan D. Honig '78	Naftali Honig
*Henry Hurwitz '38	Gary N. Inwald '73 Robin Hurwitz Inwald '72, MAT '73	Stephanie Inwald
Donald L. Summer '58	Robert M. Kaplan '77	Jacob Kaplan
August E. Andersen '49	Amy Anderson Kelsey '77	Justine Kelsey
Robert S. Abrams '56 Marilyn (Greene) '57	Jill Abrams Klein '80	Max Klein
Sanford Klion '46	Seth L. Klion '78	Jodi Klion
Joseph R. Stein '49	Susan Stein Klubock '79	Emily Klubock
Morris I. Michael '38	Scott Koenig '73, PhD '79 Robin (Michael) '75	Sarah Koenig
*David Kraushaar '39	Judah S. Kraushaar '79, MBA '80	Liana Kraushaar
William S. Lewellen, MS '59	David C. Lewellen, MS '85, PhD '87	Paul Lewellen
Frederick T. Lewis, DVM '53	Timothy D. Lewis '81	Kara Lewis

*Gary P. Malamut '54	William A. Malamut '79	Matthew Malamut
Ludmilla Uher Jenkins '37	Richard A. Marin '75, MBA '76	Carolyn Marin
*Robert W. Markham '39 Rita (Schoff) '45	Steven R. Markham '78, BS '82	Haver Markham
Marylou Anderson Mason '48	Samuel R. Mason '76 Sarah (Sayles) '76	Micheline Mason
*Charles S. Miller '19, MD '22	Robert F. Miller '53	Robert Miller
*Richard H. Martens '48 *Mary Jean (Smith) '49	Andrew Moiseff, PhD '80 Julia Martens '76	Jennifer Moiseff
Paul T. Keller '54, BS '56 *Janet (Frost) '55	Christopher J. Mossey '81 Linda M. (Keller) '81	Steven Mossey
*Sanford H. Bolz '35, JD '38 *Joyce (Farbstein) '38	Jody Bolz '71, MFA '73	Jessie Northrup
Mabel Carroll Street '37, MA '41	Janet Street Ordonez '78	Sarah Ordonez
Henry Tesluk '41, MD '44	Catherine E. Tesluk, MD '81	Meghan Ownbey
*Lynn G. Palmer '45, BS '49, DVM '50	George W. Palmer, DVM '79	Glenn Palmer
John H. Palmer '49	John F. Palmer '76	Matthew Palmer
Bertil L. Peterson '44, JD '49 Jean (Ripton), JD '49	Craig D. Peterson '73	Kyle Peterson
*Louis E. Principe '38	Michael A. Principe '73	Nicholas Principe
*Paul H. Reinhardt '35	William W. Reinhardt '72 Gail H. Landsman '72	Seth Reinhardt
*Earle C. Adams '28	Brian Rivest '72	Emily Rivest
Richard E. Rodgers '48	Richard L. Rodgers '78	Richard Rodgers
*Simon Rosenzweig '27, LLB '29	Paul J. Rosenzweig '68 Margaret (Lybolt) '32, LLB '34	Will Rosenzweig
Morris I. Michael '38	Eric Michael Roth '74 Laurie (Michael) '75	Ariel Roth
*Herbert E. Rubin '40	James B. Rubin '75	Jessica Rubin
*Arthur D. Goldstein, LLB '53	Mark D. Schaevitz '76, BArch '77 Rochelle (Goldstein) '77	Jessica Schaevitz
*A. Sidney Roth '39 *Selma (Halpert) '36	David Silverstein '68, JD '73 Leslie (Roth) '73	Scott Silverstein
*Malvin P. Sevin '39	Jaar-Mel Sevin Sloane '75	Nessia Sloane
*Marvin C. Soffen '49	Stephen A. Soffen '78 Margaret (Fox) '77, MAT '78	Jennifer Soffen
Gary L. Rumsey, PhD '69 Ronald W. Space '53	Ronald W. Space '81 Ivy (Rumsey) '81	Kelsey Space
Donald W. Strang Jr. '60	Donald W. Strang III '80	Peter Strang
Arthur S. Wolcott '49	Susan Wolcott Stuart '77	Sara Stuart
*Max Turner '23, MA '23	Leaf Turner '63	Rima Turner
*Charles C. Wallace '49	Charles C. Wallace Jr. '75	Charles Wallace
Paul J. West '52, MAT '67	Gerald A. West '78, DVM '81 Kathleen (Seitel) '78, DVM '83	Derek West
*Sidney Meisel '37 Grace (Moak) '41	Robert M. Whiteley, MBA '81	Kira Whiteley
Donald I. Wickham '55	Andrew R. Wickham '81 Melanie (Lipinski) '82	Samantha Wickham
Thomas York '50 *John Munschauer '40 *Barbara (Hunt) '50	Stephen York '77, LLB '81	Eliot York
*Paul F. Zimmerman '50 Margaret (Thompson) '50	Paul F. Zimmerman '78 Kathleen (Kelly) '78	Matthew Zimmerman

David S. Perlin, PhD '80
Amy (Sugarman), MILR '80
Douglas S. Perry '72
Cynthia (Kovacs) '73
Duane E. Phillips '78, MBA '79
Laurie (Paravati) '78
Carl A. Popolo '78
Joan (Passiatore) '78

Joshua Perlin
Breton Perry
Gregory Phillips
Elizabeth Popolo

Dennis A. Posen '76
Ilise (Zimmerman) '76
Jeremy Allen Rabkin '74
Rhoda (Pinn) '75
Thomas J. Rakowski '72
Carol (Carnes) '75
Glenn S. Ritter '76
Marilyn (Reiss) '75

Stephanie Posen
Nathaniel Rabkin
Kayla Rakowski
Alissa Ritter

Cuyle T. Rockwell '79
Heather (Tufts) '80
Karl R. Roneker '84
Carol (Bednarczyk) '84
*Philip L. Rosenfeld '73, MS '76, Allison Rosenfeld
PhD '80
Irene (Blecker) '75, MS '77, PhD '80

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Jose Luis Saenz, PhD '02 Diego Saenz
 Maria Cecilia Saenz-Roby, MS '00
 Warren D. Schlesinger '74, MBA '75 Erica Schlesinger
 Janice E. Beal '74, BS '79
 Patrick S. Schnable '81 James Schnable
 Katharine (Chamberlin) '81
 Thomas P. Schneider '70, MAT '71 Julia Schneider
 Susan Schneider Lang '72
 Richard B. Schrafel '73 Peter Schrafel
 Carol (Finlay) '72
 Len Shapiro '74 Reuven Shapiro
 Bilha Karpman-Shapiro '73
 Samuel L. Silverman '73 Rebecca
 *Karen (Montner) '73 Silverman
 Jonathan S. Spencer '80, BS '82 Sarah Spencer
 Maureen (Kern) '80
 Robert B. Stein '75 Joanna Stein
 Paula (Kirschenbaum) '76
 James W. Stewart '78 Amy Stewart
 Kathryn (Gavin) '78
 Bauer E. Sumpio, MD/PhD '81 Christina Sumpio
 Catherine (Zappolo) '76
 Michael H. Train, MBA '91 Stephanie Train
 B. Jean Train, MBA '91
 Lester M. Travis '71 Seth Travis
 Robin (Nickerson) '76
 Michael L. Whalen '69 Verity Whalen
 Catherine (Hren) '70

Mark R. Wilson '79 Andrew Wilson
 Debora (Messuri) '78
 Mark R. Wilson '79 Steven Wilson
 Debora (Messuri) '78
 Todd L. Wolleman '80 Sara Wolleman
 Ellen K. Beveridge '76
 Hua Xiao, PhD '89 Robert Xiao
 Tiyun (Wu), PhD '92
 Roger J. Yerdon '79 Mark Yerdon
 Darlene (Lachman) '78, MBA '80
 Kevin R. Yuhas '86 Courtney Yuhas
 Serena Berman Goldberg '87
 Allen C. Yun '79, PhD '86, Elisheva Yun
 ME '87
 Diana (Salzman) '79, MS '83
 Joseph D. Zuckerman '74 Scott Zuckerman
 Janet (Rivkin) '75

GRANDPARENT(S) ONLY

59 new students note at least one Cornellian grandparent. Other multi-generational connections are listed in the introductory paragraphs and elsewhere.

Grandparent(s)

John W. Jones '47

*Gar Q. Chew-Lai '47

Child

Alexandra

Acevedo

Micky Alterman

*Ralph J. Barrett '35 Barrett Amos
 Jesus V. Ayala, MBA '55 Beatrice Ayala
 *Roland W. Babb '28 Daniel Babb
 *Marjorie (Knapp) '30
 *John F. Dixon '50 Megan Baker
 *El Sayed M. Sakr, PhD '42 Gizelle Begler
 Donald M. Blake, LLB '51 Gregory Blake
 *Robert A. Klock '36 Jonathan Bridges
 O. T. Buffalow '45 Christine Buffalow
 Frederick H. Bullen '38 Christine Bullen
 *Natalie Halprin Carr '48 Madeline Carr
 *Charles G. Child, MD '34 Lydia Child
 Margaret (Austin), MD '42
 A. James Cochrane '42 Meghan Cochrane
 Dorothy (O'Meal) '43
 Franklin C. Bishop '49 Jeffrey Coons
 Richard H. Beyer '33, JD '36 Michael Covello
 John T. Griffin '49, BA '51 Tessa Crompton
 Dorothy Healey Baxter '52
 *John M. Granville '31 Anton Damiani
 *Peter W. Stone '45, MD '47 Michael Davis
 James C. Preston '50, EdD '68 Todd Denmark
 L. William Kay '51 Sada Dumont
 *Philip A. Dunn '37 Gabriel Dunn
 Robert R. Elliott '47, MEd '55 Stacey Elliott
 Therese (Driscoll) '47

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FOUR CORNELL GENERATIONS

Of the students entering in 2004, 19 are listed as fourth-generation Cornellians.

Jonathan H.F. Davis '77 Deborah (Clark) '78 Patricia Dexter Clark '52 *Milton G. Dexter '24 *Jennie (Curtis) '24	Father Mother Grandmother Great-Grandfather Great-Grandmother	Matthew Davis
Philips Ferry '71 Mary Fish Ferry '44 *Louis Fish '11	Father Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Rebecca Ferry
Richard A. Furie '74, MD '79 Martha (Bobst) '74 *Alfred E. Bobst '43 *Jane (Taylor) '44 *William G. Taylor 1907	Father Mother Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Daniel Furie
Robert Scott Glasser '71 *Leo G. Glasser Jr. '38, MA '40 *Leo G. Glasser '13	Father Grandfather Great-Grandfather	Catherine Glasser
Linda A. Ford '77 *Winfred N. Ford '49 Jean (Edsall) '46 *Gertrude Roselle '16	Mother Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandmother	Emily Hahn
Lawrence W. Hall '81 Stephen S.J. Hall '56 Marjorie (Schmitz) '58 *Wallace S. Young '16	Father Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Cameron Hall
David P. Hayford '78 June (Drake) '78 Peggy Jack Drake '49 *Andrew Jack '19	Father Mother Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Allison Hayford
David B. Holden '77 *Leslie V. Shute '48 *Robert Bronson Holden, GR '44-46 Marjorie (Halpern) '47 *Max Halpern '18, BA '20	Father Grandfather Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Donald Holden
Richard W. Linderman '80, ME '81 Linnea (Peterson) '80 Jeanne Herron Linderman '53 *Wallace W. Herron 1906	Father Mother Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Scott Linderman

Gail Boehm Lyman '75 *Curtis L. Lyman, JD '51 Robert F. Boehm '51, BS '54 Lucille (Glabach) '50 *William C. Lyman 1911	Mother Grandfather Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Laura Lyman
Edward T. Moore '71 *Edward T. Moore '48 Charlotte (Smith) '48 *Edwin P. Smith 1912	Father Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Trevor Moore
Donald C. Opatrny '74 *Donald C. Opatrny '50 *Harold Simmons Booth, PhD '19	Father Grandfather Great-Grandfather	Gillian Opatrny
James A. Paley '68, PhD '81 Sharon (Greenberg) '70 George E. Paley '42 *Marilyn (Breakstone) '42 *Charles Paley '22	Father Mother Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Erica Paley
Andrew M. Schatz '73 S. Michael Schatz '41, LLB '42 Norma (Hirshon) '44 *Nathan A. Schatz, LLB '15	Father Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	Jeffrey Schatz
Martha Plass Sheehe '76 R. William Plass '46 Helen (Palmer) '48 *Harold J. Palmer '24, PhD '46 *Dorothy (Larrabee) '24 *Edward L. Plass '20 *Louise (Hamburger) '19	Mother Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather Great-Grandmother Great-Grandfather Great-Grandmother	Margaret Sheehe
William P. Smith '74 Frederick C. Smith '38 *William Pfeiffer, MD 1903	Father Grandfather Great-Grandfather	Hilary Smith
William D. Talmage '78 John H. Talmage '52 *Nathaniel A. Talmage '22	Father Grandfather Great-Grandfather	Kyle Talmage
Jane Cochran Templeton '68 Robert T. Cochran II '44, BS '47 *Alice (Kincaid) '43 *Thomas F. Cochran '19	Mother Grandfather Grandmother Great-Grandfather	David Templeton
Richard E. Turner '77, ME '78, MBA '79 Terry L. Havens-Turner '79 Richard E. Turner '46 *Richard H. Turner '22	Father Mother Grandfather Great-Grandfather	Richard Turner

Alumni Deaths

'20 BS Ag—Thera Emerson Kahler of Washington, MD, January 5, 1997. Delta Delta Delta.

'25 BEE—Kenneth G. Van Wynen of Ramsey, NJ, October 23, 2004; worked for AT&T and Bell Labs; active in religious and alumni affairs.

'26 BA, MA '35—Frances M. Jennings of Binghamton, NY, October 31, 2004.

'27—Ruth Hooper Neely of Staten Island, NY, April 14, 2002.

'28 BA—Madelyn Reynolds Caskey (Mrs. Kenneth H. '25) of Boca Raton, FL, formerly of Monticello, NY, October 30, 2004; teacher; active in community affairs. Delta Gamma.

'30—Clinton R. Studwell of Los Angeles, CA, May 21, 1997. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'31, BS Ag '32—Amelia Abbott of Aurora, NY, formerly of Smyrna Beach, FL, September 11, 2004; office manager, Ithaca Textiles; active in community affairs. Chi Omega.

'31 BA—Clara Lubin Pye of Louisville, KY, September 18, 2004.

'32 BA—Helen Gellis Wunsch (Mrs. Harry '30) of Brighton, MA, September 8, 2004.

'33 BA—Mildred Coats Bassett of West Oneonta, NY, October 5, 2004.

'33 BME—John A. Hunter Jr. of Winston-Salem, NC, September 13, 2004; mechanical engineer; worked for U.S. Steel; active in professional and alumni affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'33 BA—Paul P. Levin of San Marcos, CA, October 1, 2004; headed real estate dept., ABC; attorney; veteran.

'33—James S. Perkins of Cedarburg, WI, June 21, 2002. Sigma Chi.

'33—Donald P. Stengle of Fayette, NY, October 28, 2004; dairy farmer and horse breeder; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'34 BCE—Norman S. Collyer of Morrisville, NC, September 18, 2004; civil engineer; active in alumni affairs. Chi Epsilon.

'34 DVM—Clarence L. Ranney of Osceola, IA, September 1, 2002; retired cattle rancher; veteran. Phi Gamma Delta.

'35 MD—Edward F. Keefe of Greenwich, CT, September 20, 2004; ob/gyn; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'35 BA—Addison D. Merry of Vero Beach, FL, October 29, 2004; retired from AT&T; veteran; active in civic and community affairs. Phi Kappa Psi.

'35—George R. Orth of Jupiter, FL, June 14, 1996. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'36 BA—Bernard Grossman of Boca Raton, FL, October 2, 2004.

'36 BA, MD '40—Robert M. Richman of New York City, October 23, 2004; physician.

'36—Sydney Rudin of Margate, FL, September 3, 2004.

'36 BA—Mary-Emily Wilkins Wells of Buffalo, NY, October 29, 2004; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Phi.

'37 PhD—George K. Davis of Gainesville, FL, October 27, 2004; active in alumni affairs.

'37 BS Ag—Arthur J. Poelma of Albion, NY, October 4, 2004; retired farmer and teacher; active in community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'38, BS Ag '39—Robert P. Boynton of San Mateo, CA, June 8, 2004; dairy salesman; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'38 BS HE—Gertrude L. Bramley of Framingham, MA, November 1, 2004; physician; New England regional medical director for Maternal and Child Health Svcs., US Dept. of HEW; author; active in community and professional affairs.

'38-39 SP Ag—Col. E. Lloyd Nobles of Melbourne, FL, formerly of Ludlowville, NY, September 2, 2004; veteran. Wife, Mary (Howell) '43.

'38 BS HE—Hope Stevenson Peet (Mrs. Olmstead '35) of Lowville, NY, October 27, 2004; adoption placement worker, Wayne County Dept. of Social Services.

'38 BA—Frank Untermeyer of Riverwoods, IL, October 10, 2004; professor emeritus of political science and African studies, Roosevelt U.; veteran.

'40 BS Ag—Edward D. Garber of Chicago, IL, October 9, 2004; plant geneticist; professor emeritus

of ecology and evolution, U. of Chicago; veteran; author; editor; active in professional affairs.

'40 DVM—Cyril J. Laughlin of Silver Spring, MD, October 15, 2004; veterinarian; farmer; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'40 BS Ag—Howard C. Spence of Horseheads, NY, October 5, 2004. Kappa Delta Rho.

'40-42 SP Ag—John W. Stevens of Cortland, NY, October 21, 2004; farmer; restaurant owner.

'41 SP Ag—Michael B. Karr of New Albany, OH, November 1, 2004; real estate developer; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'41—John M. Turnbull of Bayonet Point, FL, November 4, 2004; retired chemist and quality control officer, Akzo Nobel; veteran; active in community affairs. Beta Theta Pi. Wife, Constance (Luhr) '43.

'42—Harold L. Fargo of Falconer, NY, October 11, 2004; worked for Art Metal Co.; active in civic and community affairs.

'42, BME '47—John H. Hogg of Grove City, PA, October 18, 2004; retired managing engineer, U.S. Steel Oil Well Div.; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'42 BS Ag—Clement M. Krenkel of North Miami Beach, FL, July 15, 1996. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'43 BA—John G. Benson of Syracuse, NY, October 21, 2004; retired research chemist; worked for Allied Chemical.

'43 BS Ag, DVM '46—Thomas J. Love of Watkins Glen, NY, October 25, 2004; retired veterinarian; veteran; active in civic, community, and religious affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'43, BS Ag '53—Mary Strok Peter of Avon, CO, October 15, 2004; worked for USDA and WETA; veteran.

'43 BS HE—Harriet Gauss Smith of Canton, NY, October 3, 2004; operated veterinary practice with her husband; active in community and religious affairs. Husband, Edwin B. Smith '41, DVM '43.

'44 BA—Seymour R. Reiman of Williamsburg, VA, October 2, 2004. Beta Sigma Rho. Wife, Carol (Senft) '45.

'45, BS Ag '47—Harry B. Furman of Redwood, NY, October 20, 2004; vice president, Furman Lumber; owner, Eastern Traffic Safety; veteran; football coach; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Delta Phi.

'45—George F. Hammersmith of Glen Ellyn, IL, July 9, 2004. Chi Phi.

'45—Arthur Handley Jr. of Glass Lake, NY, October 30, 2004; civil engineer; assoc. director, Pure Waters Div., NY State Health Dept.; veteran;

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active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'45 BA—**Samuel W. Mitchell** of Coatesville, PA, July 24, 2004; design engineer, Westinghouse Corp.; active in community affairs. Phi Sigma Kappa.

'45-46 GR—**George W. Trimberger** of Charlotte, NC, October 9, 2004; professor emeritus of animal science, Cornell; expert in dairy cattle; author; active in professional affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'45, BA '44, PhD '50—**Edwin F. Whiting** of Bethlehem, PA, October 14, 2004; vice president, J.T. Baker Chemical Co.; research chemist; musician; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.

'45 BA—**William M. Woodford** of Pacific Palisades, CA, October 3, 2004; salesman; artist. Sigma Pi.

'46 BA—**Caroline Steinholz** Goldsmith of New York City, October 2, 2004; senior VP of public relations, Ruder Finn Arts & Communications; active in artistic, professional, and alumni affairs. Alpha Epsilon Phi.

'46 BS Hotel—**Vincent J. Iannaccone** of Dallas, TX, October 14, 2004.

'46—**George S. Langa** of Stanfordville, NY, July 28, 1981. Lambda Chi Alpha.

'47 BS Hotel—**James V. Bennett** of Plymouth, MN, November 2, 2004; general manager, Hay-Adams (DC), Ritz-Carlton (Boston), Hotel Pierre, and other hotels; active in community and professional affairs. Sigma Chi.

'47 PhD—**Harry L. Raub III** of Allentown, PA, October 2, 2004; emeritus professor of physics, Muhlenberg College; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'47 BCE—**Robert J. Snyder** of Stonington, CT, October 4, 2004; worked for Dodson Boatyard.

'48, BS Ag '50—**Frederick Edmunds Jr.** of Wilsonville, OR, October 5, 2004; owner, Edmunds' Roses; veteran.

'48 JD—**Edward Silver** of Boca Raton, FL, October 1, 2004; labor attorney; senior partner and chairman, Proskauer Rose LLP; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs.

'49 BS HE—**Mai-Jean Anderson** Eisenbrown of Hudson, OH, March 9, 2004. Delta Delta Delta. Husband, Richard S. Eisenbrown '49.

'49 BCE, MBA '51—**Robert N. Holzman** of Boynton Beach, FL, September 23, 2004; civil engineer; active in alumni affairs. Sigma Alpha Mu.

'50 BA, MD '55—**Richard I. Dudley** of Morristown, NJ, October 28, 2004; physician. Theta Delta Chi.

'50 BA, MD '54—**Edward S. Mongan** of Downey, CA, October 23, 2004; former chairman, dept. of medicine, Rancho Los Amigos Hospital; taught at U. of Rochester, UCLA, and USC medical schools; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'50 BA—**Lee F. Richardson** of Tucson, AZ, July 15, 2004; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Tau Omega.

'50 BS Ag—**John F. Robinson** of Gloucester, NC, October 26, 2004. Phi Kappa Psi.

'50 BCE—**Anson R. Stone** of Rochester, NY, October 17, 2004.

'50 BArch—**Arthur F. Young** of Temple Hills, MD, October 12, 2004; retired Census Bureau division chief; developed the American Housing Survey; veteran; consultant.

'51 BS Nurs—**Ruth Ernest Helfferich** of Glastonbury, CT, October 21, 2004; retired coordinator of discharge planning, Mt. Sinai Hospital (Hartford); assoc. professor, Cornell U.-New York Hospital School of Nursing; also taught at Rutgers; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'51—**Bertram Lebhar III** of Tucson, AZ, February 26, 2004; radio talk show host, KTUC. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'51 MD—**E. Addis Munyan Jr.** of Shawnee Mission, KS, October 16, 2004; retired flight surgeon, Missouri Army National Guard; veteran; active in community affairs.

'51 BA—**Joe H. Patch** of Danville, IN, October 17, 2004; president, Special Oils Inc.; active in community and religious affairs. Alpha Chi Sigma.

'51 BA—**Barnard Tilson** of Avon, CT, October 28, 2004; retired director of marketing, CIGNA; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'52—**Concepcion Jordan** Matos (Mrs. Carlos M., MS '49) of San Juan, PR, October 18, 2001.

'52 BA—**Donald E. Terwilliger** of Rochester, NY, October 17, 2004; physician. Phi Kappa Tau. Wife, Margaret (Bellone) '54.

'52 BS Ag—**George S. Woolley** of Rockville, MD, October 2, 2004; owner, VaculandAmerican Country Crafts; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'53 MD—**William K. Riker** of Lake Oswego, OR, October 23, 2004; former chairman, pharmacology dept., Oregon Health & Science U.; expert on epilepsy and stroke; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'54 PhD—**John T. Bryans** of Lexington, KY, October 2, 2004; expert in equine infectious diseases; professor of veterinary science and virologist, U. of Kentucky; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'54 PhD—**Theodore B. Taylor** of Silver Spring,

MD, formerly of Wellsville, NY, October 28, 2004; theoretical physicist; nuclear weapons designer; antinuclear campaigner; profiled in John McPhee's book, *The Curve of Binding Energy*; founder, Nova Inc.; author; taught at Princeton; member, president's commission on the Three Mile Island accident; active in civic and professional affairs.

'54 BA—**Henry S. Wile** of Williamsville, NY, October 20, 2004; insurance and motor racing executive; veteran; active in community affairs.

'55—**Carmine Angelotti** of Cape Coral, FL, July 3, 2003.

'55, B Chem E '56—**Charles H. Brandt** of Westfield, NJ, August 26, 2003. Psi Upsilon.

'55 BS Ag—**Roy A. Haberstock** of Wilton, CT, October 2, 2004; worked for William Raveis.

'55—**Andrew A. Marshall** of Lewiston, NY, October 15, 1994.

'55 BA, MD '59—**Ralph L. Moress** of Pismo Beach, CA, October 12, 2004; psychiatrist; medical director, mental health clinic; active in community affairs. Tau Delta Phi.

'55 MD—**John V. Price** of Syosset, NY, January 22, 2004.

'57—**John C. McConachy** of Blairstown, NJ, August 3, 2004; worked for M&M Mars Corp.; dairy farmer; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'57—**John T. Penner** of Eastry, Kent, UK, was mistakenly listed as deceased in the November/December 1999 *Cornell Magazine*.

'57 BS Ag—**Duncan A. Rankin** of Utica, NY, November 27, 2003; investigator, Niagara Mohawk Power Co.

'57 BA—**Robert H. Smart** of Ithaca, NY, October 23, 2004; urologist; veteran; active in community, professional, and alumni affairs. Phi

Sigma Kappa. Wife, Marjorie (Nelson) '57.

'58—**Pedro Pick** of Prague, Czech Republic, and Caracas, Venezuela, October 4, 2004.

'60 BS ILR—**Steven B. Geffen** of Armonk, NY, October 2, 2004; retired IBM attorney; active in community affairs. Phi Sigma Delta.

'61 MD—**Kevin M. Cahill** of New York City was mistakenly listed as deceased in the September/October 2004 *Cornell Alumni Magazine*.

'61-62 GR—**William H. Deming** of Dryden, NY, October 12, 2004; district superintendent, Dryden Central School District; exec. director, Rural Schools Program, Cornell U.; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'62 BS Ag, MBA '63—**Alfred H. Hicks** of Westbury, CT, October 1, 2004; president, Hicks Nurseries; active in community and professional affairs. Alpha Zeta. Wife, Marilyn (Bosley) '62.

'65, BCE '66—**Lawrence E. Feinberg** of London, England, formerly of New York City, October 25, 2004. Zeta Beta Tau.

'66—**Raven B. Earlygrow** of Point Arena, CA, October 3, 2002.

'69 BA—**Robert S. Patterson** of Cincinnati, OH, October 21, 2004; former chair, English dept., Cincinnati Country Day School; writer; former executive director, Colorado Opera Festival; musician; active in professional affairs.

'70 BS HE—**Hinda Frankel** Squires Levy of Port Washington, NY, October 26, 2004; elementary school teacher; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'72 DVM—**Phillip V. Guild** of Honeoye Falls, NY, October 7, 2004; veterinarian. Alpha Psi.

'72-74 GR—**Anthony F. Long** of Maitland, FL, December 2, 2002; structural section manager, Sverdrup Corp.

'75 BS HE—**Shellie Replansky** Fine of Silver Spring, MD, October 6, 2004. Husband, Eric M. Fine '73.

'77 BS ILR, MBA '79—**Mitchell B. Smith** of Alexandria, VA, September 7, 2004; principal, facilities group, Einhorn Yaffee Prescott.

'80 BS Hotel—**Lee D. Pomerance** of Chicago, IL, October 31, 2004; president, No Place Like Inc.; former nat'l sales director, Double Tree Hotels; active in professional affairs.

'81, BME '83—**William G. Hansen** of Sewickley, PA, November 16, 2004; mechanical engineer; president, Hansen Inc.; also worked for A. Stucki Co.; founder, The Neighborhood Academy; active in civic, community, professional, religious, and alumni affairs. Phi Delta Theta.

'81 BA—**Alan G. Sagan** of Oakland, CA, October 16, 2004.

'82 BS Ag—**Andrew J. Cohen** of Chicago, IL, November 26, 2004; legal aid lawyer; active in professional affairs.

'82—**Anna M. King** of Bronx, NY, January 29, 2003.

'86 BA—**Karen A. Erdman** of Wilmington, NC, October 14, 2004; high school English teacher; active in community affairs.

'91 BS Ag—**Ron D. Cooke** of Lakeland, FL, October 2, 2004; worked for Advanced Prosthetics and Orthotics; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'98 BS Ag—**John M. Wing** of Etna, NY, October 5, 2004.

'02 BS Hotel—**Phillip E. Cummins** of Dallas, TX, September 15, 2004; second year law student, Columbia U.; former Cornell Law School student, selected for Cornell Law Review and International Law Review.

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EMILY DICKENSON DESCRIBED hope as “the thing with feathers/ that perches in the soul.” Gardeners might say that it looks more like a seed catalogue, pages bursting with promises of high yields and robust blooms. Cornell’s collection of vintage seed catalogues, housed in the L.H. Bailey Hortorium, is the country’s largest and most comprehensive, with more than 134,000 examples from all over the world. The oldest dates from 1804.

The collection began, like so many at Cornell, with Liberty Hyde Bailey, who

started gathering seed catalogues sometime after 1888 to research the taxonomy of cultivated plants. Now named after his daughter, who maintained the collection from about 1911 until her death in 1983 at the age of ninety-three, the Ethel Zoe Bailey Horticultural Catalogue Collection continues to accumulate several hundred publications per year.

Read as cultural artifacts, these catalogues provide social commentary on the times that produced them. Whiffs of patriotism infuse the Dingee and Conard Company’s illustration of its 1899 “Victory” rose, paired with a portrait of General George Dewey, the Spanish-American War hero who captured Manila. The catalogues also record technological advances, as lithographs eventually gave way to photographs in the early twentieth century.

Today, nurserymen consult the collection for sources of rare plants, while genealogists use it to uncover long-lost family businesses. Landscape architects



A rose by any other name: Cornell’s historical seed catalogues bloom with ornate illustrations.

refer to the catalogues when replicating gardens that might have surrounded a house built during a particular period, such as the Victorian era. The one aspect that hasn’t been studied, says collection coordinator Sherry Vance, is the elaborate illustrations on catalogue covers and inserts. Anonymous lithographers depicted such wonders as Miss C.H. Lippincott’s “Pink Comet” aster, drenched in brilliant magenta and Barbie-doll pink, with colors that remain vibrant, even in catalogues from a century ago.

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